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HARVARD.

Rev. H. B. Mason will give an illustrated lecture, Sunday evening, at sev-

en o'clock in the auditorium of the Congregational church. Subject, Ja-

On Monday, January 24, Miss Ethel

large circle of friends here.

served at the usual hours.

ther's. William H. Savage.

D. W. Ellis at the Cheshire house.

Wednesday of this week at her fa-

From present indications a large

number of our local club will attend

Professor 'Leonard with several students yiewed the Alpha comet with the big telescope at Bromfield school

on Wednesday night.

News Items.

admission.

Mrs. O. A. Fairbanks and daughter are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Burnham at Bolton.

The French play to be given on Fri-day evening next by the students of Bromfield school promises to be a very interesting affair. Miss Alcina Hough-ton, teacher of French, is working hard to make it a success. The public pan, illustrated with seventy-five col-ored views. All are welcome. Free are cordially invited to attend. Admission free. Following the play there will be dancing till twelve o'clock. Music by the Superba orchestra. The Nourse attended the wedding of Miss Florence M. Dodge, a former teacher revenue derived from the sale of dance tickets is to be used in the purchase of gymnasium suits. During the first part of the evening music will be furnished by the Bromfield orchestra.

here at Harvard, to Henry C. Coley, both of Worcester. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents at 23 Freeland street, at six o'clock in the afternoon. Gertrude M. Dodge, a sister of the bride, acted as A home has been found for the after noon whist club. Mrs. Carrie Hussey entertains next Wednesday. maid of honor, and F. P. Rowley as best man. The couple left immediately

on their honeymoon trip to Florida. Dr. H. P. Rogers of Allston has sold Miss Dodge has the best wishes of a his summer home on the Old Mill road in Harvard to Florence A. MacRae of Newton. The property comprises some On Thursday, February 3, the ladies thirty acres with attractive set of buildings, the whole taxed for \$3000. of the Unitarian society hold a supper and social at the town hall. Suppers

THE RED STORE.

Mrs. John B. Harlow visited last A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved into their commodious new quarters on Park street, desire to entertain all their friends, both old and new, and a most cordial invitation is extended to all to visit them on Wednesday, February 2, 1910, from two to five o'clock p. m. Pleasant greetings of 1910. Most sincerely yours, A. E. LAWRENCE & SON. Ayer, Mass., Jan. 27, 1910. wek at Keene, N. H., as guest of Mrs. Mrs. Helen Jennison of Hudson spent

the annual complimentary dance of the Ayer, Mas Ayer club at Ayer on Tuesday evening Still River.



Men's Suits, \$2.85 and up to \$15.45. Men's Overcoats, \$3.85 and up to \$18.45 A small lot of Hats, all bunched in one lot to close at 59c. Men's Shirts, regular 50c. value. to close, 25c. Ladies' Rabbers, 29c. Ladies' Shoes, 79c Come while the picking is good. Furnishings and Shoes almost given away. Remember the entire stock must be closed out.

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On SATURDAY, JANUARY 22d, we shall begin this sale of two wecks in order to dispose of the balance of our Fall and Winter goods for the season of 1909-10.

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ever offered by any store in this vicinity. Many of the Suits and 00 Overcoats offered, are from the well-known house of A. SHUMAN & CO., Boston. It is seldom that you have an opportunity to pur-0 chase such good quality of goods at such extremely low prices as \odot this sale will offer to you. Ó

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Every Overcoat reduced in price, all upto-date in cut and style. Sizes 31 to 40. Your choice from the \$10.00 Overcoats for\$ 7.47 Your choice from the \$15.00 Overcoats

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Ayer club at Ayer on Tuesday evening Sun River.	Tues- \$15.00 Suits, make-way price\$10.4		Hathaway Brands, for this Sale,
next. The usual good time is assured. On account of the storm, th	Tues-	for\$ 9.98	only 79c.
At the Unitarian conference at Wor- day club postponed their readi			Your choice of any 50c. Fancy Negli-
cester this week Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tuesday until next week, whe			and Chint in any stell for this
Maynard, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Turner, be held at the same place, Mr	C. L. Also 1 Lot of Odd Suits for Men.	Ior\$12.47	gee Shirt in our stock, for this
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Whitney attended as Russell's.	Sizes. 34 to 40 \$3.4	7 Your choice from the \$20.00 Overcoats	Sale
delegates from here. Word has been received fr	n Mrs. 1 T . Cold Guite C D	for\$14.98	Vous choice f To TV-1
Several members of our ball club at- Herbert Atherton of Holyo	e, who 1 Lot of Odd Suits for Boys, ages 15		Shirt; Collar attached, Black,
tended the annual ball given by the with her husband spends their	ummer 10 19 \$2.4	7 Your choice from the \$22.00 Overcoats	Black and White Stripes, and Fan-
Owl club of Lancaster, held in the vacations at the Atherton ho	nestoad Ol 111 Ol 111	for\$14.98	mack and white Stripes, and Fan-
new town hall and report a very pleas- in Still River, is in Cuba for	month Children's Clothing		"y Cheviot, Stag and Congress
ant time. with her son Bert.		Men's Black Kersey Overcoats	
Mr. Ryan, for several years connect- On Wednesday three gran	daugh. Children's Suits, Ages 8 to 16.		
ed with the New England Brick Co.'s ters of Mrs. Hanna Harrod fr	n Pep- We have about 75 Knee Pant Suits, with	h] Sizes 34 to 44.	Underwear Bargains
works at Still River depot, has pur-perell made her a visit.	straight pants only, which we wish to clos		All our regular 50c. Fleece-lined Un-
chased the farm in Old Mill, formerly On Wednesday Mrs. A. A. H	stanger parts only, which we wish to cros	el Every Overcoat in store is now reduced	derwear in either single or double
owned by Mr. Phelps of Ayer, and son went to Ashby to attend	ha fu	r in price.	the wear in criner single or double
located opposite the farm of W. M. D. neral of Mrs. S. R. Damon, i	and a start of the		breasted, the kind we have been
Stone. of Lancaster.	\$3.00 Suits. now\$1.5	0 \$10.00 Overcoats reduced to \$ 7.47	selling all season for 50c., now 39c
One of our tall young men has / Miss Gertrude Houghton a	4 Miss \$4.00 Suits, now\$2.0	6 \$12.00 Overcoats reduced to \$ 8.47	All our Derby Ribbed Underwear, the
friends to be proud of. While calling Mary Cummings are visiting	triends \$5.00 Suits. now	h \$10.00 Overeoats reduced to\$11.47	kind we have been selling all son
on a lady friend a few days since the in New York.		\$20.00 Overcoats reduced to \$15.47	
friends your thoughtfully unharnessed	Children's Odd Knee Pants, regular		
his horses and put them in a nearby Miss Katherine L. Lawrend		Men's Fur-Lined Overcoats	Boys' Fleece-Lined Underwear, regu-
stable, where he found them on his re- the day with friends in Ayer	Thurs- kind, now	8	lar 25c. goods, now 19c.
turn day.	750 and \$1.00 Find norm	Every Fur-lined Overcoat in stock is re-	Contoocook Blue A grade
Nine members of Harvard lodge went Monday evening A. A. Hut	leison,	- duced in price.	Contoocook Blue W grade
with a condition to Clinton on Mondow S. B. Haynes and R. E. Portley	attend Children's Overcoats Reefers	Plush-lined Fur Collar and Fur Trim-	
last when that lodge conferred the ed Lancaster lodge, L. O. U.		(med, \$22.00 values for	Hosiery Bargains
general degree on a class of candidates ton, where the second degr	was Ages 4 to 12.	$\begin{bmatrix} \text{med}, \varphi 22.00 \text{ values for} \\ 0.11 \text{ J} \end{bmatrix}$	50c. Heavy Wool Hose, now for 35c.
A degree team from Lancaster lodge worked on four candidates.	Every Overcoat and Reefer left now goe	Dogskin-lined, Astrakan Shell, Marmot	
did the work, which was carried out Mrs. John M. Whitney, Mr	C. D.	1 Conar, \$30.00 value	35c. Heavy Wool Hose, now for 25c.
in perfect style. Russell, Mrs. H. D. Stone, Mi		Dogskin-lined Black Kersey Shell,	25c. Heavy Wool Hose, now for 19c.
The grange hold a regular meeting Marshall and Miss Ethelyn Ru		Marmot Collar, \$35.00 value. \$29.47	15c. Heavy Cotton Hose
	itarian \$5.00 Overcoats, now	Muskrat and Marmot-lined Black Ker-	
on Tuesday evening next. Mrs. Har- low, the lecturer, has arranged a very churches in Clinton, Thursday	\$6.50 Overcoats, now	sey Shell, Muskrat Collar, \$65.00	Neckwear Bargains
interesting program. Question, How HOT.T.IS N H	\$3.50 to \$6.00, values now \$2.4		1 Lot 25c. Bow Ties for
much is the grange doing for educa- About more		value\$50.00	1 Lot 15c. Bow Ties for
tion : will be for general discussion.	Reefers, Ages 8 to 16.	Mania Fim Casta	1 Lot 25c. Four-in-Hand
L'ono and bo and on		Men's Fur Coats	
change party. Each member is ex- school class for a sleigh-ride of pected to bring a package containing day, January 22. The ride was	$\begin{array}{c} \varphi \\ \varphi $	Balance of Fur Costs now reduced in	1 Lot 50c. Four-in-Hand
some article which they wish to ex- Brookline and back to Miss	slood's \$5.00 Reefers, now\$3.4	price	1 Lot 25c. Button-on Ties
change, and an applicable quotation home, where on oyster supp		Prince.	Glove Bargains
which is to be read after the exchang- served.	sters, \$3.50 to \$6.00 values, now \$2.4	Fur Coats, worth \$20.00, now\$16.47	Cioro Duigains
es have been made. Time to exchange, Mrs. Helen Leighton, teache	of the set	Fur Coats, worth \$25.00, now	All our 25c. Woolen Gloves and Mit-
fifteen minutes. The entertainment grammar school, was away on	edness Misses' and Women's Tams	I Fur Coats worth \$30.00 now \$25.00	i constor area and boys
will be interspersed with musical num- day afternoon, and Miss Lena	. Ladd All at half regular price.	Fur Coats, worth \$35.00, now\$29.47	1 Lot Working Gloves and 50c value for 35c
bers, instrumental and vocal. was a substitute.	50c. Tams now	Paceson Casta conta did coluce for	
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hosmer expect The Hollis C. E. society visi	d Mil-1 50C. 18ms now	tracebon Coals, spiendid value for	Sheep-Lined Coats
to start on Friday next for a two ford society on Thursday eveni	10c. Angora Tams now		The balance of our stock of Men's Sheep-
months' trip to California. They gol A son was been on Monday		A Fow Special Barraina	lined Costs at 1/ off the newsley mise
by way of the south, stopping at New ley W. Ladd and wife.		A Few Special Bargains	lined Coats at 1/4 off the regular price.
Orleans, La., returning via Chicago, Howard White of Aghhy via	ed his winter Caps	White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 30.	Shoe Department
	daval All our Men's 50c Cans now	Police Brace, the 25c, kind.	. We have many odd nairs and broken lines
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her home with the family of Dr. Royal, assisting Mrs. Royal in household du-	All our Boys Zoc. Caps now	Develdent Guenendane	which we put on the bargain counter to,
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heir home last Saturday.

quite remarkable.

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Saturday, January 29, 1910. WESTFORD.

About Town.

The weather was temperately wet, so appropriate for the temperate W. C. T. U. temperance gathering at the home of Mrs. Emily J. Whitney, last of other stars, it was one of nature's week Friday afternoon, when a sale splendid sights. of food was achieved to the deserving hungry. Seventeen dollars' worth of deserving bidders were present and dis-tributed sunshine on this cloudy day. for her. This home is to be congratulated on its generosity in aid of movements to Teachers' Social. rescue and strengthen normal living.

Middlesex North Pomona grange will hold its next meeting at Oddfel-lows' hall, Lowell, next Friday, Feb-ruary 5. The question laid over from last meeting will come up for discus-sion, although the question is a small one There are numerously large one. There are numerously large words in its discussion.

Mrs. Horace Hamblet at Brookside has been ill for a week until good doctor and good neighbor gave life a more detained at home healthful flavor.

Walter Kimball has completed his should be in a well-ordered bungalow hen house cottage near from a high-grade school. Westford depot, and has moved into it, having leased it to himself forever if he likes forever.

Mr. and Mrs. Abiel J. Abbot and daughter Carnzu and Selectman Edward M. Abbot sailed last week for a pleasure trip to Italy, Egypt and the delights of the Mediterranean sea. They expect to be absent about three months.

Birthday.

Mrs. Sarah R. Hildreth celebrated er ninety-second birthday last week Friday, January 21, a the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Frank Chandler, livof this graduation: Ultima Thule's Institute-Class of 1910-Tabitha Tadmuck Taylor, vale-dictory; Nanny Nina Norris, saluatory; Geraniuma Generva Grant, history; Be-linda Bedeila Burnham, prophecy; Clar-issa Larinda Cushing, class poem; Lar-issa Larinda Lawrence, class gift; Har-ry Haiarity Hildreth, essay; Henry Hi-larious Hildreth, class will; Thermop-yiae Thaddeus Taylor, oration. Faculty--Wallace Washington Wood-ward, principal; Winnona Wilhelmina Woodward, assistant. School committee--Warren Walsing-ham Willoughby Wright, chairman; Lauretta Lucinda Loker, Phillipe Phile-mon Prescott, William Wikes Walker Wilson. Menry musician Marshall, accompan-ist. Class poem. ing on Scribner hill, north of West-ford town line in Tyngsborough. Mrs. Hildreth will be remembered by the older residents as the widow of James Hildreth and living for so many years in Westford at the head waters For pond. Only about a very ago the writer met her and was surprised to find so much that was sparkling and wise wrapped up with the overlayings of so many years. A widow for life; heautifully normal ere it has been beautifully normal, ere it has been trimmed with the patch work of illusions. One of her close friends has said of her, "She is ninety-two years young." This would seem to carry the thought that she is the youngest person in town. The same close friend bequeathed to her youthful old age: freshments of cocoa with whipped cream, sandwiches and cake were served and a social hour enjoyed. A pretty little side feature of the

"The years bring sorrow and pleasure Hers has been bravely met, With cheerful thoughts in good meas-For old friends she can never forget."

Westford Water Company.

The annual meeting of the stockthe piano at this and other socials. holders of the Westford Water Com-pany was held last week Saturday af-Grange. ternoon and elected the following of-Charles O. Prescott, treas. and members of the grange at the town hall last Thursday evening, and the clerk; Harwood L. Wright, auditor; George T. Day, Sherman H. Fletcher newly-elected lecturer had prepared a Julian A. Cameron, John C. Abbot and good program. Speaking of newly-Charles O. Prescott, directors. At a elected officers, every one of the new subsequent meeting of the directors George T. Day was elected president; staff with one exception were in their places. This also included the execu-tive committee. The master's gave sounded promptly at eight o'clock with Sherman H. Fletcher, general man-ager; and Alonzo H. Sutherland, superintendent. From the annual report which has just been issued a few condensed facts will serve to show the standing of the company. There are at the present time 263 water takers, an increase of forty-six over last year. within a seasonable hour. The lec-turer had ready for distribution the

ard was a drummer for a well-known wholesale firm of Boston. His many A little daughter named Alberta has been born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reid, which is the fifth child in their family customers will be pleased to have him on his former route.

Mrs. Delmege and two daughters, Mattie and Stella, of North Billerica, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Myles Collins, Wednesday.

