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WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY Evenings

BIOGRAPH

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HARVARD.

News Items.

Workmen are repairing the brass hand rails at the entrance to the public library building.

Tuesday night, November 16, the grange will confer the third and fourth degrees on a class of candidates. The harvest supper, which is part of the occasion, will also be celebrated. Visitors are cordially welcome.

This week Friday Peter MacQueen gave an illustrated lecture on Africa. Friday, November 19, Governor E. W. Hock, a man of brilliant oratorical talent, will speak, the subject to be announced. Don't miss hearing him.

Orrin Fairbanks has moved his family and furniture into his new home on Lovers' Lane.

Mrs. P. M. Lindley entertained her parents from Waltham on Sunday last at her home here, returning with them Sunday for a couple of days' visit at Waltham.

Mrs. Annie Gabrielson is at Mrs. Carrie Hussey's for a couple of months.

Mrs. Katherine Havens, who has been for the past year or more in California, is staying for the present with her mother, Mrs. P. Desmond.

Miss Annie L. Walker of the Shaker community has been visiting friends in Worcester and Westboro the past week.

The selectmen have offered a reward of seventy-five dollars for the arrest and conviction of the parties who broke into the cooper shop of E. F. Houghton on the night of November 5, and took the cooper tools and the account book of Mr. Houghton.

While Walter and Ruel Lougee were driving from Ayer last Sunday night some one located under the bridge over the brook, near Walter Green's house, fired at the buggy, the bullet striking a part of the iron work of the top. The boys did not stop for an explanation of the offence and reached home without further molestation.

The ladies realized from their fair, given November 4, \$280 gross with about \$30 expense. They are very much pleased over their success.

Born in Harvard, November 6, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. McNiff. November 10, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Callahan.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Page hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

NOTICE—From November 1st, 1909, to April 1st, 1910, as has been our cus-

tom for a number of years, our store will be closed every evening except Saturday evening at 6.30 o'clock. Saturday evening at nine o'clock. A. E. Lawrence & Son, Ayer, Mass.

Auto Trip.

On Tuesday of this week J. E. Maynard, H. B. Royal and A. T. West, with Edwin Savage, chauffeur took an auto trip to Pepperell. The trip was taken on invitation of the school committee of Pepperell, who were desirous of meeting on social terms the committees of the new school superintendent district. The day was perfect for such an affair and the program for the day was very pleasantly arranged and carried out.

After meeting at Dr. Que's residence the party took autos and visited every school in the town. For the benefit of the visitors the principal in the sixth and seventh buildings gave the fire drill, and about 250 children went out in perfect order, crossed the street and returned to work in their respective rooms, the entire movement taking less than two minutes.

After a thorough inspection of the work of the schools the committees took a ride up through the north village, getting on that part a grand view of the country in southern New Hampshire.

Miss Shattuck, a member of the school board, very cordially invited the party to her home, where a dinner was served, which after the ride in the bracing atmosphere was greatly appreciated.

In all the committee were very much pleased with the cordial manner in which they were received, and the pleasant way they were entertained will be remembered by them.

Still River.

The young ladies of the village will give an entertainment, supper and social in the chapel, Thursday evening, November 18. The first table for supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock.

The Tuesday club will hold their first reading with Mrs. Haynes, Tuesday afternoon. They will read from the book, "Anne of Avondale," a sequel to "Anne of Green Gables," that they so much enjoyed last year. All of the ladies are cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. Annie M. L. Clark of Lancaster has been the guest of her sister, Miss Katherine L. Lawrence, this week.

Mrs. Williams of Worcester has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. H. Morse, the first of the week.

Mrs. Herbert Whitney of Worcester was at her Still River summer home on Thursday.

Miss Alice Marshall is visiting in Metuchen, N. J.

Mrs. Adeliza A. Turner has come back to her Still River home for the winter, as the lady with whom she has been stopping in Lunenburg has closed her house for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Saveno, who have been at Cambridge for the summer, returned to Still River, Tuesday.

Miss Edna Flanders had a couple of friends from Palmer with her at her mothers on Sunday.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lithgow, nee Miss Ellie Peabody, formerly of Lunenburg, but now of North Tisbury, spent last week visiting among friends here.

Warren H. Percy has bought out the milk routes of George Marden and Ernest Proctor, and took possession November 1, but that was not all he did that day, for he also took possession of a bride, as he was married to Miss Mabel Marden in the evening. Rev. F. W. Brett performed the ceremony in the presence of a few intimate friends, in the house where they are to live, and all their friends wish them many years of happiness.

The Ladies' Sewing circle of the Congregational church served a dinner in the vestry on Wednesday, November 10, which was well patronized.

Miss Ina Bradlee, who six weeks ago underwent an operation for appendicitis, has fully recovered and is about again, much to the delight of her many friends.

The laurel season is here again and several parties of pickers from near Boston are busily at work gathering in their harvest of the beautiful glossy green leaves for the Christmas holidays.

For the Needy Ones.

The W. C. T. U. will hold the next regular meeting at two o'clock p. m., at the home of Mrs. C. B. Longley. A most cordial invitation is given to all who are interested in mission work, and who would be glad to assist in shutting a barrel for the sick and shut-ins in the city of Boston. Groceries of all kinds, canned fruit, apples and vegetables will be thankfully received and will help to make a Thanksgiving dinner for many needy ones who are not able to provide one for themselves. Last year over 500 baskets were sent and carried out by the flower mission department of the W. C. T. U. alone, and many others were sent out by other organizations, bringing good cheer and genuine thankfulness into many poor homes that otherwise would hardly have known it was Thanksgiving day. Contributions for this purpose may be left with Mrs. C. B. Longley any time until November 22, when the barrel will be packed and sent to Boston.

Death.

Frederic A. Nickelson died on Sunday evening, November 7. He had been in rather feeble health for some time and his nearest friends knew he was failing, but through the summer he seemed to gain a little, and in October visited friends in Melrose Highlands. While there he received a shock October 13 which was so serious that a telegram was sent for Mrs. Nickelson, who went to him at once, and cared for him until it was thought he could be brought to his home in Lunenburg, which was done October 31. On Wednesday, November 3, he received another shock, from which he never fully regained his faculties, but gradually failed until his death on Sunday evening at nine o'clock.

He is survived by his wife and seven daughters, one of whom, Miss Lillian, is a teacher in the Center school, and several grandchildren.

He was aged 55 years, 9 months and 5 days. The funeral was held at his late home on Wednesday afternoon and interment was in the family lot in the North cemetery.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.—Having sold my farm, will sell my two family horses; also two cows. J. R. HAWKES, Groton, Mass. 119*

1000 MUSKRAT SKINS wanted for London Market. Also raw furs of all kinds, for which I will pay the highest market price. H. A. GOODRICH, 31 Highland Ave., Fitchburg, Mass. 319*

WANTED.—A Second-Hand Safe. Send description and price to A. T. WEST, Harvard, Mass., 319*

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WESTFORD.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Woodward entertained very pleasantly a group of friends at what last week Friday evening. There were three tables for the game. Refreshments were served during the evening.

A good number from Westford grange attended the sessions of the Middlesex North Pomona grange at Lowell last Friday. A good program of discussion, readings, music, and an address on farm law. In the evening the fifth degree was conferred on a large class of candidates.

The H. V. Hildreth's were over-Sunday guests of the Fred A. Hildreth's at Malden this last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Harmon have closed their Westford home and gone to Florida for the cold months. They go to South Lake Weir, where Mr. and Mrs. Foss are located.

The 9.30 electric Wednesday forenoon got derailed at the terminal, but after some strenuous work by the motorman and conductor and some others, the car resumed its regular trips, only missing one trip.

Mrs. Halliday of Boston, a long-time friend of Miss Miranda Luce, has been a recent guest at the Luce homestead.

Miss Ruth Fisher, principal of the Frost school, is ill at her home with diphtheria in the care of a trained nurse. The school was closed on Wednesday morning for the rest of the week to await any further developments.

The dance that was planned by the academy teachers and pupils for the benefit of its gymnasium, to be given this Friday evening, has been postponed on account of the diphtheria cases.

Tadmuck Club.

The regular meeting of the Tadmuck club took place, Tuesday afternoon, in the vestry of the Congregational church. There was a large attendance of the members and a number of guests to welcome Mrs. Ellen H. Richards of Boston, whom the club claims as an old friend through her former association with Westford, and also from her contribution to the club's program last season when she spoke on "Foods."

This year her topic was more general, pertaining to the general welfare of the home, treating many phases of the complexities and problems of our modern living with characteristic keen insight and good sense. At the close of her address a club tea was served by Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, Miss Ida E. Leighton and Mrs. Frank C. Hildreth.

The next meeting, November 23, will be a travel talk, "From Paris to Versailles," by Rev. Winfred Chesney Rhoades, who entertained the club so delightfully last winter with "The peasants of Brittany."

Grange.

The grange last Thursday evening had a profitable and enjoyable program for its first meeting in November. At the business session it was voted to hold a farmer's institute this winter and S. L. Taylor was appointed to confer with the committee on institutes as to date, speaker, etc. A desire was expressed that George Albert Drew be invited to be the speaker for the occasion.

The program for the evening was a lecture by E. H. Forbush, state ornithologist, illustrated with beautifully colored charts of our feathered friends. The speaker outlined the work of the State ornithologist as being the dissemination of all possible knowledge of birds. He spoke of the excellent literature on the subject to be had by applying to the State Board of Agriculture and of the great value of birds to man, particularly the farmer. He did not like to have the crow and the blackbird maligned and explained why. Professor Forbush showed himself to be a close student of our birds. He gave many facts about our game laws for the protection of birds, of work accomplished by the Audubon society, of facts concerning the relation of sportsman and the milliner to the subject. His discourse was brightened with many

anecdotes, and at the close questions were freely asked and answered.

The lecturer announced the subject for the next meeting as "Lessons from the lives of noted men and women," and made assignments for the successful carrying out of the topic. It will also be music night.

Tax-Payers.

The total levy of taxes for the town of Westford for this year is \$30,468, with a rate of \$15.70 on \$1000. Following is a list of resident tax-payers paying fifty dollars or more:

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| Abiel J. Abbot | \$146.54 |
| Mrs. Alice M. Abbot | 255.91 |
| John C. Abbot | 230.49 |
| Mrs. Caroline Atwood | 27.45 |
| Abbot Worsted Co. | 2088.75 |
| Abbot Worsted Co., Forge Village | 477.93 |
| Wayland F. Balch | 67.19 |
| Alvin J. Blaisdell | 83.47 |
| C. A. & R. Blodgett | 87.04 |
| Mrs. Mary C. Brigham | 217.45 |
| Augustus Bunce | 55.27 |
| John Burbeck | 115.74 |
| Mrs. Mary E. Calkins | 128.74 |
| Donald M. Cameron | 144.29 |
| Mrs. Meta J. Cameron | 141.30 |
| Julian A. Cameron | 240.72 |
| Arthur E. Day | 51.25 |
| Quincy W. Day | 62.14 |
| George T. Day | 267.62 |
| Wm. H. Decatur | 54.20 |
| David Desmond | 58.82 |
| Matthew F. Downs | 79.52 |
| Frank C. Drew | 135.92 |
| William C. Edwards | 84.82 |
| Mrs. Louisa Edwards | 61.23 |
| John Feeney | 61.26 |
| McC. Fisher | 56.08 |
| Mrs. Alvin Fisher | 96.32 |
| Elbert H. Flagg | 162.44 |
| H. E. Fletcher & Co. | 348.33 |
| H. E. Fletcher | 281.60 |
| John M. Fletcher | 54.51 |
| J. Herbert Fletcher | 64.70 |
| William H. Fletcher | 54.20 |
| Sherman H. Fletcher | 100.90 |
| Harry N. Fletcher | 197.08 |
| Austin H. Foss | 136.41 |
| Mrs. Sarah J. Foster | 128.74 |
| H. E. & E. H. Gould | 110.84 |
| David L. Greig | 105.71 |
| H. B. Hall | 53.02 |
| William H. Hamlin | 82.86 |
| Henry J. Healy | 58.29 |
| John J. Healy | 179.92 |
| Albert H. Hildreth | 59.38 |
| Heywood & Fletcher | 58.89 |
| H. V. Hildreth | 75.40 |
| Frank H. Hildreth | 54.20 |
| Frank C. Hildreth | 103.58 |
| Mrs. Ella F. Hildreth | 543.69 |
| Trustees of Amos Day Estate | 50.84 |
| Charles L. Howard | 75.35 |
| George O. Jackson | 55.43 |
| A. E. Jenne | 66.46 |
| Wm. H. Jones | 66.15 |
| George A. Kimball | 66.15 |
| Hyalacinth La Duc | 61.58 |
| Miss Ida E. Leighton | 59.66 |
| Wm. H. Marshall | 69.43 |
| Angus McDonald | 117.87 |
| Mrs. George H. McGregor | 74.26 |
| John McMaster | 56.01 |
| Henry J. Murphy | 78.93 |
| George W. Nesmith | 63.28 |
| Mrs. Honora O'Brien | 52.60 |
| Frank C. Palmer | 123.30 |
| Henry B. Read | 56.26 |
| Mrs. David Reed | 56.52 |
| Mrs. Rachel Reed | 314.78 |
| Albert Reeves | 59.64 |
| Mrs. Alma Richardson | 76.15 |
| Sargent's Sons Corporation | 290.84 |
| F. G. & C. Sargent and Geo. A. Griffin, trustees of the Estate of A. G. Sargent | 1301.95 |
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| Wm. H. Sargent | 138.08 |
| H. M. Seavy | 67.55 |
| Fred H. Shorey | 55.07 |
| John P. Simpson | 65.96 |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Spauld | 51.81 |
| Oscar R. Spaulding | 596.90 |
| Stony Brook R. R. Co. | 65.16 |
| F. Sweetser | 153.33 |
| Mrs. N. L. Tuttle | 76.22 |
| Almon S. and Mary Vose | 110.80 |
| D. H. Waller | 123.30 |
| Westford W. Co. | 152.94 |
| Mrs. Mary J. Wheeler | 53.38 |
| Mrs. Wm. M. D. | 72.85 |
| Mrs. Hiram Whitney | 123.30 |
| Heirs of Hiram Whitney | 382.08 |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson | 53.29 |
| Wm. H. Wright | 75.82 |
| Nahum H. Wright | 53.81 |
| Charles H. Wright | 51.44 |
| Sydney B. Wright | 61.59 |
| Wm. H. Wright | 75.82 |
| Hammatt D. Wright | 118.24 |
| Walter C. Wright | 114.24 |
| Robert S. Young | 146.40 |
| The largest non-resident payers are Brookside Worsted Mills | 1322.54 |
| J. Henry Fletcher | 205.67 |
| Miss Martine F. Gage | 822-D |
| Dowling, W. D. | 123.64 |
| Lowell and Fitchburg St. R. R. | 123.64 |

List of New Books.

