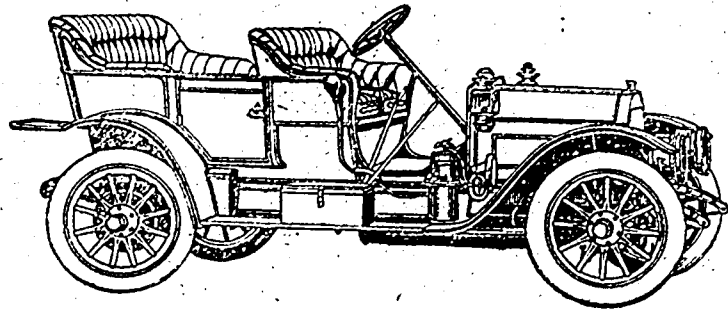


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## Supplement to TURNER'S PUBLIC SPIRIT

Ayer, Mass., Saturday, April 16, 1910.

### HARVARD.

#### Still River.

The young people of the village will give a supper and entertainment in the chapel Thursday evening, April 21. Supper will be ready at 6.30 o'clock. For entertainment they have prepared a sacred cantata, which will follow the supper. The supper of the men, given a few weeks ago, was a record breaker as to numbers out, but the young ladies hope that they can go them better this time, and they have been putting in hard work preparing for it.

Mrs. Mabel (Robinson) Richards and little daughter started for their new home near San Francisco, Cal., Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Richards has been there nearly a year, where he is engaged putting electric signals upon steamships. He having accepted a permanent position has sent for his family. He has never seen his daughter. Mrs. Richards leaves a host of friends in Still River, who all wish her much happiness in her new home. Several of her friends went to Ayer to bid her good bye as she took the 1.30 p. m. train for Chicago.

Mrs. Adeliza Turner went to Lunenburg Tuesday, where she expects to spend the summer as companion to a lady with whom she stayed last summer.

Henry W. Hersey, who has been very sick with malignant erysipelas, thanks to the doctor and his nurse, Miss Johnson of the Clinton hospital staff, is now much better and will probably be out-of-doors before long.

Warren Harrod is taking a week off at Atlantic City and writes home telling of the beauties of the place, which makes his more unfortunate neighbors almost "green with envy" that they cannot be with him.

Rev. Frank Reed of Ossipee, N. H., was a guest of his cousin, Mrs. Scates, last week.

Mrs. Hutcherson was called to Dublin, N. H., last week to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Laura A. Brown visited a sister-in-law in Westborough over Sunday.

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

The Scorgie family of Cambridge are at their summer home here for a week.

### HOLLIS, N. H.

#### News Items.

Thursday, April 7, the Nashua W. C. T. U. held a meeting at the Y. W. C. A. rooms in the interest of the department of christian citizenship. Mrs. Jewett of this town addressed the ladies on that department.

Miss Mary Childs of Mason is making a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Goodwin.

The following were the delegates to the annual meeting of the Hillsborough County Sunday school association, held Thursday, April 14: W. P. Farley, Miss E. L. Van Dyke and Miss Minnie Bancroft. Rev. C. H. Davis was on the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Colburn, who have spent the winter in Florida, returned to their home in Hollis, Monday. They were away about five months.

The citizens of Hollis enjoyed a rare treat Tuesday evening, April 12, when they were favored with a lecture, by Will Carleton of Brooklyn, N. Y. He came under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. and for two hours he held the close attention of all; who felt that seldom had they had such an enjoyable evening. He was eloquent, instructive, humorous and elevating. He gave us character sketches. It was asserted that his monologue and recitations were the best thing ever given in Hollis town hall.

Wednesday, April 20, will be a day of lecture in Hollis. In the afternoon, Rev. N. Van der Pye of Haverhill, Mass., will address the Hollis Women's club on the "Home and village life among the Dutch peasants." In

the evening, the Hollis grange has its first lecture in the course of three, which it will give, by J. B. Pattee, the master of the State grange.

W. E. Lund has accepted a position as foreman on the Flagg farm. He with his family have removed there, and he has assumed his duties.

### BOXBOROUGH.

#### News Items.

Rev. E. C. Hayes of Acton gave an interesting account of Nebraska as he saw it during his pastorate there twelve years ago, after the maple syrup supper at the town hall, April 7. Music was furnished by a male quartet.

Ralph Furbush spent Sunday in South Ashburnham.

Miss Florence Dodge returned to her work, Monday, after being at home nearly two weeks.

Bills are out for the old folks' concert to be given at the town hall, Tuesday evening, April 19.

Mr. Ferguson has gone to Nova Scotia for a few weeks. During his absence the two Bailey girls from East Boston are staying with Mrs. Ferguson and attending No. 3 school.

Mrs. Wilson and Miss Nellie were at Mrs. Robbins' last Thursday. They are to occupy Bide-a-Wee again this summer.

Miss Mary Hayes, who has been taking care of Madame Watt for the past eleven weeks, has left and her place is taken by Miss McClellan of Dorchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence and daughter and Miss Mary Nelson were at home over Sunday. Mrs. Lawrence and Helen remained till Wednesday, going from here to Clinton, where they will spend the rest of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Lawrence drove to Shirley last Sunday to visit a nephew, who is an officer at the new Industrial school and were much interested in inspecting the buildings and grounds belonging to the institution which is now the home of one hundred and two boys. Some beautiful may flowers were gathered and brought home as souvenirs of the day.

A large sack of flower seeds and a still larger one of vegetables seeds has been received from Washington, for distribution among the school children.

Stow grange gave an interesting program of vocal and instrumental music and a farce at the grange meeting, April 8, after which about ninety sat down to a hulled corn supper. Acton and Bolton were also represented.

Mrs. Ida Hoffman of New York is visiting at Mrs. Anna Page's.

Supt. Brick is in Washington this week with a party of Maynard high school pupils.

#### Wedding.

A very pretty home wedding took place Thursday afternoon, April 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Mead, when their younger daughter, Catharine Louise, was united in marriage with Frank Wilder Dodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart P. Dodge. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Francis H. Viets, pastor of the Congregational church. The bride, who was unattended, wore a beautiful gown of white mesaline trimmed with baby Irish insertion and lace. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and wore a string of gold beads, the gift of the groom.

The house was prettily decorated with cut flowers and potted plants. Only the immediate families of the bride and groom were present. There were many beautiful and useful gifts. Following the ceremony refreshments were served, after which the happy couple left for parts unknown.

The bride has decided musical ability and has been an efficient member of the Congregational church choir. The groom is a member of the L. C. Thayer Co. of Boston and has been socially prominent in Somerville where he has made his home for the past several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodge will reside at 126 Blue Hill avenue, Milton, where they will be at home to their friends after August the first.

### TOWNSEND.

#### Harbor.

R. B. Adams is slowly recovering from his attack of bronchitis.

The C. C. whist club had a most enjoyable meeting at A. Gray's last Saturday evening. The interest manifested in these social Saturday nights proves conclusively that prizes are not a necessary adjunct to the success of a whist club. It was much regretted that the host was unable to be present, at the last moment having been called away on business.

Last Tuesday, at its bi-weekly meeting, the As You Like It club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. LaFountain. The day was propitious and nearly all the members were present. The literary exercises opened with quotations, one given by each member from her favorite author. Following this, neat little rolls, each containing some literary gem epigrammatic in form, were distributed among the guests. A short discussion followed the readings. A few of the subjects chosen were didactic in character, others ethical, still others humorous and by an ingenious intermingling of these a lively interest was sustained till the time came for the serving of refreshments. The club feels very grateful to Mrs. Morgan, who had the literary program in charge. The social entertainment provided by the hostess was equally happy in its results.

### LITTLETON.

#### News Items.

Hon. Arthur Peck and Mrs. Peck will sail on the Canopic, May 4, for Europe. They will stop on their way at Madeira, Gibraltar, Algiers and other places of interest, and visit many countries. One of their chief objections, however, is the Passion Play. Their tour will cover a period of three months. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peck in that time will collect material for several lectures.

Rev. and Mrs. John Lemley, who have recently returned to their home in Albany after several months outing in Florida, also plan to attend the Passion Play this summer if Mr. Lemley's health permits.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Harwood returned Tuesday from their vacation.

The Arts and Crafts Society will meet next Monday, April 8, instead of Tuesday.

Members of the Henry Robbins family of Newton have been guests at P. S. Whitcomb's this week.

John Ames of Somerville is making his semi-annual visit at Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's.

Rev. Chester A. Drummond has accepted the call to the First Congregational (Unitarian) church of Highland avenue, Somerville, and will begin his new pastorate very soon. Mr. Drummond has been preaching about five years, and has filled but two pastorates, one each in Norwell and Littleton, so that the call to Somerville may be considered most complimentary. Although his stay in Littleton has been very brief, Mr. Drummond has held a large place in the religious, literary and social life of the town and has made a distinct and vital contribution to the moulding elements of the community. His resignation is much regretted by church and town.

Arthur W. Drew and A. Eugene Robbins have been drawn jurors to the criminal court in Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Tuttle have returned from the South.

Percy Crane came home from Mansfield, O., last week Wednesday.

Curtis Drew is again on his rural delivery route after an enforced vacation of several days of lumbago.

Mrs. Annie M. Hume is visiting her niece, Mrs. A. W. Turner in Milford, N. H.

The Improvement society will meet in the selectmen's room, Monday even-

ing, April 18, at 7.30. Important business will be considered and it is hoped that a large representation will be present.

Capt. Wm. H. Sawyer has decided to remain in California through the summer. The Henry Barker family expect to arrive home the middle of this month.

The ladies of the Orthodox Congregational church have selected the evening of April 27 for their experience and talent party.

**First Meeting.**  
The Parents-Teachers' association held its first regular meeting in the west grammar school room last week Thursday afternoon. There was a fair attendance but not half what it should have been. All the parents of school children and all the teachers should attend these monthly meetings in order to accomplish the object for which the organization was founded.

Superintendent A. B. Webber addressed the association, giving in clear and interesting form the object of the society. Mrs. E. F. Wilcox read a profitable reading, entitled, "Why not for girls." The selection consisted of arguments favoring the physical training in gymnasiums for girls as well as for boys.

The ladies' quartet sang twice, much to the pleasure of the audience. The constitution was presented and voted upon. A program committee with Mrs. Mattie Priest as chairman was chosen. A visiting committee with representatives from each school district was elected as follows: Mrs. E. H. Proctor, Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, west; Mrs. W. E. Conant, Centre; Mrs. George H. Chandler, north; Mrs. Geo. W. Whitcomb, south; Mrs. Fred S. Kimball, Newtown; Mrs. Thomas Mannion, Nashoba.

**Woman's Club.**  
The Colonial Tea given by the Woman's club in the Congregational vestry, Monday afternoon, proved one of the prettiest social functions of the season.

The window shades were drawn and candles were lighted, under the direction of Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Cox and Miss Wilcox. The auditorium was converted into an attractive reception room with decorations of buff and dark blue bunting, antique tables, chairs, rugs, and other furnishings in colonial style. An exhibition of china, linen and bric-a-brac of historic interest formed a pleasant feature of the occasion.

The attendance was very good. About fifteen of the ladies dressed in colonial costume. Some of the gowns were elaborate and beautiful. President Robinson opened the meeting and presented the committee. Mrs. Charlotte A. Tenney and Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, who had the entire afternoon in charge. A reception was held by the president and the committee in charge, during which time Miss Emma Tenney played selections on an old organ. Stories of heirlooms and ancestors were given by Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Mrs. Fannie Woodbury, Mrs. Lizzie Cox, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Mattie Priest and Mrs. Charlotte Tenney.

Then followed a song "An old garden," by Mrs. Ada Webber; poem read by Mrs. Alice Prouty and written by one of her ancestors; story of an ancestor, Mrs. Mary Thacher; song, "Douglas, tender and true," Mrs. Ellen Hartwell; story of an ancestor in revolutionary times, Miss Sarah White; "The old tin kitchen," recited by Mrs. Grace Lawrence; song, "When the bloom is on the rye," Mrs. Mattie Priest; song, "How grandma danced the minuet"; minuet dance by Mrs. Grace Lawrence and Mrs. Lillian Priest.

This program was most entertaining and received with much enthusiasm and applause. Old-time refreshments were served at the tea which followed, the hostess of the afternoon pouring. This part of the entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth Proctor, Mrs. Fannie Woodbury and Mrs. Annie Smith. Small cream of tartar biscuits, tarts, seed cookies, ginger cookies, preserved ginger, peppermints and tea were served.

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the station, and what was better still it was uninjured.

Mrs. F. A. Richards and daughter spent Sunday with friends in Somerville.

The holiday saw a few of the absentees home for the day. Among them were Misses Minnie and Grace Farnsworth of Boston and Malden, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mullen of Fitchburg; Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney of Boston at Mrs. Joyce's.

Chester Willard is busy with his power saw, sawing up wood for some of his neighbors.

and is now able to be out of doors, but is still far from strong, but he can see that he is gaining every day.

Mr. Hutcherson has lost his hired-man, Joe Peters, who got a job in Clinton, and went away without so much as saying good bye to Mr. Hutcherson.

#### Supper and Entertainment.

The young ladies of the village gave a supper in the chapel Thursday evening, followed by a cantata, "From manger to cross," embodying the life of Christ from birth to resurrection.



