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GROTON.

West Groton.

Mrs. E. K. Harrington has fully recovered from the attack of quinsy sore throat with which she was recently prostrated.

Irving Moore, an efficient engineer employed by Hollingsworth & Voss Co., was stricken with a serious illness while doing some repair work at the mill last Sunday afternoon. Suddenly complaining of a strange feeling in his head, he immediately fell to the floor and has since been powerless to speak or move. The case is particularly sad, as Mr. Moore is comparatively young and has a family of young children to support. Much sympathy is expressed for him.

Friends of Mrs. Angelo Blood have received letters recently, stating that she is well pleased with her accommodations at the Deaconess Fresh Air home in Haverhill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bixby returned on Tuesday from their trip to Nova Scotia, both feeling better for the change and enthusiastic over the beauties of the region, particularly those of Grand Pré, the home of Evangeline.

Miss Mabel Fuller, sister of Mrs. Charles Bixby, returned this week to her home in Wellesley.

Howard Thompson, starting on Friday morning of last week, spent the following four days in Sheldon, Vt., returning on Tuesday morning.

Miss Nellie Cronin, a teacher in Waverley, is visiting at her home here, but is hoping to return to her duties next Monday. She has recently been in Waltham hospital with a case of threatened typhoid. While there she made the acquaintance of Miss Hazel Thompson of this village, who is in training at the same hospital.

Miss Addie Rudolph, though still in her physician's care, has returned from Groton hospital.

The Magazine club held its annual meeting last Monday evening and has started another year in prosperous condition, having ten members and subscribing to thirteen leading periodicals.

The C. E. society held a social on Friday evening of last week. Owing to the heavy downpour but twenty-three were present. However, these report a good time and a very small amount was added to the treasury.

Reports from Henry Kittredge locate him in Spokane, Wash., where he has obtained a railroad position in the station, it is understood, and is liking well, though finding the climate colder than in the east. Mr. Kittredge was for a short time employed in Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. James Perry and children of Danvers were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Dudley. Little Elliott returned with his aunt, Mrs. Perry, for a visit in Danvers.

Mr. and Mrs. Waterhouse of Pepperell are occupying the cottage of the late Angelo Blood, recently purchased by Mrs. J. T. Shepley. Mr. Waterhouse is machine tender at the paper mill.

The Fallon cottage, located on the back Groton road, lately vacated by Mr. Craft, who has moved to Ayer, is to be occupied by Thomas McMahon, Fred Foss and family are to move into the house vacated by Mr. McMahon, while Earle Sleeper will change his residence from the Kemp house at the mill to the tenement in the double house lately occupied by Mr. Foss.

Miss Elsie Tarbell has returned to her position as stenographer in the paper mill office.

Elliott Blood is attending a manual training school in Fitchburg.

Provost Thompson received second premium for largest collection of vegetables in the school garden exhibit at Groton fair. The largest squash in

his collection weighs twenty-five lbs. and he has fourteen averaging about the same weight.

Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge are spending the week-end with their daughter in Swampscott.

Mrs. Lester Powers, late of Texas, now of New York, is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. P. Shores.

Mr. Fuller of Wellesley, brother of Mrs. Charles Bixby, was in town on Wednesday. He is the civil engineer employed by the water commissioners, who held a business meeting on Wednesday evening.

J. T. Shepley started on Friday morning of last week on a business trip to Sheldon, Vt. Among other heavy undertakings this season, the Missisquoi Pulp Company are blasting off a ledge for a building with storage capacity of ten thousand tons. In the preparation for this building they will remove fifteen hundred cubic yards of stone.

H. Spaulding, R. F. D. carrier, was ill with a severe attack of indigestion on Friday of last week, and his substitute, J. T. Shepley, being away, the route was served by G. S. Webber. By dint of strenuous treatment on the part of his physician, Mr. Spaulding returned to his route on Saturday, though not able to resume other work till the following day.

The chicken supper given by the L. A. society on Wednesday evening was the usual success despite the somewhat unfavorable weather. The social which followed was enjoyed by a good number. Readings were given by Mrs. J. P. Trowbridge and Miss Alma Bowles, and piano solos by Mrs. Wiggin.

The first of a series of entertainments and dances to be given by Squannacook lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., will be given on Friday evening, October 13, at Squannacook hall. Concert by Thayer's orchestra, five pieces, assisted by other talent, to commence at eight o'clock sharp. Dancing from 9:30 until twelve o'clock. Ice cream and cake on sale in the lower town hall throughout the evening.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

The social library was opened the afternoon and evening of September 28, after being closed for about six weeks while being catalogued. Those ladies who have spent so many days the past four months were present to register, as there is a new system in charging the books. Each one who is to have the privilege of taking out books must register.

Emerson Pineo, with his wife and three daughters, who made a three-weeks' visit at his home in Nova

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Mrs. Abble (Hills) Abbott of Florida is visiting relatives and friends in Hollis. She is a sister of the late James Hills.

At the baby show held in grange hall on the forenoon of the Hollis fair, prizes of silver mugs were awarded by vote of the visitors to the following: Arlene Mamie McMaster, hand-some; Hillard Wheeler, fattest; Dorothy Childs Hills, best natured. China mugs were awarded Elvira Maxwell, Howard Clayton, Maxwell, Althea May Nute, Genevieve Mae MacVeagh. All babies at this exhibition were two years and under.

The Hollis Woman's club held its first meeting of the season with Mrs. Anna Bell on Wednesday afternoon. The inclement weather kept many of the members away. The general topic of the year is Japan. At each meeting there will be a paper on Japan, or an illustration of Japanese life; also, a paper on some vital topic of our own country. At the roll-call the response is to be some item of current events.

Miss Ethel Goodwin went to Pepperell on Monday to care for her aged aunt, Mrs. Sarah E. Lawrence, who fell two weeks ago and dislocated her shoulder.

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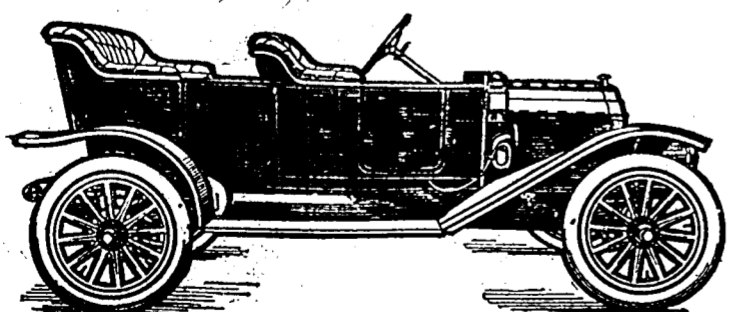
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WESTFORD.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Cutter are rejoicing over the advent of a baby daughter into their home, come to join a family of three brothers.

Robert S. Young, who has suffered a prolonged period of ill health has not been as well this week and requires the close attention of physician and nurse.

Miss Martha Hildreth and her mother, Mrs. James Hildreth, have come to spend the winter with Mrs. Fletcher Perkins and her sister, Miss Lucy Tobey. Mrs. Hildreth is ninety-three years old, the oldest woman in town. Mrs. Perkins is eighty-five and Miss Tobey is seventy-nine, which makes quite a household of elderly members.

Miss Ruth Fisher has been obliged to have a leave of absence from her school duties, having been seriously threatened with a nervous breakdown, a rest and change of scene being ordered by her physician. Miss Clara Smith and Miss Edith Forster are substituting at the Frost school in Miss Fisher's place.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hall and Miss Marion Hall leave this next week to spend the winter in California. They have relatives in Pasadena and Los Angeles, and their son, Harry Hall, who is in California, will spend the winter with his parents. Miss Marion has secured a nice position to occupy herself with while there.

Master John Gill Fletcher has been suffering with abscesses in both ears and was taken to Lowell by Dr. Wells one day last week for special treatment by a specialist.

Mrs. John B. Fletcher, who has been in the habit of spending her winters in Chelmsford, will remain in her own home this winter, and Miss Delia Wheeler is to stay with her as companion and helper.

Mrs. Sarah J. Drew, who has been suffering with an attack of bronchial pneumonia, is much better and making good recovery.

Mrs. George Whitney is ill at her home suffering with abscess of the stomach.

The net proceeds of the recent agricultural fair were about one hundred and fifty dollars.

E. S. Raymond, who is such a good friend of our town library, has recently presented some beautiful volumes of Japanese art which are most attractive and well worth perusal.

The first meeting of the Tadmuck club will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 11, at the Unitarian vestry at three o'clock. The meeting is in charge of Miss E. Marion Sweet, Mrs. C. A. Blaney and Miss Winnifred Burnham. It is to be a "home afternoon," and members will answer the roll-call with useful household hints; also, historical stories of the town. The ladies will bring their sewing and help make this an informal affair. A musical program has been arranged and club tea will be served.

Charles D. Colburn, who so seriously injured his left hand in an ensilage cutter two weeks ago, is making as good progress with the injury toward recovery as can be expected.

The Westford Board of Trade held a well attended meeting at the town hall on Wednesday evening. The committee for a descriptive pamphlet of the town reported and the pamphlet as outlined by them was ordered printed. This is to contain views and reading matter with advertising, the latter to defray the expense of its getting up. Those in charge of oiling streets reported and it was stated that fully half of the expense had been met by private subscription, the rest to be met by the town. This oiling has proved itself a good thing.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening. About a dozen hydrants were opened and tried out, and later a business meeting was held at their headquarters.

About Town.

Eben A. Wood of Nicholville, N. Y., has been making a short visit to his relative, Miss Loker, at the Providence farm. He has been correspondent for a Pottsdam paper for twenty-five years. As such he has preserved his correspondence which has been gathered into several volumes.

The youngest daughter of Mrs. Robarge of West Chelmsford has scarlet fever. They formerly lived at Brookside.

George Perkins, who has been superintendent of the Nabnasset farm for eight years for George C. Moore, has bought a forty-acre farm in Paxton, Worcester county, and moved on to it. The family will be missed around Brookside and West Chelmsford for their good, wholesome, companionable ways.

Curtis P. Mason, employed at the Read farm, has been seriously ill and removed to the Lowell hospital.

Andrew A. Sackett, a farmer section master on the H. E. Fletcher railroad, has been visiting old friends on Oak Hill and West Chelmsford.

The historical sketch of the old No. 2 Moore's school in Groton by Edward A. Richardson of Ayer, proved like his former review of "Annals of a neighborhood," a charming exposition of school-day life and the only regrettable word "concluded."

Mrs. George H. Whitney is seriously ill at her home on East Main street, corner of Providence road.

Congratulations to George E. Howard on the arrival of new hopes and promises. May it prove medicine to

Grandpa Calvin Howard in recovering from his recent accident.

Charles L. Watts has left the employ of the Brookside mills where he has been employed many years, and has moved to Clinton in the employ of Paul Wise, a former superintendent of the Brookside mills.

The obituary notice of Dr. John Scott Mason, which appeared in last week's issue, and making his winter home in Westford, has led the writer, as well as all Westford, to inquiring "Who art thou?"

Grange.

Middlesex North Pomona grange held its monthly meeting with North Reading grange on Friday of last week. The address of welcome was given by Chester Hayward of the local grange, response by Rev. James Danforth of Tyngsboro, chaplain of the Pomona grange. The following question was handed out for general discussion: "Which is more serviceable to a farmer—practical knowledge gained by experience, or knowledge gained from agricultural books and papers."

Afternoon session was an address by Elmer A. Stevens, treasurer of the commonwealth. His address fitted closely the appropriateness of speaker and hearers, on the subject of "State expenditures." This was followed by music and papers. At 6.30 the degree of Pomona was conferred on a large class of candidates.

Temperance Meeting.

The semi-annual meeting of the Middlesex Northwest temperance union will be held in the Congregational church, Westford, on Thursday, October 12, commencing at 9.45, with devotional service by Rev. David Wallace of Westford. The vote in Maine and its bearing on the temperance cause at large will be discussed by Rev. Silas N. Adams, Concord Junction, and Rev. George M. Howe, Groton. At 10.45 an address will be given by Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, president of the anti-saloon league, on "The anti-saloon league and its work." General discussion at 1.30. Praise service, Rev. Edgar Crossland, South Acton. At 2.15 an address on "Temperance," by Rev. George F. Kenngott of Lowell, followed by general discussion.

To be Closed.

The Nabnasset farm will take on the evidences of closing, as the owner has decided to close down for the present. This is one of the largest hay producing farms in Westford, it being made a specialty. It is located at the outlet of Nabnasset lake on the east, the lake outlet passing through the center of the farm and close to the farm buildings; thence on to Stony Brook and thence by canal from West Chelmsford to the mills owned by Mr. Moore at North Chelmsford. With the closing of the farm will also be the closing of the boathouse. The farm has several hundred acres of park forestry surrounding Nabnasset lake.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The W. C. T. U. held its October meeting with Mrs. Emma Day, Cold Spring and Graniteville road on Wednesday afternoon with twelve members present. Mrs. Janet Wright, the president, presided. After the usual routine business, arrangements were made for the temperance union meeting which meets in town next Thursday. The union is non-sectarian and is it hoped the town will be largely represented and contribute towards the comfort and entertainment of visitors. The committee on the dinner are Mrs. S. L. Taylor, Mrs. Homer M. Seavay, Mrs. John McMaster, Mrs. Emery J. Whitney, Mrs. Longley, Mrs. C. A. Blaney, Mrs. Q. A. Day, Miss Louise Crosby, Mrs. Alice Lambert.

Forge Village.

Many of the village people were present at the formal opening of St. Catherine's church on Sunday afternoon. They had the pleasure of listening to Monsignor Teeling, D. D., of Lynn, the first monsignor to be welcomed to the town of Westford.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met in Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon at the usual hour. Rev. A. L. Dampus was the guest of the meeting.

The regular meeting of Loyal Self-Help lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., was held in Abbot hall on Monday evening. P. P. G. M. George Emley of Lowell was the guest of the evening and entertained the members of the lodge by a well chosen speech. Joseph Bennett also entertained with phonographic selections.

Miss Theresa Lowther and Miss Rachael Cherry were present at the musical festival held at Worcester last week. They were entertained during their visit by Mr. and Mrs. Baker of College Hill.

Supt. Frank H. Hill addressed the teachers of Cameron school at a meeting held at the school on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Brackett, supervisor of drawing, also made a few remarks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Camping of Lawrence with their family visited at the home of Edward J. and William Hunt over Saturday and Sunday.

John Spinner, Jr., has accepted a position in the express office at Ayer. Mrs. T. Thompson of Boston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Cougle. The Sunday school teachers of St. Andrew's mission are busy arranging for a children's concert to be held in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cougle have sold out their boarding house in Bradford street, which they have superintended for the past seventeen years, and have set up housekeeping in Edward T. Hanley's tenement on Central street. Mrs. Miller with her daughter and grandson now have charge of the boarding house.

The Jolly Six held a social dancing party on Friday night in Abbot hall. A delicious oyster supper was served at intermission.

A Carkin visited his daughter, Mrs. Calise of Leominster on Sunday.

Howard Northrup has returned from a visit to relatives in the Provinces.

Mrs. George W. Cressy of Salem and Miss Edith Cressy of Los Angeles, Cal., have been recently the guests of

their sister and aunt, Miss Elizabeth Plummer of this village. Miss Cressy will return to California shortly to continue in her profession of trained nurse.

A son was born last week Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. George Howard of Littleton. Mr. Howard is the well known clerk for Conant & Co.

Miss Grace Lawrence, who has been stopping at Maplewood, N. H., has returned. She says that the Presidential range is covered with snow, which looks to be a forerunner of a cold winter.

LITTLETON.

News Items.

