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TOWNSEND.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McGuire have received the glad Easter tidings that a little daughter arrived in the far away home of their son, George Mc-

Memorial hall on Sunday evening at seven o'clock in the interest of good tions and the address will be given by Prof. H. S. Cowell of Cushing academy. James Dodd of West Townsend will also sing a solo.

Alfred Weatherby died at his home Alfred Weatherby died at his home early Tuesday morning, of pneumonia. He was 71 years, 6 months and 18 days old. The funeral was held at his late home, Thursday afternoon at 2.30 p. m. Rev. Victor H. Wachs officiating. The Cooper's Union, of which he was a member attended in a body. He leaves a widow, one son, Eugene Weatherby, and a step-grandson, Harry Spear, who resided with him. There were many beautiful flowers as tokens of the esteem in which he was held. Interment was in the local cemetery.

There will be no Sunday evening service at the Baptist church, but a large number from here are planning to attend the union meeting at the Center and conveyance will be provided for those who wish to attend, if they will hand their names to Walter Wilder before Sunday afternoon.

Miss Josephine Warner is on the sick list at the home of her sister, Mrs. Albert Scales.

Miss Katherine Mahoney and Persis, the little daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lowell from Fitchburg, have been recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark of Josselynville.

Harbor.

Mrs. Snow of Framingham and her daughter Muriel were recent guests at the old homestead.

Walter Lewis, who is in the employ of an electrical company in Maine, spent the weekend with his mother at Seven Pines.

Mrs. Fred Taft is visiting friends in Everett, her former home. Miss Marian Dana, a senior in Bos-

ton university, is spending the Easter vacation with her aunt, Mrs. A. D.

Miss Ellen Harvey of Edgewood, N. J, is at home for the Easter holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Leadbetter have taken their son Hubert to Boston, where he is to undergo an operation for a serious throat trouble.

The social dance held at Cape Corner hall last week Friday evening, was a very pleasant affair. Parties were present from several of the adjoining towns.

On Saturday evening the C. dub were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Jones. The host and Mrs. Knight had the distinction of turning back all opponents, and when refreshments were announced the winners still held their position of honor at head table.

This week the Monday club met at the home of Mrs. T. Harvey and all were pleased to give a hearty welcome to the daughter of the hostess, who was the guest of honor for the afternoon. A delightful social program had been arranged and was entered into with keen zest by each member. Bountiful refreshments were served at the close of the entertain-

ment. The meeting of the As You Like It club with Mrs. George Brown on Tuesday was an especially pleasant function. Agreeable to a previous vote of the club to appoint a committee on entertainment at each meeting. Mrs. Gray had charge of the social and literary program. The first part proliterary program. The first part provided a guessing contest. The second part consisted of the reading of articles relating to the origin of "April handsome. fool" day by Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Adams. Next followed a musical program, after which dainty refreshments were served. By a vote of the club the meetings hereafter will he club the meetings hereafter will be held fortnightly. Mrs. LaFountain is the next hostess.

On April 21 the Pomona grange will meet at this place. It will be an open meeting and the public is invited. An interesting speaker has been engaged and subjects of general interest will be discussed. There will be a box lunch. Hot coffee will be served at the hall.

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WESTFORD.

Repairs at Town Hall.

The one thousand dollars voted at the recent town meeting for repairs and renovations at the town hall is going to make it unavailable for some time probably as much as six weeks from the time the work is commenced. The town fathers plan to have the work completed by Memorial day when the new soldiers' monument is to be dedicated, and with the five hundred dollars voted for the occasion it will made an eventful affair.

Therefore those having meetings of various kinds coming the next few weeks are somewhat upset in their The grange had degrees for a spring class of candidates which requires two meetings, and its fifteenth anniversary celebration for which it had rather elaborate preparations. This is to take place early in May. Just how these three events will be compassed is not known at this writ-The grange will hold its regular meeting next Thursday night and the members will decide then. Probably these meetings will be condensed into a briefer space of time and the dances, dramatics and other events scheduled will do the same, if possible, making busy times for our good and faithful town hall janitor.

W. J. Merritt has a new automobile. It is an E-M-F touring car of thirty

Easter Sunday, one of the best days in the church calendar, was fittingly observed at the Congregational church Sunday. Mr. Wallace preached an inspiring and appropriate sermon from John 20-16. The first anthem of the full choir was "The Lord of life is risen" and Mrs. C. D. Colburn sang a beautiful solo. The decorations were simple, but effective, consisting of foliage plants, Easter lilies, cut flowers and pussy willows. At the evening service there was a large attend-H. G. Osgood made the praise service all that it should be and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace sang a duet that was much appreciated.

Edmund Baker janitor of the Frost school and more recently of the Congregational church, has now added the care of the Unitarian church. This trio of buildings to keep cleaned, warmed and lighted as needed, will keep him reasonably busy.

Miss Gertrude Hamlin from Miss Kimball's home school for girls at Worcester; Miss May Day from Mt. Holyoke college and Allister Mac-Dougal from Amherst agricultural college are those among our student young people who have been enjoying the spring vacation at their homes. Miss Ruth Tuttle, Miss Mabel Drew, Miss Edna Ferguson, Miss Jennie Chandler are among the teachers who have been spending vacation days at

Mrs. Martha P. Cooper has the sympathy of her Westford friends, owing to the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. Wallingford, at their home in

C. Willis Hildreth is able to resume his various busy activities after a siege with the grippe.

Miss Eva Young who has resided at Mrs. Helen K. Frost's for a number of months, expects soon to return to her native England. Miss Young is who sincerely wish her bon voyage.

Tadmuck Club.

The excellence of the afternoon's program at the meeting of the Tadmuck club at Library hall, Tuesday afternoon merited a larger attendance of the members than were present Preparations for the Unitarian social in the evening and prevalence of colds were among the contributing causes. It was one of those profitable and enjoyable biographical afternoons and was in charge of Rev. B. H. Bailey with Thomas Bailey Aldrich as the subject

With his characteristic scholarly thoroughness and fine diction Mr Bailey culled the best from the life of Aldrich, and sketched the different phases of his career; his boyhood literary career, domestic life and the position he maintained among the noted literary coterie of his day. Mr Bailey illustrated his talk or the after noon with several selections from the author in both prose and verse.

At the preliminary exercises of the meeting it was voted to be in line with the other organizations of the town and have deposited in the copper box under the new soldiers' monument a suitable souvenir from the club and the secretary, Mrs. Woodward, was appointed to prepare such a document.

This club was the outgrowth of the Tuesday reading class that was so pleasantly maintained for a number of seasons, when Miss Eliza A. Babbitt, of blessed memory was the leading spirit. Under her modest and able guidance fuller and deeper meanings were gathered from the classics of Tennyson, Shakespeare, Browning, and others. Among the group that made up this class of congenial members vere the names of Hall, Barnard, Cooper, Nye, Hildreth, Allen Wheeler, Bailey and Frost. After Mrs. Babbitt's lamentable death and Miss Loker's permanent residence in town the members with many additions organized into the present club. It has never had or never desired but the one preshad capably stood at the helm. It has never never been over ambitious in scope in fact not identified with the larger fed
Forge Village.

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nified to those who have availed them-

selves of its opportunities. At the next meeting Cyrli A. Blaney, M. D., will give the members a talk on "Tuberculosis."

Wedding.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the home of superintedent of streets, Frank E. Miller and Mrs. Miller, Wednesday afternoon when their older daughter Mabel Blanche Miller and Frank Austin Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright were united in marriage.

The recent changes and renovations at the Miller home admirably adapted themselves to a pretty home wedding The ceremony took place at five in the afternoon and was performed by Rev. Benj. H. Bailey. Miss Edith A. Wright played the wedding march. The bride was attended by Miss Edna Smith of Ayer who is a cousin and Everett Miller, the bride's brother attended the groom. The bride's gown was of pale blue cashmere with lace garniture and was especially becomof pinks and sweet peas, which was a gift of Mrs. Bailey. There were about forty present of relatives and Refreshments was served friends. after the ceremony, of ice cream and Those assisting in serving were a group of girl friends of the bride. Miss Miller has been employed since completing her course at commercial college at the W. W. Carey Co., woodworking machinery, Lowell, as a sten-ographer and Mr. Wright is employed by the B. and W. St. railway company. The bridal party took the 6.40 train at Westford station. They were conveyed thereto in Mr. Miller's barge with big white horses, their friends accompanying them to the station. These young friends had trimmed and ornamented this conveyance to the ex tent of their ingenuity and confetti was liberally used at the station.

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The bride's going away suit was a blue cloth travelling suit. After a wedding trip they will reside at their new home, 8 Grove street, Lowell, which has been nicely fitted up for their occupancy. They were the recipients of many beautiful presents, comprising the useful and the ornamental. mental.

These young people take with them into their new life the many earnest wishes of their friends for their happiness and prosperity.

About Town.

Brunswick Roberts, a contractor in bridge building, from San Francisco, Cal., has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. R. P. Decatur. He will return early in April and with them goes his niece, Miss Alma E. Decatur, who has won a reputation in Lowell as a skilled nurse. Her brother, Edward Decanurse. Her brother, Edward Deca-tur, has already been in California for a number of years.

The auction at the residence of the late Theodore H. Hamblett drew a large crowd on Saturday afternoon. Nearly everything sold at a good figure. A few pieces of mahogahy furni-ture attracted appreciative lovers of the old fashioned. The buildings with the few acres of land adjoining were bought by George C. Moore, the owner of the Brookside mill. The house was built by Mr. Hamblett and he had lived here ever since the beginning of the civil war. The friendly greetings of this venerable couple who had such a pretty home there will be missed by their friends.

Charles Walker is enjoying a little trip visiting relatives at Fitchburg, Natick and Wellesley. Mrs. Seth W. Walker and two children from Chelmsford are staying with Miss Walker until her brother returns.

Eugene Tallant of Pelham, N. H. who owned the Tallant house which was destroyed by fire a week ago, has decided to rebuild. We are glad to hear that a new house is going up on this attractive farm.

On Sunday afternoon there was a fire in the woods near Nutting's cema talented musician and goes to accept a fine position as an instructor, bott estate of Boston. It is thought She has made many friends in our the fire was started by some one village who regret her departure and throwing down a match. John Healy from Graniteville was promptly on hand and with the help of the people in that vicinity the fire was stopped after burning about two acres.

It is very pleasant to read of the presentation of a silver loving cup to J. Adams Bartlett at the Chelmsford town meeting in recognition of his services as moderator for twenty-five years. He has been a faithful trustee of our academy for a good many years.

George W. Bussey still continues seriously ill at his home at Brookside. Of his many attacks of hemorrhages past years this last and recent one is by far the most serious and confines him closely to his room where he is thoughtly cared for.

F. S. Crafts, who has been employed by Wm. H. Decatur on the Cutter farm, has engaged with the sunny, progressive Greig farmers on Main street, and will occupy with his family the Brow cottage on the Providence road.

Keep a watchful oversight of all assessable valuables while the assessors surprise you by suddenly coming ipon you unawares the first day of April this year, as per Beacon hill's new assessable plans. The assessors are kind people and will help you study the plan.

There is much interest in the Drew-Munson fruit association which recently bought the Elmer E. Flagg place in Littleton. George A. Drew, a Westford boy, is one of the members of the firm. On Friday of last week he gave a practical demonstration of the spraying of trees. It was a demonstration considering the fact that this choir conducted by the state for instructing has been but recently re-organized, people in the best methods of spraying, pruning trees, etc. Much interest was aroused in this practical illustration in Littleton and over two hundred people gathered to see what the experts had to show them. Quite a number went over from this town.

eration of clubs, but its purposes have served at 6.30, after which a musical been thorough and earnest and digevening was enjoyed. Miss Lord was the recipient of many dainty and valuable gifts from her friends.

Miss Catherine McNiff, niece of John McNiff, and Mrs. Feeley and little son arrived Wednesday of last week from Keithly, England. They will make their home for the present with Mr. and Mrs. McNiff.

Mr. and Mrs. McNiff entertained the following persons at their home Sat-urday and Sunday: Richard Feeley, Bernard McCann, James O'Neil and Mr. and Mrs. Mullen, all of Lowell.

Miss Alice Walsh had as her guests Easter Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Cuddy, John Walsh and little son of Lawrence. Joseph Haney of Lowell spent Sun-

day as the guest of Patrick May and Mrs. Rainsford and daughter Clara

of Worcester were weekend guests of Miss Sadie Smith. Mr. and Mrs. John Paquette and son Raymond of Nashua, N. H., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Leclere.

Mrs. George E. Mountain spent last week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Byron of Malboro.

A slight fire was started Sunday morning near the residence of Fred Reed, which, owing to the dry conlition of the leaves and grass spread quickly, the fire was soon noticed and put out by Mrs. Reed and several young ladies who had lingered after the services at St. Catherine's church.

Miss Sarah Northrup and William French of Pepperell and John Marton of Lowell were Easter Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Morton.

Miss Marjory Rose of Belmont visited relatives here the last of the week The property of the late George H. Prescott is to be put up at auction.

Rev. William E. Gardner, depart-ment secretary for New England of the board of missions, gave a very interesting address Wednesday evening in St. Andrew's mission, on the good work done by the missionaries all over the world. He spoke particularly on the need of christianity among the Chinese and Japanese. The money donated by the children's mite boxes will be used for this purpose

Easter Services.

Easter day was appropriately observed in St. Andrew's mission. There was a large gathering at the early morning communion service and at the Sunday school service at 3.30 the children's mite boxes were collected. In the evening the pretty chapel was much too small to accommodate the large number who wished to attend The altar was tastefully arranged with Easter lilies and white carnations and ferns. The pulpit and chancel rail were banked with many beautiful flowers and potted plants. The vested choir with an additional choir of small girls in white dresses and cotters and their little caps made the scene very impressing.

At the offertory the chidren sang "Easter bells" in an able manner. 'He is risen" was sung by the regular choir. Miss Theresa Louther and Miss Edith Precious sustained the solos. Rev. Thomas L. Fisher preached a fine sermon on the resurrection of Christ. By special request the children will sing again in the choir next Sunday when several of the little tots will be heard in solos.

Graniteville.

The local fire department was called out to a brush fire in the northern part of the town early Sunday after. noon. The fire was in woodland owned by John Healey, who lives in the so-called Daniel Ward place. The fire burned about two acres before it was got under control by the firemen and a large force of neighbors in the vicinity. It is thought the fire was started by some one carelessly dropping a lighted match in the woods.

Miss Margaret Driscoll of this village has recently returned from a very pleasant visit spent with Mr. and Mrs. John Curran of Ayer.

The Graniteville baseball club will the season here on Patriots' day April 19, at three p. m., when they will meet a team known as the "Jolly Campers" composed mostly of members of the former Sanctuary Choir club of Lowell. There are some good ball players among the Jolly Campers and an interesting contest is looked for. The Graniteville club will be greatly strengthened this season, and is anxiously waiting for the words 'play ball.

Easter Services.

The glorious festival of Easter was fittingly observed in both churches in this village on Sunday. At 9.45 o'clock in the morning, a high mass was celebrated in St. Catherine's church by Rev. J. J. McNamara. The altar was very tastefully arranged with Easter lilies and large bouquets of cut flowers which reflected on those ladies who had charge. The full choir under the direction of Miss Mary T. Hanley sang special music for the occasion, the solos being sustained by R. J. Mc-Carty, Miss Rebecca Le Duc and Miss Sadie Smith. Mr. McCarty and Miss Hanley were heard in a pleasing duet in the Regina Coeli, at the offertory. There was a large congregation present.

The services in the M. E. church commenced at the usual hour, 10.45, and the pastor, Rev. Lewis F. Havermale, delivered an eloquent sermon from the theme "Stones rolled away." There were many beautiful floral decorations in keeping with the day. The senior choir under the direction of Henry Smith, sang special music and has been but recently re-organized, did excellent work, the solos being sustained by Mr. Smith, Frank Caunter, Miss Mildred Lorman, and the Misses Lillie Mattron and Bertha Wilson. Miss Mildred Lorman and Miss Alice May Wilson sang a pleasing duet. There was a large audience in attendance. The evening service con-

GROTON.

Among the wills filed in the Middiesex county court at East Cambridge, one day last week, was that left by Mrs. Mary M. S. Spaulding of this town. She died January 10, 1910, was the widow of Dr. Miles and

Spaulding.