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**PEPPERELL**

**News Items.**

Prescott grange distinguished itself in its production of "The country minister," and they have been invited to repeat the performance in the hall at Townsend Harbor, next Wednesday, April 20. Many who did not attend here are planning a trip to the Harbor that evening.

The state highway commission have allotted the magnificent sum of \$5,000 for the reconstruction of South street, beginning near Primus Hill and extending almost to Townsend street. This splendid good fortune results from the capable work of our fellow-townsmen and selectman, Francis G. Hayes. Mr. Hayes has made arrangements to secure the necessary release by abutters and work will be started very soon. He has also interested Engineer Pillsbury of the state board to come here in a few days and meet our selectmen and make the best plans for the repair of Main street.

G. M. Haskell of Boston, formerly of this town, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bancroft.

Lyman C. Blood has been ill for a few days with the grippe. Messrs. Tarbell and Lawrence are continuing the work of assessing while the fine weather lasts.

The P. H. S. base ball team has been putting in a very little effort at practice. They will play Groton, April 19. May they win.

The census enumerators for our town are Louis D. Rowand and Thos. Connolly. Their work is from April 15 to May 15. Many farmers have received advance schedules to be filled out and when the officer calls, he is to copy it on his records and return it to the owner. There are fifty-nine questions in this schedule.

Arthur P. Wright has received his commission from President William Taft. Mr. Wright has an enviable collection of commissions received in the past fifteen years from the different presidents.

Mrs. Eliza Maria (Parmenter), widow of James Hobart, died of paralysis at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. George S. Carleton, Hampton, N. H., on Tuesday, April 5. Mrs. Hobart was born in Nashua, February 28, 1830, but had lived in this town for many years. She leaves one son, James F. Hobart of South Bend, Indiana, four grandsons and one granddaughter. Funeral services were held from her late home on Foster street, on Thursday afternoon and burial was in Brookline, N. H.

Mrs. E. F. Fletcher is at the Nashua hospital where she had an operation last Saturday. She is reported improving and expected home in a few weeks.

The meeting of the Babbidge Guild next Sunday, will be led by Miss Emma Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bowman have moved to Pepperell from Charlestown, N. H., and will live on Park street in the M. L. P. Shattuck house.

There will be a meeting of Prudence Wright Chapter, D. A. R., at their hall, April 19, at three p. m. Board meeting at 2.15.

T. Linsey Crossley of Quebec, formerly with the Nashua River Paper Co., here, has been visiting friends in town the past few days. Rumor has it that cupid's darts bath struck in his heart.

Mrs. A. W. Baird of Worcester is the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Annis, High street.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will hold regular meeting on Thursday afternoon, April 21, at 2.30 o'clock. At 6.30 a supper will be served. It will be in charge of gentlemen, and the following committee assures the usual excellent feast: Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, C. R. Bryant, Henry Gray, W. F. Dennen, Geo. H. Shattuck, E. S. Durant, C. H. Miller, H. W. Hutchinson, E. F. Harmon, E. L. Tarbell, chairman. There will be an entertainment at eight o'clock in charge of Miss Ethel Wells and Miss Ellen Miller; drills by the children, dialogues and music special features.

**News Items.**

The annual business meeting of the Woman's club will be Wednesday, April 29, in Central hall, at 2.45 p. m.

Special attention is the duty of every citizen in this commonwealth who has land enough on which to plant a tree. Governor Draper has proclaimed Saturday, April 30 as Arbor day, and in asking us to do what we can to help preserve and increase nature's noblest beauty, he is kindly reminding us of a duty.

Seley Grant of Dorchester, is at H. F. Hobart's, Oak Hill.

F. H. Ward has sold two houses on High street to A. W. Wright and has purchased of Mr. Wright, a cottage on Mill street. It is also stated that L. C. Cunney has purchased from Mr. Ward, the business block on Main street.

The lecture to be given on the evening of May 16, by state forester Rane, is to be a free lecture illustrated by stereopticon, and all expenses for the same are to be shared equally by the Prudence Wright Chapter, D. A. R., and the Pepperell Woman's club. Indeed the suggestions for obtaining the services of the state forester was made by the D. A. R. chapter and the club gladly co-operated with them.

Wednesday's Boston Herald had a pleasing article, and a photo of our townsman, John P. Kerin, who umpired the Boston American vs Harvard ball game in Boston, Tuesday. John is recognized as one of the best in the country, and his continuance with the American league is pleasing to his many friends.

From every section of the town, comment is heard on the good work done by our moth gang under Supt. J. F. Ture.

Miss E. Haynes, Miss Mary Woods, Miss C. M. Shattuck and Miss Helen Pond, all of our teaching staff, went to Hollis, Tuesday evening to hear Will Carleton. It has been a number of years since he was heard in this section, and though much changed in appearance, his readings are not lacking in their power to interest and hold in popularity.

The prize speaking contest and social in Prescott hall, Tuesday evening, April 19, should be the most interesting event of the year. It is certainly a marker and indicator of changes in our town. It is under the auspices of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club who have voted the sum of twenty-five dollars as an incentive to our boys and girls to excel in this long-neglected feature of importance to capable citizenship.

Tuesday morning, Mrs. Child, wife of Rev. D. R. Child, had a narrow escape from a serious accident. As she was getting into the carryall, the horse started before she could get the reins and turning too cramped, upset right near the public weighing scales at the town house. The canopy top struck the scales and was left behind. Mrs. Child was thrown out and badly bruised and shaken up. The horse leisurely proceeded up Park street, not knowing just what damage his sharp turning had accomplished. He was stopped without much trouble and brought back to the stable.

Miss Ethel M. Billings, formerly of this town, was the lucky recipient of a linen shower last Wednesday evening, at her home in Worcester. Miss Anna Mae Shaw was the thoughtful leader. She is also a Pepperell girl.

**Gleanings.**

Arthur Bartlett, recently of Springfield, has returned to town, and again entered the employ of W. N. Mault. Mr. Mault's customers are all pleased to see Arthur in his old place once more.

John Frossard returned from a business trip to Boston and a visit to his daughter in Somerville on Monday. Mrs. Frossard returned on Tuesday.

Mrs. Idella Ward has moved into the house owned by her on High street.

It is reported that Wm. Marshall of Mill street has bought the house on Pleasant street built by Robert Sherwood. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall expect soon to occupy the house.

Miss Jennie Sharp was called to Littleton on Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. Ann Davis of Groton street received her friends on her birthday, April 11. A goodly number were present, who left tokens of love. Dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Davis also received a shower of post cards.

Mrs. Caleb Richardson of High-st. also celebrated her birthday on Monday, April 11. Besides other gifts she received a large number of post cards. Quite a number of the friends of Mrs. Putnam Webber and Miss Marian visited them at Mrs. McDowell's last week. Mrs. Webber has not been quite as well as usual, but able to get out a little way some of the warm days.

John McCormick is to leave the employ of J. J. Rowell this week. Mr. McCormick moves to Bedford next week, where he is to be employed as foreman in greenhouse. Leslie is working in Taunton.

Austin Saunders is at work for J. A. Saunders.

Mrs. A. A. Blood of Gardner has been in town a few days this week.

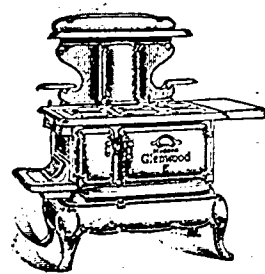
Rev. Putnam Webber tells your correspondent that the people of the Methodist church are to be congratulated upon the pastor assigned them, Rev. A. W. Nelson, late of South-bridge. Rev. Mr. Nelson, a few years ago, was pastor of the Methodist church in Cohituate, where Mr. and Mrs. George McCullough worshipped. After the death of Mr. McCullough, Mr. Nelson accompanied Mrs. McCullough to this town, where the body of her husband was brought for burial. Those who heard Mr. Nelson at that service will be pleased to welcome him to the church and the town.

Mrs. M. Markham returned to Burlington, Vt., on Sunday, April 10; also, the Misses Nellie and Theresa Fitzpatrick to Worcester.

Mrs. P. Drinan of Cross street, who has been confined to the house for some time, is now improving in health.

The drama presented by the members of Prescott grange in Prescott hall, Monday evening, April 4, is to be given by request next week.

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Mrs. Clarence Ryan was taken to a hospital in Worcester on Monday last, where an operation was performed for a complication of disorders. Her doctors give very little hope of her recovery.

Mrs. John Craig of Ayer has been a recent guest at the home of Mrs. J. O'Connell on Cross street.

Mrs. J. A. Thibault has been at the home of the Worcester Bros., in Hollis, during the absence of Mrs. Worcester, who has been at the home of the late Dr. Fletcher since his sickness.

Mrs. E. Supernau, who went to the St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua on Monday last, and suffered an operation on Wednesday, is very low at this writing.

Mrs. Bertha Chadbourne returned to her home in Hillsborough Bridge, N. H., on Friday last. Mrs. Charles Goff accompanied her sister as far as Nashua, spending the day with Mrs. Clifford Prescott.

**Death.**

Edward Fitzpatrick, whose death from congestion of the lungs occurred Thursday, April 7, leaves a widow and nine children to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. The children are as follows: Mrs. Michael Markham and Thos. Fitzpatrick of Burlington, Vt.; Mrs. Myron Murphy, Misses Nellie and Theresa of Worcester; Mrs. M. Drummy, Eddie, Frank and Alice of this town. He also leaves three sisters and one brother.

The funeral was held on Saturday, April 9, at nine o'clock from St. Joseph's church, where high mass was celebrated, Rev. T. I. Coghlan, rector of the church, being the celebrant, and Miss Lizzie Reagan, soloist.

Besides a large number of friends in town, relatives and friends were present from Burlington, Vt., Worcester, Lowell, Stoneham, Lynn, Leominster, Fitzburg and Groton. The floral display was large and beautiful, and included two set pieces from the employes of the Champion card shop, where Mr. Fitzpatrick had been employed. The burial was at St. Joseph's cemetery.

**A New Field of Labor.**

Rev. Putnam Webber returned from the conference at Westfield, Tuesday. His household goods have been sent to North Andover, the church to which he was assigned at conference being located in that place. Mr. Webber and Miss Marian Webber expect to go to North Andover on Saturday and Mrs. Webber to Salem for a short visit, before going to the new charge. Mr. and Mrs. Webber, also Miss Marian, during the four years they have been among us, by their pleasant, genial ways, have made many friends, who deeply regret Mr. Webber's decision to change pastorates this spring. All will be glad to know that Mr. Webber is pleased with the appointment. The church is pleasantly situated and the parsonage a fine one, second to none in Lynn district.

**About Town.**

Miss Elizabeth Welsh of Augusta, Maine, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nathaniel Shattuck.

It is currently reported that Earl M. Stuart and family are soon to move to the State of Washington, where he has purchased a large farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman, parents of Mrs. Dudley Child of Charlestown, N. H., have moved into the tenement house owned by Mary L. P. Shattuck.

Mrs. Milo Shattuck, who has been staying at Dr. Heald's the past winter, moved to Groton on Tuesday.

A soon was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marshall on Monday morning, April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carleton of Manchester were in town for a few days the past week. Mrs. Carleton was Miss Violet Libbey of this town.

**SHIRLEY.**

**News Items.**

Miss Mary Marvin of Lancaster gave a missionary talk Thursday afternoon, in the vestry of the Congregational church before the Ladies' Circle and their friends. At the close of the address refreshments were served, followed by a social hour.

Miss Lizzie Hache left town Wednesday for a two months' visit with relatives in Caraquez, N. B.

Charles Wilson has given up his position as night watchman at the Samson cordage works.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Conant of Littleton, with a party of friends, made an auto trip to Shirley, Thursday afternoon, to attend the missionary address given by Miss Marlon Marvin of Lancaster in the Congregational church vestry.

Miss Minnie Hobbs of the Centre is spending this week with relatives in Boston.

Mrs. Ida M. Wallingford, who was stricken with paralysis of the left side, two or three weeks ago, is improving. Her many relatives and friends in this and adjoining towns are hoping for her speedy recovery. Mrs. Cooper, her mother, appreciates the kind attention shown her daughter during her severe sickness.

The annual meeting of the Universalist church parish was held in the vestry on Thursday evening, and the following officers and committees were elected:

George O. Evans, clerk; Mary M. Nickless, treas.; R. F. Colburn, B. S. Binney, deacons; Mrs. Hittle W. Evans, collector; R. F. Colburn, T. L. Hazen, George O. Evans, parish com.

It was voted to leave the matter of preaching in the hands of the parish committee.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church parish was held in the vestry on Monday evening. John G. Conant was chosen moderator and the reports of the officers and various committees were read. The following officers and committees were elected:

M. W. Longley, clerk; E. H. Allen, sec.; J. G. Conant, E. H. Allen, E. N. Livermore, parish committee. Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Nellie W. Holbrook, Mrs. Harry Collier, music committee; Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Alice G. Wright, Mrs. E. H. Conant, finance committee; Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, Mrs. John G. Conant, Walter Knowles, membership committee; auditor, Edwin H. Conant. Four new members were received into the parish.