Dance. Mr. and Mrs. Abiel J. Abbot, Edward Abbot and Miss Carnzu Abbott left Westford last week Tuesday and sail-The members of the John E. Edwards hose company held its second ed from New York, Thursday, for a three months' Mediterranean trip. annual dance in Abbot's hall, Friday evening, January 21, which was attended by a large number. Dancing was enoyed from eight till one. McNally's orcnestra of Hudson furnished the mu-Many who were interested Wednesday evening enjoyed the spectacle of the fine sunset at the close of a beautiful winter day, and then the appearance in the mist of the Innes comet, which showed up finely. With brilliant Venus a little to the left and in the east the sic. At 10.30 oyster supper, cake and conee was served in the anterooms The night proved to be a stormy one News Items. rain fell in torrents and the street were in a slippery condition that made nearby full moon, rising and myriads travelling almost impossible, neverthea large number of people from Graniteville came by way of trolley. Visitors were also present from Gro-ton, Ayer and Littleton. The Westford Mrs. John Warren Day has been and still is ill with an attack of heart trouble. Miss Grace Lumbert is caring ire department were detained at home by the storm, but aided the treasury by purchasing several tickets. The comnittee in charge of the affair were Ed-The annual event in the social calward T. Hanley, Walter Precious, John endar of the Congregational church, "known as the teachers' social" took W. Catchpole and James Whigham. The ladies in charge of the supper were Miss Hannah Coburn, Mrs. R. D. place at the vestry Tuesday evening, and this coterie of bright young ladies gave their hearers an hour or so of wholesale fun that was bright and Prescott, Mrs. George Sanborn, and Mrs. George Weaver. After all ex-penses were paid a balance of twentyoriginal to a degree and much appre-ciated. It was to be regretted that the one dollars was turned into the treasury weather and travelling was such that many who had planned to attend were

Death.

The many friends of Reuben Orange will be sorry to learn of his death which occurred at four o'clock Saturshould be in a well-ordered graduation day afternoon in Providence, R. I., after a long and painful illness of blood poison. Mr. Orange came to this village from Bradford, England, The class color was a brilliant red and the class gift a happy grinning Billiken. The graduating costumes were wonders of girlish finery with their wealth of ribbons, bracelets, chains, etc., also the costumes of the faculty and school committee work twenty-three years ago with his pa-rents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Orange. While still a young boy, he moved with his parents to Worcester. faculty and school committee were moved with his parents to Worcester, where he had the misfortune to be run over by a freight train and had one foot amputated. The family moved back to this village again, where they resided for many years. When St. An-drew's mission was founded he became "There were many bright local hits and genial John Wright added the finishing touches when he presented the diplomas to this promising class." and genial Joun finishing touches when he pro-the diplomas to this promising class. The class orchestra was certainly an ingenious medley of music. The following program gives an ex-cellent idea of the scope and personnel of this graduation: Thule's Institute-Class of Taylor, vale Taylor, vale the tade of plumber. He laves to mourn his loss a wife the leaves to mourn his loss a wife Taylow y and Mis

ters, Mrs. Samuel Blowey and Miss Elizabeth Orange of this village, and Mrs. Joseph Perkins of Graniteville, and two brothers, William Orange, who is in company I, Eleventh infantry, now at Fort Russell, Wyoming, and Joseph Orange, formerly of the U.S.S. Vermont, but now of company C, First regiment, stationed at Cavite, Philip-pine Islands. His age was twentyeight years.

one p. m., at the Roger William Baptist church, corner of Westminster and Knight streets, Providence, R. I.

TOWNSEND.

evening was the presentation to Mrs. Marshall of a beautiful bunch of pinks William Lang of Boston was in town which graced the plano during the over Sunday.

evening for her ever helpful skill at An interesting discussion upon roads filled the evening's entertain-ment at the grange Monday night. The There was a good attendance of the

tions upon the graphophone. Supt. of schools E. L. Haynes' class in Sunday school entertained Mrs. Leander Jeft's class and Mrs. How-ard's at the Congregational yestry on Monday evening, the occasion being one of the fireside gatherings so the result of getting through a good session of business, the lecturer's pro-gram and considerable sociability all popular last season. There was an ex-cellent entertainment given by various members of the class and a general good time was enjoyed.

The main pipe has been increased in Graniteville and at the center of the town 1767 feet, making a total length pipe. The standpipe on Prospect hill incharge of the men. The play "The

Mrs. Phœbe Jenness Randall, who has been seriously ill, is improving. Miss Ethel Patch, who has been a guest at the Russell farm, returned to Malden, Mass., Saturday.

Mr. Higgins of Montana, who is exremely engaged in stock raising, Mrs. May Hadley and Harold Hadley of Cambridge, Mass., have been guests at the Elmwood.

The Chamberlain Patten Co. of Nash-ua, N. H., will hold a One-Day Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Suits at the Park Hotel, Townsend, Tuesday, February 1. An opportunity will be offered the la-dies of Townsend and vicinity to buy a Suit or Coat at city mark-down prices. Remember the date. Everybody in-vited.

HOLLIS, N. H.

Miss Lizzie Worcester went to Boston last week and underwent the removal of a cataract from one eye.

Miss Mary E. Frost of Nashua visited Hollis Y. P. S. C. E. at the regular meeting last week Friday and gave an account of the International C. E. convention, held in St. Paul last July. Owing to the stormy weather, many were unable to hear who planned to.

Fred Pollock has quite a swollen foot caused by stepping on a rusty nail.

Rev. Mr. Hyde of Jamaica Plain Rev. Mr. Hyde of Samarca Fiam, Mass., supplied the pulpit last Sun-day for Rev. C. H. Davis, whose throat is very bad. He is unable to talk at all. It is quite the result of his sickness of three weeks ago.

Andrew Jewett went to North Billerca, Wednesday, to attend the Farmers Institute there.

The Hollis Woman's club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Dudley Twenty-three ladies were present. In of the absence of the president, who was to ill, Miss Emma Van Dyke, the chair-and, man of the executive committee, pre-pa-sided. Current events given by Miss Hinckley; a paper, "The events of 1909 given by Mrs. Jewett; music by Miss Castman; a paper on Rembrandt and other artists of his time, by Miss Bertha Hayden.

Bambridge Wheeler, one of Hollis' aged citizens, passed away Saturday, January 22. Mr. Wheeler was a quiet man who lived a retired life on his farm. He is survived by a widow His funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.

The community was shocked Tues day afternoon to hear of the sudden death of Noah Hardy after an illness of only twenty-five minutes. He suf work. He was a man highly respected by all, a native of Hollis, which has always been his home. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. W. C. Bushee with whom he made his home, and one grandson, Clifford Bushee.

LITTLETON.

About Town.

Last week Friday evening, in the Unitarian vestry, the knights and ladies of King Arthur gave a very pret-ty little two-act play, "Bide a wee bairn," under the direction of their teacher, Mr. Drummond, and they all did credit to themselves. Mrs. Young, pianist, with Miss Barrows, cornetist, rendered sweet music.

ment at the grange Monday night. The subject was ably discussed by T. E. Flarity, Galen Proctor, Dr. A. J. At-wood, F. B. Higgins, F. J. Knight and others. There ware also saveral scheme to the start of the start

The Forget-Not Circle of King's Daughters will hold their meeting, Tuesday afternoon, February 1, with Mrs. Anna Brown, when it is expected that Mrs. Smarden, county treasurer of the order, will speak.

The American club of the Orthodox church will hold its February meeting, Wednesday afternoon, February 2, with Mrs. J. P. Thacher. Last week Thursday afternoon, at

the meeting of the Daughters of Vermont, held at the Vendome, Boston, Mrs. Minnie G. Peck gave a stereopticon lecture on Ireland.

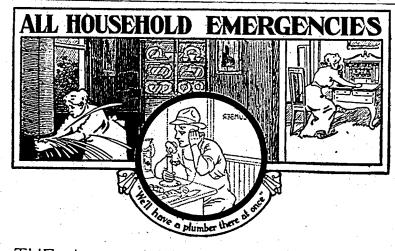
As Rev. Paul G. Favor leaves town next week, the teachers having rooms





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Funeral service was held Tuesday at

Center.

pipe. The standpipe on Prospect hill has been strengthened to resist increased breezes from the direction of the north pole, since that point has become such a breezy controversial radiator. The driven wells have been tested by two expectionally dry sea-sons. The best of experts are they at pumping water, and yet neither they nor the pumping station have been able to exhaust the requirements and expectations of the water company or the public. Two barns and a forest fire at Graniteville tested the effectiveness of the supply, and the wisdom of those who contributed the foundation. The financial report shows a considerable increase in revenue over fixed charges as compared with last year, which showed a deficit. From all points of view the Westford Water Company is to be congratulated and encouraged on its past achievements and its future outlook.

The total amount of water pumped to the standpipe from January 1, 1909, to January 1, 1910 was 14,503,098 gallons.

'Farmers' Institute.

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth," for the few unintentional and harmless words sent forth at after dinner exercises at the Insti-tute at Westford on the "Milk standard" question has fanned the old fire into a flame, and the whole fire department of oratory has been summoned to either quelt the flame or else make more of it. Consequently the Institute in February will discuss: Resolved, "That the standard of milk should be abolished for the good of all." The affirmative will be led by Mr. Emerson The of Haverhill, one of the largest milk raisers in Essex county, and as copartner that superintendent of breeze, De Lacey Corkum of Billerica. Both are already preparing for a rapidity of overturn that is liable to result in buttermilk before they get through. While the negative speakers have not yet been named, it is expected that two able consumers in more senses than one will be selected, both gentlemen fiving in Lowell. Go it, gentlemen, i will hold hats or fans, or in the event of both sides getting weary, I will administer the medicine both are crying for, milk and water for the affirmative and cream and milk for the nega-

recitations, his oration on "The apple" in negro dialect being particularly good. Everett Woods and Horace E. Gould alec goue some and Horace E. good. Gould also gave some good recitations in humorous vein. Cyril A. Blaney, M. D., and Edson G. Boynton furnished songs that were thoroughly enjoyed.

st. Class poem. Ne plus ultra—"Can't be beat."

At the close of the entertainment re-

The next meeting will be ladies' night, and a play and other features will be presented. Plans for the ob-servation of the fifteenth anniversary of this grange are already being made. The state master and lecturer have promised their presence for the occasion.

Quite a number from this grange attended the meeting at Littleton, last week Wednesday evening, when the week wednesday evening, when the third and fourth degrees was conferred on a large class of candidates, the third degree being done by their la-dies' degree staff. A fine oyster supperwas served.

Forge Village.

Mrs. Harriet E. Randall entertained Frank Bennett and Miss Lucy Bennett of Worcester, and Archie S. Bennett of Somerville the last of the week.

of Worcester, and Archie S. Bennett of Somerville the last of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mason and little on Clayton of Lowell were Sunday family lot at the South cemetery, Comson Clayton of Lowell were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole.

The Groton School orchestra will give their annual concert in Recreation hall in the near future.

Michael LeDuc, a pole, had his right arm broken, Wednesday afternoon, while employed in the mills of Abbot & Co. Dr. O. V. Wells set the injured membership and the set of the s member

Miss Genevieve Jantson of Lowell was a visitor at Cameron school Wed- ary 19, at the Congregational parson-nesday. Miss Jantson was a former age, by Rev. W. L. Noyes, Ivan Parker teacher

William Morton of Bridgeport, Conn., came on to accompany his wife, for-merly Miss Mamie Murray, home. Mrs. Morton and little daughter, Mildred H., have been visiting at her mother's since the first of December. Elmer L. Wallace has been enjoying a fishing trip to Lake Winnipesaukee, the guest of G. A. Homer. Rey. W. L. Noyes, pastor of the Congregational church here, has re-

George Howard, a former clerk for cently declined a call to a larger par-Conant & Co., Littleton, is to be taken ish with an increase of salary.

In charge of the men. The play, "The third degree," which they hoped to have ready for presentation, was not quite ready, owing to a succession of stormy nights for rehearsals. This will be given in the near future. S. L. Taylor furnished some of his enjoyable recitations his oration on "The orall" of the question and the affirmative of the question and the affirmative upon the force of the argument, Lunch was served and a social time enjoyed.

The Chamberiain Patten Co. of Nash-ua, N. H., will hold a One-Day Sale of Ladles' and Misses' Suits at the Park Hotel, Townsend, Tuesday, February 1, An opportunity will be offered the la-dles of Townsend and vicinity to buy a Suit or Coat at city mark-down prices, Remember the date. Everybody in-vited. vited.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

BROOKLINE, N. H.News Items.Mrs. Julia Lawrence of Pepperell is
the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E.
Corey.Ezra S. Wright, a veteran of the
civil war, and a charter member of
John H. Worcester post of Hollis, dited
to the heart, aged eighty-three
years. The funeral took place Satur-
day from his late home on the Milford
road, Rev. W. L. Noyes officiating. A
large delegation from the John Wor-
cester post were in attendance. The
casket was covered with the flag he
honored and the post colors draped
in mourning. The burial was in the
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Married, Wednesday evening, Januand Christy P. Corbett, both of Pep perell.

Elmer L. Wallace has been enjoying

where he resides have been obliged to seek new quarters and are located in the home of Frank Dodge. George A. Lovejoy of Cincinnati

Ohio, was an over-Sunday guest with Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb, his wife's parents. This week seems to be moving week

in this town. Clarence Crosby moves into the house vacated by the Angus Smith family. Edgar Barteaux and Smith family. Edgar Barteaux and Elmer Boynton families move into the new double tenement house belonging to Conant, Houghton & Co. on Goldsmith street.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sub-scribor has been duly appointed oxce-utrix of the will of Thomas L Motley, late of Groton, in the County of Middle-sex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby re-quired to exhibit the same; and all per-sons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to MARIA D. PARK, Executrix. Groton, Mass., Jan. 10, 1910. 3118

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\$250 cash or a year in Collect. easily earned by one young man or one young lady in each county in the United States. Plan easy and does not inter-fere with other employment. No money renuired. For particulars address M. H. PEMBERTON, Columbia, Mo.



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Why does Great Britian buy its oatmeal of us?

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Certainly it seems like carrying coals to Newcastle to speak of export-ing oatmeal to Scotland and yet, every year the Quaker Oats Company sends hundreds of thousands of cases of Quaker Oats to Great Britian and urope.

The reason is simple; while the English and Scotch have for centuries eaten oatmeal in quantities and with a regularity that has made them the most rugged physically, and active mentally of all people, the American has been eating oatmeal and trying all the time to improve the methods of manufacture so that he might get that desirable foreign trade. desirable foreign trade.

How well he has succeeded would be seen at a glance at the export re-ports on Quaker Oats. This brand is without a rival; is packed in regular 10c packages, and in large size family Dackages at 25c. 151

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instructions as to his rights and under the ninth, or residuary thereof.

Clause thereof. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be holden at Cam-bridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the eighth day of February, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same

1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same. And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each of you who may be found in said Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or, if any of you shall not be so found, either by delivering a copy thereof to you wherever found or by leaving a copy thereof at your usual place of abode, or by mailing a copy thereof to you at your last known post-office address, fourteen days, at least, before said Court; and also, unless it shall be made to appear to the Court by affidavit that you all have had actual notice of the proceed-ing, 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 seven days, at least, before said Court.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-ETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the es-tate of GEORGE GREENLEAF OS-GOOD late of Ayer, in said County, de-

Whereas, a certain instrument pur-porting to be the last will and testa-ment of said deceased has been pre-sented to said Court, for Probate, by EMMA J. OSGOOD, GEORGE L. OS-

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26, 1910. During the past week Washington has had more than its usual compli-ment of congresses, for besides the chronic congress, or the one we always have with us on the bill, there has been here a congress of governors of the states and the Civic Federation congress. Inasmuch as one of these congresses was composed of the governors of the states, it is not necessary to add that it was a distinguished gathering, but the congress of Civic Federation was also composed of dis-tinguished men whose names are familiar to readers throughout the United States. Both of them were addressed by the president and by Senator and other distinguished men Root while members and senators attended their meetings. They were entertain-ed at the White House, rt clubs and by residents of the city. When President Taft appeared on the stage at the first meeting of the congress of Civic Fed-eration he were received with the stage of the congress of the stage at the first packages at 25c.51Tail appeared on the stage at the first
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movement to reduce the cost of the necessaries of life. This is, indeed, a and ten. <u>3119</u> W. E. ROGERS, Register. <u>COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-</u> SETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To Isaac Spaulding, Harriet N. Con-grove. Elsie Hale, Pearl Brabham and Florence Hale of Marietta, John E. Hale of Crooksville, Nancy S. Gilson of Cleveland, and Mary S. Duff of New-comstown, all in the State of Ohlo. Doliver S. Spaulding, Francis W. Spaulding and Mattha A. Bartlett of Mansfield, and George P. Parker of Massachusetts, Randall Spaulding of Montelair of the State of New Jersey. Wayland Spaulding of San Diego in the State of New York, Hannah C. Gulse of Goid Hill in the State of West Vir-grina. State of Lolfornia. Ella Jenvey of Parkersburg in the State of West Vir-grassurer and Receiver-General of said Commonwealth, and Dana Maloe, At-torney-General for said Coumonwealth Wayland for Alba in the State of Iswa, and Elmer A. Stevens. Treasurer and Receiver-General of said Commonwealth, and Dana Maloe, At-torney-General for said County, as executor of the will of HARRET N. SPAULD-NG, late of said Townsend, deceased, has presented to said Court his petition praying for the construction of said will and duites under the ninth, or residuary land sone instruction said will and for instructions as to his rights and duites under the ninth, or residuary much, they throw away what would support an equal number of people of India, China or Japan, and there is not the least exaggeration in the statement that the cost of what the average man in America eats in one day, would keep an inhabitant of China or India in food for two weeks. This is a temperate statement. I know it to

be true from personal observation on the spot.