Much curiosity has been felt and expressed by the townspeople about the bequests made. It is stated that no complete inventory of the property left has been made, but it is estimated at \$100,000. It is said that there are no individual legacies.

The will is dated, October 14, 1903,

and the bequests include \$5000 to the trustees of the New England hospital for women and children in Boston, the income to be used for a free bed in memory of her mother.

Five thousand dollars is left to the Massachusetts General hospital in trust for the Mary Stickney fund, the income to be used for a free bed in memory of her mother; \$3000 to the Boston University trustees, the income to be used for a scholarship for women of good health, morals and mental ability; \$3000, the income of which is to be used for young women medical students; \$2000, the income to be used for the purchase of books for the law library, the labels on each book to bear the name of Stephen

Stickney, father of Mrs. Spaulding.
To the American Sunday school un-lon, Philadelphia, \$5000 is given in trust, to be known as the Dr. Miles Spaulding fund, the income to be expended like the "John Cæsar fund."
To the Perkins institution for the blind \$5000 is given, the income to be used in the purchase of books for the blind, and to be known as the Deacon Stephen Stickney fund.

The Boston Seamen's Friend society and the American Seamen's Friend society of New York each receive \$500, the income to be used to buy clothes for shipwrecked sailors, and the fund in each case to be known as the Miss Mehitabel Stickney fund.

Five thousand dollars in trust and \$500 in trust goes to the Boston home for incurables, the income to be used for buying Christmas presents for the inmates; \$1000 is given the Massachusetts society for the prevention of cruelty to animals; \$1000 is given the Bible Readers' home and school, under the direction of the Bohemian board of Cleveland, O., the income to be used for a bible reader's salary.

The City Missionary society of Boston receives \$1,000, the income from which is to be used for rides for worthy aged poor; Bates college, I ston, Maine, receives \$5,000, and Williams college, Williamstown, the same amount, the income in each case to be used to buy scientific books and references, the fund being in memory of Stephen and Mary Stickney.

Two-thirds of the residue of the es tate goes to the American Missionary association of New York, and one-half of this is for the American board of commissioners of foreign missions.
The income from the first named amount is to be spent for mountain work in Southern border states "in grateful recognition of their loyalty and devotion to our common beloved country during the war of the rebei-The second is for "worthy and lion.' promising missions.

Dr. Samuel W. Fletcher of Pepperell and George T. Stevens of this town are mentioned as executors. Frank A. Torrey, Esq., is settling the estate.

A local orchardist, who has kept an account of brown-tail moth nests taken from his fruit trees the past three years, reports the following record: in the spring of 1908, 2,000 nests were removed, in 1909, about 6,000, and this spring over 9,000 were cut from the same trees, which proves beyond question that they are not on the decline.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall of the mill neighborhood the first of this week.

The first sail boat of the Baddacook season was seen on the pond Monday. Baddacook was covered with ice up to Friday, March 25, wher it was melted by the summer-like weather of that day.

Mrs. Edward Houghton and daugher, Doris, from Harvard, were reent visitors of Mrs. D. Graham.

With a membership of 148,868 men out of approximately 182,000 employés the Pennsylvania Railroad System Relief funds paid out in the month of De-cember, 1909, the sum of \$166,709 There has been paid in benefits since the relief funds were established in 1886 a total of \$27,473,712.

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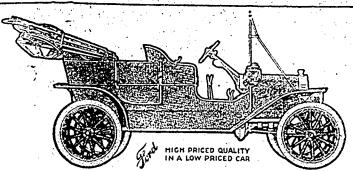
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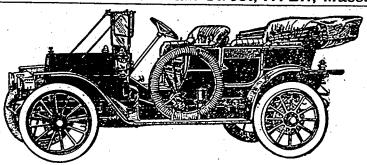
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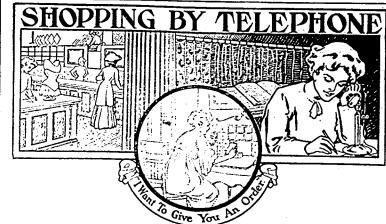
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at law and all other persons interested in the estate of ORSAMUS W. ANDIEWS, late of Shir-ley; in said County. deceased, Whereas, HERMAN S. HAZEN, ad-ministrator of the estate of said de-ceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private

ceased, has presented to said Court his 'petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

and for other reasons see. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the twelfth day of April, A.D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be received.

have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to sorve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the cetate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

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LITTLETON.

Obituary. Through the solemn stillness of the closing Sabbath of March 27, 1910, there was echoed one of the saddest messages ever borne on the air of Littleton. It was the news of Col. Herbert J. Harwood's death in Boston.

All hearts turned in profound sympathy to the bereft home on that fine ancestral estate where the widow, the mother, and the children have employed every means that love and skill could apply for the restoration of health. To that home it turns with assurance of universal love and esteem for its lost captain, of sympathy and consolation to the family whose affliction is shared by the entire com-munity and the hosts of Mr. Harwood's friends in his large world outside of this town.

The painful communication of death followed closely the news of a sinking spell experienced Sunday forenoon, which came as a great shock. Mr. Harwood underwent a second operation Thursday, which the surgeon thought was accompanied by no serious conditions, but his strength proved insufficient to bear the continled strain which had been sapping his vitality since the first weeks of his illness in the late fall of 1909. At

obedient spirit yielded to the call to higher service, where the reward is never withheld. Herbert Joseph Harwood, son of the late Col. Joseph Alfred and Lucy Hartwell Harwood was born in Littleton, September 6, 1854. His early education was received in Littleton schools which he attended from 1860

five o'clock in the evening his ever

After a year at Lancaster, (Mass.) academy, he went to Phillips-Exeter academy, from which he graduated in

In 1877 he graduated from Harvard college where he made the Phi Beta Kappa society through his high scholarship.

From November, 1877, to August 1878, he worked in the mill of the Montague Paper Co., Turner's Falls to get

a knowledge of the business.

In August of 1878 he entered the employ of J. A. & N. Harwood, man-ufacturers of fibre chair seats, and remained in the employ of this and other firms that manufactured chair seats and assembly chairs until January 1, 1899, when he went into business for himself as a chair manufacturer.

He had been until his death a di-

rector of the National Fibre Board Co. October 15, 1879, Mr. Harwood was married at Lancaster, Mass., to Miss Emilie Augusta Green. To them were born nine children, eight of whom survive their father and reside at his

In 1882 he was Assistant Adjutant General, with the rank of Lieuten-ant Colonel on the staff of Governor John D. Long.
In 1899 he became a member of

home.

Massachusetts House of Representatives, serving on the committee of Education. For twenty-one years he was trustee

of the Reuben Hoar library. From 1893 to 1906 he served on the school board, acting as its chairman during the latter years of that period.
At the time of his death he was

a trustee of the Bromfield school, Harvard; president of the Littleton Historical society, which position he has held ever since it was founded in 1894 Deacon of the First Congregational

(Unitarian) church, which he has also served as scribe, member of the parish committee, and in other capacities member of the New England Historic Genealogical society, member of the Essex Institute, member of the Phi Beta Kappa society of Harvard college and a member of the National Geographic society.

He has written various articles on

the history of Littleton, including a historical sketch of Littleton, pub-Various other historical works have

come at different times from his pen. His native town, the home of his ancestors, Col. Harwood passionately loved. Its traditions to him was sacred. For their preservation he has given of his time, his strength and his intelligence as no other citizen has ever given. To his searching after historical truth and the presentation of it in attractive form to his townspeople he has devoted a very large part of his life. For its valuable records the town owes Col. Harwood a debt of gratitude that it can never pay. His patriotism found expression likewise through his interest in the present and future of this town its

heart. The church, the schools, the library, the lyceum, the historical society, the town meeting—all have felt keenly the power of his intellect, and the strength of his patriotic heart in his unceasing devotion to their highest welfare.

institutions had a large place in his

To the last moment of his life he sought the good of this community Through the press he recently plead for the care of our trees, at the recent town meeting came a message, one of the last he ever penned, concerning the great work on the publication of town records just completed and supervised in large measure by himself

Consistent in all things Col. Harwood combined with other admirable traits those qualities that constitute the ideal husband, parent, and son, and he gave to his family and his home the same warmth of affection, the same unstinted devotion that his town en-

loyed from his large heart. In business as in public life Col. Harwood was unright and honest in all things; thorough in investigation, deliberate in judgment, and courteous in his dealings,

From social circles he had withdrawn somewhat in recent years through increasing deafness. He was cordially welcome at whatever social unction he graced and always enjoyed the favor of his numerous

friends. Col. Harwood was a gentleman in every sense of the word. No situation no combination of circumstances ever tempted him to be otherwise. Cultured, refined, digmfled, modest, cour- Knowles respectfully announce to the teous and unselfish he made the at-mosphere about him wholesome and only through Brockelman Bros. and

offering prayer, and paying the highest tribute to the memory of this distinguished citizen. Mrs. Hartwell, Mrs. Priest and Mrs. Webber sang "O light that maketh all things new," and "Nearer my God to thee," the latter an arrangement that formed part of the service at the late Col. J. A. Woods'

Beautiful in the extreme were the many floral tributes. Most emphatic was the esteem expressed for the deceased through the presence of the large company of fellow townspeople, college, business, and society associ-

The interment was at Westlawn cemetery, under direction of Wm. H. Davis, undertaker. The four oldest sons, Josiah A., Richard, Herbert and Jonathan Harwood laid the body in its final resting place.

Club Meeting.

The Woman's club meeting, scheduled for Monday, was held Saturday, March 26, at the Unitarian vestry, in order to give an opportunity to attend town meeting Monday, March 28. Unfortunately the notice of change, for some reason was not published and in consequence the attendance was small.

Mrs. Marion Crocker, third vice-president of the State Federation, gave an instructive talk on "State and general federation work."

Herford Hartwell of Somerville rendered three plano selections with the expression and skill of a promis-

At the close of the address Mrs. Crocker invited all the women of the Uittleton club to attend the concert in Wallace hall, Fitchburg, at three o'clock p. m., April 6, which will be observed as federation day of the music department.

Mrs. Robinson, president, announced the next meeting of our club, which is to be in the nature of a colonial afternoon, and will be held at the Congregational church, April 11. All who can are requested to appear in colonial costume. A fine program is in preparation.

Club members are requested to bring articles of colonial make and use, including needlework, etc., for exhibition. The hour of the meeting will be 3.30 o'clock instead of the usual hour.

The delegates chosen to represent the Littleton club at the biennial in Cincinnati this summer are Mrs. Annie C. Smith and Mrs. Ellen M. Hartwell, Alternates chosen are Mrs. Anna W. Brown and Mrs. Alice J. Prouty.

About Town.

It was considered the largest gather ing at the King's Daughters' fair they ever had. There were several from out-of-town, fourteen from Harvard being present, and was a very social gathering. The tables, decorated with purple and white, the Circle's color and filled with useful and fancy articles, were very attractive and sold readily. About \$150 was taken in.

An urgent appeal comes from the King's Daughters, for old cotton and linen, as they have so many calls for it. Their box at the Centre store is empty.

Tuesday evening at his home, Austin Hartwell, of the junior class in the high school, gave a party to the thirteen members of his class and they had a very pleasant and social time.

Under direction of the State board of agriculture a demonstration in spraying fruit trees for protection against the menacing San Jose scale was made by Harold L. Frost at the Drew Munson Fruit Company's farm in South Littleton. The use of the in South Littleton. The use of the soluble oils and of the lime and sulphur mixture was demonstrated and the best and most modern machinery for the purpose was used. There was also a demonstration of the proper methods of pruning as practised by most successful orchardists.

SHIRLEY

Entertainment.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will again this year present to the people of Shirley, its annual entertainment which takes place in Odd Fellows hall. Shirley, Friday evening, April s, at eight o'clock.

The attraction this year is a double bill consisting of a comedy in three acts and a short program of variety acting known as the very latest of "Dutch specialties." The play, "Tommy's wife" is a present day comedy high class in character, bringing to light real charactersistic scenes and incidents in the ideal American home and is uniquely flavored with intensely exciting and humorous situations and above all, the comedy as a whole

is founded on a high moral tone The last act of this play through the kindness and persistence of Miss Mil-dred Daniels, the assistant high school teacher has been greatly strengthened enlarged and revised. Miss Daniels assumed the role of "Patty Campbell" in this same play while at college a short time ago, and the changes made in the last act at that time has been duplicated and will be presented in the production of the play here at Shirley.

The costumes will be one of the attractive features and the cast of characters have all been selected with a view to the natural fitness and ability to portray the parts assigned to them.

Between the acts the pupils of Mrs C. R. White, all well-known young ladies of Shirley, will give song and dance sketches of a refined character The play, "Tommy's wife," with the specialties will be produced under the

personal and sole direction of Mrs C. R. White. Reserved seat tickets will be place on sale at the store of Brockelm Bros., Saturday, the second day of

April, at two p. m. sharp. The committee, consisting of Charles W. Wolff, Chas. R. White and Walter delightful, and no one of appreciative the already increasing demand for

and receptive mind could remain in his these seats is a strong and positive inand receptive mind could remain in his presence even for a short time without sensing the greatness of the man. Funeral services were held from reserved seats will be disposed of in out sensing the greatness of the man.

Funeral services were held from Col. Harwood's late residence, Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Wm. Channing Brown officiated, reading the beautiful and appropriate passages of scripture, offering prayer, and paying the high-

The cast of characters in "Tommy's wife," comprise the following:
Thomas Pittman Carothers,
Shipley W. Ricker Rose Carothers, his sister,
Miss Nellie Cronin

Dick Grannis, Carothers' chum, Leo O'Neill Patty Campbell, a student;
Miss Mildred Daniels

Mrs. De Yorkburg-Smith, Miss Gertrude Conant Sylvia, her daughter,
Miss Bertha Weeks
Pierre De Bouton, Miss Josephine Love

Figure De Bouton, Miss Josephine Love Edith Bronson, a friend of Rose, Miss Margaret McMillan Between the acts pupils of Mrs. C. R. White will present the following Dutch specialities: Dutch dancing by Gladys L. Annis, Sarah S. Stevenson. Doris Edna White. Song, "Just we two," by Jessie Love, Gertrude Provost, Eisle Knowles, Arline Wilbur, Blanche Wells, Madeline Logue, Eleanor Miner, Gertrude Day. Annie Park Holbrook, planist.

Bowling. Collyer's and Burrill's teams of the Shirley bowling league rolled a match game at the local alleys on Tuesday evening. The contest was a close one, however, Collyer's team won by a close margin, winning the first string by eight pins and the last string by ten pins, and succeeded in registering the highest total pinfall by a majority of one pin, scoring a total of 1241, as against 1240 for the losers.

Burrill made good in the contest, rolling 85, 107 and 88, which gave him a total of 280, the highest individual score of the evening.

The remainder of the players only accomplished fair work. Collyer was high man for his team, scoring a

The summary:

COLLYER'S	TEAM
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415 419 406-1240

Easter.

Easter services were appropriately observed at all the churches last Sunday with appropriate sermons and music also floral decorations.

The special feature of the day was the vesper service at the Congrega-tional church held in the auditorium at five p. m. A large audience was present. The decorations consisted of potted plants and ferns, the lily predominating.

The choir rendered choice selections of Easter music and vocal solos were given by Mrs. Harry Collyer with charming effect. A brief address was given by the pastor, Rev. Allen A. Bronsdon which was impressive in character bringing to view all the beautiful and loving memories of Easter-tide with all its significance and was appreciated beyond measure by all whose privilege it was to hear

News Items.

Mrs. Ida Wallingford, who was stricken with paralysis of the left side last week, is somewhat better.

Timothy Hurley spent the first of the week with his mother in Malden.

Robert Dippman of Littleton, a former well-known resident, has accepted a position at T. Martin & Bros' elastic webbing factory in Mansfield, Ohio, and started first of the week to assume the duties of his new position. Gervais Gionet and family of Lowell

have returned to Shirley again to George Leger of Fitchburg and Stan-

islans Landry of Lowell were visiting iere last Sunday.

J. Duchos and J. Robichaud of Athol vere visting at the home of Anthony

McGrath last Sunday.