**For Cleaning the Town.**

A public meeting of the residents of the town was held in engine hall on Thursday evening to consider ways and means for cleaning and beautifying the town. J. E. L. Hazen was secretary, and E. H. Allen, secretary.

Mr. Allen informed all present that H. F. Taylor, superintendent of the Industrial school, was ready and willing to assist in the work of cleaning the town and if agreeable to the selectmen and townspeople, he would give the use of his teams with forty of the boys from the school and gladly assist in the work.

On motion of Mr. Evans it was voted that the chairman appoint a committee of three to consult with the incoming board of selectmen in regard to this matter. G. O. Evans, E. H. Allen and Walter Knowles were appointed.

It was then voted that this committee be given full power to make definite arrangements in regard to this matter and report at the next meeting to be held in engine hall, Thursday evening, April 21, at eight o'clock, when it is hoped a large number of townspeople will be present to co-operate in this important work. The meeting then adjourned.

A goodly number of ladies was present and took an active part in the business transacted.

**Town Meeting.**

The town warrant is posted for the town meeting, Monday, April 18.

The candidates for selectmen this year are Edward J. Stevens, Walter E. Mellish and Forrest Hooper as three-year men. George E. Harlow for two years and John W. Farrar and George Stebbins for one year. Stevens and Farrar are the present incumbents. The other candidates are all new men.

Charles K. Bolton declines to run this year for the school committee, and Herbert F. Taylor of the Industrial school will be a candidate.

Wm. H. Cram and George S. Wells are candidates for tax collector. Mr. Cram is the present incumbent.

John E. L. Hazen and Henry W. Eisner are the candidates for tree warden.

Henry Brockelman for assessor for three years. John E. L. Hazen three years for overseer of the poor, Melvin W. Longley for two years and William E. Barnard for one year. They are the present members of the board.

Herman S. Hazen, for town clerk and treasurer.

Joseph H. McClellan for auditor and John H. Logue, Forrest Hooper and Willard White for constables.

**Shirley Center.**

John W. Farrar and Elmer Hubbard are suffering with the grippe.

The Matrons' Aid met Tuesday, April 12, with Mrs. Luther Holden.

The girls' sewing guild meets with Mrs. H. F. Grout, Saturday, April 16.

Miss Minnie Hobbs is visiting friends in Boston for the week. Mrs. Edward Farnsworth is taking her place with Mrs. C. E. Lynch.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wyman have returned to town for the summer.

Miss Hazel MacKaye, a former summer resident, gave a reading of Percy MacKaye's play, "Mater," at last week's meeting of the Cantabrigia club of Cambridge. She is a sister of the author. The officers and board of the club and many other club women and guests were in attendance.

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**MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Catherine and Thomas Haley of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Mary K. Fletcher of said Pepperell dated March thirteenth, 1894, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, libro 2259, folio 321 and assigned to Augustus Woods of Groton in said County by assignment dated October twenty-fifth, 1895, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, libro 2435, folio 424, for breach of condition contained therein, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction upon the premises, near the buildings thereon, on Tuesday, the third day of May A. D. 1910, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows, viz.:

"A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the Easterly part of said Pepperell and on the westerly side of the road leading from H. A. Parker's mills to Pine Orchard School House, so called, and containing twenty-four square rods more or less and bounded as follows, viz. Beginning at the north-easterly corner of the premises on said road at land of Philip Attridge; thence running westerly by said Attridge land one hundred and twenty-two feet to a stone bound at land of heirs of John Sullivan; thence southerly by said Sullivan's land fifty feet to land of Mark Riley; thence easterly by said Riley's land one hundred and thirty-eight feet to the above said road; thence northerly by said road fifty feet to the place of beginning."

Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and taxes assessed or to be assessed for the year 1910. Other terms and conditions made known at time and place of sale.

FANNIE E. WOODS, Administratrix of the Estate of Augustus Woods.

Groton, April 16, 1910. 3t31

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

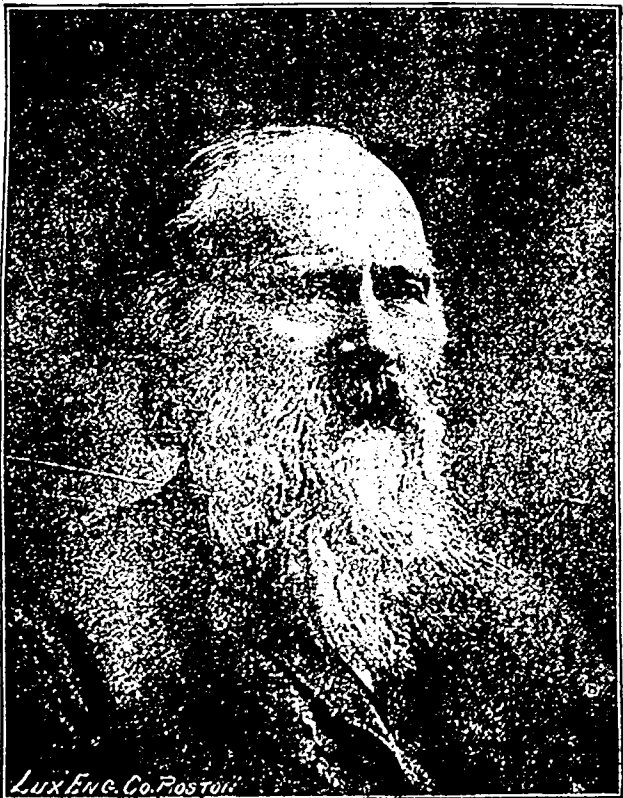
Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JOHN L. BOYNTON of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

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 on one day, at least, before said Court.

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

W. E. ROGERS, Register.



Dr. Samuel W. Fletcher

**Death.**

Dr. Samuel W. Fletcher passed away at his home on Main street, Wednesday evening. And still the reaper gathers, and as we pause and wonder, a few brief moments, we recognize he has gathered many the past year, but with the cherished memory, honored name, or valiant life work can stay the hand, or change the call to the city of rest. And as we pay loving tribute to the memory of this great and good man, his life work reveals how great is the loss to country as well as state and community.

He was born in Groton, August, 1831. He studied medicine and surgery, completing his education in England and Europe. He was surgeon of the 32nd Massachusetts regiment during the war, receiving his commission in 1863.

He was in some of the most important battles of that war. His sacrifices of personal comforts and his faithful attention to the wounded, won high commendations. After his discharge from this service he came to Pepperell and practiced his profession. His great kindness, tender sympathies, tireless devotion to public service,

his typical rugged, New England characteristics; place him as one of God's noblemen. A man whom for all heads could be bowed in sorrow. The last few years he has given up active practice, and though some might term him of the old school, he was abreast of the times, continually a student, and made a specialty of ethnology and bacteriology.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James Walter Smith of London, England. Mr. Smith is editor of the Strand magazine. Word was cabled them Saturday, the day the doctor became ill with bronchial pneumonia. Mrs. Smith took the first steamer which sailed Wednesday morning. Her father passed away that evening. Arrangements are in charge of Roland H. Blood.

He leaves three sisters, Mrs. John L. Boynton, Mrs. E. H. N. Blood of Pepperell, Miss Elizabeth C. Fletcher of Hollis, N. H., and a brother, Andrew M. Fletcher of Groton.

Funeral services at his late residence at the Centre, Thursday afternoon, April 21, at two o'clock. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

# Supplement to TURNER'S PUBLIC SPIRIT

Ayer, Mass., Saturday, April 16, 1910.

## HARVARD.

### Still River.

The young people of the village will give a supper and entertainment in the chapel Thursday evening, April 21. Supper will be ready at 6.30 o'clock. For entertainment they have prepared a sacred cantata, which will follow the supper. The supper of the men, given a few weeks ago, was a record breaker as to numbers out, but the young ladies hope that they can get them better this time, and they have been putting in hard work preparing for it.

Mrs. Mabel (Robinson) Richards and little daughter started for their new home near San Francisco, Cal., Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Richards has been there nearly a year, where he is engaged putting electric signals upon steamships. He having accepted a permanent position has sent for his family. He has never seen his daughter. Mrs. Richards leaves a host of friends in Still River, who all wish her much happiness in her new home. Several of her friends went to Ayer to bid her good bye as she took the 1.30 p. m. train for Chicago.

Mrs. Adeliza Turner went to Lunenburg Tuesday, where she expects to spend the summer as companion to a lady with whom she stayed last summer.

Henry W. Hersey, who has been very sick with malignant erysipelas, thanks to the doctor and his nurse, Miss Johnston of the Clinton hospital staff, is now much better and will probably be out-of-doors before long.

Warren Harrod is taking a week off at Atlantic City and writes home telling of the beauties of the place, which makes his more unfortunate neighbors almost "green with envy" that they cannot be with him.

Rev. Frank Reed of Ossipee, N. H., was a guest of his cousin, Mrs. Scales, last week.

Mrs. Hutcherson was called to Dublin, N. H., last week to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Laura A. Brown visited a sister-in-law in Westborough over Sunday.

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

The Scorgie family of Cambridge are at their summer home here for a week.

## HOLLIS, N. H.

### News Items.

Thursday, April 7, the Nashua W. C. T. U., held a meeting at the Y. W. C. A. rooms in the interest of the department of christian citizenship. Mrs. Jewett of this town addressed the ladies on that department.

Miss Mary Childs of Mason is making a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Goodwin.

The following were the delegates to the annual meeting of the Hillsborough County Sunday school association, held Thursday, April 14: W. P. Farley, Miss E. L. Van Dyke and Miss Minnie Bancroft. Rev. C. H. Davis was on the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Colburn, who have spent the winter in Florida, returned to their home in Hollis, Monday. They were away about five months.

The citizens of Hollis enjoyed a rare treat Tuesday evening, April 12, when they were favored with a lecture, by Will Carleton of Brooklyn, N. Y. He came under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. and for two hours he held the close attention of all; who felt that seldom had they had such an enjoyable evening. He was eloquent, instructive, humorous and elevating. He gave us character sketches. It was asserted that his monologue and recitations were the best thing ever given in Hollis town hall.

Wednesday, April 20, will be a day of lecture in Hollis. In the afternoon, Rev. N. Van der Pye of Haverhill, Mass., will address the Hollis Women's club on the "Home and village life among the Dutch peasants." In

the evening, the Hollis grange has its first lecture in the course of three, which it will give, by J. B. Pattee, the master of the State grange.

W. E. Lund has accepted a position as foreman on the Flag farm. He with his family have removed there, and he has assumed his duties.

## BOXBOROUGH.

### News Items.

Rev. E. C. Hayes of Acton gave an interesting account of Nebraska as he saw it during his pastorate there twelve years ago, after the maple syrup supper at the town hall, April 7. Music was furnished by a male quartet.

Ralph Furbush spent Sunday in South Ashburnham.

Miss Florence Dodge returned to her work, Monday, after being at home nearly two weeks.

Bills are out for the old folks' concert to be given at the town hall, Tuesday evening, April 19.

Mr. Ferguson has gone to Nova Scotia for a few weeks. During his absence the two Bailey girls from East Boston are staying with Mrs. Ferguson and attending No. 3 school.

Mrs. Wilson and Miss Nellie were at Mrs. Robbins' last Thursday. They are to occupy Bide-a-Wee again this summer.

Miss Mary Hayes, who has been taking care of Madame Waitt for the past eleven weeks, has left and her place is taken by Miss McClellan of Dorchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence and daughter and Miss Mary Nelson were at home over Sunday. Mrs. Lawrence and Helen remained till Wednesday, going from here to Clinton, where they will spend the rest of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Lawrence drove to Shirley last Sunday to visit a nephew, who is an officer at the new Industrial school and were much interested in inspecting the buildings and grounds belonging to the institution which is now the home of one hundred and two boys. Some beautiful may flowers were gathered and brought home as souvenirs of the day.

A large sack of flower seeds and a still larger one of vegetables seeds has been received from Washington, for distribution among the school children.

Stow grange gave an interesting program of vocal and instrumental music and a farce at the grange meeting, April 8, after which about ninety sat down to a hulled corn supper. Acton and Bolton were also represented.

Mrs. Ida Hoffman of New York is visiting at Mrs. Anna Page's.

Supt. Brick is in Washington this week with a party of Maynard high school pupils.

### Wedding.

A very pretty home wedding took place Thursday afternoon, April 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Mead, when their younger daughter, Catharine Louisa, was united in marriage with Frank Wilder Dodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart P. Dodge. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Francis H. Viets, pastor of the Congregational church. The bride, who was unattended, wore a beautiful gown of white mesaline trimmed with baby Irish insertion and lace. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and wore a string of gold beads, the gift of the groom.

The house was prettily decorated with cut flowers and potted plants. Only the immediate families of the bride and groom were present. There were many beautiful and useful gifts. Following the ceremony refreshments were served, after which the happy couple left for parts unknown.

The bride has decided musical ability and has been an efficient member of the Congregational church choir. The groom is a member of the L. C. Thayer Co. of Boston and has been socially prominent in Somerville where he has made his home for the past several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodge will reside at 126 Blue Hill avenue, Milton, where they will be at home to their friends after August the first.