The following new books have been added to the Westford library:

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| HISTORY AND TRAVEL | |
| Barton, J. L. Daybreak in Turkey. | 95-B |
| Scott, M. M. Through Finland. | 9147-S-3 |
| Williams, E. R. Hill towns of Italy. | 914.5-W 2 |
| BIOGRAPHY. | |
| Cleveland, Mr. Williams, J. L. B-C 635. | |
| Grenfell, W. T. Adrift on an ice-pan. | B-G 826 |
| McCormick, C. H. Casson, H. D. B-M | |
| Shaler, N. S. Autobiography. B-S 528. | |
| SOCIOLOGY. | |
| Carman, B. Making of personality. | 374-2 |
| Devine, E. T. Misery and its causes. | 321-D |
| Fillebrown, C. B. A. B. C. of taxation. | 336-F |
| LITERATURE. | |
| Dale, A. Great wet way. | 517-D 4 |
| Dickens, C. Short plays. | 822-D |
| Dowling, W. D. The mother and the father. | 811-H 18 |
| In American Fields and Forests. A collection of essays. | 814-I |
| Shil, E. R. Poetical works. | 811-S 11 |
| Swinburne, A. C. Selections from poems. | 821-S 13 |

About Town.

In the death of Daniel W. Harrington at Grantville, last Sunday, the village town and communities, where he mingled, have lost a temperately useful personality whose influence was always tabulated for righteousness. Nature had tempered him heavily laden with a genial, smiling greeting for the duties and friendships of life. It

was strong and contagious. Sad as is his sudden death, sadder yet that only twenty-nine bright rosy summers was he permitted to influence us those genial, smiling friendships.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Taylor of Woodsville, N. H., made a half dozen hour visit to his old home, corner of Lowell and Stony Brook roads. He is a veteran of the civil war as well as a veteran in service of the Boston and Maine railroad.

The farm of John J. and Daniel H. Sheehan on Pigeon hill was sold at auction last Saturday afternoon. This sale was to settle the estate, and Daniel H. Sheehan, who for several years has been the nominal proprietor, now becomes by this sale nominal and legal proprietor.

Martha J. Taylor has arrived home after spending over a year with her uncle, Gilbert A. Schellenger, who owns a farm at Bound Brook, N. J. This is the home land of peaches, poultry and asparagus.

Miss Belle Walker has been visiting her brother, John J. Walker, in Natick. Mr. Walker will be remembered as one of the ruggedly active scholars of the old Stony Brook school in its glory days. He was a personal friend of the writer in the merry-go-round of collar and elbow, which dusted the air in summer and snowed it in winter.

Mrs. Clara Greig and Mrs. Alma Richardson have returned from New York and New Jersey, heavy laden with useful accumulations to report to their friends.

William R. Carver has bought of Joseph E. Knight, the thrifty young orchard south of the buildings on the Chelmsford road.

Miss Francis Banister has been ill with sore throat, which interfered with her duties as school teacher at Grantville.

Two of the children of Joseph Sears have been seriously ill of diphtheria at their home on the road near Westford station and under quarantine. Friends have been obliged to look on and lessen the burden of Mr. Sears.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Fage hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

Forge.

The members of the John Edwards hose company will hold their first chicken supper at their club rooms Saturday evening. This is the first affair to be held by the firemen, and if the present plans are carried out it will not be the last.

Archie S. Bennett of Somerville visited with Mrs. H. E. Randall Sunday.

Mrs. John Carmichael and Mrs. William Leahy visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinde at their home in Chelmsford Center, Thursday.

Miss Katherine Lowther of Andover is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Souther.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Parsons left on the noon train Tuesday, for Rainier, Ore., where they expect to spend the winter with Mrs. William Kennedy, a sister of Mr. Parsons. They went with the Judson tourist party by way of the Hoosac tunnel and the Mohawk valley to points further west. They expect to arrive at their destination Monday, November 14. They will also spend some time in Southern California.

Stephen Keefe of Townsend Harbor and James Coughlin were over-Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael.

A very pretty wedding occurred at St. Catherine's church, Tuesday morning, November 9, when Miss Pamela Lefare, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gensia Lefare, was united in marriage to Joseph Geauriepy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geauriepy, Rev. E. T. Schofield officiating. The bride was daintily gowned in a white hat and carried valley lilies. A wedding breakfast was served at the home of the groom's parents. In the evening a reception was held in Cabot's hall.

Antonio Campanini, an Italian employed on the foundation of the new mill which Abbot & Co. are erecting, met with a very painful accident Monday morning. He was digging in a sand bank near the wool-sorting room, when it suddenly caved in, burying him up to his shoulders. His cries attracted his fellow-workmen, who quickly went to his rescue. He was carried to his home close by where Mrs. W. H. Sherman and O. V. Wells attended him. He received a very severe sprain and will be unable to resume work for some time.

Musical.

Miss Sarah Precious held a very enjoyable musicale at her home, Saturday, at which all the relatives of her pupils attended. She was assisted by Misses Cressey and Theresa Lowther and Rachel Cheney as vocalists. The program consisted of a duet for piano, Misses Annie and Mary Cherry; vocal solo, "The buzzing bumble bee," Miss Ethel Collins; piano solo, "The rose lay," Miss Marion Lord; vocal solo, "Oh let a rosebud fall," Mrs. John Carmichael; duet, "Under the mistletoe," Miss Sarah Precious, Miss Emily Collins; song, "Just in the same old way," Miss Rachel Cherry; piano duet, "McGinty's first love," Miss Kathryn Brown, Miss Carolyn E. Precious; duet, "Woodland echoes," Misses Cressey and Theresa Lowther; song, "First love," Miss Bertha Collins. After the musicale refreshments of ice cream, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

TOWNSEND.

Halloween.

Last Saturday evening, when witches, hobgoblins and other mischief-making beings were supposed to be abroad on their bountiful errands, "Some merry, friendly, contra folks, Together did convene, To burn their nits an' pou their stocks, An' hand their Halloween Fu' bythe that night."

By request, nearly all the "contra folks" appeared in costume. Mr. Josselyn, as a sailor, and Mrs. Josselyn as a dame of a century ago, were the host and hostess, and welcomed their guests at Townsend Harbor hall. During the earlier part of the evening greetings were exchanged, merry comments and words of praise given and received.

Mrs. Josselyn, as mistress of cere-

monies, had prepared a delightful program.

The opening number was a piano duet by W. E. Gray and N. G. Proctor, which was followed by three sketches: An old-time singing school, an old-time husking bee, in which was introduced the song, "The husking bee," sung by Stephen Keefe and Harry Knight. The third sketch was an old-time country dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross, in Indian costume, gave the selection, "Anona." Mr. Ross as Indian chief was a great success, and Mrs. Ross as "Sweet Anona," was no less pleasing as she stepped out from her Indian wigwam.

Miss Ruth and Mildred Morgan gave a happy rendering of the song, "Under southern skies." Bed-time scenes, a little evening sketch, was gracefully given by Mrs. Frank Conant and her little daughter Addie and "dolly." Miss Dorothy Smith, an elf child, was queen of Halloween, and in a pleasing manner spoke to the large company. Miss Isabel Ewing, witch of Halloween, vouchsafed to a few guests a glimpse into the future. It was with quaking limbs and beating hearts these favored ones, peered beyond the veil and saw their lot in the evening's festivities. However, each past was heroically done and the fun went merrily on.

Miss Myrtle Gray, in the picturesque dress of a gypsy fortune teller, revealed the book of fate to those greatly desirous of prying into the future. There were games in plenty for the children, which the grown-ups seemed to enjoy equally well.

At ten o'clock, by little girls dressed as witches, the guests were served crackers and cheese in pumpkin shells garnished with autumn leaves. Next followed cider, fresh from the press, and pop-corn, also pop-corn balls. The song, "I remember you," sung by Gilman Conant, concluded the program.

After some very happy remarks by Mrs. Josselyn to her many guests, a vote of thanks was most prettily extended to the host and hostess for making possible an evening so exceptionally pleasant.

Among the many and varied costumes were those of Columbia, a red-corn nurse, a gypsy, a sailor, a pumpkin, an elf, a college student, Indians, witches, clowns, cowboys, also comic, ancient and poverty costumes.

For being the best dressed, Mrs. Lizzie Baldwin and Mr. Hallahan received prizes; Mrs. McCarthy and Amos Morgan for being the poorest dressed. Mr. Coughlin received a prize for the best comic costume.

The hall was prettily decorated with banks of autumn leaves and ferns, while skeletons illuminated skulls and Jack-o'-lanterns gave the desired effect of Halloween.

N. G. PROCTOR, Townsend Harbor.

The above account of the Halloween festivities at Townsend Harbor sent in by N. G. Proctor, last week Friday, were too late for last Saturday's paper.

New Advertisements.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.—The heirs-at-law and all others interested in the estate of Charles Tarbell, late of Bedford, in the State of New Hampshire, deceased. Whereas, Wallace H. Tarbell, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the order named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

You are hereby cited to appear at said Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any cannot be so found, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in "Turner's Public Spirit," a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

319 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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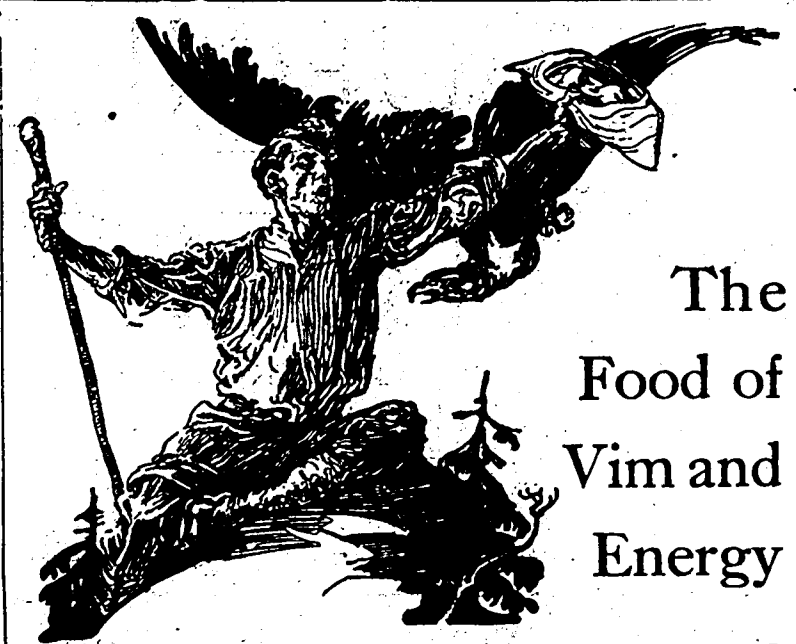
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HARVARD.

To the Editor:

Will you allow a "constant reader" to correct a few of the errors into which your Still River correspondent seems to have fallen in his items of last week? The article referred to I have not read, so the corrections refer only to the local news.

The preparation of various papers on village and church history have caused the writer to give considerable time to study along these lines. Still River was the first settled part of the town, and many of the early affairs of importance occurred here; it was therefore fit that the paper read at the dedication of the first room for the Harvard Historical society should have been on our village, and this scribe had the pleasure of preparing it. Later it was re-written and read before a representative audience of Harvard's best people, the small admission fee paid netting an offering for that worthy institution, the Clinton hospital.

In this undertaking the author had the assistance of some of the older residents now gone, notably that of the late John B. Willard, whose series of local anecdotes printed in your paper antedated by some time the history of Harvard by Hon. Henry S. Nourse of Lancaster. Probably no work of this kind is ever entirely free from mistakes, but a large correspondence with Mr. Nourse convinced the writer of the care he took to avoid this. He had access to town, county and state records, old deeds and the collections of historical societies, and interviewed most of the older residents, taking pains to verify statements before use "by the mouth of two or three witnesses." It is safe, therefore, to suppose that his data of the old places are correct, so far as any one could make them. Any deviation from such a course brings misunderstanding to those of the present day and confusion upon future historians.

The pictures connected with the article referred to by your correspondent were not as stated all taken by Miss Marshall; the one of the Houghton house is the property of myself and was taken several years since either by Mrs. A. M. L. Clark of Lancaster, or her son, and loaned by Miss Houghton's request for this purpose, as she preferred this view of her ancestral home to any of several others taken. The one of the Bigelow house was made, at least, a dozen years ago by Miss Alice Chandler of Lancaster, who took the photographs from which the illustrations in the Harvard history were prepared. It is my impression it was one of a series of the old houses of the region done for a special purpose. If I remember correctly, those of the Haskell and Luther Willard houses were done by Miss Eleanor Willard, now Mrs. Charles Merrifield, and that of the Atherton house was furnished by some member of the family.