Moving on Harwood avenue has become the fashion or fad. Next week Clyde Crane moves into the house with Mrs. Crane's parents at Littleton Common; Clifford Shedd moves into the Callahan house vacated by the Cranes, and the new barber, William Adams, moves to the tenement in Willard Gibson's house vacated by the Shedd.

Edward P. Sheehan attended the Barre fair on Thursday of last week.

Ralph Hill, who is studying at the Y. M. C. A. school in Boston, boards at home this year, and goes back and forth on the train.

J. H. D. Whitcomb is one of the judges at the Brockton fair this week.

J. T. Warren visited his daughter, Miss Cora Warren, in Boston last Saturday.

Mrs. John Lemley arrived in town last week Friday, coming from Canada. At 11.30 she saw and heard Premier Laurier deliver a famous speech on reciprocity from the veranda of a hotel to an audience that thronged the streets and occupied every available space within hearing distance.

Revs. Fairfield and Brown attended the ministers' meeting at Ayer on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lucy Pickard was a week-end guest of her daughter, Miss Mabel Pickard, in Boston.

Mrs. Annie C. Smith attended a joint reunion of the Massachusetts Family association and Colonial families in Kingsley hall and a banquet in Ford hall on Tuesday afternoon and evening. While in Boston she was also present at the formation of a Smith association.

Mrs. Augusta O. Dewey visited her sister in Brookline last week.

Mrs. Layton and little daughter Elizabeth returned home from their long outing on Tuesday noon.

George F. Stone has converted the North schoolhouse into a desirable tenement house and has let it to a Holbrook family from Forge Village.

Miss Andrews, teacher, was suddenly called to her home in Maine by sickness. A Fitchburg Normal student is substituting for her.

Mrs. Warren Flagg has gone to Allston where Mr. Flagg makes his headquarters. They hope to secure a tenement soon and begin housekeeping again.

Mrs. Leslie Hager plans to accompany her husband on a business trip in the Moxie auto into the Berkshires next week. Mrs. Hager visited relatives in Melrose last week.

Peter C. Edwards closed his summer home on Friday, and with his family, left for New York city, where they will reside this month.

Dr. Christie is making eye, ear and nose tests of the public school children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Conant returned from their wedding trip on Saturday evening. They visited their relatives for a few days and left town on Tuesday for their home in Chicago.

Rev. and Mrs. William Channing Brown attended the Connecticut Valley conference at Deerfield on Tuesday evening and Wednesday. Mr. Brown was one of the speakers on denominational work. Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Brown went to Templeton for the Worcester County conference. They plan also to attend the fall conference to be held in Washington, D. C., the last week in October.

Arthur W. Drew started on Tuesday for a trip across the continent. He will first visit at Minneapolis, and later go to Seattle and other places of interest, returning home in six or seven weeks.

Mrs. Irving Bailey of Cambridge spent Sunday at her home in Littleton.

Benson Priest and family arrived in town last week.

Some of the pipe for the water works has arrived and has been teamed to Oak Hill.

Miss Mabel Sargent entertained her mother, Mrs. Sargent, of Montague City, at Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's last Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. Savage of Boston was a Sunday guest at Frank Farmer's.

Charlie Johnson, son of Forest Johnson, has been visiting his grandfather, E. W. Maxwell. He is one of the infantile paralysis victims of two years ago, and still has to use crutches.

Frank Plummer's family of Maynard spent Sunday at Thomas Stephens'. Mr. Stephens' condition does not improve.

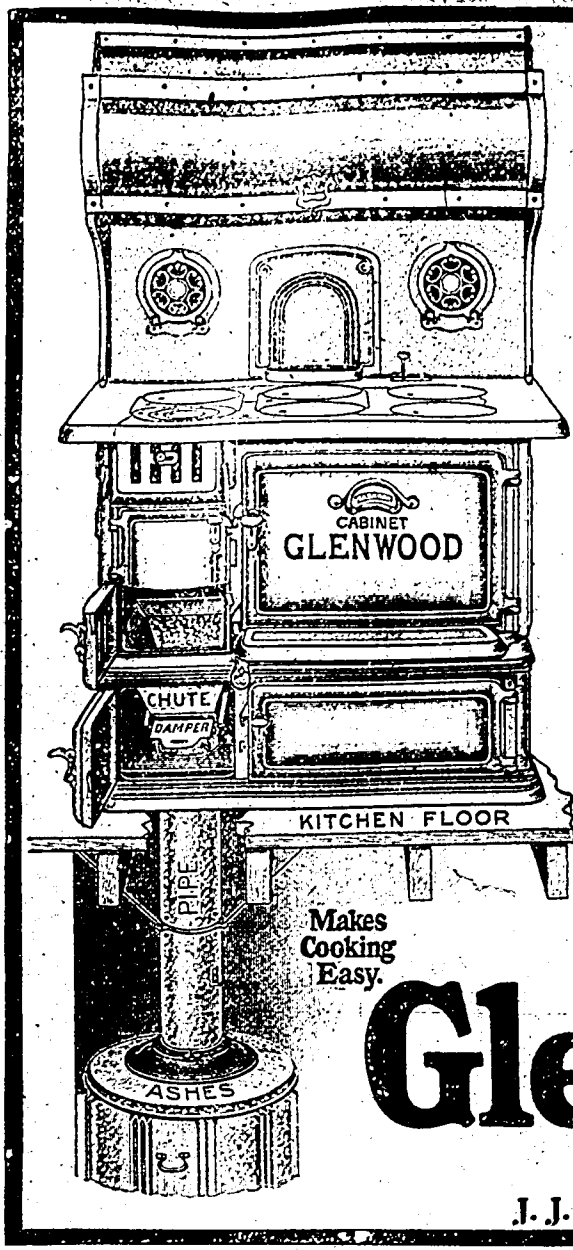
The prayer meeting to have been held at John McKinlay's last week Friday, was postponed a week because of the severe storm.

The Misses Emma and George Whitcomb have moved to Shirley village.

As October 12, Columbus day, is now a legal holiday, there will be no school. October 18, the Northwest Middlesex teachers' convention will be held at Townsend, and the schools will be closed then. As the teachers will also be expected to attend the Middlesex teachers' convention at Tremont Temple in Boston on October 27, the schools will again be closed on that date.

Supt. Frank H. Hill went to Worcester yesterday for the meeting of school superintendents.

Miss Gladys Kimball goes to New Bedford next week Wednesday to take a three-years' course in trained nursing at St. Luke's hospital, provided the



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Miss Augusta Nye and Stanley Haynes attended the Baptist convention at Hudson on Tuesday. From there they went to Bolton to visit among friends for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge spent a few days last week with relatives in Greater Boston.

A. F. Conant has been at home sick with a cold for several days, and returned to his duties in the store on Monday.

Miss Emma Callahan started this week for Mansfield, Ohio, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. James Lawton.

Percy Crane has gone back to Mansfield, Ohio, to work in the suspender

factory. He stopped at Athol to see his mother, Mrs. Joseph Crane, who had been visiting there for several weeks. Mrs. Crane returned to Littleton this week. Her household duties have been performed by her daughter, Mrs. Day, of Lynn.

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AUCTIONS.

Lewis Richardson of Boxborough will hold his eighth annual fall sale of Cows, Heifers and two bulls on Monday, October 9, at 1.30 o'clock P. M., sharp. Otis H. Forbush will cry the sale.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer will sell by public auction, seventy-five cows and one bull, the property of D. E. Sherman, South Lincoln. The sale will be held on Monday, October 16, at 10.45 a. m.

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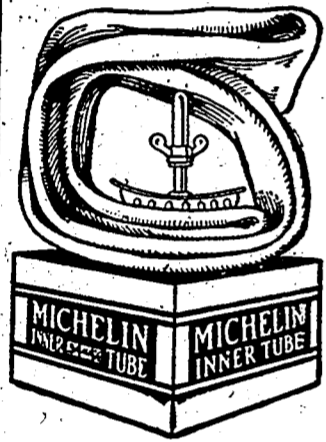
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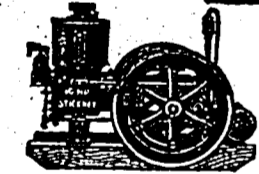


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West Townsend. Both Mrs. Mary Tucker and her daughter Stella are quite ill at their home.

Miss Blanche Sprague was called to her home in Readsboro, Vt., by the death of her grandfather. She left on Friday morning and returned on Monday, and there was no session of the grammar school during her absence.

The total number of books distributed from the reading-room for the month of September was 203.

Miss Mildred L. Seaver of Nashua, N. H., was at her home here over Sunday.

Miss Freda Jodery, from Concord, is at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Woods.

F. H. Ormsby of Boston was in town last week overseeing the installing of a twenty horsepower gasoline engine in his rug factory in Josselynville.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt has returned from a few days' visit to her son in Leominster.

Mrs. Amelia Hellor and daughter Isabelle from Nashua, N. H., are stopping at their cottage in Josselynville for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Manchester returned on Saturday from a few days' visit to relatives in Salem, where they attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Bessie Conway.

About twenty from here attended the roll-call of the Congregational church at the Center last Thursday.

Mrs. Jewett, from Hubbardston, is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle.

Dr. Henry Boynton has been spending a few days' vacation out-of-town this week, enjoying a fishing trip to the south shore with a party of friends.

Miss Julia Ford of South Deerfield called upon friends in town Saturday, and Mrs. Joseph Hornig of Ayer, with her two children, visited her friends here on Thursday.

At the meeting of the Eclipse engine company on Saturday evening, the committee on the sick benefit fund, consisting of A. J. Manchester, Alex. Reed, Thomas Smith and Clarence Webster, gave in their report and it was voted that Dr. H. B. Boynton act as physician of the company at a stated salary for the remainder of the year, which expires on December 31. A new set of by-laws was also adopted.

Edward Patch and Ralph H. Willard from Boston spent the week-end with their parents at their respective homes.

Walter Carter from North Rochester, Vt., who was formerly employed at Stickney's mill, visited friends in town the last of the week.

Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence celebrated her seventieth birthday at her home on Elm street last week Thursday by entertaining a party of twelve of her relatives, and the occasion was most enjoyable. During the afternoon and evening a number of her friends and relatives called to offer their congratulations and best wishes. She was well remembered by gifts and a postal shower of over one hundred cards, one of the features of the day which was much appreciated by the recipient.

Ernest G. Wilson is at present employed at James' Market in Waltham as a meat cutter.

At the recent business meeting of the church it was voted that the Finns in this locality be allowed the use of the Baptist vestry to hold a service some time this month under the direction of the Finnish minister from Fitchburg.

Miss Maud Hodgdon from Melrose, and Mrs. Elmer Tandy from Milford, N. H., have been recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan.

Mrs. Mary Tucker is taking her daughter's place in the Belgrade rug factory, until she has sufficiently recovered to resume her work.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown of Bedford, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Taylor from Milford, N. H., have been recent guests of Mrs. Lucy Lawrence.

Miss Violet Hiscok, who has been at the home of Mrs. Mary Tucker for the summer, has returned to Boston.

The first meeting of the Woman's club was held in the reading-room on Monday evening with eleven present, and was devoted to business and plans for the winter's work. It was decided to take up the study of Shakespeare and the "Merchant of Venice" was decided upon for the first. The meeting was changed from Monday to Thursday evening to suit the convenience of many of the members and a good attendance and good work is expected to be done this winter.

George M. Frye has closed his rooms at R. McElligott's house on Elm street and is out-of-town for a few weeks.

Miss Grace Thompson left on Monday morning for Boston, where she will enter Simmons college.

Mrs. Eliza Wheeler, who has been in ill health for a number of years, has left her boarding place at J. A. Willard's, and is in a sanatorium in Worcester for the present.

The L. B. S. met in the vestry on Wednesday afternoon and as few were present on account of the storm. It was decided to meet again on next Wednesday afternoon and make plans for their annual fair, which will be held next month.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard are visiting relatives in Clinton this week. The Men's club held their first meeting of the season at the reading-room on Tuesday evening with seven present. Carl B. Willard is serving as president and treasurer, and L. C. Barker as secretary. The evening was pleasantly passed in a discussion of current events.

A very high-class entertainment will be given in Seminary hall next Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Baptist church, one-half the proceeds to be used for the piano fund. The program will be given by Miss Marlon Wilson of New York, an

impersonator of great talent, who is received with enthusiasm wherever she performs. Ice cream and cake and home-made candy will be on sale during the evening, and at the close of the entertainment.

On Saturday evening the pupils of the public schools of this village will give an entertainment in Seminary hall for the benefit of the two children of James Bell, who was recently burned out of home and all his belongings. The children are pupils in the grammar school and their schoolmates are anxious to have a share in assisting them in their need. The entertainment will consist of songs, recitations and exercises learned at school, and will commence at 7:30 promptly on account of the younger members. At the close of the program there will be a sale of home-made candy.

Y. P. S. C. E.

On Sunday evening the regular semi-annual business meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. was held in the vestry at the close of an informal service at which the pastor officiated. In the absence of both president and vice president, Miss Mabel Thompson was chosen president pro tem and occupied the chair. The following officers and committees were elected: Foster Hamilton, pres.; Miss Bertha Boynton, vice pres.; Mabel Thompson, sec.; Ian Ruck, treas.; Henry B. Hathaway, chairman, Miss Bertha Boynton, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Hamilton, trustee meeting com.; Alice V. Seaver, chairman, Miss Stella Tucker, Miss M. Elmer Tandy and Mrs. M. T. Wilder, lookout com.; Mabelle Wilson, chairman, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hodgman and Charles J. Ormsby, social com.; Rev. S. D. Ringrose, chairman, Miss Gladys Rawson, Miss Lena Thompson, missionary com.

It was voted to entertain the Nashua River union here on February 22, and also to present the piano fund with eight dollars from the proceeds of the harvest supper.

Pleasantly Surprised.

On Thursday evening of last week, the young friends of Miss Inez McElligott gave her a surprise party at the home of Mrs. S. D. Ringrose, where she was entertained to tea. About sixteen were present and a most enjoyable evening was passed in games and music. Refreshments were served and Miss McElligott was presented with a silk umbrella as a token of the love and esteem of her friends and their best wishes for her happiness in her new home and success in her new work.

On Saturday evening the members of the L. B. S. and the L. S. C. met in the vestry and gave a farewell supper to Mrs. Louise McElligott. A very dainty supper was served and at its close Mrs. McElligott was presented with a silver cold meat fork and two dessert spoons engraved with her initials and the date. The presentation speech was made by Rev. S. D. Ringrose, and Mrs. McElligott, though taken entirely by surprise and greatly affected, was able to respond by a few words of thanks.

Mrs. McElligott and her daughter left on Sunday morning for their new home in Somerville, where she will keep house for her son George, who is at the Boston Art school, and her daughter will attend the kindergarten in the city. Both have been a great help in the social life of the village and will be greatly missed by their neighbors and many friends.

Wedding.

James B. Dods of Scotland, who is employed by the West Townsend Granite Syndicate, and Miss Elizabeth A. Conway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Conway, of Salem, were united in marriage at the chapel of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Salem, at four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, September 27. Rev. Jeremiah Herilly officiated. The bride's sister, Miss M. Louise Conway, acted as bridesmaid, and wore pale blue silk and carried pink carnations, and her brother, William H. Conway, jr., acted as best man. The bride's gown was a white embroidered pattern dress and her veil was fastened with a spray of the rare white heather, sent for that special purpose by the sister of the groom from their home in Scotland, and her bouquet was bride roses.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, where a large number of guests from Salem, West Townsend, Washington, Boston and New Hampshire were entertained. The decorations were of autumn foliage and Miss Alice Conway had charge of the gift room, where many beautiful and costly gifts of silver, linen and cut glass were exhibited.