## TOWNSEND.

### Harbor.

R. B. Adams is slowly recovering from his attack of bronchitis.

The C. C. whist club had a most enjoyable meeting at A. Gray's last Saturday evening. The interest manifested in these social Saturday nights proves conclusively that prizes are not a necessary adjunct to the success of a whist club. It was much regretted that the host was unable to be present, at the last moment having been called away on business.

Last Tuesday, at its bi-weekly meeting, the As You Like It club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. LaFountain. The day was propitious and nearly all the members were present. The literary exercises opened with quotations, one given by each member from her favorite author. Following this, neat little rolls, each containing some literary gem epigrammatic in form, were distributed among the guests. A short discussion followed the readings. A few of the subjects chosen were didactic in character, others ethical, still others humorous and by an ingenious intermingling of these a lively interest was sustained till the time came for the serving of refreshments. The club feels very grateful to Mrs. Morgan, who had the literary program in charge. The social entertainment provided by the hostess was equally happy in its results.

## LITTLETON.

### News Items.

Hon. Arthur Peck and Mrs. Peck will sail on the Canopic, May 4, for Europe. They will stop on their way at Maderia, Gibraltar, Algiers and other places of interest, and visit many countries. One of their chief objections, however, is the Passion Play. Their tour will cover a period of three months. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peck in that time will collect material for several lectures.

Rev. and Mrs. John Lemley, who have recently returned to their home in Albany after several months outing in Florida, also plan to attend the Passion Play this summer if Mr. Lemley's health permits.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Harwood returned Tuesday from their vacation. The Arts and Crafts Society will meet next Monday, April 8, instead of Tuesday.

Members of the Henry Robbins family of Newton have been guests at P. S. Whitcomb's this week.

John Ames of Somerville is making his semi-annual visit at Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's.

Rev. Chester A. Drummond has accepted the call to the First Congregational (Unitarian) church of Highland avenue, Somerville, and will begin his new pastorate very soon. Mr. Drummond has been preaching about five years, and has filled but two pastorates, one each in Norwell and Littleton, so that the call to Somerville may be considered most complimentary. Although his stay in Littleton has been very brief, Mr. Drummond has held a large place in the religious, literary and social life of the town and has made a distinct and vital contribution to the moulding elements of the community. His resignation is much regretted by church and town.

Arthur W. Drew and A. Eugene Robbins have been drawn jurors to the criminal court in Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Tuttle have returned from the South.

Percy Crane came home from Mansfield, O., last week Wednesday.

Curtis Drew is again on his rural delivery route after an enforced vacation of several days of lumbago.

Mrs. Annie M. Hume is visiting her niece, Mrs. A. W. Turner in Milford, N. H.

The Improvement society will meet in the selectmen's room, Monday even-

ing, April 18, at 7.30. Important business will be considered and it is hoped that a large representation will be present.

Capt. Wm. H. Sawyer has decided to remain in California through the summer. The Henry Barker family expect to arrive home the middle of this month.

The ladies of the Orthodox Congregational church have selected the evening of April 27 for their experience and talent party.

### First Meeting.

The Parents-Teachers' association held its first regular meeting in the west grammar school room last week Thursday afternoon. There was a fair attendance but not half what it should have been. All the parents of school children and all the teachers should attend these monthly meetings in order to accomplish the object for which the organization was founded.

Superintendent A. B. Webber addressed the association, giving in clear and interesting form the object of the society. Mrs. E. P. Wilcox read a profitable reading entitled, "Why not for girls." The selection consisted of arguments favoring the physical training in gymnasiums for girls as well as for boys.

The ladies' quartet sang twice, much to the pleasure of the audience. The constitution was presented and voted upon. A program committee with Mrs. Mattie Priest as chairman was chosen. A visiting committee with representatives from each school district was elected as follows: Mrs. E. H. Proctor, Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, west; Mrs. W. E. Conant, Centre; Mrs. George H. Chandler, north; Mrs. Geo. W. Whitcomb, south; Mrs. Fred S. Kimball, Newtown; Mrs. Thomas Mannion, Nashoba.

### Woman's Club.

The Colonial Tea given by the Woman's club in the Congregational vestry, Monday afternoon, proved one of the prettiest social functions of the season.

The window shades were drawn and candles were lighted, under the direction of Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Cox and Miss Wilcox. The auditorium was converted into an attractive reception room with decorations of buff and dark blue bunting, antique tables, chairs, rugs, and other furnishings in colonial style. An exhibition of china, linen and bric-a-brac of historic interest formed a pleasant feature of the occasion.

The attendance was very good. About fifteen of the ladies dressed in colonial costume. Some of the gowns were elaborate and beautiful. President Robinson opened the meeting and presented the committee. Mrs. Charlotte A. Tenney and Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, who had the entire afternoon in charge. A reception was held by the president and the committee in charge, during which time Miss Emma Tenney played selections on an old organ. Stories of heirlooms and ancestors were given by Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Mrs. Fannie Woodbury, Mrs. Lizzie Cox, Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Mattie Priest and Mrs. Charlotte Tenney.

Then followed a song "An old garden," by Mrs. Ada Webber; poem read by Mrs. Alice Prouty and written by one of her ancestors; story of an ancestor, Mrs. Mary Thacher; song, "Douglas, tender and true," Mrs. Ellen Hartwell; story of an ancestor in revolutionary times, Miss Sarah White; "The old tin kitchen," recited by Mrs. Grace Lawrence; song, "When the bloom is on the rye," Mrs. Mattie Priest; song, "How grandma danced the minuet"; minuet dance by Mrs. Grace Lawrence and Mrs. Lillian Priest.

This program was most entertaining and received with much enthusiasm and applause. Old-time refreshments were served at the tea which followed, the hostess of the afternoon pouring. This part of the entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth Proctor, Mrs. Fannie Woodbury and Mrs. Annie Smith. Small cream of tartar biscuits, tarts, seed cookies, ginger cookies, preserved ginger, peppermints and tea were served.

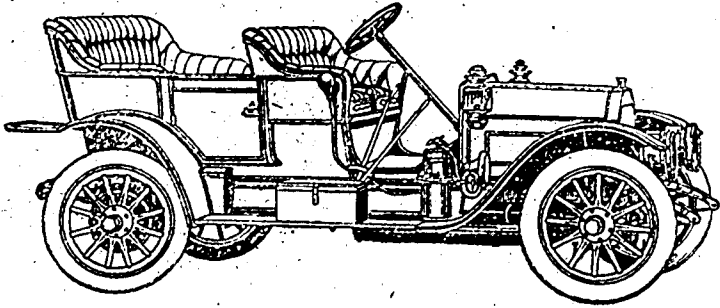


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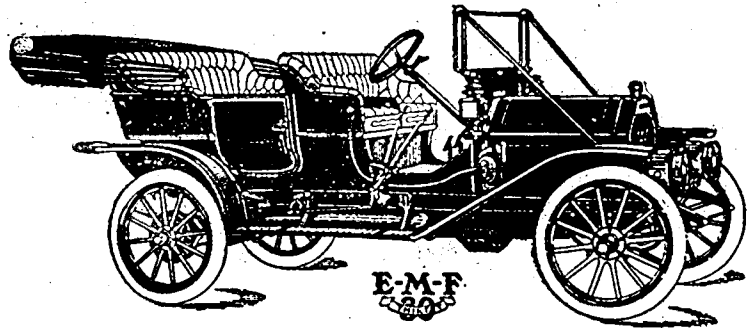
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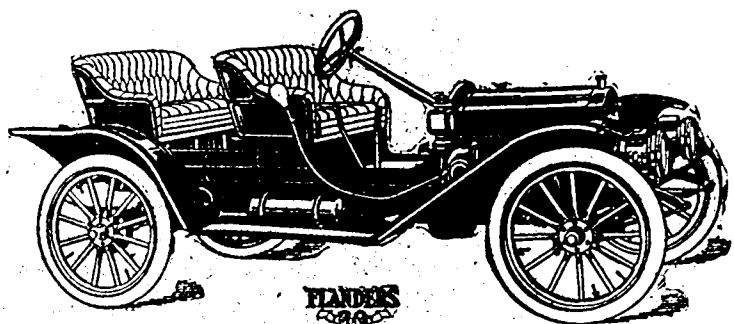
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### HARVARD.

#### News Items.

The regular temperance meeting to be held on Sunday evening, April 24, at the Unitarian church will be omitted.

The joint school committees of Harvard, Pepperell and Bolton met at the Haggood rooms on Thursday and organized with H. B. Royal, chairman and John E. Maynard, secretary. Austin R. Paul was re-elected superintendent of schools at a salary of \$1,700 per year. Mr. Paul has given entire satisfaction during his first year and the committee feel themselves fortunate in securing his services for another year.

The Up-to-Date club will meet with Miss Helen Hildreth on Wednesday, April 27. The subject will be Jane Addams.

Mrs. A. M. Brown has returned to her home after several weeks' stay at the Memorial hospital, Worcester, where she has been under treatment. M. McMahan has purchased a driving horse. Michael informs us he is quite a stepper.

Bromfield school boys played two games of baseball this week. Both resulted disastrously for the home team. April 19, they played the Littleton high school, and were defeated by a score of 8 to 3. Wednesday, April 20, they played the Lawrence academy second team. The points went to Lawrence, 11 to 5. The Harvard team evidently needs practice all round, although some individual work was good. Cedric Webster took a swift one on the end of his finger and lost the nail. He was obliged to retire from the game.

The young ladies of the Bromfield school are arranging for a social dance to be given at the town hall on Friday evening, May 6. This means a very successful affair. Miss Houghton and Miss Renfrew are lending a hand to make it doubly successful.

#### Death.

For years a familiar figure in town a friend to both young and old, respected by all who came in touch with him, Martin Kerley came to a peaceful end suddenly on Thursday morning, April 21. He was taken very suddenly ill after his usual morning meal and although medical aid was hastily summoned, proved of no avail. Mr. Kerley has been an active, hard working farmer until recent years, when his declining years forbade such work. Since the opening of the Kerley house by his son William, and daughters, he has resided with them and they in turn have done all in their power to make the latter days of the father, days of relaxation from toil, and the enjoyment of all the comforts of life have been his. Mr. Kerley was born in Ireland. He came to this country when a young man and with the exception of a few years spent in the west, has been a resident of this town. For about twenty years he was employed at the Harvard Shakers and his recollections of his life there was always a source of pleasure to him. The deceased was aged 80 years, 5 months. Funeral will be from St. Mary's church at Ayer, Saturday morning, April 23.

#### Still River.

E. D. Stone of Ayer has this week moved his cottage from the top of the hill in the field of the late J. H. Atherton, down onto the schoolhouse lot, where he will have it fitted up for a stable, as he has got the schoolhouse, which he will fit into a summer cottage.

Mrs. Brown of Westborough, with her son from Harvard college, were the guests of her sisters, Mrs. Jennie Willard and Miss Laura Brown over Sunday.

Postals received from Mrs. Mabel Richards, on her trip to her California home, says that she found many kind friends in the tourist car, and that the baby, who was ill when she started, was better. She is supposed to have reached her home last Monday.

Miss Laura Brown was called to West Groton to attend a funeral last Sunday. Wednesday she was a guest of the Woman's club Ayer, and as she was walking up the hill from the station on her return home in the evening she dropped her watch, but did not know it until after she had arrived home. She immediately got help with lanterns, and they were fortunate enough to find it in the wheel track a short distance from the station, and what was better still it was uninjured.

Mrs. F. A. Richards and daughter spent Sunday with friends in Somerville.

The holiday saw a few of the absentees home for the day. Among them were Misses Minnie and Grace Farnsworth of Boston and Malden, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mullen of Fitchburg, Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney of Boston at Mrs. Joyce's.

Chester Willard is busy with his power saw, sawing up wood for some of his neighbors.

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Mr. Hutcherson has lost his hired man, Joe Peters, who got a job in Clinton, and went away without so much as saying good bye to Mr. Hutcherson.

#### Supper and Entertainment.

The young ladies of the village gave a supper in the chapel Thursday evening, followed by a cantata, "From manger to cross," embodying the life of Christ from birth to resurrection.

The singers were Mrs. Wm. Smith, Ethelyn Russell and Mrs. Mary Haskell, soprano; Edna Robinson, Helen Stone and Madelin Russell, alto; Malcolm Campbell, tenor; R. H. Whitney of Worcester, H. D. Stone and H. R. Harrod, bass; Alice Harrod, pianist.

Mr. Whitney was a great help, although it would be hard to say who did the best, as all did finely and plainly showed the result of practice. Thirteen dollars was netted, which the young ladies gave to the church to help pay for new singing books recently purchased for use in the Sunday school and evening meetings.

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### WESTFORD.

**Meeting.**  
The Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches, comprising churches of that denomination from Fitchburg to Concord and from Lancaster to Dunstable, met with the Congregational church in South Acton Wednesday, April 20. After a brief devotional service at 9.45 a. m., led by Rev. Silas N. Adams of Concord, Junction, came the business session wherein one of the most important actions taken by this body for years was enacted. After a short but earnest discussion, a new constitution was adopted. The changes are that this association, formerly called "Conference," takes upon itself the matters of ministerial standing and licensed to preach. These matters have been attended to by the local ministerial association but it is now felt that it is more in accordance with the logical carrying out of the principles of Congregationalism that these be in the hands of the churches. The ministers of the association are a committee to attend to the details of the matters. Another change is that the association may be the agency for ordination, installation and dismissal of pastors.