Whether one favors or disapproves female suffrage, there can scarcely be but one answer to the question of a suffragette who points to congress and asks: "Could any body of women waste more time in words?" Congress with more work laid out than could be accomplished in a whole year of begun on one of the important items and playmates at her home from the of its lengthy program. Everything till five o'clock, 'Among the games waits while the insurgents surge and to be seven days, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire. Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of January. In the year one thou-sand nine hundred and ten. 3t19 W. E. ROGERS, Register. has not had a preliminary airing, and knowing congress it is safe to predict that when it is introduced we will have a repetition of the Brownsville investigation, the taking of endless testimony, the examination of innu-merable witnesses until the public will

have forgotten the original issue. The been a recent guest immigration committee hoped to spring and Mrs. R. S. Ely. a sensation on the public by its intro-duction of the White Slave bill, and a

ing transmitted by mail. The correct- quent and comforting words from the

ing transmitted by mail. The correct-ed total cotton ginned this season to January 1, 1910, is 9,647,327 bales. Statesmen have various ways of making themselves famous. Repre-sentative Benjamin Howell of New Jersey has chosen to do it by introduc-ing a bill which, he alleges, will reduce the postal deficit, provide a pen-sion fund for the postal card into "Under his wing." The floral remembrances were very beautiful, and among them were a pillow of calla lilles and roses from the husband; pillow of carnations and roses, Eclipse Engine Co., of which Mr. McDormond is a prominent mem-ber; basket of pinks and roses, Baptist church: spray of pinks from her class the pockets of somebody, all and one at the same time. But this is not all. Postal deficits and pension funds, to say nothing of rake-offs, are material things. Mr. Howell would authorize in Sunday school; spray of pinks, from her class in Sunday school; spray of heliotrope and carnations, Miss Clara Warren; spray of cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Allen of Groton; spray of carnations and ferns, Miss Kirby of Boyton; spray of cities Market the postmaster general to use in a souvenir postal card, to be issued by the government, a copyrighted epigram which reads as follows:

Words are but the wings of thought, which fly from mind to mind, And wiser they to always say things thoughtfully and kind.

Mrs. Van Etten, Townsend Center. This ennobling sentiment is to be printed on the reverse side of the card, with a Colonial silhouctte border Brown of Taunton, Mrs. Addie Warner and two daughters from Haverhill, Colonial times. The bill provides that the revenue from the sale of such well from Fitchburg and Mr. well from Fitchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Allen from Groton. Mrs. McDormond was aged 64 years, the cost thereof, including royalty, shall be diverted, one-half to the post-office department to reduce the deficit or more years have been spent in this village. She was a member of the caused by the transportation of magazines and other second-class mail matter, the other half to provide a pension fund for postal employés, "to be dis-bursed as the heads of the divisions ing most of her life here; a kind friend and good neighbor, she will be in the postoffice department, in a spirit of equity and justice, shall recom-mend." The bill is now in the committee on postoffice and post roads, been a sufferer from ill health for a number of years. She leaves only a heading straight for a pigeon-hole.

The senate committee on irrigation will report a bill providing for a \$30,-000,000 bond issue to complete irriga-tion projects. The bill is to be in line with President Taft's recommendations.

The fortifications appropriation bill was reported to the senate today. It carries \$5,817,200, a net increase of \$200,000 over the bill as it was passed by the house. The increase is for am-munition for sea coast cannons used in the insular possessions, making a total of \$500,000 to be expended for that purpose. As reported the bill appropriates \$2,332,911 less than is carried by the law for the current fiscal year.

The land grants of the northwest in the winter is, as a general thing, a which figured conspicuously in a sharp controversy between Senator eastern one. Some plants can be January 24 the subject of discussion grown in western windows, but they in the senate. A resolution introduced never do as well as in the other expoby Senator Chamberlain calling on the sures, chiefly because of the intense attorney general to state whether he heat of the afternoon sun. If care is had instituted the suit which two years taken, however, to shade the glass ago his department was directed to during the hottest part of the day it bring to determine the rights of the large he hottest part of the day it is possible to grow plants well under government in connection with the grant, was adopted. The lands inthese conditions. volved are included in grants to the California and Oregon Railroad Co. dow. The lack of sunshine prevents and to the old military wagon road the production of flowers. But many from Coos Bay to Roseburg, Or., and foliage plants thrive. They require they are said to be extremely valuable on account of their timber. They commuch less water because evaporation, due to absense of sunshine, takes place prise about 3,000,000 acres. in such a location more slowly. Give

TOWNSEND.

West Mrs. Ellen Pratt is spending a few weeks at the home of her son in Leom-

inster. Rev. Mr. Upton of Greenville is expected to occupy the Baptist pulpit

Sunday, January 30. Miss Edna Hannant celebrated her seventh birthday last week Thursday by daily sessions has as yet not even entertaining seven of her little friends begun on one of the important items and playmates at her home from three waits while the insurgents surge and joyed was a peanut hunt, the prize for Speaker Cannon smokes and sits tight in the chair from, which they would being won by Miss Gertrude Hamilton. Ice cream and cake and sandwiches were served.

> Mrs. George Upton, who has been quite ill with the grippe, is recovering. Mrs. Fred J. Tenney visited friends in Boston and vicinity a few days of ast week Miss Helen Troupe of Quincy has

been a recent guest at the home of Dr. Miss Inez McElligott and Miss Agnes

clogged with dust and dirt the plant

WHO SHOULD OBEY?

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"Tom, there is one word in the maringe service that I won't say." "What's that, durling?"

"Obey." "Well, sweetheart, you needn't." "I won't say it-1 won't, 1 won't!" "But why should you say it?"

church; spray of pinks, from her class

husband to mourn her loss, for whom much sympathy is expressed.

Items of Interest.

HOUSE PLANTS IN WINTER.

How to Make Them Thrive by Observ-

ing Simple Rules.

The best exposure for house plants

A few plants do well in a north win-

only the amount of water needed to

keep the soil moist. More will cause

a souring of the soil, a condition sel-

dom met with when plants are fully

exposed to sunshine. In a northern location the soil around the roots

should be turned over at least once a

week to allow the sun to reach it and.

as it were, purify it. Some plants, like

the geraniums and carnations, can

Another thing plants require is ven-

tilation. A florist always has the fin-

est system of ventilation in his houses.

Of course it is hard to get things down

to such fine points in a private house,

but we can, by raising and lowering

windows, frequently change the at-

Another matter of importance in

is almost as necessary as root water-

ing. The leaves of the plant are cov-

through them. If these pores become

hardly get too much sunshine.

mosphere to all life.

a year

"Why, it's in the service, isn't it?" "It's in the Episcopal service, but we needn't be married in that church. Some of the others are not so particular."

Boston; spray of pinks, Mrs. Addie Warner of Haverhill; lilies and wheat, "Tom, I've been brought up in the Episcopal church, and I won't be mar-Among those from out of town who attended the services were. Mrs. Geo. ried by any other service."

"Well, well, durling, you needn't. Why be so positive about it?" "Because I won't. And I won't say

'obey' either." Tom and Jenny were married in church, but there was no one present except members of their respective families. As the clock struck high noon the couple stood before the altar and a clergyman in proper vestments Baptist church and Sunday school durbegan the marriage service. The responses were made by the groom in a modest tone, but decidedly by the bride greatly missed in her immediate circle, where the news of her death proved a great shock in spite of the fact that she was of frail physique and had until the words love, honor and obey were to be spoken. Jenny promised to "love, honor," and stopped.

"Obey," said the clergyman. "I won't," replied the bride.

The clergyman looked surprised, then shut up the book.

"Jenny!" exclaimed her father. "Say it." said her mother. . "You needn't pay any attention to it after you're married. 1 haven't." "Can I do that?" asked Jenny of the

Herbert M. Wilson, the chief engi-neer of the United States geological survey, says that the damage and waste by smoke in the large cities of the clergyman. "No." country alone amounts to \$500,000,000 "Leave it out." said Tom to the domi-

iee. "That is not permitted. This service

is prescribed by the church. I have no power to add to it or take away from it.

"Oh, Jenny!" exclaimed an aunt. "Say it, sweetheart," whispered the "I'll give you your way in groom. everything."

"I won't." said Jenny. "Jenny." said her father angrily. 'I'm ashamed of you."

Jenny began to cry, and from crying she became hysterical. Her mother put her arms about her and attempted to quiet her, but without effect.

"Cau't you slur it over?" the groom asked of the clergyman. "It's only a form anyway."

"Slur it over! Only a form! Every word of this service has been carefully the production of flowers. But many considered, and every word means something."

The hubbub commenced anew. The clergyman stood waiting while efforts to induce the bride to speak the objectionable word were renewed. Finally the clergyman, with a twinkle in his eye, said impressively:

and Jane having come to me to be joined together in the bonds of holy matrimony, and whereas the church in its wisdom formed this service to give to every family a head, and whereas Jenny refuses to acknowledge Thomas as that head. I see but one way by which the intention of the church can be carried out in this case. Let Thomas acknowledge Jane as the head of the family; let him promise the required obedience. If he will do this I will proceed with the ceremony."

some in evident expectation that he plant growing is watering. Showering would accept this solution of the problem, some knitting their brows and giving vent to their disapprobation in ered with pores, and the plant breathes

claimed the groom.

The bride wept on



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THE TENTH COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin. creditors, and all other persons interest-ed in the estate of JOHN L. FARNS-WORTH, late of Shirley, in said Coun-ty, deceased, intestate. Whereas, a petition has been present-ed to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said de-ceased to CHARLES F. WORCESTER; of Townsend, in said County, or to some other suitable person. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the first day of February, A. D. 1910, 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 pub-lishing 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 of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3t18 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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thousand nine hundred and ten. 3120 W. E. ROGERS, Register. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. On the petition of JOHANNA AT-TRIDGE, of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, the wife of Richard Attridge, of Chishoim, in the State of Maine, rep-resenting that she has been deserted by and is living apart from her said husband for justifiable cause, and pray-ing that said Court will make a decree establishing the fact of such desertion and that she is so living apart from her said husband. It is ordered that the petitioner give notice to the said Richard Attridge to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in the County of Middle-sex on the thirty-first day of January, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the fore-noon, by delivering to him a copy of this order fourtien days, at least, be-fore said. Court, if he may be found within this Commonwealth or in the State of Maine, that he may then and there show cause, if any he has, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted; or if he shall not be so found, by either leaving such copy at his usual place of abode, or by mailing such copy to him at his last known post-office ad-dress; and also, unless it shall be made to appear to the Court by affidavit that he has had actual notice of the proceed-ings, by publishing the same once in each of three successive weeks. In, the Pepperoll Clarion-Advertiser, a news-paper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, be-fore said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3118 W. E. ROGERS; Register.

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FOR SALE OR TO LET A Small Jace on Oak Hill, Pepperell; good Jace for hens. Inquire of BENJAMIN ARKER, Box 55, Pepperell, Telephone 9-12.

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EMINA J. OSGOOD. GEORGE L. OS GOOD and RACHEL A. OSGOOD, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said Court, the forenoon, to show at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioners are hereby di-blooded statesmen and smart New York millionaires lounge about and think reflectively upon subject not one-half of which can be told. In searching for an explanation of the general ineffectiveness of congress, too much stress cannot be laid upon the obvious fact that that body has become a huge social center and that the congressional session is regarded more seriously as a social season than a period set aside for the transaction of pational busines.

a period set aside for the transaction of national business. Everyone is fa-miliar with the fact that the majority of members are engaged in grinding their own axes and that many are the tools of corporations that have elected them, but aside from this it is clear

that social ambitions sap the energy and spirit of practically all of them Washington has become a center of fashion and extravagance. The social pace is set by a yearly increasing colony of millionaires with nothing to do but amuse themselves. Congressmen whose sole income is their salary are endeavoring to keep up and spending all their money and much of their energy in the effort. In any other city

them by reason of their office, they ning. become infected by the prevailing mal-

ady to be in the smartest set. The census bureau reports the num-ber of bales of cotton, ginned from the

growth of 1909 to January 16, 1910, as 9,972,990 bales, as compared with 12,-666,209 bales for the year 1908. The

proportion of the last three crops gin- Death.

proportion of the last three crops gin-ned to January 16 is 96.8 percent for crop of 1908, 93.5 for 1907, and 93.8 for 1906. Round bales included this year are 147,846, compared with 232,510 last year and 188,037 for the season of 1907-08. Sea Island, 92,001 this season, 90,287 last year, and 80,190 for the season of 1907-08. The statistics for 1910 are subject to slight corrections when checked against the individual returns of the ginners be-

several weeks' visit to friends in Bos-Mrs. Addie Warner and two daugh-

ters from Haverhill were assisting at C. T. McDormond's last week, and his niece, Miss Kirby, is stopping there appearance. at the present time.

Leo Russell has recovered from his illness which has kept him confined to his home for several weeks, and has resumed his duties as clerk at Sherwin's store.

Fred Richards is quite sick with pneumonia, and Miss Sarah Warner is also a victim of the same disease; liss Abbie Green is caring for her. Ashbel Streeter spent Sunday with relatives at his former home in Nash-

Miss Marion Kellogg, who has been spending several weeks at her former home in Swanzey, N. H., has returned to J. C. Hodgman's.

Miss Blanche Sprague took charge of the library delivery station last Saturday, owing to the illness of the cus odian.

Rev. Virgil W. Balckman of Killing Conn., a former pastor of the Baptist church in this place, is a guest of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence for a few days. Mrs. Perry . W. Sawtelle and Mrs

F. D. Parsons are on the sick list suf fering from grippe. Miss Jane Lemont of Bath. Me., ar-

they would not attempt it, but having rived at the Baptist parsonage to visit here a vague social position accorded her sister, Mrs. J. H. Cox, Monday eve-

Miss Isabel Hellur from Worcester is at her home in Joslynville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Allen of Groton spent Sunday with Mrs. Allen's mother, Mrs. Robert Kaddy.

surely suffers. Showering, therefore, removes the dirt from the pores and, generally speaking, insures a healthy plant. Where a plant fails to get this moisture the leaves turn yellow and fall off, and the plant takes on a sickly

In the house during the winter it is a great benefit to plants to keep water evaporating on stoves, register or radiators in rooms where artificial heat is used. While sweeping or dusting the room indoors or the plazza outdoors it is well to cover plants with a light thin cloth. Another thing to remember

is to remove all dying leaves as soon as they turn yellow; also cut off all flowers as soon as they commence to fade and never throw them down

among the plants to decay. If a plant shows a tendency to grow tall and branchless cut it back at least one third.

His Temper.

"My dear," said a lady to her husband, "there must be a lot of iron in your system." "Why do you think so?"

"Because you invariably lose your temper when you get hot!"

Discoveries: So many famous discoveries have turned out to be re-discoveries that we become cautious about asserting that any event or achievement was the first of its kind .- John Diske.

How to Make Floor Polish.

An excellent polish for floors and olicioths is made of equal parts of melted candles and turpentine. The candle ends that are left from decorating the dining room table are excellent for this purpose.