The Thaddeus Pollard house, now the home of Isaac H. Marshall, is by no means one of the oldest here, as Captain Pollard, who came here from Bolton, built it in 1782, a fact which persons now living could probably verify as having heard from their fathers. That same year the Shaker, Abijah Worster, was scourged by all honor in front of the new mansion; all honor to that worthy citizen, James Haskell, who, passing while the cruel act was in progress, got off his horse, removed his coat, and offered to take the last half of the twenty stripes himself. After this the mob let the modern martyr go, who departed, singing as he went.

The exact date of the Bigelow house is not known. Mr. Nourse thinks it to be over two hundred years old. This was the southern end of the Major Simon Willard farm, and was in 1700 bought by Joseph and Elizabeth Hutchins. They died in 1757, probably childless, as they willed all their property, including their negro, Neptune, to a "kinsman." A schoolhouse which once formed its ell was the one in which most of the older generations attended school, but there is some question as to its being the first one in the village. The late Galen Atherton, who lived to be eighty, told the writer that he remembered hearing that a schoolhouse once stood on the field on the south side of the church. In that church there was a division in its early days. Tradition says that the pastor and accompanying seceders occupied this building, where he preached with such fervor as to disturb the regular attendants in the meeting house.

It was not the Joseph Atherton house, now owned by H. W. Atherton of Holyoks, where the British officers were quartered, and, according to Mr. Nourse, the date of its building is not certain, as he thinks it was preceded by an older house on the opposite side of the street, as far back as the writer's memory goes, approaching three score years. A lovely red rose bush beside the road marked what once must have been its garden. Galen Atherton told me that originally the Atherton lands stretched along the side of the river as far as where H. D. Stone lives. This had led to a question in my own mind whether at some time it did not connect with the Atherton estate at the south side of the village, where was the home of Joshua, perhaps father of Joseph. Near the beautiful elm of which Rev. H. B. Mason has taken so fine a picture, there stood until 1852 a large, red, two-story house peculiar in construction, perhaps a garrison, its huge chimney, part of stone and part of brick, laid in clay mortar the home of the aforesaid Joshua. It was here probably that the two British officers stayed. When razed much of its material was used in building the cottage now owned by Mrs. Hannah D. Harrod, and built for the late James Humphrey Atherton soon after his marriage. The old house was also the home of Peter Atherton, Harvard's first town clerk, first representative to the Great and General Court, a justice of the peace and a blacksmith. Ten children died in infancy, but two sons gained eminence elsewhere, Dr. Israel in Lancaster, where he had charge of the pock hospital and practised inoculation with the disease before the discovery of vaccination, and Joshua, who studied for the bar and became Attorney General of New Hampshire; both were Harvard graduates. In common with several other old houses nothing very definite is known of the Luther Willard house, but it probably, like the

next one, now the home of H. D. Stone and mother, belonged to some of the numerous descendants of Major Simon Willard, although more is known of the Stone house, once a tavern.

Probably a slip of the pen made the Henry Willard house the home of W. B. Willard. Instead of W. B. Haskell, in whose family it has been owned for several generations, Mr. Nourse gives no positive date for its erection, but sees no reason to doubt that it was the first of Harvard's garrisons, and suggests the site was chosen because of the outlook on so much of the surrounding region. W. B. Willard's home was used for thirty years as the first church in Leominster. It was bought at auction, pulled down, and rebuilt here and moved to its present site, when the meeting house, now standing, was erected in 1832. An unknown historian gives the date of its removal as 1741, and adds that a depression in an old Leominster cemetery marks the spot on which it stood, but this I cannot vouch for. The town meeting in Harvard's first town hall was held in it.

KATHERINE L. LAWRENCE, Still River.

WESTFORD.

Death.

Daniel W. Harrington, a highly-esteemed young man of this village, died at his home on Second street, early Sunday morning, November 7, after an illness of only five days' duration, aged twenty-nine years. Death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage, caused from a stream of water from a hose while fighting fire at the barn of J. A. Healy, that was burned on Monday night, November 1. Mr. Harrington was rendered unconscious at the time, and although the very best medical attendance was given him, he never fully recovered from the shock and death relieved all suffering early Sunday morning. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Hannah R. Harrington, one brother, P. Henry Harrington, and four sisters, Miss Mary Harrington and Mrs. Henry J. Healy of this village, and Miss Katherine and Anna Harrington of Leominster, as well as numerous relatives in Lowell and Fitchburg. Seldom, if ever, has a death in this village aroused such heart-felt sympathy as is expressed by the entire community in the passing away of this popular young man.

"Dan" Harrington, as he was familiarly called, was a friend of everybody and leaves a host of friends both here and in surrounding towns, where his position as salesman brought him in contact with many, who can testify to his sterling, manly qualities. Being a big, jovial fellow with a pleasing personality, he was beloved by young and old who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, and his untimely death will be sincerely mourned by all. He was always interested in the village welfare and ever ready to help a worthy cause. He was a devout member of St. Catherine's church, having been one of the first altar boys selected to serve at mass when the present church was dedicated. He was an honored member of Court Westford, 170, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters of America, a trustee of Court Graniteville 179, Foresters of America, a lieutenant of the A. R. Choate hose company, and a willing worker in the cause of temperance, being a member of St. Catherine's Temperance society of this village. All of the above-named organizations held special meetings on Sunday afternoon, when they took suitable action on the death of their fellow member and appointed committees on attending the funeral.

On Sunday evening, at seven o'clock, the members of Court Westford, headed by R. J. McCarthy, chief ranger, formed in line at Healy's hall and marched in a body to the late home of deceased.

The funeral took place on Tuesday morning and was one of the largest attended funerals ever witnessed in this village. At nine o'clock the members of Court Westford, headed by R. J. McCarthy, assembled at Healy's hall, where they formed in line and marched to the home of their deceased brother, where the prayers for the dead were recited. Shortly after, the members of Court Graniteville 179, F. of A., marched in a body from the hall to the home, Florence Sullivan, chief ranger, and his staff of officers having their regalia draped in mourning. At the house Florence Sullivan read a farewell address to the bereaved family. The members of the A. R. Choate hose company and the members of St. Catherine's Temperance society were already present. The different societies and organizations lining each side of the street. When the family had taken leave of their loved one for the last time, the line of march for the funeral procession was formed in the following order:

Fire wagon of the A. R. Choate company, draped in mourning and containing the floral offerings, driven by William T. Tounsiant and followed by Lieut. Alfred Prim and the members of the fire company; the hearse came next and was followed by the members of Court Graniteville, St. Catherine's Temperance society, Court Westford, and a delegation of the Sons of Veterans. All marched to St. Catherine's church, where the members of the Edward M. Abbot hose company of Westford, and the John Edwards hose company of Forge Village, joined with the local fire company as a guard of honor over their deceased member.

At ten o'clock a requiem mass was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Edmund T. Schofield. The choir under the direction of Miss Mary F. Hanley sang the Gregorian chant and at the offertory Miss Hanley sang the "Pie Jesu." At the conclusion of the mass, Rev. E. F. Schofield said a few words on the past life of deceased. His remarks made a deep impression, and when he finished there was not a dry eye in the church. Never since the church has been built has so many people attended a funeral service of this kind. The church was filled to the doors and many were obliged to stand during the service.

Aside from the many who were present from the immediate vicinity, there were many relatives and friends from Fitchburg, Wilton and Manchester, N. H., Lowell, Leominster, Lawrence, West and North Chelmsford, Forge Village and surrounding towns. During the day and Monday, by request of the teachers in the Sargent school, the flag on the school building was placed at half mast, out of

respect for the deceased. Many school children attended the services at the church.

The floral tributes were varied and beautiful, which testified in a marked degree to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The bearers were James R. Healy, Charles McLennan, Edward Riney, Henry Le Duc, J. Austin Healy, R. J. Hemen.

At the conclusion of the services in the church the line of march was then formed and proceeded to St. Catherine's cemetery. Rev. Edmund T. Schofield officiated at the grave. Fr. Schofield also served as chaplain of Court Westford 170, and read the final prayers. The services at the grave were completed by the members of Court Graniteville, Chief Ranger Florence Sullivan and the official staff performing the last sad rites of Forestry. Burial took place at St. Catherine's cemetery at twelve o'clock noon. Undertaker, J. A. Healy had charge.

The following letter has been received from Capt. S. H. Fletcher, chief of the Westford fire department, addressed to Mrs. Daniel Harrington, widow of deceased:

Westford, Mass., Nov. 8, 1909.

Mrs. Daniel Harrington.
Dear Madam: I am greatly shocked to hear of the death of your beloved husband. Accept my most sincere sympathy in your bereavement. It is not only a loss to the fire department, but also to the community in which he lived. I trust you may be able to bear up bravely in your affliction, knowing that he was much respected by those who knew him. Very respectfully,
SHERMAN H. FLETCHER,
Chief Westford Fire Department.

Much gloom has settled over the village in the death of this well-known young man, and the different organizations, of which the late Daniel W. Harrington was a member, have suspended all forms of entertainment until the period of mourning is over.

DUNSTABLE.

News Items.

On Sunday morning Mrs. Paul La Cour of Douglas academy, Laundale N. C., gave an address in the church. Her modest manner, earnest words and evident sincerity of purpose made her a most acceptable speaker, and were a good illustration of the excellent work accomplished by such institutions as Fiske university, of which she is a graduate. Mrs. La Cour and her husband are in charge of the A. M. A. school in Laundale and are doing a much-needed work among a destitute people. Last year the Woman's Home Missionary society sent a substantial box for Christmas. It was much appreciated. Mrs. La Cour also rendered several jubilee songs, and in the evening spoke at the C. E. meeting.

The Lent-a-hand club held their monthly meeting November 11, with Mrs. Hall.

The new clock has been placed in the town hall.

The Sunday school will take an offering on November 14 for D. W. Waldson's Thanksgiving dinner fund.

"Calmore," the summer home of Calvin Austin, is without its occupants, they having taken apartments at the Parker house for the winter. The friendly lights are much missed, and the townspeople will gladly welcome their return in spring. Since the purchase of their home in Dunstable two years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Austin have greatly improved the grounds and contemplate still further changes. They have also in many ways contributed to the public good.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Sarah Gilman is making a visit of several weeks in Claremont and vicinity, where she formerly resided.

The Pierce Brothers are building a cottage on the old schoolhouse site, to be occupied by their farmer.

At the annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions the old officers were re-elected: Mrs. E. K. Jewett, pres.; Mrs. E. S. Russell, sec. and treas. Voted to hold quarterly meetings during the year to formulate an interest in the work of foreign missions.

Death.

The many friends of Mrs. Thomas Proctor were grieved to hear the first of the week of her death in Newton. Mrs. Proctor was a life-long resident of Hollis, and most highly respected by all. The past few years she has spent the winters with her two sons, alternating between their two homes in Newton and Jamaica Plain, coming to her own home early in the summer and remaining until late in the fall. She was deeply interested in the welfare of Hollis and did all in her power to promote its best interests. Active in church and all good works until the past few years. She was a faithful friend. The body was brought to Hollis Tuesday afternoon and laid beside her husband in the South cemetery, where services were held. She is survived by two sons, Thomas William and Frank; also by a brother, William Parie, and a sister, Mrs. Buchings.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Valedge, Mrs. Viella Dodge and Mrs. Louis Bragg united with the Congregational church last Sunday. Rev. W. L. Noyes will discuss "The religion of the future," as viewed by President Eliot, at the morning service, Sunday, November 14.

Harris L. Gilson of Wakefield, Mass., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Elvira Shattuck last Saturday.

Horace Randall severely wounded his foot with an ice hook while employed at the ice house, and it will lay him up for a few days.

Stanley Abbott of Whitton has purchased the E. S. Whitcomb farm of Will A. Hobart.

Mesdames Clara Russell, Hattie Pierce, Lucretia Martin, Emma Valdege and Grace Dodge presented "Mrs. Willis' will" at the G. A. R. fair at Ayer, Thursday evening, November 4, and Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Martin gave the farce, "Cheerful and musical." They were cordially entertained at the home of Mrs. Dodge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Beverly.

James R. Works and family of Milford have moved to the Austin place, on the Pepperell road.

Joseph Le Clair, who has been suffering with a painful leg, has gone to the hospital.

Wedding.

At the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wallace of Nashua, on Tuesday, November 2, at three o'clock, their daughter, Edna June Wallace, and John Stewart Taylor of Melrose, Mass., were united in marriage by Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., a former pastor of the bride, who was born in this town and spent her childhood days here. The ceremony, which was the double ring service, was witnessed by only immediate relatives of both parties. The home was elaborately decorated and was converted into a bower of palms, laurel and chrysanthemums. To the strains of the bridal hymn, played by Miss Annie L. Melendy, accompanied by Miss Kittle Nickles, sixteen young women, friends of the bride, passed down the staircase. Between ropings of green the bridal party passed down to meet the groom and officiating clergyman.

The bride was accompanied by her sister, Miss Edith M. Wallace, a Mt. Holyoke graduate, but now employed as research assistant for Dr. T. H. Morgan, professor of zoology in Columbia university. The best man was George Wilder of Newport, N. H. Percy Bramhall of Lowell and Alver H. Ives of Manchester were the ushers. Following the ceremony there was a wedding reception and luncheon was served. Later Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left for a short wedding trip and will make their home at Melrose, Mass.

The bride was attired in white chiffon and old lace over white silk and carried a shower bouquet of roses. The bridesmaid was gowned in blue silk and carried a bouquet of roses. The following young women, led by Miss Ina Wallace and gowned in white with blue garnitures, formed the bride's attendants: Miss Ruberta Bramhall, Lowell; Miss Bertha L. Sargent and Miss Florence G. Sargent, Putnam, Conn.; Miss Mabel E. Brown, Miss Gertrude M. Chamberlain, Miss Mary E. Trow, Miss Mary Chamberlain, Miss M. Bertha Drown, Miss Beatrice Flather, Nashua; Miss Edith Wallace, Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Marion F. Bond and Miss Emily S. Ives, of Revere; Miss Alice E. Lesson of Swampscott; Miss Dorothy Bramhall, Lowell.

The bride's mother was gowned in the dress in which she was married, it being the thirty-third anniversary of her marriage to Dr. Wallace.