After an inspiring report for the temperance committee by Mrs. Rolfe of Concord, the general subject of the day, "The relation of the church to social problems," was taken up, being opened by Rev. B. A. Willmott of Lowell, who spoke on "The social principles of Jesus." He emphasized the fact that while social evils were rampant in Jesus' day, mentioning slavery and prostitution, Jesus did not make his attack directly on any one of them but went at a fundamental principle, which when carried out would eradicate them all—love as exemplified in fraternalism. The forenoon session was completed by papers by Charles A. Kimball of Littleton on "These principles as applied to the working man," and by Dea. Thomas Todd of Concord on "These principles as applied by captains of industry."

After a generous collation provided by the ladies of the South Acton church the afternoon session was opened by a praise service, led by Rev. E. L. Hayes of Acton. Rev. John L. Sewell of Boston, a former pastor of Littleton, continued the subject of the day by a discourse on "A practical experiment in cooperation," being an outline of the Boston 1915 movement and telling how all organizations in that city for betterment are being brought into co-relation and cooperation for the production of a better city. The closing address was by Rev. E. Talmage Root of Providence, R. I. Perhaps his address can be best summarized in a statement he quoted from a young girl in his first parish in Vermont, in a decadent town, where vice was rampant and the church was at its lowest ebb: "The trouble with this place is no body likes any body else." He spoke of the need of international, industrial and social reconciliation, and said they could only be brought about through the fraternal teachings of Jesus. He advocated cooperation of churches and ultimate federation if not fusion. He closed with speaking of America as the melting pot of the nations likening the ships full of immigrants to ladies pouring the raw material into this country to be there fused into a new people with all that is best in each of the elements united.

Waldo E. Grant of Littleton was moderator of the session and Rev. Albert F. Newton of North Leominster, scribe.

### Grange.

There was a large attendance and much interest at the second meeting of the grange for April last Thursday evening. There was a delegation of twenty visiting patrons from Chelmsford and fifteen from Littleton as well as representatives from other neighboring granges.

The work of the evening was the conferring of the third and fourth degrees on the class of candidates who received the lower degrees at the previous meeting. The third degree was conferred by the ladies' degree staff, under the direction of past master W. M. Wright. Mr. Wright has taken much interest and a justifiable pride in making this staff compare favorably in its work with any surrounding granges and the work Thursday evening was a credit to his faithful drilling. The ritualistic and floor work was done with spirit and accuracy. Mrs. Boynton who so capably presides at the piano helps very much toward the good results as well as the good singers in the grange who aid in the chorus work.

After the exercises upstairs, adjournment was made to the lower hall and ice cream, cake and coffee, that was attractive in quality and quantity, was served, in charge of caterer Fred A. Smith and a corps of assistants. Owing to the fact that the hall will be unavailable on account of repairs, there will be no meeting in May, and the observation of children's night and the fifteenth anniversary will be

held in June, full notice of which will appear later.

Deputy Walter A. Morris was present at this session for the annual inspection and reported his duties most favorably.

### Center.

Patriots' day was quietly observed in our village. Some went to Concord and to Lexington to more stirring scenes. Flags were in evidence through the village. The library was closed for the day. At night a large delegation went to Littleton to the Sunset party. John S. Greig drove a well-filled barge and others went in their own teams. A good time was reported.

Mrs. G. W. Tarleton and little son Grafton W., formerly of Elmhurst, N. Y., but who are moving to Indiana, are visiting at the Congregational parsonage. Mrs. Tarleton and Mrs. Wallace are sisters.

Mrs. E. W. Jaques and daughter, Dorothy, have been spending a week with Mrs. Jaques' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sutherland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wright met with a most unpleasant experience a week ago last Tuesday evening. While returning from a grange meeting at Acton Centre they collided with an automobile. They were both thrown out and the harness and vehicle were badly damaged, but the horse was unhurt. Mr. and Mrs. Wright sustained a severe shaking up and many bruises and feel that they were fortunate to escape as well as they did. The man with the automobile rendered all possible assistance as well as some people in a nearby house and they were able to reach home the same night.

The A. J. Abbotts are at home again after a most enjoyable three months' Mediterranean trip. John Abbott, who was the member of the family who remained at home while his family were away has himself sailed for a European trip.

Mrs. Frank C. Bannister has resigned the carrying of the mails, owing to the increased work caused by the new noon mail, which has been in operation for a fortnight.

The large and ancient poplar tree, which grew so close to the north-easterly side of the house of W. H. Wright, has been removed. It was much decayed and safer removed, but changes the appearance of that side of the yard and buildings very much.

W. J. Merritt has had ground broken for a new house at the east end of his grounds. It is to have all modern improvements and William Sutherland is in charge of the carpenter work.

Rev. David Wallace, L. W. Wheeler and Mrs. Emma Day represented the Congregational church at the conference at South Acton Wednesday.

### About Town.

Some land like some folks has all the calamities that are going, such is the land owned by J. Willard Fletcher to the eastward of Westford station, that has its annual and semi-annual periodic spells of being burned with fire. This occurred last Saturday on the instant plan. So much burned in the forenoon—then a rest for dinner—then a resumption of more fire, which caused the real run of the day as regards the fire and as regards the run of men folks and boy folks to it. For a small fire it caused much smoke, which served as a sort of "wireless" to the public; hence the run. Fire warden John A. Healey of Graniteville brought the compliments of that village and some fire extinguishers. Constable Edson G. Boynton was all there and helped handcuff the fire, farmers, tree wardens and tree climbers for the town came down from their lofty and caused the fire to appear less croaky. About ten acres of mowing land, wood land and frog land was burned over. The fire was an unintentional incendiary on the part of a spark in the employ of the Boston and Maine railroad.

"The millennium dawn" folks, wherever and wherever they be, have been holding a strong weekly convention at Marshall's hall, Westford Corner, commencing last Sunday and continuing onward all day and night, seem to be the time piece.

The unpronounceable named Italian who opened a variety store on the ground floor of Marshall's hall, has left for the ground floor of some other part of the earth, whether he could not stand the coming of "millennium dawn" over his head is not known. He left before it appeared. His dealings had the reputation of honesty, but did not have dealings enough for the size of his goods.

The H. E. Fletcher Co., on Oak Hill, who always keep the tug straight and the holdback loose, are demonstrating it now in the men that saws. Adding a portable stone saw that runs by electricity, and an enormous new stone crusher that does a good deal of its own running. After it has got struck a few times with electricity. The stone saw is new to the stone industry and is used chiefly in dressing stone. If it would dress wood for the stone, how relieving when one is so drove.

Mrs. Estella Decatur, eldest of the C. R. P. Decatur Co., left Thursday for California. A stop will be made at Niagara Falls to see how it compares with our home talent, Tadmuck brook, which is somewhat measured as a crook. As companion to California she will be accompanied by her uncle, Adam Brunswick Roberts.

C. R. P. Decatur, while farming on little Tadmuck hill, just south of his residence, has discovered a variety of Indian hatchets and other Indian implements of war and peace, including agriculture. If we were to cut wood now with these stone hatchets, how it would dull the wood. But then there would be about as much wood on hand in some cases, with the stone hatchet as with the modern steel axe.

The nineteenth of April was observed according to temperamental conditions and other environments too numerous to mention. Some became visitors, some played lawn tennis, some played fishing, some played ball. In this last classification was

the Westford academy team, active with youth and use, against the Westford alumni, strong, slow, rusty, queer and misunderstandable, the result as though nature had gone back on her law of use and disuse, for the rust of disuse won 15 to 1. The academy team were smart, active, wonderful catchers, fellows, but like fishing without biting or catching, something is wrong, don't know where. Might as well go home. That is what they did do.

The choir of the Unitarian church has added voices to its harmony. They are all Miss and not amiss in singing. Like ye days of old last Sunday, Abriel J. Abbot and family at church, after their return from pleasant wanderings abroad.

### Forge Village.

A large number of out-of-town people were occupying their cottages over the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge and daughter Viola of Lowell were at their cosy cottage; Mr. and Mrs. Tizzer and family of Melrose are at Sunrise cottage; Mr. and Mrs. Klobburg of Malden were at Mr. Lowther's camp U-I-I-ka; Mr. and Mrs. George Steward and daughter Dorothy of Everett will spend this week at their cottage Tyny-co-ed.

The most important event of the week will be the annual fair which will be held in Recreation hall, Saturday afternoon, under the auspices of the ladies' sewing circle. All kinds of useful and fancy articles and children's clothes, home-made candies and many other interesting things will be on sale, while last but not least will be the delicious supper, which will be served at six p. m. Dancing will be enjoyed in the evening.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Blodgett of the Ridges on Tuesday, April 19.

A case of measles has made its appearance in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Canton on Bradford street.

Miss May Teller of Reading visited Mrs. Mary I. Drake for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett were entertained over the holiday by Mr. and Mrs. John E. Jones of Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole were guests on Patriots' day of Mr. and Mrs. William Kirk at their home in Worcester.

Miss Sarah Precious spent the holiday with her sister, Mrs. Michael Keefe of Townsend Harbor.

Miss Emily Catchpole and Miss Ellen Shugrue visited with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Catchpole the first of the week at their home in Boston.

Mrs. George Cogle is recovering from an attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lesieur and family and Mr. and Mrs. Des Laurier and family left Monday for Canada, where they will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gardes, who were married last Sunday in the Church of the Ascension, East Boston, are spending their honeymoon at the Edwards house. They were entertained at luncheon, Patriots' day, by Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson.

Henry Guerney of Lowell and his son Victor, who has just returned from the south, have been spending a few days at the Guerney cottage.

Dr. O'Brien and Dr. Walsh of Lowell enjoyed a fishing trip to Forge pond, Tuesday. They returned home with a fine string of pouts.

Daniel Hanley, for many years boss wool sorter for Abbot & Co., has resigned his position, to take effect within a few days. Hugh Daley of Leominster, formerly of this village, has returned and will be in charge of the wool sorting department. Mr. Daley has had wide experience in the sorting room, where he was employed for thirty-six years. His many friends will be pleased to learn that he has returned. His family will move here when a tenement can be obtained.

### Forest Fire.

A fire which for a time looked serious was started Sunday afternoon on Fensmere farm, the property of Mrs. Holbrook and spread rapidly over the boundary into Groton. The flames found excellent material in the dry leaves and grass and in a very short time thirty acres of woodland were one mass of flames. The fire continued until within a few feet of the residence of William Ward. The electric cars were held up for a time and traffic on the road was impossible. Messrs. Sturgis and Hilliard of Groton school, who were to conduct the services at St. Andrew's mission, were held up by the flames and were obliged to drive through Littleton in order to reach the village.

Fire wardens George O. Jackson and J. A. Healey were soon on the scene, and with the assistance of the John Edwards hose company and the A. R. Choate hose company of Graniteville, soon had the fire under control. It is supposed that the fire was started by sparks from the 2.10 freight from Ayer to Lowell, and fanned by a high wind the flames spread from the railroad to the land adjoining. The fire attracted a large number of people. Owing to the direction of the wind it was thought that the residence of William Ward would fall a prey to the flames. Part of the land burned was the property of Mrs. Holbrook and several acres are owned by a resident of Groton.

### HARVARD.

#### News Items.

Mrs. S. D. Beane and sister, Miss A. E. Beane who have been spending a delightful winter with friends in Los Angeles, Cal., left April 14 for Denver, Colo., visiting relatives there and in Greeley, also stopping a few days in Omaha with a nephew, intending to arrive home in Harvard about the middle of May.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Small, who have been in town for a few weeks past have moved to Tonaawanda, N. Y., where Mr. Small is engaged as a machinist.

J. J. McRae of Melrose, who recently purchased the farm in Old Mill district of Dr. H. P. Rogers, has, with his family, moved in and we are in-

formed intends to make this his home permanently.

Prof. Leo Weiner has sold his place in Old Mill district to H. W. Putnam of Lexington.

From all indications this year will be one more of real estate changes. Last year there were sixty-four real estate transactions in the town of Harvard.

Richard Kinsman is adding very much to his place and to the general appearance of Necktie park, otherwise known as the "Little Common." He has shingled the outside of his barn and out-building, very greatly adding to the attractiveness of the place.

George Kavanaugh is giving his buildings a coat of paint. This with the general cleaning up of dead trees and brush that had accumulated about the premises causes one to wonder if it's the same place.

William Hanna is out with a new set of harnesses, which, added to the coach in its new coat of paint and varnish, the work done so nicely by W. J. Costello, of Ayer, is attracting considerable attention.

Martin Gabrielson, who at present is working for C. E. Schuare as his farm foreman, has accepted an offer to take the charge of farm affairs at the S. N. Lougee farm under the new management. Mr. Gabrielson accepts this new charge under a very substantial increase in salary, and begins his duties June 1. Until then his father, Gustav Gabrielson will assume his duties.

Mrs. Edith Lindley visited at her old home in Waltham the latter part of this week.

Mrs. Manton King, with her baby is visiting for a few days at the home of W. E. King, Manton King, who is a fireman on a freight train on the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the Boston and Maine railroad, has one day at Harvard and the next at Portland. His marriage, which took place at Portland, was a surprise to his friends, who although tardy are nevertheless profuse in extending to the young couple their heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

At a recent meeting of the park commissioners, Barnard Foss was engaged to take charge of the lights about the common. He succeeds Ellery Royal.