How to Clean Hairbrushes, To clean hairbrushes put a tablepoonful of ammonia into a basin of tepid water and dip the brushes down into it until they are clean., Dry with the bristles down, and they will be like. 10W.

"Tom," whispered his mother, "the word doesn't mean anything. A woman always expects her husband to be at the head of the house. If he isn't she doesn't respect him."

"Never!" cried Tom, growing excited. "Tommy," pleaded his Aunt Mary, "do be reasonable and stop this fracas; it's disgraceful."

"Thomas," put in his Uncle Josh "you might as well promise. You'll have to knuckle down anyway." "It isn't that," replied Tom excited "I don't care who's head. I'm a lv. man, and I'll be. I'll never knuckle under to a woman-openly."

"Me. too," said Uncle Josh. "but I give in all the same."

"You give in?" snapped the wife 'Everybody knows how I have to sacrifice to your whims."

"Beloved," said the clergyman, raising his voice to surmount the din. "remember that you are in a church dedicated to the exclusive service of God. Inasmuch as neither party to this solemp contract will promise to obey the other, a requirement prescribed by the ritual, I pronounce a marriage impossible."

The bride gave a shudder.

"And I want it distinctly under-stood," cried the groom at the top of his voice, "that I'm not going to make a guy of myself. I have some self respect, and I have friends whose good opinion I wish to keep. If I did that every friend I've got in the world would chaff me to death."

"Not the married ones." put in Uncle Josh.

Tom had left his hat in a pew near by, and, darting to it, he picked it up and was going at a rapid pace to the door when the bride darted after him. caught him by the control halfway up the aisle, whispered something in his ear, and the two went back to the altar.

"Go on." said Tom to the dominie. The ceremony proceeded, and Jenny promised to obey with becoming meekness.

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By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed giv-en by Charles F. Rand of Ayer, to Moses P. Palmer, dated April 24, 1899, and recorded in Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Libro 2731, Folio 277, will be sold at public auction upon the premises in Ayer, Wed-nesday, February 23, 1910, at ten o'clock A. M., for default in the per-formance of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Ayer, on the Westerly side of the Highway leading from said Ayer to Harvard. bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at the Souther-ly corner thereof at said Highway at a orner of land of Mary Priest; thence Northerly by said Highway to the Brook: thence Westerly and Southerly by high water mark to land of said Priest; thence Easterly by land of said Priest to the point of beginning, being the same premises conveyed to Charles F. Rand by Euribius B. Bimis by Deed lated April 24th, 1899, and recorded n Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, and containing about one acre, be the same more or less.

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Saturday, January 29, 1910.

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

GROTON.

News Items.

The masquerade party given by Mr. Lovett in town hall, Groton, January 20, was a great success, people having come from far and near to attend. The costumes were very attractive and well chosen for the different characters. The Spanish girl was very well acted by Miss Mabel Souther; Miss Stella Williams took the part of "Night," while Miss Martha Washington, which was very cleverly repre-sented by Miss Nimie Huebner, deserves honorable mention. In all there were about fifty couples in fancy costume.

Miss Yssabella G. Waters, when leaving here, after her recent visit to her brother, F. F. Waters and family, received from them and her Gro-ton friends best wishes of "bon voyage" and a restful as well as interest-ing visit abroad. Miss Waters leaves New York for San Francisco on Jan-uary 30. Then embarking on the Manchurian, February 4 or 5, will sail for the Hawaiian Islands, and after for the nawanan islands, and after making a short stay there will sail for Japan. Miss Waters will travel in company with Miss Wald, famous as pioneer in the New York nurses' settlement work.

Among the recent gifts to the Gro-ton public library is the book, "Visit-ing nursing in the United States," presented by the author, Miss Yssabel-la Waters, who is spending her life la Waters, who is spending her life in this settlement work.

M. F. Warner, a niece, of this town, attended the funeral.

son of A. K. Porter of Leominster, and at one time a resident of Groton. and at one time a resident of Groton. Mr. Porter's death was the result of heart and kidney trouble. He was the nephew of John A. Kimball, whose death is above mentioned. His age from the residence of Henry Richard-son, Waltham, Thursday. Burial in Leominster. At the mean on moth work, under from the residence of Henry Richard-son, Waltham, Thursday. Burial in Leominster. At the mean on moth work with the next from the residence of Henry Richard-son, Waltham, Thursday. Burial in Leominster. At the mean on moth work with the next from the residence of Henry Richard-son, Waltham, Thursday. Burial in Leominster. At the mean on moth work with the next from the residence of Henry Richard-hospital. As he walked out the next the mean on moth work with the next the residence of Henry Richard-hospital. As he walked out the next the mean on moth work with the next the next morning, his injury was probably only the next morning was probably the ne Leominster.

of Rev. Endicott Peabody, was operat-ed on last Sunday for appendicitis. Boston surgeons performed the operation.

Miss Gertrude Gerrish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gerrish, came home for a short visit a few days ago. A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blood on Thursday, January 20. It is named Helen Elizabeth.

Miss Lottie Woods, coming Saturday from Boston, was at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Woods, over Sunday.

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The recent rains and thaw raised the water in all our ponds and held in March, streams. On the Nashua, near the Nashua River Paper Co.'s mill, the ice became so soft and unsafe that the kis parents for a lew days this week.

The Brown Loaf club meets Wed-Death.

sojourning at Groton Inn for a week.

wants to see it, he must improve the them, and his brother George is with clear nights for its stay will be for the same company and for the past clear nights for its stay will be for the same company and for the past rural free delivery patrons. In view only two weeks longer. Astronomers twelve years has held the very im-say that this comet never visited the portant position of superintendent of placing loose coins in boxes by rural earth before and will never come construction both monthly monthly monthly both motion in boxes by rural earth before and will never come construction, both worthy young men. patrons has grown, and the delay in again. It is in the west near the setting sun and can be seen only in the Lawrence Academy Notes.

Monday evening, and heartily enjoyed was rendered in an efficient manner by an estimated audience of three and was highly appreciated. by an estimated audience of three and was highly appreciated. hundred, The music was good and the dancing party after the play was a pleasant one. Mrs. Charles Duren of Boxborough pleasant one. Mrs. Charles Duren of Boxborough hundred, The Chinese club held its meeting january 22: The debate was on the small college. The decision was in pleasant one of Boxborough hundred, The music was good and the january 22: The debate was on the small college. The decision was in pleasant one of Boxborough hundred, The Mark and Shall and S pleasant one.

Mrs. Charles Duren of Boxborough was in town recently. Mr. and Mrs. Duren are on the Blanchard farm of that town. Their son Irving works in Boston, but with his wife makes his home with his parents.

James Watson Webb, son of Dr. W. Yield of Corn in Groton. Seward Webb, and Miss Electra Havemeyer, a daughter of the late H. Havemeyer, a daughter of the late H.i O. Havemeyer, president of the Ameri-boycott, although the latter did not can Sugar Refining Company, secured a marriage license at the city hall, New York, Tuesday. Mr. Webb, who is a graduate of Groton School, class of 1903, is a grandson of the late Wil-liam H. Vanderbilt, and gave big sec est

The Groton chapter, D. R., met on Thursday, January 20, with Mrs. W. A. Lawrence. A large number of mem-bers and guests were present. A pain Littleton, was a brother of Miss Martha Kimball of this town. She ject in a most interesting means the function ject in a most interesting manner. Violin solos by Miss Willoughby and Martina Alimotati of this conin. Ject in a most interesting manner. Tuesday. Miss Kimball is now the last of that old Littleton family. Mrs. brook accompanying, completed the program.

Mrs. William A. Lawrence received word Tuesday morning of the death of her brother, Frank K. Porter, a bank of-ficial of Waltham. He was the oldest ficial of Waltham. He was the oldest

Notwithstanding the stormy night, time in the history of Groton that field

cominster. Miss Helen Peabody, eldest daughter a shaking up or bruises.

Keenie Fletcher entertained a fishing party this week at Conch Rock camp. Miss Kate Whalen is able to walk out every pleasant day.

Elwin Kemp is still at the Massachusetts General hospital and reported in a critical condition.

Mrs. H. Frazee, suffering from a relapse, was taken to Groton hospital,

C. E. Bigelow, with his wife and Andrew Blood is working in the fin-ishing room in the paper mill at West Groton. He has moved into one of the Hollingsworth cottages on Bixby ing to his arrangements.

The Baptist Men's supper will be E. J. Erving from Walpole visited

Miss Florence Souther likes teleto continue their skating, saying that phone work so far very much. She is they were not going through the ev- icarning at the local office, taking the position of relief assistant operator. Miss Souther has planned to train at some hospital for permanent work as a nurse, expecting to go in training hext year, Numbers of Groton people have been out scanning the heavens for the comet now visible. On Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday nights it was easily discerned, these nights being clear. Look for it in the western sky not far from the brilliant planet Venus, but lower down towards the horizon and arther to the northwest than Venus. Although hazy and not large or bril liant, it is still an interesting spectacle. This, it will be remembered, is not up to date, as follows: C. E. Bigelow, J. H. Robbins, Groton Inn, W. H. Bruce, W. A. Lawrence, F. A. Sher-win's grain store, Fred Tuttle's pool-within our vision, but is an unexpected visitor. visitor. Not long since a lace peddler passed through our village, calling at the served. houses to sell her wares. One of our elderly women gave her entrance to of Spaulding Brothers at the leatherher home, bought lace of her and paid board mill. her, placing the money on the table near which she was sitting. At this point the peddler asked for a drink of ions to move into the Hazzard house. water. When Mrs._____ returned from getting the water the peddler was standing in the middle of the room tis place, was taken Thursday to Mason for burial.

piano solo by Violet McKenzie; read-And Mrs. Turner Hodgdon of Cambridge and baby boy have been sojourning at Groton Inn for a week. humorous stories were read by various ones and there was a spelling match, the words having to be correctly spell-ed backwards. A social time and promenading ended the evening's en-Cambridge, and baby, boy have been sojourning at Groton Inn for a week. Mr. Hodgdon's mother, who was Allina Catherine Gilbert Brown, youngest daughter of the late George H. Brown, of this town, and whose husband was the late Sylvester Hodgdon, a land-scape painter of Boston, is buried in Groton cemetery in her family lot. The first game in the tournament of a thousand ball run between G. A. Tuttle's team and Rice's team of Pep-perell was played in Groton, Wednes-day, at two p. m. Pepperell won, 250 to 119. There will be four games in all; the next played in Pepperell, Wednes-day, February 2. At the close of the tournament the winning team will be presented a twenty-five dollar watch. There was a good chance to see the

There was a good chance to see the Pittsburg, Penn., for the past ten comet Wednesday night. If anybody years, travels all over the country for R. F. D. Notice. The following will be of interest to the delivery and collection of mail and the hardships imposed on rural car-

early evening. "The village schoolma'am," staged by the Beacon club of Pepperell, was well rendered in Groton town hall, Wendered in Groton town hall, Wendered in Groton town hall, we avery helpful talk on "The code of honor." The solo by H. C. Chaussee required to collect loose coins from the solo by H. C. Chaussee in the solo by H. C. Chausee in the solo by

such coins, and where accompanied by mail for dispatch, attach the requisite stamps

The high prices of meat and the liam H. Vanderbilt, and gave his age as and pork just as "they used to do," twenty-five years. No date was set for the wedding.

This would make the raising of corp necessary. Frank F. waters, raised this last season on a half acre of land fifty bushels of unshelled corn, and in 1908 on the same piece of land seventy bushels. This last year the Lawrence Brooks'

ments were served during the social farm had a twenty-five-acre cornfield that yielded about 2500 bushels of corn hour. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman. on the cob. Shawfieldmont has acres of corn every year, but only for its own use, and there are probably some for the present.

Miss Isabelle Hellur, who has been spending a few days at her home in Joslynville, returned to Worcester, Wednesday. price. This is thought to be the first

Elbridge Hapgood has been confined to his bed for several days as a result of an accident, falling upon the ice

morning, his injury was probably only a shaking up or bruises. Miss Annie L. Gilson, who is spend-ing the winter in Malden, was in town for a few days' visit this week. Keenie Eletcher entertained a fishing son, J. H. Cox and F. A. Patch.

West.

Mrs. Amos Jodery has returned to Boston this week.

Miss Mabel Patch has been on the sick list for a few days this week and Mrs. Fred A. Patch of Joslynville has substituted in her stead in the postoffice.

Patrons should enclose coins in an

es, and carriers will be required to lift

Benjamin Seabon, who has been

quite sick with a severe cold at his home on Main street, is recovering.

Miss Maria Piper of the Fitchburg

road, is spending a few days with rel-atives in Boston and vicinity. Mrs. E. J. Lees, Mrs. R. S. Ely, Mrs. Charles B. Stickney, Mies Ina Sargent and Miss Bessie Conway attended the

performance of the oratorio Elijah at city hall, Fitchburg, Monday evening.

Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence entertained

the Ladies' Literary and Social circle

at her home on Elm street last Friday

fternoon, and a most enjoyable time

was reported, the reading being from

G. Holland's Katherina, and refresh

Mr. Carer and son Fred, from the

Oren Manning place, are out of town

Mr. and Mrs. T. Edward Davis are spending a few days in Boston and vicinity.

LITTLETON.

Woman's Club.

The last meeting of the Woman's club, held in the Baptist vestry on Monday last, was a number eagerly looked forward to by the club mem-"Merrie England" was the sub-TOWNSEND. ject, and the good attendance, including not a few of the thoughtful mer the town, was proof of Mrs. Hagar, taking advantage of the interest felt. fine sleighing last Monday, treated the Mrs. Law Mrs. Lawrence is an easy speaker on any occasion, and during her stay members of the Monday club to a sled ride; the objective point being Mrs. in England the past summer gathered Josselyn's. It was a genuine surprise through keenness of perception a rich to the president of the club, who for store of knowledge on general and to the president of the club, who for store of Knowledge on general and more than a month has been unable to leave her home. Mrs. Knight, who is secretary, read the minutes of the meetings Mrs. Josselyn was unable to the the former the secret and the inner circle English Louic life, and little After the report, Mrs. Flor- of attend. After the report, Mrs. Flor- of English home life, and little ence Conant was unanimously voted glimpses of this life were very enteran active member. The exercises con-tainingly blended with experiences of sisted of a literary program to which trips on the double motor-cycle, which sisted of a literary program to which each member contributed. A dainty lunch was prepared and served by the an attractive mode of touring the guests. Mrs. Greenleaf was guest of country. ionor. The next meeting is with Mrs The rural scenic beauties of England, the picturesque hamlets, the McCarthy. noble architecture in the cities and The Jennie Wren club met with Am college towns, the antiquities, flow-Rexford last, Saturday. The girls did ers, plants, haymaking, farm and city life, road building, peculiarities of needle work for an hour, after which games were played and refreshments



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their meat and grain supplies, or raise the whole or apart. Increased interest may lead to larger cultivation of land this spring. Imagination shows the

fields of waving corn, and waxing poet-ical, we quote from the corn song by the poet, John G. Whittier: "But let the good old crop adorn The hills our fathers trod: Still let us for the golden corn, Send up our thanks to God!"

THE RED STORE.

A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved nto their commodious new quarters on Park street, desire to entertain all their riends, both old and new, and a most ordial invitation is extended to all to fisit them on Wednesday, February 2, 910, from two to five o'clock p. m. leasant greetings of 1910. Most sincerely yours, A. E. LAWRENCE & SON. Ayer, Mass., Jan. 27, 1910.

Bern LePoer has entered the employ

Charles Conant is making prepara

Mr. Batchelder, who died on the Cur-

Ralph Kilbourne has left the employ

of Vose & Co., to accept a position of-fered by the subway company of New

York. Mr. Kilbourne is to do the sur-

veying and have charge of the men

the subway stations.

utting in the new platforms around

G. A. Proctor is piping his house for

the water supply for the buildings.

nerience of last year in rescuing neardrowning boys.

Mrs. Maria C. Sawyer has gone to Westbrook, Me., to spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. William French.

The date set for the annual gentlemen's night and supper at the Con-gregational church is Thursday eve-ning, February 10. J. F. Peabody to serve as chairman of the committee.