The bride received a large part of her education in Nashua, and for some time past has been very prominent in the social life in that city. She was closely identified with the work of the Good Cheer society.

The groom is at the head of one of the departments at the Brown-Durrell Co.'s store in Boston. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Taylor of Derby, Vt.

The gifts were many, beautiful and costly, and showed the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are held by their host of friends.

New Advertisements.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of Josie A. Russell, late of Shirley, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Will F. Russell of Shirley, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond; and you are hereby cited to appear at the Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

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Saturday, November 13, 1909.

GROTON.

News Items.

The Groton sewing school will begin Saturday afternoon, November 20, at two o'clock, in the town hall as usual. All our six are cordially invited to come.

There will be a service with supper and entertainment at the Baptist church on Thursday evening, November 18.

The mock trial of last week had a record-breaking attendance of four hundred or more, and everybody said it was good. All the participants from judge to jury carried their parts well, and the whole was so nearly a real trial in management as could be. Ridiculous conditions and positions were told of with local hits that were rich in fun and ludicrous to the extreme. Even the "cloth" did not escape. The witnesses were heard under their own names, while the jurors were named John D. Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan, etc. The Groton band realized a plump fifty dollars as their net results and will wire the bandstand.

The annual Field day at Wellesley college, held Monday afternoon, was won by the class of 1910 with a good lead over 1911. Headed by the senior class with its president, the girls marched to the athletic field gaily decorated with their class colors. The senior class, of which Miss Genevieve Hodgman of this town is a member, won in basket ball over 1911 class, 43 to 35, Miss Hodgman playing guard. Miss Hodgman was among the girls awarded a "W".

Mrs. Wiley, with her daughter, drove over from Pepperell to spend the day with her cousin, Mrs. H. W. Whiting, on Thursday.

Lawrence academy plays Lowell high on Shumway field this Saturday afternoon.

George N. Cook and family have left town and are getting settled in their new home at Lee, N. H., where his friends hear Mr. Cook is well pleased so far with his position.

Mrs. Olive Clark Fuller of Dorchester was in town this week visiting her brother, J. H. Clark, and other friends.

At the recent meeting of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: W. T. Taylor, pres.; William A. Lawrence, vice-pres.; J. H. Sheedy, sec.; S. F. Davis, treas.; John Moyle, F. F. Waters, H. W. Taylor, Amos L. Ames, Jr., M. J. Cleary, executive committee. It was voted at this meeting to hold a fair next year.

The date of the sale to be held by the ladies of the Unitarian church is December 8. Useful and fancy articles from which Christmas presents may be selected will be found at this sale, held during the afternoon. In the evening an entertainment under charge of Mrs. V. B. Robinson and consisting of music and a farce will be held. The evening will close with a dance.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard left town Thursday morning for her home in Brooklyn, the family home here, the Dix residence, being closed for the winter.

Mrs. Abercrombie of Lunenburg is a guest of Miss G. A. Boutwell, Miss Lizzie Owen, one of the two sisters who taught a private school here nearly forty years ago, is also a guest of Miss Boutwell.

Mrs. M. F. Warner has closed her house and gone to the Groton for the winter. Her home is with Mrs. Kimball, whose home is with Mrs. Warner, has pleasant rooms at Dr. H. B. Priest's where she will board through the winter.

At the next meeting of Groton grange a spelling match will be indulged in.

On Friday afternoon Miss Clara Robinson begins on the last half of her dancing lessons and has had good success so far with them.

Arthur Sargent has moved to town from Rutland and will live at the home and help care for his mother, Mrs. John Sargent, who met with an accident several weeks ago.

Mr. Sargent has bought the cows owned by Raymond Plouffe of Harvard and will run a milk route to Ayer.

George A. Tuttle has bought out the pool-room of H. C. Rice in Palmer's block. Later Mr. Tuttle will start up a first-class lunch room.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Page hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

Mrs. Mary T. Shumway of Dorchester, coming last Thursday, was an over-Sunday guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma P. Shumway, and attended services at the Congregational church, of which she was for many years a prominent member. Miss Robinson and Miss Aldrich from Andover, and Miss Johnson from Waltham, came to spend a day last week with Mrs. Shumway. Each remembering that Sunday was the eighty-second birthday anniversary of Mrs. E. P. Shumway, they brought her flowers and other tokens. Others of her Groton friends and neighbors called or sent messages and tokens of remembrance.

William A. Souther planned to leave this week Friday for his annual winter's stay in Florida.

Work on the electric lighting plant is moving rapidly towards completion, some calculating that our streets will be lighted in about a fortnight.

Clipping. Under date of November 8, the Springfield Union prints the following item: "Rev. B. F. Gustin, minister of the Congregational church in the North Amherst church and received eleven new members, five in profession and six by letter."

Groton friends may be interested to know that during the last eighteen months thirty-two have united with this church, eight young men and seven young women with ages averaging eighteen years, uniting with the church upon confession of faith. In these days it is unusual to find more young men than young women coming into the churches.

Grange.

The Farmers' Institute, which is a part of the Middlesex North Agricultural society, met by invitation from the Middlesex Worcester Pomona with Groton grange on Wednesday, November 10, the Groton society furnishing a most excellent dinner. There was a very good attendance and an extremely interesting program. Those of the public who did not avail themselves of the privilege of attending missed something good.

Prof. L. A. Clinton from the Connecticut State college, spoke in the morning session on "Soils and maintaining their fertility." He handled his subject in an able manner and was given close attention. In the afternoon his subject was "Trend country-ward," treated in the same masterly and interesting style. There were other speeches by Revs. G. M. Howe and P. H. Cressey of Groton, and Mr. Corkum of Billerica. George S. Knapp was called upon to talk on his methods in apple raising and was asked many questions. A musical and literary program added to the day's enjoyment. There were readings by Miss Hale of Fitchburg, vocal solo by Miss Susan Hill, vocal solo by Mr. Follansbee, vocal solo by Mrs. Brackett, vocal duet by Mrs. Woolley and Mr. Follansbee, piano duet by Miss Barrows and Mrs. Sawyer, selections by the Mandolin club and chorus singing by the grange. The meeting was a success in every way, and it was decided to hold another institute in Groton town hall next year. Charles H. Berry is chairman of the committee.

Hospital Notes.

Lawrence G. Park, operated on last week for appendicitis, is doing finely.

Miss Kate Whalen, operated on for appendicitis last Saturday, is doing well. Miss Marshall of Pepperell, Isabelle Dorritt of West Groton, Mary W. Gordon of Groton, Walter Sherwood and Joseph La Valley of Pepperell, all operated on at the Groton hospital for appendicitis, have returned to their homes from the hospital.

John McDonald of this town and Ernest Downing of Ayer, the latter a patient of Dr. Bulkeley, are patients at the hospital, operated on for different ailments, are doing well.

Mrs. Maria A. Bowers underwent an operation at her home on Hollis street, last Monday, the operation revealing appendicitis and a very large gall stone, which was removed.

Chester Hill of West Groton was taken violently ill with appendicitis Monday and an operation was performed at his home the same night, he being too ill to be taken to the hospital. Both patients are doing as well as could be expected.

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LITTLETON.

News Items.

The body of Mrs. Benjamin Raymond, aged eighty-seven years, was brought from Roxbury, Monday forenoon, and laid to rest in the family lot in Westlawn cemetery. Mrs. Raymond died from the effects of a stroke of paralysis suffered a year ago. She leaves a husband ninety-six years of age, and two sons, one of whom, Edward, has made a home for his parents in their old age. Mrs. Raymond was a native of Vermont, coming to Littleton when a young lady. Mr. Raymond was formerly engaged in the meat business here.

E. H. Flagg, in company with Mr. Dickson of Boston, has bought out a firm that was engaged in the manufacture of laundry starch. Last week they organized a stock company, and have begun already to mix the starch product and put up the starch ready for the market. Only a few hands will be employed at the canning factory for this purpose at present.

Clifton Flagg has bought the John Pierce farm, better known as the Walter Brown place.

Cyrus Pickard has purchased a place in West Acton and will move there soon.

Mrs. William Channing Brown, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a week ago, is making good improvement. Her little daughter Margaret was operated on last Saturday for throat and ear-disease.

A merry husking party brought together a large number of young people at Elbert J. Wilcox's last Saturday evening. Little account was taken of the corn husked, but the impression stamped itself with deep impression on the memory of all present. The latter part of the evening was given over to games of various kinds. A most appetizing spread was served by Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. W. E. Conant and Miss Cora Davis. Again human nature asserts itself and declares its preference for some of the good old-fashioned customs.

The parishioners of the Orthodox church were happy indeed to welcome their pastor to his usual place in the pulpit last Sunday morning. Mr. Favor had been ill in bed nearly all the week, and it was expected that Dr. Emerick, the missionary bishop of the state, would speak, but his failure to keep the engagement had become known and a substitute engaged, who in turn had to cancel his engagement. The evening church service was omitted, as the pastor was unequal to so much in a single day.

Rev. C. A. Drummond will exchange pulpits with Rev. Mr. Ennis of Norwell next Sunday, thus enjoying the privilege of preaching to his former parishioners.

Miss Emily Brown, former eighth grade teacher in the town hall school, is visiting her cousin, W. H. Brown, at the Common.

The Nashobah lodge will hold a barn-dance Friday evening, November 19, in town hall.

Gardner W. Prouty is building a shack on the roof of the ell adjoining the main part of his house for the occupancy of his daughter, Helen, who is giving special attention to her health.

Mrs. Grace Lawrence is having a telephone put into her house, thus completing the details that make her beautiful home ideal.

John Ames of Somerville is visiting his cousin, Mrs. A. W. Knowlton.

Mr. Harding of Columbus, Ohio, has arrived in town to look after the interests of his sheep that are expected to land and be placed in quarantine this week.

Misses Sanderson spent Sunday at the home of their cousin, Fred Tuttle of Lowell.

It will interest the readers of this paper to know that one of the books recently added to the Reuben Hoar library, "The lone trail," a book of poetry by Francis Gotham, was reviewed in the Twentieth Century magazine and published by Wallace B. Conant of Brookline, a unique distinction for one of our Littleton boys. Specimens of handwork, completed by members of the embroidery class, will be displayed at the exhibition in Ayer next month.

Nashobah lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., have completed all arrangements for their barn dance, to be held Friday evening, November 18. Wilson's orchestra of Fitchburg will furnish the music.

Repeated and emphatic notice is requested of the lecture on birds by Edward Forbush, state ornithologist, next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock in town hall. It will cost the public nothing in addition to the effort to be present. The lecture is designed not merely for entertainment, but very particularly for practical help and usefulness. The speaker has spent much of his life with birds, studying their habits, needs and service to man. It is hoped that a full house will greet Mr. Forbush and show their appreciation of his efforts in the interest of men and birds.

Mrs. William Channing Brown has made splendid progress at the Gardner hospital and is expected home in a few days.

Mrs. J. W. Ireland underwent a successful operation in the homeopathic hospital on Commonwealth avenue, Boston, last Monday, and is reported making satisfactory improvement.

Mrs. Mary Foley has been on the sick list; also E. A. Cox. Fred Hosmer's little boy is expected to be operated on soon.

Capt. William H. Sawyer started Thursday noon for Berkeley, Cal., where he will spend the winter with his niece.

Dr. and Mrs. John Lemley (née Kimball) of Albany, N. Y., will go to Florida for the winter.

Mrs. Isaac Brown has recently accepted the position of housekeeper for Mr. Thacher on the J. Arthur Robbins' place.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brennan visited friends in town Tuesday.

Misses Helen and Marion Brown have been recent visitors in town, coming in time for the concert Tuesday evening. One of the artists is their cousin.

Several members of the Conant family and Miss Thacher attended the missionary meeting in Boston, Thursday, traveling by automobile. Six delegates from the Congregational Sunday school have been chosen to attend the State Sunday school convention in Boston.

Three carloads of sheep, the property of Mr. Harding of Columbus, Ohio, were placed in the U. S. quarantine Tuesday.

Subject of the Sunday evening C. E. meeting, "Pilgrim's Progress series—II. Beniah Land." Dr. W. Godfrey, leader at the Baptist; Edith Fletcher at the Congregational church.

Cyrus Pickard, who recently sold his farm, has bought a place in Acton Center.

Lyceum Concert.

A large audience assembled in town hall at the opening of the eightieth consecutive year of the Littleton lyceum last Thursday evening.

The platform was made very homelike and pretty by a row of red geraniums extending across the front and the cheerful light of a handsome banquet lamp at one end.

In the absence of the president, vice-president Rev. C. A. Drummond, opened the lyceum by a few appropriate remarks and the introduction of the artists. To the Westland Ladies' quartet the highest merit had previously been accorded. Consequently much was expected, and no one possessing the least appreciation of good music was in any way disappointed. They were accompanied by an equally talented pianist. To quote from one of our best musicians and critics: "This was an entertainment of which one could truthfully speak in superlatives."

The ladies were entertained by Mrs. Patch and Mrs. Hartwell.

Eightieth Birthday.

Deacon John W. Thacher, our venerable and always genial merchant at Littleton Center store, celebrated on Thursday of last week his eightieth birthday in a memorable manner.

Through the thoughtfulness and affection of his children, Miss Elizabeth and Josiah P. Thacher, arrangements were made and perfectly executed for an afternoon of pleasure for Mr. Thacher and his many friends.

In the sunny rooms of his cheery home, made additionally beautiful by the array of magnificent chrysanthemums and carnations, Mr. Thacher received with his usual cordiality 116 guests. From Fitchburg, Leominster, Lunenburg, Shirley, Ayer and Auburn, friends arrived on the noon train and were transported to the center.

Among the arrivals was Peter Tarbell of Ayer, who reached the eighty-third milestone in his life journey last Monday. Mr. Tarbell is a former neighbor of Mr. Thacher's in Shirley and was the first of the people to call on Mr. and Mrs. Thacher when they settled in that town.

