# Party entered the parlor and stood beneath the most artistic canopy of arbor vitis and queen's lace with white satin ribbons, festooned, prettily bowed, and holding a dainty wedding bell of white asters. The bride, who was escorted by her father, was also attended by Mrs. A. B. Collins, matron of honor, a sister of the groom, and Miss Edith Fietcher, brother of the bride, was best man; Hope Fietcher, sister of the bride, was best man; their reputation and proved merit—that is the unique position of udebaker cars are recognized everywhere as having standard like—as "good all through." The Studebaker name guarantees construction, the best car that ains, money and experience can build. It also guarantees you against changes that have not been proved actual operation.

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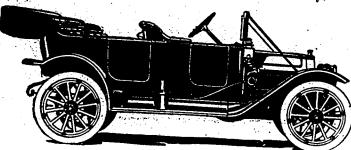
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AYER, MASS.

News Items. Miss Pratt, of the Kingston public school force, has been visiting Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Packard.

Miss Grace Needham, bookkeeper at Conant & Co.'s Common store, has been enjoying a week's vacation at

Miss Cora Warren will go to Provwn on August 28, where she will spend several days.

Rev. H. L. Packard was called to Kingston to officiate at the funeral of a former parishioner on Tuesday. Miss Gertrude Hamlin, of West-ford, is visiting her uncle, A. T. Kim-

Mrs. John Hardy and children have been spending a month in Judge Hardy's cottage at the mouth of the

Kennebec river, Maine. Prof. Charles Whitney, of Cam-

Prof. Charles Whitney, of Cambridge, is at Miss Marshall's for his annual two weeks in Littleton. His new singing books have recently been introduced into the schools of Philadelphia, and are finding a very large sale in many Canadian cities.

On Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Kimball gave a dinner party at their home to a few of their former schoolmates, including Mr. and Mrs. George M. Lovejoy, Mrs. George Gardner, Mrs. Paul Brown and Mrs. A. W. Knowl-

Paul Brown and Mrs. A. W. Knowlton.

All the services at the Baptist church except the young people's meeting and the Junior C. E., will be resumed on Sunday. The church opens its doors to all and extends a cordial christian greeting to those who attend. The subject at the morning service will be "Vacation experiences close at home," and in the evening "What a village church can be." The Sunday school will begin its usual sessions and on Saturday afternoon, the primary department will have a lawn party and rally at the parsonage.

Mrs. William Handley and children, Mrs. William Handley and children, Miss Alice M. Wright has recently

Mrs. William Handley and children, of Malone, N. Y., arrived last week at the home of her father, Marshall Brown, where they will remain for several weeks. Later they will join Mr. Handley in Gettysburg, Pa., where he is to superintend the construction. of another postoffice.

Everett Kimball and his brother Frank, of Boston, left town on Wed-nesday for the Green Mountain state. They will be gone from home several days, and stop over at many places of the congratulations of some two on their journey through the state. Their first visiting point was Salem. N. H., where they attended the Rock-label and Blanchard of Gardner of Gardner and Salem. N. H., where ingham fair.

Mrs. James W. Ireland and children have returned from their cottage at Forge pond.

Miss Bridget McNiff, of Worcester, and many years ago a resident of this town, is visiting Miss Mary McNiff, of Taylor street, and calling on old friends here.

John Adams, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Kimball, underwent a successful operation on Tuesday for the removal of adenoids and

Mrs. Gardner W. Prouty returned home on Tuesday from Duxbury, where she spent ten days very pleasantly with her sister. Mrs. Henry Topham, and family.

Mrs. Milford E. Somes arrived in town the latter part of last week after an absence of several months.

Mrs. Thomas Nye, of Laredo, Texas Mrs. Thomas Nye, of Laredo, Texas, who came north to attend her son Chester's wedding, has been very sick with pneumonia, and although convalescent, was unable to be present at any of the festivities.

A young son was recently welcomed into the family of Rev. Robert Fulton, of Indianapolis, Ind., completing a happy trio of little folks.

Roland G. Houghton, L. H. S. 1911, and Ashburnham academy 1912, will enter Lowell Textile school this fall, where he will pursue the course in chemistry and dyeing.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robinson have moved into their new house this

Miss Alice M. Wright has recently returned from a very pleasant visit with Revs. George B. and Amelia A. Frost in Andover.

Weddings.

The leading social event of the sea-The leading social event of the season took place on Wednesday evening when Miss Clara Louise Fletcher, of this town, and Chester Wilkerson Nye, of Laredo, Texas, were united in marriage, and shortly afterwards received the congratulations of section.

hundred guests.

At seven o'clock, the musicians, Miss Ida Blanchard, of Gardner, planist, and Miss Rebecca Warren, of Cambridge, violinist, struck the first chords of the Lohengrin wedding march, and shortly after the bridat buring her absence Miss Rosalie Wat-

china silk, and the little ring bearer and the flower girl were both dressed in white.

The groom wore a sult of white serge and the best man was dressed in white serge trousers and a navy blue coat. Rev. Harrison L. Packard, pastor of the Congregational church, performed the ceremony, using the double ring service. The marriage was witnessed by the near relatives and a few intimate friends.

The halls and rooms opening, into them were all beautifully decorated by Mrs. Emma Abbott, assisted by Richard Fletcher; queen's lace and asparagus fern were prettily interwoven in the banisters, golden-rod and asters formed the decoration in the music room, and sweet peas and asters were used effectively in the diningroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Nye were assisted in

were used effectively in the diningroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Nye were assisted in
receiving their guests by their parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fletcher, Thomas
Nye and Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Warren
Fletcher. The latter wore black silk
and the bride's mother was gowned in
light blue silk with cream lace.

The guests were introduced to the
receiving party by Herbert Prouty,
Benjamin Conant, Wallace Robinson
and Roland Fletcher, ushers. Throughout the reception Misses Blanchard
and Warren continued playing familiar and appropriate airs, contributing much to the sociability of the occasion.

In the dining-room ices, cake, wafers and fruitade were served by Misses Myrtle Fletcher, Emily Robinson and Katherine and Evelyn Kim-

A room in the second story contained numerous valuable gifts in silver, cut glass, linen, embroidery, pictures, hammered metal, china, greenbacks and gold coins.

The bridal couple left the scene of festivities amid a shower of confetti and good wishes. After a short wedding trip they will return to the bride's home for a few days and then leave for Laredo, Texas, their future home.

In the departure of Mrs. Nye from Littleton, not only the family and her nearest friends, but also the church and the town experience a distinct loss for she is a young woman of rare charms, possessing those virtues that make one an honor to any community blessed with her presence. She is the daughter of Elmer W. Fletcher, member of the well-known firm of Needham & Fletcher, contractors, a graduate of Littleton high school and Fitchburg Normal, and a teacher of ability.

ability.

The groom, although not generally known in town, is a young man of exemplary character, and enjoys an enviable reputation in his home state. Texas. He is son of the widely known "onlon king," Thomas Nye, of Laredo, Texas.

Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Nye leave for their southern home with the heartiest of good wishes of all their northern friends.

Miss Annie S. Dodge Miss Annie S. Dodge, secretary and librarian for twenty years at the Cambridge High and Latin school, and Sandford B. Hubbard, secretary of the Cambridge school board, were married

Cambridge school board, were married on last Saturday afternoon in Newton Center, at the home of Alden D. Wheeler, a cousin of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Geo. H. Parkinson, of Newton, and was followed by a wedding breakfast. The bridal couple was unattended, and the wedding was witnessed by the immediate members of both familles. Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard will live at 11 Forest street, Cambridge. The bride, who is a frequent visitor in town, is the daughter of the late William Dodge, a former resident of Littleton, and niece of Frank and Joseph Dodge, and niece of Frank and Joseph Dodge, of Littleton Common.

#### TOWNSEND.

Harbor.

Mrs. Bailey, of East Boston, is the guest of her brother, Mr. Bagley. Rev. and Mrs. John Andrews re turned from Revere on last Monday where they had spent a very enjoy-able vacation.

Mrs. Strout is visiting her mother Miss Hazel Cummings is spending a w days' vacation with relatives at

Waltham.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Josselyn and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Knight attended the Rockingham fair at Salem, N. H., on Wednesday. Miss Bardett, who hurt her back n few days ago, is much better.

Miss Carolyn Precious, of Forge Village, is the guest of Miss Anna Keefe. Mrs. M. Keefe visited her sister, Mrs. John Carmichael, of Forge Vil-iage on Thursday.

Miss Myrtle Gray enjoyed an auto-trip to Rockingham fair, Salem, N. H., on Thursday.

Mrs. Keevin, after suffering many months from a cancer of the stomach, passed away on Tuesday afternoon at about four o'clock.

#### LUNENBURG.

News Items.

M. F. Stafford, of Providence, R. I. spent Tuesday night in town.

The Lunenburg brass band gave the last open-air concert on the band-stand for this season on Tuesday evening. It was well received by an appreciative audience.

# Opportunity for Big Savings 'at our

Our Annual Mid-Summer Clearance Sale has been very successful. But we find, however, that we still have many lines of warm weather goods on hand which must be disposed of before the close of the season. Many of these lines have received a still further cut in price in order that they may move quickly. This is done in order to carry out our well-known policy of "No goods carried over from one season to the next."

#### MEN'S SUITS

The balance of our stock of Fancy Spring and Summer Suits for Men and Boys. The latest styles in Fancy Worsteds and Fancy Mixtures. Not many of a kind, but all sizes in something

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#### MISCELLANEOUS BARGAINS

Men's Cotton Hose, Black or Tan, a regular 2 Pairs for 25c. grade, now for Men's Police Braces.... Men's Police Braces, 50c. quality...... 35¢ Men's President Suspenders. now...... 35¢ Men's Wash Ties, regular 15c. grade, Men's White Handkerchiefs, price for this sale ...... 3¢

## UNDERWEAR BARGAINS

Here are some price reductions on many of our regular lines of Summer Underwear. All our 25c. Underwear in Balbriggan or

Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers for Men and Boys, price reduced for this sale to..... All our 50c. Blue Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, price for this sale.....

All our Porosknit Underwear is now reduced in price for this sale only:

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and Patent Leather Oxfords and Patent Blucher cut, regular \$3.00 to \$4.00 goods, price cut, to close to \$1.89

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IMPORTANT NOTICE—This Store will be closed every Thursday at 12 o'clock noon, during July and August. GEORGE H. BROWN.

Miss Gladys Sanderson is visiting riends in Worcester. Mr. and Mrs. Israel McAvoy took a rip to Maine last Saturday for a few weeks, visit and recreation.

Mrs. George Moody and her daughter Helen spent this week at Salisbury Beach, and Miss Dorothy Cass visited friends in Andover. The Ladies' Missionary society of the Methodist church held an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah L. Harrington on Wednesday.

on kept house for her, and after her return Miss Watson left on Tuesday for a visit in Provincetown.

Miss Gladys Sanderson is visiting days at the home of Mr. Longley recently. Mr. Clark was one of the olders men in the company and Mr. Longley one of the youngest.

The remains of the late Albert Marshall, a former resident of Lunenburg, but of late years of Los Angeles, Cal. were brought into town on Tuesday for interment in the North cemetery in the family lot, where he had daughters buried. The remains had been cremated before shipment to Lunenburg in accordance with Mr. Marshall and the shipment of the shipment of the shipment in accordance with Mr. Marshall and the shipment of the sh nenburg in ac shall's wishes. accordance with Mr. Mar-

meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah L. Harrington on Wednesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Keese, of Ashburnham, called on friends and acquaintances in town on Tuesday.

Andrew I. Clerk. parsonage.

Andrew J. Clark, of Hingham, and a veteran of the civil war, having served in Company H. 23rd regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, called on old friends and comrades, leorge V. Barrett, John Lyons and haries B. Longley, spending three

a part of the road, in addition to the \$1000 already appropriated at the March meeting. It was also voted that the town furnish bonds for the town officers requiring bonds.

Important Notice.

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We have just received a notice from the office of the postmaster general at Washington, in which the new rule governing subscriptions to newspapers is given. Hereafter, when a subscriber is one year in arrears for a subscription, the paper cannot be be sent until the amount of the arrears is paid, or a bona fide promise is made to pay. Those whom this concerns will please take notice.

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#### WESTFORD.

Center.

A book of interest recently added to the library is "The life of Ellen H. Richards." It is a well-written volume of the life and work of this gifted woman and of special interest are those chapters recording that part of her life spent in Westford and also in Littleton. in Littleton.

Conductor Walter Cutter is having a much needed change and rest of about a week from his duties on the lectric car. This is the first vacation Mr. Cutter has had since he came to Westford twenty-seven months ago.

Mrs. H. G. Osgood has been enjoying a vacation at Nantasket and Cambridge.

Mr. Patten and family, who has been living in Frank Miller's house and working on the town roads, has moved this last week to Brookside. Mrs. Calvin Howard has been visit-

ing her son, Charles Howard, and family, at Concord, N. H. The J. Herbert Fletchers enjoyed an outing at Provincetown this week where Rev. and Mrs. Weeks also join-

ed them. Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth and son Roger returned this week from a very pleasant vacation spent at Temple, N. H. Mrs. Hildreth also enjoyed a day at Lancaster renewing associations of seven years of teach-

Mrs. Joseph Mullen, Mrs. Charles F. Scribner. Mrs. Henry Dutton, Mrs. Alexander Gardner, Mrs. Hannah Barrows were head ushers of the management and Henry Dutton was general manager of the managers.

At a meeting of the republicant truck as ever came into town.

William Sutherland's and Warren Carkin's capable activities this week have been shingling and doing other repairs on John P. Wright's house.

pleasant new home. Will Bunce, who has been a mem

of the Bunce household for many months, and who assisted in the care of his uncle, the late Mr. Bunce, during his last illness, has returned to his home in Worcester.

A second nurse has been installed assist in the care of Mrs. Mary E. Retcher, who has been so ill for many weeks.

Miss Edna Ferguson conducted the service on last Sunday evening at the Congregational church and which, in congregational chutch and which, in spite of the rain, proved a good service. Miss Ferguson proved a versatile leader, for besides speaking well on the subject of "Christian tact," she presided at the plano and led the singing. On Sunday the regular services will be resumed morning and

Schools reopen the day after Labor day. Principal Rondenbush is the new man in charge at the academy and his assistant will be Miss Norris and Miss Hickey. At the Frost school Miss Smith and Miss Foster will teach the seventh and eighth grade, Miss Grant the fifth and sixth, Miss Crocker the third and fourth, and Miss Wright the first and second. At the academy workmen are busy whitening the walls and other repairs, after which it will receive its thorough annual cleaning. The pretty new Frost school building has been put into the very best order for the opening of school by its care-taker. Edmund Baker. He has varnished every inch of desks, chairs and other woodwork and oiled all the floors and cleaned the rest of the building.

Miss Jennie Sutherland is spending a vacation at Watch hill, R. I., and before coming back to Westford will week in Boston and vicinity with friends.

The J. C. Abbots are absent on an auto trip in Maine and expecting to cross into Canada before coming

The new Standard Fairbanks scales at the east end of the common have been finished and the grounds graded up in workmanlike manner. Miss Mary Bunce will have charge of

The H. V. Hildreths were at camp for over the week-end this last week. It was a splendid victory for the Westford A. A. boys on last Saturday afternoon on the home grounds when they played the strong Manhattans of Lowell, winning the game by a score of 11 to 1. This Saturday afternoon a game has been arranged between the Westford A. A. and the M. A. C. A. nine of Lowell. Preceding the game the Boy Scouts have arrange the game the Boy Scouts have arranged for a series of sports.

A shirt waist party is one of the social events being arranged by the young ladies of the village for the vening of Labor day.

Burglars again tried to see what they could get at Westford depot dur-ing Wednesday night. They gained entrance to the walting room and tore the telephone to pieces. This is a pay station and they probably secured some change, about fifty cents it is thought. How much else they gained has not been reported, not much anyway, for since the place has been broken into before, anything of value has not been left in the station over

ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS ell, of Cambridge, and her aunt, Miss Sarah Pear, also of Cambridge.

About Town.

George C. Moore, who is always up to something that adds improvement to the roadside, the field or building, has pluckily commenced ploughing the recent stump land adjoining the Nabnassett schoolhouse. This will add light and landscape to the outlook from the north view of the school-house and ere long Mr. Moore and nature will paint the landscape the color of green grass.

Mrs. Charles Prudhomme, formerly Miss Alma Decatur, is visiting friends at Conway, N. H.

Miss Ella Wright, of Cleveland, Ohio, is making her usual annual summer visit at the old Fletcher homestead on the Lowell road at Brookside. As the owner of this estate she has ordered many improvements to the roadside, the field and the buildings. The latest is the clearing of the rivulet that has its rise on Francis hill and assists in turning the water wheels on the Stony brook and water wheels on the Stony brook and Merrimack river. Augustus F. Whid-den still continues as superintendent of improvements. He has skill and taste.

As a member of the Passaconawa As a memoer of the rassaconaway tribe of Red Men of Lowell, Edmund B. Whitney, of Brookside, after passing through the various chairs of the order, was presented a handsome gold Past Sachem's jewel.

Another boat is being loaded at Boston for New Jersey with Oak hill stone from the quarry of the II. E. Fletcher Co., the capacity of the boat being forty carloads.

Much of the blue joint meadow grass that grows on the winding banks of Tadmuck brook is four feet tall

which is good height. The campers at Nabnassett held the first dance of the season at Pavillion hall on last week Friday evening, about 150 campers and their friends enjoying the bracing effects of music and dance. The management was mostly North Chelmsford style and developed pleasure at every twirl of the dance. Mrs. Joseph Mullen, Mrs. Charles F. Scribner, Mrs. Henry Dutton, Mrs.

the road on about as large an activity of the road on about as large an activity of the road on about as large an activity of the road on about as large an activity of the road on about as large an activity of the road on about as large an activity of the committees representing the eleventh district, it was unanimously voted to select a representative candidate ing on friends. Miss Norris, is camping for a week at Miss Norris, is camping for a week at Forge pond.

William Sutherland's and Warren with him to serve legal papers on the with him to serve legal papers on the voters.

As the days begin to shorten busi Miss Wood, of Kenne, N. H., has been the guest during this week of Miss Loker and Miss Bunce at their plassant new home. turned from a week's trip on business for the company.

ness for the company.