After a trip through the White Mountains and into Maine, the happy couple will make their home at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Manchester in Josselynville, and will be at home to their friends after December 1.

Fire.

At two o'clock on Sunday morning an alarm of fire was rung from the Baptist church, denoting a burning building, and the community awakened to see the northern sky illuminated by the flames caused by the destruction of the Orin Manning place in the north part of the village, which caught fire away from neighbors, the family, which consisted of Mr. Bell, who was on a sick bed threatened with typhoid fever, his wife and a young son, had a narrow escape from cremation and lost everything they owned except the few garments they flung around them in making their escape from the flames.

The fire was discovered by Mrs. Bell, who was awakened by a stifling sensation and heard a strange noise in the attic, and upon opening the door to investigate she was met by a rush of flames. Quickly closing the door she rushed to her husband's room and with the help of the son succeeded in smashing out the window frame and lifting the sick man through, and had hardly gotten out with their burden when the ceiling fell and the entire building was a mass of flame.

While the boy hastened to the village to give the alarm and get assistance, Mrs. Bell cared for her husband and they were obliged to watch their home burn, without any chance

to rescue any of their belongings, except the dog, a family pet, which she was able to save by breaking in a window with a large stone. By the time the fire company arrived on the scene the building was past saving and their efforts were directed to saving the barn and out buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell were taken in an auto to the home of their daughter, Mrs. Johnson, of lower Main street, where Mr. Bell is in quite a serious condition as a result of the shock. The entire community express great sympathy for the family in their trouble and stand ready with offers of clothing and money to assist them in their difficulty. Mr. Bell is employed on the railroad and has been ill for several weeks, and they have only owned their home for a few months before this calamity came upon them.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

The entertainment at the local grange on Wednesday evening, October 11, will be in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett are at Milford attending the carnival this week.

Frank Gilman has accepted a responsible position at Gardner, Mass., and later contemplates locating there. Mr. and Mrs. Gilman have been public-spirited people and will be much missed from the community.

Mrs. M. Emma Jenness will sell personal property at auction on Saturday, October 7. O. D. Fessenden, auctioneer. Mrs. Jenness, daughter Lena, and son George, are to move to Nova Scotia. The many friends of Mrs. Jenness regret that she is to leave town.

Rev. Warren L. Noyes will preach a special sermon to the men and boys tomorrow morning upon "The forward movement in religion."

Sunday, October 15, will be rally Sunday at the Congregational church and Sunday school.

Miss Ellen C. Sawtelle, Miss Martha Wright of Boston, Alan Parker and Herschel Sculmer of Lowell, Mass., were guests at Four Pines over Sunday.

Misses R. Deverd Parker and Edna A. Parker spent the week-end at Inncroft.

Mrs. Edward E. Parker is at Marblehead for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin have been visiting relatives at North Adams.

Miss Clara A. Gilman of Heppner, Oregon, and Miss Flora A. Skinner of Concord have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence at Hillcrest.

Charles W. Shattuck of Maynard has been a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson.

David Burge of Vineland, N. J., a former resident, has been visiting his niece, Mrs. Adella Whitcomb.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman E. Wright are to occupy the apartment at Mrs. Cora Boultonhouse's for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Towner, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tomer of Melrose, and Mrs. Lydia Tomer Miller of Rochester were guests at the Elmwood over Sunday.

Misses Grace Whitcomb and Mertie Whitchee have been guests at the Whitcomb homestead.

The following have taken out hunter's licenses: Edwin E. Smith Robert H. Taylor, Edward R. Pierce, Reuben F. Kacy, Ernest L. Gilson, Newell F. Farnsworth, Walter A. Farnsworth, Ralph O. Greeley, Walter E. Corey, Wendall H. Taylor, Oscar F. Elliott, Richard F. Wright, Clayton Hobart, James H. Gilson.

Hunter's licenses can be obtained of Mrs. Ella W. Tucker.

Children's night was observed at the local grange on Wednesday evening, September 26, and the program was finely rendered by the children, under the supervision of the lecturer, Mrs. Edna A. Hall. Promenading was participated in, Mrs. Emma Valedge presiding at the piano. Ice cream and cake were served. Several invited guests enjoyed the evening.

Little Miss Esther Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, was awarded the prize of a silver child's set at a series of entertainments given at Tarbell's hall, receiving the largest number of votes. Rodney Wright, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wright, captured the second prize.

Mrs. N. J. Daniels will spend the week-end and Sunday at Putnam, Conn., the guest of Rev. F. D. Sargent and family.

Pleasantly Entertained.

Mrs. Edward E. Parker entertained the Sunbonnet club on Wednesday, September 26, and dedicated the spacious new barn at Inncroft by serving dinner therein. The national colors and flags gave it a gala day appearance and the table with its beautiful blossoms, the center piece of delicious fruit, the appropriate souvenirs and the tempting viands made a charming picture. While the small boy was not in evidence, surely his whistle was, marred only by the thought that several of the members were soon to leave us. At the close of the day a visit to the cosy bungalow at Mrs. Edward Hadley's was enjoyed. Those in attendance were Mrs. Edward Hadley, Mrs. Chester Valedge, Mrs. Edward Tucker, Mrs. Albert Pierce, Mrs. William Hall, Mrs. Alpha Hall, Mrs. George L. Dodge, Mrs. H. Arthur Brown, Miss Blanche W. Hall.

Death.

William Brooks Rockwood, a native and life long resident of Brookline, passed away on Thursday night, September 28, after an illness of several months, aged 76 yrs. 11 mos. A kind, genial, hospitable man closely allied with the town. He was a staunch democrat and always interested in political affairs. A man who seemed to be a part of the town. During his long illness he has been tenderly cared for by his wife.

The funeral took place at the home on Monday afternoon, Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., under whose pastorate Mr. Rockwood united with the Congregational church, officiating.

Charles Stickney and Chester Valedge sweetly sang, "Will there be any stars in my crown," and "Jesus, lover of my soul."

The burial took place in the family lot at the South cemetery, George Edward Rockwood, Will Hasselton, Howard Carter and Fred Sawyer serving as bearers. Many beautiful floral tributes bespoke the love and esteem of a large circle of friends. A widow, son, George Edward Rockwood, of Everett, a daughter, Mrs. Clara Hasselton, of Townsend, two grandsons, three granddaughters and many friends mourn his loss.

Among those in attendance from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Rockwood and son Clair of Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hasselton of Townsend, Howard Carter of Oak Bluffs, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sawyer and daughter Eva of Sterling, Luther McDonald of Malden, Mrs. Elmer Wallace of Townsend, Edwin Edson of Leominster, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rockwood of Nashua, George Litchfield, Mr. Whitcomb, Mr. Kilburn of Lunenburg, Mrs. Walker and son of Fitchburg, Rolan Blood of Pepperell, Eldora Fessenden, Newton.

LITTLETON.

About Toyn.

Next Sunday evening the Guild will be the hostess to the neighboring guilds, they all having been invited to be present.

Mrs. Sargent of Montague City spent the week-end and over Sunday here with her daughter, Miss Mabel Sargent, the West school teacher, at Mrs. Adeline Knowlton's.

Frank Pingrey and Harry W. Ireland began their duties as jurymen in Lowell last Monday.

Miss Marlon, daughter of Dr. Walter Tyzzer of the St. Louis, Mo., hospital, is a guest of her cousin, Mrs. A. F. Hopkins.

Mrs. Emma Kimball-Lemley is stopping just now with her brother, A. T. Kimball. She has made no definite plans for the future.

Pictures of Colorado's grand scenery and views are on exhibition at the library.

Jessie Dodge will improve his house by the addition of a piazza and having them painted.

As required by law the new individual drinking cups were used at the communion service at the Unitarian church last Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Litchfield, who formerly lived here, is on from California now, for a short stop among old friends.

Roy Jewett started Tuesday morning for Florida, where he intends to spend the winter.

The Lovejoys all left last Friday for their Cincinnati home.

Mrs. Grace Lawrence sails for Boston on the Winnepesaukee on the Leyland line on October 7, reaching home about October 15.

Neighborhood Meeting.

The Young People's Guild of the Unitarian church will hold a neighborhood meeting in their vestry on Sunday evening at seven o'clock. A special program will be provided from the National organization in Boston, and reports will be given from the various societies represented, and during the social hour light refreshments will be served. A cordial invitation is extended to all and the young people of the parish are especially urged to be present.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of ANN McDADE late of Harvard in the County of Worcester, deceased, and has taken upon herself the trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and the persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

EMMA J. FINNEGAN,

Administratrix.
50 Pleasant Street,
Dorchester, Mass., Sept. 16, 1911. 312

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all others interested in the estate of JOHN L. CARNSWORTHY late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas, CHARLES F. WORCES- TER administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at public auction, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution, in separate lots as described in said petition. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of October, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the County of Middlesex, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one cannot be found, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last day of the said publication to be on the day before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

GROTON.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner H. Rockwood are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Ruth T. Rockwood, to Harold R. Sheedy, both well known young people of this town.

Dr. E. B. Branigan has just bought a handsome new auto which came to town on Wednesday night.

Mrs. Reginald Foster, sister of John Lawrence, is with her daughter, staying for a couple of weeks at Groton Inn.

At the Groton fair dance on September 28, John Donahue had a twelve-dollar raincoat taken.

The eighty-first annual meeting of the Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches, composed of twenty-four churches, will be held with the Congregational church at Leominster, Wednesday, October 18. The Groton Congregational church belongs to this association.

Apple buyers who have been holding off before, have been in town this week and several of the orchardists have sold them their apples.

The reading club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. M. Chamberlain of the Ayer road.

The semi-annual meeting of the Middlesex northwest temperance union will be held next week Thursday in the Union Congregational church at Westford. Groton is one of the sixteen towns comprising this organization. Rev. George M. Howe, pastor of the Congregational church here will speak on "The vote in Maine and its bearing on the temperance cause at large," which comes at ten o'clock in the forenoon's program.

James Lawrence is in New York for a few days, and is staying at the Hotel Wolcott.

Edward Cleary began work in the West Groton paper mill this week.

Mrs. John Trayne went on Wednesday to Boston where an X-ray examination was made for her old kidney trouble.

The W. R. C., at a recent meeting voted to hold a food and apron sale in the near future, the proceeds to replenish their treasury. One of the commendable objects in view is to suitably improve the soldiers' lot in Groton cemetery. The committee for the coming food and apron sale is Mrs. Alice Gilson, chairman, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. Whitehill, Mrs. Benedict, Miss Gibson and Mrs. Collier.

Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck took the train on Tuesday morning for Milford, going to the home of her sister, where the two had planned to enjoy a carriage drive to Portsmouth, N. H. They will be gone a week.

The cars made their first regular running over the double track through to Pepperell last Sunday.

A small semaphore station has been put up near the railroad bridge on the crossing next to Mrs. Barrows' land. A. E. McDonald from Clinton is the operator.

W. F. Bixby, forester and tree surgeon, with his force of four or five men, is to begin work soon for John Lawrence. Mr. Bixby was originally from Texas, but recently of Providence, R. I., and came here from Lowell.

Forty hours' devotion service began at Sacred Heart church on Sunday.

The opening game of the football season at Groton school was played last Saturday with Boston Latin. Groton won over the visitors by the score of 12 to 0.

Miss Ellen Denahy is taking her vacation from the Misses Warrens. This week Miss Denahy, in company with her cousin, Morris Lane, is visiting relatives in Boston. Next week Officer Lane returns to his duties in San Francisco, Cal.

Erving C. Davis of Acworth, N. H., has been a guest for a few days this week of his brother, S. F. Davis, and sister, Mrs. W. A. Moore. On Wednesday, Mrs. Moore returned with him to Acworth. Mr. Davis will next week become a benedict. His bride-to-be is Miss Gertrude Chatterton, a trained nurse. Their future home will be at the old Davis home in Acworth. Mrs. Moore will return home next Monday, allowing her brother, S. F. Davis, and her daughter, Miss Helen Bell Moore, to attend the wedding on the following Wednesday.

The new hay scales are finished and ready for use.

The selectmen have had the old town pump removed and a secure cover placed over the old well, and the grounds around there smoothed off and put in better shape.

The K. O. K. A. held their first meeting since the vacation at the Unitarian vestry on Tuesday evening.

We hear that the West street bridge recently built, has been condemned by state commissioners, who find that it is not broad enough to allow of autos and other vehicles passing each other and that there is a wrong incline.

The local W. R. C. were fortunate in having a pleasant afternoon on Tuesday sandwiched in between rainy and cloudy days. Although it was cool enough to wear wraps, it was good October weather. However, when one of the members, Mrs. Edwin A. Shattuck, came to look for her outside garment as she was leaving the hall to go home it was nowhere to be found nor has it since been heard from.

Mrs. George Francis Bancroft and daughter are here from Omaha, Neb. Mr. Bancroft, who came east with them returned, but will later come back to Groton, where the family will make their home, residing in the house of his aunt, Mrs. Caroline R. Bancroft, on Main street. Mrs. Caroline Bancroft, who is quite aged, will live in the family of her niece, Mrs. Charles H. Gerrish, of the Powder House road.

C. H. Gerrish is to have a heating plant installed in his house.

Work on the Pleasant street railroad bridge is being pushed right along as fast as possible. Blasting is being done as necessary. The selectmen have as yet failed to see the obligation of the town to pay the \$550, said to be asked of them as their share of the cost in building the bridge, but an agreement may be reached later on.

The Improvement society will meet with the Misses Warren on Monday afternoon, October 9, at 3.30 o'clock.

R. M. Erving received a letter on Tuesday from a friend in the White Mountain region who writes that he awoke on the morning of September 30, to see Mt. Washington covered with snow.

Born on Friday, September 29, at the home of the parents on Champey street, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William Charlton.

Charles E. Osgood, seeming just a little improved, was taken to his home on Champey street from the Groton hospital last week Saturday, although still in a very weak and ailing condition. The last reports heard from him are that he was about the same.

General Samuel C. Lawrence, who died recently in Medford, fitted for college at Lawrence academy in Groton, and he always expressed a deep interest in the institution. Among his bequests is one of \$25,000 to the academy, to be paid after the death of his widow.

Miss Margaret Wiseman is attending the Bryant & Stratton school of Boston.

Grange.

The next meeting at Groton grange, Tuesday evening, October 10, will be observed as children's night. All the grange children are urged to be present and enjoy a general good time. It was voted at a recent meeting of the grange to discontinue the giving of table cloths and napkins as heretofore. This leaves one set on hand. Next Tuesday evening these are to be sold by auction to the highest bidder.

Other articles brought in by members will also be sold in the same way. J. W. Wilson a member of the grange, will be the auctioneer. The money obtained from this sale is to serve as the nucleus of a building fund. The meeting of next Tuesday evening will open at 7.45 sharp, and close earlier than usual on account of the children's attendance.

Inspected.

The W. R. C. met for inspection on Tuesday afternoon with Miss Ella K. Boss of Fitchburg, inspecting officer. Mrs. Gilchrist from Fitchburg, a former resident of Groton, accompanied Miss Boss. There were also present, coming from Ayer, Mrs. Kennison, Mrs. Emma Woods, Mrs. Wentworth, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Sawyer, president of G. S. Boutwell corps, Ayer, and department aid; also, Mrs. Lovejoy, chairman of the department of the executive board. Miss Boss reviewed the work of the corps with much satisfaction, saying for one of its size, she considered their work as well done as any she had ever inspected. Other ladies spoke in praise of the local corps and joined with the inspector in words of appreciation of its president, Mrs. Effie Harrington. After the inspection a social hour was enjoyed and light refreshments of cake, cocoa, sandwiches and fruit were enjoyed.

Auto Accident.