F. F. Waters has just had the elec-tric lighting service put in his resi-The residences and places of business taking the electric light are, room, Groton railway station, George E, Hodgman's market, Boynton bread and cake bakery, J. W. Wetherbee's shop, Dr. H. B. Priest, Dr. D. R. Steere, J. E. Adams' livery stable, Geo. Tuttle's pool-room in Palmer's block, F. Waters, Miss Webster. Have we left out anybody?

At the annual business meeting of the Baptist church a committee was chosen to get estimates as to cost of putting electric lights in vestry of the

Mrs. Belle Jacques of Brattleboro, Vt., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ada Nutting.

The Groton friends of Ernest L Sawyer of Winchendon will be interested to hear that he is wintering in Florida, going with his daughter Ruth. who is not in good health.

The rain and January thaw melted sleighs, wagons and automobiles were

all used. Mrs. Trevitt, who went to take care of her son sick with diphtheria, took the disease and both are now sick with at at he home of her sister, Mrs. Trevitt is the Rand in Roxbury. Mrs. Trevitt is the has been housekeeper for their moth-has been housekeeper for

to take it, after drinking which, she left. Some little time after, when the purchaser went to take care of her lace, she found it missing and also the money, a new pair of shears and her spectacles.

The masquerade ball of last week called out a good-sized attendance. Considerable time and expense had been put upon the costumes, which were both either striking or interestaway the snow, spoiling several an-ing. It is reported an enjoyable af-ticipated sleigh-rides. On Sunday fair, except for the incident of Officer three different kinds of vehicles, Shattuck on somebody's complaint appearing to enforce the law, which ex-ists against publicly advertised mas-

speech and custom, all drawn out by that "touch of nature that makes the world akin," and developed by the sense of humor that Mrs. Lawrence possesses to a great degree.

Altogether, the speaker, without notes, presented to the imagination of her audience a fascinating, quickly-moving panorama most charmingly told in words. At the close a rising News Items.

vote of thanks tendered by the club The many Littleton shareholders of was given her.

rects all their

about fourteen dollars.

for sale and the net proceeds were

was given ner. Selections, "Old Englich songs," were given by the club quartet, and solo, by Mrs. Mattie Priest. "Old Twickenham ferry," a place visited by Mrs. Lawrence with great delight, still possessing its environment cen-

running waer. A never-failing spring, The after twelve hundred feet distant, furnishes given piene the water supply for the tart The afternoon closed with a weilgiven piano solo by Miss Emma Tenney.

The Whist club met with Mrs. Hagan

Valentines,

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by Miss Lorna Chandler; Miss Bar-rows of Ayer played most acceptably at town hall. There will be the usual on the cornet with Mrs. Young as ac-interesting dances by the children and on the cornet with Mirs. roung as accounteresting dances by the children and companist. Miss Ruth Prescott sang a fancy dance and song, "The glow-very sweetly. Miss Marian Whitcomb and A. Heywood Knowlton played a piano duet.

piano duet. We cannot refrain from giving much credit for the evening's entertainment to Rev. C. A. Drummond, who has the interests of the club at heart and di-terest of the club at heart and directs all their work as well as their nesday evening, to the Massachusetts good times. Candy and peanuts were eye and ear infirmary at Boston, for treatment for his right eye, which was badly injured at Littleton, Wednesday, while at work with a signal crew on the Boston and Maine railroad. the Shirley cooperative bank will be There is an even chance pleased to know that their collector, of the eye will be saved. There is an even chance that the sight

Fred S. Kimball, and Miss Martha Frank Gregory, has been informed by Fred S. Kimball, and Miss Martha J. L. Holland, its secretary, that sixty-H. Kimball attended the funeral of six shares have been sold in this the their cousin, Frank K. Portor of Walfifth series, and that the total shares tham, Thursday.

in force are 410, and that the bank was two years old January 1, 1910. The of bronchial pneumonia was noted in directors at their regular meeting last week declared an annual dividend of more abundant. Saturday evening, Janfour percent for six months ending uary 22, and was laid to rest in West-becember 31, 1909, upon recommenda-lawn cemetery on Tuesday afternoon, tion of the finance committee. The January 25.

George A. Cook met with an accident

last Saturday evening. The winners Entertainment. were Mrs. Farnam and Frank Knight. Last week last Saturday evening. The while Last week Saturday night the Wrs. McCarthy and Harry Knight re-knights and ladies of King Arthur gave ceived booby prizes. This evening Mrs. their, first entertainment in the Uni-

bank has a prosperous future before it.

AYER.

shipped as fast as filed to the parties who have purchased the vinegar. Three carloads were shipped Tuesday and, another three carloads Wednesday, and this drawing of the vinegar from the five tanks will be continued until

all of them are empty. The Haynes-Piper Co. had their fire loses adjusted Tucsday and orders have been sent here from headquarters fo clear up the debris as fast as possible to secure it, which is being done. Ever since the company located here it he

since the company located here, it being such a valuable point for shipment their products-vinegar and refined cidar, known all over the country for their superior qualities, they have been

of Ayer have been benefitted to the en-\$338.51.

It is evident from present indications that they are going away and no more cider and vinegar will be made, here by the Haynes-Piper Co., which will a great loss to the town and to the farmers especially who found a ready Twenty-Fifth Anniversary, market for their surplus apples. The One of the important ev company paid last fall the highest winter took place in Page price ever paid by them for cider ap-ples and the farmers received fifty cents a 100 pounds for them.

The buildings not destroyed by the late fire, which was intimated at the time of being of incendiary origin, time of being or incendiary origin, ous decorations showed the patients will be used only for the storage of nature of the event. Ten of the seven-their barrels, and two or three men teen charter members are living and

Clipping.

The following clipping is taken from The Metropolis, Jacksonville; Fla. dated Kansas City, January 187

dated Kansas City, January 187. If the suspicions concerning the deaths of Thomas H. Swope, millionaire, and Chrisman Swope. his nephew, are well founded, they were the vicitms of a poison plot. The man who compassed the deaths, if they resulted from de-sign called on science to aid him, since evidence has been produced to show that he administered to his vicitms the germs of typhoid fever as well as poi-son. Thomas H. Swope died in October, and his nephew passed away suddenly last month. Others of the Swope heirs fell ill, but recovered. It is alleged that one of the heirs to the Swope for-tune plotted the deaths of the others in order to become the sole beneficiary of the aged millionaire's will. The in-vestigation into the deaths is engaging the attention of the attorneys for the Swope estate, among them John H. Ai-wood, one of the West's most prominent lawyers and democratic politicians. Hon. John, H. Atwood, formerly of

Hon. John, H. Atwood, formerly of this town, son of the late Andrew Atwood, the first president of the First National bank of Ayer, is a brother of Judge Warren H. Atwood.

Extensive Outlay.

The Boston and Maine are to lay of the anniversary. out about \$200,000 in the replacing and Refreshments were served in charge repairing of twelve bridges on the of Miss Millie Beverly, Mrs. L. W.

F. B. FELCH. Palatka, Fla., January 15, 1910. Will be Missed.

Walter W. Manning has accepted the position of advertising solicitor for McClure's Magazine in New York city and a part of the state of New York. their superior qualities, they have been He will enter upon his duties the mid-of benefit to the town. Last fall, for labor and apples, they will take his family to New York for paid out the large sum of \$27,000, permanent residence. Mr. Manning is which went to the farmers all about one of the substantial citizens of our us, and the merchants and industries town, progressive and active in all of Ayer nave been benefitted to the car-tent of \$4500. The company have giv-place. He was one of the leaders in the establishment of the Middlesex of last year an average of thirty-two Gountry club, and has done much to in-terest the young men in that and sim-ilar work, and helped to give the town a desirable reputation in many ways. Last year and their business hundreds. In this he has heen ably assisted by last year, and their business, hundreds. In this he has been ably assisted by of thousands. They paid a tax last Mrs. Manning. Our townspeople will year of \$575, and for town water paid regret yeary much the loss of this most regret very much the loss of this most excellent family, who have been resi-dents in Ayer for the past eight and a half years. Two boys have been born to them since their residence here, Conant and Gordon.

One of the important events of the winter took place in Page hall, Thurs-day evening, when the W. R. C. cele-brated its twenty-fifth anniversary. The hall was prettily furnished for the

occasion with chairs, tables and curtains, while shields and flags in vari-ous decorations showed the patriotic their barrels, and two or three men can take care of all their business in town. Other railroad companies are after the Haynes-Piper business and private parties in cities and 'towns near us have offered the company favorable inducements to locate with them. We have just been informed that large agricultural company for the storage of their agricultural imple-ments in the cider mill building here. Abbie A. Lewis, Mrs. Lucy S. Richardson, Mrs. Lizzie A. Sartell, Mrs. Au-gusta D. Scruton, Mrs. Mary A. Beverly and Mrs. Louise P. Kennison; the last five of whom served as ushers

Thursday evening. The past presidents who were charter members were in the receiving line together with Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer, a past department president, Mrs. Lue Stewart Wadsworth, the department rpesident, and Miss Male B. Shepard, national aide.

Mrs. Wadsworth The honored guests of the evening were the members of the G. A. R. and the S. of V. To each of these organizations Mrs. Lovejoy, in behalf of the W. R. C., presented twenty-five dollars.

Subscription price; \$1:50 per annum. If paid 16 gavance; \$1:50 per annum. Subscription price; \$1:50 per annum. If paid 16 gavance; \$1:50 per annum. Subscription price; \$1:50 per annum. Subscription price; \$1:50 per annum. Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals AH., we abelieve and almost all was Know. Subscription paid in advance. The mortals of a subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals Subscription paid in advance. "The mortals of the Pen and Press we mortals" Subscription paid in advance. "The mortals is the subscription paid in advance. "The mortals of the Pen and Press we mortals of the pen as the subscription paid in advance. The mortals of the Pen and Press we mortals of the Pen and Press we mortals of the pen as the subscription pen at the pen as the pen a pen as the subscription pen at the pen as the pen a pen at the pen as the pen a pen at the pe the morning you had about twenty student at the Leland Powers' school degrees, below zero temperature, we in Boston, and the varied program that were on the banks of the river pick- she gave showed a wide range of re-Haynes-Piper Company. Ruel P. Lougce, who has charge of the Haynes-Piper property here, has thirty-five men engaged in cleaning up thé debris from the fire and in drawing thé vinegar from the yats damaged by the late fire into barrels that are béing shipped as fast as filled to the parties who have purchased the vinegar. Three Net the subscription of the banks of the river pick-markable ability. Every selection was markable ability. Every selection was markable ability. Every selection was encored. Her program included a se-that ours at home, and the sulphur water, which smells like an egg that I will take mine straight. I saw by the papers that we have age to the company. She gave showed a wide range of re-markable ability. Every selection was encored. Her program included a se-that ours at home, and the sulphur water, which smells like an egg that I will take mine straight. I saw by the papers that we have age have had no trouble with or seen any the subscription from "Mrs. Wiggs of the cab-monologue by Ruth Kimball Gardner. A past matron's badge was presented to the retiring matron, Mrs. Helen Reynolds, by A. A. Fillebrown in be-

I will take mine straight. I will take mine straight. I saw by the papers that we have es-caped a very strenuous winter, and we ought to be thankful for getting out of it so easily. I think the climate or something else agrees with me here, as I feel much better and stronger than when I left home. F. B. FELCH. I will take mine a straight. I will take mine a straight. I to the retifing matron, Mrs. Helen Reynolds, by A. A. Fillebrown in be-half of the chapter. Souvenirs were also presented to the installing offi-at three o'clock. Mrs. W. N. Co the gifts very appropriately, Mrs. Rey-nolds, who has been ill much of her year, very feelingly. I will take mine a straight. I will take mine a straight. I we decide to enter he The W. C. T. U Charles Scruton co also presented to the installing offi-at three o'clock. Mrs. W. N. Co the gifts very appropriately, Mrs. Rey-nolds, who has been ill much of her year, very feelingly. I we decide to enter he Charles Scruton co I he boston for a fe the Hotel Lenox. Somerville, charge

To the Editor:

In reference to your issue of Decem-ber 11, 1909, concerning the hearing to determine the cause of the lack of water pressure at the fire which de-stroyed the Haynes-Piper company vinegar factory on November 30. We repeat and call the attention of the citizens to the closing paragraph of the article: "The facts thus presented at the hearing December 8, 1909, showed quite conclusively that it was on account of the four inch valve, being lines tending to the improvement of the open that there was no pressure of place... He was one of the leaders in water for the firemen to use." Other newspaper reports, including Boston and Lowell, stated practically the same thing that the "valve must have been opened, thus letting the water go to waste and causing the low pressure which prevented the hose companies

from being of much service." Maily of the citizens of the town Have perhaps been led to believe by the publication of only a portion of the unsworn testimony that the cause of the lack of water pressure was due to

the waste of water on account of the open four inch valve. We feel it our duty to keep aloof from local politics, but at the same time say to the citizens that the four inch valve was not open or opened before or during the fire.

During the first few minutes of the for being drunk and committed to t fire when the water was turned on the house of correction for two months. first line of hose from the hydrant on our premises and but one line of hose only, there was not one line of nose only, there was not enough force to throw a stream of water fifteen feet. At this time the four inch valve was not open, neither was any other valve in the water system open on our prem-ises and neither was there any valve ters. open on the adjoining property of Levi W. Phelps, all of which are facts and contrary to some of the "talk about

town." If we are correctly informed, no person testified that he saw water running out of the four inch valve. One McDonald, however, said that he saw water running out of a pipe which pipe was, as a matter of fact, the two inch was, as a matter of fact, the two inch pipe below the valve connecting the meter. This was seen by several other persons at the same time that McDon-ald saw it, about three hours after the fire broke out, some of whom have made affidavit to it. If any citizen takes "exception to the foregoing and wishes additional conclusive proof that he may evidence by his own eyes, that he may evidence by his own eyes, She has resided in Ayer about thirty we invite him to view the standpipe and four inch valve, to which has been unjustly contributed the cause of the ty years of age. She leaves two chil-

valve below and above the gate. The upper half of the valve and nipple is

burned clean and rid of every particle of paint which existed before the fire. Had the valve been open, the upper part of the valve and nipple would

decide to enter here. The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. N. E. O. P. Installation.

The trial of Mrs. Mary Kelleher of Somerville, charged with murder on cers were elected: six counts, which had been set for Feb-ruary 7 at East Combridge, was Tues-day postponed until February 14 be-

cause many of the government's witnesses have to appear in Worcester county on February 7 in the trial of the Stone case,

Readings were given by G. W. Shattuck before the Reform club in Fitchburg, Sunday evening, January 23, which were well received. The reception and ball of Mrs. C. R White will be held in Page's hall, Ayer, Thursday evening, February 3. The carpenters of the Boston and

laine railroad are adding hoods to the vest end entrances of the three buildings leading to the subway as a protection, in a measure, from the stormy weather. Lawrence P. Somers of Boston will

preach at the Congregational church Sunday morning, January 30, at 10.45 The New England Paper and Stationary Co. have purchased a new two-revolution Whitlock press, 25 by 38, one of the latest models, and it is an

excellent machine, Charles Feeney of Harvard, drunkenness at Ayer, Jan. 24, was tried January 25, and found guilty and fined ten dollars. January 27 was in court again for being drunk and committed to the In the death notice of Mrs. Mary E. Crombie, it was printed Sunday night, January 15, when she died, and should

have been January 16, and instead of nineteen, it should have read twelve children, seven sons and five daugh-There was a very notable gathering recently at Madame Sembrick's con-

cert, given at Los Angeles, Cal., and among the audience was Mrs. Florence Vermille of Santa Maria, formerly of this town. Mrs. Charles Brown is spending the winter with her daugh-

Deaths.

Mrs. Mary (Haley) Keating died at pathetic scenes. It can be understood how ferociously a brother might folnational aide. The reception was followed by an interesting entertainment, of which the program included selections by the High school Mandolin club; cornet solo by Roger Lawrence; Miss Ethel An-drew, accompanist; vocal solos by J. W. Wentworth; readings by Miss Ma-bel Puffer and Mrs. Viall; a history of the organization by Mrs. Lucy S. Rich play any compassion, and this scene is Mrs. James Conway, who has been unquestionably accurately reproduced.