The old grist mill at Westford station owned by Geary C. Moore, which is being torn down by his progressive orders, will be teamed to his worsted mill at Brookside and changed into ashes and steam for motor power. In place of the old grist mill get your surprise guesses ready and guess that a 100-horse power electric motor will a 100-horse power electric motor will be installed. This will make lighting cheap and lighting easy, and the town may get a chance to light the Lowell road to Brookside. Mr. Moore is a Miss Ruth Fisher is visiting in Providence, R. I., and Mrs. Alvan Fisher is at camp with Miss Lila Fisher.

Edward Clement has been taking Mr. Cutter's place on the car during the latter's vacation.

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The first meeting of the season of the North Middlesex Pomona grange will take place on Friday, September 6, at Odd Fellows' hall, Bridge street, der the impression that he has ty-phoid fever. Dr. Wells coincides with his impression and so far it has been kept down to the mild point. Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher has also been disturbed in temperature, but not in temperament. A little of Dr. Wells' company and he expects to be able to resume his place in the circle of

evening.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson and three children returned last week after nine weeks spent in Philadelphia, during which time the Anderson home has been quite extensively renovated and remodelled by Mrs. Whitney. These changes result in more room and more convenience. Needham & Fletcher have had charge of the work.

Schools reopen the day afternoom. others who were covered in the crowd Mrs. John Warren Day has gone

to Bolton, where their cousin lives. Mrs. Greenville Keith Cutler, of Andover, has been a guest of her class mate, Mrs. Martha Taylor Howard.

At the last meeting of the grange the lecturer's hour was in charge of Mrs. J. Willard Fletcher, and was fully up to enjoyable expectations. The Fletcher musical trio, of Fitch-burg, nieces of J. Willard Fletcher, were very enticing in their entertainment with cornet, violin and piano, and were cheered for response. Other features of the evening that had a good carry to it was a song by Rache Wall; song, with violin accompani-ment, Mrs. Blaney; reading, Mrs. Perley Wright. Dancing followed and after that everybody followed home.

Graniteville.

Both masses in St. Catherine's church on last Sunday morning were celebrated by Rev. Edward Mitchell, who delivered a strong and forceful sermon on "The love of God and the love of neighbor." Mr. Mitchell is an eloquent speaker, and although in St. Catherine's parish but a short time, he or dentity thoroughly understands the evidently thoroughly understands the conditions here and his sermons are always followed with the deepest in-terest and leave a lasting impression on the large congregation present.

The apparatus to be used at the children's playground here near the Sargent school, has already arrived and has been set up. The list includes halanging boards balancing boards, a merry-go-round and several swings, and to say that the children greatly enjoy them would be putting it mildly. It may be said in passing that all the fittings for the in passing that all the littings for the playground have been installed by the town of Westford and are to be used exclusively by the children. Already several of the young people have used them and this is to be regretted, for the fittings will not last long if used by heavy weights.

Miss Rose Dunn, of Dracut, has been recent guest of Mrs. W. J. Healy, in

Alfred Hughes, Frank, Arthur and Henry Chariton are now enjoying camp life at The Weirs, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester McLenna and family are now enjoying a brief vaca-tion that is being spent at Revere

Miss Kathryn Ward, of the office might. It is reported that other stations along the line were also visited.

Mrs. Homer M. Seavey is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Mitch-

Miss Mabelle Loftus has been a recent guest of Miss Annie Gower.

Baseball.

The White Sox met the Tiger A. of North Billerica on the local grounds last Saturday and the White grounds last Saturday and the white Sox kept up their winning streak by putting it all over their opponents and won handily by the score of 13 to 2. McCarthy and Pracknack did the battery work for the White Sox and the game was never in danger from start to finish. These two clubs will meet organ later in the season, the game to game was never in danger from start to finish. These two clubs will meet again later in the season, the game to be played in North Billerica.

The Graniteville baseball club visited Townsend on last Saturday after noon where they met with defeat at the hands of the strong Townsend A. A. by the score of 5 to 3. It was a great game and Graniteville really great game and Granteville really ought to have won, but things did not break right for them and they lost. Such is baseball. Though Graniteville lost the Townsend people were so de-ply impressed with the fine article of ball Graniteville put that they made arrangements with J. E. York, the Graniteville manager, before he left the grounds, for a return game in the form of a double-header on Labor day, the game to be played in Towns-

About fifty loyal rooters accompa-About fifty loyal rooters accompanied the team from here and the Graniteville cheering section enlivened things during the innings with some fine singing, led by Frank Charlton, the well-known vocalist. The popular songs as sung by the "Honey boys" made a decided hit.

Forge Village.

Mrs. William Burnett and Mrs. John Edwards spent Wednesday as of Mrs. Joseph Teele,

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Blodgett, of the Ridges, and Mrs. Chester Blodgett recently visited relatives in North Ipswich, N. H., Ashby and Gardner. While at Ashby they had the pleasure of climbing to the top of Mt. Watatic. Miss Caroline Precious is spending the week with her augt, Mrs. Michael Keefe, of Townsend Harbor.

Miss Annie Duffy is visiting in Wamesit as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dugdale. Haverhill, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Collins.

Misses Christine Lowther, May and Annie Cherry were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, of Wor-

cester. The John Edwards hose company made a good showing at their practice meet last week. They flushed out

several hydrants. W. Corney Precious is to have electric lights installed at his home. Mrs. M. A. Lowther entertained as her home over the week-end Mrs. Samuel Marshall, of Pepperell, and

Mrs. Mary Thorpe, of Marion, Mr. Northrup, who has been visit-ing one of his daughters in Milo Junction, Me., has returned and is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Fennimore

Parrott cottage is rented for two weeks to a number of well-known young men of Ayer.

A crowd of young folks from here attended the Townsend A. A. and Graniteville baseball game at Townsend on last Saturday afternoon. Robert Orr and two daughters,

Annie and Nellie, spent Sunday at Revere Beach. Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichae have returned from a most pleasant visit to Nahant and Somerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie S. Bennett, of Boston, spent last week as guests of relatives here. Misses Bertha Collins, Marion Lord and Edith Precious spent Saturday and Sunday at Revere Beach.

Mrs. John C. Babb, of Shirley, and John Shattuck, of Hudson, N. H., spent last Friday as guests of Mrs. Mary I. Drake.

Miss Elizabeth Plummer has returned from Beverly, where she went to attend the funeral of her brother, James E. Plummer, who died after a

Charles Flanagan, the flagman at the Boston and Maine railroad cross-ing, rescued Ephraim, jr., and Thomas Reed from death by drowning in the canal of the Abbot Worsted Company on Monday afternoon. Young Thomas was fishing on the banks but fell into the water and sank beneath the sur the water and sank beneath the surface. His brother Ephraim, who is a good swimmer, dove in to rescue him, but the current was so strong that he was unable to help himself. Flanagan, when notified, dived after Ephraim and after landing him safely returned after Thomas, who at that time had come to the surface. Although help was present the surface and the surface though both were pretty were fright ened no serious results will follow.

There will be an entertainment and dance under the auspices of Cameron Circle, C. F. of A., in Abbot's hall on Friday evening, August 30. Music by the Cadet orchestra.

#### TOWNSEND.

Center. Miss Viola Misner, of Fitchburg, is at F. B. Higgins' this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Eldridge and wo children, of Plymouth, arrived at H. J. Miller's on last Saturday. Mrs. Eldridge and the children will re-Eldridge and the children will remain for a while. Mr. Eldridge has returned home.

Miss Arline Wilder, of Fitchburg, is at Noah Wallace's. Mr. and Mrs. Earl P. Miller, of Somerville, are at George W. Clarke's

Miss Gertrude Rockwood has been isiting friends in Lynn this week. A six-pound son, Josiah Herbert Cook, was welcomed into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cook on Monday, August 12, at Harwich. Mrs. Cook was Miss Lillian Seaver, of this

Miss Ruth Nowell, one of the teachers here last year, was a guest at A. S. Howard's recently. Rev. A. L. Struthers has returned

from his vacation at Nelson, N. H. The family will remain for Old Home week exercises in New Hampshire.

Daniel Brogan, of the soldiers' home at Chelsea, has been in town for a few days. He says he likes his home and is enjoying good health. Lillian Hildreth, of the Waltham postoffice, has been enjoying her va-cation at the White Mountains, and later, with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hildreth at home.

Stanley J. McNear recently enter-tained his sister, Mrs. A. L. Plitcher, and her two sons, from Mystic, Cong., and Mrs. Stearns R. Ellis, from Cam-

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Milo Bruce, of Ashby, was the guest of his sister, Miss Addie Bruce, this week, and also visited his nephew, W. L. Bruce. Rev. Granville Pierce, of Carlisle, control, but wa has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Weatherbee, and assisted Mr. Struth-

Mrs. Frank Shirley, of Lynn, has been visiting at H. B. Hildreth's.

P. B. Howard, of Watertown, was at Mrs. Lizzie Hildreth's over Sun-

day.

ers at the Congregational church on Sunday by delivering the sermon. The Lawrence C. Y. M. A. will play at the home grounds here this Saturday and say they are coming up to let Townsend down a peg.

Probably the greatest attraction of the season will be on Saturday, Au-gust 31, when the Leominster Hand Cars will be seen on the home grounds here to cross bats with our

Ai Richards, George T. Powell and John Dobson took in the Rocking-ham fair on Wednesday.

Mrs. Ai Richards has returned from her visit to Barre, Vt. While there she had the misfortune to slip from a wagon while trying to step into it and bruising her side quite secrety, and she still feels the effects of the fall, although she is about.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Davis are visiting Mrs. Melvina Seaver at Mansfield. Hazel Marshall is visiting friends and relatives in Boston and Needham. Miss Stella Farrar is entertaining t friend, Miss Moody, from Middle On Labor day inght, Monday, Sep-

tember 2, E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge will present the two-act drama, "The two burglars," with the following cast of characters:

ing cast of characters:

Prof. McNutty......Frank B. Higgins Edith McNutty....Miss Hattle Sanders George Reckless.....Edwin Sanders Wilfred Mealle.......Wilbur L. Scales Priscilla Progress.

Mrs. Hattle E. Misner Miss Malone......Mrs. Icea Cowdrey The drama will be followed by dancing with music by Thayer's orchestra.

chestra. Mrs. D. B. Scott, of Providence, R. I., a former resident, was a recent visitor in town. The Scotts have re-cently purchased a place in North-born, to which they expect soon to move.

Miss Katherine Spaulding, who has with Mrs. Sarah Ball since March, is enjoying a vacation out-of-town. Mrs. John S. Auger has re-turned from Northfield, and with Mrs. Wheeler, of Newtonville, is with Mrs. Ball.

Generous Gift to Come.

Charles W. Hildreth, one of our Charles W. Hildreth, one of our foremost merchants, is to present to the Congregational church a new organ, which is to be given as a memorial to his wife, the late Laura A. Hildreth. There has been a great need of a new organ for some time and the buying of one has been discussed by the church officials, but it has not been a great while since Mr. Hildreth's generous offer to present Hildreth's generous offer to present one to the church has been known to the public. The amount for the or-gan has already been settled between Mr. Hildreth and the purchasing committee of four, and he has left every thing to the committee to carry ou

as to procuring it.
It seems a very fitting memorial, as Mrs. Hildreth devoted many year singing in the Congregational church choir, and at numerous funerals and church affairs, she was always read; to assist in the singing. She had a low, pleasing voice and nothing could be more fitting than this memorial to her for the work she did.

Although the day was somewhat cloudy, between 350 and 400 people were present at the sports on Tueslong and lingering illness.

Mrs. F. T. Holden, of Yonkers, N. H., who has been staying at Lancaster, visited at the home of Mrs. Mary I. Drake recently.

Charles Flangan, the flagman at the streets and over to the picnic grounds near John Piper's house where the picnic was held until after noon. Some of the get-ups were fine examples of originality, and many na-tionalities and trades were represent ed; also, clowns, Indians, selssor grinder and a very tall and large "woman" suffragette with sign "votes for women" added to the fun: Ernest

for women" added to the fun: Ernest Dow was given first prize for an original costume representing "The Daily News." The judges were G. L. Whitcomb, Arthur Smith, Mrs. George E. Clarke and Myrtle Gray.

After the "horrible" parade in the morning the games for small children were played at the grove. There was were played at the grove. There was a tug-of-war for little children, prisor a tug-of-war for fittle children, prison bar, snake dance, doughnut contest won by Clarence Jowdry, peanut race won by Fred Temple, and other games. A lunch was held at the grove at noon, and at two o'clock all went to the baseball grounds where the following sports were held and prices won:

and prizes won:

where the following sports were held and prizes won:

100 yd. dash, boys under 15, Leon Marshall 1st. Chester Farrells 2d, Hardold Baker, 3d; 100 yd. dash for boys over 15, Harry Knight 1st. V. Swicker 2d. Robert Teehan 3d; 50 yd. dash for girls under 15, Bertha Goodwin 1st. Mildred Ballou 2d, Elector Bollivar 3d; 50 yd. dash for girls over 15, Edna Temple 1st. Estella Farrar 2d, Dorothy Anderson 3d; obstacle race. Leon Marshall 1st; standing broad jump, James Smith 1st. Leon Marshall 2d, Chester Farrells 3d; sack race. 50 yds., Leon Marshall 1st, Ralph Marshall 2d, Frank Taft 3d; human wheelbarrow race. 10 yds., John Daunt and Harry Jones 1st Leon Marshall and Fred Temple 2d Frank Taft and Herbert Brown 3d half-mile race, under 15, Chester Farrells 1st, Wallace Conors 2d, Frank Taft 3d; one-quarter mile race for girls under 15, Bertha Goodwin 1st, Mabe Temple 2d, Elector Bollivar, 3d; potaterace, boys, Fred Temple, 1st. Albert Kilburn 2d; potato race for girls, Electe Bollivar 1st, Mabel Temple 2d, About the funniest of all was the

About the funniest of all was the About the funniest of all was the baseball game between the married and single men, which resulted in a score of 7 to 6 in favor of the single men, the winning run coming in in the last of the ninth. Dr. Henry Boynton and F. B. Higgins were the umpires and tried to even things up for each other. The married men had to call on some of the single men to help them out, the batteries being Carl Farrar and Harold Morse for the married men and Elwyn of a selection by a quartet consisting of walter and Milton Wilder, Ashbel for the married men and Elwyn Swicker and Robert Techan for the single men. All had a great game.

As usual, Townsend was the winner in last Saturday's ball game on the home grounds with the Granite-ville team, who made their first appearance, but the plucky little club Mrs. C. H. McNear has arrived for held them down to a closer score than her annual visit with her son, Stanley most of the games have been this a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ben. McNear, at Woodbine place.

Archie Bennett, from Boston, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ben. nett the first of the week.

lead. Both clubs were about evenly matched and the visitors worked hard to keep their lead. After the visitors first two runs were scored Whitehead, who pitched for Townsend, steadled into form and grew better with each succeeding inning played, getting ten strike-outs and allowing only two hits during the remainder of the game. Graniteville used two pitchers, Spinner being relieved in the fifth with one down, a tie score and two on The Nashua River convention of the C. E. Union meets here at the match Congregational church on Labor day, to kee one down, a tie score and two on bases. Condon, his successor, had fine control, but was hit hard, Whitehead's triple being the best in the contest.

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Three-base hits—Whitcomb, White-head, Hanson, Hits off J. Spinner 4 in 4½ innings, off Condon 4 in 3½ innings, Double plays—Keefe to Lancey to Parker, Greene to Parker. Bases on balls—By Whitehead 3, by J. Spinner 4. Struck out—By Whitehead 10, by Condon 7. Stolen bases—Keefe, Parker 2, Nystrom. Passed ball—D. Spinner. Hit by pitched ball—Rlley, Whitcomb, Whitehead, Eastman. Umpire—McGrall. Time—1hr. 50m.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hodgman and Mrs. Robert M. Kaddy have been isiting relatives in Boston this week. Miss Bertha Boynton is enjoying a acation with her relatives in Lowell. Louis Welch and Oscar Mudgett

have been in Ashburnham on business for several days recently. Miss Laura Upton, of Milton, is en-joying a visit at her old home in Jos-

elvnville. Miss Martha Neale, from Derry,

H., who is visiting relatives at the Center, called upon friends in town on last week Friday. Ralph H. Willard, from Boston, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Se.ver over Sunday.

Amos Joddery reports the hens on last week Wednesday might, probably by chicken thieves which have been noted all around this section lately. There was no meeting of the Y. P.

S. C. E. on Tuesday evening on account of the picnic being held at the Center on that date. The leader, Milton Wilder, will take charge of the service on next Tuesday evening. The baseball game which was to be played between the Knights of the

of Ashby, was postponed from last week Thursday to a later date. John Campbell returned last week from a few days' visit to relatives in

Shield and the Young Giants

Cambridge and Boston. Mrs. Sarah Hodge, who has been several weeks ousins in Ayer, has returned to her

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan have opened their home on Main street af-ter a fortnight's absence, visiting rela-tives in Melrose and the neighbor-

Miss Mildred L. Seaver returned on last week Friday evening from a brief visit with friends in South Essex.

Rev. S. D. Ringrose has introduced tiev. S. D. Kingrose has introduced bible reading services at the Baptist vestry on Thursday evenings, which proves very interesting and instructive. On last week Thursday a discussion on "Christian courtesy in religion," caused an informal discussion following the bible reading.

Miss Lois Loveland has returned to Sunday School Picnic. few days with her cousin, Mrs. I. P. Sherwin.

George Wright, who has been spending his vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thompson, returned to Winthrop on last week Friday, accompanied by Miss Lena Thompson. who will spend a week's vacation with her sister, Mrs. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thorning enjoyed a visit with relatives in Temple, N. H., and East Jaffrey, where they attended a family reunion at the home of her brother, recently.

Mrs. Cutting has returned from her visit to Temple, where she has been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodgman returned on Tuesday from a several weeks' auto trip to Northfield. Swanzey, and other towns in the John Eldredge, who has been con-

fined to his home for the past few weeks with an attack of mumps, has ecovered and is able to be out again A large number from here in teams autos and by train, attended the Old Home day exercises in Mason, N. H., on Wednesday.

Miss Anabelle Troupe, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin, has returned to her home in Somerville.

Alice Wilder, of Josselynville, has been suffering from a badly sprained wrist caused by a fall last week. Mrs. George Beckwith and infant son are visiting at her home in Ashby

for the present.

