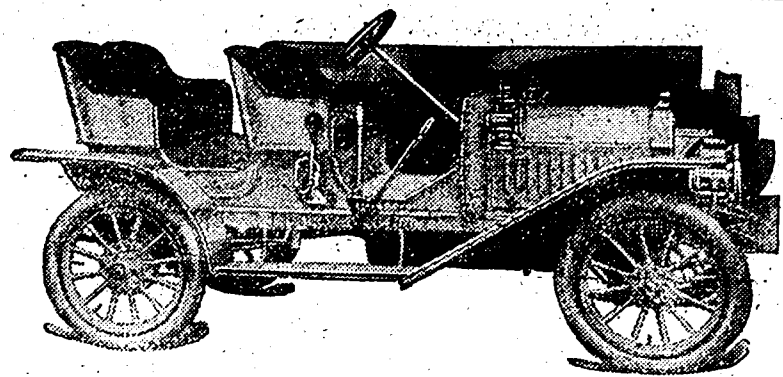


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### HARVARD.

#### News Items.

The grange entertained as the speaker of the evening on Tuesday last, Sylvester P. Robertson, of Lexington. His subject was "Farm Law," and he was a very interesting speaker, answering questions on all laws pertaining to the farm. The next meeting will be a field day and will be held on Tuesday, August 17, at Fuller's grove. The speaker for the afternoon will be announced next week. The subject will be "Education."

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hapenny of Waltham spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna. Sunday morning at the regular 10.45 service at the Congregational church, Rev. Albert H. Wheelock of Marlboro will preach in exchange with Rev. E. B. Mason. Mr. Wheelock occupied this pulpit two years ago and will be remembered as a man gifted with eloquence and charm of manner. All are cordially invited.

During the month of August the Unitarian church will be closed and an invitation is extended to all who desire to worship with the Congregational society.

Miss Presby of New York city and Miss Charlton of Savannah, Ga., friends of Miss Mabel Wetherbee, are visiting this week with her here in town.

Harold Bigelow and Henry Dickson started Wednesday for a few days outing. They go to Gloucester for a day or two and will spend a portion of their time in Boston.

Mrs. Fluke Warren with the two younger children arrive at Tahanto farm this week. Miss Rachel and Fluke Warren were already here and had the house open and ready for the family.

Mrs. Royal received this week a check of forty-three dollars from the sale of scrap paper, shipped last spring by the Ladies' Benevolent society.

The ladies' class... physical culture which meets in the hall is under the direction of Miss Wright of Boston. Miss Wright was a pupil of Prof. Gilbert and her work as a teacher in athletic dances is very highly spoken of.

A parish meeting of the members of the Unitarian society will be held at the church on Thursday evening, August 12.

Gordon McCleary was called to his home in New Brunswick suddenly on Saturday last to attend the funeral services of his brother, who accidentally shot himself while out duck hunting. He was recently honorably discharged from the U. S. army and was home on a short vacation when the accident occurred.

Quite a number from here attended the picnic of the Pomona granges at Whalom park on Wednesday last.

#### Shaboken.

The body of water commonly called Hell pond will be known as Shaboken lake in the future.

The class of '07, Bromfield high school, held their annual reunion on Wednesday at Camp Idlehurst, Shaboken lake.

Miss Emma Connor of Nashua was a guest of Mrs. Mary Leahy last week.

F. L. Gage and family of Marlboro are guests of Rev. A. H. Wheelock this week at his camp, Shaboken lake. The new eight-foot piazza is nearly complete and will be a great improvement to H. A. Dickinson's house. The underpinning and retaining walls of cement blocks give an appearance of

## Our Semi-Annual Clearance Sale Starts on Saturday Morning, July 31st.

MEN'S AND YOUTHS' SUITS — \$8.00 values now \$6.47	\$10.00 values now \$7.47	\$12.00 values now \$8.47	\$15.00 values now \$10.4
\$18.00 values now \$13.47	\$20.00 values now \$15.00	\$22.00 values now \$16.87	
BOYS' KNEE PANT SUITS — \$5.00 values now \$3.87	\$4.00 values now \$2.87	\$3.50 values now \$2.50	\$3.00 values now \$2.19
\$2.00 values now \$1.50			

MEN'S TAN AND WINE COLOR OXFORDS — Walkover \$4.00 to close at \$2.75 LADIES' TAN OXFORDS — \$3.00 Clarice Line to close at \$2.00, Button or Lace MEN'S CAPS in Scotch Plaid and Worsted, 50c. values now 35c., 25c. values now 19c.

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permanence. Carpenters and stone masons of Ayer are in charge of the work. A new circular silo is also in progress of construction.

A. C. Ward of Pepperell is assisting D. H. Dickinson with his haying.

### STILL RIVER.

#### News Items.

The Sunday school and village picnic will be held at Turner's landing, Bare Hill pond, Thursday, August 12, or if the day should be stormy, it will be on Friday. This is the event of the season and everyone is invited to attend.

Last Friday evening Misses Adelaide and Edith Fajrchild entertained Misses Ethelyn Russell, Edna Robinson, Madeline Russell, Eleanor Haskell, Warren Harrod, Malcolm Campbell and Walter Haskell, under the apple trees, in honor of the birthday anniversary of Miss Eleanor Haskell. Out-of-door games were indulged in and a good time was had by all.

Miss Laura A. Brown made a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Royal Cheney, at their new home in Southville, while she was away in Southboro recently, and says the Cheneys have a very pretty home and enjoy their new surroundings very much.

Miss Flora Murchie is visiting relatives in Vernon, Conn.

Mrs. Parker has returned from York beach, but Miss Ethel will remain awhile longer.

Mrs. Adella Turner is at Still River for the month of August, from her duties in Lunenburg.

Mrs. Morse had three sisters with her over Sunday.

Rev. Frank Reed of Ossipee, N. H., has been the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Seales this week.

Frank Sprague has parties from Waltham occupying his new cottage at the pond for this month.

Mrs. Elizabeth Richards and daughter are visiting in Attleboro.

Mrs. Butterfield and daughter, Miss Emma of Ayer, are guests of her sister, Mrs. Sophia Stone.

Merrick P. Farnsworth of Worcester was the guest of his brother, M. A. Farnsworth, Wednesday.

### TOWNSEND.

#### Center.

Mrs. Winnifred Flagg Simonds of Lowell has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Flagg this week.

Miss Florence Copeland of Fitchburg is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Spaulding.

Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., exchanged with the pastor of the Congregational church, Rev. F. B. Harrison, last Sunday.

Mrs. Winnifred Flagg Simonds assisted the choir of the.

Mrs. Winnifred Flagg Simonds assisted the choir Sunday and also sang a solo.

The Nashua Reserves will play the Townsend A. A. on the local grounds, Saturday.

Quite a number of grangers from Townsend attended the summer field meeting of the state board of agriculture, held at Whalom park on Wednesday, and reported an interesting meeting and a large attendance.

Miss Margaret Everetts of Roxbury, who was one of the assistants in the high school this last year, will not return as expected, having accepted a position at Shelbourne Falls.

John Gwinn's nine defeated the Ayer boys last Saturday, 10 to 3. The batteries were Daley and Hurley for Ayer, Knight and Keefe for Townsend. Ayer had seven hits and nine strike-outs, and Townsend twelve hits and six strike-outs. They will go to Pepperell this Saturday.

There will be moving pictures and illustrated songs at Memorial hall, Thursday evening, August 12, by the same company from Lowell which gave the entertainment last winter, under auspices of the S. of V. Chas Rogers, John Manchester and Winnifred Flagg Simonds will sing the songs. The last two names are familiar to our home people, who are always glad of an opportunity to hear them. Dancing will follow the entertainment.

Miss Lillian Hildreth of Lynn is at H. B. Hildreth's for a few weeks.

#### Harbor.

Out of town guests: Mrs. Russell of Shirley and Mrs. Sims of Haverhill, guests of their cousin, Mrs. Dana Fletcher; George H. Pierce and his son, Charles Pierce, at A. C. Joseph's; Joseph Kilburn of Sterling, and Mrs. Albert Cruse of Ashburnham, at Mrs. Baldwin's; Mr. and Mrs. Edson Ordway and Mr. and Mrs. Hartford of North Rochester, at G. H. Brown's; Miss Marian Spaulding at Clifford Keenan's.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Lane are with friends in Newport, Vt., for a week.

Miss Isabelle Ewens is visiting friends in Wilton, N. H.

Mrs. Mary Taylor has been spending a week with friends in Worcester, Miss Jennie Taylor, with friends in Greenville.

Thomas Hallahan, station agent, has rented the Parker place.

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## Our Mid-summer Clearance Sale

Our regular Semi-annual Clearance Sale is now on. Twice each year, just before the end of each season, we clear out the balance of the season's stock by the power of cut prices. We consider it good business policy to close out each season's stock before the next season's stock arrives, and we make a great sacrifice to accomplish this result. Hence this sale and this cut in prices.

This sale includes our new, fresh Spring and Summer wearables. It's a great money-saving proposition for any clothing buyer. Run your eye down the following list of cut prices and note the savings.

### Men's Suits

This lot of Suits comprises the balance of our new stock of Spring and Summer Suits. They consist of Fancy Worsteds and Fancy Mixture Suits. Many of these Suits are the best and the newest we have. The regular price and cut price tags on each suit. The sizes are broken, of course, but all sizes in something. A saving of from \$2.00 to \$7.00 per suit.

Suits that were \$8.47 now	\$6.47
Suits that were \$10.00 now	\$7.47
Suits that were \$12.00 now	\$8.47
Suits that were \$15.00 now	\$10.00
Suits that were \$18.00 and \$20.00 now	\$15.00

Suits that were \$22.00 now \$15.00  
One Lot of twenty Men's Outing Suits—Sizes 34 to 37 only—former prices ranging from \$7.47 to \$12.00. The coats are not cut up to date styles, and for that reason will close out at uniform price of \$2.48

### Young Men's Suits

Ages 15 to 20.

Every Suit at a cut price. Many of them the newest and latest styles and colors.

Suits that were \$8.47 now	\$6.47
Suits that were \$10.00 now	\$7.47
Suits that were \$12.00 now	\$8.47
Suits that were \$15.00 now	\$10.00
One Lot of Odd Suits, good quality, but not good in style, for	\$4.47

### Men's Outing Trousers

Every pair at a reduced price. All new and desirable goods.

\$2.50 Trousers now	\$1.98
\$3.00 Trousers now	\$1.98
\$3.50 Trousers now	\$2.50
\$4.00 Trousers now	\$3.00

### Children's Wash Suits

Ages 3 to 10.

Right in the season. Every Suit marked down.

50c Suits now	39c.
75c. Suits now	59c.
\$1.00 Suits now	75c.
\$1.50 Suits now	\$1.00

### Underwear

Four special lines of Men's and Boys' Underwear at reduced prices.

Our regular 25c. ecru Balbriggan, and also the black and White Mixed Shirts and Drawers for Men, reduced for this sale to 19c.

Our regular 25c. ecru Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers for Boys, reduced for this Sale to 19c.

Our regular 50c. Blue Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, reduced for this Sale to 35c.

### Neckwear

One Lot Four-in-hands 25c. grade—solid colors, all new goods. 2 for 25c.

One Lot Four-in-hands, regular 50c. quality, new colors and designs, while the lot lasts for 25c.

One Lot of Wash Four-in-hands in White and Fancy Colors. 25c. grade. 10c., 3 for 25c.

One Lot Fancy Bows, 15c. quality 5c.

### Miscellaneous Bargains

One Lot Men's Golf Caps, 50c. grade for 25c.

One Lot Boys' Golf Caps, 25c. grade, for 19c.

One Lot Children's Waists and Shirts, ages 4 to 14, regular 25c. grade for 15c.

One Lot of Children's Wash Knee Pants, 25c. grade, for 10c.

One Lot Men's Police Braces, the kind usually sold for 25c., for 17c.

One Lot of about 50 Pairs of Men's and Boys' Bicycle Pants, former prices ranging from \$1.50 to \$4.00 a pair, we have placed on the bargain counter for uniform price of 19c. pair

### Straw Hats

Every Straw Hat in our store at a big reduction from regular price. They must go.

25c. Hats for Children now	10c.
50c. Hats for Children now	25c.
25c. Hats for Men now	19c.
50c. Hats for Men now	39c.
\$1.00 Hats for Men now	75c.

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Hats for Men now \$1.00

\$2.50 and \$3.00 Hats for Men now \$1.50

One Lot of Odd Straw Hats and Cloth Hats for Men, slightly soiled or shop worn, prices ranging from 50c. to \$1.50 on the bargain table for 19c.

### Cloth Hats

25c. Hats for Children now 19c.

50c. Hats for Men now 25c.

### Shoe Department

All our Tan Shoes and Oxfords for Men, Boys, Ladies and Misses, and many broken lines of all kinds of Shoes and Oxfords are offered at a cut price to clean up our stock and get ready for Fall Goods.