Throughout the afternoon the octogenarian received congratulations, and although he scarcely sat during four and one-half hours, felt well and vigorous at night.

In the evening several of those who were unable to do so before called to pay their respects to their friend.

To all the guests of the afternoon and evening refreshments of ice cream and other delicacies were served.

Many pleasant remembrances were left in the form of flowers, fruit, candy, books, handkerchiefs, and four birthday cakes—all quite unexpected.

Mr. Thacher speaks of the occasion as perhaps the greatest event in his life. Certainly it must have loomed high to surpass that memorable journey of his boyhood when he led a cow from the wilds of Maine to Concord, N. H.

Long life, health and happiness to our honored and worthy townsman.

Agreeable Surprise.

A pleasant and agreeable surprise is one of the great joys of life, especially when it is prompted by genuine regard and appreciation of those having the affair in charge.

Miss Maud Mitchell, the popular L. H. S. associate teacher, was sitting down to a quiet evening on Saturday last, when a bombardment, with the sudden element left out, occurred so suddenly that for once she was obliged to stand before the high school juniors and let them do all the talking. There were twelve of them, fair-faced girls and husky-voiced boys, all keen with delight and intent of an evening's enjoyment. Miss Mitchell soon recovered herself, and a very agreeable succession of games was planned, which with music made up a delightful evening. But this is not all, for when the bombardment was planned they decided to carry their powder along with them in the shape of ice cream and a goodly variety of the present-day delicacies that go so well with that icy dainty. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mitchell were informed early in the day, by a very small bird, of what might possibly happen, and they too had started this larder with something in case the youngsters had miscalculated. When they took their formal leave, all separated, not only in high spirits but with the satisfaction of feeling that they had shown Miss Mitchell that whole-hearted regard so much dearly prized by a teacher.

L. W. C.

The Woman's club spent a pleasant home afternoon at the Baptist vestry, Monday afternoon, and there was a good number present. After the acceptance of the secretary's report, the president, Mrs. Robinson, announced the meeting of the State federation on November 11, at Brockton, and asked for the nomination of a delegate. Mrs. Annie C. Smith was the lady chosen. Any other club member who wishes may attend.

Mrs. Fannie P. Woodbury, corresponding secretary, read from the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mason, of the Ayer club, an invitation to L. W. C. to attend a lecture in Page hall, Ayer, December 1, at 3:30 p. m., by Dr. Frank Holt, assistant superintendent of the Boston City hospital, on district nursing.

The president then introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Mary J. Priest, who gave an able and interesting discourse on Labrador, its physical features, climate, people, and Dr. Grenfell's work.

A news letter covering the leading recent events of national interest, and including pleasant reminiscences of her life in Littleton, with expressions of regard for its people, was written for this meeting by Mrs. Ida Thompson of Weymouth, and read by Miss Gertrude F. Sanderson. Mrs. Alice J. Prouty favored the club with a piano solo.

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About Town.

Harry Knight has purchased of Harry Barteaux the land surrounding his new house on the hill.

At the Unitarian church meeting the following officers were elected: J. A. Harwood, scribe; H. J. Harwood, J. M. Moore, N. H. Whitcomb, deacons; Mrs. S. E. Whitcomb, historian; Mrs. F. A. Patch, J. M. Hartwell, advisory committee.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Page hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

Birthday Anniversary.

Last week Thursday afternoon John Wardrobe Thacher fittingly observed his eightieth anniversary in cordially greeting at his home over a hundred among his host of friends. The day and occasion was eminently emblematic of his long happy life. He is as straight as can be, looks and appears not a day over sixty, active and contented on life's western slope. Mr. Thacher was born in Biddeford, Me., son of Henry Savage and Elizabeth Thacher. When a young man he went to Concord, N. H., where he met his wife to whom he was married in 1835. He bought a farm in Shirley, living there thirty-two years. After the death of his wife he with his daughter came to Littleton to live, and for thirteen years he has been in a branch store here of Thacher & Ireland. Mr. Thacher was the recipient of many loving tokens of respect and esteem, among them being a handsome tea set from his grandchildren, four birthday cakes prettily decorated, flowers in great profusion, fruits, candies, many loving letters and telephone greetings. Guests were present from Fitchburg, Leominster, Lunenburg and Ayer, and Shirley sent a large representation to greet their honored townsman.

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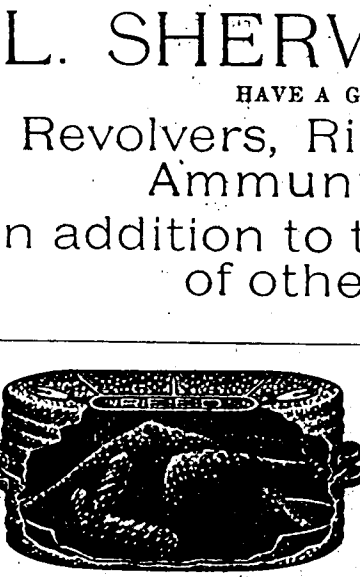
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AYER.

News Items.

William H. Reynolds, who has been a conductor on the Ayer and Lowell electric railway for some time past, went to work Monday at his trade at the Chandler Planer Co.

W. E. Bissell, who has been manager of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company here and at East Pepperell, for the past fourteen months, leaves Monday, November 15, for Bennington, Vt., where he will be manager of the company's telephone station there. F. E. Bowker of Fitchburg will have charge of the telephone business here and at East Pepperell, making his headquarters at Fitchburg. Mr. Bissell has managed the business of the telephone company here very satisfactorily, has made many friends and our townspeople are very sorry he is to leave.

The next meeting of the Ayer Woman's club, November 17, will be club birthday and baby party. All members having babies under five years are invited to bring them. Members are also invited to bring their sewing.

An opportunity to hear a unique account of life in Alaska and of religious undertakings there, will be afforded Thursday afternoon, November 18, at three p. m. Miss Emberly, a trained nurse for seven years in Alaska, will address a meeting in St. Andrew's vicarage, and ladies of other churches interested are cordially welcome.

Capt. William Crombie will be the guest of Brig. Gen. Philip Reade, U. S. army retired, at the annual banquet of the Hooker association, of Massachusetts at the American house, Boston, this Saturday evening. Speaking will be by Hon. John D. Long, Gen. Horace Porter and prominent officers of the army and navy. Subject, "John Paul Jones, captain United States navy."

Born in Everett, November 6, to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Haggatt, a little daughter, Glen Estelle, weighing eight pounds. Mrs. Haggatt will be remembered by her young friends in Ayer as Miss Florence Smith, A. H. S. '05.

Mrs. Clara Pierce Robbins of Fitchburg is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Landry, at the Willows. As Mrs. Robbins has been an invalid for the past three years, this first visit to Ayer since the death of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Pierce, is tinged with sadness. Mrs. Robbins, though still very frail, is slowly improving in health and has been pleased to meet many friends who have called to see her since her arrival in town.

The members of George S. Boutwell W. R. C. are requested to be at the G. A. R. hall, Sunday, November 14, at 1:30 o'clock to attend the funeral of Mr. Evans.

Why not require carriages as well as autos to display number and have drivers examined as to their fitness to drive on public streets. About six o'clock, Thursday evening, Neil Reynolds, son of J. C. Reynolds, the engineer at the electric light plant, was riding by the plant from Layton street toward Pearl street and collided with a carriage that was on the left hand side of the street. If the team had been on the right side the accident would not have occurred. As soon as the carriage was backed from the broken wheel it passed along without the driver's identity being made known. This is the third carriage accident recently brought to the attention of a local physician.

C. F. Davis is the baggage master on the passenger trains running from Ayer to Greenville, N. H., taking the place of the late George H. Stone. Mr. Davis was promoted from brakeman.

J. O'Brien, a past commander of George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., has been appointed aid-de-camp to the staff of the national commander of the G. A. R.

Charles E. Perrin moved this week into the house he recently purchased of Ellis B. Harlow on High street.

The Congregational Ladies' Benevolent society, at its annual meeting Wednesday, elected officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. William M. Sargent, pres.; Mrs. George W. Shattuck, sec.; Mrs. C. H. Hardy, treas.; Mrs. E. F. Tarrant, chairman of directors.

An evening whist has been formed with the following list of members: Mr. and Mrs. W. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Osgood, Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Savage, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. B. Turner. The first meeting will be held with Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bennett on Tuesday evening, November 16.

Miss Susie Laboy, who has been employed at the telephone office here for some time past, has resigned, and it is said that a wedding is to take place Wednesday, November 17.

Fred C. Morrison, clerk at Phelps mill, is to be married Wednesday, November 17, to Miss Catherine F. Moulton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis E. Moulton of Dover, N. H. His new house on Pleasant street is ready for occupancy.

S. B. Gelo, carpenter, who resides on Grove street, and with his wife and daughter, leave for Greensborough, N. C., about the middle of December. His daughter, Minnie, aged nineteen, is just recovering from an attack of pneumonia and it has left her in a weak condition. She expected to have graduated from Burdett's business college in Boston next month. The parents have been residents of this town for over four years. They go to North Carolina to see if the climate there will be of benefit to their daughter.

Peter Tarbell passed his eighty-sixth birthday, Monday, November 8,

and is a well-preserved man for one of his years. He was at Littleton last week Thursday to pay his compliments to John W. Thacher, who observed his eightieth birthday, and was his neighbor in Shirley when they both resided in that town.

Mrs. Charles Moore, who resides on Grove street and who went to the Homeopathic hospital in Boston last week Thursday, to have an operation performed, as it was thought she had cancer in the stomach, has returned to her home here and she is said to be better. The operation was not performed. Mr. Moore came on from St. Louis last week, where he has been located for some time past.

The fire alarm Wednesday morning between one and two o'clock was for a fire in the roof of the boiler house of the upper sawmill of Mr. Phelps. The blaze was nearly extinguished before the fire department reached there. The damage is slight, being a hole two or three feet in the roof.

At a special meeting of the Congregational church, Thursday evening, to accept of Rev. L. E. Perry's resignation, it was voted that his services should terminate January first.

Ruel and Walter Lougee, last Sunday night, on their way to their carriage from Ayer to Harvard, about seven o'clock, and while crossing the bridge over the brook, near the Green residence, a man fired a shot from under the bridge, striking the carriage, and at the corner of the roadway near the Davern house another man was hiding to stop them, but the horse was going so fast he did not have a chance to. The Lougees had attended an orchestral rehearsal here, and were on their way home.

The carpenters are adding a small room to the old Harvey Woods' building on Park street for an office. If a side track is laid near the building and an addition on the north end of the building of some sixty or seventy feet square is built, A. E. Lawrence & Son intend moving their grain business into the building, owned by Cushing & Co. of Fitchburg, as it will be more convenient for them to do business there in this storehouse. Their grain store on Main and West streets, since the sidewalk has been put in has inconvenienced them for teams to drive up to their side door to load. Should they vacate there are applicants for it for store purposes.

A late train is to run from Nashua to Ayer Saturday evenings, leaving Nashua at 10:45, stopping at Hollis, Pepperell and Groton. The merchants' specials will give people in the towns on the shopping accommodations. There is a license in Pepperell.

Samuel Slovski of Ayer, assault and battery at Ayer, October 30, was in court last Saturday, and on trial was found guilty and fined fifteen dollars. The complainant was David P. Striar. Annie B. Striar, James Striar and Max Striar, all of Ayer, for assault and battery, complainant Samuel Slovski, were on trial found not guilty.

Last week Friday evening there was a meeting at the railway station waiting room to organize a branch here of the American Railroad Employees and Investors' association, and J. B. O'Connell was chosen president; J. H. O'Connell, vice-president; G. B. Remick, secretary. The next meeting will be held Friday evening, November 19.

The side track near the Townsend track was completed Thursday for the loading of coal for Holden Harlow's coal shed that is nearly completed.

Last Saturday Frank P. Briggs brought into the Public Spirit office a fine large strawberry that he picked that day from his strawberry bed.

There were a hundred and over at the old Sandy Pond schoolhouse, Thursday evening, and a large number of those present were scholars at this schoolhouse in their childhood days. Samuel L. White, of Beverly, who is eighty-two, was present and enjoyed meeting some of his schoolmates. An excellent harvest supper was served by the ladies, and there was music and singing. A social time was enjoyed the latter part of the evening.

Ellis B. Harlow moved Monday into the H. A. Stone house on High street, that he recently purchased, and Charles A. Perrin moved in Mr. Harlow's house that he recently vacated on the same street. It is said that Mr. Small is to occupy the Taft tenement on Washington street, vacated by Mr. Perrin, and James Boutwell of Fitchburg is coming back to town to work for the Chandler Planer Co., where he worked before going to that city, and will occupy his house on East Main street, where Mr. Small is to move out.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Page hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

Deaths.

Harrison D. Evans, an honored citizen of Ayer for over thirty years, died at his home on East Main street, Thursday morning, November 11, after a serious illness of three weeks, following a year of failing health.

Mr. Evans was born in Peterboro, N. H., May 2, 1836. Later his parents lived in Groton and Townsend. He attended the academy at New Ipswich and spent two years at Dartmouth college, where he left to enlist in Co. G, of the Thirtieth New Hampshire regiment of volunteers. During the war he was connected with the commissary department and later with the freedmen's department. He was mustered out of service in 1865, and taught school for several years.

Mr. Evans married Miss Harriet L. Buckman of Peterboro, N. H., who survives him, as do also his three children, Miss Minnie Evans, Mrs. Jennie McLean and Harrison E. Evans, all of whom are in Ayer.

Mr. Evans has lived in Ayer since 1876, where he has been a deacon in the Congregational church and member of George S. Boutwell Post, G. A. R.

For years Mr. Evans was engaged in the nursery business and was well known in all the adjoining towns.

The funeral will be held from the Congregational church Sunday afternoon, November 14, at 2 o'clock, at G. A. R. hall at one o'clock, Sunday afternoon, November 14, to act as escort to G. A. R. veterans, who will attend the funeral in a body.