Tuesday morning, an exciting and expensive auto accident occurred at the railroad bridge on Main street north, going towards the mill. Mr. Clinton of Philadelphia, president of the corporation owning the Nashua River Paper Company mills of Pepperell and Groton, was, with his chauffeur, driving to the mill when just as they reached the bridge they saw Dr. Kilbourn in his auto coming at full speed up the road, which is a continuation of Grately road and runs past G. H. Kemp's. To avoid the imminent collision, the chauffeur, Mr. Flester, quickly turned his car out but struck the abutment or big timbers which are holding up the bridge.

Mr. Clinton and the chauffeur were thrown out but escaped with scratches and a bad shaking up. Their handsome and powerful seven thousand dollar car was badly wrecked. Three auto men came out from Boston and with the chauffeur worked on the car until twelve o'clock that night to get it in shape to be towed to the city. It is estimated that it would cost two thousand dollars to put the car back again in good order. In all probability if the chauffeur had not seen Dr. Kilbourn and swerved out as he did, there would have been a fearful collision and a sad and fatal accident, as well as an expensive one.

Weddings.

Miss Anna E. Gilson of Groton and Otto Shattuck of Pepperell were married by Rev. P. H. Cressey at the Unitarian parsonage, Groton, on Wednesday, September 27, at eight o'clock. The bride is a daughter of Stephen Gilson of this town and is night operator at the Groton central telephone station. The bridegroom's home is at the Prescott hotel, Pepperell, where he has a garage. Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck, since their return from a few days' wedding trip to Boston and vicinity, have been staying mostly at the hotel. Their plans for the future are not decided. Mrs. Shattuck leaves her position at the telephone office on November 1.

The marriage of Richard Lawrence of Groton and New York city, and Miss Lois Swan of New York city took place in Paris on Tuesday, September 26. A civil ceremony in accordance with the French law was performed in the forenoon and this was followed by a religious ceremony in the embassy, where Rev. J. B. Morgan, pastor of the American Episcopal church of Paris, solemnized the marriage. Witnesses for the bride were Mrs. Alexis Stern and Arthur Scott, while William Iselin and Warren Robbins, the newly arrived secretary of the embassy, signed for the bridegroom. Other witnesses were Mrs. Walter N. Keenan of New York, Ambassador Robert Bacon and several other members of the American embassy in Paris. After the ceremony Ambassa-

dor Bacon gave a small luncheon. Besides the wedding party the guests included Mrs. Montgomery Sears, Miss Sears, Countess Moltke, Henry Sloane, Miss Sloane, W. N. Kernan and the embassy staff.

The bride is the daughter of the late Joseph R. Swan, a lawyer of Utica, N. Y. Her brother, Joseph Swan, a banker, and her sister, Mrs. Walter Kernan, both live in New York city. The bride is well known in society and art circles and has won fame as a portrait painter. President Taft gave her sittings last year.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence of Groton. He has made his home in New York city for several years and is a well-known member of the Knickerbocker club of that city. Mr. Lawrence's sister is Mrs. Nathaniel F. Emmons, and his brother is James Lawrence of Milton. There is besides a large Lawrence family connection, among whom is Bishop Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence is a member of the Somerset club.

Funeral.

The funeral of Solomon Fletcher was held from his late home on Pleasant street, Sunday afternoon, October 1. Rev. H. A. Cornell being the officiating minister. Relatives, neighbors and other friends were present to show their sympathy, which was further expressed by an abundance of floral offerings. The interment was in the family lot in Groton cemetery.

Mr. Fletcher was born in Groton and has lived here the greater part of his life. His age was 74 yrs. 6 mos. 25 days. He was the son of John and Clarissa (Smith) Fletcher, and belonged to an old New England family. He was a good citizen and neighbor. A man of few words but hardworking and one who supplied his household well with the necessities and comforts of life. He was often employed by the town to work on the roads or otherwise and was capable in his labors.

Besides the widow, he is survived by two sons, Walter and Robert Fletcher, and one daughter Florence of this town, and two daughters, Mrs. Etta Stewart and Mrs. Ida Jewett of Pepperell.

Fair.

The Congregational church fair is to be held in the town hall on Thursday, October 12, Columbus day. The doors will be open to the public at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon. There are to be seven booths all prettily trimmed in national colors and seven tables as follows, with the chairman of each:

Ice cream and cake, Mrs. W. A. Moore; home-made candy, Miss Fannie E. Taylor; fancy, Mrs. Wallace A. Brown; domestic and apron, Mrs. Chas. Harrington; wild and apron, Mrs. Chas. Harrington; wild and apron, Mrs. Chas. Harrington; Mrs. Thomas Attkin; gift, Mrs. H. W. Whiting.

Supper will be served in the lower town hall at the hours of six and seven. Sidney F. Davis, chairman of committee. After supper, and commencing at about eight o'clock, an entertainment will be given in the main town hall. This entertainment will be opened with a piano solo by Lewis Knapp, after which the one-act comedy, "Mrs. Tubbs' telegram," by Katharine McDowell Rice will be given. This is a bright little play, full of fun and has proved a great success wherever given. The cast of characters is as follows:

Mrs. Tubbs, Mrs. Laura Adams
Children of Mrs. Tubbs:
Rowena, Mrs. Elizabeth Adams
Amelia, Genieve Harrington
Tommy, Malcolm Wood
Tiddy, Charles Murphy
Other little Tubbs:
Beatrice Murphy, Blanches Benedict
Mrs. Haven, Mrs. Alice Rockwood
Mrs. Loretta, Miss Effie Harrington
Miss Simpkins, Mrs. Janet Wood
Telegraph messenger, Kenneth Sawyer
Place-Kitchen of Mrs. Tubbs' at Clinton corner.

Much time and labor has been spent in preparing for this fair, and the ladies hope the public will respond generously and find themselves well satisfied with the time and money expended.

Premiums Awarded.

The following premiums were awarded at the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair last week Thursday. The exhibits were few in some classes than in some other years. Perhaps the rain and cloudy skies of Wednesday threatening a rainy day for Thursday had something to do with these scanty exhibits. The management were very fortunate in having a bright, clear day and a large attendance.

The sofa pillow exhibit of girls of the Groton Sewing school was very interesting. It was a special and independent exhibit not classed with those competing for prizes from the Farmers' and Mechanics' club. Last spring at the close of the sewing school session, Mrs. John Lawrence gave to a number of girls material for sofa pillows and material for working them. These were to be finished and shown at the fair. Mrs. Lawrence offered four premiums—first and second to girls over twelve, and first and second to girls under twelve. Eight prettily worked pillow covers were shown. The winners were: Girls over twelve, Irene Peabody 1st, Robina Gilson 2d; girls under twelve, Beatrice Murphy 1st, Cecilia Cleary 2d.

The premiums awarded by the Farmers' club were:
Class 1, plowing—John Gardner, 1st; Robert Sargent, 2d.
Class 2, drawing—under 2600, Samuel Blodgett, 1st; John Gardner, 2d; over 2600, Robert Sargent, 1st; Arthur Barram, 2d; single draft, Robert Sargent, 1st; W. L. Wood, 2d.
Class 3, horses—Best pair carriage horses, F. J. Whittemore; best carriage horse, H. A. Johnson, 1st; Austin Healy, 2d; best one-year-old colt, E. J. Miller, 1st; H. A. Johnson, 2d; G. A. Gilchrist, 1st as stud; best brood mare, H. A. Johnson, 1st; G. A. Gilchrist, 2d. A freak of nature—a three-legged horse—was one of the curiosities shown and attracted most attention throughout the day. It had no competitors and was not entered to take a premium in any class of exhibits.

Classes 4, 5 and 6 had no entries.
Class 4, poultry—R. I. Reds, John Clark, 1st; Geraldine Lawrence, 1st; R. I. chickens, White Lehigh, H. M. Longley, 1st; pair ducks, M. A. Johnson, 1st; pair geese, M. A. Johnson, 1st; Class 5, best trace of field corn, George S. Knapp, 1st; Frank H. Woods, 2d.
Class 6, vegetables—Best and largest variety, Son, 1st; potatoes, Irish Cobbler, J. F. Peabody, 1st; Green Mountains, W. F. Wharton, 1st; J. F. Peabody, 2d; best show of melons, Taylor & Son, 1st; best twelve parsnips, Taylor & Son, 1st; best twelve carrots, Taylor & Son, 1st; three bunches of celery, Taylor & Son, 1st; potatoes,

Early Rose, John Moyle, 1st; Cow Horn potatoes, S. J. Blodgett, 1st; three best squashes, Taylor & Son, 1st; Moyle, 2d. General display—Best show of squash, John Moyle, 1st; Taylor & Son, 2d; best bushel, colored, Taylor & Son, 1st; three best cabbages, Taylor & Son, 1st; show of cabbage, Taylor & Son, 1st; three best pumpkins, John Moyle, 1st; onions, half-bushel, John Moyle, 1st; turnips, half-bushel, Taylor & Son, 1st; J. F. Peabody 2d.
Class 10, fruit—Hubbardston, Berry, H. Berry, 1st; Arthur C. Tuttle, 2d; McIntosh Red, George S. Knapp, 1st; A. C. Tuttle, 2d; Roxbury Russets, Dr. A. Mason, 1st; Ayer, 1st; A. C. Tuttle, 2d; R. I. Greenings, George S. Knapp, 1st; W. W. Ames, 2d; Gravensteins, George S. Knapp, 1st; A. C. Tuttle, 2d; Porters, George S. Knapp, 1st; Charles H. Berry, 2d; Snow, George S. Knapp, 1st; Baldwin, George S. Knapp, 1st; Dr. C. E. Gilson, 2d; Ben Davis, Dr. Gilson, 1st; C. H. Berry, 2d; Northern Spy, Daniel H. Mason of Ayer, 2d; Belle fleur, Maitland Johnson, 1st; Taylor & Son, 2d; Palmer Greening, H. M. Longley, Shirley, 1st; G. S. Knapp, 2d; peaches, M. A. Johnson, 1st; George S. Knapp, 1st; John Moyle, 2d; general display, ten varieties, George S. Knapp, 1st; Canada Red, John Moyle, 1st; Sheeppose, Wm. Chatterton, 1st; Penaukee, M. A. Johnson, 1st; Fallwater, A. C. Tuttle, 1st; Pound Sweet, A. C. Tuttle, 1st; Blue Pearmain, Dr. A. Mason, 1st; Fall Pippin, C. H. Berry, 1st; best plate of grapes, W. Taylor & Son, 1st.

Class 11, bread, cake, pastry, etc.—Best white bread, Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 1st; Mrs. Millard Smith, 2d; best graham bread, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; best brown bread, Mrs. Michael Denahy, 1st; Mrs. George L. Smith, 2d; best 12 dozen rolls, Mrs. Millard Smith, 1st; best biscuits, Mrs. W. W. Ames, 1st; best fruit and jelly, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; Mrs. Millard Smith, 2d; best fruit cake, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; Mrs. Millard Smith, 2d; best sponge cake, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; Mrs. Millard Smith, 2d; best ginger bread, Mrs. Millard Smith, 1st; Mrs. W. W. Ames, 2d; best doughnuts, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; best apple pie, Mrs. Michael Denahy, 1st; Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 2d; best squash pie, Mrs. George L. Smith, 1st; best fancy pie, Mrs. Millard Smith, 2d.

Class 12, household manufactures—silk quilts, Mrs. N. C. Anderson, 1st and 2d; best made apron, Miss Evelyn Shattuck; labors, Miss Evelyn Shattuck, 1st and 2d. Under this class were shown some beautiful paintings and needle work which came in too late. There was exhibit in collar and check-board not marked for premium.

Class 13, school gardens—Collection of vegetables, Harry Davis, 1st; Provest beans, Mrs. H. H. Sargent, 1st.

Class 14, cut flowers—Dahlias, Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 1st; asters, Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 1st; potted plants, best display, Miss Geraldine Lawrence, 1st.

The racing was the best of any held in recent years. The greatest interest centered in the "free for all" class. Red Pepper, owned by Frank C. Blood was the first horse on the ground, coming over to the track several days before the fair, and as usual, his owner claiming to have his horse in condition to break the track record of 2.20 1/2. As this is an annual statement the management was not surprised to find that Red Pepper was out of his class. Dolly C, owned by J. A. Healy of Graniteville, showing him the way for the three straight heats. Dolly C proved to be the dark horse. Red Pepper's time in the second and third heats was taken as 2.28 and 2.29 1/2. In this class "Caffeno," owned by Fred H. Bellows of Boston, also started. He appeared at the track about 10.30 for several days before the fair.

It was evident after the first heat that Red Pepper and Caffeno had seen better days. It is said that the foolish ones lost quite a little money on Caffeno. Mr. Billings was surprised to get his from one of the farmers up in the country. The result of the races follows:

2.27 class—Sister Patch, 1; Whirlwind, 2; Col. Patch, 3; Nellie Kemper, 4. Time, 2.28 1/2, 2.29, 2.29 1/2.
Free for all—Dolly C, 1; O. Flanagan, 2; Red Pepper, 3; Dr. Band, 4. Time, 2.28, 2.29 1/2, 2.29 1/2.
Oat race—1st, Hooker, 1; Handy Dandy, 2; Colonel, 3. Time, 2.58 1/2, 2.58 1/2, 2.54 1/2.

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AYER.

News Items.

The following named Unitarian ministers were guests of Rev. Dr. Fisk at the parlor of the church on Tuesday: Charles E. Billings and George C. Wright of Lowell, James Danforth and N. S. Hoagland of Tyngsboro, P. H. Cressey of Groton, Oliver J. Fairfield of Littleton, William Channing Brown, New England field secretary of A. U. A., Herbert Matt of Nashua, N. H., and H. R. Hubbard of Franconstown, N. H.

Boy Scouts football eleven will meet on this Saturday at 1.30, at the vicarage for a tramp to the Peters farm, Harvard and a bonfire. All former Scouts are invited.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will serve a bean supper in the vestry on Wednesday, October 11, at six o'clock.

A son was born at Ashland, Va., October 1, to Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Crooks. Dr. Crooks is a former pastor of the Congregational church in town, and is now located at the Northwestern university at Evanston, Ill.

The Unitarian Social Gathering will hold its regular business meeting on Tuesday afternoon, October 10, at four o'clock, in the vestry of the church. It is hoped that all members will be present at this meeting. Supper will be served at six o'clock. All welcome.

Those who attend the moving pictures Saturday evening will see one of the best ever made by the Biograph company, entitled, "Fighting Blood." It is one of their late pictures and has made a decided hit wherever shown. The subject of the other feature picture is "Across the Plains." Joseph Conroy of Boston is to be the singer in three of the latest illustrated songs.

The ladies of the Helping Hand of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. George B. Turner, East Main street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock to sew. All should be present.

Rev. Paul E. Secrest, a graduate of Boston university, has been appointed pastor of the M. E. church and began his duty Friday night of this week. There was the usual prayer meeting at 7.30. Sunday morning service at 10.45. Sunday school at twelve. Evening service at seven. All are welcome.

The batter boards are in position for a new house facing Third street next to the residence of Charles E. Craig, which will be built by Capt. M. P. Palmer of Groton.

Miss Persis Bartlett of Fitchburg will give up her position at the local telephone office tonight.

Mrs. Mary McGuane and little son visited at H. L. Whitcomb's, Townsend, this week.

Edward A. Richardson moved his family to town from his summer cottage at Sandy pond on Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Mrs. J. C. Reynolds and Mrs. F. W. Lowell attended the meeting of the Wachusett Baptist association at Hudson on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Maria Lovejoy and daughter, Miss Sadie Lovejoy, in company with Mr. and Mrs. George R. Houghton and daughter, Miss Elsie Houghton, of Harvard, left here on the 1.30 west-bound express on Tuesday afternoon for Fallbrook, Cal., where they will remain a short time as guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Findlay, formerly of Ayer. They were joined at North Adams by Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Mitchell of Barre, Vt., Mrs. Mitchell being a daughter of Mrs. Lovejoy. They will make their permanent home in San Diego, Cal.