### Men's Tan Oxfords

\$3.00 Tan Oxfords now \$2.25

\$3.50 Tan Oxfords now \$2.75

\$4.00 Tan Oxfords now \$3.00

### Boys' Tan Oxfords

\$2.50 Tan Oxfords now \$1.75

\$1.75 Tan Oxfords now \$1.25

\$1.50 Tan Oxfords now \$1.00

### Misses' Tan Oxfords and Shoes

Sizes 11½ to 2.

\$2.00 Tan Oxfords and Shoes, now \$1.50

\$1.50 Tan Oxfords now \$1.00

\$1.25 Tan Oxfords now \$1.00

### Ladies' Shoes and Oxfords

\$2.25 Tan Oxfords now \$1.75

\$3.00 Tan Oxfords now \$2.25

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## WESTFORD.

### Center.

Marden Seavey has returned from a most enjoyable ten days' trip to the White Mountains. In company with an uncle, they lived in the open air and tramped and climbed, carrying their knapsacks on their backs. During the trip they climbed to the summits of Mts. Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Tyler. Some pretty cold weather with snow flurries were part of their experiences.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wright have been spending a week of vacation at Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright's, and go to spend next week at Fremont, N. H., where Mrs. Wright has relatives.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held its monthly tryout and drill Tuesday evening with a good attendance, doing some excellent practice work with the extension ladders.

The "wild disease" of the gypsy moth, which has been referred to so much in the papers, has been observed in town by Mr. Nesmith and his men.

Mr. and Mrs. Will E. Carver have been recent guests in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Merritt have been spending a few days this past week at Nantucket.

The John P. Wrights are at home again after spending the month of July at Pinehurst farm, Pembroke.

### Birthday Party.

Mrs. Florence G. Isles gave one of the pleasantest of birthday parties for her daughter Hilda, Thursday evening of last week. This little lady has seen thirteen summers and this event was a surprise affair. Her school mates and friends who were invited gathered at the home of Marjory Seavey nearby and marched two by two to their friend's home, making a pleasant picture in their pretty summer frocks. Not until they appeared did Hilda know of the event, but she at once entered into the spirit of the occasion with happy adaptability. The guests brought many pretty gifts to their young hostess and she was also the recipient of many other tokens from relatives and other friends. Supper was served, the chief ornament of the long flower-trimmed table being the big birthday cake with its lighted candles. The time-honored custom of the ring and thimble, and each guest blowing out a candle with a wish, were duly observed. Ice cream, cakes, candies and many other good things were served. After supper games, music and dancing were enjoyed and the evening's pleasure came to an end all too soon when the young people took their departure, sincerely wishing their young hostess many happy returns of the day and naively hoping they might be bidden to other as pleasant parties as this one.

### Bitten.

Rev. C. P. Marshall met with an unfortunate accident last Friday evening. With his next door neighbor, Mr. Prescott, he has been in the chicken business and they were much interested in their enterprise, even if it was not on an extensive scale. They had been losing some of their best young chickens at a rapid rate and resorted to setting traps. One of Mrs. George Day's cats got caught in the trap, but got away, dragging the trap after it. After a good deal of trouble Mr. Marshall caught the cat and in an attempt to release it from the trap the animal, crazed with fright and pain, bit Mr. Marshall's hand quite badly. He went at once to Dr. Wells and had the wounds properly treated, and while they were painful for a time are much improved, and it is hoped no bad results will follow.

### Family Outing.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Hildreth were host and hostess for a delightful gathering at their home on the Concord road, Thursday of last week. It was a real family party, numbering about fourteen, consisting of Mrs. Hildreth's relatives and friends, coming from her home town of Andover and from Billerica and Tewksbury. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey from Andover, her sisters, Mrs. Trull and little son and cousins, aunts and friends, made up the group. They came on one of the morning cars and were met by the genial Bert with his big mark wagon fitted with many seats. This and other conveyances transferred them the two miles to his home. The party was so large that dinner was in picnic style and was thoroughly enjoyed as well as the merry sociability, the pleasant surroundings and the good weather which is always a contributing factor for an outing of this kind. At sundown the merry party were conveyed back to the car and to their respective homes.

### Wedding.

At the Union Congregational church Wednesday evening, at the close of a beautiful summer's day, occurred the marriage of Miss Edith Anne Seifer and Elmer Dennis Cole of Washington, D. C. Miss Seifer formerly lived in Westford, the family homestead being in the southerly part of the town, where she made her home until the death of her parents. She was a former member of the church that was the scene of Wednesday evening's nuptials, and for years sung in its choir, and was always interested in its activities and best welfare. Willing hands had made the interior of the church very pretty with decorations. The color scheme of these was the ever-pretty one of green and white. The pulpit was completely banked with greenery, relieved along the entire front with ferns and the delicate Queen Anne's lace. Wide white satin ribbons made an aisle for the bridal party.

At the appointed hour, with Miss May Atwood, the church organist, pre-

siding at the organ, the bridal party proceeded to the altar, the four ushers, who were as follows, at the head: Harwood L. Wright, William R. Taylor, John A. Taylor and J. Henry Colburn, after whom came the ring-bearers, Little Misses Marion and Eva Cole, daughters of the bridegroom by a previous marriage. Next came the little flower girls strewing flowers in the pathway. Those who filled this charming office were Miss Marjory Seavey and Miss Madeline Parsons. Then came the bridesmaid, who was Miss Eva B. Armstrong of Lowell, and lastly the stately bride leaning on the arm of her uncle, William Kelly of Stoneham, who gave her in marriage. They were met at the altar by the bridegroom and his best man, John H. Seifer, brother of the bride. The beautiful double-ring ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Charles P. Marshall, pastor of the church.

The bride's gown was of beautiful white silk net embroidered over white silk. She carried a shower bouquet of lilacs of the valley and her long veil was fastened with the same. Her only ornament was a diamond and pearl brooch, the gift of the bridegroom. The gift of the bride to the bridegroom was diamond cuff links. The bridesmaid's dress was of white embroidered mull over blue silk. She wore a large picture hat of white and carried pink roses. The bridegroom's gift to his best man was a diamond stickpin and to his ushers pearl stickpins, to the ring-bearers bracelets, and to the flower girls silver spoons.

Immediately following the ceremony the bridal party took their places in the church parlor, where a reception was held and received the felicitations of the assembled company. The receiving party stood before an arch of greenery draped with white ribbon and white bells. Ice cream and cake and fruit punch was served in charge of caterer Fred A. Smith. Each guest received a dainty box of wedding cake. Mr. and Mrs. Cole were the recipients of numerous gifts consisting of silver, china, cut glass, linen and sums of money.

Among those who assisted in the arrangements were Miss Ada Armstrong, Mrs. Samuel Burt, Mrs. Judson Parsons of Lowell, and Miss Max Atwood, Mrs. Mae I. Gould and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Colburn. Among out-of-town guests were William Kelly, Mrs. Ella Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Norton W. Peabody, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Emerson, Mrs. Henry H. Emerson, Miss Bertha Parsons, Mrs. Judson Parsons, Miss Madeline Glazier Parsons and Miss Armstrong.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Cole will return to their home in Washington, where Mr. Cole is in the jewelry business. They take with them the many good wishes of friends here for a life of happiness and prosperity.

### About Town.

Edward Grey, who has been employed on the farm of H. B. Read for the past two years, has resigned his position and accepted his former position at the Chelmsford foundry at North Chelmsford. He has secured a house and will move as soon as convenience will permit. Business at the foundry is brisk and he received several urgent requests to resume his trade. Mr. Read was fortunate in so competent a man and Mr. Grey is so reasonable an employer.

Milton Richards and family of New York were visiting relatives and friends in town last week. He will be remembered as musician in town and the Unitarian choir forty years ago.

Andrew Johnson, Wesley O. Hawkes and son have gone to Salt Lake City to the G. A. R. scenery.

A goodly number of believers in village improvements attended an improved improvement at Littleton Saturday and were witnesses of what Westford might and will be when the sight of personal effort is fully turned on.

The ballgame last Saturday between Westford and Nashua was won by Nashua 5 to 3. Game to day at Ayer between Westford and Shirley.

The tree warden and assistants spent a day last week removing a large overhanging, threatening elm limb that gave evidence of obstructing the electric cars, the sidewalk and the highway. It hung out its sign at the old Capt. Peletiah Fletcher place, now owned by C. R. P. Decatur.

The factor in society of get there and do something will be weakened and quick lit-up humor dimmed when John P. Wright moves to Lowell in September. Can't he leave a pair of shoes behind? There may be those who could pretend to try them on; pretence is better than inertia.

About a dozen went from town Wednesday to the Pomona excursion at Canobie lake. Among those was the youthful, nimble, ninety-year-old Horace Hamblett of Brookside.

Rev. and Mrs. Seth W. Walker and baby of Chelmsford, and Mrs. Walker's father of California, Mr. Russell are visiting at Charles E. Walker's.

### Reunion.

The second annual reunion of the Spaulding Light Cavalry association will be held at Nabnasset lake Thursday, August 12. All sorts of business and pleasure compatible with the basis of the association will be evolved, as well as eating, which will be involved. Music to fan on the exercises to the point of hilarity will be ginged around and about by the Chelmsford brass band. When they are not having their say and way, the following sports will be evolved: Annual election of officers at 11.30 a. m.; annual eating contest at 1.15 p. m.; followed by annual speeches, long, short, wise, witty and beautiful, listening all the time; contests on the water, the earth and the air, to see who has the skill to be first, second and third to get there. A general personal social handshaking, "how do you don't," "so glad to see you," even if you don't mean it, can be passed around all the time. Better come and brush off a little of the surplus hayseed accumulations of the year.

### Sunday School Excursion.

The excursion last week Wednesday to Canobie lake by the Oakhill-Westford Corner-West Chelmsford-Brookside Sunday school association was just what always happens when this part of the inhabited earth un-

der takes to do anything. The weather was dressed in sunshine, the water was calm and the dust was quiet, sports for the wealth of your health were tossed around with pleasure, and in this was the day's most keenly applied treasure. Just eighty-two persons, young, old, tall, small, short, great and straight, boarded the electric and took in the lake, and unboarded the electric with none of the dissipations that frequently cloud the lake. There are no syndicate riches linked to this crowd, but they smilingly get after life in a way to be proud.

### Obituary.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Collins, wife of Frank Collins, superintendent of George C. Moore's mills at Brookside, was held from her residence last Saturday. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. Rev. C. P. Marshall, of the Congregational church, Westford Center, was the officiating clergyman, and singing by Miss Edna Ferguson and Mrs. David L. Greig. The bearers were friends of the deceased. The body was sent to Lawrence that day, where services were held Sunday. Burial was at Bellevue cemetery, beside her father, mother and children. The floral offerings were liberal messengers of relief, appropriately donated by relatives, neighbors and friends.

Pillow, from husband; anchor, from sister, Charlotte Senior; cross on base, Mr. and Mrs. James Hoale; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Collins; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Dugdale; spray, Mr. and Mrs. J. Collins; wreath violet, Emily, Bertha, Frank and Albert Collins and Albert Dugdale; wreath, Jane E. and George H. Hoale; mound with white dove, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dugdale; large pillow, "At rest," employees of Brookside mills; spray, Charles M. Trull; spray, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moore, Jr.; spray white and pink asters, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Chase; plume white asters, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watt; spray white pinks, Mr. and Mrs. C. Whitehead; spray pinks and cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. J. McManimon; bouquet, Luanna Decatur; bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamblett.

Mrs. Collins died suddenly of acute indigestion and hemorrhage of the stomach. She was hardly past the prime of life, being only fifty-six years old.

### Graniteville.

Miss Rachel Wall of this village is now visiting relatives in Nashua for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Putney, with their son Alfred of Needham are now visiting at the home of Fred and Miss Jessie Parker in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Sherman of Damariscotta, Me., have been recent visitors of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Sherman in this village.

Mrs. Theresa Marchione and Mrs. Defoe have recently returned from a brief vacation spent at Revere beach. Rev. J. J. McNamara of St. Catherine's church came over the road from North Chelmsford on last Sunday with Dr. Haban in his new Buick runabout.

### Grand Gala Day.

The members of Court Westford, M. C. O. F., are making elaborate preparations for a grand gala day with list of sports to be held at Hillside park, this village, on Saturday afternoon, August 7, following the social dance in Healy's hall in the evening. The principal attraction in the afternoon will be the baseball game between the Graniteville Blues and the Forge Village Lions. The Forge boys are the present leaders in the Stony Brook league, closely followed by Graniteville, and as these two clubs have not met before this season, a red-hot game is expected. Aside from the ballgame there will be other sports consisting of 100-yard dash, open; boys' race; girls' race; hop, step and jump; tug-of-war and other interesting events, including the side attractions that are bound to please everybody. Refreshments of all kinds will be served during the afternoon, and one of the best features of the program will be the old-fashioned supper that will be served under the pines at five o'clock. So it will not be necessary for anyone to leave the grounds to procure food. As before stated, a social dance in Healy's hall will top off the festivities of the day, and weather permitting, the whole affair promises to be very enjoyable.