Town meeting, Saturday evening, April 23. It is important that as large a number of voters as possible be present.

Miss Ethel R. Nourse resumed her school duties at the second primary here on Monday last. She returns much improved in health, although not fully regained in strength. Her friends are glad to see her about once more. During her four weeks' leave of absence, Mrs. Alice Cleaves who, before her marriage, was a primary teacher in Maynard and considered one of the best in this section, very ably discharged the duties at the school during the absence of Miss Nourse.

Miss Annie O'Laughlin, a young lady from Lowell, is visiting for a week or so at Mrs. John O'Connor's on West Bare Hill.

The grangers are working hard rehearsing the play of "Willowdale," a spicy bit of drama and comedy mixed, to be given in the near future. Some of the parts are extremely well taken and indications now point to an interesting production of this very pretty play.

Sylvester Brooks, for several years a resident of this town and well known here, now living in Sharon, Vt., is reported among the sick and on the critical list. His daughter, Mrs. W. E. King, is with him at present.

Mrs. Fiske Warren closed her home on Mt. Vernon place, Boston, and sailed for Europe, Tuesday. Mrs. Warren will join her mother, Mrs. Osgood, at Oxford.

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### New Advertisements.

#### Administratrix's Sale of

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By virtue of a license granted to me by the Probate Court for the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as administratrix of the estate of John Daley, late of Littleton in said County, dated April 18, 1910, will be sold at public auction on the premises, Monday afternoon, May Ninth, 1910, at three o'clock, the following described real estate, to wit:

A certain farm with the buildings thereon situated in the southeasterly part of said Littleton, containing seventy-six acres more or less consisting of four parcels, three of said parcels containing about sixty-three acres being the same premises conveyed to said John Daley under the name of John Daley by Alvin Rhoades by deed dated April 16, 1879 and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Registry of deeds Book 1507 Page 30 and one of said parcels containing about thirteen acres consisting of pasture and woodland being all and the same premises conveyed to said John Daley by Benjamin F. Burlingame by deed dated October 23, 1879, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds Book 1525 Page 242. Said premises to be conveyed subject to any rights of way if any there may be.

The premises are subject to the taxes and assessments for the current year 1910, which the purchaser is to assume and pay.

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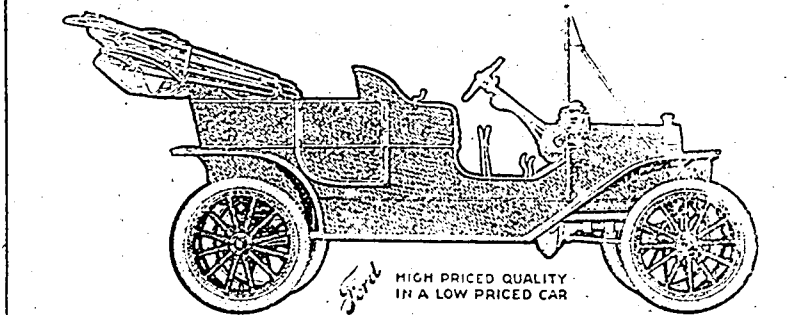
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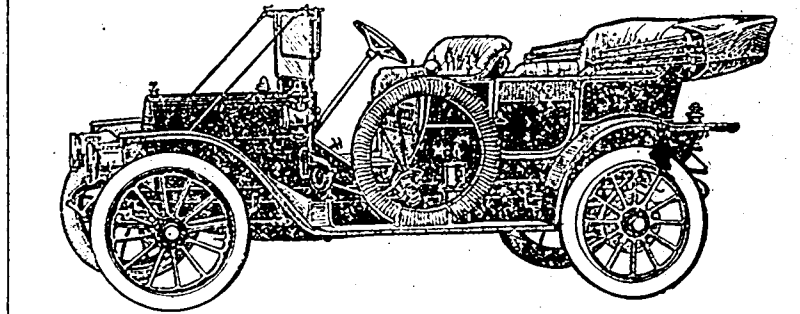
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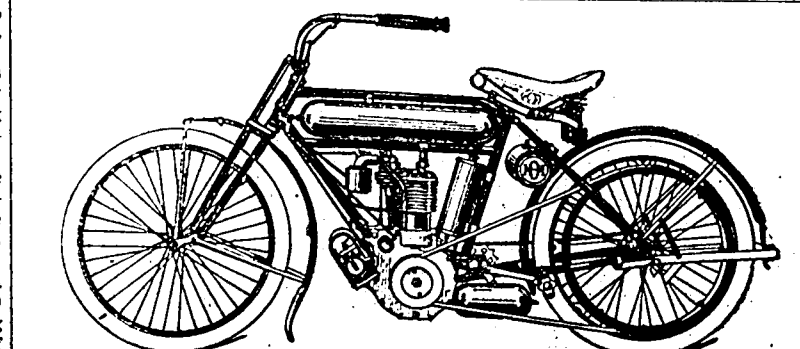
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In Townsend, Mass.

By virtue of a warrant dated March 10th, 1910, given by the Middlesex County Probate Court to E. Alonzo Blood, of Townsend, in said County, as Commissioner to make partition of certain real estate hereinafter described among the tenants-in-common thereof, whose names and shares are as follows: Lendall U. Clement, Albert M. Richards and Arthur D. Barber, each one-third (1-3), there will be sold by public auction at the house of Thomas J. Smith, in said Townsend, on Wednesday the 4th day of May A. D. 1910, at two o'clock in the afternoon, a certain parcel of land in the Northwesterly part of said Townsend, containing one hundred thirteen (113) acres more or less, and bounded:  
Beginning at a stake and stones on Chestnut Hill, so-called; thence North about 46° East, bounded by land formerly of one Hodgman, One Hundred Sixty-Eight (168) rods more or less to a stake and stones at a way; thence North about 44° West about Eighty rods to a stake and stones; thence North about 38° East, bounded in part by land formerly of Samuel Warner, about Sixty (60) rods to a stake and stones at the State line; thence North about 82° West on the State line Eighty-Four (84) rods to a stake and stones at land now or formerly of John Richards; thence by said Richard's land South about 33° East about Fifty-One (51) rods to a large oak tree marked; thence South about 71° West Eighty-Three (83) rods more or less to a stake and stones by an oak stump at a stone wall; thence South about 19° East about One Hundred Eleven (111) rods to a stake and stones by a pitch pine stump; thence North about 64° East Fifty-Six (56) rods to a stake and stones at a corner; thence about 27° West to land formerly of one Richards about Ninety (90) rods to the place of beginning.  
The premises will be sold subject to taxes assessed or to be assessed for current year.  
A deposit of \$200 will be required at the time and place of sale. Other terms made known at time of sale.  
E. ALONZO BLOOD,  
Commissioner.

Townsend, Mass., March 25, 1910. 3131

### CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of thanking all who contributed the beautiful flowers at the funeral of Edward Fitzpatrick, Saturday, April 9, and all who so kindly rendered assistance during his illness.  
MRS. EDWARD FITZPATRICK and Family,  
East Pepperell, April 18, 1910. 32\*

## SHIRLEY.

### Town Meeting.

Shirley held its annual town meeting on Monday, April 18. The voting passed off very quietly and the citizens voted quickly the appropriations with only slight opposition in a couple of instances. The town kept in the no-license column by a majority of eleven over last year.  
The selectmen elected were Edward J. Stevens, three years; John W. Farrar, two years and George E. Harlow one year. William H. Cram defeated George S. Wells for tax collector and John E. L. Hazen defeated Henry W. Eisner for tree warden.  
At eleven a. m., Herman L. Hazen, town clerk, called the meeting to order and read the warrant and D. Chester Parsons was elected moderator. It was then voted that the part of the warrant relating to town business be laid on the table till 1.30 p. m. The election officers were:  
Counters, Jeremiah H. Flynn, Edmund P. O'Neill, Harry H. Lynch, La Forest J. Carpenter; ballot clerk, Harry Collier, Gideon C. West; ballot box, Thomas J. Gately; gate tenders, Frank P. Rusk, George Holden; check list, Walter Knowles.

Polls were opened at 11.30 a. m. and closed at 3.30 p. m. Frederick W. Holden was assistant town clerk. Promptly at 1.30 the moderator called the meeting to order and the following business transacted:

Appropriations: schools, \$3,200; supt. of schools, \$250; transportation, \$1,500; fuel, \$400; supplies, \$150; incidentals and repairs, \$250; poor, \$1,200; bridges, \$250; railings, \$100; hydrant service, \$1,220; exterminating, moths, \$175; Memorial day, \$50; street lights, \$1,200; town incidentals, \$750; salaries, \$500; enforcement of liquor law, \$150; enforcement of law, \$150; tree warden, \$100; board of health, \$200; transportation, \$200; books, \$25; transportation of voters, \$40; fire department, \$600; insurance, \$100; village cemetery, \$50; centre cemetery, \$25; library, dog tax and \$250.

Art. 1. Election of a moderator.  
Art. 2. Voted, that the selectmen be authorized to choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Art. 3. Voted, that the reports of the selectmen, overseers of the poor, town treasurer, school committee and other officers be accepted.

Art. 4. Voted, that the sum of \$1,200 be appropriated for highways and that \$200 of said amount be expended in repair of the road leading past the Fuller and Eaton place so-called.

Art. 5. Voted, that all taxes shall become due November 1, and that six percent interest be charged after that date.

Art. 6. Voted, that the tax collector receive as a salary 1 1/2 percent of amount collected.

Art. 7. Voted, that the treasurer be and is hereby authorized with the approval of the majority of the selectmen to borrow from time to time during the current municipal year beginning April 1, 1910, in anticipation of the taxes of said municipal year, a sum or sums not exceeding at any one time, outstanding \$8,000, for the purpose of meeting the current expenses of the town and to give the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from their dates all debts incurred under authority of this note shall be paid from the taxes of said current municipal year.

Art. 8. Voted, \$1,220 for hydrant service.

Art. 9. Voted, that the town appropriate the sum of \$800, together with the sum of \$800 allotted by the state for the purpose of rebuilding a section of Centre and Park road.

Art. 10. Voted, that the sum of \$50 be appropriated for school physician.

Art. 11. Voted, that \$150 be appropriated for enforcement of the liquor law.

Art. 12. Voted, that the sum of \$500 be appropriated to install flush closets in the new school building.

Art. 13. To establish the bounds to Mill and Fredonian streets and Shaker road was passed over.

Art. 14. Voted, that the sum of \$200 be appropriated for the purchase of a wagon to carry fire fighting equipment for use by the forest warden.

Art. 15. Voted, that the sum of \$175 be appropriated to pay for the fire escape recently attached to the new school building in the village.

Art. 16. Voted, that the committee in charge of the Centre cemetery be instructed to relocate and rebuild the receiving tomb and that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for that purpose.

Art. 17. Voted, that the town appropriate the sum of \$500 for the purpose of constructing a cement sidewalk on the southerly side of Front street from a point at the intersection of Mill street easterly, as far as said sum will permit. George O. Evans and Charles R. White were appointed a committee by the meeting to expend same.

Art. 18. Asking for an appropriation to build a sidewalk down Mill street was voted down.

Art. 19. Voted, that the income board of selectmen be instructed to insert in the warrant for the November meeting, articles to change the date of the financial year of the town to March 1, and the date of the annual meeting to the fourth Monday of March.

Art. 20. Voted, that the sum of \$200 be appropriated to paint the engine house.

Art. 21. Voted, that if the town shall vote at this meeting to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors that the sum of \$900 be appropriated for police protection and that the police officer employed shall be a non-resident of the town.

Art. 22. Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that a vote of thanks be extended the C. A. Edgerton Mfg. Co., for its generosity in contributing so liberally towards the expense of building cement walks in the village.

Art. 23. Voted, that the assessors be instructed to print valuation for year 1910 and that sufficient amount be taken from the treasury to pay for same.

Art. 24. Voted, that the sum of \$400 be appropriated for snow removal and that \$100 of this amount be used for the purchase of a suitable plow for removing snow from the sidewalks.

## Art. 25. Voted, that the sum of \$1,500 be taken from the treasury and that \$1,000 be used for the payment of notes, the remaining \$500 for the payment of interest.

Below is the vote in detail, and 250 votes were cast out of a qualified list of 306. Four women voted for school committee.

Town clerk, Herman S. Hazen.  
Selectmen for three years, one, Edward J. Stevens, 104; Walter E. Mellish, 90; Forest Hooper, 41.  
Selectman for two years, John W. Farrar.  
Selectman, one year, George E. Harlow, 171; George A. Stebbins, 49.  
Overseer of the poor, three years, John E. L. Hazen.  
Overseer of the poor, two years, Melvin W. Longley.  
Overseer of the poor, one year, William E. Barnard.  
Town treasurer, Herman S. Hazen.  
Assessor for three years, Henry W. Brockelman.  
Library trustees, three years, Martha J. Conant, Mary M. Nickless.  
Tax collector, William H. Cram, 186; George S. Wells, 43.  
School committee, three years, Herbert F. Taylor.  
Constables, three, John H. Logue, 177; William A. White, 154; Forest Hooper, 129; Arthur Bassett, 33.  
Auditors, Frederick W. Holden, Joseph H. McClellan.  
Tree warden, John E. L. Hazen, 136; Henry W. Eisner, 81.  
The vote on the license question, was, no 128, yes 111.