Joseph F. Gibson, who died suddenly in Wakefield, last Saturday morning, aged seventy-nine years, was the pastor in the piano business in America, and in 1859 he occupied the upper story of the late R. T. Bartlett building on lot where was the Taylor house, on Merchants Row, which was destroyed by fire with the rest of the buildings on the Row over thirty years ago. It was in that building that Mr. Gibson started in business in the manufacture of melodions and left here in the early sixties.

Mr. Gibson was a native of Lunenburg and came from that town to make melodions here. His wife died seven years ago, and he is survived by two sons, Frank L. and Arthur E., the youngest, who was born here, and both sons are in the warehouses of Henry F. Miller & Sons, on Boylston street, Boston.

The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon and burial was in Forest Hills cemetery.

Mrs. Lydia Pingrey Raymond, formerly of this town, died Thursday of last week, aged eighty-seven years, at the home of her son, Edward W. Raymond in Roxbury, where the deceased and her husband, Benjamin Raymond, have made their home for the past twenty years. The funeral took place last Sunday and burial was in Littleton cemetery. Mr. Raymond was born in Mt. Holly, Vt.

Benjamin Raymond, who is ninety-six years of age, is in excellent health for a man advanced in years, and he and his wife were residents of this town for about fifteen years previous to moving to Roxbury. Besides her husband, Mrs. Raymond is survived by two sons, Edward R. Raymond of Roxbury, and George Raymond of Holyoke, and three grandchildren.

Indicted.

Friday afternoon of last week in the superior court at Worcester, criminal sitting, before Judge George A. Sanderson, Raymond Plouffe pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging him with murder of Dr. Henry N. Stone at Harvard, September 13. He told the court he was without counsel and asked that counsel be assigned him.

District Attorney George S. Taft told the court that the formalities of notice to the chief justice and to the attorney general have been complied with. The indictment charges that the defendant struck Dr. Stone on the head with a stone and shot him in the neck.

A "Deer" Joke.

Parties in New York state sent Dr. Peabody of Groton school, Thursday, a deer, and it was then taken to James F. Culver to dress, which he did, and the carcass was taken back to the school the afternoon of Thursday. James I. Mills found out that Mr. Culver had a deer, and very early Friday morning was on hand with another game warden, who was sent for by Mr. Mills. It was so early Friday morning that Mr. Mills came prepared with his searchlight to search for the deer and questioned Mr. Culver, who informed him that there was not a deer anywhere about his premises and he could make a search for it. In the meantime Mr. Culver informed the other game warden all about the New York deer, and he smiled, but did not let on. After some search and talking on the part of Mr. Mills, Mr. Culver informed him that he could find a deer head the other side of the boiler in his slaughter house, and Mr. Mills with the deer's head confronted Mr. Culver as the deer culprit. Then Mr. Culver informed him that the carcass of the deer could be found at Mr. Peabody's at the school. The game warden then started for the Groton School, and on the way the game warden who was sent for told Mr. Mills all about it, and both wended their way back to Ayer. Mr. Mills wiser than when he started to interview Mr. Culver. A little pleasanter now and then is relished by the best of men.

This is the third or fourth time that Mr. Culver has been annoyed by the game warden without cause, and he says this is about time to end the annoyance.

Civic Club Entertainment.

The entertainment given in Page hall, Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Civic club, was of unusual interest and held the close attention of a delighted audience. The dramatic impersonations of Miss Marion Wilson were very realistic, as she appeared in costume in the several parts of a colonial vignette, an ex-convict, Mrs. Lincoln in the white house, the southern woman with her pocketbook, the wood nymph, and the blackbird with his descriptions of the characters in the theatre. It was worth much more than the price of admission. The program was varied with fine music by an orchestra, including U. H. and George Barrows, H. S. Turner, Walter Lougee, Harry Fisher and Charles Milliken; a violin solo by Frank Griffin, Miss Gladys Wood, accompanist; and selections by the High School-Mandolin club. Rev. Thomas L. Fisher introduced the speaker. The proceeds are to be used for the gymnastic classes.

Fair.

The ladies of the Congregational church held their annual fair and entertainment in Page hall, November 8 and 9. At the entertainment, Monday evening, the program was in charge of Mrs. L. E. Perry and Mrs. Viall, and was successfully carried out as follows:

- PART 1.
1. Mandolin H. S. Club.
 2. W. B. Andrews, Madeline Russell, Bertha Perry, Sophia Delano, Mabel Sargent, Accompanist.
 3. Vocal Solo.
 4. Edith Longley, Accompanist.
 5. "Harmonies at the Bridge."
 6. Mrs. G. W. Shattuck.
 7. Chorus of Six.
 8. Mr. Ellis Harlow, Miss Perry, Mr. Bliss, Miss Hamblin, Mr. Roy Smith, Miss Stubbs.
 9. Mandolin Club.
 10. Reading.
 11. Raymond Farnsworth.
 12. Chorus of Six.

PART 2.

"Arabella's Poor Relations."

The parts were well taken by Mr. and Mrs. Viall, Miss Margaret McMillan and W. A. Stockwell, the latter from Baldwinville.

Tuesday evening the regular fair was held. The tables were very attractive around one side of the hall and were presided over by the following committees. Fancy articles: Mrs. Sacle Sanders and Mrs. Mabel Manning; domestic table: Mrs. Arthur Winslow,

Mrs. Elwin Longley, Mrs. William Sargent and Mrs. Reuben Parker. The candy table was in charge of Mrs. G. W. Shattuck, and mystery packages were sold by Mrs. Charles Woods and Mrs. Tarrant. An excellent supper was served at 6:30 in charge of Mrs. Charles Fisher, Mrs. Charles Hardy, Mrs. Esther Hart, Mrs. Harvey Winslow and an able corps of assistants, to about one hundred and twenty-five people. The whole affair proved a decided success and over \$100 was added to the treasury.

Moving Pictures.

The program for the moving pictures at Page hall, Saturday evening, will be one of the best that has been shown there for some time, and includes a feature picture that represents the highest degree of excellence in every way. The title is, "In Old Kentucky," a stirring episode of the civil war.

At the beginning of the civil war, Kentucky attempted to hold a neutral position between the belligerents, and her sons decided for themselves which side's cause to take up; hence it was that many a Kentucky home was divided. That condition afforded a story for this biograph subject, showing two brothers enlisting against each other and afterwards meeting under most trying circumstances, where it became a struggle between duty and kindred love. No subject has ever been produced with such a succession of tense situations, concluding with the return of the brothers, one "neath triumphant banner, while the other is shown ragged and homeless for the "Lost cause." This final meeting is undoubtedly the most impressive ever witnessed—the brothers, each with his cherished flag, grasping hands, typifying the motto of Kentucky, "United we stand, divided we fall."

The film breathes a spirit of patriotism which will find an echo in every American mind at this great juncture in the history of the United States.

The descriptive program of the subjects of pictures that made such a hit Wednesday night will be given out at the hall again Saturday evening. Illustrated songs as usual. The winner of the guessing contest Wednesday night will also be announced.

Another of those popular guessing contests will be put on next Wednesday night and another fine program will be selected.

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

On Sunday at 10:45 a. m., the Rev. John Gregson of Cambridge will preach in St. Andrew's, Ayer, and again at seven p. m., in Forge Mission.

Preparations for the Week of Prayer, in December, are progressing all over the country, and the promise of a wonderful united spiritual endeavor is assured.

Dr. R. Fiske will preach in the Unitarian church on Sunday, November 14, at 10:45. Sunday school at twelve.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

William H. Park, Shirley's oldest and most respected citizen, observed the eighty-eighth anniversary of his birth, Monday, at his home on the Center road. Nearly one hundred of his townspeople called during the day to extend greetings and congratulations. Mr. Park, who enjoys fairly good health, received all his guests most cordially, and surrounded by his family related many reminiscences of by-gone days. Dainty lunch was served, and the day was recorded as one of the pleasantest he had ever experienced. Mr. Park, a few weeks ago, was the happy recipient of the Boston Post card, and his whole life has been characterized by honor and sterling integrity.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen entertained over Sunday Miss Annie Hedman of East Boston, Joseph G. Bryer of Boston, Miss Bertha Cowan of Cliftondale and G. B. Crafts of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret of Waverly spent over last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick McGrath of Leominster were visitors at the home of Phileas Bolger the first of the week.

The second whist party of the season in aid of St. Anthony's church was held by the sodality of the children of Mary, Thursday evening, in St. Anthony's hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Leger are entertaining a 10½-pound daughter, born Monday, November 8.

A Phi Beta society has been organized by the young people of the Baptist church. The aims of the society will be to promote the social and moral welfare of the church and assist in any manner when opportunity offers. Following is a list of officers: E. R. Smith, pres.; Miss Ruby Felch, vice-pres.; Miss Clara Penderseu, sec.; Lehman Beach, treas. The newly organized society will serve refreshments and give a program of entertainment Saturday evening of this week to the young people of the church.

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge netted \$44.10 on their Halloween party and dance, Saturday evening, October 30th.

James Burrill, who is now at a private hospital at Jamaica, L. I., for treatment of cancer of the tongue, is improving and the attending physicians think his chances for ultimate recovery are good.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., held its regular meeting Monday evening. Deputy A. W. Allen, in company with Mr. Harlow, past workman of Tahanto lodge, were present and gave short but encouraging addresses. At the close of the business session a social hour was enjoyed, and John M. Leopold entertained with his biograph. A goodly number of the members were present.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. A. A. Bronsdon at the parsonage on Tuesday evening.

A good-sized audience assembled Monday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church to listen to G. N. Cross, A. M., who gave a lec-

The highest medical authority on foods, Sir James Crichton Browne, LL.D.—F.R.S. of London, gives the best reasons for eating more Quaker Oats

In an article published in the Youth's Companion of September 23rd, 1909, Dr. Browne, the great medical authority on foods, says, about brain and muscle building—

"There is one kind of food that seems to me of marked value as a food to the brain and to the whole body throughout childhood and adolescence (youth), and that is oatmeal."

"Oats are the most nutritious of all the cereals, being richer in fats, organic phosphorus and lecithins."

He says oatmeal is gaining ground with the well-to-do of Great Britain. He speaks of it as the mainstay of the Scottish laborer's diet and says it pro-

duces a big-boned, well-developed, mentally energetic race. His experiments prove that good oatmeal such as Quaker Oats not only furnishes the best food for the human being, but eating it strengthens and enlarges the thyroid gland—this gland is intimately connected with the nourishing processes of the body.

In conclusion he says— "It seems probable therefore that the bulk and brawniness of the Northerners (meaning the Scotch) has been in some measure due to the stimulation of the thyroid gland by oatmeal porridge in childhood."

The Scotch eat Quaker Oats because it is the best of all oatmeals.

ture on Washington, the capitol, which was illustrated with a splendid array of stereopticon views. Mr. Cross appeared under the auspices of Old Shirley Chapter, D. A. R., and his lecture was one of real enjoyment from start to finish, as it embraced the highest ideals in connection with the history of America and Washington, coupled with a sketch of the lives of American statesmen from the time of George Washington. Mr. Cross's views of the capitol and white house were particularly fine.

Mrs. Charles Stebbins was the winner in the silver tea service contest, last Saturday evening, at Odd Fellows' hall, given by a medicine concert company selling their medicines, receiving 11,000 votes, while the next competitor, Mrs. Ada Booth, received over 5000 votes. The third and fourth in the contest were Mrs. Lydia R. Binney and Miss Carrie Hartwell.

Mrs. Mary Hoskins of Waverly is spending a week with Mrs. Will Love. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen with their son Lloyd observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding in Boston, Thursday.

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Congregational.

Reopening services at the Congregational church last Sunday was largely attended. At the morning service Rev. A. A. Bronsdon preached an appropriate sermon with special music by the choir.

E. H. Allen, chairman of the repair committee, gave a general outline of the work accomplished by the repair committee as a whole, giving emphasis to the fact that no one member of the repair committee could claim special honors, as all had worked hard, long and conscientiously to obtain the results which were now visible to all present.

In the evening a union service was held in the auditorium, which was attended by large numbers, nearly every seat being occupied. The speakers were Dr. H. A. Bridgman, Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker and Rev. W. H. Desjardins. All the speakers congratulated the society upon their successful efforts in beautifying and refurbishing the church. An atmosphere of broadness was apparent in the remarks of the speakers, and the fellowship of Christians was the theme predominant.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon was the next speaker, and he thanked the speakers and the attendants of their churches for their presence and sincere and kind words of encouragement and congratulations. Mr. Bronsdon also referred to the union meeting held a couple of years ago at the Baptist church when that society had completed its work of repairs and beauty to its edifice, and he said that he was looking forward with much pleasure to a union meeting at the Universalist church, where extensive repairs and decorations are now in progress.

Special music was given by the choir and solos were rendered by Rev. W. H. Desjardins, Miss Nina Holbrook and Mrs. Harry Collyer.

At the close of the service the repair committee were kept busy receiving the congratulations of the townspeople upon their splendid achievement, and those words of E. H. Hubbard, "There is a wild, splendid, intoxicating joy that follows work well done," must have strongly appealed to them.

Communion was held and one new member received into the church by profession of faith.

Church Services.

Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker will preach at the Universalist church, Sunday, November 14, at eleven a. m. Usual meeting of the Y. P. C. U. in the evening at seven o'clock.

Rev. W. H. Desjardins will preach at the Baptist church, Sunday, November 14, at 10:45 a. m., and also in the evening at seven o'clock.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon will preach at the Congregational church, Sunday, November 14, at 10:45 a. m., and will preach again in the evening at seven o'clock.

Services at First Parish church, Sunday, November 14, at 11:15 a. m., and Rev. George W. Cooke will preach.

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Items of Interest.

The house fly becomes full grown in about four weeks.

One of the most wholesome exercises is reading aloud.