### Baseball.

The Middlesex baseball club visited here on last Saturday afternoon and met with a trouncing defeat at the hands of the Graniteville Blues by the score of 13 to 2. The Blues batted Lane, the Middlesex pitcher, in great shape, pounding out sixteen hits with a total of twenty-five bases, every man on the base. Following a hit, several a hit for double bases. Thomas McCarthy was on the firing line for the locals and the Middlesex boys got but four hits off him, and those were scattered. William Ledwith caught him in good shape and nipped all that attempted to steal second, besides finding the ball for a nice single and a home run. In fact, the local club played the best game of the season only one error being made, and that was excusable. The outfield had some difficult work to do, but pulled everything in that came their way. Hughes at shortstop was a tower of strength, scooping up the hot ones like a veteran and lining them to first like a bullet. The Middlesex team appeared to be in a daze at times and were contently shifting their men about, in the hopes of stopping the slaughter. The Middlesex battery worked hard to win, but Holmes, the hard-hitting catcher only got one hit off McCarthy. Graniteville will play the Forge Village Lions here Saturday, August 7, when it is expected the whole town will turn out to see the game.

### Forge.

Work has commenced this week on the foundation for the new two-story woolroom for Abbot & Co. They will also erect a new two-story brick mill, to be used for spinning and twisting. Mr. Edwards will have charge of the work.

The Forge Village Lions added another game to their long list, when they defeated the Brookside team last Saturday afternoon at Nabnasset grove.

Rev. Mr. Roberts conducted the services at St. Andrew's mission last Sunday evening and there was a good-sized audience.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson are still enjoying their vacation in Maine.

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Mrs. James Libbey and niece, Miss Verna Shaw, of Easton, Me., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Parsons.

There is as much enthusiasm as ever at the summer cottages at Forge lake. Every cottage is occupied and more would come if there were only cottages enough.

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## Sheriff's Sale

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

Ayer, August 2d, A. D. 1909.

Taken on execution and will be sold at public auction at my office, East Main street, in said Ayer, on Saturday, September 11, 1909, at nine o'clock, A. M., all the right, title and interest (not exempt by law from attachment or levy on execution) that Albert M. Richards of Leominster, in the County of Worcester, and said Commonwealth, had on the third day of January, A. D. 1908, at seven o'clock and forty-nine minutes P. M., that being the time the same was specially attached on mesne process, or now has in and to the following described Real Estate: A certain tract of land, situated in the northwest part of Townsend in the County of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake and stones on Chestnut Hill, so-called; thence north about 46° East, bounded by land formerly of one Hodgman one hundred and sixty-eight (168) rods, more or less, to a stake and stones at a way; thence North about 38° East, bounded in part by land formerly of Samuel Warner about sixty (60) rods to a stake and stones at the State line; thence North about 82° West on the State line eighty-four (84) rods to a stake and stones at land now or formerly of John Richards; thence by said Richards land, South about 33° East about fifty-one (51) rods to a large oak tree marked; thence South about 7° East eighty-three rods, more or less, to a stake and stones by an oak stump at a stone wall; thence South about 19° East about one hundred and eleven (111) rods to a stake and stones by a pitch-pine stump; thence North about 64° East fifty-six (56) rods to a stake and stones at a corner; thence about 27° West, to land formerly of one Richards about ninety (90) rods to the point of beginning.

Said property standing in the name of Ephraim H. Hildreth, at the time it was specially attached.

A. A. FILLEBROWN, Deputy Sheriff.

## COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

Ayer, Mass., August 3d, 1909.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate, situated in the Town of Ayer, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the Taxes thereon, severally assessed, for the years hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as collector of taxes for said Town by the Assessors of Taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land, sufficient to satisfy said taxes, with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by public auction at the Selectmen's room, in said Ayer, on Tuesday, Sept. 7th, 1909, at ten o'clock, A. M., for the payment of said taxes with interest, cost and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sum set against the description of the estate shows the amounts due thereon for the taxes, for the non-payment of which said estate is to be sold, not including costs and interest thereon and costs and charges incident to this sale.

Samuel Slavsky and Nathan Marshall.

A certain lot of land with all the buildings thereon, situated on the Southernly side of West Main street, bounded as follows: Easternly by land of Bridget Brown; Southernly by Mrs. John Walsh and others; Westernly by land of Sarah and Bridget Sheedy; Northernly by West Main street, containing 2.8 acres, more or less.

Balance of Taxes for 1907, \$13.70.

Samuel Slavsky. A certain lot of land with all the buildings thereon, situated on the Southernly side of West Main street, bounded as follows: Easternly by land of Bridget Brown; Southernly by Mrs. John Walsh and others; Westernly by land of Sarah and Bridget Sheedy; Northernly by West Main street, containing 2.8 acres, more or less.

Tax 1908, \$38.87.

CHARLES W. MASON, Collector.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of LUSANNA C. REED, late of Ayer, in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by Eudora S. Draper, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said day.

Witness, CHARLES J. MCINTIRE, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

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Notice.

This is to certify that I shall pay no bills contracted by my wife, May Eva Curtice, on and after this date.

CHARLES F. CURTICE, 3147

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## Auction.

By virtue and in pursuance of the authority contained in an order and decree of the Supreme Judicial Court, sitting in equity for the County of Worcester, upon the petition of Joseph Holden et al., which decree was filed March 17, 1908, will be sold at public auction on Monday, the 16th day of August, 1909, at one o'clock, p. m., at the District Court Room in Ayer, the following described tract of land:

A certain tract of land situate in Shirley in the County of Middlesex in that part thereof known as Shirley Village and bounded. Beginning at the southwest corner of land of Samson Cordage Works; thence northerly by land of F. X. Gionet to a corner; thence southeasterly by land of Kate E. Hazen to land of Samson Cordage Works; thence westerly by said Samson Cordage Works land to beginning. Terms, \$25.00 at time of sale; balance on delivery of deed.

For further particulars inquire of the subscribers, or D. C. Parsons, Ayer, Mass.

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STRAYED—From 55 Grove St., Sunday night, July 25, half-grown cat, black, with white paws, white on face and breast; double front paws. Answers to name Ted. Kindly notify above address, or Public Spirit Office, Ayer, Mass.

HAY FOR SALE—From 1 to 15 tons. Timothy and Red Top. T. R. B. DOLE, Groton, Mass. 2146

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been appointed executor of the will of Joseph H. Hayden, late of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to FRANCES M. HOWE, Executrix. Northborough, Mass., June 18, 1909. 3145

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 ASHLEY WEBSTER SAUVER, late of Littleton, 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 Henton Brennan of Danvers, in the County of Essex, 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 fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should be granted. And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said day.

Witness, CHARLES J. MCINTIRE, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of HANNAH L. COLBURN, late of Bartow, in State of Florida, deceased.

Whereas, Elias A. Colburn, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts, and charges granted in administration, and for other reasons set forth 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 fourteenth day of September, A. D. 1909, 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 each person interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, CHARLES J. MCINTIRE, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

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# THE NAMELESS SHIP

By ANDREW C. EWING.

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"Talk about the flyin' Dutchman," said the centenarian of the sailor's snug harbor, "twa'n't a circumstance to the phantom ship my gran'father used to tell me about when I was a boy. The old man was pretty nigh as old as I am now when he told it to me and had sailed the Spanish main when pirates there was thicker'n bumbatoes about a newly arrived American ship off Fayal. And my gran'father seen her, too, with his own two eyes and her wild cap'n on his wild ship. He was the first pirate to get his deserts. Hangin' don't do it—that's only killin'. But I'll tell you the story as my gran'father told it."

"A ship—my gran'father didn't know her name; fact is, she didn't have a name; some said that, bein' intended for a phantom from the start, she sailed without a name—well, this nameless ship sailed from Medford with a cargo o' rum and gold and silver bars. She headed for a West Indian port, but got into the doldrums and was so long without a breeze that the water and provisions give out. The crew was reduced to chawin' the leather of their boots; but, as for water, there was none even to be got from damp out o' the sails. The weakest died first, then the stronger, and so on till the most endurin' o' the crew give in and their spirits went aloft. When the last man had perished, there bein' nothin' more for the doldrums to do, the wind sprang up and the ship sailed away with her crew of dead."

"The wind bein' out o' the northeast, the ship kep' on her course toward the West Indies. Then it was that Juan Castres, the most onmerciful pirate that ever sailed the Spanish main, saw her and chased her. It was an easy matter to catch her, though every rag was set and she was a fine sailer, for, bein' without a helmsman—at least a livin' one—she'd luff now and then and have to wait for her sails to fill again. When the pirate came up with her the dusk of night was settlin' down, and all the pirates could see was a figure behind the wheel, another leantin' up ag'in the taffrail and others scattered about in different positions where they'd died."

"But Castres, seein' the ship hadn't guns for defense, drifted up beside her when the wind lulled and, leavin' some of his men to make fast, jumped aboard his prize. The two vessels bumped and separated. At that moment a sudden puff o' wind struck 'em. The pirate had lowered most of his sails, and before she could get 'em up again the ship without a name sailed away from her into the thick night, and that's the last the pirate seen o' her."

"The next seen o' the nameless ship was by a Britisher. Cap'n Castres was at the wheel singin' and shoutin' and laughin' and throwin' his arms about. He had found himself alone on a ship with nothin' but dead men, though she was the richest prize he had ever taken, with the easiest cargo to dispose of, gold and silver bars, with rum enough to kee him drunk for the rest of his natural life. Whether drinkin' the rum helped him to go mad or a crew of dead men was enough to do it, nobody didn't know, but he was mad sure enough—stark, starlin' mad—a-swearin' at his dead crew just as though they was alive, and he must have found plenty of ammunition, for he was pluggin' 'em all the while. One o' the sailors on the Britisher recognized Castres, for he had been taken by the pirate, forced to walk the plank and got picked up. He told the cap'n, and the cap'n turned away without even speakin' the other ship."

"The next seen o' the nameless, as the Britishes called her, was by an Italian brig. There was more superstition among the Italians than the Englishmen, and, seein' a crew o' dead men commanded by a mad pirate, they all knelt on deck and crossed themselves. Then the cap'n, who was the only man among 'em that had any sand at all, took the helm and sailed on another course as quick as he could go about."

"But what I've been a-comin' to all along is the time my gran'father seen the 'phantom,' for after some years sailin' about, seen by various craft, that's what they called her. It was one evenin' on the equator. My gran'father was a young feller o' nineteen, an' he'd heard o' the nameless, as she was then called, when he was six years old. So, you see, the story's true. Well, the sun was a-settin', goin' down into the water big enough to take in a dozen craft on the horizon, when suddenly a ship seemed to come up near by, as if out o' the ocean, and sailed right between him and the sun. On deck was Cap'n Castres leantin' over the gun'ale shakin' his fist, his eyes a-glarin' and horrible sounds comin' out of his throat. The phantom must 'a' rattled considerable, for only her ribs was to be seen ag'in the sun, lookin' for all the world like a grid-iron on a red-hot fire."

"The phantom always brought bad luck. Ships seen her in the early mornin', at twilight, after sunset, by moonlight or in a storm. She was always scuddin', breeze or no breeze, manned by dead men and steered by the mad pirate. And no ship ever sighted her that didn't either have a plague aboard afterward or go ashore or strike a rock or somepin terrible. "Just go to New Bedford and ask 'em about her. They'll tell you of the women and children of New Bedford crews bound to be made widders and orphans from shipwreck after the 'phantom' was sighted in a fog off the shore there."

## BROOKLINE.

### News Items.

The program at the local grange, Wednesday evening, July 28, was the discussion of "The most wonderful things in the world," by Mrs. Mary Barber, Fred A. Hall, Clarence R. Russell and Clara E. Russell; address, "Washington," Mrs. Mary Barber; reading, "The first balloon," Mrs. Hattie Pierce; essay, "The bridge of the gods," Mrs. Clara Russell. The literary program was followed by a guessing contest on leaves, plants and flowers. Mrs. Hattie Slocombe and Freeman Wright guessed correctly thirty-five of the thirty-seven specimens. It being a tie, they were required to guess the number of berries in a bottle. Mrs. Slocombe guessed the nearest and secured the prize.

The next meeting of the local grange will be held Wednesday evening, August 25, and will be a musical entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Morah of Nashua were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Dodge, Wednesday, August 4.

The engagement of Miss Lulu M. Cochrane, daughter of Carl W. Cochrane of Wollaston, and granddaughter of the late Bela G. Cochrane, to Joseph Gifford of Taunton is announced.

Mrs. Sampson and family of Boston have hired the cottage occupied by Capt. Alexander Taylor, for the summer.

Miss Leona Carder is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Burke.