Milo Bruce is spending a few days in Boston and vicinity. Perry W. Sawtelle is enjoying a brief vacation at the Advent camp meetings at Alton Bay, N. H.

The West Townsend Brotherhood held their regular weekly meeting in the Baptist vestry at noon on last

last Sunday morning on the topic, "The uplifted Christ," and in the evening his subject was "A triumph of faith," and special singing in form of a selection by a quartet consisting of Walter and Milso Ina Wilder, Ashbel Streeter and Miss Ina Wilder was heartly enjoyed. heartily enjoyed.

Owing to the picnic being held on Tuesday, the Y. P. S. C. E. service in the evening was omitted.

John McElligott and family, from Visiting his brother

Somerville, are vis Richard McElligott. visiting his brother

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan are entertaining Mr. Tebbetts and family, relatives from Melrose.

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Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle is enter-taining a friend from Somerville. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Manchester, Josselynville, accompanied by Mr. Manchester's brother and wife, from California, are visiting a brother in Barnet, Vt.

Mrs. L. O. Barker is spending a few days at the home of her mother in Danvers.

Nathan Veno injured his hand quite severely at the paper mill in West Groton, where he is employed, the first of the week, getting three fingers so badly mangled in the machinery that he was obliged to go to the Groton hospital to have his wounds

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Carson are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a little daughter at their home last week.

Mrs. Joseph Thompson has been on the sick list at her home a few days this week.

Frank Jenkins, of Lynn, a former resident of this village, with an auto party, called upon friends in town on Wednesday.

Alexander Reed is enjoying a few days on a business trip to New Boston, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hodgman have returned from a few days' trip to Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Hughes and Miss Violet Hughes, who have been visiting Mrs. Sarah Lawrence, have returned to their home in Milford, N. H. Mrs. Bell and daughter Sadie have returned from a visit to relatives in

New York. Mr. and Mrs. Burton Bruce, of Boston, are spending their vacation with Mrs. L. O. Bruce.

Mrs. Thomas Woodman is quite ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. Bell. Mrs. Warren Byther has returned to her home, accompanied by her little granddaughter, Persis Ormsby, who returned the last of the week to home in Beverly, and Mr. Byther will spend a few days with his daugh-

ter. Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Hodgman, who have been with their son, Mervin Hodgman, for the past two weeks, during the absence of his family, have returned to their home in Mason, N. H. Mrs. Hodgman and family are expected to return this week:

The Ladies' Mission Circle will hold their regular monthly meeting with Mrs. S. D. Ringorse at the parsonage o'clock, continuing the study of "Mexico." on next Wednesday afternaan at 3.30 Rev. S. D. Ringrose will occupy his

pulpit at the Baptist church as usual on Sunday, and the evening service will be held on the lawn, weather permitting. The Brotherhood will meet as usual in the vestry at noon. Mrs. Norton, from Somerville, is spending a few days with her husband at A. J. Manchester's in Josselynville.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hodgman has returned from a brief visit with relatives in Boston and vicinity. Mrs. Brown is entertaining relatives

Lowell at her brother's, C. T. McDormond. •G. E. Walker and daughter Una have returned from Waltham, where they have been spending a few weeks. Miss Ruth Wilson has returned to

Whalom, where she is enjoying camp life with a party of friends. It is reported that William Lawrence has sold the house he now oc-cupies on Elm street to Mr. Wise, of Mason, N. H.. who will take posses-sion in September, when the Lawrence family move into the Bruce house nearly opposite, recently purchased by them.

Mrs. Josephine Boynton is having a veranda built extending the length of the west side of her residence.

Mrs. Plummer and her grandchildren have returned to Somerville, accompanied by Miss Helen Plummer, who will enjoy a brief visit.

Miss M. Elinor Tower and little Helen Marr are spending a few days at the Center at the home of Miss Tower's relatives.

The Baptist Sunday school of this village was well represented at the union picnic at the Center on Tuesday, over one hundred being present from this end of the town. Dr. day, over one hundred being present from this end of the town. Dr. Boynton's barge, carrying about twenty-five, left the Baptist church at 8.30 in the morning, driven by H. B. Hathaway, and returned at six o'clock. Those who served on committees or on the program were Perry W. Sawtelle, Benjamin Hodgman and Athara Smith on arrangements. Part W. Sawtelle, Benjamin Hodgman and Arthur Smith, on arrangements; Rev. S. D. Ringrose, chairman of the committee on sports; Arthur Smith, Miss Alice and Miss M. Elinor Tower on the reception committee; Dr. H. B. Boynton, as manager of the single men's baseball nine; H. B. Hathaway, as one of the judges on sports and as one of the judges on sports, and Arthur Smith, as one of the judges in awarding the prize for the most origi-nal costume in the parade. Prizes were taken home by Chester Farella. who won three, Herbert Bowen and Clarence Jodery, and the tired but happy crowd pronounced the day a

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Entertainment.

The vaudeville entertainment at Tarbell's hall on last week Friday evening, given under the management of Prof. Josef Yarrick, was a success in every way. Fully sustaining his past reputation as an entertainer, he did even more, and it was the best yet. A large audience was present. Mr. Yarrick was fortunate to secure the star vaudeville entertainer, Herbert A. Clark, of Waltham, Mass., to assist, for surely his makeups and impersonations were perfect. The local jokes he cracked while impersonating the darkey created much sport. Mrs. Clark accompanied him from Waltham and presided at the plano in her usual pleasing way. Thayer's full or wheeter furnished. usual pleasing way. Thayer's full or-chestra furnished music for dancing and at intervals during the entertain-ment. The appreciative audience were loud in their applause. After the en-tertainment, games, etc., with danc-ing were enjoyed, and ice cream was served.

#### Current Events.

At a special meeting of the grange of last week Wednesday evening instruction to a class of five was given in the third degree.

Cassius Nye, of New York city, and Fred Nye, of Leominster, were recent guests of George H. Nye and family. Mrs. Damet McKenzie, of Townsend, has been a recent guest in town.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith expects to spend a few weeks at the beach.

spend a few weeks at the beach.

Brookline grange will confer the fourth degree on a class of five on August 28. On September 3, Hillsboro Pomona grange meet with Brookline and will open in the fifth degree and present the following program: Song, grange: recitation, Miss Blanche Hall; paper, Mrs. Lucretia Martin; reading, Mrs. Lizzle Smith Mason; discussion on the topic, "Modern conveniences on the farm." Clarence Russell, John Smith Mason, Mrs. Clara E. Russell; vocal music, Mrs. Greeley and Miss Taylor: recitation, Mrs. Florence O'Connell; reading, Mrs. Hannah Fisk, Milford; music, Mrs. Minnie Holcomb; essay, Mrs. Jennie Goss.

Mrs. Minnle M. Webster, of Boston, is the guest this week of Capt. A. H. Taylor and family.

Mrs. Bessie Hinkley, of Harrisville, Pa., is visiting her brother, Edward Taylor, and other relatives in town.

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Fred Campbell met with quite an accident while delivering papers on last Sunday by his wagon colliding with an auto driven by a man from Haverhill. Mr. Campbell was thrown out, but not seriously injured, while the wagon was wrecked. The auto driver promised to settle for repairing the wagon.

On last week Wednesday the Loyal On last week wednesday the Loyal Workers held a meeting at the lake and the Methodist society and Sunday school enjoyed a basket picnic at the same place on the same day. All had a fine time.

Hon. Herbert Parker, of Boston. was in town last week relative to the town house business. Mrs. Ellen Swett has presented the town with a corner lot of land on Bond and Main streets for a building lot for the new town house. The deed was passed on last Saturday last Saturday.

On Tuesday, August 27, at the apron fair, the two-act drama, "Our church fair," will be presented by local talent. Georgie Stanley has been enjoying part of his vacation at Lynn, Mass., and vicinity.

Herbert Hall and sons, of Somer ville, Mass., are camping near the

Mr. and Mrs. Chester E. Hammond and son Charles, of Dorchester, Mass., Mrs. Florence Hales and Miss Frances Rea, of Rochester, N. Y.. Miss Nellie Anderson, H. B. Reynolds and Dr. R. S. Nelson, of Boston, Mass., were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence at "Hillcrest."

Rev. W. L. Noyes has returned from Northfield, Mass., where he has attended the conference of Christian Workers at the Moody school. Mr. Noyes had the pleasure of listening to some grand lectures and fine music while in attendance. Mrs. Noyes has also returned from a pleasant outing at Hudson.

splitting wood last week.

Mrs. Phœbe Randall is reported as being quite ill at her home at Wis-

Dr. Perrin and family have left their summer home for a two-weeks' stay at Saranac, N. Y.

John Dobson and daughter Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, of Townsend, with others, attended the vaudeville entertainment at Tarbell's hall on Fri-

George Francis Shattuck, a son of the late Gardner and Harriet Shattuck, of this town, passed away at his home on Wednesday morning of last week after a lingering illness of ten months, following a shock of apoplexy at the age of sixty years. Mr. Shattuck was born at Framingham. Mass., but spent the greater part of his life here. A quiet, unassuming man of few words, a kind husband and neighbor, spending the most of his time on his thrifty farm home. He leaves a widow, two brothers, Henry G. and Warren D. Shattuck, and two sisters, Misses Caroline and Mary Shattuck, all of this town. The family have the sympathy of their Mary Shattuck, all of this town. The family have the sympathy of their Brookline friends.
Mr. Shattuck was born on October 8, 1851. He was married to Mrs.

8, 1851. He was married to Mrs. Belle (Manson) Osgood, of York, Me., on January 1, 1878. The funeral service was at the home

The funeral service was at the home on Friday afternoon of last week at two o'clock, Rev. George Bennett, of Wakefield, officiating. He spoke in sympathy to the widow and family and of the associations in the years when he was a pastor here. Beautiful flowers from the widow rested on the casket and many more were around the casket from relatives and friends. Two nieces, Mrs. Hattie Williams and Mrs. Mattie Teele, of West Acton, Mass., were present; also, relatives of Mrs. Shattuck from York, Me. The burial was at the South cemetery.

#### HOLLIS, N. H.

#### News Items.

Miss Ruth Rogers spent several days last week as the guest of Mrs. E. B. Heald at her bungalow in Pep-

H. N. Smith visited friends in Newtonville and Reading, Mass., last week, spending several days in each place. D. F. Pierce, W. Deane and N. Bennett attended the farmers' picnic at the state college on last week Thursdonath. Houghton Jonath. Stearns

Old Home week was ushered in on last Saturday evening by a big bonfire on Colburn's hill. Many were in attendance and the sky was brilliantly illumined by it.

Walter Tracy, of Malden, Mass., and Mrs. Richards and baby, of Chelsea, Mass., will spend Old Home week at the Stinson cottage. Miss May McDonald and Miss Mildred Hake returned to Chelsea the first of the week.

W. W. Worcester accompanied his aunt, Miss Abbie Read, to Charlesgate hospital at Cambridge, Mass., on last Monday, where she went for treatment.

treatment.

The bazaar held on last Monday evening by the Ladies' R. and C. society and King's Daughters was a great success. More than 250 were in attendance, the booths well patronized and the useful and fancy articles went rapidly. The tulip bed was disposed of in a very short time, and the ice cream rapidly dissolved into money. Mrs. Jarley was present with her "faithful attendants" and a collection of her wax figures which interested the large audience exceedingly. The ladies have worked hard and were well repaid by the success of the evening.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis are in

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis are in town visiting their parishioners dur-ing Old Home week. Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Powers' have been at M. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis D. Goodwin came to the maternal home on Tuesday to enjoy the festivities of Old Home week.

The new valuation of Hollis, taken by the selectmen last spring, is creating great interest among the real estate owners. Many of the farmers find their farms placed at much greater valuation than under the former inventory.

Mrs. Edward Ellis, of New Jersey, is visiting her childhood home during Old Home week. She was Clara Spaulding when she lived here. She is an authoress and her husband is an author.

Miss Ethel Stanley, of Lynn, Mass., who spent two weeks with Mrs. Goodwin in July, returned on last Monday for another two weeks.

Miss Hattie I. Kendall, of Pepperell, came to Hollis on Monday to attend the ladies' bazaar and remained over for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Jewett.

Rev. S. W. Vincent, D. D., pastor of the Walnut ayenue Emanuel church, Roxbury, Mass., was present at the Old Home day exercises on Monday, accompanied by his wife and two daughters. The family are spending the summer at Lake Pleasant, Henniker.

#### A Busy Day.

Wednesday was Hollis' busy day. Early in the morning" the Nashua Military band sounded the note of music that called the people together. The forenoon was passed by friends meeting in the upper town hall and a baseball game between Hollis A. A. and Hollis high school teams on Eaton field. Dinner was served in the lower town hall and in the vestry of the Congregational church under the management of Miss C. Leslie, with after-dinner speeches.

At 2.20 in the afternoon the sports began, consisting of 100 yd. dashes, obstacle race, running high jump, three-legged race, putting eighteenpound shot, eight-pound shot for boys, and various others. Cups will be awarded for first prize, medals for second and ribbons for third. In the evening an entertainment was given in town hall consisting of a pageant of nations and a mock court trial.

#### HARVARD HISTORY

Paper No. 4 By Edward A. Richardson.

One of the most interesting papers in the Harlow collection is a letter from the field of action or rather inaction in New York in 1780. The American forces were assembled at this period along the Hudson river to defend the several passes or ferses, chief of which was that at Stoney Point, the great gateway of travel between New England and the Harrassed and discouraged by proving the Harrassed and discourage and the Harrassed

Harrassed and discouraged by previous defeats the British had retired down the river and the duties of the EZ red Bouchard had the misforo cut his leg quite badly while
of wood last week.

Phoebe Randall is reported
of quite ill at her home at WisMe.

Adown the river and the duties of the
patriots consisted in keeping guard
over various strategetic points and
in foraging throughout a district extending from Newburg on the north
to the present Jersey City on the
south.

Several men of Harvard saw service in that campaign and the letter and the comments of the writer show the temper of the soldiers of those times

with others, attended the vaudeville entertainment at Tarbell's hail on Friday evening, August 16.

Don't fail to attend the annual apron fair of the Ladies' Ald society of the Congregational church in Tarbell's hail on Tuesday evening, August 27. The two-act drama. "Our church fair." will be presented. Fancy articles, ice cream, cake and candy will be on sale.

"To Capt John Daby Att Harvard Massachusetts State Favor of Mr Ames August 21, 1780"

and endorsed in another hand "favor of Mr. Taylor." It is folded in and shows the trace of red sealing wax where it was brought together.

The letter in full is as follows:

where it was brought together.

The letter in full is as follows:

Camp Tappan. August. 1780.

Dear Sr. (To Capt. John Daby).
Having an opportunity to write a few lines to you with Joy I imbrace the same. Sr. I would inform you that through the tender mercy of Almighty God I am in a comfortable measure of Health and I hope these lines will find you and yours in the full enjoyment of the same blessing and every blessing apertaining to life—Sr. I have nothing strange to relate, we are at present a Disaplineing our New Army and when we have got them well meneuvard so as to understand their Duty it is Quite likely that there will be a movement of the Army perhaps towards New York. It is a general time of health in the army & the men in Genl. in good spiretts. Harvard men are well Except Oliver Haskell he has a poor time on if at present But I trust it wont be unto Death.— Sr. our provisions is short & poore but we Expect to fare better in a Short Time.— I cant help Flattering my self that we shall Do Something this summer if whole seems to Depend upon that for those tyrants Dare not Come Out of their Den into the Country to Look us in the face and it is Difficult for us to go in to them. So I must Rest hoping that the Soveren Ruler & Dispensor of all things will order things in our favour and for his own Glory.

JABEZ KEEP.

Capt. Daby Sr you Desired that I would write and let you no where Harvard men was I would inform you that there is none of them in Col Jacksons Regt. for it was so Late when we got up and there was so many had joined with him he could not have aney of them But I will let you no where they are

Genl Glovers Brigade Coln, Smiths Regt

Glovers Do Coln. Shepherds Regt America Hamlin David Stone Oliver Haskell Benjamin Bridge

Genl Pattersons Brigade Coln. Brooks Regi

Jonah Whitney Benj, Hale John Warner Abljah Cole The names of the men in Light in-John Scollay John Oaks John Atherton

onn Atherton

Sr. Please to give my Compliments to the Gentlemen Select Men and Committee & all inquiring friends aso to my Family as I shant write to them at this time. Sr. I hope the time will shortly come when we shall have peace in our land when every man Can sit under his own Vine and under his own Fig Tree and none to make us afraid no more at this time but subscribe my self your Friend

JABEZ KEEP. Sr. Please to Favour me with a line & you will oblige.

The writer of this letter was Sergeant Jabez Keep, who was in Capt. Benjamin Brown's company of Col. Jackson's regiment. From the History of Harvard we learn that he was the second to bear the name and that his son Jabez was in the same company. His father was the owner of the privilege at Old Mill, where after 1768 he had established a forge and the third Jabez was enrolled as having the occupation of "bloomer," or iron worker.

The committee referred to was the committee of correspondence and The writer of this letter was Ser-

The committee referred to was the committee of correspondence and safety elected in Harvard yearly during the revolutionary period.

It is evident from the letter that Capt. Daby, to whom it was written, expected that the men he inquired about were with Col. Jackson's regiment with other Harvard men. See History of Harvard, page 342 and again at bottom of page 337, where we have the identical list of men as raised for the Continental Army in 1780.

The Oliver Haskell referred to in the letter was of these nineteen men and with Joel Whitney and Benjamin the letter was of these nineteen men and with Joel Whitney and Benjamin Bridge had in the previous December been in service at Claverack, New York, when this same Capt. John Daby was Lieut. John Daby.

Simeon Conant, America Hamlin and Dayid Stone continued on in the service at West Point to November 18, 1781,

It is noticeable that the oldest in

It is noticeable that the oldest in this list of nineteen men is twenty-three years of age and the youngest sixteen and that the average of the total ages is eighteen years eight months.

This letter is in a clear, legible hand and is easily read after a lapse of one hundred and thirty-two years and may well be considered one of the military papers of Harvard. Ayer, Mass., July, 1912.

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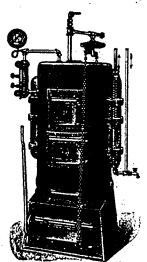
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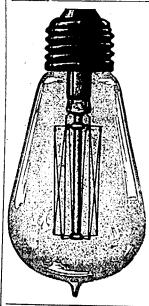
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#### GROTON.