Mrs. Inez Sawyer, who has been suffering for a couple of weeks with quinsy sore throat, by advice of her physician was hurriedly taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, last Sunday. owing to the breaking of an artery in her throat which resulted in frequent hemorrhages, giving alarm to her physician and friends. Mrs Sawyer was accompanied on the trip to Nashua by her sister and daughter Mrs. Charles Ford and Mrs. Carrie R Bruce. It is reported that Mrs. Saw yer's condition has improved and hopes are now entertained for her ultimate recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret, of Waverley spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pom-

Philip Hocquard has nurchased the Newton Wilson house on Chapel street and will occupy same in about a month's time.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kuptler and family are spending a brief vacation in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Loudon of Cambridge

with daughter Bernice are visiting at the house of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Edgarton. Mrs. Forest Hooper with son Clar-

ence and daughter Ruth are visiting relatives in South Hanson, Miss Barbara Hazen is home for a brief vacation.

Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen spent Wednesday in company with her sister, Miss Helen M. Winslow at Arlington.

Church Services.

Rev. Allen A. Bronsdon will occupy his pulpit Sunday morning, April 3rd at 10.45 o'clock. Regular meeting of the Christian Endeavor society in the vestry at seven o'clock, subject "Christ our teacher." This is the regular monthly roll-call and consecration meeting:

Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker will occupy his pulpit an usual at the Universalist church Sunday morning, April 3rd at eleven o'clock. Regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. in the vestry at seven p. m.

Shirley Center.

Edna Holden, Everett Farnsworth, Elsie and Caroline Carkin, Clayton Hubbard, Olive Evans, Sarah Hubbard, Olive Frairy, Russell Blood, Harriet White and this same committee, were all sold out in less than two hours. Bridgman, Edith Frairy, John Grout, and songs by Eleanor and Christine Longley, followed by a short sermon by Rev. M. H. Birckhead, then as each child passed out he or she was presented with a potted geranium.

Mrs. M. W. Cary who has been ill for the past few weeks is about the same.

Mrs. Homer P. Holden is visiting Mrs. Ernest Bohannon of Springfield. The Girls' Sewing Guild meets with Miss Myrna Carter on Saturday, April

Ralph I. Evans has purchased a new gasolene engine.

Will Pevear and a party of friends made a short visit at the Mary Anna home on Monday, March 28.

The selectmen met Monday, March 28, to close the accounts for the past M. W. Longley, N. R. Graves and

A. A. Adams attended the demonstration of spraying for the extermination of the San Jose scale at Little-

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bolton were in town on Sunday, March 27. Rev. H. A. Bridgman preached in

Brockton to an audience of five hundred on Sunday, March 27.

AUCTIONS.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by auction, fifty cows, bull, eight horses and other personal property belonging to P. L. Newton, Roberts Crossing, Waltham, on Monday, April 11, at 9.39

a. m.

Administrator's sale of real estate belonging to the estate of the late Henry
C. Corey, comprising about twenty-six
acres of land with the buildings thereon, situated on the westerly side of
the Old Common in Groton Centre,
Thursday, April 7. at two o'clock p. m.

New Advertisements.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU.SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kincreditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of FRANCES H.
JEWETT, late of Pepperell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JOHN L. BOYNTON of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-first day of April 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 publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-cighth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

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will get some.' I hastened to an all night drug store. brought it home. In five minutes he was breathing easier. In fifteen min-utes he was sound asleep. It broke the croup so quickly it scared me. Anyone wishing to cure the croup of

a child I hope you will give Hyomei a Wishing you the best of success which you surely deserve, I remain, Jos. E. Clark, 204 6th St. S. E., Wash-ington, D. C. Oct. 7, 1909.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Worcester ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs at law, next of kin
and all other persons interested in
the estate of HELEN R. WILLARD,
late of Harvard in said County, deceased.
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for probate, by
WARREN O. WILLARD who prays that
letters testamentary may be issued to
him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a
Probate Court, to be held at Worcester,
in said County of Worcester, on the
fifth day of April A. D. 1919, at nine
o'clock in the forenon, 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 publishing this citation once in each week,
for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Hillside, a newspaper published
in Ayer, the last publication to be one
day, at least, before said Court, and by
mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy
of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at
least before said Court, this fifteenth day
of March in the year one thousand
nine hundred and ten.

JOHN W. MAWBEY, Register.

SETTS. Middlesov as Drakes Charles

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all persons interested in the estate of STILLMAN E. JOHNSON, late of Groton, in said County of Middlesex, deceased, intes-tate.

E. JOHNSON, late of Groton, in said County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, FRED W. LOVEJOY, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented his petition for authority to mortgage certain real estate therein described, of the estate of said deceased, to raise the sum of four hundred dollars, for the purpose of paying debts.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of April, 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 said potitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

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News Items.

Pictures of New Zealand will be on exhibition at the Groton public library until April 18.

Miss Gertrude Forbes is spending her vacation in Allston, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Whitcomb.

college, Worcester, Perlie P. Fallon of address. this town has been given the oration. The class day exercises of Clark college will be held this year on Wednesday, June 15.

The public schools all open for their spring term, Monday, April 4.

There were the following persons from Groton grange attending the Pomona at North Leominster on Wednesday: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Sawyer, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Whitehill, Fred Lancey, Marshall Swallow, Mrs. E. P. Woolley, Mrs. George H. Woods, Miss Hattie Woods, Mrs. J. Hemenway, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gilson, Mrs. L. E. Starr, Miss Bertha Farnsworth, Miss Pansy Howe, Rev. L. E. Perry of Ayer.

The ladies of the Unitarian society will hold their next regular supper and entertainment on Thursday evening, April 7. The supper will be served at 6.30 and entertainment will follow at 7.30 o'clock. The entertainment program consists of a mandolin duet by the Misses Parker; readings, "Paddy O'Rourke" and "The elect," by Mrs. W. A. Gobie; mandolin duet; a farce, "Aunt Susan Jones," the characters to be taken by Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Porter, Dr. Branigan, Carrie Clark.

Miss Clara B. Robinson is away this week spending the Easter vacation with relatives in Concord and Boston.

On Tuesday evening, April 5, Rev. H. A. Cornell will speak before the Groton Historical society, having for his subject, "Some big liars."

The northern lights display of Sunday and Monday nights were remarked by a number of Groton people who are now watching for Halley's

There was a mistake somehow in the program as it appeared last week of the fine vesper estvice at the Unitarian church last Sunday afternoon. Miss Ruth MacKee was the soprano in the quartet and Miss Genevieve Hodgman rendered a solo. The service was unusually excellent.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Z. Southard arrived in town Thursday. They had not intended to open their Groton residence so early this spring, but it followed their unexpected summons to Cambridge, Prof. J. Raynor Edmonds, the youngest and only remaindied suddenly in Baltimore as he was returning from a winter in the south. The funeral services and interment were at Mt. Auburn, on Wednesday of this week.

David H. Young is a candidate, having taken out nomination papers, for the office of constable and R. R. Fletcher retires as a candidate from the constable office.

'Miss Marion S. Blood has been home for Easter and returns to teaching on Monday. This term she has a school in Milford, N. H.

Miss Boutwell attended the recent meeting of the Colonial Dames in Boston, the guest of the treasurer of the society. There are 455 names on the voting

In revising the list fourteer names were dropped and the names of fourteen voters were added. S. H. Williams from New Haven,

Conn., has been visiting his father and brother here, and also his son who is a student at Lawrence academy.

Mrs. Mary Harnden, whose home is with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Harrington, is not so well as she has Fires. been during the winter.

Henry W. Whiting and Moses B. Coburn have their residences wired for electric lights.

Mrs. Chase of Hollis street is ill and under the doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bigelow and sis-Miss Charlotte Robbins returned Wednesday from their stay in Florida

Miss Lillian Ames came home from Brookline, N. H., this week to stay over Sunday and then goes to Littleton for the summer. Groton school students left Tuesday

for their spring vacations.

J. Herbert Hynes commenced mov-

ing to his new home on Willow Dale street on Tuesday J. C. Freeman will move into the

house on Hollis street, vacated by Mr. Hynes and family, and William Keirstead will move into the tenement vacated by Mr. Freeman. The Groton Historical society will

meet in lower town hall, on Tuesday evening, April 5, at 7.30 o'clock.

Paper by Rev. Cornell. The public is cordially invited and it is hoped a large number will be present to greet our new townsman.

The students of "Lowthorpe" are having their spring vacation, Miss to Mrs. Mayo. It ran from a heap Grace Hill and Miss Hetzer of the of brush or rubbish fire, another for faculty remaining at the school. Mrs. G. Lowe has been abroad for a number of months.

Easter brought home a number of students. Among those noticed since last week's mention are, Miss Helen Eddy from Bradford seminary, John W. Bradley from Amherst, Perlie P. Fallon from Clark college, the latter only for over Sunday, the spring vacation coming a week later. Vacation at several institutions where Groton youth are, comes next month.

The following clipping from The Brooklyn Daily Eagle, Sunday, March, 27, may be of interest to "Auld lang syne" friends of Dr. H. F. Williams, of Brooklyn, N. Y., formerly of Grot-"The engagement announcements" of the moment include that of one of the Hill's very pretty girls, Miss Isa-belle Williams. Miss Williams is the elder of the two daughters of Dr. Herbert F. Williams of 197 Gates avenue, and is a Packer graduate of three or four years ago. Miss Alline Williams of Packer, 1910, is her sis-ter. Miss Williams' flance is John N.

young Brooklynites of the day. The engagement is arousing much inter-

The annual meeting of the Middlesex North-West temperance union, will be held in town hall, Groton, Thursday April 7. This union comprises sixteen towns. A program having interesting speakers is arranged, the forenoon opening at 9.30 a.m. with an afternoon session opening at 1.30 p m. Hon. Frank P. Bennett, senator At the class day honors at Clark | for this district, gives the afternoon

Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Parkhurst enjoyed a drive over to Dunstable Wednesday and a visit to his brother Jacob Parkhurst, one of the oldest

residents of that town. Fred H. Woods, who has been ill with an attack of the grippe, was able to sit up Tuesday.

The Village Improvement society are having their settees made ready to be placed on the various commons about the town.

The Groton Improvement society will meet on Tuesday, April 5, at the

home of Mrs. Needham. Mrs. Sophie Woods of Fitchburg vas a guest last week of Mrs. Charles Osgood.

Mrs. John Condon going Saturday spent Sunday with her daughter Mary who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Corey Hill hospital. She found her daughter still improving, able to walk a few steps the recipient of many flower and other remembrances of the day Mrs. Fred O. Parker and chidren

were over from Pepperell and spent last week Friday and Saturday at the home of her parents.

C. Howard Patterson, going Thurs day, visited his brother W. L. Patter son and other relatives in Cambridge and vicinity.

John McCarty, coming from Nashua, where he has lived for a number of years, began to work at the Groton school the first of April. He will occupy with his family, Mrs. James Mc-Carty's place near the mill.

Mr. and Mrs. McGuane of Aver spent Easter Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wiseman.

Miss Edna Parker went to Leominster last week to see about a position which seemed a good opening.

Eber J. Keirstead and Miss Mabel Keirstead attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. David Belyea in Pepperell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Clough

entertained Rev. and Mrs. Charles W Turner at dinner on Tuesday, March 29. In the afternoon they received a number of Groton people to meet Rev. and Mrs. Turner, who left town to attend that same evening, the reing brother of the late Mrs. B. Ward ception tendered them in West Fitch-Dix, and an uncle of Mrs. Southard, burg. Mr. Turner's oldest daughter, Olive, has been staying at Mr. Clough's during her father's absence.

Another collegian noticed at home this Easter vacation is Harold Hamlet Woods, of Dartmouth.

Beginning the first of April the top-Congregational church will be drawn from the first to the twentieth psalms. The object being to promote the devotional study of these noble literary productions. The subjects elected are as follows:

as follows:

The biessed life, Vain imaginations. My child and my glory, The supreme good. The morning suppliant. Dark thoughts about dark things, The trapper trapped. The royalty of man. The business of praise. The cry of the oppressed, from bad to worse, Counsels of sorrow, The degeneracy of a soul. The consecrated life, The song personal consecration. The vindication of the righteous, The divine gentlemess the roy of giving power to the the righteous. The divine gentles The joy of giving power to the

Rev. George A. Gutterson, D. D., sec-retary of the American missionary association, is expected to speak at West Groton on Sunday morning and at the Congregational church here in the evening.

Last week there was much excite ment one day on Champney street, caused by a fire which from a heap of rubbish being burned by the family living in Dr. Steere's tenement. The fire spread back quite an extent and ook the quick work of the neighbors, mostly women, to extinguish.

On Monday of this week sparks from he noon train passing from Nashua to Ayer set fire to the dried grass and leaves in adjacent fields. High winds caused the fire to run so very rapidly that it spread on land of S. R. Mason and dangerously near the buildings before it was seen. Immediate summons by the telephone was sent to the fire department while the family and neighbors who left their dinners rushed to the scene and worked with all their might listening anxiously all the while for the fire alarm which never sounded. The case seemed hopeless for a time. When members of the fire company came they helped effectively in not only saving the buildings but in the fire spreading to neighbor-ing places. Some damage was done to fences, small fruits and trees.

On the next day, Tuesday, two fire alarms were given, one for fire which ran over the field from F. F. Waters' field fire by the Ready meadow road.
On Wednesday the alarm was sounded for a rubbish fire spreading, near Groton school, but being subdued by local help, a counter acting call was

Easter Sunday.

In the three village churches, Easter Sunday was appropriately observed with special services of song, discourse and floral decorations

At the First Parish Unitarian, there was singing with great acceptance by Miss Susan Hill, and the communion service was observed in the morning In the afternoon there was a fine vesper service. There was a profus-ion of glorious Easter lilies, both as potted and cut flowers. These were largely the gift of Mrs. Eleanor Clark of Philadelphia, in memory of Col. T. L. Motley.

At the Congregational church, the special solos were by Ray W. Averill of Boston, who rendered his selections grandly and to the enjoyable acceptance of the congregation.

lent taste, arranged by Mrs. Whiting, Mrs. Grant Shattuck and Miss Taylor.
The attendance at the children's

Easter festival in the evening was very pleasing and given a large attendance, over-flowing from the vestry into the ladies' parlors. They were under the direction of Miss Helen Belle Moore and Miss Clarissa Coburn.

At the Baptist church the children's concert in the forenoon was a delightful service of song. There were beautiful flowers in abundance.

Town Meeting.

Following are the names of the candidates for election for the several offices at town meeting, in town hall, Monday, April 4:

Selectman, three years, F. A. Torrey, Selectman, two years, to fill vacancy, one, J. H. Sheedy, W. H. Whitehill, Assessor, three years, F. A. Torrey, Assessor, two years, to fill vacancy, one, J. H. Sheedy, W. H. Whitehill, Overseer of the poor, two years, F. A. Torrey.

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vacancy, one, J. H. Sheedy, W. H. Whitehill.
Town clerk, A. H. Torrey.
Town treasurer, Grant W. Shattuck.
Trustees of public library, three
years, H. K. Richards, Ellen M. Need-

am. Board of health, three years, H. C. ockwood. Rockwood.

Trustee of Dalrymple fund, three years, J. F. Shattuck.

Trustee of Luther Blood lecture fund, three years, L. E. Blood.

School committee, three years, H. B. Priest.

Park commissioner, three years, M. Sheedy Jr.

Park commissioner, three years, M. Sheedy, Jr.
Electric light commissioner, three years. M. P. Swallow.
Electric light commissioner, two years. G. H. Bixby.
Electric light commissioner, one year. F. F. Waters.
Auditors, C. Bixby, H. W. Whiting.
Tree warden, one, J. H. Hynes, M. Swallow.
Road commissioner, three years one.

Swallow.
Road commissioner, three years, one,
B. Blakney, W. S. Jewett, E. A. Shattuck, J. C. Shattuck.
Collector of taxes, G. H. Rockwood.
Constables, J. H. Hynes, J. C. Shattuck, D. H. Young.

Mildred Blood has visited out of town friends this week. Marion Mellish spent some days of the vacation at the home of her grand-father, Melzar Farnsworth of Shirley.

Webster Harrington is with rela-ves in Worcester for the holidays Mrs. H. E. Lindall, with children, Evelyn and Walter, is in Boston for Easter week.

Miss Angeline Farnsworth returned Wednesday, from a week's visit with friends in Watertown.