Nathaniel Hobart, despite his advanced age of eighty-six years, recently walked three miles and picked three quarts of berries and not complaining of fatigue.

Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., and wife are at their summer cottage and have entertained Mrs. Mary Townsend of New York.

Mrs. Charles Russell is entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Cook of Woburn, Mass.

George L. Perin and family of Brookline, Mass., are at their summer home for the month of August.

Mrs. Mary Gerrish of Ayer and Onslow Daniels of Cambridge are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Gerrish.

Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker and daughters entertained a party of thirty relatives and friends Saturday evening at Inncroft. Whist and dancing made the hours merry ones. Dainty refreshments were served.

George W. L. Hobart is at home from the beach, where he has spent the month of July.

Mrs. Warren L. Noyes is enjoying a two weeks' vacation at the White Mountains, the guest of Miss Leonard of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., will preach at the Congregational church Sunday, August 8, in exchange with Rev. Warren L. Noyes, who will preach at Putnam, Conn.

Services will not be held at the Methodist church, Sunday, August 8. Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Hutchinson of Milford were guests at the Seaver homestead Sunday.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Linville Shattuck and son regret that they are soon to move to Pepperell.

The big log that has been one of the landmarks at Lake Potanapo ever since the oldest inhabitant can remember, has drifted from its mooring near the shore at Fred Farnsworth's to the J. A. Hall shore.

Mrs. Howard Carter, daughter Bertha and son Brooks Howard of Oak Bluffs are at the W. B. Rockwood homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Russell and Master Kenneth Russell attended the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture at Whalom park, Wednesday, August 4.

### Old Home Week.

The old home week invitations have been issued and are as follows: The officers of Brookline Old Home Week association, in behalf of the citizens of the town, most cordially invite you to be present at their eighth annual observance of old home week, August 21 to 23, and especially on their old home day, Friday, August 27.

George H. Nye, pres.; Fred A. Hall, Wm. J. Bailey, vice-pres.; Blanche W. Hall, sec.; Harry Marshall, treas.; Mrs. Jennie Bouteille, Frank E. Gilman, exec. com.

The week will open on Saturday evening with buffets and the ringing of the church bells. Sunday, August 22, there will be a union service in the Congregational church with a sermon by Rev. Warren L. Noyes. Sunday, August 29, there will be a union service in the Methodist church, with a sermon by Rev. Elwin Hitchcock of Keene. The program for Friday follows:

9.30 a.m., concert by the Lunenburg band; 10.30, ball game, local teams; 11 a.m., at the Congregational church: selection, band; invocation, Rev. Warren L. Noyes; selection, Mrs. Phoebe Jenness Randall; welcome, Geo. H. Nye; response, Miss Ellen C. Sawtelle; selection, Mrs. Mabel Brackley; Mrs. W. S. Beckford; selection, Rev. Herbert J. Foote; selection, band; 12.30 p.m., dinner will be served in Tarrill's hall by the Pace Catering Co. of Lowell, Mass.; 2.00, ball game by two professional teams, to be announced at a later date; a small admission will be charged to the ball field to help cover expenses of teams; 4.30 p.m., band concert; 7.30, fireworks. Friday evening, concert and ball. Columbia orchestra of Lawrence. Concert from eight to nine, dancing from nine to two. Floor director, Eldorus C. Fessenden; side, Harry Powers, Edward O'Heren, Richard Wright, Burns Marshall.

## HOLLIS.

### News Items.

Last Sunday the pulpit was occupied by Rev. Leon H. Austin of Roslindale, Mass. Rev. and Mrs. Austin have spent the past four weeks in Hollis with Miss M. A. Hardy.

The flower committee of the C. E. society have charge of the floral decorations of the church each Sunday. Last Sunday they made a sweet peas Sunday, and the decorations were unusually fine, two handsome set pieces besides other bouquets. Mrs. A. R. Wilson kindly made the set pieces for the committee.

The church improvement committee are busy arranging for the Dutch supper and entertainment, to be given August 11.

The Sunday school picnic will be held at Silver lake, August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenrick of Brookline, Mass., spent a week with their daughter, Mrs. J. Charles Hills, returning home last Sunday.

Edward Brooks, Jr., of Concord, is spending this month with his aunt, Mrs. W. W. Pierce.

The Willoughby family held their annual reunion at Silver lake, Thursday, August 5. These reunions are such delightful affairs that many claim to belong to the Willoughby family the first Thursday in August each year.

The repairs on F. F. Twiss' house are progressing; they include many radical changes.

The people who attended church last Sunday were greatly pleased to note the marked improvement in the vestibule, made by the gift of the Willing Workers' circle of the King's Daughters, consisting of new rugs and rubber treads on the stairs and hall. The hall was also brightened with new paint.

## LUNENBURG.

### Obituary.

This community felt a severe shock last Monday, when the news flashed over the telephone wires, that Charles E. Goodrich had met with an accident, which had ended his life. For several days he, with his assistants, had been engaged in shingling his father's house in Goodrichville. On Monday morning he returned to his work as usual, his aged father going with him, to watch the progress. They had finished the main part of the house and had begun on the ell, and the elder Mr. Goodrich was sitting upon the ground near by, when one of the brackets supporting the staging gave way at the end where the younger Mr. Goodrich was working, and he was thrown to the ground, striking upon his head. The other men, E. S. Marshall, his brother-in-law, and Harry Ellis, his helpers hurried to him as quickly as possible, but he was unconscious and breathed only a few times. Dr. C. E. Woods was called by telephone, but Mr. Goodrich was dead before he arrived. Medical Examiner Pierce viewed the body and decided that death was caused by a fracture of the skull, at the base of the brain.

The funeral was held in the Congregational church, of which he was a faithful member, on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. T. Kempton, his pastor, conducting the service. Rev. F. W. Brett, pastor of the Methodist church, and Mr. Goodrich's nearest neighbor, read the scripture, the ninth psalm, and spoke earnest words of appreciation and eulogy. Mr. Kempton offered prayer and made an address full of sympathy for the relatives and sincere love for the departed friend, also earnest exhortation to the living. The choir sang three selections, "The solid rock," a favorite hymn of Mr. Goodrich, and one which he requested to be sung in the meeting on Sunday evening, his last service on earth; "Jesus, lover of my soul," and "The christian's good night." Most beautiful flowers in every design of the florist's art were contributed in great abundance, but they only feebly expressed the love of the givers and the esteem of all who knew him.

The bearers were John Wooldredge, Harry Ellis, Fred Smith and Sherman Sanderson, and the burial was in the North cemetery, in the lot which he himself had designated some time ago.

In the death of Charles E. Goodrich everyone who knew him feels a personal loss. He was always so kind, congenial, with a pleasant word and cheering smile for everyone he met, and a cordial clasp of the hand, which as one has said, "when Charlie Goodrich shook hands, you knew it meant something, for there was soul in it, and you felt that his greeting was sincere." He was one of the most active workers on Old Home day, and gave everyone a hearty welcome, for he sincerely enjoyed the reunion of old friends and neighbors. Much sympathy is felt for his wife and daughter, his aged father and only sister, Mrs. E. S. Marshall, and other relatives. Truly a good man has fallen and one who will be greatly missed, and sincerely mourned by everyone who knew him.

### A Motor Cycle Trip.

Harlan L. Burnell, a Lunenburg boy who has spent the last thirteen years in the west, having visited his home but once during that time, eight years ago, arrived at home last week in time for Old Home day, and is now with his mother, Mrs. C. B. Longley. He traveled the entire distance from Berwyn, Ill., ten miles west of Chicago, to Lunenburg, on a motor cycle, aggregating 1250 miles, by easy stages, visiting relatives in southern Michigan, northern Indiana, and stopping at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, Erie, Pa., Niagara Falls, Fondra, N. Y., Rochester and other places on the way. His longest ride in one day was 112 miles. He had a very interesting and in some cases a thrilling experience, and a fine chance to see the country.

### News Item.

The new public library is approaching completion and Contractor Francis plans to have it completed in October. The spur track, which was laid for bringing material for its construction, was removed on Tuesday.

### The Unending Joy.

Sometimes, while in my walks, I see  
A charming green hill far away;  
And then a longing comes to me,  
To reach that hill without delay.  
But when I stand upon its brow,  
Alas! I find it no more fair  
Than was the plain I left just now.  
With earnest longings to be there,  
So earthly pleasures fail to yield  
The lasting joy we hoped to find,  
While walking through life's varied field.  
Mid cares and sorrows of the mind,  
But when we reach that distant hill,  
That unknown hill, far far away,  
Whose heights are ever green, and still,  
We shall find joyful, perfect day.  
And joys unending shall be ours,  
New joys unfolding every hour  
And in those fair celestial bowers,  
We shall find peace and rest in store.  
And from that hill we shall behold  
Such scenes as mortals cannot see,  
Such landscapes, scenes, untold, unaid,  
From that green hill of mystery.  
And all who in the Christ believe,  
Whose love is in their inmost heart,  
Shall this true heavenly joy receive,  
And nevermore from them depart.  
SAMUEL L. WHITE,  
Beverly, Mass.

## MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN PEPPERELL.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Jennie A. Winch to Susan F. Wright, dated the first day of February, A. D. 1906, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, book 3213, page 241, and by assignment now owned by the subscriber, and for breach of conditions contained in said mortgage deed and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, there will be sold by public auction at the house on the premises hereinafter described in Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, on Tuesday, the seventeenth of August, next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises described in and conveyed by said mortgage deed, to wit:

"A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situate on the northerly side of Main street in said Pepperell, containing about one-fourth acre and bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of the premises on said Main street at a bound by land formerly of George G. Winch; thence extending westerly on said street fifty-one (51) feet to a bound at land formerly of James E. Dunn; thence northerly by said land and land now of said Dunn, one hundred and sixty-nine (169) feet to a bound at land formerly of Lucinda V. Huff; thence south sixty-eight and one-half (68 1/2) degrees east by said Huff's land eighty-three (83) feet to a bound at land of aforesaid George G. Winch; thence south twenty-one and a half (21 1/2) degrees west one hundred sixty-four (164) feet by said Winch's land to the point of beginning, being the same premises conveyed to George G. Winch by Geo. H. Woods by deed dated May 4, 1893. Recorded Middlesex South Dist. Deeds, book 3091, page 514, and subject to the right and privilege to take and use water from the well located on the westerly side of the described premises reserved by said Geo. H. Woods in said deed."

Said premises will be sold subject to all liens for taxes and any and all liens whatsoever.

RMS. Fifty dollars to be paid down at time and place of sale; balance on delivery of deed within five days.

Nellie R. Errington,  
Assignee of Said Mortgages.  
Pepperell, Mass., July 21, 1909.

W. A. KEMP, Auctioneer.

LOWELL and FITCHBURG STREET RAILWAY CO.  
Change of Time Beginning Monday, Oct. 12, 1909.

First car leaves Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell at 6.05 a. m., then five minutes past every hour up to and including 10.05 a. m., connecting with cars from Fitchburg and Leominster.

First car leaves Lowell for North Chelmsford and Ayer, Westford, Fitchburg and Leominster at 5.18 a. m. The next car leaves Lowell at 6.33 a. m., then thirty-three minutes past every hour up to and including 9.33 p. m. The 10.33 p. m. and 10.48 p. m. cars from Lowell for Ayer leave North Chelmsford at 11.15 p. m., due at Ayer at 11.55 p. m.

Sundays.  
First car from Ayer 7.05 a. m.; last car from Ayer 10.05 p. m.; first car from Lowell 7.33 a. m.; last car from Lowell 9.33 p. m. for Ayer, Westford, Fitchburg and Leominster; last car from Lowell 10.33 p. m. for Ayer only, leaves North Chelmsford 11.05 p. m., due at Ayer at 11.50 p. m.  
L. H. CUSHING, Supt.

BOSTON and NORTHERN ST. RY. CO. LOWELL DIVISION.

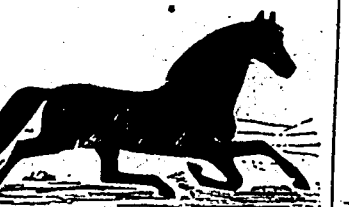
TIME TABLE.  
Issued June 21, 1909.  
(Subject to change without notice.)

### WEEK DAY TIME.

Leave Merrimack Square, Lowell, for Boston via Tewksbury and Reading to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charles town—6.45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. Sundays—Same as week days. Return—Leave Sullivan Square—6.45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. Sundays—7.45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.15 p. m. Boston via North Billerica, Billerica Centre, Burlington, Woburn, Winchester and Medford to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlestown—6.25 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.55 p. m. (10.25 p. m. to Woburn only.) Sundays—6.55 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.55 p. m. (10.25 p. m. to Woburn only.) Return—Leave Sullivan Square—6.32 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.32 p. m. Sundays—7.32 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.32 p. m.