News Items. Mrs. Keough, mother of Mrs. Abram Miller, of Champney street, went on Monday morning to visit at her old home in Sharon, Conn.

Mrs. Frank L. Howes, of Riverdale farm, entertained a large luncheon party on last week Tuesday. Miss Chadbourn, of Boston, is staying at Miss C. L. Hutchins' on Pleasant street.

C. E. Bigelow lost one of his fine span of horses on last Sunday. It was valued at \$300. The money loss will not be felt by the family so much as the loss of the beautiful creature to which they were much attached.

Elizabeth, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Palmer, was taken very ill on Monday night. Dr. Priest, of Ayer, was called to the case.

G. F. Sampson is having a ten-days' vacation. James Dunphy is meanwhile taking his place on the American express route. State Fire Inspector Rice of Boston has been up to investigate the Pate

The Groton team won from the Leominster baseball team on Lawrence field, last Saturday afternoon by a score of 4 to 0.

Mrs. Edith Prescott Leonard, with her daughter, Miss Edith Timmins, and her son, Master Robert Leonard, arrived at Groton Inn on Sunday, Au gust 11, having come down from Canada. Mrs. Leonard has been stay-ing for the past four years in Europe. She has leased the Dr. S. A. Green place for three years, and will occupy with her family as soon as the

place is ready. Miss Margaret Hayes, of Cambridge, has been visiting her cousins, Mrs. Daniel Crowley and Mrs. Thomas Cleary, but has now returned to her store on Putnam avenue, Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mansur are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son, Frederick Whiting Mansur, jr., born August 21.

William F. Gleason is going to work for E. E. Tarbell in his store at East Pepperell, and will move his family there from his present home in Chico-pee row as soon as he finds a desirable

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tuttle, with son Clarence and wife, and Miss Ellen Graves, made about a week ago a delightful auto trip to Brattleboro, Vt., going through the Deerfield valley and stopping over night at Marlboro. They covered a distance of 225 miles and enjoyed the whole drive very much, arriving home without any mishap.

Mrs. F. G. Low of Lowthrope has

Mrs. E. G. Low of Lowthrope has hired the Frank Lawrence Blood house on Powder House road to be in connection with Lowthorpe

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Tuttle and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tuttle attended the Fletcher-Nye marriage reception at Littleton

Capt. M. P. Palmer was at the na-Capt. M. P. Paimer was at the hattonal progressive headquarters, Boston, on Tuesday morning and found everything "progressing" in a lively way, with plans for organizing a club in every city and town in the state.

Laurence E. Blood and family moved this week from Powder House road to Court street.

The E. S. Clark W. R. C. resumed meetings on Tuesday afternoon.

At the next meeting of the grange, cooking exhibits will be in order, that is, each lady is expected to cook something after a favorite receipt, bring a sample and tell how it was made. These samples are to be eaten, or, if sufficient quantity remains, to be sold. vill be some other exercises ar ranged for interest or entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. James T. Bennett and

children are occupying the Rockwood camp at Spectacle pond this week. Charles E. Osgood, a civil war vet-eran, of Champney street, attended the rennion of his regiment at Green-ville, N. H., on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Parkhurst, Mrs. Wilson and son, Paul Wilson, and Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst, enjoyed a day's outing at Canobic lake last week Friday and are ontherisation. Friday and are enthusiastic in praise of all the surroundings and attractions offered for a pleasure resort.

The cement sidewalk on North Main street, from the corner of West street, near the Baptist parsonage, to Champney street, for which \$300 was appropriated by the town, is being built this week this week.

It is understood that work installing the new fire alarm whistle is to begin next week, and that it is to be placed at the town hall building and be connected with central telephone office on Station avenue.

On account of the rain, the attendance at the Chicopee row schoolhouse meeting last Sunday afternoon was small, but as large in proportion as that of the morning services at the churches. H. I. Whipple was not present, but will preside at one of the September meetings. Hon, Frederick Fosdick, of Fitchburg, is expected for Sunday afternoon.

Miss Elizabeth Gibson is a patient Groton hospital, having undergone an operation on Tuesday.

Miss Agnes L. Lewis spent the latter part of last week with her brother, George W. Lewis, at his home in West Upton.

There will be no further band concerts until Labor day.

The ball game between the members of Groton I. O. O. F., and Groton grange was postponed from Wednesday afternoon until Wednesday of port week

next week. Thursday, September 26, is the date set for the Groton Farmers' and Me-chanics' club fair, to be held on the club grounds at Hazel grove park:

Mrs. Stanley, affectionately called Mrs. Stanley, anectionately caned "Aunt Cathy," was eighty-four years old on Wednesday, August 21. A short time ago Mrs. Stanley figured in an automobile accident. She is now able 10 go with help from one room

Miss Lillian Tuttle, with her friend Miss Edina Bradley, with her friend, Miss Selina Bradley, went on last Saturday to Wilton, N. H., for a few days visit to her uncle, Fred Graves, who is proprietor of "The Everett," in that town.

Gardner C. Rockwood, tax collector, has been busy delivering the inevitable tax bills. The rate is tend dollars on a thousand, no discount allowed. All poll taxes to be collected before the first of September, all other taxes on or before the first day of November, interest at six percent per annum to be charged and collected on unpaid bills after that date. In the taxpayers' list given last week, the taxpayers' list given last week, the taxpayers' list given last week, the taxpayers are considered in the taxes. Mrs. Susie E. Knapp's taxes, as given, should have been charged to her husband, George H. Knapp, \$64.80; those omitted being Wm. H. O'Connell, archbishop, \$61.00; Alma O. Robbins, \$150.00; Charles Bixby, \$56.13.

Mrs. Ellen A. Barrows' birthday came on Sunday, August 18, which was a very rainy day. The shower of postal cards in honor of the anniversary came the next day, August 19.

Attended.

The fair at Rockingham park, Salem, N. H., has drawn the attendance of many of our citizens. First and school makes and successful year in the death of many of our citizens. Description in the death of successful year in the formation of the old companions place with sorrowful hearts a tribute of affection upon his distant sprace.

The fair at Rockingham park, Salem, N. H., has drawn the attendance of many of our citizens. Dr. Gobie went on Tuesday, Wednesday ance of many of our citzens. D. Gobie went on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, carrying five in his auto on each day. F. F. Waters took the same number in his auto on Wednesday and Thursday, and besides these there were many who went by rail. There were probably many more, but we give the names of those we have heard: F. H. Torrey, P. J. Benedict, John H. Sheedy, K. P. Fletcher, James B. Harrington, Thomas F. Donahue, F. O. Porter, F. A. Sherwin, F. G. Carpenter, Louis H. Sheedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams and guests, Mrs. A. J. Lawton and daughter, Miss Gladys, B. J. Crowley. The weather has been so delightful and the entries so full that crowds have been attending and all here give a report of great pleasure and interest. port of great pleasure and interest. It is called one of the largest and best of fairs they ever attended.

E. M. Raymond, of Boston, was the week-end guest of his cousin, Mrs. E. O. Collier, and family. Mr. Raymond is one of the largest and best known of the collectors and importers of antiques and valuable masterpieces in this country. He has agents in foreign countries who are on the lookout for desirable acquisitions and his judgment on such articles is unquestioned. While in town Mr. Raymond visited our public library and was greatly pleased with the collections of the Historical society. Mr. Raymond, in memory of his maternal ancestors, gave a large handsome masterpiece to the Westford library and also contributed to the collection at the Litone of the largest and best known to the Westford in orary and also contributed to the collection at the Littleton library in memory of his father's ancestors. He also has been generous in his contributions to Peabody institute, Wellesley college and other institutions.

#### Misunderstanding.

Exception has been taken to the item last week where in praising the work done by the disbanding firemen. some members—officers—who fought and worked as bravely as the others, felt they were excluded from the praise. Now, in the news report of praise. that fire, the whole company came in for the fullest praise, but in last week's item we were writing only of the disbanding men; words of apprethe disbanding men; words of appreciation and praise were given to those leaving the service—a not unusual tribute. The Tainter fire was mentioned because in that one night's work, according to our judgment, the men saved or earned what would amount to their year's pay. This affair has been the talk of the town and we have written by request. The other side would have been given if we have written by request. The other side would have been given if

requested.

We have no personal feelings and be brought into it, do not care to be brought into it, and do not care to write further only to say, if we can, that matters have been adjusted, good feeling restored, and the fire company reorganized and is working harmoniously again. That what should be and probably will

#### Death.

Death.

Hon. Charles Warren Stone, one of the best known and most honored public men of Pennsylvania, died on Thursday, August 15, at his summer cottage near Warren, Pa., at which the family home is located. He had endured a period of ill health, covering a year or two, but a week previous to the last had submitted with a lingering hope of improvement to an operation by the skillful Dr. Parks, of Buffalo, N. Y. A cyst under the kidneys was removed, but disease had progressed too far, and so, physically weakening, but with mind clear to the end, he passed on, leaving his beloved family and kindred and hundreds of friends, public and private, to mourn his departure.

Has purchased land of W. V. Bixby, and that a house or houses may be erected soon.

Raymond Sleeper, a member of the Arian orchestra, played at an Old Home week dance in Brookline, N. H., on Thursday evening.

W. V. Bixby has purchased the Bennett woodlot on the "throne" and will remove a part of the lumber during the coming winter.

A. F. Bates and H. Spaulding, past grand and permanent secretary, respectively, of Squannacook lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., on Saturday evening attended a memorial service for the late provincial corresponding secretary, James Wakefield Gregg, at the First Presbyterian church in Lowell. Members of the grand lodge, of which his departure.

Charles Warren Stone was born at Groton, June 29, 1843, the eldest son of Warren Fay and Mary Williams Stone, his first American ancestor on the maternal side being Thomas Williams, one of the early proprietors of the town settled in 1635, and on the paternal side was Simon Stone, who came to this country in the ship "Increase, and settled in Watertown in 1635. His ancestors were those who went to church with the bible in one hand and a musket in the other.

Mr. Stone was educated in the pub-lic schools and Lawrence academy, where after completing his course, he where after completing his course, he entered Williams college, from which he graduated with honor in the class of 1863. After graduation he went to Warren, Pa., where he taught both there and in Erie, Pa., and in 1865, was elected county superintendent of schools. In 1866, he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law at the same time interesting him. aw, at the same time interesting himself in farming and lumbering. He was elected to the state legislature in 1870, and to the state senate in 1877. He was chosen lieutenant governor in 1879, serving until 1883, was secre-tary of the commonwealth from 1887 to 1890. He was chosen to fill the unexpired term of a deceased congress-man in 1890, and was re-elected to succeed himself in 1892, and served four successive terms in the lower house, where he sustained a wide reputation as a wise legislator and leader. His reports on currency and coinage and speeches while congressman won him the respect and confidence of as-

sociates and party leaders.
Besides being a superior parliamentarian and debater, he was also a publicist of note, being the author of important articles appearing in the North American Review and other publica-tions. Mr. Stone was not only a law-yer and statesman, but was also at the same time a farmer and a car-penter. He could touch elbows one day with his neighbor at manual labor

and the next preside over the affairs of a railway, manufacturing or min-ing enterprise. Throughout his public career, Mr. Stone was straight-forward, fearless and consistent, recognized as a man of high character and purity of pur-pose. In private life he was exem-

He was a busy man up to his last illness. After retiring from active political life he became equally active in business and was in the midst of use them to a considerable extent.

#### West Groton.

Mrs. Keyes, of Fitchburg, with her little son, recently visited her sister, Mrs. Fred Blood. Another young relative, an older boy, was a guest at the

Mrs. George Harrington, of Ayer, a guest of her niece, Mrs. F. E. Har-

Mrs. Ernest Cobb, of Ayer, visited her relatives, the several Harrington families, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Souther, of Leominster, visited her cousin, Miss Bridget Moran, on

Mrs. C. E. E. Blood, with her daughters, Mildred and Marian, is spending a number of weeks in Roslindale with her sister, Mrs. H. E. Lindall. Mrs. Hemenway, of Groton, who cared for Mrs. Blood during her recent illness, is in charge of the house during her absence.

Mrs. Frank Worster, of Fitchburg, who has been visiting with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Williams, for a number of weeks, returned to her home on Tues-day accompanied by her little daughters. Lois and Claire.

On last Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lamb entertained Mr. and Mrs. Burton and their daughter, of Springfield. They were taken by automobile to Dover, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Lamb returning on the following day.

Rev. J. P. Trowbedge is vicinization.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shepley in Sheldon, Vt.

Mrs. E. K. Harrington is spending several days with relatives in Groton. Mrs. Percy Briggs attended the wedding of her sister-in-law, Miss Inez Briggs, at Ayer Tuesday.

Miss Elsie Tarbell is enjoying a va cation from her office duties at the paper mill, and with her sister, Miss Olive Tarbell, of Brookline, is visit-ing out-of-town friends.

Going on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Webber and their son Edward, are spending the week at Hampton Beach,

Miss Evelyn Fernald is entertaining college friends this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. G. S. Webber.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Thompson last week entertained their son David, of Mattapan, who since early childhood has lived with his aunt. Avery Hartwell has completed his

new house on Bixby street, and now occupies it as a tenant of Charles Bixby, who has purchased it. Frank Powell, of the Massachusetts Sixth regiment, Co. G. of the national

guard, is at home again very enthusi-astic over his experience in the mimic

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Members of the grand lodge, of which Mr. Gregg was a past grand, were among the speakers. On Monday, A. F. Bates, yard over

On Monday, A. F. Bates, yard overseer at the paper mill, received quite a painful injury by the falling of a heavy bale upon his foot. He was taken to the Groton hospital, where an examination revealed a bad sprain, but fortunately no bones broken. By riding to the mill and the use of riding to the mill and the use of crutches, Mr. Bates is able to look after his work. Miss Grace Bixby, of the children'

hospital, Boston, is taking an enforced vacation of two months, occasioned by an injury to the ankle, which cracked on the bones. She is with her sister. Mrs. George McCurdy, of Dorchester.

Going on Monday, C. R. Dudley joined his family in Beverly, where they will spend their vacation with Mrs. Dudley's parents at their summer cottage.

#### Death.

On Saturday morning of last week the sad news of the sudden death of Mrs. Harry Gilchrest, of Leomin-ster, came as a shock to her West friends and acquaintances Groton Mrs. Gilchrest has for several years theen the victim of severe nervous trouble, from which, however, it was thought she had nearly recovered. She suffered a relapse which resulted in

Flora (Small) Glichrest was born forty-five years ago, the daughter of the late Everett Small, of this village. As child and maiden she was known to the old residents here; here, too, she became a bride, marrying a former ward of Lewis Williams, and later for a time occupying rooms at the latter's house. Besides a husband,

the latter's house. Besides a husband, Mrs. Gilchrest leaves a son Clyde, a young man of twenty-four, an electrical engineer in Pittsburg, Pa.

The funeral service was held on Monday. Those attending from herewere: a brother, Elmer Small; her step-mother, Mrs. Everett Small, with her sister, Miss Laura Taylor, and Mrs. M. E. Williams.

On account of the ravages of the white ant, which destroys the wood-work in buildings at Hongkong, the use of steel beams is now almost universal in buildings erected there by foreigners, while the Chinese also

study, and then entered Lawrence university in New York state where she completed a successful year in

June.

The funeral was held at the home The funeral was held at the home of her parents on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, and interment was in Bellevue cemetery, Harvard. Rev. E. M. Grant, of Wilton, N. H., officiated, assisted by Rev. A. J. Rich, of Belmont. The bearers were George H. Hill, T. Frank Mullin, John R. Murphy and H. J. Webb.

There were many beautiful floral offerings, among the organizations send.

ferings, among the organizations sending tributes being the Unitarian Woman's Alliance and the Y. P. R. U. of the Unitarian church.

Mrs. Souther, of Leominster, visited her cousin, Miss Bridget Moran, on Thursday.

Mrs. G. G. Harrington, with her two children, Grant and Virginia, spent Wednesday in Groton, with her cousin, Mrs. Raddin.

The Misses Marian and Ruth Mellish are visiting relatives in Chelsea, Dorchester and Cambridge.

Mrs. C. E. E. Blood, with her daughters, Mildred and Marian, is spending a number of weeks in Rog.

#### Declare War on Hoboes.

Chief Beatty has had a very busy week keeping the hoboes moving. This is one of the seasons of the year when the wandering gentlemen get unusually restless and the number of thusually restless and the number of travelers is uncommonly heavy. At this time of the year they follow the fairs and being naturally a saving class of people they ride on freight trains, or as they are called in the profession, "side pullmans," in order to save car fare. Some of them are of the younger class and evidently just learning the rudiments of the just learning the rudiments of the

just learning the rudiments of the business.

During the past week there was an average of twenty-five hoboes a day in town, according to the local police. About two o'clock on Wednesday morning Mr. Beatty and Officer T. F. Meehan rounded up five who looked like suspicious characters. Upon being questioned they told such a good story that they were allowed to go on their way. They were young fellows, fairly well dressed, had some money and said they were on their way to Worcester.

There is at present a state-wide movement in regard to keeping a close watch on hoboes, through the request of J. H. Whitney, chief of the state police. According to Chief Whitney the number of breaking and entering cases during the past six months in this state have exceeded those of the past two years put together. This alarming condition of affairs has led the state police authorities to commence a movement against the hoboes throughout the state. mence a movement against the hoboes throughout the state, as an investi-gation of cases has shown that many

any time from noon to late evening. ter two o'clock and after a recess is announced a basket lunch will be partaken of. It is expected that there will be dancing in the evening for all who care to indulge, as the new floor is now ready and music will be progood time is promised. Coffee and sandwiches will

District Court. The continued case of Philip Waro-a, of Westford, charged with maintaining a common nuisance in that was called last Saturday morn-The case was again continued one month, the defendant being to personally recognize \$200 bail for his appearance at that

Charles A. Lawrence. borough, made his appearance before the court on Monday morning on a charge of neglecting to care for his family. When asked by Judge Worcester to tell his story, Lawrence said that although he endeavored to find work he was unable to get sufficient employment to support his family. To make matters worse he injured his leg a while ago and is at present unable to do any heavy work. He told the court that his intentions were good would procure employment as soon as possible, provided he was able to do the work. The defendant told such a good story that the court ordered the case continued for one month with the understanding that month he find something to do in the meantime, and provide for his dependant

Officer John A. Sullivan, of Forge Village, brought in a bunch of Poles from that place on Tuesday morn-Their cases were continued un til this morning. The complaints are one for drunkenness against Bapcka Fredia, one for Fader Wallckawck for assault and battery and drunkenness, and one for assault and battery against Saduck Wasel. They furnish-ed ball of \$100 each for their appearance this morning.