### Bowling.

The Shirley Bowling League has ended its series of games and the following is the standing of the individual players and teams:

Pierce, games 24, average 90; Collyer 42, 80; Day 45, 89; Cook 39, 89; Sibley 42, 80; Ed. Gately 39, 87; Burrill 39, 86; Gilman 39, 86; McGinness 39, 85; Morin 24, 84; Tremblay 36, 84; Pomfret 45, 83; Mansur 42, 82; Bodah 45, 82; Leopold 45, 82; E. O'Neill 42, 81; Stebbins 42, 80; J. Gately 39, 50; White 27, 80; Allen 27, 75.

### SHIRLEY BOWLING LEAGUE

Day	Won	Lost
Collyer	29	16
McGinness	25	20
Burrill	20	25
	17	28

### News Items.

Richard Weeks has accepted the position of chauffeur with Thomas Moore of Littleton.

Misses Annie and Nina Holbrook spent Sunday and over Patriot's day with relatives in Framingham; Misses Sarah and Elsie Knowles with Miss Fannie Lowe of Clinton; Misses Inez McMurray and Elaine-Love with relatives in Waverly and Boston.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Amasa Balcom of Boston, was taken from the tomb and buried in the family lot in the village cemetery. A brief service was held at the grave by the Rev. A. A. Bronsdon.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wilson, and the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Hocquard, were taken from the receiving tomb, April 19, and buried in the village cemetery.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will serve a baked-bean supper in their vestry, Saturday evening, April 23, at 6.30 o'clock. Entertainment at 7.45.

Mr. and Mrs. Amasa Balcom of Boston, spent the holiday in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver W. Balcom.

The entertainment in Odd Fellows' hall, Monday evening, April 25, given under the auspices of the Altruistic club, in aid of the club home fund, promises to be of special interest and enjoyment. The artists who will appear are Miss Nellie Dean of Boston, pianist; Miss Ellis of Boston, violinist; Mrs. Ada Briggs Webber of Littleton, soloist; a reader of note from Prof. Curry's school of expression, Boston.

Praxede Chaisson, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chaisson, died last Sunday morning of black diphtheria. Owing to the nature of the disease the burial occurred a few hours after death in St. Anthony's cemetery.

Miss Mabel Miner of Keene, N. H., spent over April 19 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miner.

The foundation is completed for Ezekiel Wilson's new house on Lancaster road. The house will be of the bungalow style with five rooms on first floor and two on second.

Harry Lynch is taking the census for the town of Shirley.

D. Chester Parsons will attend the grand lodge session of the A. O. U. W., in Boston, Tuesday, April 26, and Wednesday as the representative of J. C. Ayer lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret of Waverly, with young son Stanley, is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret.

J. Fred Brown, who has been confined to his home for the past three weeks, threatened with pneumonia, is now improving nicely.

William W. Preston, assistant to William H. Wilbur at the railroad station, has accepted the position of depot master at Winchendon.

The newly elected selectmen held their first meeting Wednesday afternoon at the town house and organized with John W. Farrar as chairman and Edward Stevens, clerk. They made the following appointments:

Bond commissioner, Henry L. Farnsworth; fire engineers, Dennis O'Neill, chief; J. Gately, W. G. White, exterminator of moths, A. A. Adams, scaler of weights and measures, M. W. Longley; chief forest fire warden, M. W. Longley; undertaker, J. F. Brown; assessor, W. H. Cram; inspector of milk and meats, A. A. Adams; janitor of town hall, W. E. Barnard; agent of board of health, Dr. T. E. Lillie; surveyor of lumber, wood and bark, G. M. Ballou, Grandville Fairbanks, L. J. Farnsworth; weighers of hay, straw and coal, Conant Bros., H. O. Peasley, C. A. Loggley, H. M. James.

### Coöperative Bank Meeting.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Shirley coöperative bank was held in engine hall, Tuesday evening, D. Chester Parsons presiding. The report of the board of directors and auditors was read and accepted. It was voted that article ten in the by-laws be amended by striking out the words first Thursday in the first clause and inserting in place thereof the words second Wednesday, so that the clause shall read as follows: "Dues and interest shall be paid on or before the second Wednesday of each month." The following officers and directors were elected: D. C. Parsons, pres.; E. H. Conant, vice-pres.; J. L. Holland, sec.; C. W. Marshall, treas.; F. P. Rugg, dir. two years; Henry Hildreth, J. T. Smith, Walter Knowles, W. W. Preston, H. O. Peasley, dir. three years.

### A Social Event.

There was about one hundred present at the invitation dance of the Shirley high school in Odd Fellows' hall, last week Friday evening. It was a pretty social event, Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell, furnishing the music.

The hall was decorated to perfection in artistic and artistic style and while some very pretty decorations have been seen in this hall in bygone days, last Friday evening eclipsed everything.

The whole stage was almost completely hidden from view by mountain laurel twined together and extending from the top of the stage to the bottom and right across from east to west the whole length of the stage arranged to represent natural trestle work which almost hid the orchestra from view.

Just above this trestle work at the top were the class colors, purple and white. The layers of purple were very tastily displayed with the letter "S" on each layer and a little below this was the figures "1910" in white, which gave a very stunning effect.

The walls on either side also received a good share of the decorators' art with large winding folds of evergreen and the background of the station of the patronesses was a complete bower of foliage.

The novelty decoration scheme was the work of Shipley W. Ricker, principal, who very nicely directed affairs. The patronesses were Mrs. F. C. Johnson, Mrs. H. F. Grout, Mrs. C. K. Bolton. The ushers were the senior boys: Robert Evans, Arthur Holden, Russell Miner, Leonard Hooper. The grand march was led by the superintendent of schools and Mrs. F. C. Johnson. Dancing then held sway until ten o'clock, when an intermission was enjoyed. Brockelman Bros., the caterers, served ice cream and cake, followed by dancing till 11.30, when the most delightful high school dance was brought to a close, considered by all one of the choicest school functions recently held in Shirley.

### Church Services.

Services at the Congregational church, Sunday, April 24, at 10.45. Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, pastor. In the evening at seven o'clock, there will be an illustrated lecture with stereopticon views, which will make the meeting a very enjoyable one. All are invited to attend.

Services at the Unitarian church, Sunday, April 24, at eleven a. m. Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker, pastor. Regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. in the vestry, at seven p. m.

Rev. J. Swaffield will preach at the Baptist church, Sunday, April 24, at 10.45 a. m. and seven p. m.

### Center.

The annual meeting of the Alliance will be held at the church parlor on Friday afternoon, April 29. Many members wished to attend the New England Associate Alliance meeting at Lowell, April 28, hence the change of date.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Holden of Shrewsbury are in town for the rest of their goods which they did not take with them last fall.

On Sunday, April 17, an alarm was rung in about noon for a brush fire. The fire started near the Mitchellville crossing in Shirley and burned over about twenty-five acres, at one time endangering the piles of lumber belonging to the Warren and Carr Lumber Co. The fire was probably started by smokers out Maying. Little damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed, C. E. Bolton, Mrs. Henry Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, Miss Alice Sampson and Benton Mackay were among the summer people who spent the nineteenth in town.

Shirley grange held its regular meeting, Tuesday, April 19. This was the patriotic meeting and the program was in charge of Brother William Jubb. The G. A. R., the D. A. R., and the S. of V., were invited. The program was as follows:

Song, America, by the whole company; address of welcome by worthy master, A. A. Adams; addresses by Oliver Balcom, William Jubb and Mr. Frank B. Higgins by the S. of V. drum corps; remarks by Edward Sawyer, commander of the S. of V. songs by John Wentworth, vice commander of the S. of V. songs by sister of S. of V. The pleasant evening closed with a supper and a social.

### Now Advertisements.

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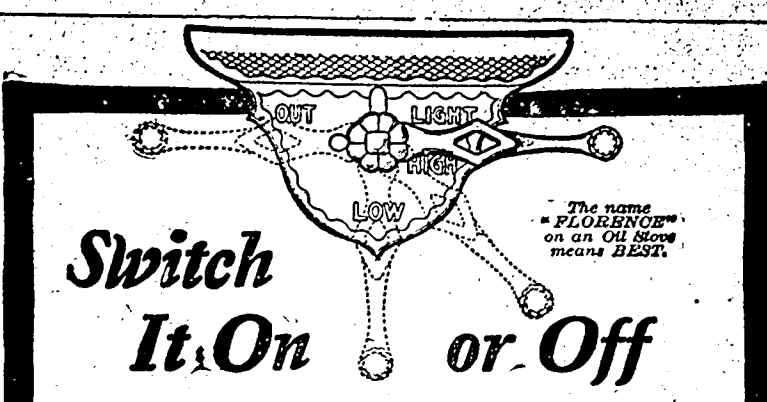
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### Board of Selectmen

Townsend, April 21, 1910.  
Notice is hereby given under the provisions of Chapter 109 of the Revised Laws that Frank B. Higgins has applied for a license of the Sixth Class (Intoxicants) for the sale of intoxicating liquors at his store on Main Street, in the center part of said Townsend, on the first floor. Stock to be kept in basement.  
2132 JOHN A. ARLIN, Chairman.

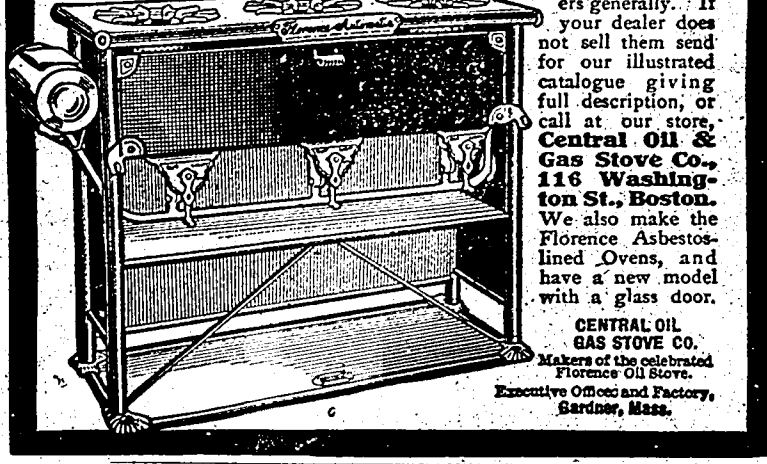
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court.  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of MARIA J. COOLIDGE, late of Groton in said County, deceased, intestate.  
Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to SAMUEL L. BLODGETT of Groton in said County, or to some other suitable person.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of May, 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 file public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Groton Landmark, a newspaper published in said County, the first publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Justice of said County, this twentieth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.  
3132 W. E. ROGERS, Register.



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- Children's Handkerchiefs, Three in a Box, Regular 19c., now 12c. box
- Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, regular 15c., now 10c. each
- Men's Handkerchiefs, regular 10c., now 8c., 2 for 15c.
- Men's Bandanna Handkerchiefs, regular 10c., now 8c., 2 for 15c.
- Leather Hand Bags, Soft Leather, regular 69c., now 48c.
- Leather Hand Bags, \$1.39, now \$1.15; \$1.25, now 98c.; 89c., now 69c.
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GROTON.

Entertainment.

The W. R. C. observed Patriots' day by entertaining the G. A. R. post and a large number of family friends. A business meeting was held at four p. m. by the corps. Supper was served at 6.30, one hundred and twenty-five being seated at the tables. That was followed by a social hour, then a miscellaneous entertainment, then a rendered consisting of music, readings, and a short farce, Mrs. Albert Parkhurst, leader, Little Blanche Benedict sang one of her sweet songs, which was loudly applauded. Other children who took their part in a very pleasing manner were Genevieve Harrington, Christine Rockwood, Margaret Benedict, Roderick and Leslie Blood. The farce was given by Miss Carrie Clark and Miss Florence Souther. Other numbers were given by members of the corps. After this part of the entertainment, remarks were made by Mr. Wymann of Lancaster, Capt. Palmer and Rev. Mr. Cornell, all G. A. R. men. The talk was on historical lines, both instructive and entertaining. In closing, all joined in singing America.

News Items.

Mrs. Folkins and Mrs. Bowers, members of the W. R. C., were in attendance at the supper and entertainment on evening of Patriots' day. This was the first time since the very serious illness of both ladies that they have been able to meet with the W. R. C. Their friends were glad to see them out and gave them a cordial welcome.

Maj. M. P. Palmer gave a thrilling and impressive tribute in verse to "The unknown dead," at the Tuesday evening W. R. C. observation of Patriots' day.

Wheeler W. Ames has bought of the Alva Wright heirs the house now occupied by Dea. Darwin Keyes and family on Willowdale street and also the land belonging to the place.

The improvements being made at Groton Inn grounds, outside buildings and the main building are about completed. A fresh coat of paint adds to the attractive appearance of this historic old Inn.

George Tuttle and Grant Shattuck had good luck fishing at the Meadows on Tuesday.