Lawrence—6.15, 6.45, 6.40 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.40 p. m. Sundays—7.10 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.10 p. m. Return—Leave Lawrence—5.20, 5.50, 6.10 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.50 p. m. Sundays—6.20 a. m. then same as week days.  
North Chelmsford via Middlesex Street—5.45, 6.00, 6.30, 6.55, 7.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.35 p. m. Sundays—7.32, 8.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 10.33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5.30, 5.55, 6.30, 6.57, 7.13 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m. then 11.45 p. m. Sundays—8.02 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m.  
Nashua—6.15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.15 p. m. Sundays—7.15 a. m. then same as week days. Return—Leave Nashua—6.35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m. Sundays—7.35 a. m. then same as week days.  
Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—5.15, 6.00, 6.55, 7.13 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. then 10.45 p. m. Sundays—8.15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.15 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—5.40, 6.20, 6.57, 7.32 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m. and every 30 mins. Sundays—9.02 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m.  
THOMAS LEES, Supt.

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owe  
All we believe and almost all we  
know."

Saturday, August 7, 1909.

## AYER.

### Tennis.

The Wachuset Valley Tennis  
league season closed Saturday after-  
noon, with Gardner club taking five  
of the six matches from Ayer on the  
Gardner courts, two of them by de-  
fault. Manning was the only member  
of the visiting team able to score any  
points for his team and he had to do  
his best to score a win over Ban-  
croft, who was playing in fine form  
and won the first set of the match in  
easy style. Manning struck his gait  
in the second set and maintained it to  
the finish of the match. The score:

### SINGLES.

Collector beat Clark 6-1, 6-1.  
Manning beat Bancroft 6-0, 6-2, 6-2.  
More beat Turner 6-0, 6-2.  
Peabody won by default.

### DOUBLES.

Collector and Bancroft beat Manning  
and Clark 6-1, 6-2.  
Lowell and Dewey won by default.

### At the Baptist Church.

There was a larger attendance than  
usual at the Baptist church last Sun-  
day, and reminded one of an old home  
week gathering, as so many friends  
were present. Among the number  
were former deacon McLean, wife and  
son of Greenville, N. H.; Dr. Ernest  
Brown and wife of Springfield; and  
L. H. Merchant and wife of Boston,  
daughter of the pastor, who sang a  
duet in the evening. Deacon McLean  
assisted at the communion with Dea-  
con Warren L. Preble.

Sunday, August 8, will be the anni-  
versary of the first year of the present  
pastorate and the services will be ap-  
propriate to the occasion. The pastor,  
Rev. J. W. Thomas, will preach at  
10.45 a. m. Sunday school at twelve  
and some one will be called on to re-  
peat the first psalm. At seven p. m.  
there will be a praise meeting follow-  
ed by short addresses from several as  
to what blessings they have received  
during the year. Special singing.

### Bowling.

Ayer continued to climb up the  
league ladder in the Whalom summer  
league, Tuesday night, by putting the  
hooks into the team from Shirley and  
walking home with two of the three  
points. The contest was rather an in-  
teresting one as the teams split even  
on the first two strings and the final  
string decided the ownership of the  
odd point. The string was hotly con-  
tested and only five little pins sepa-  
rated the combinations at the conclu-  
sion. Although Ayer won the odd  
point Shirley secured the largest total  
of the match, leading their opponents  
by 18 pins, getting 1262 against 1244.  
The first game indicated a walkover  
for the Ayer aggregation, as they run  
up a score of 439, while their op-  
ponents were compelled to halt at 411.  
This seemed to arouse the fighting  
spirit of the suspender outfit and in  
the middle game they went at the thin  
pins in real earnest. Connors, who  
struck 74 in the first string, jumped  
up to 104, while Sleeper jumped from  
75 to 89, thus aiding in pulling the  
team total up to 448. In the mean-  
while the Ayer team, lulled into over-  
confidence by the poor showing of the  
Shirleys in the first string, had rolled  
in poor form and only secured 397.  
This brought the teams into the  
third game with one game each and a  
hot fight was made for the odd point.  
Connors and A. Fillebrown refused to  
take sides and stopped at 76 each.  
McGinnis came to time for the Shirley  
bunch and got a three-pin lead over  
Farnsworth. Day added another when  
W. Fillebrown struck 77, and the Shir-  
ley team began to expect something.  
Sleeper was the next man and he was  
unable to cope with the situation,  
dropping down to 79, while Fitzgerald  
cut down the Shirley lead and shoved  
his team 13 pins to the good by get-  
ting 96. It was then up to Collyer and  
A. Fillebrown and the Shirley man-  
tried hard, getting 85. The third mem-  
ber of the Fillebrown family reached  
77, which was within eight pins of his  
opponents and permitted his team-  
mates to win with five little pins.

Fitzgerald with 273, and Day with  
272, led their respective teams while  
Connors with 106, had high single.  
The summary:

AYER.		SHIRLEY.	
G. Fillebrown	86	76	247
Farnsworth	71	82	244
W. Fillebrown	82	77	236
Day	96	79	243
Fitzgerald	95	82	273
A. Fillebrown	84	83	248
439		397	1244

SHIRLEY.		AYER.	
McGinnis	74	70	229
Connors	106	76	238
Day	96	79	243
Sleeper	75	89	248
Collyer	90	87	262
411		448	1262

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Sunday will be at 10.45, and the vicar  
will preach a memorial of Mrs. Marion  
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a few days and from there they go to  
Montreal, Quebec, Falls of Montmorency,  
and other places of interest in  
that part of Canada.

One of our business men on Main  
street, who recently purchased a Ford  
touring car, had trouble one day this  
week in trying to get the Ford to go.  
He worked and worked over it, the  
perspiration pouring off him, and it  
was some time before he found out  
that he had poured water in the gaso-  
line tank, and gasoline in the water  
tank. Of course, he could not get the  
Ford to go.

One day this week a new Ford was  
left on Main street that was not going,  
and that had been stalled for some  
little while. Somebody placed on the  
new Ford "for sale." A lady in a tour-  
ing car, going through Main street,  
saw the Ford car and sign. She was  
on her way to the automobile station  
of Robert Murphy & Sons and on  
reaching there informed Mr. Murphy  
that there was a nice Ford car for sale  
up town.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore, Mr.  
and Mrs. W. H. Reardon of this town,  
and Mrs. Thomas B. Murphy of Chic-  
opee, who left here last Sunday morn-  
ing for Hough's Neck, did not like the  
place, and from there they went to  
York Beach, Me., where they are hav-  
ing a splendid time.

Mrs. Mary F. Messer, who recently  
sold her place to Thomas R. Mullin,  
real estate dealer, has moved with her  
daughters to Marlborough, N. H.

Miss Maud Whitcomb, assistant post-  
master, began a three weeks' vacation  
Monday. She will spend it taking trips  
with headquarters at home.

Mrs. Carol Helm, Stafford Springs,  
Conn., returned Tuesday from a week's  
visit with her sister, Mrs. Frank San-  
ders.

Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Butterfield had  
as guest over Sunday Mrs. Charles  
Parnelle from Middletown, Conn.

Miss Hazel Irwin returned last Sat-  
urday from a three weeks' visit in  
Gloversville, N. Y., with Miss Minnie  
Naish.

Miss Violet Barrows was cornetist at  
the Vaudeville theatre in the Littleton  
the last Saturday.

Among the automobiles in the Little-  
ton parade last Saturday were those of  
John Allison, George H. Hill, Dr. B.  
H. Hopkins, W. A. Richardson, W. C.  
Parsons, Benjamin Taft, and E. O.  
Proctor, who took the third prize. C.  
H. Hassam and Dr. Butterfield were  
there, but not in season for the parade.

A gold-headed cane made of ebony  
was presented to C. Loring Willard by  
the Boston Post last Tuesday. The  
cane was sent to be given to the oldest  
citizen, which honor Mr. Willard en-  
joys. He was ninety years old last  
February. The cane is to be the prop-  
erty of the oldest citizen, and after Mr.  
Willard's decease will go to the next  
in line. It is for service as well as  
ornament. Mr. Willard was born in  
Harvard and has been a resident of  
Ayer forty-eight years. He resides on  
Williams street with his daughter,  
Mrs. Carrie Chase. The presentation  
was made by Edward A. Richardson,  
chairman of the selectmen.

Rev. L. E. Perry has gone to Ver-  
mont to visit relatives and Mrs. Perry  
and daughters Edith and Bertha went  
Thursday to Cataumet to spend some  
time with Mrs. Perry's relatives.

Miss Millie M. Beverly is having a  
three weeks' vacation. Miss Eunice  
Sanderson is assisting in the store  
during Miss Beverly's absence.

The Methodist picnic postponed from  
Thursday on account of the storm took  
place Friday, August 6.

J. K. Quackenbush, night operator at  
the telegraph office, and family have  
gone to Quebec for a three weeks' vaca-  
tion.

Mrs. Charles F. Morrison of Lac-  
onia, N. H., daughter-in-law of Mr.  
and Mrs. Charles E. Morrison, came  
Tuesday on a week's visit with Mr.  
and Mrs. A. M. Phelps, Pleasant street.  
Mr. Morrison will be here this week  
Saturday, returning with his wife next  
Tuesday.

Married in Nashua, July 31, by Rev.  
E. C. Strout, William J. Pelletier of  
Ayer and Miss Ora B. Nutting of  
Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lovejoy leave  
for Portland, Me., Saturday morning,  
August 7, by trolley, going then to  
Peak's Island, Bath and Five Islands,  
returning by boat to Boston. They  
expect to be gone about ten days.

Mrs. William A. P. Bird of Lowell,  
formerly of this town, expects to go  
very soon to the private hospital of  
Dr. Richardson, Corey Hill, Brookline,  
for treatment.

Henry B. Spencer, son of W. R. G.  
Spencer, expects to leave this Satur-  
day or early part of next week for  
Sherbrooke, Montreal and Quebec.

Mrs. Charles Virgin of Revere, who  
is here visiting her sister, Mrs. George  
M. Crawford for the past three weeks,  
thinking the change would be of bene-  
fit to her, is a very sick woman.

Mrs. and Mrs. Charles W. Mason left  
Tuesday morning for their summer  
cottage at Center Harbor, N. H., where  
they will be for a month.

Daisy M. Balcom, the youngest  
daughter of J. W. Balcom, baggage-  
master on the Milford branch, in a  
prize contest given to the most popu-  
lar young lady in Milford, re-  
ceived four thousand more votes than  
any one of the eight contestants and  
was awarded the silver set consisting  
of half a dozen knives and forks, half  
a dozen teaspoons and dessert spoons,  
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the fall term of schools in the Ayer,  
Shirley and West Boylston district.

George Willis, son of A. E. Willis,  
was on his way last Saturday night  
with his wife to his father's home in  
Groton, and when near the Kinney  
residence, on Washington street, two  
men stepped from the sidewalk and took  
out a three-penny can of coffee. They ran  
in the direction of the Kinney resi-  
dence and were pursued by Mrs. Wil-  
lis. They then ran across the road  
and were lost in the shrubbery on the  
grounds of Hon. George J. Burns.  
Mr. and Mrs. Willis turned about and  
drove to Main street in search of an  
officer. On their way back they found  
the can of coffee on the sidewalk. It  
is not known who the men were.

E. P. Carr sent his household goods  
to Newtonville Monday and left town  
Tuesday for that place to arrange his  
new home preparatory to his fall  
work in Boston.

With subscriptions solicited by Rev.  
Edwin Evans from the good citizens  
of the town, a wheeling chair has been  
purchased to be used by any unfor-  
tunate one who may need it. The  
chair is cane-seated, has a foot rest  
and an adjusting backrest. It is  
light and easily moved about, and may  
be used in the house or on the street.  
At present the chair is stored in the  
Unitarian church and may be had by  
applying to the minister. Let no one  
hesitate to use it. Practical religious  
people will agree that such a chair in  
reserve is better than an extravagant-  
ly upholstered one in a parlor.

### Death from Paris Green.

Mrs. Annie Agnes (McCue) Smith,  
wife of Albert A. Smith, took a dose  
of paris green while with her sister,  
Mrs. Charles A. Barrett, last Saturday;  
and Dr. Hopkins was called about  
twelve o'clock at night and succeeded  
in removing the poison with the aid  
of a stomach pump. It was thought  
then that she had a good chance for  
recovery, but she died the following  
Tuesday of heart trouble from the ef-  
fects of the paris green. She gave as  
the reason of taking the poison that  
she had family troubles and had per-  
iods of despondency, and wished to end  
her life, which she did when in that  
state of mind. She was a milliner,  
and had been employed in Boston,  
New York and other places, and was  
an adept in the business she had fol-  
lowed for years. She was born in  
Boston and was aged 28 years and 28  
days. The funeral was Friday morn-  
ing, August 6, at St. Mary's church,  
and burial was in St. Mary's cem-  
etery.

### District Court.

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who was assaulted and battered, was  
in court last Saturday and on trial  
was found guilty and fined ten dollars.