Dave Son, of Westford, pleaded not guilty to the illegal sale of liquor on Tuesday morning. He was found guilty and ordered to pay a fine of fifty dollars. Sentence was suspended until September 28, the conditions being that he shall pay that amount within that time and that he be placed in the hands of the probation officer in the meantime.

Judge Worcester heard several cases the juvenile session on Thursday orning. One of the cases was that of a young girl who was before the court charged with larceny. The case was continued for two weeks during which time a thorough examination of the matter will be made.

Several boys from Groton contributed the remainder of the defendants.



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throughout the state, as an investigation of cases has shown that many of these crimes have been committed by them.

To this end the authorities will cooperate with the officials of the railroads so that the way of these transsers swill be so hard as to materially diminish the number of crimes laid to them, if not to entirely eliminate the offenses.

Sandy Pond School Reunion.

The Sandy Pond School association will hold its fifth annual meeting on Saturday, August 31, to which everybody is invited. It is hoped that Exmandary free afternoon. While no particular time has been set, the schoolhouse will be open and visitors welcome at any time from noon to late evening. The exercises usually begin soon af-

Announcement. A special civil service examination will be held for the Ayer postoffice on September 7, in Fitchburg at one o'clock p. m., to establish a register of eligibles for clerk (male and female) from which substitute appoint ment is expected to immediately fol low, and others as needs of the office

may require. Applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 45 years, (except preference claimants under Section 1754, R. S., to whom the maximum age limit does not apply), and must be citizens of the United States.

Male applicants must measure not

Male applicants must measure not less than five feet, four inches in height, without shoes, and weigh at least 125 lb, in ordinary clothing.

For the required application form, and a pamphlet of general information containing specimen examination questions, apply to Miss M. E. Whitcomb, local secretary, at the postoffice. comb, local secretary, at the postoffice, or Edward E. Stebbins, secretary of poard of examiners, Postoffice building, Boston. Applications should be promptly filled out and filed with the latter not later than 4.30 p. m., Sep-

#### To the Editor:

I have observed in my wanderings around town a number of things that strike me as being somewhat peculiar and unusual and which are quite different from those of any city or town in which I have resided. The first I will mention is the trade conditions, there is no retail business with but two exceptions that is not duplicated and in some lines quadrupled. That seems to grow out of the old country corner store idea which may be called the progenitor of the modern depart-

nent store.

In these days there seems to be tendency in two directions, one the department store and the specialty stores with the pull in the direction of department ideas. In this town the general store idea seems to have the general store idea seems to have the call. Now for instance, we have a harness shop here, which if it were permitted to do all the harness business and handle exclusively all of the various lines of goods that pertain to horse care and clothing it would be a profitable business to the owner, but many of the lines that an up-to-date harness shop is obliged to carry in harness shop is obliged to carry in stock are carried by others who are in a different line of business. Wheth-er there is enough left for the harness

shop to call a business the proprietor can only tell.

Now we have four grocery stores.
One up-to-date store making a specialty of groceries only and not tying up

made all of his purchases in Salem and Lowell and saved from ten to forty percent on prices quoted here. Why not keep this trade at home? Why not keep this trade at home? Why not make Ayer a center of trade? Buyers would flock from all around if they had anything to induce them to come. Reasonable prices are attractive trade magnets. They are what build up the large department stores in all large cities. Large buying and large selling does the trick. If the several retail stores in this town should get together and form one large department store we would be compelled to build additional street car lines to take care of the added traffic. This is no pipe dream, no fairy tale that I am telling; it is the true history of many a western city. whose growth from a small township was brought about by such methods

as these.

Lets get together and boom Ayer.
Let the Board of Trade get busy and talk over something practical. Ayer was named for a successful business man who gained his name and fame from accurate business methods. Cannot the good people of this town work together to make Ayer as a business center as well known as the sarsaparilla of world-wide fame. Observer.

#### Important Notice.

We have just received a notice from the office of the postmaster general at Washington, in which the new rule governing subscriptions to newspapers is given. Hereafter, when a subscriber is one year in arrears for a subscription, the paper cannot be be sent until the amount of the ar-rears is paid, or a bona fide promise Those whom this concerns will please take notice.

New Advertisements.

#### Fitchburg Business College

This school is recognized by business men as one of the best in New England for business training, and because of this training many of Pepperell's young men and women have become competent stenographers, bookkeepers, or commercial teachers. The good work of its former pupils is its best recommendation.

The departments of public instruction of different states, with no ex-ception, have granted teachers' certifi-cates to graduates of the commercial teachers' course without examination Each year there are many more po-sitions to offer than can be filled. Graduates are guaranteed positions, and many pupils receive good situa-

and many pupils receive good situa-tions before graduation.

Mr. Fullmer, the principal, may be interviewed at the school office, 145 Main Street, Fitchburg, any time after its capital in a variety of side lines, would successfully supply a community of this size with all the groceries Main Street, Flichburg, any time after needed and at a more reasonable August 15. If an interview is incomprise. We have two drug stores, both venient, a catalogue may be obtained of which have to carry almost every upon application. GEORGE H. B. TURNER, Publisher JOHN H. TURNER, Editor

All Advertisements Appear in All the Ten Papers we Publish

The circulation of our ten papers is ten times larger than that of any other paper circulating in the ten

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. B. Turner, with two children, John and Rachel, and maid leave this Saturday for Beachwood, Me., where they are to have a cottage, and will remain for two weeks or more.

Richard J. Davy, who has been connected with the Union Cash Market since it first began business here several years ago, has resigned, and is now employed in a large market in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy T. Bobinson have returned to their home in Manches-ter, N. H., after a few days' visit with Fred Simonds.

Miss Grace Moore, of Manchester, N. H., who was a classmate of Miss Hortense E. Butterfield at Dean academy, attended her funeral on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Dykes have Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Dykes nave heen visiting friends in town during the past week. They formerly lived here where Mr. Dykes was employed for years at the Chandler machine

Louis Lapointe, with a gang of car-penters, has been repairing Turner's block which was badly damaged by the fire of about a month ago.

Mrs. S. C. Butterfield, of Worcester, is spending the week with her cousin, Mrs. William H. Dudley.

Harry P. Lufkin has moved into the tenement on the Groton and Harvard road formerly occupied by Ernest M. Noddin and family.

Mrs. Lewis G. Robbins and son Harrison returned on Tuesday after an absence of several weeks, on a

Richard Boiseau, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Boiseau, broke his wrist in a teeter board at the playground at the high school on Wednesday.

Peo West.

Walsh, of Lawton street.

The Boston and Maine railroad officials are contemplating building a machine shop in the upper railroad yard for temporary repairs on locomotives. Plans for the building have already been drawn. The officials of the road were here the first of the week and looked over the ground. Find the road were here the first of the week and looked over the ground. Find the second degree was conferred. Savaral new tracks will also be addweek and looked over the ground. Several new tracks will also be added to the new yard as the number there, large as it is, is not sufficient for the needs of the company.

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Rev. and Mrs. Richmond Fisk, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Butterfield and their son, Fisk H. Butterfield, went to Wilton, N. H., by automobile directly after the funeral of Miss Hortense E. Butterfield on Wednesday afternoon. They expect to remain there two weeks or more. Mrs. Adelaide Butterfield and Miss Emma Butterfield, the doctor's mother and sister, are with relatives in Still River.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mason, of

are with relatives in Still River.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mason, of Portland, Ore., arrived here on Monday. His father, Charles W. Mason, who has been staying at his home in Center Harbor, N. H., came here on Tuesday to meet them and they and Mrs. Grace Bradshaw, of Quincy, left on Thursday morning for that place, where they will stay for a week or more. Mr. Mason is a well-known former resident of Ayer. Several years ago he went west and is now employed as a locomotive engineer.

In order to determine the value of

In order to determine the value of the preparation as a dust layer, the selectmen applied last week a ton of calcimine of chloride on Columbia, Williams, High and Holmes street. The results are watched with interest.

A party composed of Edward A. Richardson, his sons, Alfred P. Richardson and Ralph H. Richardson, Frank Brown and Fred W. Hosmer returned on last Saturday from an automobile trip of five days to the White Mountains.

Mrs. Harriet A. Greenwood. Dorchester, is visiting her father, Peter Tarbell.

Mira R. Cote, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank V. Cote, died on Wednesday. The child was one of the twins born on last week Wed-

The moving picture season begins on Saturday evening, August 31. Upto-date pictures and the latest illustrated songs will be given. The shows will be given twice a week, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, until further notice. As a special attraction on the opening night, the management has secured the best pictures that can be secured. The moving picture season begins

Main street, is making extensive alterations on the property. The hedge and three trees in front of the house have been removed, the barn remodeled and quarters made for a garage. The two large henhouses in the rear of the house have been brought in line and joined together, making one large huilding. Other

Chief Beatty arrested John T. Connell, of Greenwich, Conn., on Tuesday morning at the request of the chief of police of that place, for larceny. Connell was taken back to Greenwich by Officer Garrity, of that town on Tuesday. The Connecticut officer followed the fugitive as far as Fitchburg and came hera on Tuesday in search of his man and was surprised to find that Connell was in custody. Chief Beatty was notified that the missing man might come this way and he was in town only a few minutes when arrested.

Complaints have been made by

Saturday, August 24, 1912.

AYER.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. B. Turner, their son John, and Mrs. Huntley S. Turner, returned on Wednesday from a visit in Beachwood, Me., going and coming in Mr. Turner's Flanders "20." The distance covered was 260 miles in all, which was made without a mishap.

Uces when arrested.

Complaints have been made by bathers at Sandy pond that thefts of money and other valuables have been committed while they were in bathing. An investigation was quietly made and the guilty ones proved to be small boys. Their parents were notified and it is hoped that this practice will be stopped through their efforts. The amounts taken as a rule were not great. The methods of the boys were to wait until someone went in bathing and then take whatever they could find in the clothes.

or more.

Mrs. Herbert G. Whitney and children returned on Tuesday after a few days' visit with friends in Melrose.

Francis B. Sullivan and Charles A. McCarthy are delegates from Division 7. A. O. H., to the state convention at Springfield, which begins on next Tuesday.

Boston.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Thomas returned on Tuesday from their vacation. The Baptist church, which has been closed during the past few Sundays during the absence of Mr. Thomas will have services on Sunday at 10.45 a. m., Sunday school at twelve, and praise meeting at seven in the

Mrs. Frank S. Bennett and daughter Elizabeth are to spend the coming week at North Scituate, leaving this Saturday. Mr. Bennett will be with them over Sunday.

them over Sunday.

The following candidate papers were filed with Guy B. Remick, town clerk, up to five o'clock on last Saturday afternoon, that being the last hour for filing such papers: David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg, for lieutenant-governor; George W. Anderson, Boston, for attorney-general; James F. Carens, of Newburyport, for auditor; Joseph L. P. St. Coeur, Cambridge, for treasurer and receiver general; Edward Fisher, Westford, for senator seventh Middlesex district; Humphrey O'Sullivan, Lowell, for congressman ifth Massachusetts district, and John D. Carney, Ayer, for representative eleventh Middlesex district and for delegate to the state democratic convention.

The registrars of voters had a segon

The registrars of voters had a special meeting on last Saturday to check off the names of the signers of the nomination papers for candidates to be voted upon at the coming state

The annual picnic of St. Mary's parish will be held on Labor day, Monday, September 2, at the town

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Boiseau, broke his wrist in a teeter board at the playground at the high school on Wednesday.

Miss Ruth G. Hill returned on last week Friday from a four-weeks' visit to Springfield, Vt.

George W. Stuart, who was taken ill while on a recent visit to Revere, is now much improved.

The work of canvassing the town for a new directory has been finished. Timothy Cauty and W. L. Burbank did the work.

The selectmen are having new street signs put up throughout the town. Edward A. Magovern is doing the work.

Miss Lizzie Pelletier was awarded the prize offered by the Quaker Remedy Company of a twenty-seven pieces silver set at the show given on Monday evening, for the most popular lady in town. The vote on the preticest baby in town was a tie, so the management of the company gave a silver child's set to Edna L. Blood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Blood, of Church street, and Rhea Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Walsh, of Lawton street.

The Boston and Maine railroad officials are contemplating building a

Lunch was served in the banquet hall

Wesley W. Brown left on Tuesday norning for a two-weeks' vacation wesley W. Brown left on Tuesda morning for a two-weeks' vacatio which will be spent at Newbury, Vt and Magog, P. Q. Leroy C. Smith taking his place at the lunch cart.

Fred Simonds is enjoying a vacation of two weeks from his duties at Sherwin's store. The new clock works having just

The new clock works having just been installed for our fire alarm system, it will be tested by two blasts at two o'clock every afternoon beginning on Monday. A switch has been put in at C. E. Perrin's store and the blasts will be blown from there. The boxes will be tested every Saturday morning the same as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. James Potter, of Cambridge, welcomed a little son into their home on last Monday. He is called Gordon Litchfield. Mrs. Potcalled Gordon Litchfield. Mrs. Pot-ter will be pleasantly remembered from her frequent visits to Sandy pond cottages when she was Miss Edith Carleton. She is a graduate of Radcliffe and a very lovable woman. Mr. and Mrs. Potter are showered with felicitations on the imported with felicitations on the important

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brooks, of Somerville, with guests, will occupy their cottage at Sandy pond from next week Thursday until after Labor

Master Asa Deming, of Somerville, visiting his sister, Mrs. R. M. Cahoon.

The telephone company gives a banner for the best toll service in the district comprising Fitchburg, Leominster, Gardner, Clinton, Marlboro and Ayer, and the Ayer exchange, is now holding the banner, having the best record for toll service in the district.

Thomas F. Mullin and Huntley S. Thomas F. Mullin and Huntley S. Turner left town last Saturday for Waterville, Me., and there met George L. Osgood on Saturday evening, on his way home in his automobile from Sullivan, Me. They remained over night and on Sunday morning started for Ayer in Mr. Osgood's automobile.

nesday and Saturday evenings, until further notice. As a special attraction on the opening night, the management has secured the best pictures that can be secured.

E. H. Bliss, who has purchased the Rufus Fletcher place on East Main street, is making extensive alterations on the property. The hedge and the special street on Tuesday evening. Dr. Sullivan was called and in a few minutes Mr. Donahue was able to walk back home. He was able to be about his work as usual the following morning.

The sebectary automobile.

Thomas F. Donahue was overcome by a dizzy spell at the corner of Main and West street on Tuesday evening. Dr. Sullivan was called and in a few minutes Mr. Donahue was able to walk back home. He was able to be about his work as usual the following.

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The schools will re-open for the fall term on Monday, September 9.

Frank Donahue, night man at Brown's lunch cart, gets through this Saturday night. He will take a vacation and then enter Burdett's business college, Boston.

making one large building. Other changes are under way and when they are made will add much to the original attractiveness of the place.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barry are at Moosehead lake, Me., for two weeks.

On last Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Woods, of this town, and Mr. and

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	\$20.00 and \$22.00 Suits for this sale	\$15.47
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j.	\$10.00 Suits for this sale	87 47
1	One Lot Youths' Suits reduced to	\$3.47

## BOYS' KNEE PANT SUITS

3	Balance of Spring Stock in All Colors	3
	\$5.00 Suits, Knickerbocker Trousers, re-	<b>\$3.7</b> 5
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\$4.00	Trousers reduced	to	83.15
40.00	Trousers reduced	to	\$4.15
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## CHILDREN'S WASH SUITS

	WIND BUILD	
	Sailor Blouse and Russian Blouse	
	\$1.00 Suits reduced to	69¢
1	75c. Suits reduced to	49¢
-	50c. Suits reduced to	35¢

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\$2.50 and \$3.00 Straws reduced to...... \$1.50 \$2.00 Straws reduced to...... \$1.25 \$1.50 Straws reduced to..... \$1.00 \$1.00 Straws reduced to..... 50c. Straws reduced to.....

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Negligee as follows:	ics and
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duced to	\$1.15
\$1.00 Stag and Congress reduced to	79¢
50c. Negligee Shirts reduced to	43¢

#### SUMMER UNDERWEAR

Few lines of Summer Underwear at reduced prices.

Men's Porosknit Underwear, regular 50c. grade, reduced to..... Boys' Porosknit Underwear, regular price 25c., reduced to..... All 25c. Underwear reduced to...... 19¢

#### MISCELLANEOUS RARGATING

	Dillion Dillion	
-	One lot Men's 50c. Pure Silk Hose for	35
	One lot Men's Carpet Slippers for	29
•	One lot of Men's Police Braces for	15
)	One lot Men's 50c. Four-in-Hand Ties	39

OTHER BARGAINS AWAITING YOU. WE CLOSE THURSDAYS AT NOON DURING JULY AND

#### FLETCHER **BROTHERS**

OPP. DEPOT

Mrs. George Leclair, of Leominster, left on an automobile trip to Albany, N. Y., and down the Hudson River valley to New York city. While in the metropolis they will visit the home office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Mr. Leclair being deputy superintendent and Mr. Woods an agent of the company.

A. A. Fillebrown, auctioneer, will sell by auction on Saturday, August 31, at one o'clock p. m., the personal property being postmaster. The bride is a well-known end nonline and well-known end nonline is a well-known merchant of East Haverhill, as well as being postmaster. The bride is a well-known and nonline will-known end nonline and well-known and nonline well-known end nonline well-known and nonline well-known end nonline well-known end

Phileas R. Daudelin received word, which happily proved to be incorrect, that his mother, Mrs. George Daudelin, his sister Emma and brother Rene, of Lawrence, were killed in the accident at Fitchburg on last week Friday afternoon, when the Montreal express, upon which they were going to Winchendon came in collision with a locomotive in the East Fitchburg yard. No one was injured in the wreck. Phileas R. Daudelin received word wreck.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman J. Taylor and daughter, Miss Anna Taylor, attended the funeral services of Mr. Taylor's niece, Miss Ruth Peck, at Nashua, N. H., on Thursday. The remains were taken to Wallingford, Vt., on Friday for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimball W. Martin and three children, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Huntington and two chil-dren left on last Saturday for a two-weeks' vacation which will be spent at Plum Island, near Newburyport.