W. R. C., presented twenty-five dollars. Mrs. Lovejoy also gave to the charter members special badges as souvenirs. of the anniversary. Refreshments were served in charge of Miss Millie Beverly, Mrs. L. W.

WE SHOW HERE

One of the Splendid Values we are offering to the Holiday Shopper, a 6 ft. Extension Table in American Quartered Oak polished top with heavy claw feet, a bargain at \$9.50.

Fancy Rockers, Rugs, Pedestal Centre Tables, Desks, Buffets, Children's Rockers, Taborets, Pictures, Etc., in large and varied assortment, making selections an easy matter.

W. WRIGHT & SON, AYER.

to enter the town for the purpose of ary 28, with Mrs. Nina Beverly. Wed-furnishing power. It would be of nesday evening, February 2, is gentle-great benefit to the town should they man's night.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Charles Scruton on Friday, February 4 at three o'clock. Mrs. W. N. Cowles of Ayer, while in Boston for a few days, is a guest at the Hotel Lenox ance. Remarks were made by the visit-ing officers and members. These offi-

Cers were elected: H. H. Pillman; J. p. w.; W. L. Preble, w.; A. Heinz, v. w.; Mrs. Affle Wash-burn, scc.; Neilie H. Carrigan, fin. scc.; Mrs. Susie R. Bales, treas.; Laura R. Downing, chap.; Mrs. Margaret Rand, guide; Mrs. A. Heinz, guardian; George H. Baker sentinel; John M. Stevenson, trustee for three years.

Refreshments were served during a social hour. The order now numbers seventy. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in G. A. R. hall. Mrs. Margaret Rand reported at the meeting that the receipts of the entertainment given on December 7 were \$55.38.

Basket Ball.

The Civic club gymnasium team wa again victorious in the basket ball game last Saturday evening in the contest with the team of the Lowell clerks of the N. Y., N. H, and H. The score was 49 to 26. The playing was good on both sides. The second contest was between an afternoon and evening class of the gymnasium, the former evening winning by a score of 22 to 12.

CIVIC N. Y., N. H. & H GYMNASIUM. CLERKS. Sullivan, rf.... Green, lf.... Brown c.... Donahue, rb..... Hooley, 1b..... Summary: Score, 49 to 26, Goals from floor, Green 9, Brown 7, Donahue 6, Hooley 2, Brock 2, Mason 5, Slicox 3, Gagnon, Cunningham, Goals, from fouls, Sullivan, Keferee, Merriam, Scorer, Murphy, Timer, McDonald.

AFTERNOON CLASS. NIGHT CLASS. Summary: Score, 22 to 12. Goals from floor, Coughlin 7, McGuane 2, Moore 2, Fillebrown 2, Donahue. Goals from fouls, Coughlin 3, McGuane, Moore, Donahue. Referee, Merriam. Scorer, Murphy. Timer, McDonald.

The feature picture for this Satur-day evening is the Biographic film, "The mountaineer's honor."

work. at the town farm for a couple of months, died January 17, from the re-sult of a shock previous to going to the farm. She was aged 73 years, 2 what has occurred. This human touch by the Biograph people gives a more by the Biograph people gives a more

of the leading asparagus growers in New England, and who is also one of the advisory board of this new com-

pany. Week-end guests at R. Y. Nelson's were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence and Miss Berha De Groote.

Rev. F. H. Viets and Deacon M. E. Woods were delegates to the council called at Littleton to consider the resignation of Rev. Paul G. Favor.

THE RED STORE.

A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved into their commodlous new quarters on Park street, desire to entertain all their friends, both old and new, and a most cordial invitation is extended to all to visit, them on Wednesday, February 2, 1910, from two to five o'clock p. m. Pleasant greetings of 1910. Most sincerely yours, A. E. LAWRENCE & SON. Ayer, Mass., Jan. 27, 1910.

WESTFORD.

Graniteville.

The heavy rains for the past, few days have caused the snow to rapidly disappear, but left the roads in a very icy condition. It is neither sleighing nor good wheeling at the present time.

Mrs. Jemima Carmichael, mother of J. B. Carmichael, is now quite ill at her home in this village, and at time of writing very low.

Mrs. Janet Agnew has been on the sick list for the past few days, but is now improving in health.

Rachel Wall has been visiting relatives in Lowell for the past few days. William 'S. Wall has recently reurned from a very pleasant visit spent with friends in Fitchburg.

The Pony club will hold a social lancing party in this village on Saturday evening.

The smoke-talk that was to have been held at the rooms of Court Graniteville 179, F. of A., on last Thursday, night, has been postponed till the first meeting night in February.

The regular meeting of Court West-ford 170, M. C. O. F., was held on Thursday evening, when plans for the coming entertainment were discussed. At the 9.45 o'clock mass in St. Catherine's church on Sunday morning, Rev. J. J. McNamara gave a very able sermon on "The holy name," which made a deep impression on the large

congregation present. Rev. S. H. Armand, who has been the pastor of the M. E. church for nearly pastor of the M. E. church for hearly two years, has resigned his position and left here Tuesday morning for his former home in Indiana. Later both Mr. and Mrs. Armand will take up missionary work in the Philippines. The best wishes of his former parishioners here go with them in their chosen

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Healy of this village, Tuesday morning, January 24.

Michael J. and John F. Rafferty left here this week for Boston where they both have accepted positions.

There was a special meeting of the St. Catherine's Temperance society in the rooms of the organization on Wednes evening.

A little daughter was welcomed into the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson of this village on Wednesday of this week.

The regular meeting of Cameron circle 823, C. T. of A., was held in its

Moving Pictures.

Fitchburg division the coming season between Boston and North Adams. Some are to be rebuilt and others are to be strengthened. This is necessary as the railroad company are to have as the failfoad company are to have ars. F. E. Tarrant, Mrs. Elste Water-immense new passenger and freight man and the Misses Blanche Farrar, locomotives of the Pacific type, weight ing with tender 351,200 pounds; and the entire length of engine and tender is torian's report were the items: There heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines have been heaviest engines have been have been eighty-seven members; nine heaviest engines have been have been eighty-seven members; nine heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been heaviest engines have been eighty-seven members; nine heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been eighty-seven members; nine heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been eighty-seven members; nine heaviest engines now in use on the have died; the receipts have been eighty-seven members; heaviest engines heaviest engi pounds, including tender, passenger, \$52.31 has been given; \$225 has been engines. The new locomotives are expended for flowers; \$662.13 has adapted for either freight or passenger work, and any one of them will haul twelve passenger cars and make regu-lar time all the way. These heavy lo-comotives, known as the Pacific type, will be put on the White Mountain div-

ision, and the traveling public will get the benefit of that much improved service. In addition to the new bridge work there will be a large outlay for uch heavier rails this summer on the Fitchburg line.

To the Editor:

We had a fine trip on the boat and were in Charleston, S. C., for six or eight hours, where we took a sight-seeing auto and did the city. Charleston is quite a dilapidated and historic old city. We passed quite near Fort Sumter

In going up the St. Johns' river from Jacksonville, owing to a thick fog, our boat got stuck in mud and it took a week and had a good chance to see this most up-to-date Southern city." It surely is pretty and is quite a busy place.

We were a month at San Mater, which is a small place sixty-five miles south of Jacksonville, and exclusively an orange town, nearly every man having an orange grove of from three to sixty acres, with a very big crop this

Brissonett, Mrs. Lorraine Sherman, Mrs., Alice Crawford, Mrs. Jessie Crawford, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Mrs. J. Kyle, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. William Craig, Mrs. F. E. Tarrant, Mrs. Elsie Waterbeen expended; to the Soldiers' home, been turned over to the post.

Joint installations have been held of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. until the formation of the S. of V. two years ago, since which time the installations have been triple, and the relations of the three organizations have always been pleasant and harmonious.

Eastern Star Installation.

Masonic hall was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering Wednesday eve-ning on the occasion of the installation

of the officers of Ida McKteley Chap-ter, O. E. S. A fine supper was served at 6.30. In the hall the guests were welcomed by the retiring matron, Mrs. Helen Reynolds, who appointed a com-mittee, E. D. Stone, Mrs. Lucy Parsons and Mrs. Carrie Bigelow, to introduce the installing officers: Mrs. Minnie T. Johnson, a past matron of the chapter who was acting grand matron, and her suite, Mrs. Aunabelie Weston of Framefficiently and acceptably performed by about twenty feet wide and fifty feet hese officers in the presence of a in depth.

large and interested audience. The of-

Mrs. Flora L. Pierce, w. m.; E. D. Stone, w. D.; Miss Fannie E. Woods, a. m.; Mrs. Annie E. Filebrown, sec.; Mrs. Gertrude C. Turner, treas.; Mrs. Ada Trwin: con.; Mrs. Maie A. Carley, a. c.; organist; Mrs year. We intend to stay here about a more than the Brown, chap. Mrs. Edna E. Stan B. S

had been previously installed and laid out so as to give a circulation instead. About Town. of leaving a dead end on the premises, hat the water pressure, even though the reservoir may not have been full by three or four fest, as stated by one

of the water commissioners at the of the State Federation held in the new hearing, would have been ample to art museum in Boston on January 18. have given our property proper fire protection. This fire has shown conlusively that the existing six inch main will not supply the necessary pressure to four or more two and a half inch lines.

HAYNES-PIPER COMPANY.

January 27, 1910.

In our next issue we will publish the sworn affidavits, which we have in our possession, of several towns-people, as referred to in this article by the Haynes-Piper, Company,

News Items.

George L. Davis went to New Yorl city Monday to be away a week on business and attend the spring millinery openings in that city.

January 24 a daughter was burn to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Griffin, Pros-pect street. There are now seven chilschool must be present this Saturday as registration will close then and no dren, six boys and the girl. pupil will be admitted later.

Mr. White, who is connected with the postoffice department, was in town the fore part of the week with Postmaster Robinson looked over the store recently vacated by A. E. Lawrence & Son. The quarters of the present us three hours and three tugs to get ingham, acting grand marshal; Edward postoffice are not sufficiently large out of it. We remained in Jacksonville A. Richardson as acting grand patron, enough to handle the mail matter with

> Esther Washburn; daughter of Mr. Tuesday evening, by the George J. and Mrs. C. L. Washburn, East Main Burns Hook and Ladder Co. was a street, was operated upon for appen- very folly party; all had a thoroughly dicitis at her home, Thursday noon. good time. There was a good attenddicitis at her home, Thursday noon. Dr. Howe of Boston performed the operation and was assisted by Dr. Bulk-eley, Helena A. McGovern is the nurse the interest of the Connecticut River followed by a line extending the four Power Co., has been looking over the sides of the room. Refreshments were town and the outskirts, but nothing served.

with an attendance of seventy

pected to be present.

this picture displays great strength Photographically it is clear, and th The Art class of the Woman's club action of the characters is smooth and met last Friday evening with Miss S without unnecessary waits or melo-A. Blood. The program was a report by Mrs. Barker of the Art conference ramatic movements. The management have at great expense secured the Johnson-Ketchel

light pictures for Wednesday evening and a paper on Dr. Schlieman's exca-vations in Greece by Miss Avis Burns February 9. This will be the first time hey have been shown outside of the A son, Raymond Albert, was born Wednesday, January 19, to Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Evans of Fort Plain, N. large cities, and the one which come tere is a new film just made, so they will be perfectly clear. They are pro Mr. Evans was pastor of the Uni nounced by critics as the clearest fight tarian church here till January 1. pictures ever seen. A more extended notice will be given next week. The Sewing school opened last Sat-

THE RED STORE.

five children. These women will assist in the work: Mrs. Mary Hutchins as A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved it? A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved it? hark street, desire to entertain all their riends, both old and new, and a most ordial invitation is extended to all to isit them on Wednesday, February 2, ach 910, from two to five o'clock p. m. Pleasant greetings of 1910. Most sincerely yours, A. E. LAWRENCE & SON. Ayer, Mass., Jan. 27, 1910. Not superintendent; Mrs. Jennie Chaffin who prepares the material; and these as teachers, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. T. I. Fisher, Mrs. George Cole, Miss Emily Cole, Mrs. W. H. Dudley, Mrs. Herber Farnsworth, Mrs. Joseph Kyle, Mrs Frank Bennett, Mrs. Joseph Kyle, Mrs. Frank Bennett, Mrs. G. W. Shattuck, Mrs. William M. Sargent, Mrs. A. D. Stroud, Mrs. Charles Hassam. All children who desire to join the

BOXBOROUGH

News Items. Miss Mary E. Hager is at Charles

The Loyal Temperance Legion will Waitt's, taking care of Madame Waitt. give an entertainment, and serve ice Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Robbins, Mr. cream and cake in the Baptist vestry, and Mrs. Littlefield and Leo Cunning-ham attended the Borough Pomona meeting at Marlborough, Wednesday. At the morning session the score card Monday evening, January 31, at 7.30. The entertainment will consist of a program arranged especially fon the L. T. S., also solos, recitations, exer-system of dairy inspection was discuss-cises, songs and a whistling solo. ed. In the afternoon Mayor J. J. A. Richardson as acting grand patron, enough to handle the mail matter with cless, songs and a whistling solo. and Mrs. Elleen Sawyer as acting grand facility, being so cramped for room Miss Elizabeth P. Gordon, acting stating solo. chaplain. The graceful ceremony was a place is needed for the postoffice president of the W. C. T. U., is ex-instructive talk on farm law. Over hree hundred patrons were present at

dinner time, after which many accept-ed an invitation of Elmer D. Howe to The bal masque, held in town hall visit his farm and inspect the model new barn which he has recently erect

ance. Wilson's orchestra of Fitchburg Mr. and Mrs. David Varley of Fair furnished music and gave a brief con-Haven are receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby daughter last cert at the opening. The grand march was led by Hon. George J. Burns and his daughter, Miss Avis. They were followed by a line extending the four Friends here may remember Sunday Mrs. Varley better as Alice Willard. It is reported that Herbert Hale sold his farm to the Middlesex Cooperative The executive board of the Woman's there a large quantity of asparagus, club meets this Friday evening, Janu-, which is to be under the supervision

than a sense of justice. Dramatically New Advertisements.

Igestion

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When William Brown states that he has a remedy that is guaranteed to cure any man or woman who suffers from food fermentation which causes belching, sour stomach, gas eructa-tions, heartburn and that lump of lead feeling in the abdomen or money back what are the poor stomach sufferers in Ayer and vicinity going to do about

The name of this most remarkable stomach prescription is Mi-o-na. It's a certain cure for indigestion or stomach disorders. Here is one opinion: "I have been troubled with indiges-

tion for more than a year. I bought one box of Mi-o-na and it cured me. Now I would not be without a box in the house for \$50.00. It saves a lot when you can be cured for 50 cents." -Arthur Sederquest, 6 Nichols' St., Wakefield, Mass.; Nov. 7, 1909.

Mi-o-na stomach tablets cost 50 cents a box at druggists everywhere, and at William Brown's.

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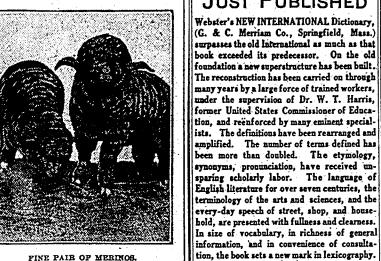
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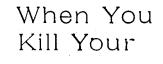
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eyes and a gentle, unassuming manner. She was thirty years old before she began to write. Her father, who

is not now living, was an army officer,

of money from a magazine.

any.

Miss Selma Lagerlof, the Swedish

and her mother's brother. Christian Wallruth, is a celebrated landscape painter. Miss Lagerlof is a graduate of the Teachers' college, Stockholm, and was for a few years a teacher Her "Adventures of Nils" has been adopted as a text book by the National Teachers' association of her native country and is now in use in the folk schools of Sweden.

Miss Lagerlof is a suffragist and a member of the Fredrika Bremer asso ciation, a powerful woman's club for social betterment and the enfranchise ment of women. While as a writer she is an idealist and an optimist, she does not in her stories deal with practical subjects in a practical manner. She depicts life as it is, but her sentiment is always uplifting. Her work has revolutionized Swedish literature. To her translator, Mrs. Velma Swanstrom Howard, a Swede by birth and an American by adoption, Miss Lager lof owes much of her popularity in this country. Mrs. Howard has put into beautiful English the thoughts of this celebrated Swedish author.