Mrs. C. L. Roy was with out-of-town friends over Easter.

Mrs. Mrs. W. F. Lane.

Mrs. Wrs. W. F. Lane.

Master Edward Webber spent several days recently with his grandparents in Groton, Mr. and Mrs. William Fernald.

Miss Elizabeth Hill who went to

the Groton hospital last week for sur-gical treatment, is reported by her friends as doing well. Miss Evelyn Fernald of Vassar college, at home for the Easter holidays, called on relatives and friends in West Groton last Saturday.

Owing to the pastor's absence the usual Wednesday evening service was omitted.

A. F. Bates was hurriedly called A. F. Bates was hurriedly called from work last Saturday by the alarming condition of little Norman, the baby of the family. Dr. Kilbourn was called, and administering an anesthetic, operated on the child's ear. This brought relief and by the following morning the condition of the little one was much improved.

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Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge were invited guests at the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Rev. James Freeman Clark, held this week in Boston. They expected to meet there the aged author and lecturer. Mrs. Julia Ward Howe.

It is reported that Mrs. Hale, of North Shirley is to open dressmaking rooms at the Trefethen place, which has for some time been without a tenant.

The L. A. society will hold its next meeting April 7, with Mrs. E. P. Shores.

meeting April 7, with Mrs. E. P. Shores. A new line of telephone service is to be established in this village. The men are already busy. Telephones will be placed in the homes of A. F. Bates, George Woolover, Lawrence Blood and Mr. Smith on Bixby Hill, also in the mill of Hollingsworth & Vose. As the present line is over-crowded with fifteen subscribers, it is hoped that some will be transferred to this second line, thus insuring more satisfactory service.

A special Easter service was held in

to this second line, thus insuring more satisfactory service. A special Easter service was held in the chapel last Sunday. The exercises were in charge of the several teachers, with anthems by the choir. A recitation by the little ones, "I bring my flower to Jesus," was written for the occasion by the pastor. As each child brought a pure white blossom, with background of feathery green, the class teacher, Miss Sylvia Lawrence arranged them artistically upon a cross placed on the altar. Miss Bixby heing away, Mrs. Fred Blood substituted at the organ, and Miss Jarvis as class teacher. Rev. George H. Gutterson, district secretary of the American missionary association, will deliver an address in the church next Sunday. The pastor urges all, children especially to attend, as Dr. Gutterson has traveled extensively and his remarks will be both interesting and instructive.

In last week's account of the cantata, several little errors crept in; none of sufficient importance for correction, however, except the "novel feature" which was the old-time lining, not singing, of the songs. It is many years, indeed, since a choir followed, two lines at a time, the reading, or lining, as it was called, of the choir director. It was well done by the little folks and was both novel and entertaining.

The messenger boys for the church and allled societies for the present

The messenger boys for the church and allied societies for the present quarter are: Richard Lawrence, Provost Thompson, Albert Robinson, Donald Blxby.

ald Blxby.

The store of Bixby-Webber Co. is coming out in a new spring coat, fitted by Charles Parkhurst and H. Spaulding. The annexed dwelling house, the new store-house and G. H. Blxby's double tenement on Main street are also receiving attention from the above-named wielders of the paint brush.

lowering skies greeted Irene Bixby on her eighth birthday last Thursday, but sunshine beamed from the little maiden's face as she started on her happy way to spend a whole long day with friends. Recalled home in the afternoon the surprised child encountered a veritable burst of sunshine in the bright faces and laughing voices of the Sunshine club. Needless to say several sunshiny hours were enjoyed by Irene and her young guests.

HARVARD.

About Town.

Town meeting comes on Monday next. The Orthodox church will as usual provide a fifty-cent dinner for twenty-five cents. Mrs. Wilbur Saw-yer is in charge of this important feature of election day.

The camera club started by Rev. H. B. Mason already numbers eighteen members; we may expect that again, Thurlow, who is one of the prominent flowers were in abundance and excel- "Holland will be taken by the Dutch." Skillings.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvah E. Hazard have returned to Woodstock, Vt., where Mr. Hazard has employment on the Billings estate.

The Up-to-Date club enjoyed an interesting meeting with Ellen Hildreth on Wednesday afternoon. The program embraced current events and an account of some mocking birds which have been wintering at Dorchester, readings about Marconi, and reports from the Washington tourists. The next meeting will held on Wednesday afternoon, April 13, with Mrs. Ripley; principal subject will be Jane Addams,

The first grange meeting of the month occurs on Tuesday evening, April 5. It looks as if some fun was in store during the "lecturer's hour."

Miss Susie Davis is making her home for the present with Miss Emma Willard.

Rev. Mr. Fairchild of Ware will occupy the Unitarian pulpit on Sunday, April 3.

The attendants of the First Congregational church, Unitarian, will have their annual supper and parish meeting at the lower town hall on Tuesday evening, April 5. The oldest inhabitant cannot scratch

his head into a remembrance of such a delightful March as the one just passed. Some people think spring has really come to stay, and Charles P. Atherton is the first of the villagers to rake up and trim his front lawn. Charles Shorne is the name of the purchaser of the Davis farm, and

Gustavus Schultz his son-in-law is the name of the gentleman who will occupy the farm. Martin Gabrielson is retained for the present in Mr. Schultz's employ.

Mrs. Hiscock has removed her household effects from storage and kindled a new fire in her cook stove, set up in one of the tenements of Mrs. Slade-Bigelow's yellow house. Her needle is at the public call-service.

Our sick ones in Memorial hospital, Worcester, are on the glad road to recovery. Mamie Davis, though critically ill, sustained a second operation with favorable results.

The Unitarian ladies, through the management of the young people, will give another one of their excellent suppers at the town hall on Thurs day evening, April 7. The entertainment is a little farce, entitled "A symphony in black." Six, seven and eight are the hours we all know about.

The alarm of fire Tuesday was caused by a bush fire on the land of L L. Brown, old mill district. About two acres were burned over.

Bromfield school is having a week's vacation, and all its teachers are away. ('omplaints are still heard from the studious ones that lessons Complaints are still heard are long and work constantly is at high pressure. They want the trustees to lengthen the school year to the requirements of the law. Our children are not that smart that they can accomplish in thirty-five weeks what all other high schools take forty to do

Miss Emily Hildreth is expected home in the near future. Miss Clough to precede her and open "Sunnyside this Saturday. The Misses Doris Ripley and Maude Hewins are spending the week and more with Miss Mary Hildreth at Ply-

mouth, N. H. making themselves useful at this private "orphanage." Mrs. Tufts of Boston has been spending the week at Mr. and Mrs

N. A. Dill's pleasant home; Mrs. Tufts

is a sister of Mrs. Dill. Rev. P. J. Sheafe preached his last sermon on Sunday to an unusually large congregation. The church was beautifully decorated with lilies. Mrs. Louise Gale Atwood sang Handel's "Largo," accompanied by cello and violin. The sermon was in no wise like a farewell one, but appropriate to the calendar festival, though "tears were in the pastor's voice," and in many eyes as the words of his last benediction was uttered. Mr. and Mrs. Sheafe are to remove to

Expenses of Town.

been distributed. The pamphlet is quite a sizable volume, consisting of 126 pages. The expenses of the town for the year ending March 1, 1910 are shown by the following recapitulation: shown by the following recapitulation:

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Union superintendent of schools 471 37
School supplies 340 71
Transportation of school childern 3464 25
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The town reports are out and have

Town incidentals
Overseers of poor
Tree warden
Parks
Repairs of public buildings.
Town officers
Cometeries
Income cemetery funds
Public library
Fourth of July celebration
Shelter at Bellevue rown incidental: \$18,439 50

The report of the superintendent of schools should be carefully read by everyone. It is one department of the town report in which gain or loss is not all the time obstrusive.

The Caucus.

The citizens turned out as never before to the caucus on Saturday evening. C. L. Clay was chosen to preside over the meeting and Percy A. Atherton performed the duties of clerk. There were no contests worth mentioning and so the following candidates were rather speedily put in nominations:

Moderator, Warren H. Fairbank, Selectman, 3 yrs., B. J. Priest.
Overseers of the poor, 3 yrs., A. F. Ripley, 1 yr., C. W. Dudley, Assessor, 3 yrs., Cuthbert Wrangham, School committee, 3 yrs., J. Edward Maynard.
Treasurer, F. A. Houghton, Collector, I. P. Baker, Constables, A. D. Parker, William Hanna.

Cemetery commissioner, 3 yrs., John B. Harlow.

Board of health, 3 yrs., H. B. Royal.
Trustees Warner free lecture fund,
3 yrs., Rev. H. B. Mason, Florence
Cashman.
Library trustees, 3 yrs., Ellen C.
Gamage, Horace E. Hildreth.
Tree warden, G. C. Maynard.
Auditor, W. C. Haskell.
Highway surveyor, B. J. Priest.
Surveyors of lumber, H. D. Stone, E.
J. McLaughlin.
Surveyors of wood, W. L. Parsons, A.
W. Robinson, A. A. Hutcherson, E. J.
McLaughlin, H. P. Mead.
Field drivers, Jerry Mangovin, J. A.
Cleaves.

Comparison of Prices.

A gentleman living in the village and who resided in Watertown in 1881 brought in Gale & Dickson & Co.'s one of his store bills of that date for comparison with prices now obtain-The comparison proved so ining. teresting when so much is being said and written about present high prices that we give the list and prices:

Davis and Mrs. Whitney have been remembered by the townspeople with postals and flowers.

The Bromfield school re-opens on Monday, April 4, after a week's recess. Please take notice that the hour for opening is changed to 8.30 a. m., one-half hour earlier than through the winter

the winter. the winter.

The King's Daughters will hold their regular monthly meeting with Mrs. H. B. Royal on Thursday, April 7, at 2,30 p. m. There is to be sewing at this meeting for a special object and it is hoped all will make an effort to be present and prepared to sew.

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The grange hold their regular meeting Tuesday evening in the upper townhall. The entertainment will consist of a town meeting. E. J. McLaughlin is chairman of the committee of arrangements. Judging from some of the articles already in the hands of the committee the meeting will be both interesting and instructive. Members be sure and be present prepared to take a hand. take'a hand.

Still River.

Mrs. F. A. Richards and daughter have been visiting in Arlington this week.

Miss Addie Chase of Clinton was the guest of her cousin George H. Chase, Wednesday, and addressed the ladies' mission circle in the chapel.

Martin Wolphin of Clinton, who bought the J. H. Atherton farm, has this week moved in with his family. Nellie Neyland and niece, Catherine Brasnehan of Bellows Falls, have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neyland, this week.

Baptist Church.

Muslin Curtains

The bare flatness of a plain unfinished looking room disappears, when the curtains, come to give it a home like coziness.

House cleaning time is here, you will need new muslin curtains soon. Come and see our new lines, you will find handsome patterns, finequality muslins, superior workmanship and right prices.

yards long, hemstitched ruffles, At 98c and \$1.25 per pair.

Figured Muslin Drapery Curtains, 21-2

Plain Muslin Drapery Curtains, 21-2 yds. long, tucked and hemstitched ruffles.

At 65c, 79c. and \$1.50.

Nottingham Lace Curtains New Comerstown, Ohio, where their son resides. They will be missed, for they are friends to everybody.

At 69c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.49 and \$1.00 are friends to everybody.

Tapestry Table Covers Couch Covers

\$198

WINDOW SHADES

We have on hand at all times, a stock of the most popular colors, in oil At 25c. and 39c.

We give our prompt attention to orders for special size window shades,

which we can supply at reasonable prices Give us a trial order. Brass curtain rods for sash and drapery curtains. Silk and cotton cur-

RUG FRINGES RUGS RUGS

A Choice Line of Hat Flowers and Fruits at Popular Prices Be sure and look over our Stock of Flowers, Ribbons and Findings Before buying elsewhere.

Ayer Variety Store.

Town Meeting.

Following are the names of the candidates for election for the several offices at town meeting, in town hall, Monday, April 4:

Monday, April 4:
Town clerk, G. B. Remick.
Selectmen and overseers of poor, J.
M. Maloney, F. S. Pierce, E. D. Stone.
Assessor, three years, one, C. C.
Wood, C. A. Mullen.
Town treasurer, E. D. Stone.
Collector of taxes, E. W. Carley.
Auditors, C. A. McCarthy.
Constables, A. A. Fillebrown, James
H. O'Connell.
School committee, Goo, J. Burns.

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School committee. Geo. J. Burns.
Board of health, F. S. Bulkeley.
Tree wardens. one. Calvin Blood, D.
Y. Mason, Augustus Lovejoy, W. C.
Vinslow.

Tree wardens,
W. Mason, Augustus Lovejoy,
Winslow.
Water commissioner, three years, one,
A. P. Fillebrown, C. H. Hardy, W. F.
Walsh, J. H. Richardson.
Surveyors of lumber and measurers
of wood and bark, I. G. Dwinell, Henry
Leavitt, A. M. Phelps.
Fence viewers, R. C. Blachford, J. H.
Whiscomb.

Whitcomb.
Library trustee, three years, one, H.
S. Turner, F. S. Bulkeley.
Park commissioner, T. L. Fisher.
Commissioner of sinking fund, three
years, S. L. Cotton.
Field drivers, H. E. Fisher, J. E.
McGuane.

McGuane.
Pound keeper, W. J. Delano.

A New Field.

Rev. Arthur D. Stroud, who has been pastor of the M. E. church here the past two years, received word alst wek Friday night that the Peo-ples church of Haverhill had asked the superintendent of this district to send him to that church for the coming conference years which begins after the New England conference meets in Westfield early in April, at which time the new pastors are notified of their appointments.

Mr. Stroud will preach his farewell sermon Sunday morning. He has won the love and respect, not only of his church but also of all the people of the community. He has built up his church in every way, receiving new members and greatly improving the interior of the audience room, which is now very attractive.

Mr. Stroud, with his capable wife whom he selected-from this town, will be greatly missed by all. We are sorry to loose them, but Haverhill will be fortunate in their coming. We wish them every success in their lrage field in the nearby city.

Herbert Hardy and Hartwell Bigelow from North Bridgeton academy, Maine, and Madeline Burns from Smith college are home for the Easter vaca-

Bennett Sanderson is home for a two weeks vacation from Groton school and also Thomas Fisher from St. Paul school, Concord, N. H.

Rev. A. D. Stroud of the M. E. church spoke to the boys at the State Industrial school in Shirley last Sunday afternoon.

At the supper given by the ladies f the M. E. church Monday, March 28, there was a good attendance and the committee who had the supper in charge consisted of Miss Durgan, Miss Remick and Mrs. J. W. Wentworth and were assisted in serving by Ethel Andrew, Blanche and May Farrar and

Mrs. A. D. Stroud had her sewing class at her home Monday afternoon. The girls sewed for an hour and those present were Avis and Etta Chandler, Katherine Northrup, Hazel Moss, Gertrude McCarthy, Esther Holden, Helen Markham, Charlotte Sanderson, Blanche Sanderson, Nina Steadman.

Rev. Dr. Charles L. Slattery, rector of Christ church in Springfield, has been called to Grace church in New York City, where the rectorship has been vacant since the death of the late Rev. Dr. Huntington. The announcement of the call was made at Grace church last Sunday morning, by Rt. Rev. Dr. David H. Creer, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of New York.

Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. B. White on Washington street Mrs. White and Mrs. W. N. Cowles at which Mrs. Fred W. Moses of and a quart bottle, half filled with Providence, R. I., formerly of Ayer, alcohol and three empty bottles were Souvenirs were presentfour tables. ed to the guests, Mrs. Moses receiving a beautiful lustre painted dish. Refreshments were served.

Miss Nina G. Fletcher will give a violin recital in Page hall, Thursday evening, April 21. She will be assisted by Miss Mary Fletcher, con-tralto, and Ernest Harrison, accom-

At the meeting of the Ayer whist party held Tuesday evening with Mr and Mrs. George L. Osgood, the following were the prixe winners: Mrs. C. A. Fox and Geo. H. B. Turner, first; Mrs. William Brown and Dr. C. A. Fox, second.

Alfred Yates, who was formerly a resident of this town and who is now a foreman and machinist of a large garage in South Framingham, is to be employed by R. Murphy & Sons in their automobile department.

The first carload of E-M-F and Flanders cars for R. Murphy & Sons is expected to arrive here April 15. These cars are shipped direct from their factory in Detroit, Mich., and the E-M-F company is the largest manufacturers of automobilese in the country.