Mrs. Frank S. Bennett and daughter Elizabeth and Miss Charlotte Sanderson, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Geo. A. Sanderson, attended the musical festival at Worcester last week Friday and enjoyed a very fine artistic concert.

Frank L. Smith, who has been spending several weeks with his parents in Melrose, and who visited in Ayer a short while, last week, left for Chicago on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith had all their children with them last Sunday at their home in Melrose. Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Haggitt and children, Glenn and Gordon, of Everett, George P. Smith and fiancée, Miss Ida Williams of Wollaston, and Frank L. Smith of Chicago. Miss Rachel Morton of Everett and Percy V. Monk of Boston were also in the party.

W. Edward Murphy will leave for Detroit, Mich., Tuesday, as a guest of the Studebaker corporation, visiting the plants where the E-M-F "30" and "Flanders" "20" are manufactured. The special train that leaves Boston will take as invited guests all the New England agents of the Studebaker corporation.

A unanimous call was extended to Rev. John Whitley of Dorchester to become pastor of the Congregational church at a meeting held last Monday evening. Mr. Whitley was pastor of the Congregational church at Lebanon, N. H., for several years. He is now taking a course at Harvard university where he is working for a Ph. D. degree.

Next week Friday, Mrs. S. M. Davis and her son, Arthur B. Davis, and wife and two children will leave for Santo Barbara, Isle of Pines, located off the coast of Cuba, a possession of Spain. They will make their home there for the winter. Mr. Davis has a tract of land and will engage in the cultivation of tropical fruits. There are many New England people residents there.

Mrs. S. H. Pierce left on Thursday for Fitchburg, where she will make her home with Mrs. True, a relative. Mrs. Pierce was ninety-one years of age last February. A number of years ago she was a nurse and was employed by a number of families in this town. From here she went to Harvard and after residing there a few years, moved back to Ayer. For the last seven years she occupied the upper tenement of the house of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Felch on Pleasant street.

The alarm of fire on Friday afternoon was for a fire in the house of Mrs. Kate Toohy on West Main street, just over the bridge. The cause of the fire was a spark from the chimney in the oil which set fire to the shingles

and was easily extinguished by the house hose. The damage was slight.

Mrs. George Harrigan of Portland, Me., who has been visiting at the home of her mother, left for home on Friday.

The Ayer high school football team played the Fitchburg high at Fitchburg last Saturday and were defeated by a score of 41 to 0. This Saturday they play the Fitchburg freshmen at the town park.

The Ayer Military band are to give a dance in Page hall on Wednesday evening, October 11. The band will give a short concert in front of the hall before the dance. It is the purpose of the band to collect money enough to carry them through the winter so as to be able to give open-air concerts next summer.

The Y. P. R. U. had a very interesting meeting on Sunday evening. It opened with a brief business meeting at which the report of the annual meeting was read and an invitation accepted to hold the meeting on October 8, with the Littleton Guild. The leader was Miss Pauline Sherwin. The program included an excellent report of the annual meeting of the National Y. P. R. U. by Miss Natalie Bigelow, the delegate; a piano solo by Miss Mona Steadman and a reading from Dr. Crothers' book, "Work and worship," by Mrs. Ruth C. Sherwin.

Mr. Lovett will reopen his classes in Page hall on Friday afternoon, October 13, at four o'clock for the juvenile class, and the same evening at eight o'clock for the adult class.

Wedding. Edward H. Bliss, a well-known real-estate agent of this town, and Miss Ida G. Willett of Barre, were married on last week Wednesday at Boscawen, N. H., by Rev. J. H. Bliss, father of the groom. The ceremony was performed in a pine grove close to his sister's home in that town, and everything in connection with it was as informal as possible.

After the ceremony the wedded couple left on a bridal journey by automobile, spending some time at Webster lake, N. H. They will make their home in Harvard on the farm owned by Mr. Bliss between the depot and the center.

The wedding was originally planned to take place in Massachusetts, but it was found that Rev. Mr. Bliss being a New Hampshire clergyman, could not perform a marriage in this state. Hence it was necessary to make the journey to Boscawen for the ceremony.

Official Visitation.

A visitation to Bancroft Royal Arch chapter of Masons was made on Tuesday evening, October 3, by Charles W. Godfrey, d. d. g. h. p., of Fitchburg, representing the eleventh caputular district. He was accompanied by Fred A. Watson, d. d. g. c. of h., and other members of the suite, among whom were Robert Browning, p. h. p., of Concord Junction, a former deputy for the sixth caputular district; Benjamin Taft, p. h. p., of Bancroft chapter, and companions Henry A. Ancill and George E. Seabury of Clinton chapter. At 6.30 the companions and guests sat down to a supper prepared by E. H. Bigelow, the caterer.

Following the official visitation and inspection came a most enjoyable feature of the evening, the presentation of four past high priest jewels to companions who have presided over the chapter. In behalf of the chapter the presentations were made to Frank S. Pierce by Charles F. Watts; to Charles F. Watts by W. E. Murphy; to W. E. Murphy by John F. Lentz, and to John F. Lentz, the retiring m. e. h. p., by Albert A. Fillebrown, king. The recipients all responded feelingly and expressed their appreciation for the brotherly spirit which led to the gift from the chapter.

In addition to the work of the visitation the deputy installed the newly-elected and appointed officers assisted by Companion Watson and John G. Faxon as d. d. g. c. of h.

The following officers were installed: Albert A. Fillebrown, h. p.; Herbert H. Proctor, k.; Huntley S. Turner, s.; Stephen N. Lougee, chm.; Frank S. Pierce, treas.; Elton H. Bigelow, sec.; A. P. Fillebrown, capt. of the host; A. Richardson, p. s.; Ellis B. Hartley, r. a. c.; Charles H. Wear, jr., w. m.; C. Oscar A. Nelson, Westford, m. s. v.; Joseph W. Fletcher, Westford, m. s. v.; Louis H. Cushing, s. s.; George B. Turner, J. S.; Oliver K. Pierce, Tyler.

The chapter is entering on its eleventh year with every prospect of the continuation of the success which has marked its growth in the preceding year.

Enthusiastic Meeting.

Another fraternal organization was added to the local list on Thursday evening when the Ayer grange was formally instituted by Charles M. Gardner of Westfield, the master of the state grange, who was assisted by Edward E. Chapman, the state grange overseer, and Miss Bertha M. Farnsworth, Flora of Groton grange. Forty-seven members were initiated. The exercises took place in Eagle's hall. The officers of Groton grange formally opened and closed the meeting. One hundred and thirty local and visiting grangers were present.

The nominating committee consisted of Leroy C. Smith, Walter Winslow, Mrs. Emma Wood, Miss Lillian Wright and Alfred Oikie. This committee brought in the following list of officers who were installed: H. W. Robbins, m.; W. C. Winslow, o.; Mrs. Margaret Rand, lect.; C. E. Stone, stew.; F. T. Auld, ass't. stew.; Emma Wood, chap.; Augustus Lovejoy, treas.; Chester P. Perrin, sec.; A. E. Oikie, k.; Miss Grace Dottridge, Cerer.; Martha A. Wilson, Flora; Mrs. Walter C. Winslow, lady ass't. stew.; E. W. Carley, Berton Williams, J. L. Kennison, ex. com.

After the ceremony of installation refreshments were served and a social time followed. State Master Gardner made remarks saying he was well pleased at the prospects of a prosperous and successful grange here. Edward E. Chapman, overseer of the state grange, sang two solos during the evening which were well applauded. The meeting broke up about eleven o'clock. Members were present from the following granges: Littleton, Groton, Dracont, Shirley, Wachusett, of Leominster, Ludlow, Westfield, Townsend, Watatic of New

Ipswich, N. H.; Fitchburg, Harvard and Progressive of Bedford, N. H.

The new organization will meet in Eagle's hall, West Main street, on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month for the present. C. H. Hardy, who is to erect a building on Central avenue, is considering adding another story to the building, where the grange may have permanent quarters in the future.

The full list of charter members follow:

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Chester P. Perrin, Mrs. Margaret Rand, Miss E. K. Bruce, Mrs. Larned, Mrs. Oikie, Mrs. Aldrich, Mrs. Woods, W. C. Norris, Warren A. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Auld, Marion Winslow, Miss J. K. Mason, Martha M. Wilson, Grace Dottridge, Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Winslow, Phileas Daudelin, Raymond E. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Berton Williams, Lillian Wright, Marion W. Robbins, Mrs. E. K. Bruce, Mrs. E. W. Carley, Mrs. Susan Fitzgerald, Mrs. Louisa Hall, B. T. Larrabee, Miss C. E. Scribner, Nettie E. Johnson, Myrtle E. Quackenbush, Hilda Quackenbush, Geo. M. Barrows, A. M. Winslow.

Wedding.

Miss Julia E. Ladoo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Ladoo, was married to George F. Pushee of Northampton on Wednesday, October 4, at the home of her parents in Leominster by Rev. George R. Baker. There were present many from Ayer, Groton, Pepperell, Northampton and Boston.

The couple were attended by Raymond B. Ladoo, brother of the bride, and Miss Maud L. Whitaker of Ayer. The wedding march was played by Miss Etta Harrington. The bride wore white gown trimmed with embroidery and insertion. She wore a veil and carried a wreath of bridal roses. The ushers were Harlan McKenzie of Fitchburg and Thomas Jones of Ashby.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Ladoo and daughter were former residents of this town.

Woman's Club.

The woman's club held the opening meeting of the year on Wednesday afternoon in the vestry of the Congregational church, where its meetings will be held during the year. At the business meeting seven members were added to the membership. The address of the president, Mrs. Carrie Bigelow, was a review of the work of the club and an outline of what might be done by this important organization for the uplift of its members and the good of the town.

A report of the annual meeting of the state federation was given by Mrs. Nellie L. Brown, "Bernuda as I have seen it," was the subject of a very interesting and realistic paper by Mrs. Avis B. Fisher. It was illustrated with many beautiful views. There was a piano solo by Mrs. Blanche D. Whitney and a brief poetic tribute to Mrs. Emily M. Cotton, read by Mrs. Frances E. Viall.

At the close of the literary program refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, tea being served by Mrs. Ruth E. Sherwin and Mrs. Maude E. Sullivan.

The program for the year is largely in charge of the study classes and the federation committees of which there are six: Civics, education, forestry, health, household economics and literature.

TOWNSEND.

Center.

Lewis Howard, recent graduate of Bates college, left here on Sunday afternoon to begin his journey to the Hawaiian Islands, where he is to accept a position as chemist on a large sugar plantation some distance out from Honolulu. He joined his uncle, William Goodale, for whom he is to work at Washington on Tuesday and they will make the trip together, the uncle having been here on a business trip. Word has been received that they left Washington on Wednesday night and they will sail from San Francisco on October 11. His parents and brother David saw him off from Boston. His host of friends and well-wishers know that he will succeed in his new work and wish him God speed.

Will Hale, who has been at the Burbank hospital for treatment for an abscess caused by the appendix, has returned home and is able to be out once more.

Prof. F. W. Rane, state forester, of Boston, gave a lecture on the gypsy and brown tail moths on Monday evening at Memorial hall. The lecture was illustrated by many beautiful slides, showing bushes, shrubbery, spraying the trees, etc. Quite a few were in attendance and the affair was in charge of the board of trade.

Mrs. Mary McGuane and little son of Ayer were at H. L. Whitcomb's this week.

Townsend Harbor.

Steven Frost of Fremont, N. H., recently called on old friends here.

Charlie Adams, who for many years has sent milk from the station in this village to the Boston Dairy Company, is now shipping milk from Pepperell to parties in Cambridge, with whom he has made far more satisfactory arrangements.

Adney Gray, superintendent of the leatherboard mill, started on his vacation trip last Monday.

Court adjourned last week Friday night and Frank Knight, who was one of the jurors, is again at his place of business. On Wednesday morning, Harry Wright resumed work at West Groton.

George B. Cummings, who was recently employed as machinist by the Snauld brothers at North Rochester, has accepted a more advantageous position in Springfield.

Mrs. Minnie Knight, who has been confined to her bed with a cold, is reported better at the time of writing.

Dr. Harriet Lawrence, who has been here for the past few weeks on account of her health, returned to Boston last Monday to resume her studies.

Herbert Cummings went to Paducac, Ky., on Wednesday to accept a fine position as drug-list.

Frank Wood has sold his place on South row and bought the estate at the Center formerly owned by Mrs. Burgess.

The family at the Pinehurst were sorry to learn of the burning of the house on the back road to West Townsend as this was the birthplace of Oliver Proctor's mother.

The first regular meeting of the Ayer Like It club was held at Edge-wood with Mrs. Ransom Adams and Miss Mary Adams, hostesses. In accord with the new by-laws formally adopted by the club at this meeting Mrs. George Jones was installed lecturer for the ensuing month.

J. Harold Locke and N. G. Proctor returned from their trip to Snopce lake last Tuesday night.

Miss Rosa Doran, who formerly lived at Cape Corner, but who now resides with her brother in Seattle, Wash., is one of the recent subscribers to the Townsend Tocsin.

Mrs. Fred Taft is visiting her mother and friends in Framingham. Fred Taft recently returned from Swanzy, N. H., where he spent his vacation.

Will be Greatly Missed.

The many friends of Miss Isabelle Ewens will be pleased to know that she has been given the position of home secretary at the Y. W. C. A. of Nashua, N. H.

Miss Ewens is the youngest member of the association in Townsend and is a graduate of the Townsend high school, class of 1908, and was an active member and ever willing to do her part.

Miss Ewens has always been active in church, Sunday school and social work of the town, having at one time been teacher and secretary of the Sunday school at the Harbor and will be greatly missed by her host of friends who wish her the best of success in her new work.

HARVARD.

News Items.

A full house attended the mock trial given under the auspices of the Unitarian ladies at the town hall on Wednesday evening. Judging from the continued applause and laughter the people certainly enjoyed every moment. Arthur H. Turner, who was on trial accused of the theft of a Plymouth Rock rooster from the coop of A. F. Ripley, was found guilty, but sentence was suspended providing he make full restoration to the plaintiff. Settled with the plaintiff Red rooster which the plaintiff promptly recognized as his. Certainly both Col. Newton and his son, E. O. Newton know how to handle this case to the enjoyment of all.

Married at Allston on September 29, Edward Thomas Riley to Marguerite Helena Yanke. Miss Yanke is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ripley of this town and is well known here, having spent several summers here with Mr. and Mrs. Ripley. The best wishes of the friends of the young couple are extended them.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Darnum of West Somerville announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Miss Alice Leonard, to Jens Henry Rhoadstock, to take place on Tuesday evening, October 17. Both Mr. Rhoadstock and Miss Darnum are well-known here. For several years they have spent their summers at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Darnum on Lovers' lane. They are very popular with the townspeople and several of the more intimate friends of the family will attend the wedding reception at the home of the bride's parents at West Somerville.

The Unitarian Ladies' Sewing circle will hold an all-day sewing meeting with Mrs. W. F. Dickson on Thursday, October 12.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ellery Eaton of Toledo, Ohio, are guests this week with Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Royal.

On Saturday last, while working on the roads with his team George Hardy was taken with abdominal pains. He was taken home and Dr. Hopkins who was called ordered his removal to the Groton hospital where he was operated on. Just what the trouble was is not stated. He is getting along as well as can be expected. Just how long he will be confined to the hospital is uncertain.

Miss E. Gertrude Smith is taking a rest from her work at Abbotshill and is visiting with friends in Delaware.