Does Woman Eat?

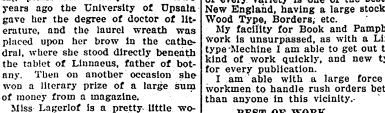
Isn't that an idiotic question? Else how does she maintain her be ing? Three generations ago refined charm-

ers were not supposed to eat. Some of them kept up their looks by

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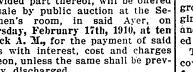
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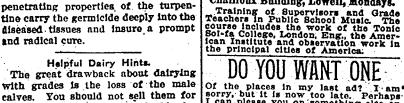
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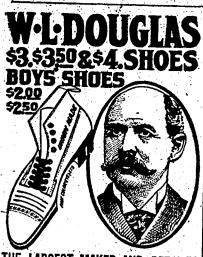
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time, and they harmonize with the remnants of the moyen age clothes that are left with us. But why didn't they come in with the pantaloon skirt and the narrow coat? Possibly they were overlooked in the amazing amount of odds and ends that made accessories so important last year. Probably they were projected and didn't fall in with the mood of the people.

Whatever the reason or without one, the truth is that these most ornamental useful triffes have become the last and fashion of the day.

All the gold and glitter that is an expression of the day is used to build



THE NEW FUR HAND BAG.

them up into something important The brocades and rusty gold medal lions of the Louis days are combined as well as the satin and rhinestone's of the middle ages.

Whatever is full of shine and sparkle is preferred to anything somber and strictly useful. Black silk may be all very well in its way, but this way is not desired.

Not that black bags are lacking. Far from it. But they are made of jet and velvet and beading. Lovely ones are of the jet. The entire bag is of it. mounted over satin and flecked here

and there with silver or gold. And there are alluring ones of cloth of silver in that faded gun metal tone that is so fashionable. As ornament and a note of further extravagance

there is added a huge silver rose. The bullion flowers are quite a feature of many of these bags. One special model of heavy tarnished gold net over French pink brocade is intwined with the button roses of the Watteau period, built in silver and gold. There is also an oblong mirror in the bottom of this on the outside, so the vanity

idea is well carried out. Although the fair, frail bags of pale sating with fringe of crystals will suit some fancies, the sumptuous ones of tapestry brocade with dull metal are richer looking.

All have a heavy fringe not only in the directoire way of hanging from the lower edge, but going all around. This tasseled trimming is quite a feature. Extravagant fancies are carried out in it. The heaviest kind of bullion is used with balls of open tassels as a finish. Strung beads are dominant, and crystals of all colors are frequent. One of the quaint ideas is to have a heavy Napoleon crest in an empire wreath done in gold or silver in the middle, and it is not at all new to have the surface of the satin powdered with embroidered bees. Another odd idea in bags is carried out in fur. Such a bag is very smart worn with three piece fur sets.



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"Mme. Chapellier?" "Yes."

"His excellency has directed me to admit you as soon as you called." The attendant led the way to the private office of the minister of foreign affairs, opened the door and announced:

"Mme. Chapellier!" "The government," said the minister, "appreciating your past services, is desirous of adding to the amounts already paid you another 50.000 francs." "And I doubt not the government expects me to add to my past services a

corresponding amount." "Can you leave for London tonight?" "I can go anywhere at any time." "Very well. I will explain." The minister cast a look about the

room, habitual with him before entering upon a matter involving secrecy. leaned forward in his chair and spoke in a low tone. "The British government has made a

treaty with the ambassador of the sublime porte at London by which the sultan grants valuable concessions to Great Britain. We have been negotiating with the sultan's ambassador here in Paris for these same privileges, but we are too late.

"Sir Bradford Chichester; one of the younger members of the British diplomatic corps, has engaged passage by sea for Constantinople in a ship sail ing on the 14th. He will carry with him the British-Turkish treaty for sig nature at the Turkish foreign office. It is our purpose to delay him either a starting or on the way."

Mme. Chapellier reached London the next morning and reported in person to Baron la Brun, the French minister. "In order to assist you." he said, "I give a dinner this evening at which Sir Bradford Chichester will be present. Have you costumes?"

"Everything except appropriate jew els. I shall personate a wealthy Amer-ican widow-Mrs. Worthington Wood." "Where shall I send them?" "No. - Portman square,"

"Very well. I shall expect you at 8."

At the dinner given at the French embassy Mrs. Worthington Wood, who, though born of French parents, had lived the first fifteen years of her life in America, was taken in to dinner by Sir Bradford Chichester. She knew that his family, though ancient, were not rich and that he would gladly take a wealthy wife. She manifested so much interest in seeing his country seat, the Dunes, on the Irish channel and some 200 miles from London. that he, thinking to benefit in the matter of a courtship-should he deem such desirable-arranged a house party to go there to remain till the 13th, when he must return to the city to be ready to sail on the 14th. Of course Mrs.

Wood was invited. The next day a small number of guests assembled at the Dunes. It was winter, but the house was cheerfully lighted and logs blazed on every hearth. Sir Bradford devoted himself to the young widow. There are womInterests of state were asserting them selves. "You would be a fool to do so. Here is my box. I intrust it to your care." A temptation came to him not to be outdone in a matter of confidence, but he resisted it. Taking the box, in which there were only a few gems for informal occasions, he went away and placed it in his safe.

The next evening at dinner the young widow was entrancing. She seemed to be in a light, happy mood. She told the story of how the host had refused to permit her to visit his safe without his being present and set all the guests laughing by its humorous telling. The host laughed with the rest, and had he not been coming under a spell that would have ended the matter. As 4 was he winced. There was underneath Mrs. Wood's humor a faint suspicion of ridicule. He tried to excuse himself, but only got tangled in his own excuses.

"Don't you think," said the lady to the others, "that Sir Bradford owes me some reparation?"

All banteringly agreed that he did. "Well, this is the last night of our visit here. Let him intrust me with the key of his safe till tomorrow morning."

All declared that such an act would not necessarily be showing any confidence whatever. But the widow insisted that it would satisfy her, and she smilingly held out her hand for the key.

The thought flashed through Sir Bradford's head that the safe, being in his own room, would be under his control through the night. There was a pretty woman smiling at bim, daring him-a woman with whom he was fascinated and whom he thought it advantageous to marry. Nevertheless he did not consent. Then suddenly there came a flash from the woman's eyes, a haughty look as if she deemed such a denial of confidence insulting. Sir Bradford put his hand in his pocket and tossed the key on the table before her.

Amid a burst of laughter she seized it and placed it in her corsage.

The diplomat had no sooner yielded to an impulse than he regretted his act. A man under a woman's spell is act. A man under a woman's spell is liable to rush from one extreme to an-other. Gne moment he trusts her im-plicitly; the next he fears that he has fallen into the toils of a devil. At any rate, such was the fear of Sir Brad-ford. Never for a moment during the evening did he leave the side of the woman who possessed the key of his safe—the safe where was deposited that which if it passed into the pos-session of another would ruin him. If he turned away from her for a mo-ment it was that she should not see the expression on his face when he cursed himself for a fool. cursed himself for a fool.

The widow rallied aim continually. LOWELL and FITCHBURG STREET 'Aren't you going to give me one mo- BAILWAL CO. "Aren't you going to give me one mo-"Be comforted! I am Change of Time Beginning Monday, bit of visiting any but Oct. 12, 1968. ment alone?" not in the habit of visiting any but you sleep with a revolver under your pillow tonight?' These were some of the banterings she gave him, much to the amusement of the guests. At midnight, when the party broke up, she had made no move. She rose with the others and went up to her room.

The moment Sir Bradford heard ber door close he went up to his own apartment. With his eyes fixed on his safe he gave himself up to tumultuous musing. It contained his possible ruin, and the key was in the possession of a woman he had known but a few days.

"Pooh, pooh! What an ass! She only did it to bedevil me. Nonsense! I have a revolver under my pillow. a revolver under my pillow. any one should come in here - More nonsense! Who's to Thus he tried to dismiss the from his mind. But, oh, if he and if any one should come in here tonight- More nonsense! Who's to come?" Thus he tried to dismiss the matter from his mind. But, oh, if he



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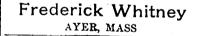
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WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING.

Elinor Glyn and Yvette Gullbert are announced as recent members of antisuffrage associations. Mrs. Glyn has joined an English society, and Mme. Guilbert has been proposed for membership in an association in this country. Both women are said to have declared their inability to understand why any woman should want to vote when she has health and a good husband.

Mrs. T. P. O'Connor and Mrs. Marion Holmes are the editors of a new woman suffrage weekly paper, the Vote. which has just been launched in London. It is the official organ of the Women's Freedom league, of which Mrs. Despard is president. The Suf-fragist, another equal rights paper recently begun in London, makes a specialty of advocating the cause by caricature, cartoons and humorous verse. A creche for the children of rich women is said to be the latest move in the interest of the women and children of London. This creche is for the special benefit of well to do mothers who, striving to be fashionable, have taken up bridge whist. They begin to play cards about noon and often are unable to get back to their homes before 9 in the evening. The object of the creche is to insure careful attention for their children instead of leaving them to the care of servants.

To Keep Dessert. If you want to keep your desserts on the top of the ice place a newspaper over the ice, and your dishes will never slip off or tip over. Ice should always be covered with a newspaper and as soon as it becomes saturated replace with a new one.



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who possess the knack of carrying an impressible man quickly off his feet. Such was Mrs. Worthington Wood. She administered, so to speak, a love potion. There was in it a reason-to cause her victim to feel that he could never aspire to possess her. Eyes that shot a spark to kindle passion, feigned

innocence to excite reverence. Sir Bradford, Mrs. Wood and sev eral others of the house party had gone up from London on the same train and in the same compartment. Mrs. Wood noticed that her host carried a leather hand bag that he never lost sight of. If he left the train for a moment at a station he took the bag with him; if he went into the smoking compartment to enjoy a cigar the hand bag went with him.

Mrs. Wood also noticed that when he entered the family equipage to be driven to his home, while he gave up his rugs, umbrella and other such belongings to the servants, he held on to the satchel. She deemed it necessary to her plans to know where the hand bag would be deposited. But as soon as the host entered the house, leaving his guests to be shown to their rooms by the housekeeper, he disappeared. When Mrs. Wood next saw him the satchel was not with him.

"I have brought with me," she said to him, "a few of my finest jewels. not daring to leave them in London. Have you a safe in the house?" "Certainly," he said. "One moment.

will call the housekeeper. The safe is in my bedroom. She will go with 118."

"Us? Is it necessary for you to go?" "I never allow my safe to be opened except by myself."

"On second thought, I will keep my valuables locked in my trunk." There was a faint reproach in the

glance she gave him and her tone. "Pardon me," he said. "I would trust you, but my housekeeper"-"You would not trust?"

"Oertainly, I would trust you both but there is property in that safe that doesn't belong to me. Would I be jus-tified in permitting any one, however trustworthy, to go in there?" His tone was growing more decided.

only had the key!

He went to bed and tried to sleep. Slumber would not come. Fancying he heard a movement in his room, he arose and struck a light. He was ashamed of himself for doing so, but left it burning. This made him feel a triffe more comfortable, and toward morning he went to sleep.

He was awakened by his valet bringing hot water. After a glance at the safe, which showed no evidence of having been tampered with, he arose, dressed and went down to breakfast. A maid approached him and said:

"I took the hot water to Mrs. Wood, room 6. She didn't answer when I knocked, and I went in. She isn't there."

Sir Bradford blanched. Like lightning the thought flashed through his brain that the key of his safe had gone with her. Then he saw that he was ruined. He was to sail that afternoon for Constantinople. The only way to get the treaty was to break into his safe. But it was a new and perfect one, put in since he had entered the diplomatic service. Only in London could men be found of sufficient skill to do the work, and Londoe was 200 miles away. He put his hand to his head, staggered up to his room and locked himself in. Twenty-four hours later the minister of foreign affairs in Paris received the card of Mme. Chapellier. He direct-ed that she be at once admitted. "Well?" he said. "T left the diplomat at his home far from London with the treaty locked in his safe. There is the key." "And how much time do you think we will gain?" She handed him an item cut from a newspaper stating that Sir Bradford Chichester had sent to London for meu to open his safe; that they had failor to open his safe; that they failor to the safe the later of sail Court, this seven-to open his safe; that they failor to the safe the later of sail Court, the last public and others more skillful had gone up. He had offered the latter £1,000 if they brain that the key of his safe had gone with her. Then he saw that he was

and others more skillful had gone up. He had offered the latter £1,000 if they would do the job in three hours." "That will do," said the minister. "Our treaty is on the way."

He drew her a check for 50,000 francs.

Littleton, in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument pur-porting to be the last will and testa-ment of said deceased has been pre-sented to said Court for probate, by JOHN H. HAGER, who prays that let-ters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him without requiring sureties on his bond, or to some other suitable person, the execu-trix named in said will having deceas-ed.

some other suitable person, the execu-trix named in said will having deceas-ed. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge. In said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of February, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forencon, to show cause. If any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by pub-lishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons in-terested in the estate, soven days, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire. First Judge of said Court, this eigh-teonth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3tij W. E. ROGERS, Register.



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A business meeting of the Ladies' Social circle will be held Thursday, February 3, in Central hall.

The lecture, under the auspices the Woman's club, by Mrs. Mabel pared by Mr. Bannon. He can no Loomis Todd, although given under doubt save the town many times his very trying circumstances to herself, was of intense interest to her audience. Mrs. Todd has a natural easy manner on the platform, seldom equaled by any public speaker. Those unable to attend missed a pleasure long to be remem bered.

The sewing class will meet Saturday afternoon, January 29, at three, at the attendance. An advanced class is to be started for girls of high school age. This class will be in charge of Miss Josephine Lawrence, and members may count themselves most fortunate to have instruction from so competent a teacher.

Secretary Charles F. Spaulding of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club is sending out notices, of a meeting to be held at the town hall next Monday evening, January 31, at eight o'clock. Every citizen interested in the work of the club should be present.

The Woman's club will hold a meeting Wednesday afternoon, February 2, at Saunders' corner. Subject, "Eugene Field's life." Poems and music. A noted feature of the afternoon program will be the shingle meeting. Be sure and bring a shingle.

Mrs. Frost, wife of John W. Frost, Leighton street, died at her home on bridge. Thursday morning, of consumption, elected with which she has been a sufferer for many years.

Minot Blood is home from Boston for a stay with his parents.

A large boiler, formerly used at McDonald's mill, near Hollis, was ship-ped to Maine this week. W. M. Blood did the moving.

Edwin P. Kemp went to Boston, Tuesday, to see his brother, Elwin, who is so ill at the hospital. His recovery is now looked for.