Eugene W. Stone of Newburyport, son of the late Dr. H. N. Stone, who was murdered in Harvard last year, and for which Plouffe was convicted and is serving his life sentence in Charlestown state prison, was appointed by the probate court at Cambridge to settle his father's estate. His mother is a resident of this town.

The Unitarian Woman's Alliance will meet with Mrs. Franklin Lawton on Thursday, April 7.

The no-license rally in the town hall Thursday night, was well attended. The speaker was Senator Melville S. Nash of Plymouth. The music was by the Nevin quartet of Fitchburg and the Ayer high school orchestra.

Work is going along rapidly on the hew garage of E. O. Proctor, West the man for the job.
Main street, by the builder, Howard
D. Stone of Still River and his men.

Stone of Still River and his men. best, and it will be the best the search for stolen property by

garage for many miles around. In officer James H. O'Connell and Ruel the second story of the garage, facing West Main street, are to be three rooms; the counting room, ladies' waiting room and a room for chauf-feurs. When completed it-will be in depth 150 feet, 45 feet wide, and will be a valuable real estate addition to the town.

James B. Cochrane, who died in Walpole, N. H., of acute indigestion, aged fifty-one years, March 24, was a former resident of Ayer, and of late years an occasional visitor here. The funeral was last Sunday and burial was in Walpole. In summer he worked farming and in winter logging. He leaves a wife, a resident of this town.

The illustrated show card, designed by Miss Annie M. Fillebrown, announcing the dance of the O. E. S. on Thursday evening, that was posted on the bulletin board at the town house Wednesday, March 23, was removed that night by someone. The person who took it is amenable to the law and it was a very mean act. The show card was very artistically executed and while posted attracted considerable attention.

The henhouses of Mr. Phillips, Mr. Cole and Mr. O'Brien of Grove street were visited one night, about a couple Cole and Mr. O'Brien of Grove street afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. M. Sargent. The program was the story of weeks ago, and they are out between them of one dozen of their best Sarah Shattuck; report of Judge Lindlayers. The thief is suspected and there will be a hot time for him if ker and the account of the work of of their layers.

Before the board of trade Wednesday evening, J. A. Burns of Boston, of the Cunard steamer line, gave an illustrated lecture on the growth and developing of steamships and the im-provements in ocean travel. It was very interesting address. fifty were present and the upper hall was used. Lunch was served.

The annual meeting of the Ayer district of the Massachusetts Sunday school association will be held in the Congregational church, Tuesday, April 26, opening at 9.45 a.m. The theme will be "The home, the teacher and the school." Among the speakers will be Rev. Webster H. Powell, pastor of the First M. E. church, Dorchester, and a former pastor of the M. church here. Other speakers will be Rev. J. P. Trowbridge of West Groton, Rev. F. A. MacDonald of Lowell. The towns in the district are Ayer, Harvard, "Littleton, Groton, Pepperell Shirley and Townsend.

E. O. Proctor has sold the Cadillac automobile of J. W. Brown, the lunch man, to C. S. Viall, and Mr. Proctor has sold Mr. Brown a new Model 10 Buick automobile with toy tonneau.

Mrs. Helen M. Turner, Prospect-st. had an afternoon whist party Thursday of three tables, and there were present Mrs. Cowles, Mrs. Bennett Mrs. Mabel Turner, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Fcx, Mrs. Taft, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. G. L Osgood, Mrs. Manning, Mrs. A. M Phelps, Mrs. G. A. Sanderson. Dainty refreshments were served.

There was a good attendance at the concert of the Congregational church last Sunday evening, C. H. Hardy superintendent. The children who took part in the exercises were: recitations Margaret Osgood, Ruth Stone, Helen Stone, Sumner Viall, Blanche Morse, Ralph Richardson, Hazel Daniels, Roger Johnson, Ruth Daniels, Marion Rowe, Conant Manning, May Milliken Delores Bradshaw, Dorothy Daniels Ethel Thayer, Earl Daniels; songs primary class, Edward Hopkins, Hilda Osgood, Ruth Harlow and class. The orchestra of four pieces with piano, furnished excellent music.

Mrs. S. F. Farnsworth, last Sunday was taken ill with pneumonia and in her feeble condition it was a serious matter. It is expected now that she may recover from the attack unless something new sets in. Her daughter, Mrs. Pearson of Stoneham was sent for last Sunday and other members of the family were present, knowing not what might have happened.

The Geo. F. Kingsbury house, the part in which he resides, was visited by Officer Beatty last week Friday, on gave a party to the Hill Whist club complaint of being a common nuisance This totaled the entire effects of Kingsbury. When the officer reached the house there were four fellows. besides Kingsbury, who appeared under the influence of liquor. For two or three days of last week there were two girls there who had escaped from the Lancaster school, but got the tip and left, and as Kingsbury is not around, he being wanted by Officer Beatty, it is surmised he has followed in the footsteps of the girls.

There is only one auditor on the ticket for election at town meeting. and three are required. By request of a number of citizens, Harry E. Evans is a candidate for the second one.

Mr. Richardson of Sandy Pond fame has set out this week two hundred white pine trees on his land as an experiment. Should they live, more of the same kind will be set out in the There is a large demand for cot

tages at Sandy Pond and Fred W. Hosmer has one for sale, his adverisement in another part of this paper, gives the particulars in full.

The following newly elected officers of the Woodlawn cemetery association vere chosen Monday evening:

O. K. Pierce, pres.; D. W. Fletcher clerk; Wm, U. Sherwin, supt.; W. A. Wright, treas.; Arthur Fenner, aud. W. A. Wright, Augustus Lovejoy, Frederick Whitney, Wm. U. Sherwin, directors

ectors. Last Sunday five members were re ceived into the Methodist church: John F. Lentz, Charles Moore, Mrs. Lillian Ticknor; on probation, Elbridge Kid-

der, Miss Mabel Davenport. W. G. R. Spencer of marble fame, went to Brooklyn, N. Y., the middle of last week on a business trip and returned last Sunday night.

Fred W. Hosmer is getting ready to build a summer house at Sandy Pond for Mrs. E. Z. Nutting of Brooklyn, N. Y., and it will be one of the prettiest cottages, inside and out, at that well-known summer resort. Mr. Hosmer is

Main street, by the builder, Howard D. Stone of Still River and his men. The lumber is the best, the work is evening, April 1, and was assisted in

Louges, manager here of the Haynes-Piper Co., and they found a lot of brass valves, evidently taken from fire ruins of that company, as they were identified by Mr. Lougee as prop-ty of the company. The officers also erty of the company. The officers also found some property belonging to the Boston and Maine railroad. Other property was found in different parts of the Slovsky house and owners are not known. The case comes up Saturday morning, April 2, for trial before Judge Atwood.

Mrs. Laroy Steves at Willows, Sandy Pond is confined to her home for over a week with liver trouble and is not able to be about.

All the schools in town have been in session this week except the fifth and sixth grades and East Main street, which will open Monday, April 4.

The sewing school is to have sessions three weeks longer. Some visitors have been present, but more are wanted.

One of the most interesting club meetings of the year was the union conference of topic of the day section and the household economics commit-tee of the Women's club on Thursday say's lecture at Waltham by Mrs. Barne attempts to carry off any more the household economics department of Simmons' college by Miss Jennie Sargent, a student at that school. The music was a piano solo by Mabel Sargent.

> The annual whist party given by Mrs. Joseph Graves and Mrs. F. W. Moses at the home of Mrs. J. W. Kittredge last week Friday afternoon, was a very enjoyable occasion. There were four tables for the whist, dainty refreshments were served during a most delightful social hour and best of all were the souvenirs, all of them valuable. There were dainty aprons. aprons for service, pretty hand-embroidered doilies and many other desirable articles. They were awarded according to rank in the playing, the most successful having first choice, all receiving souvenirs.

> Unclaimed letters in Ayer postoffice, March 28: Peters, Alex; Raymond, Jos.; Renaud, Mrs. Regis.

Closing Demonstration.

On Thursday evening, April 7, the Ayer Civic club gymnasium will close its winter season with a public demonstration of the gymnasium work in the town hall.

This will give an opportunity for all to see what the gymnasium is doing and to do something to help along the good work. The program for the evening is varied and interesting. It will be very much different from any exhibitions ever given here before. The local gymnasium will be assisted by members from the Fitch-burg Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in special work and dancing that made a great hit in Fitchburg.

The girls' class will appear in gymnastic dancing and illuminated club swinging. The clubs used in this exercise are fitted with electric lights of varied colors. During the exercise the hall is darkened and the effect is beautiful and pleasing.

The althletic and gymnastic contests for the prize shield will be exciting and interesting. The contestants are all very close and the winner is very much in doubt.

It is hoped that the demonstration

will be well attended. Following is the program:

1. Mass exercises juniors and seniors.
Dumb bell medley, maze running
2. Groupings and mat work, seniors and juniors.
3. Gymnastic dancing, girls' class.
4. Illuminated club swinging, girls'

class.
6. Game. Tanglefoot, juniors.
7. Horse work, senjors.
S. Athl'tics—running high jump, running broad jump.
9. Dance of the Hottentots, Raiph Fish, Clifton Merriam, Levi Lawrence, Harry Hall.
10. Eight potato race.
11. Awarding of prizes.

Guest afternoon in the Woman's club was held Wednesday and Page hall was filled to its limit with mem-The chief feature of the entertainment was the drama, "Miss Oliver's dollars" presented by a cast of all star characters members of the club. Mrs. Sacie Sanders acted the difficult part of a society woman supposed to be rich but obliged to spend her summers at a farm house to keep up appearances the rest of the year. Mrs. Avis Fisher did well as the marriageable daughter and Mrs. Viall the fourteen-year old daughter an "enfant terrible" kept things lively. Mrs. Lawrence, another society woman, took fine care of her aunt, Mrs. Emma Wood, who as Miss Oliver, busy with her grass hoppers, was the centre of interest to all. Mrs. Carrie Bigelow was the busy farmer's wife to board with whom all parties had come. Mrs Mae Milliken, as niece of the farmer's wife, took very well the part of Lady Wollaston and Mrs. Emma K. Dudley made an admir-

able parson's wife.

The play was greatly enjoyed. It was in charge of Mrs. Carrie Murphy, assisted by Mrs. Ida Perkins and Miss

Belle Murphy. The music in charge of Mrs. Gertrude Turner was a piano solo by

trude Turner was a plano solo by Mrs. Lena Graydon, a song by Helen Hardy and selections by the high school orchestra.

At the business meeting Mrs. Nina M. H. Beverly and Mrs. Susan M. Barker were elected delegates to the blennial at Cincinnati in May and Miss Clara E. Blood and Miss S. Adelaide Blood alternates. A committee of three was appointed to consider the matter of the May breakfast and report at the next meeting.

The executive board of the Woman's club meets this Friday evening with Mrs. Nina Beverly.

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The next meeting of the Woman's club is next Wednesday, April 6. The

program is in charge of the Art class, and an interesting afternoon is prom-

Basket Bail.

The Civic club in the game of basketball last Saturday evening in the town hall defeated the Y. M. C. A. of Fitchburg by a score of 33 to 17. A large crowd of spectators were present and enjoyed the game which was productive of many good plays and some fast floor work. The team work of the Civic club gave them advantage over the individual playing of the Fitchburg team. There was much Fitchburg team. good passing on both teams however, and plenty of interesting plays to please the audience.

Greene, who played only the second

half and scored four baskets during that period, was the most brilliant performer on the local team. score:

AYER CIVIC CLUB ALL-STARS A F.R. CIVIC CLUB
ARISTONIA
Kidder, Greene If ... rb G. Johnson
Sullivan rf ... lb Hollingsworth
Brown e ... c Fish
Donohue lb ... rf Wilson
Hooley rb ... If W. Forbes, Pearson Score—Ayer Civic club 33, All-Stars
17. Baskets from floor—Greene 4, Wilson 4, Fish 4, Brown 3, Donohue 3, Kidder 2, Hooley, Sullivan, Baskets from free tries—Sullivan 5, Wilson, Time—20 min, periods, Referee—Merriam.

A Good Time.

A Good Time.

The dance given Thursday evening by the young people of the O. E. S. was a success. There was a good attendance, much enjoyment and a most remarkable display of hats. The hats ranged from the sublime to the ridiculous, from a hat so small that your could not see it without a glass to one four feet in diameter, from a tomato can to a hen's nest with the eggs in it and some already hatched out.

The grand march did not take place till after several dances had been held the object being to keep the hats on exhibition for a longer period. The march was led by Austin E. Lawrence and Miss Fannie E. Woods, who were followed by seventy-five couples. The following were the persons who received prizes: Best hat, Mrs. Elleen Sawyer, the prize being a nut set; funniest hat, Victor Fillebrown, playing cards: the largest hat, Carl Proctor, box of stationery; smallest hat, Percy Lawrence and the prize was a cake. Refreshments were sold, consisting of sandwiches and coffee, ice cream and cake. Wilson's orchestra of: Fitchburg furnished the music.

Death.

Tuesday evening, March 29, at ten o'clock, Mrs. Mary Jane Livingston passed peacefully away, as if going to sleep. Mrs. Livingston was 73 yrs. 4 mos. and 20 days old. Her early home was in Chelmsford, though she was born in Harvard. She was the daughter of Center and Mary Dunn and was married to Charles Webster Livingston of Tewksbury, fifty years ago. Mr. Livingston passed away nine years 230 this month. They lived in Fitchburg about one year, when first married, after which time they came to Ayer, where they have lived since, their home being on East Main street. There are four children who survive, Mrs. Augusta M. Hassam, wife of Glibert M. Hassam of Prospect street; Frederick J. Livingston: Mrs. Etta M. Gates, wife of Edgar H. Gates of Malden; and Blanche L. Livingston. There are four grandchildren. Charles G. Hassam, Philip W. and W. Stanley Livingston and Mildred D. Gates. There are two great-grandchildren, Irene G. and Beulah M. Hassam. Mrs. Livingston was one of the most highly respected women of Ayer. She was loved in her immediate community where she has lived during all her married life. She always had a kind word for all. If there were no good to say of anyone, Mrs. Livingston said nothing: she never spoke ill of a single person. It has been her motto through life to help others and see the good that was in all people.

The funeral was held at the home on East Main street, Friday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. L. E. Perry officiating. Mr. Perry spoke kindly and highly of Mrs. Livingston and said he had enjoyed her pleasant life and profited by her kind ways. E. R. Harlow F. W. Hosmer, Mrs. E. W. Carley and Mrs. Frederick Ruso sang at the funeral service. Miss Mildred D. Gates, a granddaughter, played "Rock of Ages" on her violin, a favorite song of Mrs. Livingston and a selection she had often asked Mildred to play for her. The flowers were beautiful and abundant. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery.

Church Services.

Unitarian church services at 10.45 a. m. Sunday school at twelve m. Y. P. R. U. at seven p. m. Dr. Fisk's morning topic will be "Life's incompleteness." The Y. P. R. U. service will have special interest to both old and young. In addition to the usual singing of the Union there will be two selections by a quartet, and a solo. The address will be given by Herbert F. Taylor, superintendent of the Industrial school for boys. Mr. Taylor's subject will be "The Pagan religions," of which he has made a study. All, old as well as young, are invited to hear this instructive address.

At St. Andrew's next Sunday the

At St. Andrew's next Sunday the services will be at eleven a. m. The holy communion and Sunday school at 12.15. In Forge mission, the Sunday school is at 2.30 and evening service at seven p. m.

Rev. Arthur Gregg of Cambridge will preach at the Congregational church on Sunday, April 2, at 10.45, as a candidate.

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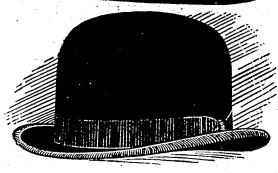
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BROOKLINE, N. H.

Mrs. Hattie Stiles and Miss Joseph-ine Seaver are attending the M. E. conference at Tilton.

A special meeting of Brookline grange will be held Wednesday evening April 6, to confer the fourth de-

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy and daughter Elizabeth of Pepperell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett over Sunday.

Mrs. Phœbe Jenness Randall returned from St. Joseph's hospital at Nashua, Sunday.