Only 40,000 of the 400,000,000 persons in China are foreigners, and of these 16,000 are Japanese.

A French scientist says the rays from incandescent lights are beneficial to human health, destroying bacteria, stimulating circulation and cellular activity and reducing pain.

In the elementary schools of the United States sixty-nine per cent of the children are in co-educational schools; in secondary schools the proportion for co-education is ninety-five per cent; of colleges and universities attended by men, six per cent admit women.

The annual average rainfall all over the world is sixty inches.

Last year Louisiana came near catching up with Washington as the largest lumber producing state in the Union.

During the last year there were 470 boiler explosions in the United States—one less than the year before—but they cost 281 human lives.

A Swiss watchmaker has turned out a watch less than one-eighth of an inch thick, and which varies less than five seconds in twenty-four hours.

Work planned out for the Panama canal diggers this year will require the use of 10,000 tons of dynamite.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—Two Perfection Oil Heaters, nickel trimmings, one good size, other medium, both in good condition. Inquire of JAMES A. BARRY, Harvard, Mass. 71f

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FACTS IN FEW LINES

Chinese consider filial piety the highest virtue.

Last year 74,500 families migrated from Russia to Siberia.

The estimated war strength of the Spanish army is 200,000.

France sends great quantities of cheap jewelry all over the world.

Salt, petroleum, matches and playing cards are state monopolies in Greece.

Both the French and Italian governments maintain national pawnshops.

At the close of the war with Japan the Chinese navy practically disappeared.

A wealthy Copenhagen woman for a small premium issues insurance that pays old maids an annuity.

Roller skating has become a fashionable pastime in China. A rink has been opened in Shanghai and is well patronized.

Filipino prisoners in Bilibid, both men and women, are now allowed a certain number of cigarettes a day at government expense.

Have the French birth rates taken a turn upward at last? For the first time for very many years the last statistics show a considerable increase.

Europe has 20,000 newspapers, of which Germany possesses the largest number. England, however, has the greatest number of daily newspapers.

Epidemic cerebro spinal meningitis used to be rare in France, occurring chiefly in military centers. Now a doctor is likely to meet with it in general practice.

Though Finland has been regarded up to the present as being extremely poor in iron ores, recent research has proved the existence of ore fields in south Finland.

Coal has been found in nearly every island of the Philippine archipelago, but only 4,545 tons were produced last year. In many places it is associated with petroleum.

Clara Beard of Henniker, N. H., has a four legged hen that crows and cackles. The hen has two sets of tail feathers, one set being a rooster's and the other a hen's.

In the Journal of the African Society the opinion is expressed by Mr. Selous that, contrary to the general belief, giraffes and elephants are in no danger of being exterminated in Africa.

Edgar Farnham of Windsor, Conn., planted some tobacco seeds that had lain in a jar hidden from view for forty-five years, and the seeds have now developed into healthy plants.

Freight rates are a little higher in Brazil than they are in the United States. A man who ships potatoes from San Paulo to Rio, a haul of 300 miles, must pay \$1.32 a bag freightage.

The world's record flight of a kite is 23,111 feet above sea level. The kite started from a mountain top where the temperature was 70 degrees above zero and at its highest point reached 5.4 degrees below zero.

China is likely to guard with the greatest strictness the secrets of its navy, soon to be reorganized. Admiral Sah advocates that the punishment for divulging naval secrets, which is banishment, be changed to decapitation.

For the instruction of tourists about to visit Egypt, Persia and India a museum is to be established in Paris in which specimens of the counterfeited works of art so largely sold to rich travelers in those countries are to be exhibited.

Three hundred dollars was recently paid in Colombia for a single plant of a rare variety of orchid. The natives in order to expedite the collection of these orchids fell the trees on which they grow and then strip them of these floral parasites.

Grafting alfalfa roots on roots of the strawberry vine is the method by which an Oregon rancher claims to have produced three crops of berries in a season. The long alfalfa roots reach the moisture in the soil even in the driest summer.

The first grain elevator in Russian Asia will soon be built at Tchabalinsk, on the Siberian railway, with a capacity of 50,000 cars of grain per annum (cars averaging from twelve to fifteen tons each). Tchabalinsk is near the border between European and Asiatic Russia.

The kitchens of some of New York's big hotels are very busy places. In one of the larger hotels 110 cooks are employed, and they prepare every day 100 ducklings, 200 chickens, 300 squabs and 600 lobsters. On different days about 500 varieties of cold dishes are served from the cold buffet.

Miniature watches are all the rage in France. Some women carry at least two of them. A fashionable dame in Paris recently simultaneously carried a watch suspended from her belt, a smaller one on her purse, a still smaller one on the third finger of her gloved hand and one as the head of a hatpin.

Preparations are being made at Harpers Ferry to move the old John Brown fort from the Murphy farm, a mile or two from the town, to the campus at Storer college. The old building is to be taken down carefully and re-erected in exactly the same size and shape as was the original. It will be used by the college as a library and museum.

The pen with which President McKinley and Jules Cambon, then French ambassador at Washington, signed the Spanish-American preliminary peace agreement on Aug. 12, 1898, has been presented to Stephen Pinchon, minister of foreign affairs of France, by M. Thiebaut, formerly first secretary of the French embassy at Washington and now minister of Argentina. The pen has been deposited in the foreign office museum of Paris.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed, given by Luther W. Blodgett of Groton, in County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Addie Whitford of said Groton, dated March 29, A. D. 1898, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 2644, Page 97, which said mortgage has since been assigned by an instrument in common form, to Alec Fisher, of Westford, in said County, and for breach of the condition of said mortgage, will be sold at public auction, upon the premises, in said mortgage deed described, on Tuesday, the Thirtieth Day of November, A. D. 1909, at Two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, viz.:

A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the Southerly part of said Groton, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the premises at a stake and stones in the corner of the wall at corner of land of the heirs of Elnathan Brown; thence Easterly as the wall now stands, by said heirs' land to a corner of the wall; thence Northwesterly by said heirs' land, as the wall now stands, about twenty rods, more or less, to a corner of the wall; thence Easterly by said heirs' land, as the fence now stands, to a corner at another wall; thence Southerly, as the wall now stands, by land of one Wheelock to the end of the wall; thence in same direction to the pond; thence Westerly by the pond and a ditch by land of said Wheelock to land of William Ward; thence Northwesterly by land of said Ward to a corner; thence Easterly by land of said Ward to a corner at an oak tree by land of Joseph Prescott; thence Northwesterly in a curved line as the fence now stands, to a walnut tree in the pond hole; thence Northwesterly to a stake and stones in the fence; thence Westerly, as the wall now stands, to a corner of the wall by land of George Day; thence Northwesterly as the wall now stands, to the point of beginning. Containing about seventy acres, more or less, and being the same premises conveyed to me by deed of said Whitford. Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments.

Terms, \$100 cash at the time and place of sale, and the balance within ten days thereafter, on delivery or tender of the deed. Other terms made known at sale.

ALEC FISHER,
Assignee of said mortgage.
Westford, Mass., Nov. 4, 1909. 318

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

In Groton, Mass.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Hannah Reardon to Julia E. Hannis, dated April 3d, 1901, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Registry of Deeds in book 2887 page 57, will be sold by public auction upon the premises below described on Monday, the 22d day of November, A. D. 1909, at Two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, and therein described as follows:

A certain parcel of land situated in the Southerly part of said Groton on the Westerly side of the main road leading from said Groton to Ayer, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southeastery corner of the premises at the Northeastery corner of land formerly of Lewis, now owned by Sargent; thence Westerly by said Sargent land One Hundred Sixty (160) feet more or less to land of George Whitney; thence Northwesterly by said Whitney's land Two Hundred and Sixty-Six (266) feet more or less to land this day conveyed by Julia E. Hannis to Ellen Powell; thence Easterly by said Powell's land One Hundred Sixty-Six (166) feet more or less to said road; thence Southerly by said road about Two Hundred Sixty-Six (266) feet to the point of beginning.

The premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes. Other terms made known at time and place of sale.

DELIA McRAY,
Assignee of said mortgage.
Ayer, Mass., Oct. 29, 1909. 317

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of Mary D. Stanley, late of Pepperell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, Charles D. Hutchinson, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance the first and final account of his administration 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 twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor 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 mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said court.

Witness, CHARLES J. McINTIRE, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of William E. Beck, late of Townsend, in said County, an insane person.

Whereas, Bernard L. Beckonert, guardian of said ward, has presented for allowance, his first account as guardian upon the estate of said ward.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said guardian 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 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 third day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

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A very easy stain is made by putting burnt umber in alcohol to make it the proper consistency for easy application and applying as above; then give a thin coat of shellac and when dry sandpaper nicely and give a good flowing coat of common varnish, which will give it a splendid finish.

How to Care For Lamps. So often people complain that their lamps give poor light. Perhaps they do not give them half the attention they require, yet if done regularly it takes but a short time each day. In buying lamps select those in which the end of the burner is elevated above the body (or tank) of the lamp. Watch your wicks closely and change them before they become short. Do not trim or cut wicks—it is almost impossible if you do to get them straight—but scrape off the charred black crust with a piece of cardboard, and to avoid an odor of oil wash and boil the burners every two weeks. Clean the glass chimneys as soon as they begin to look cloudy. Keep your lamps well filled with the best kerosene oil obtainable and never attempt to fill a lighted lamp or to burn one when it is nearly empty. Carrying lamps should be of metal and have firm handles, so if they are dropped they will not break or explode. See that hanging or bracket lamps are put up securely and never allow a lighted lamp to be in a current of air, as it will smoke if it does nothing worse. If burning oil should get on the floor or table smother the flames with a woolen blanket or rug, but not with cotton material. Cotton ignites very quickly and is dangerous in case of fire. Remember never to throw water on burning oil. Always keep the oil can well corked and away from the range or any other heat or fire.

How to Wash Blankets. When blankets are to be washed soap should be cut into small pieces and dissolved into a jelly. This should be added to warm water, enough to form a suds, and borax put in for softening and purifying purposes. Into this the blankets should be entirely immersed and allowed to remain for half an hour. The water should not be allowed to get cold. After the blankets are soaked through they should be soured up and down to release the dirt, then put through a wringer. After this the blankets are put through a second suds prepared in the same way as the first. They are squeezed, but not rubbed. A board should never be used, and, above all, soap should never be rubbed directly on the blanket. This not only causes it to shrink, but the small hairs are all matted by the soap, and the blanket loses its fluffy appearance. They should be rinsed in warm water with borax or ammonia added to keep them soft and dried on a day of sun and wind.

How to Clean Velvet Dresses. For the benefit of those who may wear velvet dresses the method employed to clean either light or dark velvet is a very simple one. A lather of white soap is made, into which the velvet is dipped, then placed on a board or table and scrubbed the way of the pile with a clean nailbrush until all the dirt has been removed, when it is rinsed in clean cold water, but not squeezed or wrung, as it would spoil the pile. It is dried in the air, and sometimes the back is drawn over a hot iron, but this is not absolutely necessary.

How to Save a Wet Book Cover. Should water be spilled on the back of a valuable book bound in cloth do not attempt to dry it with a cloth or place it near the heat. Instead absorb as much of the moisture as possible with blotting paper and put the book over the back of a chair or rack so that the backs hang down. Set the chair where there is a strong draft of air that will dry quickly.

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How to Freshen Black Gloves. A person who freshens her black kid gloves successfully says that she uses a few drops of good black ink in some olive oil. This she applies to the roughened or worn spots and places the gloves in the sun to dry.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Land Court.

Petition by Cyrus P. Pickard. Respectfully represents Cyrus P. Pickard, of Littleton, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, that he is the owner of a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Littleton, and bounded and described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land containing one hundred and fifty-five (155) acres more or less with buildings thereon, situated in easterly part of said Littleton, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the County Road at the corner of land now or formerly of Francis Flagg, thence the line runs southerly and westerly as wall now stands by land of Stillman S. Flagg to Nagog Pond, thence running southerly on said pond to land now or formerly of Isaac L. Hosmer, thence running northerly and westerly on said Hosmer land to land formerly of Augustus W. Walker, now of one Cash, thence northerly by said last-named land and land of heirs of Reuben Hoar and land of John Kimball and land of Elbridge Marshall to land formerly of Geo. Vinal, thence northeasterly and northwesterly by land formerly of said Vinal and land of Wm. Kimball, thence northeasterly by land of said Kimball to other land formerly of said Vinal, thence easterly and northeasterly by last named land and land of the heirs of Jefferson Reed to the road, thence southeasterly by said road to the point of beginning.

That he obtained title thereto by deed of Daniel Pickard, dated June 28, 1866, recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, libro 982, folio 516, and by deed of Daniel J. Pickard, dated March 6, 1879, recorded in said Registry libro 1505, folio 237.

That the record title of said land is encumbered by two undischarged mortgages; one for Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars from Elbridge G. Bartlett of said Littleton to William Stearns of Boston, dated March 3, 1856, for one year, recorded in said Registry, libro 734, folio 182; the second for Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars from Elbridge G. Bartlett to Sampson Warren of Charlestown, dated April 1, 1857, for two years, recorded in said Registry in "Littleton Book," page 41.

That your petitioner has been in uninterrupted possession of the premises aforesaid for more than twenty years after the expiration of the time limited in both of the above mortgages for the full performance of the condition therein.

That since your petitioner took possession of said premises neither he nor anyone else, so far as he is aware, has made any payment on account of the debts secured by said mortgages or the interest, if any, which accrued thereon.

That no person will be prejudiced by the discharge of either of said mortgages.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that the court may issue such decree or order as will be necessary to render said property free from the abovementioned encumbrances.

CYRUS P. PICKARD.

Middlesex ss. October 20, 1909.

Then personally appeared the abovesaid Cyrus D. Pickard and made oath that the statements contained in the foregoing petition are true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Before me

Patrick M. Keating,
Justice of the Peace.

A True Copy. Attest:
Clarence C. Smith,
Recorder.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Land Court.