It is understood that the committee have chosen the new district nurse. James Stenstream went to Bridge-

port, Conn., Tuesday, on a business trip. Russell P. Wright went to Boston

Tuesday. Herbert Sprague of this town is em-

ployed at the Brookline icehouses. Miss Harriet Morgan had her residence connected by telephone-No. The following have been chang-Waldo Spaulding to 34-4; Dr. ed: Charles G. Heald's residence to 71-2; Rev. D. R. Child to 71-3; C. D. Hutch-

Lots of people in town have enjoyed pourers. STENSTREAM & DELOID'S, RAILROAD ST., EAST PEPPERELL. MASS. TELEPH. the good fortune of seeing the comet. Many seem to think it the noted Halley Thursday and Friday, leaving for Bel-Newton seminary, assisted by Mr. Drew of Littleton and others. This Comet, but it is the Innes comet, lows "Alpha 1910." The Halley comet is due night. ows Falls to enter will be a very exceptional treat for A match game of basket ball be-tween the Shirley high school team ple. At the close the usual routine and the Shirley Crescents was held at of business was conducted. He enjoyed the trip to Mary-Phonograph selections were given unlovers of music. Miss F. J. Bowser, Mrs. S. E. True- al places successfully. In New York man and Mrs. H. E. McCord of With at the Metropolitan temple, in Harrisder the direction of Shipley Ricker. The Shirley Coöperative bank was and the Shirley Crescents was neight of Subscription of State of S two years old on January 1, 1910, and James L. Holland, its secretary, states at the Metropolitan temple, in Harris Bowling. chester have arrived at their new home burg, Philadelphia, York, Penn., and his Day's and Hocquard's teams of the that sixty-six new shares were sold on Oak Hill street, recently purchased native town, Hagerstown, Md. He found Shirley bowling league assembled at in this the fifth series, making a total of E. M. Stewart. great pleasure in recalling the scenes the local alleys, Wednesday evening, of 410 shares now in force. The direc-tors at their regular meeting last On her thirteenth birthday, Miss Al-ma Hills, daughter of Mrs. F. H. Hills, Brookline street, was the evening fav-the academy where his father was the for a match game with the pins. Day's team won by taking every- evening with M thing, three straight and the highest the parsonage. evening with Mrs. A. A. Bronsdon at the parsonage. to the lecture by Mrs. Clara B. Beat-ley at the last meeting. Miss Kilburn week declared an annual dividend of four percent for the six months endorite last Tuesday, when about forty principal for nine years. total pin-fall. was appointed a delegate to the State The Children of Mary held a whist ing December 31, 1909. Upon recomof her friends surprised her with birth-Sibley was the highest individual roller of the evening, scoring 93, 96 Federation at Boston next Tuesday. Have you seen the comet? is the party at St. Anthony's hall, last week Thursday evening, under the direction mendation of the finance committee, The club also voted to support the measures for the Child Labor law. It day greetings and many valuable gifts, general question. It can be seen after several of the new shares in the above of Miss Bella Descoteaux. The win and 86, giving him a total pin-fall of including a purse. A presentation sunset on a clear evening in the west series were taken by Townsend peowas decided to start the sewing school was made by Charles Kenfield, quite early. ners of prizes were Mrs. Sylvester speech It is needless to say the bank ery soon, it having been so success-Joe Gately also rolled a total of 275. Thomas and Albert Gionet; other prizes were also awarded to Miss and Miss Hills replied very fittingly. The lecture which was given on has a promising future before it. ful last year under the superintend-ency of Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman. Adscoring 101 of the middle string. A pleasant evening was enjoyed with Tuesday evening last at Prescott hall Miss Pauline McGrath and Chester Day was next in line with a total of 270 and rolled 105 on his second string. games and music. Befreshments were Mary Chaisson, Levi Landry and Mrs. Sylvester Thomas. Consolation prizes under the auspices of the Woman's Gionet of Leominster visited friends journment for two weeks. served. club was a rare production such as in town last Sunday. L. Albert of were awarded to Miss Lucy Chaisson and Joseph Hache. Miss Lulu Bodah The summary The telephone as an emergence is seldom heard by a country audience. South Fitchburg was also a visitor in THE RED STORE. weapon is unequalled. After midnight, Wednesday, Mrs. C. H. Beaulieu, pro-The speaker is the wife of Professor DAYS TEAM. town last Sunday. A. E. Lawrence & Son, having moved into their commodious new quarters on Park street, desire to entertain all their friends, both old and new, and a most cordial invitation is extended to all to visit them on Wednesday, February 2, 1910, from two to five o'clock p. m. Pleasant greetings of 1910. Most sincerely yours David Todd, Ph. D., professor of asand Fred Arsenault of Leominster 84 - 248 84 - 235 87 - 256 86 275 83 270 87 77 82 69 83 86 93 96 82 105 David Gionet left town Monday to were present and participated in the prietor of the five and ten cent store. tronomy and navigation, director of the observatory, and secretary of the join his family in Caraquette, N. B. called for assistance, as there were E. Gately Sibley game. William E. Gionet of the coast arfaculty. She has aided her husband several persons prowling around her Day The Churches. tillery corps of Fort Strong, Boston, was the guest of his brother Roger Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker will occupy his pulpit on Sunday, January 30, at eleven a. m. Regular meeting of the Y. C. U. in the vestry at seven p. m. Subject. "Y. P. C. U. day;" leader, Miss Ethel Divoll. store. It was only a few moments and in many of his travels to all parts of acting chief G. G. Tarbell and Con- the earth, and has been the only white stable A. A. Lawrence were on the woman ever in many of these places last Sunday. Most sincerely yours, A. E. LAWRENCE & SON. HOCQUARD'S TEAM. scene, and the tracks about the build- She is distinguished as a writer. W. Lloyd Allen of the Boston Uni-Th Gately..... 101 76 66 71 85 94---ing seemed to indicate her suspicions audience was not as large as the inversity Law school and a graduate of Bodah557654-265Ethel Divoil.S. O'Neill896672-227There will be a very interesting en-
tertainment at St. Anthony's church.McGinness907184-265Hocquard658573-223Sunday evening. January 30, by the
children of St. Anthony's church.Total409399417-1225Shirley bowling league played a match
game at the local alleys, Tuesday eve-
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ast two strings and the highest total
pin-fall. However, no very fast roll-Rev. James Walsh of the arch-diocese
of Boston will deliver a sermon in Eng-
at St. Anthony's church.Bey. Wesley-H. Desjardins will preach 94— 255 72— 227 Ayer, Mass., Jan. 27, 1910. tensely interesting occasion deserved Yale college, attended the banquet at well founded. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs Hotel Somerset, Boston, Tuesday eve-The next dance will be in Lawrence LITTLETON. hall, Monday evening, February 7, in charge of the young men of Pepperell. William E. Chapman has been named ning. Rachel, for their aunt, Mrs. Daniel E. News Items. Mrs. Rrockelman, mother of Henry Lawrence. and Frank Brockelman, died at her Herbert Stenstream, brother of Jas. Clarence Crosby moved his househome in Lancaster, Wednesday. Shirley bowling league played a match Mrs. Durgin of Boston, a summer Stenstream, of Stenstream & Dehold goods to his new home on Great loid, is quite ill with pneumonia. esident of Shattuck street, on their game at the local alleys, Tuesday eve road on Wednesday. The ladies of the Universalist ning. Burrill's team won, taking the last two strings and the highest total farm, that was formerly the Dana church will hold a fair in Oddfellows' W. H. Davis received a bad cut on The East Village Social club meets Jewett place, has been a visitor in with Miss Marie Jordan on Wednes-day, February 21, at two p. m. An hall on the afternoon of February 8. his wrist, Tuesday, while working at pin-fall. However, no very fast roll-Rev. Wesley H. Desjardins will preach at the Baptist church, Sunday, January 30, at 10.45 a. m. and seven p. m. town this week. Supper will be served at six o'clock, Woodlawn cemetery. Several stitches ing was accomplished, as no player afternoon tea will be given in honor of the president's birthday. The sub-Mrs. Alice (Jewett) Spencer of Roxbury has been visiting her mother, were needed to be taken. It came followed by an entertainment and reached the century mark in a single dancing in the evening. string. F. Pierce was the highest individual scorer of the evening, with a total to his credit of 279. Burrill came next with a score of 270. Most of the play-ary history. Burrill came next ary history. Burrill came highest individual the vestry at seven p. m.; subject, "The most stirring events of foreign mission-ary history. near being a bad arterial cut. Frank P. Rugg moved this week into ject of the meeting will be music. Mrs. Walter E. Jewett, this week An escalloped oyster supper will be Prescott grange is preparing for an interesting program, Friday evening, held in the Congregational vestry, Thursday at 6.30 p. m. Although the cost of living is high, the price of ad-The Ladies' Social Circle of the his own house on Davis street. Mr. First Parish will serve a supper in Rugg has renovated the house through-Central hall on Thursday evening, out while it has been vacant, and in-February 3, at 6.30, to be followed by tends making extensive repairs as his April 1, which will consist of a presen-tation by local talent of the five-act with a score of 270. Most of the players in this game fell below their avmission remains the same as the other an entertainment in which a short leisure time permits. Mr. Rugg's drama will be presented by eleven la-brother, Fred from Marlborough, has dies, entitled, "Aunt Matilda's birth-been doing the interior work for the Mr. Rugg's drama entitled, "The country minis-Altrurian. suppers. erage. The summary: Dr. Annie Lee Hamilton of the Amer-The Lincoln class of the Baptist ter.' ther. The Chamberlain Patten Co. of Nash-ua, N. H., will hold a One-Day Sale of Ladics' and Misses' Suits at the Park Hotel, Townsend, Tuesday, Fobruary 1: An opportunity will be offered the la-dics of Townsend and vicinity to buy a COLLYER'S TEAM. church will celebrate Lincoln's day this year on Thursday, February 10, by can association, Boston, addressed the Dummy 80 R. Pomfret...... 80 J. Leopold....... 76 J. Cook...... 99 80 96 75 84 day party," with the following cast of past five weeks. members of the Altrurian club Thurs-83- 243 84- 256 characters: day afternoon, at the Universalist ves-A goodly number attended the supa chicken pie supper and entertain-Totel, Townsend, Tuesday, February 1. In opportunity will be offered tno la-les of Townsend and vicinity to buy a les of Townsend and les of the townsend and a les of the townsend and 80-245 try. Dr. Hamilton's subject was on 79-246 nervous prostration and exhaustion of ment in the town hall ... H. Collyer 83 Built or Coat at city mark-down prices. Remember the date. Everybody in-William D. Showe is confined to the house with a bad attack of dysentery. its to be avoided, especially to shut out the worry. Worry, hurry and fear vited. The supper planned by the Congre-BURRILL'S TEAM. Town Election. gational society for February 3 has been indefinitely postponed. Seventeen pupils are at home from are looked for at the coming municipal Jeannette Corbett, sister of Mrs. election. There are a number of can- Ivan Parker, is ill in a hospital in Bosric R. Bruce; vocal solo, Mrs. Harry Collyer; recitation, Lester James; school sick with measles, mumps and. didates mentioned for the different of- ton. reclation, Master Albert Deardon.

This, of course, is also in line About Town. with the customary program. There is no doubt of the importance of each the Congregational church was held and every office to be filled. The Thursday, January 27, schools use a good third of our total tax raised. The water works is a tre-charles Blood died at the town farm, mendous load to carry, but an easy profit maker if we have the right men on our board of water commissioners. on our board of water commissioners. Means of age and reaces one sole, Mar. Blood There seems to be, as is the case with than Blood of Worcester. Mr. Blood most every public office, a lot of fault finding, and of this one department on which the town is spending over one-Harbor. which the town is spending over oneeighth of a million. Discussion is neard on all sides. But rather than reheard on all sides. But rather than re-bought Elijah Ames' place, so-called, port the many criticisms and the dif-on Oak hill of E. A. Williams. ferent opinions expressed. We think it quite proper to quote from the

acts of 1908, which grant us the right to put in these water works, the and which assures us the privilege of controlling the same. In chap. 111 of these acts, it states, "Said commission-Quite a number from ers shall annually, and as often as the town may require, render a report upon the condition of the works under their charge, and an account of their

doings, including an account of re-ceipts and expenditures." It is stated that a low rate per day per men employed is not proof of economy for an inexperienced engineer may cause the

very finely adjusted engines to be extra expensive, which would not occur with a higher-priced man. The same with the records and card tests presalary by his experience with these records and business in general.

Death.

Charles L. Blood died last Saturday morning at the town farm. Heart dis-ease is given as causing his death in

the seventy-fourth year of his age. Mr. Blood was a familiar figure to a great alternoon, January 29, at three, at the Main Street. schoolhouse. Holidays and bad weather have prevented the meeting of this class for weeks, and the officers are anxious to have a full et and disliked trow much his prited and disliked very much the idea that he must make his stop at this home permanently. It is said a per petual vote of gratitude is due him by the laboring men, for it was a good part of his activity about twenty years ago that it was voted by the town and placed on record that \$1.50 per day

was the minimum charge to be paid by the town to its workmen. His funeral was Monday. His son,

Nathan of Worcester, attended. Services by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge.

District Nurse Association.

A large number of interested citi-zens met at Saunder's hall, last Monday night, to form a District Nurse association. Considerable business of importance was done, including elec-tion of officers, appointment of committees, and the acceptance of by-laws as drawn up by Rev. R. W. Draw-

The following officers were elected:

elected: Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson, pres.; E. L. Tarbell, sec. and treas.; Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, Rev. P. Webber, vice-pres., 1 year; Miss Mary Kerin, Rev. D. R. Child, vice-pres., 2 years; Dr. F. W. Lovejoy, Mrs. L. R. Qua, 1 year, Mrs. P. W. Flynn, Rev. D. R. Child, 2 year, di-rectors. ectors.

inated by committee. The executive board consists of the

officers. ers. They met after their meeting chose Drs. Qua, Lovejoy and and Heald a committee to chose the nurse. Center.

Rev. Emeline Harrington of St. Paul, Minn., formerly the pastor of the Uni-tarian church of Pepperell, remember-

mon of last Sunday on the fourteenth verse of the thirteenth chapter of Proverbs. "Obeying the laws of life to attain a long and healthy life and a young old age," was the subject. The annual supper of the Congrega-

Mrs. Adelia Carter were two of the

The annual dinner and rollcall at

Saturday morning, at six o'clock, from heart disease. He was seventy-three years of age and leaves one son. Na-

It is said that William Thorpe has

The sleigh-ride to Nashua, which the young people of the Methodist, church expected to enjoy last week Friday evening, was postponed on account of

Quite a number from Pepperell drove to Brookline Sunday to watch the Fresh Pond Ice Co. filling their large icehouses at Lake Potanopo.

John Lillis, formerly in the employ of E. S. Durant, is working on the paper team for A. S. Parker.

Mr. Roberts, who purchased the portable sawmill of William McDonald, has loaded it on the cars at East Pepperell for Maine.

The installation of the newly electofficers of Prescott grange passed off very successfully last week Friday evening, and a number of grangers from other towns were present. The following officers were installed by T. E. Flarity of Townsend:

Walter Shattuck, m.; Forest Andrews, o.; Sadie Tucker, lec.; P. J. Kemp, treas.; S. Luella Parker, sec.; Fred Ban-croft, g. k.; Earl Stewart, stew.; Hattle Gutterson, a. s.; Carrie Dennen, Carrie Stewart, Lena McGrath, graces.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Reception and ball for Mrs. C. R. White's dancing class, Thurcday evening, February 3, at Ayer, and Friday evening, February 4, at Littleton. Both of these will be select and inter-esting social events. A goodly number from Shirley will attend the Ayer ball.

Mrs. Henry T. Balcom, who is very critically ill, remains almost the same.

The Alliance will meet on Thursday, Afternoon, February 3, at the home of Mrs. E. E. Edgarton. At this time Mrs. M. P. Cooper will give a paper entitled, "Progress of art in the last half century."

Mrs. Harlan B. Howe of Lunenburg, well known in Shirley, is critically ill. Herbert M. Dickson, who has been spending the greater part of the last six months with his sister, Mrs. Louise \$18.00 Suits \$12.00 Livermore, left town last week Thurs day for a trip through the south, and of the cities in the middle west.

A match game of basket ball will be held in Oddfellows' hall, Saturday These were elected after being nom-evening, January 29, between the Ayer team and the Shirley Crescents. Herbert F. Taylor, superintendent of the Industrial school here, gave an address Monday evening to the Brotherhood of Dr. Chalmer's church, Fitch burg,

Mrs. Edwin H. Conant spent a few days this week visiting relatives in Boston.

tarian church of Pepperell, remember-ed her friends here during the holi-days by picture cards of the natural scenery in her far-away home. The musical entertainment, the impromptu dress rehearsal," which will be presented in I. O. O. F. hall, Wednesday evening, February 2, by the Shirley high school, will be an event of enjoyment for all who at-tend. Preparations have been going forward on a very elaborate scale, and the affair gives promise of being a pronounced success.

A grand concert will be given at the Rev. D. R. Child to 71-3; C. D. Hutch-tionalist church was given Thursday inson's store to 48-4 and residence to afternoon. Mrs. Marshall Meriam and Baptist church, Monday evening, Jan-uary 31, at eight o'clock, by the Newton guarantee with each can. These cans can be purchased at 48 - 2.quartet with a beautiful array of musicians and vocalists from the

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