Miss Mabel Rockwood, Otis Arthur and Stanley Rockwood are at the home of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wiliam Rockwood for the Easter vaca-

The Loyal Workers will meet at the home of Mrs. Jennie Boutelle, Wednesday afternoon, April 6.

Mrs. Mabel Brackett and Miss Adelaide Weil of Townsend are guests of Mr. and Mrs Will Boutelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Austin have

moved back to town. Fred A. Hall has been appointed census enumerator for Brookline and

Little Miss Maxine Nichols is ill with pneumonia at her home at Brook-line, Mass.

Frank Taylor is building a small house near his residence, which is to be occupied by John Fales.

Elmer Wilkes Corey, is the name of the little son recently born to Mr. and

Mrs. Walter E. Corey. Marjorie Heselton of Townsend, is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Burke Rockwood.

Miss Edith Barber is at home from her duties as teacher of art, at Newport, R. I., for the Easter vacation. J. Frank Bailey and Merton Clark

are to engage in the wood novelty

business at South Brookline. Mr. and Mrs. Silas Nokes and daughter of Pepperell, Walter F. Rockwood of Townsend, Miss Edith Rockwood of John Hopkins university, Baltimore and Miss Gertrude Rockwood of Cushing academy, Ashburnham, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wallace

last Sunday. Several of the gentlemen friends of Elmer W. Wallace gave him a sur-prise pound party, last Saturday even-

ing. It was a very merry event. The grammar school commenced The grammar school commenced Monday with Stephen T. Marshall as principal. The primary school will commence Monday, April 4. Miss Clara Campbell will teach the village primary, Miss Helen Pratt at the west primary and Miss Bertha Wilkins of Medfield, Mass., at the north primary. Dr. Holcombe was called to Milford Monday by the serious illness of his

Abel B. Ball, a former resident, died at his home at Fremont, Wednesday March 23, aged eighty-four years. The funeral took place at his late home, Friday. Burial in the family lot at the South cemetery, Brookline, last Saturday. He is survived by a widow, a sister, Mrs. Navorni Bailey of Manchester, a son, George Ball of Fre-mont and two daughters, Mrs. Lula Magrath of Nashua and Miss Lillian G. Ball of Fremont.

Charles P. Hall, a former resident, is seriously ill at the hospital at

An Easter concert was given at the Congregational church, last Sunday evening at six o'clock. The platform was attractively decorated with pot-ted plants, ferns, Easter lilies, hyacinths, pussy willows and a cross of evergreen. The story of the "Risen Christ," told by the children, always touches the hearts of their listeners

At seven o'clock an Easter concert was given at the Methodist church Easter lilies, pink chrysanthemums, geraniums, and a beautiful cross of laurel and Easter lilies made a very attractive picture.

Rev. D. H. Hickey completed his pastorate at the Methodist church last Sunday. He will undoubtedly be called to a larger field. He has won the esteem of the entire community and many friends regret that he is not

Mrs. Jennie Wallace was reminded that she had reached another mile-stone last Saturday by a shower of postal cards.

Mrs. M. Jennie Kendall, president of the New Hampshire Woman's Hu-mane society gave a very interesting and instructive lecture at Tarbell's hall, Tuesday evening, the subject being "A glimpse of humane work in the Granite State." The large and attentive audience was proof that the majority of the residents of Brookline were interested in the work. Pleasing recitations was given by little Miss Eva Corey with her kitten. Interesting remarks and anecdotes were given by Dr. Holcombe, Rev. Warren L. Noyes, William Bailey, Mrs. May Barber, Miss Edith Barber, Henry Shat-tuck, Clarence Russell, L. S. Bowen George Nye, Mrs. Ellen Swett, Stephen Marshall, Arthur Goss, Mrs. William Ladd Dodge. A unanimous vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Kendall Mrs. Kendail was entertained by Mrs. Susie French, who is an honorary member of the society.

TOWNSEND.

West.

On Friday afternoon an alarm was poor-farm crossing, and buring over several acres, threatening the building at the quarry and the woodchoppers shanty in that vicinity. On account of the high winds it was a difficult fire to fight and a second alarm was rung about seven o'clock in the evening, calling more men to the scene of action, and the blaze was not extinguished till late in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Homer of New York are spending a few days at their summer residence here.

Mrs. Samuel Wares has been confined to her home for the past week to make them a success. The sing-with an attack of grippe; Mrs. Charles ing and the various evercises by the E. Patch has been suffering from a children were very pleasing to all, been quite ill at the home of his large attendance at both churches.

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ville, with an attack of grippe; Mrs. Frank Kelley of Joslynyille has also been ill, and Mrs. Carter at the Manning place is on the sick list.

Miss Marion Kellogg returned Sat-urday from a visit to relatives in Worcester; Mrs. E. J. Lees is enjoying a teh days' trip to Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman have been spending a few days in Boston, and Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Hodgman's mother is visiting friends in Greenville durtheir absence.

The pupils of the Townsend high school are enjoying their Easter vacation and all the public schools reopen for the spring term Monday, April 4.

George McElligott, from the Boston Art school, is spending Easter vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Louise McElligott.

Miss Maggie Carroll of Boston has been a recent guest of Mrs. Frank Kelley of Joslynville. Miss Emma Olmsted of Waltham has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Streeter of Jos-lynville and Mrs. Streeter's son Harry from Waltham has also been spending a few days with her.

Miss Helen Troupe of Quincy spent Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs R. S. Ely.

Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson entertained the Ladies' Whist club at her home last Thursday evening.

The members of the Ladies' Literary and Social club gave a surprise party to Mrs. Emma N. Cox last Friday afternoon at her home at the parson age, presenting her with a book as a souvenir of their pleasant relations to gether during her stay among them Afternoon tea was served and the time was passed very pleasantly.

Rev. Charles Upton preached ser mons appropriate to the day at both services last Sunday and the church was prettily decorated. In the evening, Rev. J. H. Cox, whose resignation on account of ill health takes effect the first of April, gave his farewell to his people, who are extremely regretful that circumstances compel them to sever their relationship as pastor and people.

The Junior league met Sunday after noon under the direction of Miss Kel logg, and the regular monthly church covenant will be held in the vestry this Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. A pupit committee to supply the pulpit and provide for candidates appointed comprising the deacons and prudential committee. It is expected that Rev Charles Upton will preach next Sun-day morning, and there will be no service in the evening on account of the Union Citizens' meeting at the

Banquet.

About sixty people gathered in a merry company around the tables at the Baptist vestry Tuesday evening to do justice to the banquet given by the Men's club to their invited guests and the bountiful supply of sand wiches, fruits, coffee, cake and ice cream which was heartily disposed of testified to the appreciation of the guests. The after-supper program was very pleasing, commencing at the close of the business meeting at which the president, Aleander Reed, presided and L. J. Barker was elected to serve

in that capacity for the coming month The first number on the program was a solo "Two bright eyes," rendered in his usual pleasing manner by James Dodds, who sang an encore to the hearty applause accorded him the old favorite ballad "Annie Laurie." A very interesting paper on one o the business topics of the day, "King Cotton," was read by Mrs. Fred J Tenney, followed by a vocal duet "Like the lark," by Mrs. Charles B Stickney and Mrs. L. C. Barker, which was encored by an enthusiastic audiwas encored by an enthusiastic audience. A selection "The tribulations of Biddy Malone," given in her usual happy imitation of the Irish tongue was read by Mrs. Fred A. Patch, and the encore was "There, little girl don't cry," by James Whitcomb Riley. The next number was a round by a ladies' chorus, consisting of Mrs. Reed Stickney, Barker, Sherwin, and Miss

Emma Adams, enacting the sad story of "The three blind mice." Another song by Mr. Dodds, entitled "Long ago in alcala," was received with great enthusiasm and the encore given was 'Simon of Cellarer.

One of the very pleasing features of the evening was the first appear ance of a trio consisting of Mrs. C. B Stickney, Mrs. I. P. Sherwin and Mrs L. C. Barker, whose rendering of "A

dream of home," merited the hearty applause which it received. The president then introduced Rev Granville Pierce of Ashby, who gave a brief talk on the benefit of the Men's club to the village and to inhabitants and whose remarks were well sea

soned with mirth and illustrated by witty anecdotes. He was followed by Rev. J. H. Cox the founder and father of the Men's club, who addressed them in a paternal fashion, advising and admonishing, and closing with words of praise for their progress and best wishes for their further advancement. This closed

the evening's program and after a social chat the party dispersed with feelings of appreciation of the hospitality of the Men's club of West Town-

Aden Swicker has moved his family to Leominster. It is understood he has bought out a restaurant there. Miss Ethel Rockwood of John Hop-

kins medical university, Baltimore, is enjoying a vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Streeter and son of Waltham are at T. E. Flarity's. Postmaster H. B. Hildreth was the recipient of a gift of money last week from the veterans of the town, in honor of his birthday.

The E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge conferred the initiatory degree upon one candidate at Oddfellows' hall on Friday evening, March 25.

The Easter concerts held at both churches last Sunday showed that a good deal of time had been spent severe cold; Clarence E. Streeter has and the day being fair, there was a

also sang at the Congregational church to the pleasure of her many friends. The pulpit was occupied by Rey. Horace Bumstead, D. D., of Brookline, ex-president of Atlanta university.

Silver Wedding.

On Saturday, March 26, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Piper completed the twenty-fifth milestone of their married life and the occasion was fittingly observed by a family reunion and wedding dinner held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Piper, who acted as host and hostess on this honored occasion, and among those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Garden and son Kenneth of West Lebanon, N. H.; George Piper of Leominster; Mrs. Joseph Piper, mother of F. J. Piper, and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Piper and son.

During the evening a surprise awaited Mr. and Mrs. Piper who together with the others were invited over to Odd Fellows' hall where about seven-ty-five members from the North Star lodge I. O. O. F., and E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge were assembled to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. Piper upon their twenty-fifth anniversary.

T. E. Flarity, in behalf of both orders, presented twenty-five silver dollars to Mr. and Mrs. Piper as a token of the esteem in which they are held, and as a gift of remembrance and both Mr. and Mrs. Piper gave a

pleasing response. Mr. Flarity also acted as toast-master and during the evening read an original poem, composed for the occasion by H. Warren Seaver. After an informal reception there was an entertainment consisting of selections from the Odd Fellows orchestra of seven pieces, composed of home talent; plano duet by R. T. Eldridge and Prof. A. G. Seaver; reading, H. W. Seaver; duet Mrs. Cowdrey and Mrs. Higgins. Speeches and the serving of refreshments completed the evening's enjoyment.

Mr. and Mrs. Piper were also the recipients of several serviceable gifts from friends and relatives. All join in wishing them many more years of happiness. Following is the poem:

In the Spring a young man's fancy Turns to thoughts of love 'tis said, And that is how I think it was With our good brother Fred.

For we know 'twas in the Spring-time; After he had made his choice, And had told the old, old story To his sweetheart, Emma Royce.

That they went before good "Parson Shaw"

And when the knot was tied He became a happy benedict And she a lovely bride.

Hand in hand they've walked together 'Mid the changing scenes of life; He as a faithful husband. And she as a faithful wife.

Till the twenty-five bright milestones, That together they have met; Are like so many jewels In a crown of glory set.

In time they learned, as others do, That cares will sometimes come; But to make their pathway brighter, They were sent a little son.

Now, that little ray of sunshine, Is a much respected boy, Whom we trust may always be to them A blessing and a joy. Their home is now in Townsend And we meet them here today To assure them of our friendship And to cheer them on their way.

To that great celestial lodgeroom Where by faith we all can see, Our departed friends united In the bright F. L. and T.

And as they journey onward, As the seasons come and go, We wish them all the happiness That kind fortune can bestow.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

George C. Cobb has been appointed postmaster for Hollis, and assumed his duties April first.

Willis C. Hardy has been appointed as the census enumerator for Hollis.

The holy week services observed by the church, closed Easter Sunday. There were services at the church every day during the week except Saturday, beginning Palm Sunday. On the two Sundays the choir rendered special music appropriate which was most creditable. The pastor conducted all the services.

All the schools commenced Monday. March 28, after a vacation of one

The case of Bascom against Charles Colburn of Nashua, for injuries received in a collision with his auto last summer was settled out of court, March 24.

Francis Hunt, who has been gaged with Fred Britton, the past few months, has severed his connection and accepted a position on the Riverside farm, Nashua, for the summer.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE—A summer cottage at Sandy Pond, lot No. 4, of Plan of Land of "Shore Acres": 90 feet square: 6 rooms, large living room with fireplace; kitchen of good size, 4 chambers; large screened veranda; good well water, water in house; stable 14 feet square; buildings in good condition. Apply to F. W. HOSMER, Ayer, Mass. 291

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of JOHN DAILEY, late of Littleton in said County, deceased.

Whereas, ELLEN F. DESMOND administratrix of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court her petition for license to sell at public auction the whole of certain parcels of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts, and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the eighteenth day of April 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 said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in the Littleton Guidon. a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Land Court.

To Melvin E. Cobleigh and Walter T. Fuller of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, and said Commonwealth; George W. Whitcomb of Littleton, Betsey M. Walker, Arabella W. Keyes, Burpee C. Steele and George S. W. Keyes of Boxborough, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth. Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; Mattle B. Stodder of Brookline, in the County of Norfolk, and said Common-wealth; the heirs, devisees or legal representatives of Henry W. Keyes, of Sarah A. Keyes, formerly of Ayer, in said County of Middlesex, and of Moses Whitcomb, formerly of said Boxborough, deceased; Neilie M. Kit-tredge of said Ayer; and to all whom

it may concern:
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Robert Y. Tait of said Boston, to register and confirm his title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the west part of said Boxborough, and bounded and described as follows, viz: Southeasterly by Liberty Square Road (socalled) four hundred and thirty-three (433) feet five inches; southwesterly partly by land of Betsey M. Walker and partly by land of George W. Whitcomb by various courses seven hundred and fifty-nine (759) feet four (4) inches; northwesterly by land of said George W. Whitcomb four hundred and eighty (480) feet eleven (11) inches: northeasterly by land of Burpee C. Steele four hundred and seventy (470) feet eight (8) inches; southeasterly by land of George F. Keyes heirs one hundred and forty-four (144) feet eleven (11) inches; and northeasterly by land of said George F. Keyes heirs three hundred and eighty (380) feet three (3) inches.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1910, at ten o'clock in the foremon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree

witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of March, in the year nineteen hundred and ten.

Attest with Seal of said Court. CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

Groton, January, 1910. To the Middlesex County Commis-

sioners:

Respectfully represent the undersigned inhabitants of the town of Groton, in said County, that the road leading from Groton to Shirley near the gymnasium of the Groton school is in need of relocation for the purpose of making alterations in its course and width; also, that the road from Groton to Ayer should be relocated in like manner near the premises

Wherefore, we pray that you will, after due proceedings, cause said road from Groton to Shirley to be relocated from a point opposite the house occupied by Herbert Folkins, southwesterly to the entrance driveway of the infirmary, a distance of about 1,200 feet, and on the road to Ayer from its junction with said road to Shirley, a distance southerly of 500 feet.

Grant W. Shattuck and 23 others. A true copy. Attest:

A. A. FILLEBROWN,

Deputy Sheriff.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten, to wit, by adjournment at said Cambridge on the twenty-second day of March A. D. 1910.

On the foregoing petition, Ordered, that the Sheriff of said County, or his Deputy, give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein, that said Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the Select-men's room, Town Hall in Groton, in County on Monday the twentyfifth day of April next at 10.45 o'clock in the forenoon by serving the Clerk of the said town of Groton with a copy of said petition and of this order thereon, thirty days at least before said view, and by publishing the same in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper printed at Ayer in said County, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said view, and also by posting the same in two public places in the said town of Groton fourteen days be-fore said view; and that he make return of his doings herein, to said Commissioners, at the time and place fixed for said view and hearing. ROGER H. HURD, Ass't Clerk.

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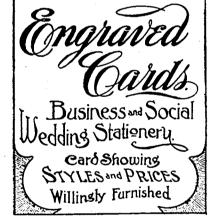
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Too Much Love

By OSCAR COX

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While serving with my regiment as surgeon at Manila I received a letter from my old friend Dick Thurston at Batavia, Java, asking me if it would be possible for me to come down and see him. He was ill, and despite the fact that he was taking the best care of himself he didn't get any better. Couldn't I obtain a leave even for a few days?