Shilios Hangeperakos of Ayer,  
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James Brennan of Ayer, charged  
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Mary Dowd of Ayer, charged with  
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Kate Coburn of Ayer, charged with  
assault and battery, August 3, Mary  
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custody of probation officer.

Herbert J. Coyle of Fitchburg,  
charged with drunkenness at Ayer,  
July 29, was in court July 30 and on  
trial was found guilty and placed in  
charge of probation officer for six  
months.

Thomas Kane of Ayer, charged  
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Mrs. A. B. Webber with her brothers  
and one sister-in-law, gave a concert  
at Old Orchard, Thursday evening.

Next Sunday Mr. James, a class-  
mate of Rev. H. B. Drew, now preach-  
ing Sunday evenings in Salem, will  
occupy the Baptist pulpit.

Mrs. Hiram Sawler and daughter  
Emily left Thursday and Mrs. Fred  
McCoy and daughters Helen and Ruth  
departed Friday for Nova Scotia. Mrs.  
McCoy and daughters will return the  
first of September. Mrs. Sawler and  
daughter will return in time for the  
opening of school.

Miss Fannie Mitchell of Brunswick,  
Me., is visiting at Fred S. Kimball's.  
The evening service at the Baptist  
church last Sunday evening was made  
especially attractive by Mrs. Leslie  
Hager's solos, violin accompaniments  
by Mildred Flagg and Catherine Kim-  
ball, and Blanche Gauthier's singing.

Wallace Robinson and his cousin,  
Mr. Nye of Texas, were driving a sta-  
ble horse in southern New Hampshire,  
Monday, when the horse became  
frightened and ran, throwing out the  
occupants of the buggy. Wallace es-  
caped with a sprained ankle and Mr.  
Nye broke his leg.

Joseph Dodge has been sick and for  
a time threatened with appendicitis.  
He is reported convalescent.

Another automobile recently met  
with an accident near North Little-  
ton station. The inexperienced chauff-  
eur lost control of the machine at the  
foot of the hill and the touring car  
plunged through the fence beside the  
road and waited a day for repairs.  
The occupants were uninjured.

The subject for the Y. P. S. C. E.  
meeting at the Baptist church, Sunday  
evening, August 8, is "Way war  
should be abolished." Leader, Archie  
Godfrey.

Mrs. Hiram Sawler and daughter  
Emily sailed Thursday for Prince Ed-  
ward Island, not Nova Scotia, as be-  
fore reported.

Miss Fannie Mitchell of Brunswick,  
Me., is a guest at Fred S. Kimball's.

Several of the Waltham factory  
girls are spending their Sundays at  
Curtis Drew's camp.

Rev. Paul G. Favor will occupy the  
pulpit at the Congregational church  
tomorrow. In the absence of Miss  
Sanderson, who takes the month of  
August for vacation, Miss Etta Dipp-  
man will preside at the organ. Mrs.  
Wallace B. Conant will be the soloist  
of the morning.

Wallace Robinson and Stanley Con-  
ant enjoyed an outing at Harrison,  
Me., on Lake Sebago, last week, with  
several trips from that point.

Mrs. Favor is greatly exercised over  
her mother, who lies critically ill with  
fever at her home in Leicester.

There will be a religious service at  
the Newtown schoolhouse on Sunday  
afternoon, Aug. 8, at 3.15. Everybody  
is welcome, and Newtown residents  
are especially invited to be present.

Miss Nellie Houghton is visiting  
friends at New Boston, N. H.

Roland Brock of Athol is spending  
the week at W. E. Conant's; Clifford  
Shedd at James Smith's; Mr. Lambert  
of Weston at Mrs. Emily Adams';  
Miss Muriel Carey at Mrs. Jennie  
Drummond's, and Miss Ellen Kimball  
at A. T. Kimball's.

Albert W. Wood of Pepperell has  
bargained for B. C. Boyd's farm stock  
and tools, and has made the first pay-  
ment. Mr. Boyd expects to dispose of  
his household goods by auction and  
leave for Oklahoma in about three  
weeks. If he finds conditions to his  
liking he will probably locate there.  
On their journey west the family will  
stop at Chicago, and Mrs. Boyd will  
visit friends in Wisconsin.

The Littleton baseball team will  
play the Lancaster Bandits this after-  
noon on the Country club grounds.

Miss Gertrude Griffiths will return  
tomorrow from York Beach, where  
she has spent the last week.

Mrs. Sandellus, who is summing  
up at one of the Cox cabins at "Bonnie  
Bræ," entertained as her over Sunday  
guests the Swedish consul of Boston,  
Bryer G. A. Rosefawist and wife, al-  
so Mr. and Mrs. A. Conrad Johnson  
of Boston.

Charles P. Butler, a familiar figure  
at the Federal building in Boston,  
came to Littleton recently and took  
some fine photos of the sheep from  
King Edward's flock and the \$15,000  
pure white championship Scotch bull,  
which for beauty and gentleness is  
not inferior to that which bore away  
the charmed Europa of mythological  
fame.

The sorrel horse with white starred  
forehead and protruding left shoulder  
belonging to Alfred Haley was stolen  
with halter and harness from Mr. Ha-  
ley's barn, Wednesday night. Imme-  
diate steps were taken by town au-  
thorities to recover the lost property,  
but at time of writing no satisfaction  
rewards their efforts.

First selectman, F. A. Patch, re-  
ceived from the Boston Post Wednes-  
day morning a beautiful ebony cane,  
with elaborately chased gold head,  
bearing the inscription, "Presented  
by the Boston Post to the oldest citi-  
zen of Littleton, Mass." Orman Ew-  
ings, who celebrates his ninety-second  
anniversary of his birth, is the happy  
recipient of the gift.

Miss Harriet B. Strong of Brun-  
swick, N. J., is visiting her aunt, Ma-  
dam Lucy Harwood.

Miss Hurd of Somerville and Miss  
Leeds of Arlington were recently the  
guests of Miss Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and daughter  
are visiting Mrs. Hunt's sister, Mrs.  
Charles S. Robbins.

Hester Hume, youngest daughter of  
Harry Hume, fell a few days ago and  
severed an artery in her wrist with  
broken glass. She displayed marvel-  
lous courage while the surgeon bound  
up the wound and took a number of  
stitches.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Conant and their  
daughters Grace and Miriam, Miss Ju-  
lia S. Conant, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Con-  
ant, Harold and Richard attended the  
splendid celebration at Gloucester  
Wednesday in commemoration of the  
first permanent settlement in  
Massachusetts. The ultimate purpose  
of the event was to reproduce the  
house of Roger Conant, one of the  
early governors of Massachusetts Bay  
Colony, together with a historical mu-  
seum as a memorial to his time.

Charles K. Fletcher and family of  
Portland, Me., were recent guests at  
G. W. Prouty's. Lewis Fletcher has

also been visiting his home people  
this last week.

The Boston and Maine railroad has  
this week completed the work of put-  
ting up wires and installing a tele-  
phone at their office in Littleton.  
Everything used is of the highest  
grade, making conditions favorable  
to success. If the Fitchburg line  
works acceptably the telephone will  
be established throughout the Boston  
and Maine system. Railroad orders  
are the only messages to be sent over  
these wires; the reports and other  
details of business will be trans-  
mitted by the telegraph as formerly.

The editors of the souvenir pro-  
grams for the midsummer fête regret  
that the acknowledgement which was  
written for the booklet was not put  
in. They beg now, through the kind-  
ness of the Gulton, to acknowledge  
their indebtedness for historical mat-  
ter to Herbert J. Harwood, Gookin's  
History, historical collections, parish  
records, Roland Houghton and Les-  
ter Griffiths.

### About Town.

Miss Mary Ireland will lead the  
young people's guild at the Unitarian  
vestry and her topic will be "Michael  
Servetus."

Mrs. Drew of Providence was the  
over Sunday guest of her son, Rev. H.  
P. Drew of the Baptist society.

There will be preaching services in  
the Unitarian church Sunday, August  
8th.



# BILLY THE BORE.

He Was Very Different From the Poet and the Halfback.

By TEMPLE BAILEY.  
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There was no denying that Billy was not deeply intellectual. He was tall and blond, with broad shoulders and a smile that was like sunshine on a gloomy day. But among the girls of the college these qualities counted for little, for they worshipped at the shrine of the poet and of the halfback. The poet had long hair, and so had the halfback, but otherwise they had nothing in common, except that they both loved Dulcie Drayton.

Billy loved Dulcie too. But he hadn't half a chance, for the poet wrote sonnets to Dulcie's eyebrows, and the halfback let her shine in his reflected football glory.

Now and then she consented to make Billy happy. "Yes, I will walk with you," she told him graciously one October day, "only we mustn't go very far, for I have an engagement with the halfback."

"All right," said Billy and promptly forgot his watch.

The halfback was raging when they finally reached Dulcie's home. "We have missed the game," he said. "Of course if I had been playing I couldn't have waited; but as it is, I have hung around."

"Billy forgot his watch," Dulcie apologized, "and we didn't realize how late it was."

"I should think he would bore you to death," the halfback said when Billy had left them. "How can you stand that fellow?"

"He's not bad," Dulcie defended. "Of course he hasn't such an awful lot of brains, and he hasn't done such wonderful things as you have, but he's got an awfully good disposition."

And the halfback, remembering his own grumbling and growling, said "Oh, well," uncomfortably and wondered if Dulcie was hitting at him.

A few days later the poet took Dulcie to task about Billy. "You danced with him four times last night," he said, "and I wanted you to sit out those last two in the conservatory with me. I had a new poem to read to you. It was about young October's golden eyes, and it is dedicated to you."

"Read it to me now," said Dulcie. "I'd love to hear it."

"The atmosphere isn't right," the poet fretted, "not here on the campus, but last night there was a little moon, and there were red roses on the lattice."

"Billy is an awfully good dancer," Dulcie reflected, which, as the poet generally got tangled up even in a twostep, was not tactful.

For several days after that, however, the rivalry between the poet and the halfback was so intense that Billy was left completely in the background.

The poet sat up half the night writing verses, and the theme was "love, love, love," and he claimed every spare moment of Dulcie's time to read them to her.

"He writes about my hair," she told Billy, "and calls it 'soft spun silk shimmering in the sunshine.'"

"I don't see the use of stringing out a lot of shimmering sunshine sentences when your hair is too beautiful to be described," said Billy bluntly.

Dulcie smiled up at him. "After all, I like the way you put it, Billy," she said, "and I'm glad you like the color of my hair."

"I love it," Billy stated, "and I love you, Dulcie."

"Oh, oh, you mustn't!" Dulcie protested.

"Well, not now, if you don't want me to, but I shall tell you again, Dulcie," Billy answered.

"And he will," Dulcie told her most intimate friend that night. "He will ask me over and over again."

"Well, of course you couldn't marry him," said the intimate friend calmly, "not such a bore."

"I am not sure that Billy deserves that nickname," said Dulcie. "He doesn't talk moonshine like the poet or brag of himself like the halfback, but he does say some nice, sensible, good hearted things, and he has a lovely smile."

"The intimate friend sat up and looked at her. "Well, of all things," she said, "I believe you are half in love with him. How you can think of him when you have the choice of two such men as the poet and the halfback is more than I can understand."

"But are they really in love with me?" Dulcie demanded.

"They have asked you to marry them, haven't they?" Marlon asked.

"Yes. But somehow it seems to me that they are always thinking of themselves. But Billy thinks of me."

"Oh," Marlon said softly, "I know what you mean. If you married the poet or the halfback you would have to worship at their shrines, while Billy would worship at yours."

"Yes," said Dulcie, "that's it, and a man who loves you that way can't exactly bore you, can he?"

"No, he can't," said Marlon, "but of course you can never tell how long it will last."

"Sometimes I have thought I should like to put them to a test, as ladies did with the knights of old," Dulcie meditated.

"But what test?" Marlon demanded. "Could you have in modern days?"

"In the old times it was a test of strength and skill," Dulcie stated, "but today there is one god, Marlon—money. You know I have a lot in my own

right. And the boys know it, all of them, the poet and the halfback and Billy. Perhaps that is what makes me the most popular girl in school—my money, not just me myself."

"You are a darling," Marlon encouraged her, "but you know how men are."

"Yes, I do," Dulcie agreed. And they then and there constructed a plot.

The next night the poet, lingering in the shadow of the elms, was met by Marlon. When they had talked for a moment she said, "Isn't it sad about Dulcie Drayton?"

"Sad?" the poet echoed.

"Oh, didn't she tell you?" Marlon hesitated. "Then I ought not to."

But the poet urged her.

"Well, she has lost all of her money," Marlon said. "I am her roommate, and I saw the letter. But please don't speak of it."

"Of course not," said the poet.

But that night he wrote many verses, and in all of them was a note of re-nunciation, and the next day he gave them to Dulcie. "They are very sad," he explained, "but I have come to believe that a genius should not marry. Only in the sadness of solitude can talent be developed. I must give you up, my Dulcie."

"I am not your Dulcie," the girl started, with a little dame in her cheeks.