Miss Georgia Bryant, who has been visiting her uncle, F. S. Beane, at Hallowell, Me., returned to Harvard this week. She is working at the office at Abbotshill.

On Tuesday, John A. Cleaves took an auto trip with his family to Reading, where he visited his uncle, Alden Bachelder, and family.

Earle Turner is attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.

On Tuesday evening the grange, at its regular meeting, discussed the question, Resolved: "That election of U. S. senators by direct vote of the people is a benefit to the country." Aff. A. T. West, Cedric Webster, W. B. Willard; neg. E. J. McLaughlin, W. J. Kerley, Henry Knight. By vote of the grange the question was decided in favor of the negative. Music was furnished by Miss Grace Morse, violin, Misses Reed and Dudley, piano.

Friday evening, October 13, Shirley grange will neighbor with Harvard and furnish the entertainment. Basket lunch, coffee served by the home grange. Visiting patrons are welcome.

Still River.

Mrs. Haynes and Miss Lida Bate-man attended the musical festival at Worcester last Friday afternoon.

Tuesday, Mr. Hutcherson carried a load of the Baptist people to Harvard in his auto, to attend the Wachusett Baptist association which was held with the Baptist church there.

Mrs. A. H. Keyes, who has been spending the summer with her son, S. B. Haynes, went to Springfield on Friday of this week to visit her other son, L. B. Keyes, probably for the winter.

Mrs. Herbert Whitney is laid up with a bad knee, and can get around only on crutches. She has a young

lady from Worcester helping her for a while.

Last Saturday evening, quite a number of the young people made a call upon Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McClintock and tendered them their good wishes upon their beginning a new home here and also brought substantial wedding presents with them.

Wendell B. Willard has the batter boards up for his new house, and is getting the foundation in and hopes to get at the building soon. The new house will be a little farther to the south than the old one which was burned on last Thanksgiving night, and is to set back farther from the street, both of which will be improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorndike of Auburn-dale, and Mr. Haskell of Boston came to Still River last Sunday in Mr. Thorndike's auto, and called upon friends and went into the church to see the changes that had been made.

Services Resumed.

Repairs on the church and vestry are practically completed and on Sunday services will be held in the church for the first time in several months. The auditorium has been frescoed, painted, the floor finished, new carpet for the aisles, choir loft and pulpit platform, a new platform of oak for pulpit built, the vestry frescoed, and the stove taken out and rebuilt into a furnace and put under same, the church painted on the outside and one side of the roof reshingled. All of this work has cost about \$775. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thorndike of Auburn-dale paid for the outside painting and also for having the pipe organ repaired.

Money left to the society by the late Miss Sarah Haskell, with what money the Ladies' Benevolent society have on hand will, with several donations pay for all within about fifty dollars. It is thought and hoped that this amount will be raised soon, so as to leave the society without a debt. It is hoped that the church will be filled tomorrow with those interested in seeing the improved appearance, and not only tomorrow, but all the Sundays following.

LITTLETON.

The Fairs.

An auto party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb, Mrs. F. S. Bingham of Montclair, N. J., Harold Conant and Miss Lucy Houghton enjoyed a pleasant day's outing at the Barre fair last week Thursday. Judging from familiar faces on every side one might conclude that the rest of Littleton was at the Groton fair. George Yapp's horse met with an accident while racing. He reared and then settled down upon a wheel of the sulky, crushing the latter, and throwing his driver and himself. Mr. Yapp calmly exchanged his sulky and continued in the race. His trotter, Col. Patch, won second prize in trotting, and Arthur Barteaux's pair of work horses won second prize in a team drawing contest.

Well Attended.

The opening meeting of the United Workers, held with Mrs. Waldo E. Conant, Wednesday afternoon, was well attended in spite of threatening weather. About thirty-five women, mostly members of the organization, were present and listened with much interest to the program of the afternoon. The meeting was opened with devotions, led by Miss Julia S. Conant, president, who afterwards introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Vaites of Melrose.

In very pleasant manner and easy speech Mrs. Vaites outlined her experiences in christian interests from the day she began the study of English in her native city, Constantinople, to the present time. Twenty-six years ago she came with her husband and one child to Andover, where Mr. Vaites pursued the theological course for the purpose of entering the ministry in Greece, his former home. At that time Boston had sixteen Greeks and Lowell two. Today Boston has four or five thousand and Lowell ten thousand and Greeks. To these, their fellow-countrymen in Lowell, Woburn and Stoneham, Rev. and Mrs. Vaites have devoted themselves in various religious and social ways throughout nearly all their life in America. The success crowning their efforts is far reaching and in some instances little short of marvelous.

Grace Davis favored the audience with a beautiful solo, accompanied at the piano by Miss Smiley. Mrs. Conant served light refreshments and a brief but pleasant social followed.

News Items.

Mrs. Wallace B. Conant was soloist at the Trinitarian church in Concord last Sunday evening when the twentieth anniversary of Rev. George A. Tewksbury's installation as pastor of that church was celebrated.

Judge Ellihu G. Loomis of Bedford has been operated on for appendicitis and is reported convalescent. He is suffering, however, from nervousness and insomnia. Ralph Lane Loomis returned from Alaska last week, cutting short his trip, on account of his father's illness.

The Woman's club will open at the Unitarian vestry next Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock with a parliamentary drill and debate on equal suffrage by club members.

Roland G. Houghton was at home from Cushing academy Sunday and Monday.

Dr. Savage of Boston was the Sunday guest of Frank Farmer.

The meeting to have been held at John McInlay's in Newtown last week Friday evening was postponed one week because of inclement weather.

Benjamin Priest, surveyor for the public water and lights committee, has arrived with his family from East Orange, N. J.

Wilbur French, the young grandson of Henry Works, has returned recently from Wellesley hospital, where he was treated for hip disease. He is a sufferer from tuberculosis and is further inconvenienced by having to use crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. Philbrick of Marlboro have been the guests of the Elmar Flag family this week.

Winslow Wetherbee and his cousin, Miss Cora Brown, of Pingreeville and Miss Mead of Boxboro went to Plymouth, Thursday.

Miss Laura Amsden returned Saturday from Petersham, where she has spent the summer.

Rev. A. S. Woodworth of Lowell, who preached at the Baptist church last Sunday, will again occupy the pulpit tomorrow.

Mrs. J. C. Dodge, Miss Emma Tenney and Mrs. Hiram Sawler, delegates, and Dea. Wm. H. Tenney, Mrs. Everett Kimball, Mrs. Mary Millard, Miss Augusta Nye and Stanley Haynes attended the sixty-ninth annual conference of the Wachusett Baptist association at Hudson Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge and Mrs. Elmer Fletcher attended the Millford, N. H., carnival Thursday, governor's day.

Grange.

Neighbors' night was observed at the grange last Wednesday evening. Three visitors from Groton, several from Westford and Harvard, and a few from Chelmsford granges were present. About 135 in all were present. The entertainment was furnished by Harvard and Chelmsford granges. A party of Chelmsford grangers who started for Littleton and did not appear. It is probable that they were detained through accident. Mrs. Spaulding from Chelmsford, however, was present and read very acceptably. Harvard furnished a very amusing peddlers' parade in which the parts were admirably taken.

An appetizing supper was served, consisting of oyster stew, cold meats, rolls, coffee and fancy pies.

WESTFORD.

Granvilleville.

Little Henry Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Payne was struck by a carriage driven by James B. Healy on last Sunday and knocked down. The boy was badly shaken, but no serious results are anticipated.

Thomas Denio, the well-known station agent at West Granvilleville, had the misfortune to break his right wrist while cranking an automobile a few days ago and will be unable to work for several weeks. Mr. Crane of Springvale, Me., is now substituting in his place.

C. T. Kellogg, the state auditor, who has been at the office of the Abbot Worsted Company here for the past few days, received a painful injury by having a heavy limb fall on his head while walking under a tree here early on Tuesday afternoon. The wound bled quite freely and Dr. Sherman, who attended him, found it necessary to take several stitches to close the cut.

Misses Mary and Kitty Rafferty, who have spent the summer months at the Hawthorne Inn, East Gloucester, and Misses Annie and Lena Healy, who have been at the mountains have returned to their home in this village.

Wallace Walsh is now at the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston, slowly recovering from an operation that was performed on his leg. Mr. Walsh has been lame for a long time, and strong hopes are now entertained that he will receive the full use of his limb when he is discharged from the hospital.

Formal Opening.

The formal opening of St. Catherine's church, an event that has been looked forward to with deep interest by the parishioners for the last few weeks, took place here at 4.30 o'clock Sunday morning and was largely attended. Last Sunday was holy rosary Sunday and was set apart for the formal opening. The pastor, Rev. Edmund T. Schofield, ever mindful of his parishioners, had secured Rt. Rev. Monsignor A. J. Teeling, D. D., pastor of St. Mary's church of Lynn, to officiate on this occasion, and the people here had the pleasure of welcoming a monsignor for the first time in Westford. Monsignor Teeling was heard in a very pleasing address, opening his remarks by congratulating the pastor and his parishioners on the fine appearance of the church.

Rev. Schofield made a few introductory remarks, then the rosary was recited by Rev. Michael Donohue and the congregation, and then benediction was celebrated by Monsignor Teeling, assisted by Rev. Schofield and Rev. Doherty. The regular choir, under the direction of Miss Mary Hanley, assisted at the service.

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SHIRLEY.

Center.
The next regular meeting of the Matrons' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Walker Ward on Tuesday afternoon, October 10.

Miss Marlon Follonsby of Camden, Me., was a guest of Mrs. Henry F. Grout the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Steele MacKay and daughter, Miss Hazel MacKay, expect to close up their summer home on Monday and return to Cambridge for the winter.

N. Otis Colburn was the only member of Shirley grange to attend the joint meeting of the Worcester East and Middlesex Worcester Pomona granges held at Leominster Center on Friday of last week.

Hazel and Horace Buckman of Needham were visitors at Henry F. Grout's on Saturday.

Ralph Evans and Edward Farnsworth, who have been serving on the jury at Cambridge, have completed a three-weeks' session and returned to their homes.

Mrs. Chany and daughter, Miss Rebecca Chany, who have been staying at W. E. Barnard's the greater part of the summer, expect to return to Washington on Saturday of this week.

Miss Helen M. Winslow and adopted daughter Alison, spent Friday of last week visiting in Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Chevreton of Leominster have moved into the house with Mr. Chevreton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Chevreton.

Miss Minnie Hobbs has returned from a short visit in Attleboro.

Mrs. William Berger and son Raymond of Fitchburg spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farnsworth at the North.

Dr. Fuller of Boston was a guest of Howard Fuller over Sunday.

The Girls' Sewing Guild will meet with Mrs. William E. Barnard on Saturday afternoon, October 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Pray spent the latter part of last week on an automobile trip in the state of New Hampshire.

At Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon, Rev. A. L. Bumpus of St. Andrew's parish, Ayer, spoke upon "Friendship with God." Mr. Bumpus is to conduct the services throughout the winter. At the meeting of the Sunday school a letter was prepared and signed by all the members to be sent to Mr. Ogilby in return for his letter about the Philippines, which was read in Sunday school the Sunday before.

The Burnham house at the East is receiving a new coat of paint.

Rev. Howard A. Bridgman and family, who have been spending the summer in Brookline, returned to their house here this week.

A family from Connecticut moved last week into the John Stickney house recently vacated by the Misses Whitcomb, their furniture coming by auto truck.

Ruth Lawrence of West Groton has accepted a position as private instructor for Harriet and Edwin Bridgman and Shirley Lawton. She began her duties this week.

Word has been received that Robert Evans has successfully passed his final examinations and has been enrolled in the class of 1915 in Bowdoin college.

Herman E. Willis, who has been visiting his sister, Edna R. Willis, at the North, returned to Boston last week.

Rev. George Lincoln Mason of Marshfield occupied the pulpit at the First Parish church on Sunday morning, October 1.

Eliab Going, who has been living for nearly a year at Charles Longley's, left last week for Townsend to stay with his son, Chester Going.

John Brown, at the North, was confined to the house with illness last week.

Miss Annie Costern of Lynn is visiting Miss Elsie Kirby this week.

Dora Burnham of Revere entertained a party of her young friends at the Burnham house at the East last week. They were as follows: Eleanor Devine, Ruth Keeping, Thelma Little, Edward Oar, Stanley Stowers, Austin Curtis and Philip Dalrymple.

A large number from the North and Center attended the Groton fair last week Thursday. Howard M. Longley brought home first prize for White Lechorn chickens and for Palmer Greening apples. He also exhibited one of last year's Palmer Greening apples which had been kept over.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton closed up their summer home on Center road on Monday and returned to Brookline for the winter.

Charles C. Longley of Millbury was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Longley over Sunday.

Miss Elsie Kirby and Frank J. Lawton are having a large strip of the woods between their estates cleared out.

Mrs. Butler of the village has a position with Mr. and Mrs. Herman S. Hazen, taking the place of Ethel Holden, who had to return to school.

The dance which was held on Saturday evening by the young people of the grange was a decided success in every way. The local orchestra, although it was its first appearance, did wonderfully well and was much enjoyed. Refreshments were served. Another dance was announced for Saturday, October 21, with the same music.

Etta M. Holden of Leominster spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Holden.

Howard Fuller is building an addition at the back of his home.

William Wilkins, at the East, has a cockerel he considers to be a curiosity and which is well worth seeing. It is practically covered with a soft, downy hair, instead of with feathers and is unable to use its wings to fly with. He claims that it is a Mexican bird.

The next regular meeting of the Shirley First Parish branch Alliance will be held on Thursday afternoon,

October 12, at the home of Mrs. M. A. Lynch on Center road. At this meeting Mrs. Lynch will read a paper on Charles Dickens.

Trinity chapel guild meets on this Saturday afternoon.

At Trinity chapel on Sunday, evening service at 7:30. Rev. A. L. Bumpus, preacher. Sunday school immediately following.

Funeral.
The funeral of Henry L. Farnsworth was held on last Saturday afternoon at his home at the East. Rev. J. W. Thomas of Ayer officiated and the body was taken to the Center cemetery for burial. There were many floral tokens consisting of sprays and wreaths of roses and plinks.

Mr. Farnsworth was born in Shirley on February 11, 1866. His father was George Samuel Farnsworth, and his mother, Harriet (Waters) Farnsworth. In June 1908, he married Miss Elizabeth MacDowell of Ayer, who survives him.

Mr. Farnsworth had been sick for nearly a year, but was taken worse last week and was removed to the Groton hospital on Tuesday of last week where he died two days later. The cause of the death was pronounced as general paralysis.

He was elected in 1909, to the position of highway commissioner and served the town so well and made such a decided improvement in the roads that he was re-elected in 1910 and 1911, the last term being unfinished. He had also been carrying on the basket business at the East for about a year and had built up a very successful business, there being many unfiled orders on hand at the time of his death.

Mr. Farnsworth is survived by his widow, two sisters, Mrs. Ella Farley of Pepperell and Mrs. Hart of Ayer, a brother, Waldo Farnsworth, of East Shirley, and his father, George S. Farnsworth, of North Shirley.

Alliance Meeting.
The church parlor was well filled at the Alliance meeting last week Thursday. The subject for the afternoon was "Leonardo da Vinci and his art," which difficult subject was handled by Miss Sara A. Dunn in an easy and interesting way. On account of the recent theft from the Louvre of the artist's celebrated painting, Mona Lisa, more than ordinary interest attached to the subject under consideration. Miss Dunn brought into "high light," as it were, the chief points of her paper, touching briefly the facts of the artist's life, his personality, his accomplishments, the chief characteristics of his style, together with a consideration of his masterpieces including the Last Supper, as well as a resume of the effect of the Greek influence upon Italian art in its especial relations to the Italian Renaissance. Photographs and copies were used to illustrate and at its conclusion hearty applause testified the appreciation of the hearers of the paper.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.