At the last meeting of the grange three candidates were elected and one application for membership received. Chief of police Beatty, A. A. Fille-brown, deputy sheriff and Officer J.

A. A. Fillebrown, auctioneer, will sell by auction on Saturday, August 31, at one o'clock p. m., the personal property belonging to John O'Connor, located at his residence on Third street, Ayer. The property consists of household furnishings and fixtures, besides a variety of other goods.

Weddings.

Henry Olin True, of East Haverhill, N. H., and Miss Inez Adelaide Briggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Briggs, were united in marriage on Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock at the home of the parents of the bride at the Willows. Rev. A. L. Bumpus, vicar of St. Andrew's parish, performed the ceremony in the presence of the family and a few intimate friends. The rooms were prettily decorated The rooms were prettily decorated with ferns.

The bride's dress was made of white voile trimmed with all-over lace and white satin.

After the ceremony there was a reception, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Briggs, Leon F. Briggs and Miss Florence Briggs being in the receiving line in addition to the bride and groom. After the reception refreshments were served.

The groom is a well-known merchant of East Haverhill, as well as being postmaster. The bride is a well-known and popular young lady of this town and is a school teacher, having taught for some time in East Haverhill, N. H.

Henry W. Waterman and Miss Blanche Louise Farrar were quietly married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Andrew on last Sunday by Rev. Arthur D. Stroud, who has a pastorate at Ipswich, but who is at present acting as pastor of the local M. E. church. The witnesses were Mrs. Arthur D. Stroud and Miss Ethel Andrew. The bride was attired in a white traveling dress with a blue hat. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Waterman left for a two-weeks automobile trip which will include visits to points in New York state. They were accompanied on their trip by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waterman.

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## REPUBLICANS FOR MR. TAFT

Republicans Will Work For Republican Legislature and Governor-Foss-Pelletier Fight Hot

The visit of Theodore Roosevelt to Massachusetts last week has demonstrated to many of the Republican leaders that Mr. Taft is pretty sure to carry Massachusetts in November. It seems to be a fact that people will always rush to see a noted figure whenever they have the opportunity. It does not necessarily mean that they indorse his policies or his ideas. One of the most forcible instances of this kind was seen at the time William Jennings Bryan was nominated for president, in 1896. When he came t Boston during the campaign he spoke on the common to no less than 50,000 people according to fairly conservative estimates. Such an outpouring startled the political leaders of both sides. The Democrats rushed to the conclusion that Bryan was surely going to be elected, and the Republicans were afraid of it. Nevertheless, when the ballots were counted in November Mr. Bryan had the smallest number of votes polled for any presidential candidate in a quarter of a century. Taft Now the Republican Nominee

Some of his friends say he will get new education of the blind. more. However, the conditions are entirely different today to what they he demonstrated the extent of control were at the time of the primaries. that Miss Keller had gained over her for the nomination. Today, one of Mice Follow Acres to his lips to them has been nominated by his party, and the other is running at the beed of a new next. Popublican head of a new party. Republican Keller came out clearly and precisely, leaders cannot see how Mr. Roosevelt and the audience spontaneously broke is going to be able to detach old line into the heartiest applause. party men from their political affiliations of many years and bring them ment, the singing of an octave on sol into a new party. They do not be- and fa and re, some of the tones believe a wholesale political conversion ing very sweet. This performance not is going to be accomplished over night. They feel quite sure that Mr. Taft will have the backing of the great majority of the Republican party and beyond any question that he will receive a large vote from persons who usually act as Democrats.

The Legislature of Next Year One ill effect of the organization of the Progressive party may be its influence upon the vote for senators and representatives to the legislature. Just how this is going to work out, nobody seems quite certain. Nevertheless, if the Democrats stick to their candidates for the legislature and the Republicans are divided in their support of legislative candidates it will be unfortunate for the party. The question has been asked whether the peoe of the state desire Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of Boston to represent them in the United States senate in succession to Winthrop Murray Crane. That seems at the present moment to be a very live issue. With a Democratic legislature, it would seem to be settled that Fitzgerald will be the choice of the majority of the Democrats in that body. It is true that there is a strong objection to him within his own party ranks. His conduct as mayor of Boston has not served to commend him to the better element of his own party. They do not feel that his election would reflect any credit upon the party or upon the commonwealth.

All the forces of the Lomasney-Fitzgerald campaign now entrenched in city hall are behind the candidacy of The danger that they the mayor. may succeed in so dividing the Republican forces as to elect a majority of the legislature is critical. If elected it will be for a term of six years, and the incumbent of the office is not subject to recall.

#### Lomasney's Big Real Estate Profit

And speaking of Martin Lomasney. Boston newspaper states that he has just made a profit of \$47,500 ot an original investment of \$6,500 mad five years ago in purchase of a tract of land in West Roxbury. It seems that Martin bought this particular lot of land close to land of the Hoston insane hospital. Sometime afterward this hospital was transerred to the state, and it was decided to take additional land. The Lomasney parcel was one of those to be taken, and of course the state had to pay more than anybody else under the circumstances. Fifty-four thousand was the sum Lomasney received.

The Democratic Progressive party which existed in Massachusetts some years ago is, according to the decision of Attorney General Swift, defunct. Governor Foss wished to use it in his business, but the attorney-general decided there is no such party. As a matter of fact, there has not been for at least a year. The Boston election board follows suit with a similiar decision when ar attempt was made to file signatures nominating Mr. Foss for governor. They took the ground | plexus blow.

that the attorney general's opinion barred out the progressive Democrats, and now Governor Foss is appealing to the state board of election commissioners. There seems to be no good reason why a different decision should be reached by this commission than that handed down by the attorney

Foss-Pelletier Contest Warm The contest between Governor Foss and District Attorney Pelletier for the Democratic nomination for governor continues unabated. The district attorney is very active, and doing a great deal of speaking to societies and other gatherings. Just how much of a figure he is really cutting it is impossible to teil at the present time. His friends predict that he will surprise Mr. Foss at the primaries, which is quite within the limits of possibility. In this contest Mr. Pelletier is facing the state machine, and the city machine also would like to be against him if it thought it was prudent. It is very evident that the governor has an unexpectedly hard fight on his hands, but the real opinion seems to be that in the end he will be successful.

#### HELEN KELLER SINGS TO MANY NATIONALITIES.

Girl Born Deaf, Dumb and Blind Also Delivers Address.

Miss Helen Keller, born deaf, dumb and blind, showed the assembled otologists at their congress in the Harvard Medical school that she had added still another to her phenomenal list of ac-

complishments when she sang to them. During the formal addresses, which were mostly in foreign tongues, Miss Keller sat on the platform listening through the fingers of her teacher, Some of Mr. Roosevelt's supporters Professor White of the New England seem to be of the opinion that he will Conservatory of Music, and now and get as many votes at the election then applauding when a speaker made this fall as he did at the primaries. particularly pleasing reference to the

When it came Professor White's turn vocal chords, tongue and lips. His illus-

Then came the crowning achieveonly amazed but delighted the savants. Miss Keller, Professor White says,

has the rare faculty of absolute pitch. Previous to giving this exhibition Miss Keller made an address in English, in which she said:

"This is a new day in the education of the deaf, the day when the physician is no longer content to fight the hostile silences with medicine and surgical instruments alone, but helps the teacher to pour the blessed waters of speech into the desert of dumbness."

Portions of his address Miss Keller repeated in French and German for the edification of the representatives of those nations.

Moreover, she talked over the phone, and so clear was her enunciation that the reporter at the other end did not realize until told afterward that it was Miss Keller herself he had been asking questions of.

#### SPOONING BARRED AT CAPITOL

Cannot Even Hug and Kiss on Potomac Boats.

"No more spooning on the upper decks in the dark corners," is the edict that has gone out from the offices of the St. Johns and the Charles MacAlester, two pleasure boats that ply the Potomac river between Washington and Marshall Hall.

"Stop promiscuous hugging, kissing and flirting on the approaches to the capitol," is an order issued to capitol policemen.

The new rules on the St. Johns and the MacAlester prohibit kissing, embracing or squeezing hands. "Break away there," is the command given by the officers on the vessels and at the capitol when they come upon spooning couples. If the mandate is not obeyed a brilliant searchlight is turned on the guilty persons.

For many years dark spots about the approaches to the capitol have been used by spooners. It was not unusual to see as many as twenty-five couples in the cozy nooks that flank the senate and house wings.

#### MANSION IN A POTATO FIELD.

Massachusetts Method of Reducing High Cost of Living.

The spacious lawn surrounding the mansion of the late John W. Wheeler at Orange, Mass., has given place to one of the finest potato fields in Massachusetts. The mansion is occupied by the millionaire's aged widow, who recently married G. Tabor Thompson of Philadelphia, her junior by twenty-five

Every foot of the lawn has been plowed and planted with potatoes. The Wheeler home, an impressive pile of stone costing \$500,000, which has long been the "show" residence of the town, has acquired added interest to visitors since this agricultural feature became prominent.

Many Orange residents who have limited garden facilities have decided to utilize their front lawns for raising garden truck next year. If all the plans of this nature are carried out the high cost of living will receive a solar

#### DUNSTABLE.

News Items. On last week Tuesday, Mrs. Calvin Austin gave a "suffragette tea" to which sixty ladies were invited. Many responded and were rewarded by listening to an interesting address by Miss Willard, who has traveled around the world in the interest of the cause.

On last week Thursday several of the members of the Board of Trade attended the annual outing of "Greater Lowell Board of Trade" at Canoble lake.

Miss Cynthia Kendall is the guest of Miss E. E. Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Day, of Worcester, recently visited their daughter, Mrs. A D Butterfield.

On Sunday morning, August 18, occured the death of David L. Darling. who had been in failing health for some months. Services were held on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. B. H. Weston officiating.

#### BROOKLINE, N. H.

guest in town.

Miss May Pierce is at home from Nashua for a week's vacation. R. Cassius Nye, from New York city, is at home for a short vacation.

A. J. Cox, from New York city, is at home for his vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stiles, Mr. and Mrs. Eddle Stiles and friends, from Boton, were the guests of Miss Josie Seaver and Hattle Stiles on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reton and son, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Will Boutelle, have returned to New York. Miss Heseltine, from Reed's Ferry, is visiting at the Seaver homestead. James Tucker has been a recent

The Sunbonnets met at the home of Mrs. Grace Dodge on Wednesday. All report an excellent time.

Quite a few of the townspeople at-tended the Old Home day exercises at Hollis on Wednesday.

rictims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles just like other people, with like results in loss of appetite, bachache, nervousness, headache and tired listless run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that as T. D. Peebles, Henry. Tenn. proved. "Six bottles of Electric Bitters" he writes, "did more to give me new strength and good appetitie than all other stomach remedies I used. "So they help everybody. Its folly to suffer when this great remedy will help you from the first dose. Try it. Only 50 cents at William Brown's, Ayer. FLYING MEN FALL

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Monday, the Ninth Day of September. A. D. 1912,

at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

A certain tract of land situated in Townsend on the Southerly side of the Turnpike Road, so-called, leading from the dwelling house formerly of Quincy Sylvester to New Ipswich,

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of September A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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#### SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Mrs. Viola Kimball, of Everett, is spending a two-weeks' vacation with her sister, Mrs. Francis A. Hersom. Ralph Sargent, son of Mrs. Bertha Sargent, went on last Saturday to Springfield for a vacation of two weeks with relatives.

Dana Sanderson is entertaining his little son Garnet at the home of his parents on Lancaster road. According to the terms of the divorce, the court granted Mr. Sanderson the custody of his boy one month in each year. Dana, who boards with Mrs. Frances A. Hersom, has gone home to his parents to live during his son's stay in town.

The Edward St. Peter family have moved from the Hersom cottage on the Ayer road to the Margaret LePage house on the corner of Mill and Fredonian streets. The house they vacated will be occupied by its owners, Arthur N. Hersom and family, of Fitchburg, as soon as the necessary repairs are completed. Mr. Cole, the carpenter, is now working on the house.

Mrs. Charles W. Marshall spent a few days the latter part of last week with friends in Haverhill, returning home on Saturday. This is the first time in two years that Mrs. Marshall's health has permitted her to go away

Miss Edith Bicknell, of Westford, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Evelyn Miner.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Young, of Gardner, spent over Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Baich.

Mrs. Charles H. Weare, jr., with son Earle, left the first of the week for Southport, Me., to remain for two weeks. On Saturday, her husband will join her to remain for one week, when they will then return to Shirley.

Misses Lena Gately, of Shirley, in company with Miss Gertrude Graves, of Ayer, started on last Saturday for vacation of two weeks at York

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

Miss Edith Conant, of Chicago, arrived at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, on last week Friday for a vacation of. three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McNally, with two children, go to Manchester, N. H., today for a vacation of one week. Mr. McNally has secured the services of Augustin Provost to attend his place at Depot square crossing until he returns

Mrs. Nellie Ford, in company with her sister, Mrs. Collins, left town on last Saturday for a two-weeks' vacation at the summer cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee, near Fall River. Mrs. Collins, after a visit of one week at the Lee home, will visit Worcester and other places. Mrs. Mabel Lee is the daughter of Mrs. Ford, who was formerly a well-known resident of this town.

Abel Leomer has returned from

Abel Loomer has returned from a month's vacation at his old home in Nova Scotia.

Miss Helene Desmond, daughter Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond, of the Shirley Inn, left town the first of the week for a vacation of one week with friends in Waltham.

Miss Sarah Harkins, school teacher at Malden, arrived at the home of her her sister, Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly, on last Saturday, to make a visit for the remainder of the school vacation. Miss Harkins has just returned from Bar Harbor. Me. Harbor, Me.

Harbor, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wolff started on last week Friday morning in their auto for Bridgeport, Conn., and intend to return home the latter part of this week. Accompanying them on this trip were the Misses Elizabeth, Gertrude and Eleanor McGrath, of Bridgeport, at whose home Mr. and Mrs. Wolff will be entertained during their stop in that city.

Mrs. Albert Shormer will be great the morning their stop in that city.

Tanglefoot ing an outing in company with her husband at Fort pond on last Saturday afternoon, stepped into a small opening in the ground unawares and Liquid Glass

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Just over the heart, besides receiving a severe shaking up. She was driven rapidly to her home and Dr. Lilly summoned, who gave the needed medical attention.

ical attention. Miss Eva Read, of South Lancaster, and Miss Leona Young Gaskill, of Leominster, are visiting their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Read, of Aver road.

right and they are now ready to sell. Don't Winterbottom.

Mrs. Walter Roberts, with two children, of Providence, R. I., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Winterbottom.

Willie Connors, of Boston, spent Saturday and Sunday at his home. Philip Hocquard, of Concord, spent over the week-end at his home on

Leominster road. Mrs. Helen Sleeper, of Littleton, spent over Sunday at her home on the Center road,

The Ashby baseball team defeated the Shirley team last Saturday afternoon on the local grounds by a score of 9 to 2. The Shirley players were a little off color, while the Ashby team put up a good game and executed some fine all-around playing.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew I. Hallock, of the Industrial school, on Sunday, August 11.

A boy weighing fifteen pounds was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bodah on Sunday, August 11.

 Mr. McMichael, of Boston, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen. W. Lloyd Allen, of Boston, also spent the week-end

Miss Delia Gilmartin, in company with little Rita Slocomb, is spending a week with relatives in Rockland. Mrs. John Burno, with daughters, Miss Delia and Mrs. Harry Barnard, with two children, Everett and Blanche, spent last Saturday and Sunday at Revere Beach. The party stopped over night with relatives in Danversport. Danversport.

Misses Blanche and Bertha Credit went to Holyoke on last Saturday for a vacation of three weeks.

David W. Harlow, of Lowell, spent the first of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob C. Beach.

Mrs. Joseph C. Provost and daugh-ter Gertrude have returned from a two-weeks' vacation at Nantasket. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Martin and children, of Lawrence, are guests at the home of Mrs. Fannie McClellan.

The Shirley baseball team will play the Groton team at Groton on Satur-11 day afternoon.

Misses Lyda and Sadie Lovell, of Methuen, spent over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wheeler. Mrs. Wheeler is their cousin.

Irving F. Goodwin, of Milford, N. enth on the first day and sixth on the H., formerly chief of police in Shirley, second day. On the third day in the arrived in town on Tuesday for a team shooting he took second place on the Boston team.

John Flynn spent over Sunday in

Miss Alice Flynn, in company with her brother, P. J. Flynn, of Allston, started on last Saturday for Bay City, Mich., to spend a brief visit with their brother. They will return the first of next week.

Neighbors and friends visited the nome of Trueman Nickerson on the Center road on Wednesday evening to riew his night blooming Ceres.

Mrs. Sarah Crossman continues to improve. Mrs. Sayles, of Fitchburg, has been assisting Mrs. Crossman in the home for the past four weeks.

Frank Kittredge, of Newton, N. H., arrived on Wednesday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Albert Sherman, for a few days' visit. John M. Leopold arrived home from the Massachusetts General hospital at Boston the first of the week and is improving nicely from his operation for varicose veins. He was only contined in the hospital for two weeks.

Mrs. Inez Sawyer is visiting friends in Pepperell for a few days.

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Harry O. Bangs was rushed to the Clinton hospital on Wednesday evening and operated upon for appendicitis. The trip was made in Mr. Cassavoy's auto in company with Dr. Lilly and Mr. and Mrs. Bodah, the latter being a sister to Mr. Bangs. Everything was in readiness when the party arrived at the hospital. The operation was performed by Dr. Goodwin, assisted by Dr. Lilly, and was successful. Mr. Bangs went to his work as usual on Wednesday morning, but was compelled to quit and go home, his condition becoming serious. He is employed in the weaving department of the C. A. Edgarton Mfg. Company.

#### In a Critical Condition.

The condition of Ruth Pevear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pevear, of Swampscott, who is suffering from concussion of the brain, the result of a fall from the seat of Conant Bros.' a fall from the seat of Conant Bros.' grocery wagon on last week Thursday, is still alarming. A lady specialist from Swampscott has been in consultation with the attending physician, Dr. T. E. Lilly, and a trained nurse from Swampscott has also been in attendance since the accident happened, and everything possible is being done to restore the young patient to health. Since the affair occurred Ruth has only regained consciousness for a few moments at a time, and then lapsed again into a state of coma, which fact has been very discouraging to the family and friends. Dr. Lilly has every hope that his young patient will recover in the course of time.