She did not reproach him. What was the use of reproaching such a feeble thing as the poet? But when Marlon had told the halfback the same tale and he had without compunction broken an engagement with Dulcie, giving as an excuse "I am going to cut out dances for awhile—and girls," she allowed herself the luxury of a retort.

"Then you won't miss me when I go away," she said pointedly.

"Go away?" he questioned.

"Yes. You see, I am eighteen tomorrow, and my money will be my own to use as I please, and I have so many plans."

"But," the halfback gasped, "I thought you had lost your money?"

He stopped, red to the ears.

"So did the poet," said Dulcie. "Marlon told both of you some kind of tale, and both of you believed it."

"That wasn't the reason," the halfback excused.

Dulcie stopped him sternly. "Yes, it was. That was why you gave up girls—that was why you gave up me!"

And she left him abruptly.

"I am half afraid to have you tell Billy," she told Marlon that night. "If he should fall in love with me!"

But Billy when he heard the news came straight to her.

"Marlon has told me," he said simply. "I haven't much, Dulcie, but I love you, and I want you to marry me at once if you will."

Dulcie laid her hand on his arm. "Billy," she said, "I am not poor. I put you and the poet and the halfback to a test, and only you stood it. You are the knight of the true heart, and I love you."

After Billy had kissed her rapturously he asked, "Are you sure I won't bore you, Dulcie?"

"If you knew how I hated the poet's poems and the halfback's boasting you wouldn't ask such a silly question, Billy," she replied.

**Hospital "Boarders."**

"There is a class which gives every hospital in the city a whole lot of trouble, especially in the winter time," said a member of the faculty of the Pennsylvania hospital. "It is made up of what we call 'steady boarders,' meaning men who have no homes, who are too lazy to work and who feign illness in order to secure a comfortable bed and good food for a week or so at a time. However, we have devised a scheme which is quite effective in driving them away. When one of these boarders arrives on the scene we can usually spot him. We know the earmarks of the species. He is taken into the receiving ward, solemnly undressed and laid upon the operating table, where a fake examination takes place. The trouble is finally located in the spine, and an immediate operation is advised. The patient writhes, protesting that he feels much better, but is not permitted to leave. Meanwhile a piece of ice has been sharpened to a point and suddenly, without warning, the ice is drawn down the boarder's back. With a yell he is off the table, out of the room and out of the building. We throw his clothes out after him, and he never comes back."—Philadelphia Record.

**For Boots or Bedding?**

His car had broken down. It was 10 o'clock at night. The rain was beginning to drizzle. Dash it, bust it and likewise blow it!

There was an inn near by. It was only just an inn, but it was an inn. The landlord growled when he asked for a room, but at last conceded it. They put his motor in the garage among the mangel wurzels.

He didn't have any supper. He just looked at it. Then he went up to bed. A minute later he was leaning over the balustrade.

## DISTINGUISHING SNAKES.

How to Tell Dangerous Ones From the Harmless.

The arrival of vacation time and the consequent excursions into meadow and mountain land give timely interest to a small pamphlet written by Raymond L. Ditmars, curator of reptiles in the New York zoological park, entitled "Poisonous Snakes of the United States—How to Distinguish Them."

"It is not generally appreciated," says Mr. Ditmars in this pamphlet, "that inhabiting the United States are some of the most deadly known species of snakes, and these fairly teem in some parts of the country. Even in the east—in the immediate vicinity of well known summering places—poisonous snakes are abundant. It is well to know how to distinguish them from the many harmless and really beneficial reptiles."

"As will presently be explained, the North American dangerous snakes may be easily distinguished, except two, and these are the coral snakes, having a slender body and a head not at all distinct from the neck—in fact, looking precisely like the harmless reptiles. And they actually belong to the same family as the innocuous serpents—the colubridae. This family is divided into a number of subfamilies. The cobras and their deadly allies of the old world and the coral snakes of the new world form one of these subfamilies—the elapinae. From the typical harmless snakes they differ only in the possession of a very short, fixed pair of venom conducting teeth in the forward part of the upper jaw and by the absence of a small scale on each side of the head (the loreal plate), between the eye and the nostril. Fortunately, such deceptive looking reptiles are limited to two species in the United States. As they are peculiarly colored they may be recognized with little difficulty."

"Both of the species of the elaps inhabit the southern part of the country. The common coral snake or harlequin snake occurs from southern North Carolina to Florida and westward to Texas. It is most abundant in Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Louisiana. The Sonoran coral snake is restricted to Arizona, New Mexico and northern Mexico. Both of the species are vividly ringed with scarlet, yellow and black—the red and black rings the broadest."

"Described in detail, the pattern of the coral snakes may be given as broad, alternating rings of red and black, the latter bordered with very narrow rings of yellow. And here we encounter a difficulty, for several harmless snakes 'mimic' these species in displaying exactly the same colors and arranged in ringlike fashion. Yet there is one unvarying difference that will always distinguish the dangerous reptiles from their innocuous 'imitators': as the yellow rings of the poisonous snakes always border the black rings, while among the non-venomous snakes there are pairs of black rings bordering a yellow one."

"The coral snakes, the rattlesnakes, copperheads and the moccasins may be easily told. We may dispose of the rattlesnakes with a simple suggestion, and that is to look for the rattle, a prominent and an absolutely unique organ among snakes. Its presence immediately brands the owner as a dangerous reptile."

"Thus we understand how to recognize all of the North American poisonous snakes except the moccasins—two species."

**How to Remove Grease From Soup.**

"You never can use that broth today," said an old housekeeper who was making a rich lamb broth for an invalid. "It will be so greasy no digestion could stand it."

"Watch me," laughed the girl, "and your experience may gain a lesson from a novice."

She cut half dozen squares of brown paper that fitted easily over the top of the soup kettle and put a layer over the floating grease on top of the liquid. In a short time the paper was soaked with grease and was removed and thrown into the stove. The other pieces of paper in turn were used in the same way until the broth was free from grease than if it had been stood on the ice for a day to form a solid cake.

**How to Brighten Gold Ornaments.**

Even a gold hatpin will grow tarnished, and the best in this condition is anything but ornamental. When the workmanship is such that the usual brushing process is out of the question put the pin heads in a tumbler of ammonia in which two tablespoonfuls of some powder cleanser is placed. This settles to the bottom, and the pin can be churned back and forth on the substance and cleaned. This is an excellent method for cleaning hatpins containing small jewels. Any soap powder can be added to the ammonia. Belt pins and buckles can be cleaned in the same manner.

**How to Take Grease From Carpets.**

An excellent paste for getting grease from carpets is made by mixing fuller's earth with ammonia and water. Apply the mixture thick, let it remain overnight, then remove with a stiff brush. The ammonia may be omitted if the colors in the carpet are delicate. After the grease is out the colors may be freshened by sweeping with moist silt.

**How to Get an Insect Out of the Ear.**

An insect in the ear may be destroyed by pouring a teaspoonful of warm olive oil or camphorated oil into the ear and keeping it there for some time, holding the head in a position to retain the oil, which will afterward come away with the dead insect.



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The postmaster general is not changed throughout the game unless he gets tired of his office. When a player remains seated after his name has been called he must pay a forfeit, or if the game is played without forfeits he must go to the bottom of the class, which is represented by a particular chair, and to make room for him all the players who were formerly below him shift their places.—Philadelphia Ledger.

## THE COW TREE.

South American Plant Furnishes Milk, Bread and Fruit.

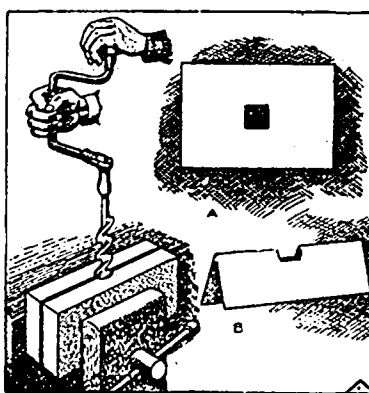
Groves of cow trees, such as are to be found in hilly districts of certain parts of South America, are said to be a wonderful sight. These trees, which, it need scarcely be said, do not actually resemble cows, grow to great height, yet for lengths of perhaps fifty feet they are quite without branches. Near the top they expand into thick heads of foliage, however, and display a matted texture of leaves and branches.

If you walk in a cow tree grove at daybreak or evening you might have the surprising pleasure of seeing the natives come to milk the cow trees. A hole is bored into the heart of the trunk. From this hole there pours a milky fluid much esteemed as a drink by some. If this fluid is put aside for some time a thick white cake forms at the top of it, while beneath there remains only a clear liquid.

The fruit of the tree is also esteemed as food. It is of moderate size and contains one or two nuts which are said to rival strawberries and cream in their flavor. And this is not all. A kind of bread is made from the bark of the tree and is said to be almost as nourishing as wheaten bread.—Chicago News.

**How to Bore a Square Hole.**

You would not consider it possible to bore a square hole in a piece of cardboard, yet such a thing can be done. Take a cardboard or a thin piece of wood, fold and place it between two pieces of board with the



BORING A SQUARE HOLE.

fold up; the boards are then put in a vise, as shown. Start the bit with the screw point in the fold, using a one inch bit, and bore a hole one-half inch deep. When the cardboard is taken from the vise it will appear as shown at B and when unfolded as at A.—Popular Mechanics.

**How Rooms Are Rented in Mexico.**

Strangers sometimes mildly wonder why newspapers or sheets of blank papers are tied on the windows of balconies of certain houses. A sheet of paper thus arranged is a sign meaning that there are rooms to rent in the house on which it is displayed and is just as significant in its import as three golden balls over a pawnbroker's shop are in other countries.

**Dandelions.**

I know not how it happened, but when I looked out at dawn a merry troop of golden heads were playing on the lawn. And, laughing with the summer breeze who chanced to linger there, were bowing him for strings of dew to bind upon their hair.

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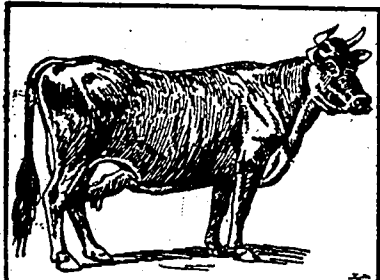


## PROFITABLE DAIRYING.

Some of the tests made in the dairy departments of the agricultural colleges have opened the eyes of owners of cows and done an immense amount of good. These college tests not only disclose the pauper cow; they discover some astonishing profit producers. The selection and feeding of these great producers have usually been under college instruction. Dairy students are taught the importance of recognizing the dairy type, so that they may tell by the looks of a heifer calf what kind of dairy cow it will make; of a cow, what kind of producer she will be; of a bull, what kind of dairy progeny may be expected from him. The result has been the building up of many very profitable dairy herds.

Writing on this subject in Collier's Weekly, Milton O. Nelson says: The first and foundation advice given by the college to the cow owner is: Know your cow. Test her. Is she in good health, so that she can give wholesome milk? Does she give milk in paying quantity? Does she give milk of paying quality? Thanks to college investigation and discoveries, any one can cheaply test his cow for tuberculosis and also for the butter fat and cheese content of her milk, while any good scales will tell the amount of her yield. With these tests any farmer may know how his cow compares with the model cow. By measuring her feed and calculating its farm value he can determine whether she is a profit maker or a pensioner.

The average farmer is too slack to make these investigations, but the colleges are making extensive tests of average dairy herds and advertising the results in order to wake the farmers up. The Illinois college, for example, made an entire year's test of 554 cows in thirty-six herds and found that the lowest one-fourth in the list (139 cows) averaged to yield annually but 133 pounds of butter fat each. The highest one-fourth produced 301 pounds. This product at 23 cents a pound, the average Elgin price for butter fat for the past five years, showed the year's gross receipts for the low class to be but \$30.77 and for the high class \$69.32. The average annual cost of keeping each of these cows was not less than



A CHAMPION COLLEGE BRED JERSEY. \$30. At this rate the low grade paid a profit of but 77 cents each for the year, or a total for the 139 cows of \$107. The high-class cows made a profit of \$31.32 each, or for the 139 a total of more than \$4,000 for the year.

There is many a chance for a slip between the possession of a good milk cow and the securing of a profit from her production. And here the colleges have undertaken to guard the cow owner. Dirt is his greatest enemy, and against this the colleges are making their most stubborn fight. Clean stables, clean cows, clean milk receptacles and clean men are essential to the production of clean milk. Stalls in which cows are compelled to keep clean and yet are comfortable are in use in college stables. Feeding of dusty fodder or raising dust in any way at milking time is to be guarded against. The cows are to be sponged or wiped with a damp cloth on flanks and under just before milking. The milk is to come to his work with clean clothes and clean hands. The pail should be covered, except a four inch opening, and should be readily cleanable.