Presentation of Portrait.
The First Parish branch Alliance has been presented with the portrait of Mary Ann (Hazen) Parker, who was the wife of Augustus G. Parker, M. D. She was born on June 30, 1793, and died on March 27, 1887. The portrait was painted by Robert Peckham in 1841, and is presented by Mrs. Sarah Hazen Whitman, a niece, who lives in Westminster. The formal presentation was made by Mrs. Kate E. Hazen at the Alliance meeting last week Thursday. It was voted to send a letter of thanks to the donor. The portrait is in an excellent state of preservation and is considered a room-like likeness. Mrs. Parker is well remembered by the older residents as an ardent supporter of the old First Parish church.

TOWNSEND.
Center.
The Monday club met with Mrs. John Piper this week and had a very enjoyable meeting. Mrs. Helen Potter Fessenden read an interesting paper upon "The MacDowell idea," and photographs were shown of the MacDowell house and grounds at Peterboro, N. H. John Piper played several selections upon the French horn and was accompanied by Prof. A. G. Seaver, who was a guest for the afternoon. Dainty refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Evelyn Warren is enjoying a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Louis Shaul, who resides in Albany, N. Y.

Mrs. T. J. McGuire has again been quite ill with liver trouble. Miss Bessie McGuire was at home over Sunday and found her mother somewhat better.

Mrs. George McGuire and little daughter of San Diego, Cal., completed their visit here this week and after a stay with some relatives in Connecticut, they will depart for their western home.

Miss Ethel Rockwood left last Friday for Baltimore, Md., where she will continue her course of study in the Johns Hopkins Medical school, and Miss Gertrude Rockwood started in this Monday for a course of kindergarten work at Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boutelle of Demorest, Ga., are the guests of his sister, Mrs. A. D. Fessenden.

Mrs. Clara Heslton received the sad news of the death of her father, Brooks Rockwood, at Brookline, N. H., last week.

The Phoebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., held inspection night this week Tuesday and Dept. President Elizabeth T. Kirchgasser was present to do the work, assisted by Miss Gertrude Holbrook, guide. A banquet was held after the work and speeches were made and a social time enjoyed.

Annual Church Roll-call.
A pleasant day was the means of bringing one of the largest gatherings in recent years for the annual church roll-call, which was held last Thursday. In the morning the time was devoted to business and by noon there was a large number who enjoyed a bounteous dinner in the vestry below. The speaker for the afternoon

was Rev. E. C. Porter of Boston, who is always welcomed here. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

J. W. Eastman, treas.; Mrs. Emma Josselyn, clerk; A. K. Tyler, deacon for four years; all the officers not mentioned were re-elected the same as last year. A. S. Howard, supt. Sunday school; G. L. Whitcomb and T. J. Harvey, assistants; Amy Whitcomb, E. A. Blood, librarian; A. K. Tyler, T. J. Harvey, H. Bumpus, George Davis, Howard Eastman, ushers; Geo. Whitcomb, T. J. Harvey and H. B. Hildreth, com. on pew. B. A. Blood, George E. Gates, N. Fessenden, Geo. I. Whitcomb, com. on parsonage; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bruce, com. for church day 1912; William Russell, Mrs. Adelle Wallace and Dr. L. G. Chandler, delegates to the minister convention; Charles T. Haynes, delegate to state association.

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Whereas, MICHAEL D. McGRATH, surviving administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged by the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of October, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. 318 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all others interested in the estate of NATHANIEL P. SMITH late of Groton in said County, deceased.
Whereas, ARTHUR F. POOLE, the trustee under the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the second and third accounts of his trust under said will.
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. 318 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES E. GREEN late of Ashby 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 EDWARD H. GREEN of Ashburnham in the County of Worcester without giving a surety on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of October, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY ANN DOW late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate.
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JOHN L. BOYNTON of Cambridge in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of October, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. 313 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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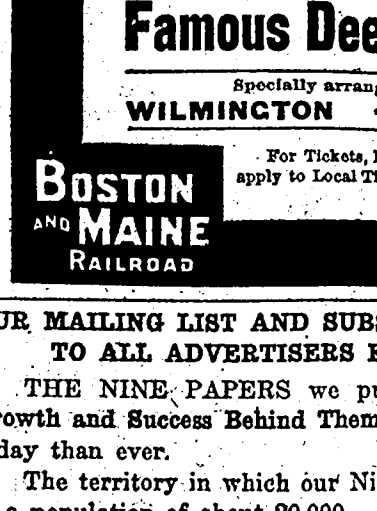
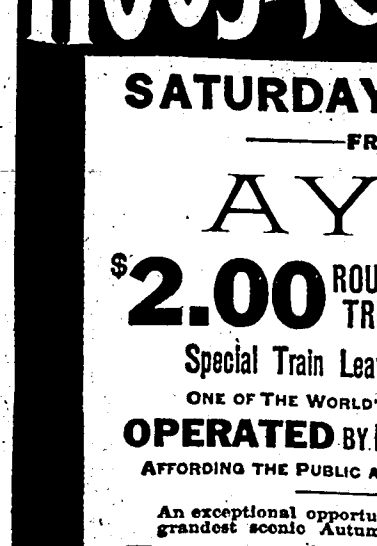
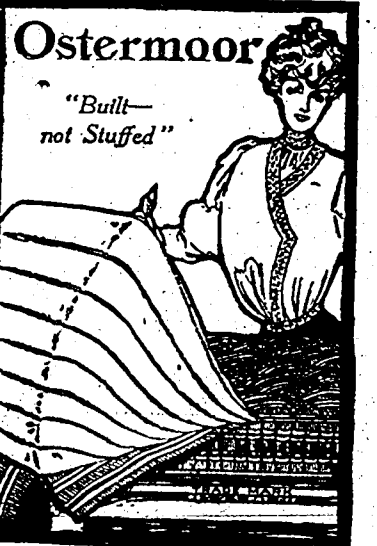
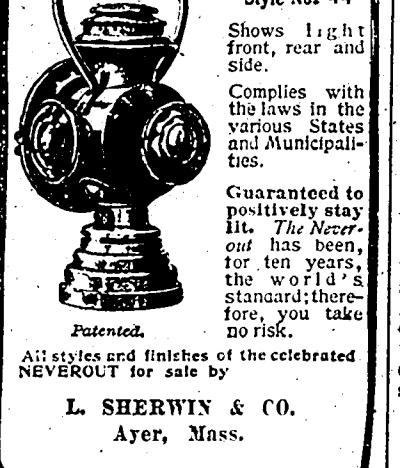
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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

The twelfth district conference of Universalists will be held in the Universalist church, Shirley, Friday, October 13. The morning session will be devoted to the usual yearly business of the conference, and at the afternoon session, the Woman's Missionary society will give reports and transact all other business in connection with their work. There will be a basket dinner, coffee and tea being provided by the ladies of the church. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Louise S. Butler has gone to reside for a time with Mr. and Mrs. Herman S. Hazen of the Center.

The Sunday school of the Congregational church are planning for an entertainment to take place on Wednesday evening, October 18.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church have organized for the work of the coming year with Mrs. Alice L. Wright as president, Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, secretary, and Mrs. Ernest Harris, chairman of the board of directors.

Miss Liberta Kolowrat of Littleton, in company with Miss Emma Knowles of Shirley, started on Saturday, September 30, for a vacation of two weeks. They went direct to friends in the vicinity of Lowell, and after spending a few days there, will go to the Kolowrat farm at East Taunton for the remainder of the time.

Stanley F. White of Worcester, who recently entered Worcester Polytechnic, spent over Sunday at home.

Herbert M. Dickson is spending a few days with relatives in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman arrived home last Saturday from a two-weeks' vacation spent at Bennett's landing, Jefferson, N. H. Miss Mary Desmond, who accompanied them, arrived home the middle of last week.

Mrs. Will Love, in company with her daughter, Miss Nan Love, spent last Sunday with relatives in Boston and Everett.

Joseph Landry, formerly teamster at the Samson Cordage Works, has accepted a position with G. M. Ballou as driver of his single team.

During the month of October, masses will be celebrated in St. Anthony's church on week days at 7.30 a. m., the exercise of the rosary being observed at each mass.

Arthur Boucher employed as electrician in Worcester, was visiting at the home of his parents last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gionet of Roy-alston were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Thomas last Sunday.

Philip Leger visited friends in Fitchburg last Sunday.

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

Herbert M. Dickson has recently completed the building of a neat and attractive conservatory to the residence of his sister, Mrs. Louise Livermore, of Chapel street. It adjoins the southerly part of the house, and it already contains a fine assortment of potted plants.

At the session of the Sunday school of the Congregational church last Sunday, Miss Althea Howe, assistant superintendent, was chosen to represent the Sunday school at the twenty-second annual convention of the Massachusetts Sunday School association to be held in New Bedford on October 10, 11 and 12. Miss Howe is also the superintendent of the home department connected with the Sunday school and is a very efficient worker in the Sunday school.

With Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker in the pulpit and the new choir made up of Miss Ruby Felch, soprano, Mrs. C. W. Wolf, contralto, Frank Harlow, tenor, George E. Byram, bass, and George J. L. Colby, organist, officiating, the Universalist church opened for the season last Sunday. Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker took for his subject the Bible story of the talents, and developed it most interestingly. The musical program consisted of a voluntary by Mendelssohn; solo, "Lead, kindly light," Miss Felch; anthems, "Rock of ages" and "Only wait"; postlude, Gullmatt. There was a large congregation present.

It was erroneously stated in a paper, not the Oracle, that George J. L. Colby had removed to Boston. This is not the case as he is still a citizen of Shirley.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held its first regular meeting at the home of the regent, Mrs. Elmer Allen, on Monday evening. Business occupied the time. Notice of a bazaar to be held in Boston on December 6, 7 and 8, was given. Arrangements are being made for an illustrated lecture to be given soon. During a social hour refreshments were served by the Misses Eleanor Miner, Leah Meader and Blanche Wells. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Hattie Evans.

J. Edwin Pomfret attended the republican state convention held in Boston on Wednesday.

Herbert W. McCoy has taken the contract to paint the residences of Elmer H. Allen, Harvard road, and Frank W. Snell, Center road.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will hold its first meeting of the season next Tuesday evening. The supper will be served as usual in the church vestry at 30, under the direction of the following committee: Herbert W. McCoy, chairman; Henry W. Eisner, Ezekiel Wilson, J. Albert Deardon and Stanley Wells. An address and social hour will follow the supper.

Mrs. P. Meader is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells. Mrs. Meader is a sister-in-law to Mrs. Wells and will in the near future join her husband, who is now located in Seattle.

Harvest Fair.
The Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church will hold their annual harvest sale on Wednesday evening, October 11, commencing at six o'clock.

A large variety of substantial and dainty articles will be placed on sale and some extra fine bargains are always the rule at these annual events. There will be tables of fruits, vegetables, preserves and jellies of all kinds; also, a sale of aprons and home-made candles with other miscellaneous articles. The usual standard supper will be served at seven o'clock, the menu consisting of cold meats, baked beans, brown and white bread with cakes, pies and coffee. A bright and snappy entertainment will follow the supper under the direction of Mrs. Laura Ballou.

Large Attendance.

The supper and entertainment at the Congregational church on Wednesday evening was attended by a large number of people, the vestry being comfortably filled. A delicious supper was served at seven o'clock under the direction of the following committee: Mrs. John G. Conant, Mrs. Rugg, Mrs. Snell, Mrs. Eisner, Flora Shepard and Gladys Annis. Excellent service as waiters was given by Leonard Hooper, Stanley Wells, Leslie Wells and Kenneth Horton.

The entertainment was very unique and most enjoyable, and Mrs. Collyer and Mrs. Goodwin, under whose direction it was given, were the recipients of many congratulations. The program was as follows:

Selections by an orchestra composed of Mr. H. Barrows, cornet; Mrs. Irving Goodwin, violin; Mrs. Harry Collyer, piano; George D. Hadley, piccolo, and Matthew Carboni, violin; recitation by Walter E. Mellish and comic dialog songs by Matthew Carboni.

U. H. Barrows, who contributed to the entertainment, is the musical director at the Industrial school, and Matthew Carboni is one of the talented boys from the school. A delegation of the school boys were also present in charge of Mr. Nelson, instructor of cabinet and carpenter work.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

Mrs. Litchfield of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting at C. T. Wetherbee's.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adams are spending the week at their old home in Tilton, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knight spent Saturday in Boston.

Frank Bancroft returned on Tuesday from a week's visit in Athol. Mrs. Albert Littlefield and Miss Cora Hartwell visited Mrs. Littlefield's mother, Mrs. Charles Hemenway, of Framingham on Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Wiggins of Boston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poland.

Mrs. Stephen D. Salmon, 3d, is visiting Mrs. George D. Bushee at her home at Marblehead Neck.

Mrs. Norwell of Harvard and her daughter Mary were in town for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Salmon.

Mrs. Laura Fitch of Boston was a week-end guest at her sister's, Mrs. Albert Hartwell.

Inquiry has been made when the mechanical toy awarded the town for the station crossing by the Massachusetts railroad commission is to be installed.

The schools will possess a very patriotic appearance with "Old Glory" suitably displayed as required by the new law enacted this year.

Elmer Smith of Lancaster has entered the employ of Albert Littlefield.

New Advertisements.

WANTED—Two sisters or friends, one to do cooking and laundry work, the second and nursery work. Call or address MRS. ARTHUR W. LAMB, West Groton. 114

WANTED—Good Housekeeping Magazine requires the services of a representative in Ayer to look after subscription renewals and to extend circulation by special methods which have proved unusually successful. Salary and commission. Previous experience desirable, but not essential. Whole time or spare time, address, with references, to F. FAIRBANKS, Good Housekeeping Magazine, 331 Fourth Avenue, New York city. 2151

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Sundays—8.20 a. m., then same as week days. Cars connect at Ayer up to 10 p. m. for Fitchburg and Leominster. Until 9 p. m. for Worcester.

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Sundays—First car at 8.05 a. m., then same as week days.

Leave North Chelmsford for Westford—6.50, 7.50, 8.50, 9.50, 10.50 a. m., 12.50, 1.50, 2.50, 3.50, 4.50, 5.50 p. m.

Leave Westford for Lowell—6.55, 7.40, 8.40, 11.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.

Sundays—7.40, 8.40, 9.40, 10.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.

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A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Groton and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the junction of the highway leading from Ayer past the dwelling house of the grantor to Groton center with the highway leading from said highway easterly past the dwelling house formerly of Charles H. Lewis; thence northerly by the first named highway to land of grantor; thence easterly by land of grantor and land of F. E. Gilson to a corner; thence southerly by land of said Gilson to said highway leading past the dwelling house formerly of Charles H. Lewis; thence westerly by last named highway to the point of beginning, containing about two and three fourths acres, and being the same premises conveyed to Charles Jacobs by deed of Marcella A. Durell, dated December 18, 1888, and recorded with the Middlesex South District Deeds, book 1884, page 228.

The above premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments.

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Items of News.

The town water committee have cut their road recently from Mason street to the standpipe so that people can get to the hill top.

Mrs. Lamb of Townsend street and Mrs. Durant of Heald street attended the W. C. T. U. convention in Boston last week Friday.

Rev. William Lindsay of Sunderland, England, will preach in the Unitarian church tomorrow in place of Rev. Dudley R. Child, who had the sorrow of losing his only sister on Friday, September 29.

William Dole returned to Lyman Blood's on Wednesday afternoon.