The father, Everett C. Pevear, has paid frequent visits to his little girl and is kept informed daily of her condition, which seems to vary so that only rays of hopes have occasionally been given him only to be blasted by later reports. The home of the

ally been given him only to be blasted by later reports. The home of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant, where Ruth is confined, has been besieged by the townspeople with kindly messages of sympathy and offers of assistance in their hour of anxiety and sorrow. Buth was the

of anxiety and sorrow. Ruth was five years of age on the sixth day of last January and has been a frequent visi-tor at the home of her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Goodspeed spent the week-end at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Barber at Stoddard.

Miss Ruth Keeping of Revere is a guest at the home of Mrs. A. S. Burn-ham at Woodsville. Miss Marion Rand of Wollaston is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed.

Mr. Dudley of Milwaukee was a guest at William E. Barnard's last

and Mrs. Taylor of Lunenburg Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of Lunenours. Mrs. Frank Illsley and daughter Letitia of South Royalston and Mrs. Ruth A. Graves of Lakeville, N. S., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haywood of Nashua spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Homer P. Holden. Mr. and Mrs Frank

guests at the home of Mr. Longley's mother, Mrs. Sara Longley, this week. Mr. and Mrs. Myron K. Going of Somerville are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Mr. and Mrs. James Mackaye are guests of Mr. Mackaye's mother, Mrs. Steele Mackaye, this week.

Prof. and Mrs. Mark of Simmons college returned to their home on Tuesday after a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton on Center road.

Miss Pauline Sweetser returned home Saturday after a visit of several weeks in Brookline and Annisquam. weeks in Brookline and Annisquam.
Invitations have been received announcing the marriage of Miss Mary M. Prescott to Cyrus F. Jenness at the First Baptist church, Haverhill, on Wednesday afternoon, August 28. Miss Prescott was formerly a teacher at the Center primary school and later held the same position at the Village.

The party of wampa and children

The party of women and children who were at the Mary Anna home for a two weeks' outing, returned to their homes in Boston on Friday of last

Rev. Francis E. Webster of Waltham will conduct the services at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon

The Matrons' aid held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. Luther Holden on Thursday afternoon. John Davenport of Ayer, who pur-hased the Colburn house at Woodschased the Colburn house at Wood ville, is having it moved to Ayer.

It is expected that a good many of the members of Shirley grange will attend the Pomona grange field day on the farm of Herbert Parker at South Lancaster on Tuesday, August 27. Several state speakers will be present.

Mrs. David B. Scott of Providence has been spending a few days with her father, Charles Longley.

Miss Hazel Mackaye is at the home of her mother, Mrs. Steele Mackaye, for a few days. Mrs. Homer P. Holden has secured

Mrs. Homer F. Housen mas occur. Mr. Latushe of Nashua to carry on the ice business of her late husband for the remainder of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley, who have been staying at the home of W. E. Barnard, left Monday for their home in Milwaukee. The Girls' Sewing guild held their regular meeting on Friday afternoon of last week on the Common. The next meeting will be held on Friday afternoon, August 30.

A party of about twenty-five young people from Boston, under the care of Mrs. Wallace, arrived Monday at the Mary Anna home for a two weeks' vacation. vacation. About ten more are expected on Saturday.

Superintendent of moth work, Ardie A. Adams, has had the town sprayer out for the past week spraying for brown-tail moths on the shade trees of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ware returned on Monday to their house on Hazen road after a stay of several weeks in

Forrest Wing returned Saturday to the home of Mr, and Mrs. Albert Adams after a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams at Wayland.

Rev. William W. Locke of Boston Conducted the service at the First Parish church Sunday morning. A special vocal solo was rendered by Miss Alison B. Winslow.

The Shirley Center baseball team will play a picked team from the Mary Anna home, Saturday afternoon on the home grounds. A good game is expected. Porter Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs

Charles Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams of Wayland, started last week on a trip to Panama, in the company of a correspondent of the Boston Herald. He expects to return about the first of October. Boston Herald. He expects about the first of October. A part of the outbuildings at the Mary Anna home, adjoining the carriage shed, are being converted into a dormatory for the use of the guests of the institution during the carriers.

institution during the summer H. Hardy of Ayer has the contract for the work. Several from Shirley attended the field day and picnic of Harvard grange on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray spent the first part of the week at their home

Mrs. Hannigan and daughter, Miss Patrice Hannigan of Cambridge were guests at the home of Miss Helen M. Winslow over Sunday.

Winslow over Sunday.

Rev. William W. Locke will supply the pulpit at the First Parish church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. The beautiful fresh golden-rod and other wild flowers contributed by Miss M. F. Longley and Mrs. Edward J. Miller greatly added to the impressiveness of the church service last Sunday. The church organ has been much improved and brought out in clearness of tone and sweetness by the renovation the past week. clearness of tone and sweetn the renovation the past week.

Broken Into. The house occupied by Madame Von Hesse and her housekeeper, Mrs. Woolen and two daughters, was broken into Sunday night or early Monday of the Control of th en into Sunday night or early Monday morning. Entrance was gained by tearing away the screening from a window on the first floor, which was left open. Various articles which were on a table in front of the window were on a table in front of the window were removed and placed on the ground otuside the window. After gaining entrance the intruder opened several drawers, but did not disturb the contents. Nothing was found to be missing except some cake and other articles of food. A number of burned matches were left strewed over the floor. Mrs. Von Hesse heard a noise about midnight and spoke to Mrs. Woolen about it and it is probable that this scared the intruder away.

hat this scared the intruder away. Homer Holden, a Man of Kindness.

As a neighbor of the late Homer Holden of Shirley Center, I wish to add to the blographical notice in last week's Oracle a word of appreciation of all that was pure and fine in his character. His business brought him into frequent contact with a large number of families. Few citizens of Shirley vere had such close relations to so many individuals. He not only dealt justly but generously by his icustomers and they will always think of him as a man of kindness, carrying heavy burdens that taxed even his strength. coming and going quietly, is seldom saying much but hardly ever leaving a home without one of those rare smiles of his that lighted up the face and betrayed the warm heart within. Homer Holden, a Man of Kindness.

His more immediate neighbors can testify to many an act of friendliness on his part performed at the cost of some time and effort and even at the sacrifice of some of his own personal interest.

I once saw over the desk of a busy I once saw over the desk of a busy daily newspaper man in the city of Buffalo the motto: "Do your work as well as you can and be kind." I believe that Homer Holden was in the habit of doing his work as well as he could, and I am absolutely sure that he was kind. Howard A. Bridgman.

## LITTLETON.

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Canney started yesterday on a vacation of a week or ten days. They went to New York first for a visit, and later will spend some time in the suburbs of that city.

that city. Miss labelle Morse, a teacher from Chelsea, is the guest of her friend, Mrs. George H. Kimball.

Miss Ruth Prescott has been enter-tained for several days by Miss Emma Sanderson in the Proctor cottage at Sandy pond.

Judge Morton's son Marcus, and Thomas Fisher, jr., have been the guests of Bennett Sanderson the past

Mr. and Mrs. John Corish and son, of Somerville, have been spending several weeks with Mrs. Corish's sister, Miss Elizabeth Ryan, of Taylor

of last week on the Common. The next meeting will be held on Friday afternoon, August 30.

Mr. Bryant, who recently spent two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayers, was one of the contestants in the archery tournament at the Harvard Stadium last week. In the individual shooting he was sev-for sale.

for the sorrowing parents and brother. The Misses Lucy and Emily Adams, have moved their household goods to Concord Junction, where they will make their home in the future. The real estate at the Center, which was the property of their mother, the late Mrs. Emily Adams, is now offered for sale.

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OARBON PAPER AND TYPEWRITER RIPBONS for sale cheap at H. S. TURNER'S Printing. Office, 'Ayar,'

Augustus P. Gardner is spending two weeks of vacation at his pleasant home in the Center. On Monday he entertained his father.

Mrs. Parker, of Allston, has been visiting her brother, James F. Moore, Mrs. Charles P. Hartwell is en-

tertaining her sister, Mrs. Laws, of Somerville.

Mrs. Byam, of Foster street, has been ill for a week or more.

Mrs. Charles W. Hunt goes today to Buckland, here former home, for a visit with friends, and will be away a week or more. a week or more.

#### Death.

Death.

The remains of the late John Blatchford, of Lynn, were brought to Littleton on last Saturday afternoon for interment in the family lot at Westlawn cemetery. Mr. Blatchford was nearly ninety-two years of age at the time of his death. He was a veteran of the civil war and keenly interested in activities of the G. A. R. He is survived by his widow, who is far advanced in the 80's, and an only child, Mrs. Charles L. Smith, of this town, ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. During his long illness Mr. Blatchford has enjoyed the gentle ministrations of his devoted wife and affectionate daughter. He was a line representative of the grand New England type of gentleman, who is an honor to his family, the community and the country in which he lives.

About Town. About Town.

If some plans for the Historical society in connection with Tophet swamp cannot be carried out, its Labor day meeting will be devoted to a study of the site of the Indian post and other remains which antedate white settlers in Littleton, and which are located in Speen's field near the easterly end of Fort pond. All interested are invited to accompany the Historical society, which will leave the Reuben Hoar library for Newtown at two o'clock in the afternoon, September 2.

H. H. Pratt, a former school principal here, of late a school superintendent in a New Hampshire district, has accepted the school superintendency of the Brookfield district.

The sluspender factory began working on full time again last week. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hopkins were in Wakefield over Sunday at his twin rother's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patch were in Brockton last Sunday and a part of this week among friends, Miss Ewings being in charge of the home. Last Saturday A. P. Gardner went to Shirley to visit with his father over Sunday, J. A. Gardner, it being his birthday, and he returned with his sea on Monday.

son on Monday. Miss Grace Needham is spending a part of her vacation at Onset Bay with Miss Ida Dow.

Mrs. S. E. Houghton and daughter Mabel, of Albany, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles K. Houghton. Miss Mariel Rushmore, of Ware, is visiting her former schoolmate, Miss Juniata Fairfield.

Miss Priscilla Fairfield went to Ware on Tuesday to spend a week or more visiting old-time friends. Miss Faith Fairfied is enjoying the week with friends at Winthrop. On Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robinson, of Ware, with their son and daughter, motored to Boston and dined, circled round through Littleton and called on his old pastor, Rev. O. J. Fairfield, then going home through Fitchburg. He is one of the leading men in that vicinity.

Arrangements have been made for Arrangements have been made for the Unitarian Sunday school picnic at Whalom park on Wednesday, August 28. Trolley cars will be waiting at Ayer upon the arrival of the 10.11 Ayer upon the arrival of the 10.11 train from Littleton, and we are promised ample car room and a pleasant trolley ride. The tickets will be thirty cents from Ayer for the round trip. On the train from Littleton to Ayer advantage can be taken of the twelve trip tickets, and for those under twelve years of the half-fare rate. It is hoped that all in Littleton will feel free to join in this outing, as in previous years, making it a Littleton picnic as well as one for the Unitarian Sunday school.

Sunday school. There will be a large and attractive administrator's sale by auction of cows, horses, hens, farming tools, etc., belonging to the estate of Frank Pratt, deceased, late of South Acton, on Friday, August 30, at nine a. m. Otis Forbush, auctioneer.

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ogues address JOHN G. THOMPSON, A. M.,

several weeks with Mrs. Corish's sister. Miss Elizabeth Ryan, of Taylor street.

George M. Lovejoy, of Cincinnati, Ohio, has joined the rest of the family in their summer vacation at P. S. Whitcomb's, arriving last Saturday.

On last Saturday afternoon the Littleton team met the Somerville boys on the Country club diamond and was defeated in a close game of baseball by a score of 1 to 0.

The public is reminded of the Treland barn on Harwood avenue today.

Rev. Mr. Thrasher, pastor of the Warren and West Brookfield Methodist churches, has been the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Nelson B. Conant, several days recently.

Rev. Edward S. Sanborn and son of Dover, were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Waiter H. Titcomb.

Littleton friends of Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Butterfield were exceedingly pained to learn of their daughter's untimely death, and feel the keenest sympathy for the sorrowing parents and brother. The Misses Lucy and Emily Adams have moved their household goods to

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Saturday, August 24, 1912.

#### PEPPERELL.

News Items. Everett Harris, of Chelmsford, spent Monday with friends in town. Lester Foss, of Park street, spent art of last week with his brother Fred in West Groton.

Ernest Melindy left on last Saturay for a visit with friends in Thomaston, Me.

Mrs. Albert Chapman, of Elm street went to the postoffice on last week Friday evening, and while there her sisters noticed that she spoke with difficulty and they accompanied her to her driveway, where she fell in an epiletic shock.

Mrs. Walter Spaulding, of Worces-er, is making a short stay with relatives in town.

Mrs. Isabelle David and son Marshall returned to their home in Chelmsford on last week Friday.

Mrs. Minnie Greene, of Main street spent last week Friday with friends

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Legg returned on last week Thursday night after a fortnight's sojourn in Boston and vi-

Miss Irene Whitcomb has been taking a vacation with friends in Groton.

Mrs. Sarah P. Tucker is spending part of the summer at Miss Bertha Colson's.

Gerry Nutting is working at Rains ford Deware's.

Mrs. Ernest Tarbell, who has been keeping house for "Uncle" Zack Fitch, of Groton, was in town on last Saturday.

Orrin Savage has been on a visit to his grandfather, William H. Savage, at Harvard recently. Miss Patch, of Concord, visited Mrs. Mention on Heald street last Satur-

Mrs. Bert Brainard, of East Pep-

perell, visited in Nashua last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Ethel Nye Wells and family, of Raymond, N. H., passed through town on last Saturday evening. Miss Susie Andrews has gone work at Chester Hamilton's.

The Warrens got second prize of \$150 at Winchendon on last Saturday. Gardner captured first prize.

Mrs. Sarah Corey, Miss Eva and Master Herbert Corey, of Brookline, N. H., were in town last week. Fred B. Ross and Mrs. M. M. Rich-

ards have returned from a pleasure trip to Nova Scotia and St. John, N. B.

Rev. George F. Durgin, of Boston, will preach at the Congregational church on Sunday.

Charles E. Robinson, of New York, has been visiting her cousin, Henry Blake, after a period of thirty years. Miss Rowena Sawyer, of Nashua, has been visiting Miss Esther Rob-

Mrs. Inez Sawyer, formerly of Groton, but now of Shirley, has been spending a few days with Mrs. Henry Letender.

It is a pleasure to report that Mrs. Julia Chapman, of Elm street, is slightly improving.

Miss Margaret Tower, of Sheffield, daughter of A. O. Tower, and niece of H. N. Tower, is visiting in town, accompanied by a young brother, Llyle

The tenth anniversary of the I. O. O. L. of Manchester Unity, was held on Thursday evening. Miss B. M. Farnsworth presiding. After the business was completed, readings. stories, conumdrums, and refresh-ments of ice cream, cake and fruit were enjoyed. All the members were present but one, who was detained by

While the "volunteer" night of Prescott grange was a factor in making each member present respond, the attendance was smaller than usual. Thanks to a good lecturer it brings out fine native talent. What each one does, makes a fine program; when no one does anything but criticize out-side the meeting it is a damage.

Mrs. Lucy Perry returned the first week from a ten-days'

Mrs. Millie Richards, Mr. and Mrs Benjamin Greenleaf have returned to Nova Scotia.

Misses Lillian Dunton and Margaret Deware attend school this fall at St. Johnsbury academy.

Miss Alice Chandler, of Lancaster, has sent some good reading to be given to sick men to make them smile for distribution at the East Pepperell reading-room.

Mrs. Herbert Greenleaf and daughter Blanche, of Waltham, are visiting Mrs. Henry Armstrong on Mason Mrs. street.

L. B. Clarke, of Jersey City, N. J., came on last Saturday to return with his wife about September 5, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. E. Bancroft, on Townsend street.

Jimmie Dunn went to Burnt Island, Me., Saturday, August 17.

Charles F. Spaulding returned from his vacation and resumed his duties on Monday morning.

On Wednesday the little friends of Phyllis Nodding—Franklyn Attridge, John Dwyer and Warren Upson—all on Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blood are camping at Massapog.

Dr. W. E. Cole, of Townsend, was a visitor in town on Tuesday. Services will be held at the Methodist church on Sunday as usual. Rev. P. R. Stratton will preach in the morning upon the subject. "Christ stilling the tempest," and at the evening service there will be a praise service and a short sermon upon "The ice and a short sermon upon "The faith of Moses." Sunday school will be held at the noon hour. The midweek service will be held on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Rev. George F. Durgin, of Boston, will supply the pulpit of the Congre gational church on Sunday, August 25. Services at 10.45 in the morning and at seven o'clock in the evening.

It is Reported:

That Frank Ward has sold his cotage on Pleasant street and house on Cottage street to Everett Tarbell.

That Everett Tarbell, who bought the house that Mrs. Winch occupied on Main street, has sold out to Willam Mault.

That William Deware has bought the double house formerly belonging to Mrs. Winch, which he occupied. That Miss Jane Drew and Frank

Bennett are to be married on September 18, and live on Townsend That I. J. Rowell has sold his grain business to E. E. Tarbell, who had worked to put up a new building be-tween the pepot and the river on the

south side of Main street, but later purchased the stock house of the Nashua River Paper Corp., by the railroad, river and Main street. That the grade crossing is to be abolished on Groton street, and that the present building occupied by I. J.

Rowell, for grain supplies is to be torn down to make way for a double track and depot and subway. That the Grand Trunk railroad is surely going to pass through Pepperell.

Current Events.

Some of the townspeople who sub-scribed toward funds to establish a musician's association are now won-dering where the "benefit to the pub-lic" appears. Our young people are driving to Townsend and Groton and other towns for band concerts.

Miss Ada Whitney is taking a month's vacation in Poland, Me., at the home of her friend, Mrs. Fayette Bicknell.

Miss Elsie Northrup returned last week from a visit with relatives at Mile Junction, Me.

News has been received from Mrs. L. H. Bean, formerly of this town, of her arrival at her destination in the far west, Billings, Montana. She was not, however, fully recovered from the effects of the journey, as she suffered from illness in traveling.