I succeeded in getting a leave, and I found Dick Thurston on a coffee plantation, where he had gone some months before in the interest of an American grocery concern. He was living with a Javanese family, consist ing of a mother, a daughter some twenty-five years old and several children. The young woman was attending to the patient's wants. Indeed, she had the whole care of him.

Dick was suffering from malignant dysentery. I put him under treatment, but got no response. A couple of days after I began he was as bad as ever What puzzled me was that his trouble was intermittent. At one time he would appear so well that I couldn't believe there was anything the matter with him. Then, when I was congratulating myself that he was going to come out of it, down he would go again. As for the drugs I gave him, they appeared to have no effect what-

I hadn't been attending him long before I discovered that the Javanese girl who nursed him was in love with him. This set me to thinking. I had seen an extract somewhere-I think it was in a newspaper-from an old Dutch report stating that when a Javanese woman takes a fancy to an European she will either have him or poison him if she gets the chance. Might not this be a case in point? Without saying anything to Dick I resolved to watch her. She was very regular in bringing in his meals, and on several occasions when she did so I concealed myself in a closet, keeping my eye to a nail hole. But if she was poisoning his food she didn't do it when she gave it to him.

"Dick," I said to my patient, "your nurse loves you."

"You don't mean it!" he exclaimed. astonished. "Have you been making love to

her?? "I have never thought of such

thing." "Have you any objection to doing

Dick demurred, but as I told him ! had a theory connected with his illness he finally consented. The next time she was with him he called her to him, took her hand in his and told her that her kindness was winning his heart. She did not object to a caress and went away looking very

happy.

The next day Dick was better. I told him to keep up his lovemaking for a few days, and he did so with the result that his improvement was remarkable. I didn't care enough for further experimenting to ask him to cease his devotional attitude and grow worse, so I resolved to eat some of his food myself. But to get the food that I was sure was poisoned I was obliged to have him do this very thing. He turned away from her, but did not eat the next meal she brought him. I smuggled in some food for him, ate a little of that the girl brought him and made away with the rest surreptitiously. The test fulfilled REAL the conditions. The whole length of rest surreptitiously. The test fulfilled my alimentary canal became irritated This was the same symptom as Thurston's. I didn't care to repeat the experiment.

There was now nothing to do but get the patient from out the clutches of this too much loving nurse, but my curiosity was aroused as to what poi. tially destroyed by fire. son she was using. I thought of watching her as she prepared the present condition. food, but to do this was impracticable. I would have tested the food chemic ally, but had no materials for the pur pose. I was puzzled.

I had, among other instruments 1 had brought with me, a pocket microscope. It was by no means so power ful as the regular instrument, but excellent for its grade. For the want of something better I one day took up this microscope and brought it to bear on some of the food I had eaten. Immediately the cause of the trouble was revealed to me. The substance was filled with fine hairs—not animal, but vegetable-hollow tubes spiked like bayonets.

And these things had been passing through Dick's digestive organs. No wonder that he was ill. A comparatively few of them had made me feel as if I had eaten hot lead.

I took some of the food to a Javanese man from whom Dick had been buying coffee, showed him the hairs with the microscope and asked him what they were.

"Those," he said, "are bamboo poison hairs, so called from the fact that they are used by our people who wish

to put some one out of the way." After a consultation Dick and I decided that we didn't care to have anything to do with Javanese justice, so I advised him to keep on good terms with his "sweetheart" for a few days that he might get no more spikes in his stomach and get well. Nevertheless, before he ate any of the food she gave him I examined it with my glass.

Then one fine morning we walked away, leaving the maiden glaring at Dick from the door where he had said goodby to her.

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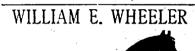
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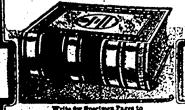
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Points Mothers

The question to what extent parents should deny themselves in order to provide their children with luxuries is always a debatable one, and yet it has to be faced at some time or other by every father and mother of a fam-

It has been contended, with a great deal of truth, that many of life's failures are the direct result of overindul gence on the parents' part. It very often happens that children who have had their every wish and whim gratified at the expense of the old people prove not only a grave menace to their own safety and well being, but to the world at large or at least that part of it through which they move.

What, however, you parents can give the children you bring into the world is a very large part of your sympathy, counsel and love. Instead of blessing them with material gifts bestow upon them the precious benefits of your wisdom, affection and advice Lay yourself out to study their temperaments, make yourself acquainted with their weaknesses and their virtues-strengthen the one, encourage the other. And, perhaps a greater gift still, let your own life be to them the perfect example-a life of endless control, of moderation, unselfishness and devotion. How much better, how far more blessed, than denying yourself worldly luxuries in order that they may derive passing pleasures from the gifts you give them.

Stories That Frighten Children.

There are some stories on the order of "Jack the Giant Killer" which it were quite as well not to admit to the nursery. Unless the story is of a soothing nature it should not be related just before the child goes to bed. This is not a good time for stories, especially with sensitive children. The stories are apt to awaken the imagination and leave the brain too active, with the result that sleep is slow to come and likely to be restless and dis-

Stories that arouse fear should be avoided. However, what will fright-en one child will not affect another. To the child who has never experienced the sensation of fear stories seldom awaken that emotion, but if, on the other hand, the child has been frightened it is necessary to be careful not to stimulate that emotion, for there is no other that has such a blighting effect on a child.

Another point to be considered is the ending of the story. This should always be pleasant.

The Mother and the Boy.

A boy's heart is full and overflow ing. He needs some one who will listen to his confidences. If he is re pelled and finds himself alone he becomes fretful, indolent, or worse. His affairs are not "nonsense." A good mother never says, "Run away; I am busy." She listens and encourages. Important discoveries may be made in these outpourings. She gives sympathy, enters into his feelings and sees things from his point of view. If he tells her of something which proves that he is at fault she does not reprimand him at the time, because this gives her attention quietly, tells him she is glad he has confided in her and that she will talk of it again with him. If a mother has insight she can solve many problems. She is interested in her boy's sports, collections. his school and companions. The choice of his companions should not be left to chance. It is well if they are from families known to his par-

Let the Children Sleep. "Insufficient sleep," says a physician, "is one of the crying evils of the day. Work and pleasure encroach upon the hours of rest, and body and mind deteriorate in consequence. Even the children have their hours of sleep shortened and suffer all their lives in consequence. A child of ten or eleven rarely gets more than eight or nine hours' sleep, whereas it should have ten or eleven. Up to twenty at least nine hours of sleep are needed, and an average adult needs eight. There may be an occasional Napoteon who can get along with four hours' sleep a night, but if you happen to belong to that class nature will tell you by

waking you up at the proper time and you don't need to interfere." Don't Startle Children.

One very common cause of nervous ness in children is the delight which nurses and even mothers take in mak ing some sudden noise close to the child's ear. Nothing could be more harmful. Baby starts, all his little nerves are set quivering, his heart beats rapidly, and when this excitement subsides it leaves the brain abnormally active, while the body is languid and weakened. The next time a loud noise startles him these symptoms are even more pronounced, and so it goes on until baby becomes a little bundle of nerves, frightened by the least sound, and instead of his brain and faculties developing they are being permanently weakened by such injudicious treatment.

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Saturday, April 2, 1910.

PEPPERELL.

Town Meeting.

The annual town meeting took place Monday in the town hall for the purpose of making appropriations and other important business. The appropriations total about \$40,000, the most important item, that for schools, being \$16,000 and receipts. The meeting was called to order at nine by the town clerk, P. J. Kemp, who read the warrant, and Edward F. Harmon was chosen moderator. A finance committee was selected under article 3, to retire and prepare a list of appropriations needed for the different departments the coming year, consisting of I. J. Rowell, E. L. Tarbell, E. R. Richardson, P. J. Hayes, C. H. Miller, E. W. Blake, Addison Woodward, C. S. Denham. Their recommendations were found satisfactory with but few exceptions, items for schools being increased by \$1,000. This was needed to place our schools in more perfect condition by increasing the pay to teachers which we should retain, and put the superintendent in a better position to obtain the best when in need of new ones. Supt. Pauli gave a very plain account of the needs and his remarks were interesting and well received. The following were the other items of the budget town charges \$2,200; highways, \$2,200; culverts, \$100 marks, \$30; sidewalks, \$250; town farm, \$2,000; fire department, \$2,300; police, \$1,275; street lights, \$2,000; commeterles, \$300; townhouse, \$750; common, \$30; board of health, \$600; unpaid bills, \$1,000; insurance, \$60; tree warden, \$25; state aid, \$7,00; solders' relief, \$350; boridge loan, \$1,000; interest, \$1,500; gypsy moth \$1,800; library, the dog tax and \$100 additional; Elm street, \$500; bonds for town treasurer and collector, \$100; guide boards, \$100, cmpairs on Groton street school, \$1,000.

Article 9, voted poli and personal taxes due upon presentation, on all taxes due upon presentation of a person Town Meeting.

per annum, all taxes collected on or before January 1, 1911.

Article 11, voted to accept 12 vot 1 to construct cinder sidewark or Williams street, appropriation, 12, vot 1 town furnish bonds for treasurer and lax construct 15, voted not to asset water commissioner to construct which main up to Hill street 10 kinds heave matter in hands of tax of Edward P. McCord: 18, immessible words on it until the town acceptation statutes regarding sprinkers aftered by town: 19, voted, but it is streets by town: 19, voted, but it is streets by town: 19, voted to have write bond make charge to fire department for hydrants, appropriation, \$1,750. Owing to the absence of the water commissioners, a report is being pentyed and G. T. Keyes, character, to del to have them ready for described in

have them roady for district from Saturday. April 2 to be by pared

Saturday. April to be beauted to citizens.

The dinner served by the L. B. S. of Second Parish chart was well patronized and certain y deserved it.

The watering cart has disappeared from the town teport. Some one said it dried up and been away.

A message was read by the moderator, from State Forester Rane, announcing a public beet re in Prescott hail at an early date.

Warren Veterans.

The annual supper and smoke-talk of the "Warrens" was as usual up to the expectation of the many who look forward to it and a graffying pleasure to kuests who had not previously attended. The business meeting of the company was held at seven and at cight o'clock supper was announced and the waiters supplied all with oysters, stewed and raw, and they were delicious as well as plentiful. The tables were prettily arranged with ples, cakes, doughnuts, fancy dishes, bottles of Pepperell spring tonics, water and sliphons of soda. Everyone ate heartily and then cigars were passed for those who smoked. A choice box presented by J. F. Reagan and others by Bain Bros. After a few remarks by the president. L. P. Shattuck, gave foreman, L. G. Robblins, charge of the program. Selections by P. J. Humes on his large phonograph. Recitations and impersonations by S. Thompson Blood, were interspersed by funny storles. In response, selectman Charles H. Miller, spoke encouragingly of the capabilities of the "old tub" and emphasized the members to get into harness and again place the Warrens in the coveted position which they previous.

News Items,

Mrs. Bridget Sheehan died on Wednesday at the home of her daughter. Miss Hannah Sheehan. She had been ill but a short time with grippe. Funeral will be held Saturday, from her home, in charge of Rolan H. Blood. High mass at nine a. m. by Rev. T. I. Coghlan at St. Joseph's church. Russell P. Wright was in town Set.

Russell P. Wright was in town Saturday afternoon and Sunday, returning to Boston. Monday.

The board of assessors expect to begin work Friday, April 1. L. C. Blood, chairman, G. G. Tarbell, cierk, H. F. Lawrence is the other member and he

can be depended on for his share of the work. Benj. Cushing is now employed in Nashua and it is understood he will play on the strong Haverhill ball team this year.

this year.

Among our young folk home from their schools for Easter are Thomas Tarbell, Williams: Miss Carrie Shattuck, Bridgewater Normal; Miss Fannie Tower, Mt. Holyoke; Miss Cecil Tarbell, Wesleyan seminary; Miss Mae Merriam from her duties at Mt. Ida seminary; Winifred Boynton, Worcester Polytechnic; Arthur Tower, Worcester academy; Roscoe Woodward and Roger Robbins, Dean academy.

Chimney fires at Wm. Gleason's

Roger Robbins, Dean academy.

Chimney fires at Wm. Gleason's,
Canal street, grass fires at North Pepperell. Oak hill and Mt. Lebanon. The
later was the narrowest escape from
serious damage, as it was only by the
quick work of John Holt, A. E. Bannon, Mr. Pike and Mr. Appleton and his
two men, that it was prevented from
crossing the road into Mr. Appleton's
splendid grove.

Arthur Bartlett has left the amploy

Arthur Bartlett has left the employ of Wm. N. Mault and gone to Springfield. Richard Savage is filling the position vacated by Mr. Bartlett.

Last Sunday Harry Hoyt of Hollis, fell forty feet, from a tree on the Prescott place, where he was destroying moth nests. Dr. Lovejoy was summond and besides broken bones he reseived internal injuries. If he had not struck a ladder when falling he would have landed on a stone wall and no doubt instantly killed.

Miss Madeline Graham was honored by a surprise party last week Friday to him. A large number of her former schoolmates met at her home and chieved a few hours of social games and masic. Refreshments were served

The records of votes for highway surveyor resulted in a gain of one or the defented candidate.

or the defeated candidate.

The annual play of the high school lass [19, is announced for Thursday, pri) 7, in Prescott hall, "The trustee" (all he presented, and as the rehears-is latve been under the direction of I. R. Bryaot, principal. It is expected to be of high order.

be of high order."

The Easter service at the Congregation church last Sunday was a conflict the Sunday school, of which had C. Blood is superintendent. The state program, the recitations and endid entertainment rediects great it on those in charge of the differdivisions and upon Mr. Blood for planning and the result of all parts other being so harmonious and personal programs of the difference of the difference of the difference of the difference of the children of the children in the singing. The choir under nice the singing. The choir under one to Mr. and Mrs. brawbridge is due praise for the drilling of the children in the singing. The choir, under Mrs. Hutchinson and particularly the Yeartet in "Sweetly rest," by Mrs. C. D. Histehinson, Mrs. M. Woods, A. R. Paulland W. H. Brury. There was an attractive arrangement of flowers and Jeants. The primary class under Mrs. G. E. Shattuck did their part splendidly. The L. B. S. of the Congressions.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational hurch will hold its regular meeting, hursday afternoon, April 7, at 2.39 clock, business meeting at three. The law regarding bon-fires in the open goes into effect April 1. Don't forget to get permission of fire warden G. G. Tarbell.

G. G. Tarbell.

The Peppereil Woman's club will meet at Sander's corner, Tuesday, April 5, at 2.45. The vice-presidents have charge. The members are requested to send in their ballots to the nominating committee, Miss Ann Jewell, Mrs. F. W. Lovejoy, Mrs. William Dennen, before the meeting.

Obituary.

On March 24. Miss Catherine E. Walton died at her late home on Park street. Miss Walton was the daughter of Frederick A. Walton and Betsey K. Hosley, his wife. She was born eighty-five years ago and was one of three-children.

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children.

William Walton was a "Forty-niner"
and died in California several years
ago. He is survived by a family living
in Los Angeles. Henry Walton went
to New York. He married and remained in Brooklyn, where his children
still live.

Miss Walton remained at home with
her parents, who lived in the old tavern at the Willows, one of the many
wayside inns scattered along the Great
High Road between Keene, N. H., and
Boston. Like others of its kind it
was a center of social life and business activity and many a coach and
four galloped up to its doors, and
many a long oxteam train crept slowly
away to Boston. With the passing of
these customers, activity on the Great
Road ceased. Mr. Walton died, the
property passed to other hands, and
after a few years, on Mrs. Walton's
death, her daughter found a home with
family friends. Miss Walton came into
Col. S. P. Shattuck's family thirtyseven years ago and has watched the
children and grandchildren grow up
about her.

In her death passes the last representative of her generation and the
last Walton in this region where the
family has been represented for many
years.

Organized.

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At a meeting of the school committee held March 24, the committee organized as follows: chairman, Dr. Lester R. Qua; secretary, Miss Mary L. P. Shattuck; sub-committee on transportation and school signals, Horatio N. Tower; purchasing agent, Miss Shattuck; sub-committee on fuel, Mr.