Thomas O'Brien has been spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. P. L. Sullivan. He has been working with his brother, George O'Brien, in Worcester, who has had charge of the building of the new Union station, one of the finest depots in the state.

The farmers of this section are being hard hit this year, for most all of them have lost part of their ensilage corn and the price of hay is going to be high and they have no bumper crop of any kind, and these last few rainy days are spoiling the late crops with rot.

The O. H. I. S. will hold a dance at their hall on Oak hill on Tuesday evening, October 10. Music by Thayer's orchestra.

Mrs. Henrietta McCord returned to Oak Knoll on Tuesday, having spent a delightful summer with friends in Canada.

It is reported that T. F. Graham has purchased the Phillips place on Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darling have just returned from a very enjoyable trip, visiting their daughter, Mrs. C. H. Harris, and other places in New York. They also spent a few days in Pittsfield with relatives.

The lecture by Mrs. H. Josephine Hayward of Woburn before the Woman's club Tuesday, October 3, was enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. Her subject, "Cuba and her people," was dealt with in a most realistic manner which held the close attention of her hearers to the very end. This lady, who is of a very pleasing personality, is a relative of Mrs. George W. Pierce of this town, at whose home she spent Tuesday night.

The civics committee of the Pepperell Woman's club purpose to hold a food sale at Mrs. Brigham's on River street Friday, October 13. Sale commences at three o'clock. The proceeds of this sale are for the benefit of the public playgrounds. All persons interested in this object are invited to contribute either fruit, vegetables, food or money.

The next meeting of Acoma Rebekah lodge will be held October 10. It will be roll call. It is hoped that each member will kindly respond by letter or by person.

An entertainment will be given in Prescott hall, Monday evening, October 9, under the auspices of the L. B. S. of the Congregational church. Miss Marion Wilson, impersonator, in her unique and clever costumed character studies. Miss Wilson's work is of an exceptionally high grade and covers a most remarkable range of impersonations. Music will be interspersed during the evening.

Miss Edna Kittredge is home from her duties at Rindge, N. H.

Mrs. Alice H. Bartlett of Spencer is a guest of her brother, W. A. Kemp.

Emery E. Woodward died at his home in Milford Monday, October 2. He was formerly of this town.

Miss Sadie Woodward of Lenox is a guest of Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson.

The household goods of the late John R. Shattuck will be sold at auction Tuesday, October 10, at ten o'clock a. m. Mrs. Shattuck will go to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. S. Thompson Blood of Concord Junction.

The Woman's club will have a club drama in Prescott hall Monday night, October 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright have returned from a ten-days' camping trip at Greenfield, N. H.

The postal savings bank will open on this Saturday and remain open until seven p. m., and will be open for business on all days except holidays. Call at office for leaflet of particulars as to opening of accounts, etc.

Grange.
The second meeting of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange will be held on Wednesday, October 11, at Littleton, and there is an especially attractive program. A large attendance is anticipated. After the wel-

come by Richard Barrows, master of Littleton grange and the routine business transacted, the question will be discussed, "Should mothers be pensioned by the government?" "Is the grange becoming a woman's club, if so why?"

The speaker of the afternoon will be Rev. A. H. Wheelock, chaplain of the state grange, who will give the same address that was given at the field day in Pepperell. The following program will in all probability be given in the afternoon as the evening is given over to the third "Merrie" of this grange with a slight program:

"How much land does a man need to make a living on?" William Jubb, Shirley; as the friends, Mrs. Flora Holden, Worcester; "Could farmers form a board of arbitration to settle their local disputes?" Hon. Frank A. Hatch, Littleton; "Conservation," Miss Ida Shattuck, Pepperell; reading, Mrs. Georgina Kimball; Pepperell duck raising, George Stewart, Pepperell; contest solo, Clarence Daley, Littleton; song, Miss Josephine Foley, Littleton; "Pickles," Mrs. Dora Atkinson, Pepperell; "Tree surgery," Littleton tree warden.

The evening special session will be called to order promptly at 7.45, and the fourth degree work insisted on. The work of the evening will proceed as fast as convenient with the following program:

Music, Groton grange orchestra: solo, Mrs. Annie Greenleaf, Townsend; song, grange original poem, O. B. N.; song, "Happy messengers," song and march and the Merrie will begin when any member who has a lady friend, or lady who has a gentleman friend, not belonging to the grange will be admitted. Quaker march and old-fashioned games till ten o'clock, when old-time dances will hold sway until twelve.

Recent Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Dow of Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. William Britton of Piercefield, N. Y., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Dow, coming in their auto. They made a number of stops, starting from Piercefield to Montreal, Benton, Woodsville, Berlin, N. H., and from there to Rumford Falls and Livermore Falls, Me., Lawrence, Haverhill, Lowell, Reading, Amesbury and Pepperell. From Pepperell they went to Townsend and Fitchburg, and from there to Keene, N. H., and from Keene to Walpole to Utica, N. Y. On leaving Mr. and Mrs. Dow go by rail to Buffalo and then to Niagara, a distance of 280 miles. Mr. and Mrs. Britton go in the auto 268 miles from Utica to Piercefield, arriving on Sunday, covering in all nearly two thousand miles without ever a break or skip of the auto.

Pepperell Fair.

The fortieth annual fair of the Pepperell Farmers' and Mechanics' club was held at Babbatasset driving park on Thursday and as usual was largely attended. The usual attractions seen at a fair were to be seen, including the fakirs and itinerant merchants who make a specialty of following the fairs.

The parade formed on Leighton street at 8.30 o'clock and preceded by A. A. Lawrence, chief marshal, and Cummings' military band of Nashua marched through the principal streets to the park where the program of the day was started. The chief had as his aids, Richard H. Savage, Thomas Murray, Irving Church and William Reed. The floats in the parade were beautiful and attracted much attention. Those having the floats were A. A. Lawrence, Lane Bros., W. E. Chapman and Harry Hutchinson. The town farm team was also in the parade as were teams of W. E. Drumme, newsdealer, Silas Nokes' ice wagon, and the fire department wagons.

A feature that was very attractive was the float representing the original states and the Goddess of Liberty, impersonated by fourteen young ladies dressed in appropriate colors. The goddess was represented by Miss Hazel Soule, and the various states as follows:

New Hampshire, Miss Gertrude Cherry; Massachusetts, Miss Evon Parrott; Rhode Island, Miss Doris Durant; Connecticut, Miss Florence Salter; New York, Miss Evon Cator; New Jersey, Miss Doris Butler; Pennsylvania, Miss Ruth Wilson; Delaware, Miss Doris Boulin; Maryland, Miss Florence Boynton; Virginia, Miss Dorothy Dennen; North Carolina, Miss Althea Sartelle; South Carolina, Miss Georgianna Maynard; Georgia, Miss Catherine McGrath.

Those who arranged this float were Miss Mary Woods and Miss Clara M. Shattuck.

Upon the arrival at the park there was a trial of draft horses, ploughing match and trial of carriage horses on track. Dinner was served at twelve o'clock to a large number of people.

The first number on the afternoon program was an exhibition of colts on track, which was followed by the horse races which were of sufficient interest to keep a large part of the attendance at the race track during the afternoon. There were three classes; the 2.27 trot or pace, the 2.16 trot or pace, and the local class. The

day's program ended with a dance at Prescott hall in the evening.

It was impossible to get a full list of the premiums in this week's paper. They will be given in next week's issue. A partial list of the prize winners is given below:

Plowing, Joseph Savage 1st, \$3; A. S. McNayr 2d, \$2; hand, R. E. Sargent, Groton, 1st, \$3.

Best floats in parade, A. A. Lawrence 1st, \$4; Lane Bros., 2d, \$3; W. E. Chapman 3d, \$2.

Exhibition of colts, stallion, Dennen and Davy 1st; 2-year-old colt, Harry W. Hutchinson 1st, E. S. Durant, 2d; 1-year-old colt, E. S. Blood 1st, Albert Parker 2d; mare and colt, Fred McInnis.

Five varieties of apples, Miss Clara E. Tully of Dunstable 1st, Charles F. Spaulding 2d; largest squash, Edward W. Cave, Hollis, N. H., 1st; largest pumpkin, Edward W. Cave; best display of squashes, Jonas E. Andrews; assorted fruit, A. S. McNayr 1st; 10 varieties of apples and second premium grapes, James E. Dunn; display of potatoes and apples, first premiums, James E. Dunn; pumpkins and potatoes, Henry C. Gray 1st; grapes, beets, tomatoes, melons, cabbages, largest head cabbage, carrots, peppers, LeRoy Shattuck 1st, who also won second premiums on potatoes and quinces; pumpkins, Uball Capistan 2d; quinces, apples, Hervey McPharland; brown bread, Mrs. G. L. Smith of Groton, 1st; canned fruit, Mrs. G. L. Smith of Groton; fancy work handkercher, center piece, cushion cover, pin cushion, butternut embroidered center piece, crocheted bed spread, first premiums, and second premium embroidered center piece, Victoria Larsen; handkercher, Mrs. C. L. Bemis 1st; sofa pillow, Mrs. Bemis 2d; two quilt tops and one set table mats, Mrs. Charles Hamblett 1st.

There was a splendid exhibition of vegetables from the Keyes farm which was not entered for competition. The officers and committee to which the success of the fair is due are:

Current Events.

Mrs. Nellie Wright and son Frank of Worcester visited relatives in town last week.

Mrs. Fidelia Buck has returned to her home in this town from a visit with her daughter in Connecticut and son in Natick.

Herbert Wilson of Brookline street has been very sick, but is now very comfortable.

Edgar Chase has bought the blacksmith shop and tenement over the shop on Main street of Mrs. H. A. Pike.

Mrs. Harris Tarbell returned to her home in Wellesley last week Saturday. Her niece, Miss Bertha Johnson, accompanied her to remain for a week or longer.

Mrs. Jonas Andrews, who has been visiting her sister in South Boston, came home on Saturday last week.

Mrs. Edna French of Chelsea has been a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Elmer Andrews and Miss H. L. Lawrence. Mrs. French went from here to Troy, N. Y., on Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Woodward of Milford, N. H., visited her sister, Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson, last week.

David Cuthbertson, who has had charge of the stable of the Nashua River corporation, is now employed as teamster by the same firm.

Mrs. S. J. Baker, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. H. Bean, returned to her home in Hollis, N. H., on Thursday last week.

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Lovejoy and Mrs. C. M. Pierce spent a few days in Canada.

Mrs. J. R. Shattuck and Mrs. S. T. Blood of Concord Junction are at the home of Mrs. Shattuck on Main street, coming on Friday last week.

Rally day will be observed at the Methodist church on Sunday, October 8. There will be a special sermon in the morning on the "Value of the Sunday school." During the usual Sunday school hour there will be exercises, recitations, speeches and special service of song. All interested in Sunday school work or in the children and the children also are most cordially invited to be present at both services.

Mrs. Jasper Sharp of Watertown, a former resident of this town, was the guest of Mrs. Harris Tarbell during her recent visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin.

Frank Mahony, who had an operation last week Tuesday at St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua, returned to his home in this town on Saturday. Mr. Mahony is doing well and will soon be in the store again.

The report as printed in last week's paper that Charles Waite is to move from Dr. Qua's house into the Bradley Varnum house, is without foundation.

H. Chandler Tucker, chief yeoman of the repair ship Panther with the Atlantic squadron, called on his mother, Mrs. S. E. P. Tucker, of this town last Thursday. His ship is in New York for a very short time. It is uncertain where the squadron will be ordered next, but they expect to cruise in the Mediterranean, calling at all the principal European cities. At the end of this voyage Mr. Tucker will have completed a fifteen years' service in the navy.

A cottage prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Marshall on Franklin street, Friday evening, October 13.

The East village social club will meet with Mrs. Winslow Parker on Wednesday, October 11, at 2.30 o'clock. Subject, Miscellaneous.

The Epworth league of the M. E. church will serve their annual harvest dinner in the vestry Thursday, October 12.

Frank Taylor of the Vale mills, Hudson, manufacturers of elastic webbing, Henry Patten of the firm of Fuller, Chandler & Patten, shoe manufacturers, and Mrs. Patten, all of Hudson, were guests of Mrs. S. E. P. Tucker last Sunday, coming by automobile and returning in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Holden were in town last week and moved the furniture of the late Mrs. Francena Butterfield to their home in Shirley.

Russell Davey has been visiting his grandfather, Charles Davey of Holyoke, leaving here on Saturday last. While away he intends calling on Geo. F. Turner, a former principal of the high school in this town. Mr. Davey will return through Deerfield and will make a short stay with Leslie Reed while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harriman, who for a few months have rented Mrs. Nellie

McGrath's house furnished, have moved to Philadelphia.

Miss Mildred Morgan of Townsend road, who was graduated in the class of 1911, Pepperell high school, is attending the Boston conservatory of music and is studying both vocal and instrumental music.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tarbell of Main street are soon to move into the house in the rear of the Elias Chapman house, so-called, on Main street.

Clarence Franklin Anderson of Groton and Miss Ruth Moore Palmer of this town were married by Rev. James Sutherland at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday, October 4, at two o'clock. At the Boston and Maine station where the happy couple took the four o'clock train for Portland, they were showered with rice and confetti. After their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will make their home in Worcester.

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The will of Miss Edith Child of Brookline has been filed for probate at Dedham. It contains the following bequests: To the Hale house association of Boston \$5000, the American Unitarian association of Boston \$5000, the South Congregational church of Boston \$2000, the Unitarian Sunday school society of Boston \$1000, the New England Peabody home for crippled children of Hyde Park \$1000, the South End Industrial school of Roxbury, for the benefit of its carpentry class, \$200.

The remainder of the estate is bequeathed to relatives, and she names her brother, Rev. Dudley R. Child of Pepperell, as executor.

Miss Child was born in Boston and was the daughter of the late Dudley R. Child, the antiquarian and one of the founders of the Bostonian society. She was a member of the Society of Mayflower descendants.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

The selectmen met in the postoffice on Tuesday to listen to an argument in favor of deciding the bounds on certain streets in the village. It was decided to postpone the matter until the town meeting in November.

Thomas C. Burrill attended the democratic convention in Boston on Thursday. Mr. Burrill was the delegate from Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brockelman started on Wednesday for a two-weeks' vacation at Reeds Ferry, N. H.

George Christianson, one of the State school boys, injured the thumb and two fingers of his right hand very severely on a circular saw while at work in the carpenter shop on Thursday, making it necessary to take two stitches.

Mrs. John H. Logue fell in her yard on Tuesday, inflicting a slight fracture of the right elbow. Dr. Lilly attended her.

Oscar B. Smith, one of the State Industrial school boys, was taken on Tuesday noon to the Massachusetts General hospital, where he was immediately operated upon for appendicitis. He is recovering nicely.

The R. H. club held its first meeting of the season on Thursday evening October 5, at the home of Miss Jessie Love. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mary Gleason, pres.; Ruby Felch, vice pres.; Gertrude Provost, sec.; Gertrude O'Neill, treas. After a social hour the meeting adjourned until October 13, when it will be held at the home of Mary Gleason.

Francis Hocquard of New Carlisle, P. Q., has arrived at the home of his brother, P. E. Hocquard, for a two-weeks' vacation. Francis Hocquard was a former well-known resident of this town.

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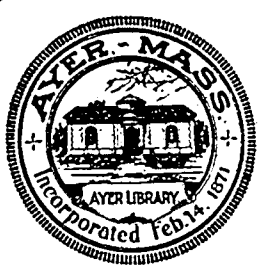
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Saturday, September 23, 1911, from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.

Saturday, October 14, 1911, from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.

Saturday, October 28, 1911, from 12 m. to 10 p. m.

Registration will close at 10 p. m., Saturday, October 28, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registration, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the collector of taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1911. Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization.

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