Mrs. D. W. Hazen, of Pleasant

Mrs. D. W. Hazen, of Pleasant street, with her daughters, are expected home from Sallsbury Beach this week. They entertained their neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Heckle, over Sunday and Monday of last week

Mrs. M. E. Swazey and her sister, Mrs. Boynton, spent Wednesday of Old Home week in Hollis, their native town.

Miss Edna Kittredge spent Thurs day afternoon at Whalom.

Miss Anna Sartelle is enjoying a short vacation from the store of Whipple & Tower, and spent Wednesday in Lowell.

Quite a party from town took a trip to Canobie lake on last week Friday, and incidentally saw about two hundred Chinese, there, men, women and children, an excursion from Boston. The women in their tiny blue satin shoes, walked very nearly the same as the American girls in their hobble skirts and high heels.

Mrs. Anna Buck is at home with her parents on Pleasant street, as her father, David Weston, is quite ill and under the care of a physician.

The grange social to be held as a feature of the traveling picnic well remembered as a pin social, is expected to be a good program. The committee in charge is William K. Kirkpatrick, Nashua, N. H.; George Farmer, Shirley; Miss B. M. Farnsworth; leading of fancy marching, Ernest Leach, Manchester, N. H.

Charles E. Robinson.

missed.

George Parker, shipping clerk at the Pepperell Card and Paper Co., met with quite a serious accident on Thursday morning. In moving a heavy case the truck slipped in some way allowing the edge of the case to strike on his foot and ankle. Dr. Lovejoy was hastily summoned and the injured man was taken by automobile to his home on Main street. The bones of the foot were found to be badly crushed, and the ankle was broken in two places. The reports of his condition on Friday morning were that he passed a rather painful night in spite of opiates and good care.

Charles A. Anderson, the baker, has

Charles A. Anderson, the baker, has taken a new position out-of-town, and will probably soon be joined by his family.

Lawn Party.

A lawn party, or open-air bazaar, will be held by the ladies of the will be held by the ladies of the Methodist society on Thursday afternoon and evening, August 29, on the adjoining lawns of Messrs. Thurston and Kemp on Main street. Mrs. Grant Heckle will have general supervision with the following assistants: Mrs. E. E. Handley, food table; Mrs. Charles Marshall, apron table; Mrs. P. R. Stratton, lunch table, where sandwiches, hot rolls and frankfurts, tea and cocoa will be on sale; Mrs. N. M. Gutterson, ice cream and cake table; Gutterson, ice cream and cake table; Miss Bessie Farley, home-made candies.

There will be other attractions in

the shape of the "walking grab bag."
Tickets for short automobile rides will be for sale at low prices, and two or more automobiles will be ready to take the passengers. This promises take the passengers. This promises to be a pleasant occasion if the weath-er proves favorable. If too stormy on Thursday it will be postponed until Friday.

Items of News.

A large crowd from down town attended the dance at Oak hill on last week Friday evening.

F. H. Ward, of Henniker, N. H., but formerly of this town, called on old friends in town last Saturday.

Miss Laura True is visiting her brother, G. Fred True, at Worcester, Miss Florence True spent the weekend at Fitchburg with her sister, Mrs. Morton Kline.

Mrs. Joseph Busbay and children, of Manchester, N. H., are guests of Amos Grenier on Cross street.

The following families are erecting stones and otherwise improving their form four o'clock an alarm of fire was sounded from box 28, fire being dissound, Mrs. Staples, Mrs. Dora Putnam lot and the Woods lot. C. G. Willey & Son are doing the work.

Charles F. Spaulding returned for the companies made good time, but arrived too late to save the house. They carried no insurance.

gathered on the lawn of Mrs. John Frossard and helped to celebrate their birthdays, all four children's birthdays coming within a week. During the afternoon games were enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served, leaving for their homes at about five c'clock. o'clock.

Mrs. W. A. Hill and daughter Elizabeth spent Wednesday in Nashua.

SHIRLEY.

Center. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wildman on Thursday.

As far as words are adequate. Miss Sara A. Dunn wishes to extend her the manifold thanks due, but which she is unable to write individually, to friends for their many kindnesses durfriends for their many kindnesses during her recent illness and convalescense, as expressed through personal calls of inquiry, or gifts of food delicacies and flowers. She would also thank in a body, the "Shirley Alliance," of which she is a member, for its letter of helpful sympathy, received from the club's secretary, Mrs. Edward Freggerton and for the lovely backet. Edgarton, and for the lovely basket of fruits brought to her personally by its president, Mrs. Louis Farnsworth.

#### HARVARD.

News Items. The many friends of Prof. Everett C. Willard, superintendent of schools at Stamford, Conn., will be pained to hear of his death. He died very suddenly at his summer home near Lake Champlain, Vt., on Tuesday of hearth and hearth are the summer has a summer home. near Lake Champlain, Vt., on Tuesday, of cerebral hemorrhage. He was a native of Harvard and was fifty-five years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Willard. He leaves a widow, a son and a daughter. He was a graduate of Lawrence academy, Grotot, and Dartmouth college. He was principal of the Westerly, R. I., high school, and for fifteen years or more had acted as superintendant of

more had acted as superintendent of schools at Stamford, Conn. The Harvard baseball team played the West Acton team at West Acton and defeated them by a score of 4 to 1. This Saturday at the Bromfield grounds the team will play Littleton. Game called at three p. m.

Prof. and Mrs. A. F. Leonard started Friday for an auto trip to the White Mountains. Returning they will motor out through Maine visiting some of the more interesting places. They will be gone about two weeks.

George C. Maynard and Frank M. Hynes took an auto trip to Salem, N. H., on Thursday, visiting the Rock-

Mrs. Alice D. Rhonstock and Miss Carrie Rhonstock of Dorchester ar-rived Thursday for the week-end, stay-ing with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dadmun. It looks as though we should be illuminated with electricity before many moons. The poles are nearly all in and the wire is being stretched rapidly. A. D. McLennan has a force of ly. A. D. McLennan has a force of on last Saturday, C. W. Adams, Mrs. men at work in the private residences Harry Adams and Miss Mabel Law-

Mrs. Ellen McNiff, with her daughter and niece, and Miss Mary Costa, of Somerville, and the Misses Katherine and Maria McNiff, of Winthrop, spent Sunday at Daniel Sheehan's, coming all the way by auto. Mrs. McNiff will remain in town this week as the guest of her daughter Mary, who is keeping house for Mrs. Shee-han during her absence in Europe.

be on Tuesday, September 3. The subject will be, "The history of Harvard; divided into three topics, township, buildings and inhabitants." This promises to be a very interesting meet-

Still River. Still River was deeply saddened to hear of the death of Miss Hortense Butterfield of Ayer last Sunday. A few years ago she spent the summer, here with her grandparents, and she was of a very lovable disposition and made many friends, and her parents have the sincere sympathy of all at this time of sorrow.

George Vaughn and wife of Worcester have been guests of his mother. Mrs. E. L. Vaughn.

Herbert H. Atherton and son Bert attended the league ball game at Boston last Saturday.

Mrs. Carrie Nourse has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Stone, at Marlboro. The village picnic at Turner's shore. The village picnic at Turner's shore, Thursday, brought out a number, as it has now come to be a sort of Old Home day. Many came from out-of-town to attend and meet old acquaint-ances. It was an ideal day and everyone had a good time. Pitching quoits was the amusement of quite a number. Mr. Haynes carried over his Victrola and entertained with music. Thursday, brought out a number, as it has now come to be a sort of Old Home day. Many came from out-oftown to attend and meet old acquaintances. It was an ideal day and everyone had a good time. Pitching quoits was the amusement of quite a number. Mr. Haynes carried over his Victrola and entertained with music. Boating and bathing also entered into the amusements of the day.

Willard Hudson of Winchester was the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Willard Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McClintock of Lancaster were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McClintock, and Mrs. Clara Brown of South Lancaster, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jennie Willard Thursday, all coming especially to attend the picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. George Evans, daughter and son of Grand Rapids, Mich., Lave been visiting his sister. Mrs. L. H. CUSHING.

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Mrs. Josie Haynes spent Monday night to Wednesday morning at Peaks Island, Portland harbor, visiting Mrs. Jennie H. Spencer and daughter Gladys, who have a cottage there for the month of August.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester B. Keyes, of Springfield, spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. A. H. Keyes.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild entertained two of his brothers, one from Nebraska and one New York; also, his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hall, from near Chicago, and two nephews, who are professors at Yale college.

#### BOXBOROUGH.

Mrs. Charles Myers recently spent a week in East Boston as the guest of Mrs. George Goodearle.

Mrs. Abbie Grout, of Framingham, is visiting at William Withington's. Mrs. Charles Hanscom, of Melrose, arrived at the home of J. S. Braman on last week Thursday, where she was joined by Mr. Hanscom on Saturday. She returned to her home on Monday. Miss Ethel Bryant, of East Boston,

is visiting Mrs. Myers. Miss Nellie Deane returned from her European tour on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Waitt and son Ellsworth have gone to Prince Edward Island, Canada, to remain until September.

Mrs. Morse and Roger and Hattie, from Maplewood, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bar-Daniel Wetherbee, of Worcester, was a week-end guest at Walnut farm. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Richardson are on a driving trip through the south-ern parts of Vermont and New Hamp-

church vestry on Thursday evening, August 29. A corn supper will be held in the

Miss Waterman is visiting in Wake Rev. Pennock, of Acton, preached at the Congregational church last Sun-

day. Mrs. Fowler returned to her home in New Haven on Monday. On Wed-nesday she started with her husband for Plitsburg, Pa., where they will visit her son, Rudolph Willard, and will then travel on to Cleveland, Ohio,

for a short stay with Walter Willard. Miss Louise Gooch spent the weekend with her brother, W. H. Gooch, and when she returned to Assinipi, she was accompanied by Mrs. Ring,

Miss Cora Hartwell was the recent guest of her brother. Albert Hartwell.

On Monday, Raymond Littlefield and family, of Medford, who are en-joying camp life at Fort pond until September, were the guests at Littlefield farm.

putting in the wire and fixtures. A rence enjoyed a trip to Boston, where large proportion of the homes about the center and over Oak hill will be they were among the crowd of 27,000 connected. Misses Mary and Lora Garland of the Red Sox defeat the Detroit team Roxbury will arrive on Monday next by a score of 6 to 4. They were also for a week's visit with Miss Blanche among the crowd who enjoyed the Miss Viola Parker with a party of her school friends at Fitchburg normal school are camping for a time at Wyomi cottage, Bare Hill pond.

Mrs. Ellen McNiff with here.

Albert Hartwell. Albert Littlefield, S. D. Salmon, 3d, It. Y. and A. W. Nelson, Alfred Cobleigh, of Boxborough, and C. A. Dudley and F. E. Parker, of Littleton, joined the West Acton party of twenty-nine who went fishing off Swampscott on Tuesday. A. W. Nelson got prizes for catching the largest, most, and first fish of the crowd.

crowd. New Hampshire State Fair.

who is keeping house for Mrs. Sheehan during her absence in Europe. After making a call on their cousin. Mrs. P. H. Rynn, of Ayer, the rest of the party returned in the evenings. In the commencing Labor day. September 2, and continuing for the remaining three days, the 3rd, 4th and spite the unfavorable weather.

Plenic.

The annual picnic of the Harvard grange was held at the usual place, the town hall. The annual rainy days which falls on the day set for the picture, a very good number attended on the town hall. The annual rainy days which falls on the day set for the picture, a very good number attended on the picture, a very good number attended on the successfully carried out.

B. Harlow won first prize; Blanche y Davis, second. Paper clipping contest, Mrs. Holden of Shirley, first; Mrs. Ho

New Advertisements

Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Co TIME TABLE.

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Cars leave Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell—6.05 a. m. and hourly at 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.05 p. m. An early car leaves the Ayer carhouse at 5.15 a. m. Sundays—First car leaves Ayer at 7.05 a. m., then same as week days Running time to North Chelmsford, 40 minutes. Running time to Lowell, 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer—6.20 a. m., and 20 minutes past the hour up to and including 11.20 p. m. Sundays—8.20 a. m., then same as week days. Cars connect at Ayer up to 10 p. m. for Fitchburg and Leominster. Until 9 p. m. for Worcester.

Cars leave Forge Village for North Chelmsford and Lowell—24 minutes past the hour.

Cars leave Forge Village for Ayer—40 minutes past the hour.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for Brookside—5.50 a. m. and 50 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.50 p. m.

Sundays—First car at 7.50 a. m., then

out notice. L. H. CUSHING, Superintendent.

A Famous Parlor Maid. Sydney Smith, the famous author and wit, in describing his early married life in a Yorkshire parsonage told how he made a butler out of a village

"A manservant was too expensive. so I caught up a little garden girl made like a milestone, christened her Bunch, put a napkin in her hand and made her my butler. The girls taught her to read. Mrs. Sydney to wait, and I undertook her morals. Bunch became the best butler in the county."

But Bunch was not merely butlershe was valet too. A visitor thus describes her:

"Coming down one morning, I found Bunch pacing up and down the passage before her master's door in a state of great perturbation.

"What is the matter, Bunch? "'Oh, ma'am, I can't get no peace of mind till I've got master shaved, and

he's so late this morning!' "This 'getting master shaved' consisted in making ready for him with a large painter's brush a thick lather in a huge wooden bowl as big as Mambrino's helmet, which she always considered as the most important avocation of the morning.'

When the Danes Were Skinned.

In former times the Danes used to sail up the mouths of the English rivers to pillage the churches. When they were caught they were skinned and their skins nailed to the door of the church they attacked. In course of time all the exposed portions would peel off, but that covered by the nail would be protected and thus bear testimony to the cruelty of the ancient Englishmen. In the London College of Surgeons may be seen three specimens of human skin bearing labels such as this: "Portion of human skin said to be that of a Dane from the door of a church at Hadstock, in Essex." A second specimen is from Copford, in Essex, and a third from the north door of Worcester cathedral. Such fragments of sacrilegious Danish hide have been found on doors in

Westminster abbey.

Were Kind to Him. A West Philadelphia man who was severely injured some months ago when his horse took fright at an automobile and bolted, upsetting the carriage, has only recently been released from the hospital. He is well now and in the best of spirits notwithstanding the fact that severe operations were necessary in order to

save his life. A few days after he left the hospital a friend asked him if he had been

kindly treated. "Oh, yes!" he said. "Oh, yes, indeed! Considering the fact that they amputated both my feet, removed my collar bone, cut off my left thumb, trepanned my brain, took out a piece of my underjaw and sawed my left hip bone in two, I got along very nicely. They were most kind to what was left

of me."-Philadelphia Press.

Beaconsfield the Dandy. The dandvism Benjamin Disraeli affected in his dress is the subject of many pen pictures in Monypenny's "Life of Beaconsfield." At the age of nineteen he is described as wearing a black velvet suit with ruffles and black stockings with red clocks. A later portrait, in 1830, comes from a friend's

diary, which has the following entry: "March 29.-B. D. to dine with me. He came up Regent street when it was crowded in his blue surtout, a pair of military light blue trousers, black stockings with red stripes and shoes 'The people,' he said, 'quite made way for me as I passed. It was like the opening of the Red sea, which I now perfectly believe from experience. Even well dressed people stopped to look at

me.' '

Haroun-al-Raschid to Charlemagne. The only sovereign of the time who could compare with Charlemagne was the famous Haroun-al-Raschid who as the head of the Moslem world sent the keys of Jerusalem to the head of the Christian world, besides a striking clock, an are and an elephantthings which impressed the imagination of those times as typifying that Charlemagne had been invested with the sovranty of Jerusalem and the lordship of the world.-T. A. Cook in "Old Provence."

Where Once a Home Stood. And what is more melancholy than the old apple trees that linger about the spot where once stood a homestead, but where there is now only a ruined. chimney rising out of a grassy and weed grown cellar? They offer their fruit to the wayfarer-apples that are bitter-sweet with the moral of time's

vicissitude.-Hawthorne.

Charity. When thy brother has lost all that he ever had and lies languishing, and even gasping under the utmost extremities of poverty and distress, dost thou think to lick him whole again only with thy tongue?-South.

He Was Generous. Pallid Clerk-I'm not feeling very well, sir; do you mind if I take things a little easy today? Grouchy Employer-Not so long as

they're not my things-Lippincott's. Convincing Evidence

Sportsman (having emptled both barrels at a rabbit)-There, Jacob; I'm sure I hit that one! Jacob-Well, 'e zurtainly did zeem to

go faster after you shot at 'im, zur.-

London Punch.

Economy is a savings bank into which men drop pennies and get dollars in return.-H. W. Shaw.

LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, having conducted, as partners, a meat and provision business in Shirley, under the name and style of Shirley Cash Market, dissolved partnership on August 9, 1912. From that date the meat and provision business under style and name of Shirley Cash Market is to be conducted solely by Charles A. McCarthy.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex. ss. Probate Court.
To the next of kin and all others interested in the estate of REUBEN R.
FIELD late of Townsend in said
County, deceased.

Whereas HENRY B. HILDRETH the
administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for
allowance the account of his administration on said estate and application
has been made for a distribution of
the balance in his hands among the
next of kin of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a
Probate Court to be held at Cambridge,
in said County of Middlesex, on the
tenth day of September A. D. 1912,
at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show
cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to
serve this citation by publishing the
same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public
Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer,
the last publication to be one day, at
least before said Court, and by delivering or mailing post-paid a copy
of this citation to all known persons
interested in the estate seven days at
least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of August in the year one
thousand nine hundred and tweive.

2149 F. M. ESTY, Ass't Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court:
To all persons interested in the estate of SARAH A. FIELD late of Townsend in said County, deceased.

Whereas HENRY B. HILDRETH the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of his administrations upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a. Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County on the tenth day of September A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by malling, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

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8.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m.

Lawrence—5.15, 6.15, 6.40 a. m. and every 30 mins, until 10.40 p. m. Sundays—7.10 a. m., then same as week days. Return—Leave Lawrence—5.20, 6.10, 6.50 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.50 p. m. Sundays—7.20 a. m., then same as week days.

Nashua—6.45 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10.45 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12.45 p. m. until 10.15 p. m.) Sundays—7.15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.15 p. m. Return—Leave Nashua—6.35 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10.35 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 1.35 p. m. until 10.35 p. m.) Sundays—7.35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m.

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