Middlesex, ss. (Seal)

Upon the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to all persons interested in said petition to appear before the Land Court, at Cambridge, within and for our said County of Middlesex, (where appearances and answers may be filed with Edwin O. Childs, Register of Deeds for the South Registry District of said Middlesex County, as Assistant Recorder of said Court, on the first Monday of December next, by causing a true and attested copy of said petition and this order to be published forthwith, once a week, for three successive weeks, in the Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, in said County of Middlesex, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said first Monday of December next; by serving each known respondent within the Commonwealth with a like attested copy of said petition and order, fourteen days at least before said first Monday of December next; and by serving a like attested copy of said petition and order, by registered mail on each known respondent without the Commonwealth, as soon as may be, and in any event fourteen days at least before said first Monday of December next; that all respondents may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By the Court. Attest:
Clarence C. Smith,
Recorder.

Dated, October 20, 1909.

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First car from Ayer 7:05 a. m.; last car from Ayer 10:05 p. m. First car from Lowell 7:33 a. m.; last car from Lowell 9:33 p. m. For Ayer, Westford, Fitchburg and Leominster: last car from Lowell 10:33 p. m. for Ayer only, leaves North Chelmsford 11:05 p. m., due at Ayer at 11:58 p. m. L. E. CUSHING, Supt.

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Saturday, November 13, 1909.

PEPPERELL.

Center.

Mrs. Nancy E. Merrill and family left town the latter part of last week for New York, expecting to spend a few days there. Then go farther south and sojourn in Florida during the winter.

There was a good attendance at the meeting of Prudence Wright Chapter, D. A. R., on Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. Edward Tarbell, and a pleasant occasion was enjoyed. The time was filled with important business matters, as it was the last time the regent, Miss Annetta S. Merrill, was to serve before going south for the winter. Mrs. Edwin Richardson, the vice-regent, will take the management of affairs in Miss Merrill's absence.

Mrs. Sarah P. Tucker is ill this week and Charles A. Spaulding is recovering.

Rev. Dudley R. Child of the Unitarian church had a sermon last Sunday very appropriate to the autumn season, and there was a good attendance.

Rev. Dudley R. Child has purchased the estate where he is now living of Lowell parties, who bought it of Elias Colburn, a former tenant.

The Greenhalge family of Pawtucket visited over Sunday at the Bancroft farm, making the trip in three hours in their automobile.

Miss Whitaker, who has been at the Bancroft farm this summer, has left for Westbury, N. Y., to join her mother, who has spent several weeks there. Miss Whitaker's health has greatly improved while she has been in town.

Mrs. Sarah Fletcher entertained four of her cousins, Misses Clara E. and S. Adelaide Blood of Ayer, and Mrs. Clesson Kenney and her sister, Mrs. Mary Jane Clough of Leominster. They returned to their homes last Saturday.

Mrs. Newton Blood is housekeeper for her brother, Dr. Samuel W. Fletcher.

The house on Revere street, which was vacated by Oliver M. Nash, is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Adams of Gardner. Mrs. Adams' sister is with her.

On last Sunday evening in the vestry Horace I. Whipple gave an interesting account of the convention in Minneapolis, which he attended as a delegate from the Congregational church of this town.

Miss Helen Wiley has given up her business as a dressmaker for the present, as her health requires a rest and change. She is under Dr. Charles Head's care for the present.

Mrs. Julia Blood Johnson returned to her home in Little Rock, Ark., this week.

Asa Burgess, a former resident, later living in Dunstable, has removed his household goods to the house formerly occupied by Mrs. Estella Jacques.

Mrs. Bessie Allen is visiting friends in Boston and Dedham previous to returning to St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Everett have been visiting friends in town this week. Mrs. Smith is a native of this town, known as Mrs. Elizabeth Kenney, oldest daughter of the late Isaac Boynton.

East. The East Village Social club will meet with Mrs. Charles Chapman, Wednesday, November 17.

A part of the money made by the field day events has been turned over to be used on the new playgrounds. A balance of over twenty-five dollars has been placed in the bank to the credit of the Pepperell Driving club. This seems entirely contrary to the original intention of the Field Day entertainment, and by not turning this entire amount for the benefit of the public playgrounds a mistake would appear to have been made.

An unusually pleasant evening was experienced by a large number Tuesday evening. It was the annual reception to the past noble grands of Acoma Rebekah lodge and was held in their hall. The occasion will long be remembered by the interesting entertainment and the reception which followed. Light refreshments were served.

C. G. Wiley & Son have just completed one of the largest jobs done in this section in their line. A large spiral monument, twelve feet high, of new Westerly granite has just been placed by them for Chicago people. The varied surface work on the different sections has been very finely executed. The names show especial care and skill. It was placed in the cemetery at Dunstable on the Wright lot.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Swift and family left Pepperell, Tuesday afternoon. They go to Mt. Vernon, N. Y., for a ten-days' stop with their brother, Dr. Swift. After a short time they expect to settle definitely at Denver, Colo., Mr. Swift's new field of labors.

Do not forget the meeting of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club at town house next Monday evening. Show some interest in yourself and attend this meeting. Everybody welcome.

Roy Sylvester has been somewhat indisposed for the past few days. Appendicitis was feared, but seems hardly probably now.

Mrs. D. R. Child has returned from a short visit with friends in New Hampshire. It is understood that Mr. Child has purchased the large estate in which he now lives.

Joseph Levalley, one of the popular clerks and assistant cashier in E. E. Tarbell's store, is recovering from a recent operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Annis have returned to town after an absence of about six weeks with friends in a number of towns in a number of states.

One of the usual fine dinners of the L. A. S. of the M. E. church will be served next Thursday noon, November 18, twelve to 1.30.

Many will welcome the news that the sewing class of the Woman's club will resume lessons at the Main St. grammar school building, Saturday afternoon, November 13, from three to four o'clock. Girls from eight to sixteen years of age specially invited.

The many friends of Daniel F. Dwyer will be pleased to learn that he has been admitted to the New York bar, graduating from the New York law school last June, having successfully passed the New York state examination. He was sworn in at the October session of the appellate division, supreme court, last Monday. Mr. Dwyer is a graduate of the Pepperell high school and will locate in New York city.

Keep in mind Tuesday evening, November 30, under auspices of I. O. O. F., at Prescott hall. Miss Marion Wilson, a professional sketch artist, will give a series of her instructive as well as clever character sketches. She comes from recent remarkable triumphs and a pleasant evening is assured. Dancing after the entertainment.

The Woman's club meets Friday, November 16, at 2.45 p. m., sharp. The program contains the name of Miss Ewart, who will favor with a demonstration on cooking.

The new system of Tungsten lamps was in working order Wednesday evening for the first time. The new lamps give a stronger, whiter light, and it is hoped will stand the test of time. These new lamps give us two and one-half times as much light as the old style and cost one-half as much to light. Mr. Johnson has completed his work on about one-half of the system, and so far much credit is due him not only for the success, but also a great saving to the town, which will show in the next town report.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will hold their regular meeting, Thursday afternoon, November 18, at 2.30 o'clock. Harvest supper will be served at 6.30 in the vestry. The committee in charge is Mrs. Qua, Mrs. Blood, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Boynton and Miss Susie Wood.

Mrs. R. E. Tarbell has moved from Joshua Blood's, Park street, to the vacant house on Main street belonging to Dr. S. W. Fletcher, and recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. William Jewett, who have moved to their new home on Pleasant street.

William H. Mansfield is one of the few men in town who delighted in long walks, and especially through our beautifully wooded outskirts. While on Nisitisitt Mountain the other day he discovered the skeleton of a large-sized deer. Indications are that at the time of killing a good portion of the carcass had been removed. The doctor brought home the antlers and intends having them mounted, as they are particularly fine-shaped and attractive.

Tarbell's Opera house continues to furnish lovers of amusement with vaudeville, drama, musical and comic entertainments of high order. Better shows are not seen anywhere than those engaged by Mr. Tarbell during the present season, and it is hoped the patronage will warrant a continuance of his efforts to please.

A new train is on the N. and P. division of the Boston and Maine, to leave Nashua every Saturday night at 10.45 for Ayer and way stations.

The management of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company here, which has been under W. E. Bell at Ayer for over a year past, has been transferred to Mr. Bowker at the Fitchburg office. Mr. Bissell takes charge of the Bennington, Vt. district. During his stay Mr. Bissell has made many friends and the business of this district has increased rapidly during his administration.

Miss Jennie Merrill has arrived home from Boston, having completed her course of study in the hospitals and elsewhere.

William Shephardson has entered the employ of the Chandler Planer Co. at Ayer, having secured a position at his old familiar work as tool maker.

A. H. Gilbert has given the contract to Stenstream & Deloid to install a hot water heater system in his house on Bennett street.

Robert B. Winship, the popular laundryman, has had his residence connected by telephone.

Saturday's matinee and the evening entertainment in the opera house promises to be of exceptionally fine character. Thursday's "Hearts of the West" was a superb reproduction. Read their advertisement for particulars.

Dr. W. N. Cowles of Ayer was a visitor in town Thursday, coming over to the Ames farm on Shirley street in his fine Buick, to get his children, who have been enjoying the beneficial life of the farm for a few days.

W. H. Mansfield's beautiful hound received several painful injuries in a recent unequal contest. Several patches of zinc ointment on the pup's glossy black hide indicate the extent of the fray.

Mrs. Bessie M. Wright enjoyed a day from her duties at the central, and spent Thursday in Boston.

Mrs. L. E. Starr attended grange at Chelmsford this week, witnessing the exemplification of the first degree on several candidates, one of which was E. D. Harris, formerly of our town.

A number went from here Thursday to Groton grange. Special lectures and other interesting features pleased all.

Mrs. Minnie (Dane) Green of Lowell has arrived with her daughter Glenis at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Dane.

Charles Moore of St. Louis was in town Tuesday, visiting many friends. Mr. Moore was called home on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Moore at Ayer. She was taken to the hospital last week but has returned home, an operation not having been decided on. Her condition is now reported better.

Miss Susie Lahey of Ayer, formerly of this town, who has been employed at the telephone office there for a number of years, has resigned. It is understood a wedding next Wednesday is the sequel. Her many friends on the toll lines will miss her, for she has gained an enviable reputation in that difficult position.

L. P. Shattuck is ill at his home on Townsend street. It is reported the indications are typhoid. Mr. Shattuck is the popular driver of the stage and mail coach, as well as one of the engineers of our fire department. His many friends are anxious to aid in his recovery, and this is looked for early, as the best of care is being administered.

The retirement of school committeeman George H. Swift left a vacancy in that important staff. The many friends of H. N. Tower are pleased to see his name on the school board. His success as a public-spirited citizen needs no laudatory effort. It is our schools we are interested in and it is expected with such capable fellow workers as the other members that our schools will show improvement.

The annual dance of the Hartwell hose company will be held in Page hall, Ayer, Thanksgiving night.

Advertised letters at the East Pepperell postoffice are as follows: Mrs. C. F. Hill Crathern, Mrs. Lizzie McKee, Mrs. Della Knowlton, Colin McInnis, Miss Dollie Thompson, P. Wilbaray.

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We know the summer has passed away. For the car is in a garb of gray. And the autumn leaves have changed their green.

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And the thrilling notes of the whip-poor-will. Have ceased to echo o'er valley and hill.

We know the summer has passed away. For the tender flowers that but yesterday.

With the richest tints of the rainbow. From the chilling frosts have drooped and died.

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TOWNSEND.

Center.

Mrs. Jane Tracy, who has been staying for some time at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Spaulding at the Harbor, has gone to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powell, who are to care for her for the present.

Monday evening was a very enjoyable one at the grange, the evening being spent in discussion of the program printed last week. A pleasant surprise was in store for all when Mrs. Starr of the Groton grange gave an interesting address upon "What country life meant." There was also a piano solo by R. T. Eldredge, one by Mrs. Cowdrey, also reading "Gone with a handsome man" by H. W. Seaver.

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Tarbell's Opera House, East Pepperell. Those Western People Deu Pree and Ayer. Supported by the Entire Deu Pree and Ayer Stock Company in Popular Plays at Popular Prices. Saturday Matinee, Nov. 13, "Greed for Gold," A Great Money Play. New Specialties. A play based on facts. Saturday Evening, the Ever Popular Play, "Lady Audley's Secret."

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William Sullivan and family, who have been spending several months in town, returned the first of the week to their home in California. George Hobart of Fitchburg, a former resident here, has returned and entered the employ of Joseph Thompson. A Birthday Observance. The venerable Lucius F. Wood of this village reached his ninety-third birthday, Tuesday, November 9, and in the afternoon an appropriate celebration of the occasion was observed in the Baptist vestry; where about thirty of his friends and neighbors gathered with congratulations and gifts, making the afternoon a memorable one for the old gentleman, who although very deaf retains the rest of his faculties to a remarkable degree, and recognized and greeted his friends with great pleasure. Deacon Samuel Wares acted as master of ceremonies, and after a brief speech by Rev. William Thompson of New Ipswich, N. H., and an original poem composed and read by Miss Alice B. Seaver, Mr. and Mrs. Wood responded in suitable and appropriate words, and Mr. Wood favored the assembly by the recitation of a poem which he composed a few years ago, after which the party adjourned to the dining room, where a dainty supper was served. Mr. Wood was the recipient of a number of valuable and useful gifts, and expressed great gratitude at being thus remembered. BROOKLINE, N. H. News Items. The wood type factory owned by Harry Marshall was completely destroyed by fire at 12.30 o'clock, Wednesday. The fire is supposed to have originated from a spark from the local freight engine. The building was equipped with valuable machinery and the loss is estimated between \$5000 and \$6000, partially covered by an insurance of \$1500. Mr. Marshall has the sympathy of the entire community in his loss. BOXBOROUGH. News Items. Mrs. F. H. Viets attended the forty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions at Park Street church, Boston, on Thursday. Schools were all closed last week Friday, so that the teachers might attend the convention.