The secret of clean milk is, of course, to keep dirt out of it. The Michigan College of Agriculture has found that as many as 3,600,000 germs may fall into an open pail in five minutes of milking under ordinary stable conditions. The Connecticut college finds that the covered pail excludes 63 per cent of the dirt. The Maryland college finds that milk pails and other receptacles can be practically sterilized and cleaned with warm water and washing powders. These facts put it within the power of the small dairyman and farmer to keep the milk clean (and so make dairying profitable) without the expense of live steam sterilizing and the other costly laboratory processes of the "certified milk" dairies. These guards against dirt have been shown by these colleges to be the prime essentials in the making of high grade butter and cheese.

To Make Thin Manes Grow. Where a horse has rubbed out part of its mane a mixture of flowers of sulphur and raw linseed oil applied every three or four days will sometimes cause it to grow again. Keep the places clean by washing with water. The horse may be getting too much grain and too little exercise. A bran mash occasionally will be good.

Preparing For Long Drives. To prepare a horse for long drives he should have the best of hay and all the sound grain he can eat up clean at each meal. Then each day he should be driven five to eight miles or more at a moderate pace and be taken thorough care of by careful rubbing and blanketing. Use whole old oats in preference to other grain.

Wanted to Know His Name. "Is this, the automobile registration department of the state of Ohio?" The voice over the phone was dutelike and sweet.

"It is," replied the office man. "Do you have records of the numbers of all the machines in Ohio?" "Of all that are registered, yes."

"Can you refer to any particular number without a great deal of trouble?" "It takes only a few moments."

"Can you tell me who owns machine No. umpsteen thousand and umpsteen?" Only she gave the actual number of the machine. "Just hold the phone a moment."

The office man returned in less than a minute. "The machine is owned by Mr. So-and-so of Cleveland," he said, then hastened to inquire: "Is there any trouble about it? An accident perhaps?"

"Oh, no," said the sweet voice. "The machine has been in front of Miss —'s home in East Broad, next door, every Sunday evening for several months, and I was just curious to know who was calling upon her. Ever so much obliged." And the receiver went up.—Ohio State Journal.

His Nightcap Privilege. Among the many strange privileges granted by English sovereigns to their subjects probably the most remarkable was the permission given to the Earl of Sussex by Queen Mary to wear his nightcap, or even two nightcaps, if he so wished, in her royal presence. The earl was a victim of colds in the head, which, like the law, are no respecters of persons, and as he considered catarrh in the head too heavy a price to pay for loyalty he petitioned the queen for permission to wear his nightcap in her presence.

The patent conceding this unique privilege is one of the most amusing in royal annals. It runs thus: "Know ye that we do give to our beloved and trusty cousin and counselor, Henry, earl of Sussex, Viscount Fitzwater and lord of Egremund and Purnell, license and pardon to wear his cap or nightcap or any two of them, at his pleasure, as well in our presence as in the presence of any other person or persons within this realm or any other place in our dominions wheresoever, during his life, and these our letters shall be sufficient warrant in his behalf."

About Matches. John Walker, an English chemist, was experimenting in 1827 with an inflammable mixture for use on a shipboard. One day Walker happened to rub a stick dipped in this mixture across a table. There was a report—the stick took fire, and because John Walker was no fool the match was born. The match's inventor put his wonderful invention on the market in April, 1827. The Walker match was as big as a lead pencil, and it cost a shilling a box. Because it could only be lighted by drawing it through a piece of sandpaper folded in two the Holden match supplanted it in 1833. The Holden was a lucifer. It ignited more easily than the Walker, so it put the Walker out of business. Sweden is today the home of the match industry. Sweden exports annually about 2,000,000,000 boxes of incomparable matches. But there is no statue to John Walker.—Exchange.

The Trinket Worm. Among the novelties in nature is a small worm, called the trinket worm, characterized by this peculiarity, which gives rise to its name:

On the leaves of a wild vine, called the trinket vine, is found a small worm, which looks at first like a small piece of white thread and is almost motionless. If the leaf be taken off and placed under a glass case in the room this little thread will in the short space of twenty-four hours grow into a good sized caterpillar, beautifully colored and studded with golden spots. When matured it will climb up the glass, fasten one of its extremities to the glass roof, and, leaving the other hanging in the air, will curl itself into a variety of forms, presenting exquisite patterns for gold trinkets, such as earrings, brooches and clasps, changing from time to time in great variety, whence its name is derived.

What Fried Liver Is Good For. A guest at an Atchison home came for three days and was still there at the end of five weeks. "I like all kinds of meat," she remarked one day as she passed her plate for the third helping, "but fried liver." That night there was fried liver for supper, fried liver the next day for breakfast, dinner and supper, and the next day, when the guest was asked to have fried liver, she packed her trunk and went home.—Atchison Globe.

His Bad Break. "Oh, yes, I saw the man in the moon when I was a little girl," she said coquettishly. "He must be pretty old by now, don't you think?" he remarked thoughtlessly.—Exchange.

Indefinite Instructions. Lady (to clerk in clothing store)—I want a pair of trousers for my husband. Clerk—What size, madam? Lady—I don't know the size, but he wears a No. 15 collar.—Smart Set.

The Answer. "Widow and 'widow' are very much alike." "Well, and what's the answer?" "When I get near either I always look out."

A hypocrite despises those whom he deceives, but has no respect for himself. He would make a dupe of himself, too, if he could.—Hazlitt.

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## THE MAN WHO INTRODUCED PEOPLE

By HORACE GAYLORD.  
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George Atherton, an American, visited London, and, being without letters of introduction and the English people not being prone to make friends of strangers, he had a lonely time of it. One spring morning he was sitting on a bench in Hyde park looking at some budding plants when a well dressed man sat down on the other end of the bench. Atherton had failed so often at scraping an acquaintance with Englishmen that he determined not to speak to the man, who sat idly tending his boot with his cane. But good fellowship or the natural animal trait of segregation or whatever it might be called was too strong in him, and he at last remarked:

"Fine morning, sir."

"Very; just the morning for the flowers," replied the stranger genially. "I have a garden at home across the big pond. I wonder whether my man is giving it the proper attention."

"Our tastes agree. I'm devoted to my garden."

"All Englishmen love gardens. They all love England. And what is England but one big garden?"

"That's what makes America look unfinished to us here. We're used to seeing every bit of ground made beautiful."

"Have you been in America, sir?"

"Never, but I have met several Englishmen who have, and I once knew an American quite well. Introduced him to a life entirely new to him."

"Indeed! He doubtless found you more obliging than I have found your countrymen. I've now been in England a month and have found no one inclined to know me, much less introduce me."

"Have you been presented at court?"

"I have not."

"Then I am sorry to say I can do nothing for you."

"You Englishmen are wedded to your precedents."

"Why should we not be? Our constitution is made up of them. Formerly there was the all powerful king and a subservient people. A man in my position then could introduce the lowest subject into a life entirely strange to him simply at a word from the king. Today the king has only to perform his part of a form. The man is presented at court and may then be at once launched into a social circle from which the sovereign has no power to recall him."

"But what entitles him to be presented?"

"Oh, there are various things. He must be known—in fact, well known—that is, if I have anything to do with his case. He must have done something to warrant my taking him up."

"Does wealth have anything to do with one's securing your good offices?"

"Nothing whatever. I make no inquiries as to the size of one's pocket-book. But there is a feeling among Englishmen that rich people are less liable to be turned over to me to be introduced than those who are poor."

"How would you advise me to proceed in order to be presented at court and then turned over to you to be introduced into society?"

"You must become notable for something. But I must bid you good morning, sir. I have an engagement to make an introduction within a couple of hours. I must leave you."

"Hope I may meet you again," said Atherton.

The man raised his hat politely as he walked away, but made no further reply.

"That's an Englishman all over," muttered Atherton. "He'll take no responsibility in vouching for a stranger. All must go through the proper form."

At that moment who should come sailing down the way but Tredegar, an American resident of London whom Atherton had known years ago.

"Hello, Atherton!" said Tredegar after looking at the departing stranger with apparent interest. "You over here?"

"Yes, I've been here some time. Note that man who has just left me. I wish to ask you about him. He says that a stranger here, after having been presented at court, is turned over to him for introduction into society."

"Oh, he did, did he? To what kind of society did he say he introduced people?"

"The highest circles."

"What else did he say?"

"He said, for one thing, that to be presented at court one must be notable—at least he never takes up any but notable people. He says one doesn't need to be wealthy to secure his good offices."

"He told you all this, did he? Now, hear what I have to say about him. To secure his attention you would have to be presented at court, but it would be the criminal court, and to do this you would need to become notable by committing a murder. The higher circles to which he would introduce you would be the angels. You would more likely fall into his hand being poor than rich, for the expenses of defense are large, and the poor can't afford them. True enough, the sovereign who once condemned a subject to the block by a word now has no power of life and death. This man who occupies such an important position is none other than Calcraft, the hangman."

"And I said I hoped I'd meet him again!"

"If you did he'd introduce you to a life from which even the king couldn't recall you. But I'll take care of you. I know some nice people here."

## TRAVELING COOKING SCHOOLS

Germany Reaches Rural Districts in Most Effective Way.

The teaching of cooking in Germany is carried on with German thoroughness. Not content with establishing rural schools where farmers' daughters might learn the domestic arts, Germany has now instituted traveling schools. It was found that the rural schools did not meet the needs of the whole rural population. The bulk of this population is made up of small farmers, and in such homes the help of the daughters is needed so constantly that they cannot be sent away from home to school. Neither can the money be provided for their expenses, and many farmers are afraid, too, that after their daughters have been away to school they will not be willing to return to the simple conditions of the farm.

Since the people will not go to the schools, therefore the schools are being sent to the people. Baden took the lead in the establishment of traveling schools of cooking and sewing, and the idea is spreading rapidly. Hesse, Nassau, Franconia, the Palatinate, all have their traveling cooking schools or have begun to establish them. The Bavarian Farmers' association has established two such schools and selected two nuns as teachers. The association pays the teachers and most of the other expenses, so that the cost to the pupils is very small. In some cases the township or village pays all or part of the expense of pupils who could not otherwise afford to attend the school.

It has been found that the traveling school has many advantages in addition to its accessibility. The teaching can be adapted to local conditions, and the pupils can at once put into practice what they have learned. Furthermore, the teacher can visit the homes of the pupils and see that they really understand what has been taught.

### SPLINT FURNITURE.

Gives an Unconventional Woodsy Appearance to Bungalow.

Indian splint furniture is the latest fad for the summer bungalow. This furniture, despite its somewhat bulky and rude appearance, is by no means inexpensive, for the splint chair backs and seats are mounted in frames of weathered oak, and strips of galvanized steel cleverly woven through the splints makes the furniture very durable and solid. To match these big, smart looking chairs and low seats there are splint topped tables and footstools and splint woven scrap baskets, and the very up to date bungalow will have splint paneled walls divided off by uprights of weathered oak. A room of this sort, recently designed by a clever woman decorator, suggested the woodsy appearance of a mountain interior. There were hangings of coarse canvas run with colored leather thoughts and edged with colored bead fringe. Bits of dull colored Indian pottery stood about, and even the lamp shade was unconventional, being made of raffia strips in an open pattern over a Japanese rice paper lining.

### A High Priced Orchid.



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### Making a Rare Lettuce.

Mrs. Francis G. Newlands, niece of Ward McAllister and wife of the Nevada senator, has succeeded in growing a rare lettuce in the garden of her country home near Washington. The lettuce is very bitter, and as a salad it is a delicacy to the cultivated taste. Mrs. Newlands imported the seed from Italy, and she is one of the first to grow this variety in America. The Newlands occupy the estate which formerly was the home of John R. McLean and later was owned by Admiral Dewey. Mrs. Newlands personally directs all work in the extensive garden. Here she grows a large variety of herbs. She has cut the garden in two with a low wall of loose stones, which now is covered with vines of wild roses, honeysuckle and ivy.

### To Taper the Fingers.

Most women in trying to make their fingers more taper will stroke them from the base to the tip. A well known manicure has said that the process should be reversed.

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## LITTLETON

## The Fête

The fête of July 31, has passed into history as one of the greatest triumphs achieved by any of our town organizations. This was made possible by the faith, courage and perseverance of the leaders in Littleton Improvement society, by the support of their fellow townspeople, by the interest and material aid of friends in neighboring towns and cities, by favorable weather, and above all else, by the generous patronage of over 2000 people.

At precisely the time scheduled the entertainment for the day began and every detail of the program was carried out as advertised, with one unavoidable exception, and for that

Many informal and delightful greetings took place in the auditorium of the church vestry, which was con-

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### A Hall Bedroom Fitted Up as a Cozy Study.

## FIRELESS COOKING.

handkerchiefs and put together with bands of insertion or of a single oblong piece of linen, are less trouble to keep in position on the pillows than the old fashioned shams in two pieces.

## HOLLIS

## About Town

question, "How to select a good cow, feed and care for it," opened by Harold E. Hardy and Charles Brown; reading, Helen M. Hardy; solos, Chas. Brown; reading, Mrs. Sallie Saunders.

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