Tower; sub-committee on schools and school property. 1. Main street school and building, Dr. Qua: 2. Groton street school and building and Pine Orchard school and building and Tarbell street building. Mr. Tower: 3. Townsend street, Oak hill, and South schools and buildings and North Village and Nashua road buildings, Miss. Shattuck: 4. high school and building, the committee.

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The committee voted to employ the monthly pay roll for all expenditures of the department, and also voted that all bills against the department must be accorded by the committee of the

of the department, and also voted that all bills against the department must be presented not later that the Saturday next preceding the last Monday in each month to be placed upon the payroll of that month. Those having bills to present will give or send them to superintendent of schools Pauli.

The committee is confident that the public will not be inconvenienced by this change in business methods of the department. All then is to remember is that bills must be in Supt. Paull's hands on or before the Saturday next preceding the last Monday in each month, to secure payment that month. At the regular meeting of the committee on March 28, all members were present. It was unanimously voted that in the future the committee will employ no new teachers who do not hold diplomas of graduation from an accredited professional institution and that among candidates preference will be given to those who have had successful experience in teaching. After a full discussion of the needs of the schools for the balance of the year, the committee voted to put Aldine readers in first and second grades and adjourned.

About Town.

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Miss Arline Twitchel returned from Athol Wednesday, March 22, where she has been staying with her grand-parents.

The Townsend street school has been in session this week making in session this week making up time lost while the basement was overflowed with water. All schools open for spring term on April 4.

The remainder of the furniture belonging to Harris Tarbell was moved to his new home in Wellesley, Friday, March 25. Mr. Tarbell is chauffeur for Mrs. Hunnewell.

Mrs. Hunnewell.

Miss Ethel Wells was operated on for enlarged tonsils by Dr. Heald, on Monday. March 28.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kemb returned from their southern trip Wednesday.

Joseph Greenlaw of Beverly, came o town Monday, visiting his family and

Mrs. Arthur Lawson of Connectfout s visiting at the home of her parents, fr. and Mrs. Henry Wright.

Mrs. Arthur Lawson of connection is visiting at the home of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright.

Miss Nellie Errington, teacher of the Townsend street school, is confined to the house with an attack of the grippe. Her place is being filled by Carrie Shattuck.

Several of the teachers visited schools. In Harvard, Thursday, March 21. The work done there was demonstrated to them under the supervision of Austin R. Paull, superIntendent. R. Paull, superintendent.

T. A. Hayes returned from his annual southern trip to spend the summer at the Hayes homestead on South street, bringing the usual number of fine hunting dogs with him.

Rev. Dudley R. Child and Mrs. Child returned last week from Nashville, Tenn., where they attended the national religious convention. They greatly enjoyed the occasion. Child's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bowman kept house for them during their absence and returned to their home in Charlestown, N. H., the last of the

Rev. D. R. Child occupied the pulpit of the Unitarian church last Sunday. The Easter service was very impressive throughout. Beautiful plants and flowers were around the pulpit and under the table, which is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Babbidge. Appropriate selections from the scriptures were read by the pastor. An active part in the service was given to the Sunday school scholars, who marched in procession into the church and filled the front pews, singing an Easter carol. Several carols sung.

There was special Easter music and an appropriate sermon by the pastor at the Congregational church; also, a very interesting concert by the Sunday school in the evening. The auditorium of the church was filled with the congregation, which listened with

the congregation, which listened with great interest to the recitations. Very lovely flowers graced the pulpit and chancel.

Quite a number of the young people who are in various institutions of learning, came home for the Easter vacation. Among whom were Oscar Anderson from Amherst college, his sister Margaret from Northfield seminary, Roscoe Woodward from Dean; as last year with substitution of George in the control of George in the control

Arthur Tower from Worcester academy, and Miss Mae Meriam from Mt.

Quincy Sylvester, a former resident at the farm of Edwin R. Richardson, has been visiting there this week.

By a typographical error last week Miss Annetta Merrill's return from the south was given next Monday instead of May.

Report says Miss Marion Lovejoy is at the Massachuseets General hospital for training to take the profession of

LITTLETON.

Wedding. The beautiful mansion of Mr and Mrs. Fred C. Hartwell was last Saturday evening the scene of a delight ful home wedding when their daughter Miss Alice Louise was united in marriage with Harry John Smith, both of Littleton.

The house was tastefully decorated with Easter lilies and carnations. The bride was given away by her

father who escorted her to the spacious recention hall to the strains of Lohengren's wedding march played by Miss Vera Smith, sister of the groom. They were preceded by the matron of honor, Mrs. Hollis Robbins, sister of the bride, and met by the groom with his brother Clifford who acted as best man. The bridal party was graced by the presence of the contracting parties' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hartwell, aged 84 and 82; Mr. and Mrs. Blatchford, 88 and 87, and Mrs. Sarah Smith 90, who sat near the bride and groom throughout the ceremony. The bride was hand-somely attired in white messaline with net yoke and gilt ornament. vore a veil caught up with orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. The matron of honor was gowned in a pink silk muslin of becoming shade and style and carried pink roses.

The single ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Chester A. Drummond in the presence of seventy-five relatives and Miss Hartwell's most inti-

mate friends.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Smith and attendants received their guests for an hour, after which vanished and shortly sped off through showers of confetti by auto-mobile to Concord Junction. There they boarded a train for Boston. The refreshments served, consisted of ices, cakes and other delicacies.

Wedding presents were numerous and noticeable for their variety. They included choice cut glass, silverware, china, pictures, quilts, clocks, lamps, linen, rugs, dining-room furniture,

After their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside at their newly purchased home in Mill road, and will be at home to their friends on Wednesday afternoons, after May 1.

Town Meeting.

The town meeting held Monday, March 28, was characterized by har mony and tranquility. The gloom cast over the entire town through the death of its highly esteemed and ablest citizen, Col. Herbert J. Harwood, was

keenly felt and noticeably perceptible throughout the proceedings of the day. Town clerk, Charles F. Johnson read the articles in the town warrant. Rev. H. B. Drew offered prayer.

Charles A. Kimball was chosen mod. erator.

Mr. Kimball said that he could not take up the business of the day with-out voicing the universal sentiment of grief over the loss to our town of two most useful and patriotic citizens, Asahel W. Sawyer and Col. Herbert J. Harwood, who always took an active

part in our town meetings. The following appropriations were

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made:		
Common schools	\$2,500	0.0
High school	1,400	
School supplies	600	
Employing school superin-	000	٠,
tendent	200	0.0
Transportation of scholars	1,400	
Repairing highways	1.559	01
Railing highways	7.007	00
Memorial day	75	01
alaries of town officers	800	06
Miscellaneous expenses	1,500	00
Maintainance of library and	1,,	91
library building	600	0.6
Maintainance of street lights	500	96
securing sureties for town	500	'''
Treasurer and collector and		
treasurer and collector and library treasurer	65	0.0
Extermination of moths		94
school building repairs and	428	3 1
new furniture	250	00
imploying school physician		
New hearse	25	00
Sinding \$16 copies of vital	470	00
records		
records Better drainage between Rev.	232	5.6
W. C. Brown's house and		
late A. P. Hazer's land		
'are of sidemally	250	

Spraying and protecting trees Enforcing liquer laws Silverware and crockery for hall use
To be expended under direction of tree warden
To print assessor's valuation 150 00

Harold Conant, Chester Hartwell, Alexander McDonald, Edwin Cox, and Walter Smith checked the names of voters and James Neagle had charge of the ballot box.

Hon. Frank A. Patch assured the citizens that the errors made in printing the town report would be rectified on a printed page which will soon be supplied for every town report. He was sorry that such correcwas necessary and exonerated from blame the town officers whose reports contained mistakes. town reports were printed in the far off city of Fall River.

The following were elected to town office:

Clerk, Charles A. Kimball, Selectmen and overscers of the poor, Fred C. Hartwell, Frank A. Patch, Walter H. Titcomb, ssessor, Nelson B. Conant. ax collector and treasurer, Charles Hunt.

Highway surveyor, Charles A. Harten. School committee, W. Channing Bro Auditors, Fred A. Hosmer, Nahum Whitcomb.

H. Whitcomb.
Library trustee. Miss F. A. Sanderson.
Constables, Albert E. Hopkins, Fred
Reed, Walter Smith.
Cemetery commissioner, Nelson B.

Woodward in place of Frank Stone, George Howard in place of Wallace Robinson, and Wm. Davis in place of E.

V. Stone. Votes for liquur license, 29 yes, 125 Notes for acceptance by this town of An act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire, 48 no, 70 yes.

Voted, to accept the reports of all town officers and committees. A report from the committee on printing the town ercords containing several suggestions and recommendations was read and accepted.

Art. 24. Left in hands of selectmen to take advisable steps regarding drainage between A. P. Hager land and W. C. Brown's house.

Art. 25. Voted, to rescind the vote of Art. 34 in town warrant of 1906 concerning printed vital records because of additional pages made since that vote was carried.

Art. 26. Voted, to present Dr. Samuel A. Green, three copies of printed vital records, to use 100 copies for exchanges and to accept other recommendations of the committee on printing vital records. Town clerk, the librarian, and F. B. Priest were chosen a committee to draw up a circular describing the records for the purpose of advertising the volume, and voted that these three be authorized to dispose of the books as suggested by Mr. Harwood in his letter for the committee.

Art. 31. Voted, to authorize the selectmen to fill up the well at the corner of roads near the residence of Hon. George W. Sanderson. Art. 32. Voted, that the treasurer's

salary be \$75. Art. 33. Voted, that the collector's

salary remain as before.
Art. 34. Voted, to publish in the town report the names of all delinquent tax payers.

Art. 35. Voted, to instruct the selectmen to enforce the law against fishing on Sunday. Arts. 38 and 38. Left in hands of selectmen.

Art. 39. Left in hands of selectmen. Art. 40. Voted, to legally place in charge of Mr. Martin, subject to per-mission of selectmen if legally permissable. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Martin for offering to ake charge of repairs on the Cyrus Pickard lane.

Art. 42. Passed.

News Items.

An adjourned meeting of the Improvement society will be held in the selectmen's room next Tuesday evening, April 5, at seven o'clock. Im-portant business will be brought up and it is hoped that every interested person in Littleton will attend.

The Parent-Teachers' association will meet Thursday at four o'clock p. m., in the West schoolhouse.

The American club of the Orthodox society will meet with Mrs. C. F. Flagg on the afternoon of April 6.

The Corn social at the Backlog club last Thursday evening was well at-tended and reflected much credit on the Newtown committee in charge. A corn menu of appetizing viands was served and much enjoyed. Contests of various kinds in harmony with the corn scheme of the evening created much amusement. The following very pleasing entertainment of high order was given: vocal solo, Mrs. O'Banion; clarinet solo, Eliot Young; piano solo, Mrs. Jessie M. Young; piano solo, Miss Lucy Houghton; reading, Mrs. George Cash; reading, Na-hum H. Whitcomb; charades. Special mention was made by several guests of the artistic decorations of corn clusters, yellow poppies, and green boughs, under the supervision of Mrs. Cash and A. T. Kimball.

Andrew Johnson remains very sick with pneumonia and is in care of

a trained nurse. James McNiff of Taylor street has

had a severe shock paralyzing one

Michael McNiff of Taylor street is sick with pneumonia.

John Hardy and family of Arlington are living in Mrs. Amelia Wakefield's house on King street.

Mrs. Arthur Peck has been at her father's home this week.

The demonstration in spraying machinery, methods of spraying and pruning trees at the Drew, Munson farm last week Friday, was attended by about 200 persons, many coming from out of town.

A threatening fire that originated near the B. & M. R. R. track, last Friday afternoon and called out a force of men, spread over 75 or 100 acres in the New State woods. A lumber wagon belonging to Fred C. Hartwell was burned and a large quantity of young trees. Miss Doris Converse of East Rindge,

N. H., and graduate of Fitchburg normal is teaching the West grammar school. Miss Helen Cushman, teacher of the

West primary school, has sent in her resignation to take effect as soon as her successor can be appointed. It is said that cupid is responsible for this act in the drama of her life. Mr. and Mrs. Clement Kimball of

Orange, N. J., are moving back to St. Johnsbury, Vt., and it is reported that their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kimball, will live with them for a while. The latter's health is improving, but a complete recovery will require several months of retirement from his usual business. Thacher & Ireland have lost one

of their strong work horses.

The Easter concert at the Congregational church was well attended and the program was carried out to the credit of the pupils and instruc tors and the enjoyment of the audience.

The confirmation at the Unitarian church Sunday afternoon, made the day memorable in the First Congregational society by its beautiful ser vice of special music and the confirmation of an unusually large class which included Austin L. Hartwell, Roland G. Houghton, Carleton O. Needham, Roger A. Priest, Misses Grace M. Cash, Rachel S. Ireland, Ethel E. Smith, Florence S. Whitcomb Marion L. Whitcomb, Mary H. Wright and Mrs. Mary Priest, Mrs. Gertrude F. Hosmer, and Mrs. Florence E. Wil-

Sunday, March 27, passed into the history of the Baptist society as a record day. There was a house morning and evening. There was a packed Easter offering amounted to approxmiately \$100. Those admitted into the church on confession of faith were Misses Katherine, Evelyn and Mary Kimball, and Laurice Flagg and Joseph McPherson.

Rev. Mr. Longdale of Tewsbury, who preached at the Congregational church so acceptably last Sunday, will again occupy that pulpit tomorrow.

"Christ our teacher" is the C. E. topic for Baptist and Congregational societies tomorrow evening, and "Nature worship" is the subject of the guild, with Miss Eunice Priest leader. There will be a song service in charge of the music committee.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Brown have the sympathy of their many friends in the death of their father, Rev. Wm. Brown of Tyngsboro, and the illness of their little daughters, Elizabeth Brown underwent an operation for appendicitis Tuesday at her home and is reported doing well. Margaret is visiting with her grandparents in Wolfboro, N. H., and is improving in health.

Over twenty of Rev. C. A. Drummond's parishoners attended his wed-Waltham Wednesday evening and returned with glowing accounts.

The library and all the schools were closed Wednesday afternoon, and the flags placed at half mast out of respect to Col. Herbert J. Harwood.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

Friday evening, March 25, Hon. Chester B. Williams of Cochituate, inspected Boxborough grange. The third and fourth degrees were worked on a class of eleven candidates and visitors were present from six neighboring granges.

Tuesday morning, W. H. Furbush and Ralph started for Westfield, and since then have been following the route of the "Better farming special" hain, traveling in the interests of the New England Mineral Fertilizer Company.

Charles L. Woodward has moved week to his new home in West Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford, Ethel and Catherine Mead, Gene Priest and Warren Hayward visited Bolton grange. Monday evening.

Miss Elsie Graves spent Easter Sunday in Salem. Don't forget the maple sugar supper at the town hall, Thursday even-

ing, April 7. Charles Littlefield finished his duties as juror last week Thursday, after a twelve week term.

Rehearsals are in order now for "In old New England," to be given by the grange next month. William Withington has rented Mrs.

Page's farm for the season and has given up business of drover, which he has followed for so many years. Mr. and Mrs. Swanson attended the funeral of Mrs. Swanson's father in Providence last Sunday.

Our town treasurer, Albert B. Hartwell, has had a telephone put in and now answers the call, West Acton 11-16

Miss Carrie Bradford and her mother represented Boxborough grange at Borough Pomona meeting in Northboruogh, last Thursday.

Saturday morning, Alexander Losaw and family and Will W. Losaw arrived at their father's; the men were obliged to return Sunday night, but Mrs. Losaw and the children are still there.

Ella Furbush and Ruth Wetherbee have been at home from Ashburnham

academy this wek. Mrs. George Waitt was at Charles

Waitt's the first part of the week. Mrs. S. B. Hager has been enjoying a visit from her father, John Aldred, whose home is in Nova Scotia.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

A first-class entertainment will be given in the Universalist church on Wednesday evening, April 13, under the direction of Mrs. Carrie R. Bruce, who will present the popular drama, "Chums" with the following cast of

characters: Mr. Breed. a Vermont Squire. Mr. Libby; Harry Breed. A. B. Harvard, his son. Mr. Esterbrook; Tom Burnham, leading lady of the Pi Eta Theatre, br. Branigan; Flora Strong, Miss Perry; Mrs. Breed. Mrs. Edgarton.
Vocal selections by Mr. Gerrish of Groton will be a pleasant feature of the evening's entertainment and an excellent supper will be furnished by the ladies of the society.

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