A boy from Pepperell with face badly burned from powder was brought to Groton hospital a few days ago.

Mrs. Charles Osgood went last week Friday, to attend the funeral of an old friend and neighbor, Mrs. Jackman, at Fitchburg.

There is to be a special meeting of Groton grange this Saturday evening to confer the first and second degrees on the seventeen new candidates, all of whom have been favorably acted upon for membership.

There were one hundred and three took dinner at Groton Inn on Patriots' day and seventy-two the Sunday previous.

William N. Souther is on his way home this week from Florida, where he has spent the winter.

Maj.-Gen. and Mrs. W. A. Bancroft were at Shawfieldmont for Patriots' day.

The academy boys cleared about forty dollars from the receipts of ball game and dance on Tuesday, April 19. The bans of intended marriage on the part of Miss May Helena Cleary of Groton and John Blais Sliney of Pepperell were read at the Sacred Heart Catholic church here last Sunday.

Herbert C. Rockwood is making some outside improvements on his house on Champney street.

Mrs. Woodward, sister of the recently deceased, Mrs. Maria Coolidge, is in town.

Mrs. A. G. Kilbourn, who went several weeks ago to visit in Toronto and Buffalo, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence and daughters, the Misses Hester and Mary, who have been abroad, are expected home next week.

Last week Saturday there was a forest fire on land of Nurtling Bros. estate and A. A. Lawrence. On Sunday the fire alarm rang for a field and forest fire in the easterly part of the town.

D. Graham has decided to give up soon the wheelwright shop in Childs' block, where he has done business for years.

Montague Chamberlain, the new owner of the Floretta Vining or Jacobs place on Ayer road, was at Groton Inn recently. He has been looking the house over previous to making improvements.

The Michael Kelley place in Chicopee row, which is sold to J. S. Rowell of Danvers, will be better recognized by former residents of that district as the former Willard Torrey place.

Daniel Needham, coming last Saturday, is at home from Harvard college for a week's vacation.

Lawrence academy opened its base ball season Tuesday afternoon, by defeating Holy Cross, Prep., 4 to 0. The pitching of Keady was the feature.

Frank Lawrence Blood and family have returned to their own home on Main street, having spent the winter at Groton Inn.

Road commissioner Blakney is working on North Groton roads this week.

Thomas Gilson, Groton's sole survivor of Co. B., of the Old Sixth, attended the meeting of "The minute men," in Boston last week Friday, and on Tuesday the Old Sixth Regiment association in Lowell. It was forty-nine years ago that day since the famous march through Baltimore.

Groton enjoyed the ideal weather of Patriots' day and a holiday appearance was in evidence. Flags were flying, schools, stores, and other places of business were closed. Automobiles in unusual numbers as well as other carriages were going and coming all day. There were a number of visitors in town and a number who went from town to visit. Ball games and other festivities were enjoyed during the day and evening.

John F. Blood of West Townsend, came over to Groton, his native town, to spend his seventy-eighth birthday, Tuesday, April 19. His sister, Mrs. Emeline Smith of Hollis street went with him to the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. H. Gay, at The Brown Loaf Hill Farm, where the holiday and the birthday anniversary, were both pleasantly observed. Mrs. Smith, a few days before, in remembrance of the birthday of her grandson, George Starkey, gave him a gold watch. Mr. Starkey is the driver on Hodgman's market wagon.

Mrs. Olive M. Wilson of the Butler grammar school went with seventeen of her pupils to historic old Concord, on Tuesday. A good way to observe the holiday.

A War Record.

The actual experiences of a veteran soldier though he may be a stranger, have come, to be more of passing interest particularly to his comrades in the civil war and to their friends. The annual reunions and historical observances of the past two weeks are reviving to patriotic sentiment.

The recent perusal of a sketch of the life with its thrilling reminiscences of an old soldier, Maj. Geo. H. Baldwin, has proved most interesting.

Though of New England birth, he was a resident of Richmond, Va., several years prior to the civil war and until Virginia seceded. He was the bearer to Pres. Lincoln of the first news of the secret session when it was voted that the state would secede; he was the first to inform the government of the warlike preparations; was the means of saving Fortress Monroe from falling into the Rebels' possession; was a member of C. M. Clay's volunteer battery of 200 men in Washington put on guard about the executive mansion, and he stood as a sentinel at the door of the White House when the Old Sixth arrived. Later enlisting in the army he passed through many battles, some of the severest of the war and was badly wounded. After the war, Maj. Baldwin, under commission from Gov. Pierpont, assisted in the reconstruction work, organizing ten counties in Virginia. It is said that he had the distinction of being the only citizen of Richmond who enlisted in the U. S. military service of the civil war.

Maj. Baldwin was mustered out of the G. A. R., Saturday, April 12, his comrades escorting his remains to their resting place in Oak Hill cemetery, Bradford, Pa. He was a brother-in-law of Rufus Barrett Stone, well-known here in Groton, his native town. Mrs. Stone, who has many friends in Groton, is by the death of this brother, the last of her father's patriotic family that furnished three sons for the civil war. The father, himself, serving as chaplain through that war, under a commission signed by President Lincoln.

West Groton.

The Misses Bertha and Gladys Swallow, of Groton were weekend and Sunday guests of Miss Sylvia Lawrence.

Miss Elizabeth Hill has returned home from Groton hospital, and friends are glad to hear of a decided improvement in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Runlet, of Watertown, have been recent guests at the home of E. W. Mellish.

Last Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bixby, accompanied by their little daughter, also Mrs. M. J. Shepley and other friends, arrived from Waltham in Mr. Bixby's automobile.

Mrs. Shepley is a guest of her sister, Mrs. W. F. Lane and Mr. Bixby and family are visiting at the home of his father, G. H. Bixby.

Mrs. C. L. Roy returned on Monday from a visit to her parents in New Hampshire.

We regret to report the continued illness of Mrs. J. P. Trowbridge. She has been in care of a physician, though reported somewhat better than on his first visit.

A. L. Harrington, confined to his home with a painful illness, is cheered and comforted by frequent visits from his children. His only son, George, of Walpole was at home quite recently. A daughter, Mrs. Fuller of Fitchburg, visited him on Thursday of last week, while her twin sister, Mrs. Williamson of Walpole, was a guest for the weekend or longer. A little grandson and namesake, Albert Trefethen of Walpole, is reported ill with measles.

Mrs. Percy Briggs of Fitchburg, left West Groton last week Friday, having passed a week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Harrington. Her little niece Bertha, accompanied her, having returned from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Tuttle of Groton.

Frank Brown, late of Florida, reported last week as having left town on Thursday, deferred his departure for some days, thereby finding time for calls on friends in Townsend and Groton.

On Friday afternoon of last week an alarm was sounded for a forest fire. Several acres of woodland owned by H. E. Kemp and A. H. Thompson were burned over. Twenty-five or thirty firemen and others responded to the call, and succeeded in subduing the flames. The fire at one time burned so furiously that its roaring was distinctly heard at the papermill, about a third of a mile away.

Arbor day will be observed in the schools, Friday afternoon, April 29, and parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

Little Robert Bixby, accompanied by his father, W. V. Bixby, and his uncle, Herbert Mason of Groton, visited historic Concord on Patriots' day.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge, Mrs. Jarvis and Mrs. Charles Bixby, attended the church conference in South Acton on Wednesday. They report a meeting of great interest and addresses uniformly excellent.

Patriots' day, as is usual with all holidays, brought a number of out-of-town people to our village, among them were noticed a few familiar faces of old friends and neighbors. Mr. and Mrs. John Dugan and little son, Raymond of Leominster, coming Saturday, remained for the holiday; Miss Rose Jarvis of Leominster, and Harold Strand of Fitchburg, passed the day at their respective homes. George McCurdy of Dorchester, was a guest of Dr. S. F. Bowthorpe.

Cantata Repeated.

The repetition of the children's cantata on Friday evening of last week was in every way successful. A beautiful evening and a comfortably full house gave encouragement to the children to do their best. As on its first presentation the various parts were all well done and worthy of commendation. Several new features were introduced. Two chorus songs, "Wait for the wagon," and "Johnny Green," were exceptionally well rendered. A vocal duet, "Whispering hope," by Marion Mellish and Rose Fallon, deserved the generous applause it received. Ruth Mellish and Ralph Lawrence as encores, recited humorous selections, "Mr. Nobody," and "Boys' rights," respectively.

Little James Fallon as the "Sleepy cherub," responded to an encore with a solo. "I know a girl," recalled a second time he repeated a stanza of his irresistible "Scuse-me teacher."

Between acts, Ruth Bixby, in the quaint costume of Granny Lumkins, entertained the audience with piano selections. Miss Cora Fallon played for dancing during the social hour, following the serving of refreshments by "The little old folks."

The sum of thirty-three dollars was realized, making a total of seventy-five dollars toward the wished-for piano.

Among out-of-town people who enjoyed the children's concert were noticed two of their former playmates, Elwin and Catherine Dugan of Leominster, visiting their aunt, Mrs. G. G. Harrington.

Setting Out Pine Trees.

H. E. Kemp has lately received by express, two thousand young pine trees to be placed on his lands. Mr. Kemp has already set out several thousand pine trees this spring, and has sown seed in his nursery for several thousand more to be transplanted later.

Since last week's fire, however, Mr. Kemp is seriously considering whether he will be able to plant more rapidly than careless irresponsible people may destroy them. All persons having consideration for the property of others and a desire for the preservation of our woodlands, will certainly agree with Mr. Kemp in his opinion that all people should be extremely careful of matches and cigars while roaming the fields and woods, especially during such dry weather as has prevailed during the last few weeks.

L. A. S. Supper.

A goodly number heeded the call to supper last Tuesday evening. The three tables beautifully and bountifully set, were filled and partially refilled.

Incidents in the life, particularly the boyhood of Sir Walter Scott furnished the theme for the pastor's talk in the upper hall. Mr. Trowbridge is so familiar with his subject, so enthusiastic in his interest and love for these noted men of the past, that his talks cannot fail to give pleasure and instruction to his listeners.

The L. A. society adds thirteen dollars to its treasury as a result of its Patriots' day.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

Wednesday, April 20, was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the laying of the corner stone of the Christian Union church. On Sunday the pastor spoke words of commendation for efforts of the past, of congratulation on the good work being accomplished, and the harmonious relations existing in the church and all auxiliary societies, are of strong encouragement for the future.

At the midweek service Wednesday evening, G. H. Bixby gave a list of the articles placed under the cornerstone which may be of interest to those not present. These documents were:

The Groton Landmark, and Groton Citizen of that week's issue; the morning edition of the Boston Herald; the town reports of 1884 and 1885, and a paper containing the names of all subscribers to the church fund.

The chapel is a counterpart of a little Methodist church in Dakota, whose pastor sent the plan, he being a friend of Rev. Mr. Buckingham, who had charge of the services in West Groton, then conducted in the upper schoolroom.

Plans are being formulated for a celebration in October, on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the church's dedication.

DUNSTABLE.

News Items.

On Patriots' day the school committee and teachers were delightfully entertained by Supt. A. P. Briggs and Mrs. Briggs at their home in Chelmsford Centre.

On Wednesday evening the Lend-a-Hand club gave a maple syrup supper and entertainment in their hall, which was well patronized.

The library has a collection of pictures on Switzerland. They are loaned for a few weeks. The new books recently bought, and the thirty-six presented by the state commission, are ready for delivery. It is believed that both are useful and valuable acquisitions. The books presented by the state are designed for juvenile readers.

Improvements in town seem to be on the increase. Fred Payne has nearly completed the interior of his house; Fred Cheney has renewed repairs and additions and later will add a coat of paint; Frank Sargent's, also James Day's, buildings are very much improved by painting.

At the annual meeting of the Lend-a-Hand club, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Morris Wild, pres.; Mrs. Fred Payne, vice-pres.; Mrs. A. N. Hall, sec.; Miss Clara Kelly, treas. It was voted to move the gasoline lamp at the fountain to the junction of Depot and Main streets.

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Enters Upon Its Second Week  
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If you come in time you get the best of them

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TOWNSEND.

R. B. Adams has sufficiently recovered from his attack of tonsillitis to be out again.

The Monday club met this week at Harbor farm.

On next Tuesday the members of The As You Like It club will be the guests of Mrs. Fred Taft.

No settlement has yet been affected regarding the theft of Mr. Conant's hens as George Blake is still at large.

Blanchard's saw mill with its train of satellites in the shape of bunk and cook houses has again passed through the Harbor, this time in route for southern New Hampshire.

The parties from Chelmsford who bought the woodland formerly belonging to the Reed estate are about to put up a portable saw mill a short distance below the leather-board mill.

A well on Pinehurst farm that has been unused for more than half a century has recently been opened and a pipe laid to furnish a water supply for the hen plant on Westview farm. In former times it was at this well that the pupils of one of the education-

New Spring MILLINERY

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al institutions were wont to quench their thirst when the old schoolhouse stood midway between Oliver Proctor's and A. D. Cooper's.

The Remnant club met with Mrs. Doherty, the president, by invitation on Thursday, April 14, and a most enjoyable time was had by all. Patterns of patchwork to form a square for a quilt was given each one present, to be sewn and returned with the initials of the maker on the center

of the square, which was of white. The guests of the club were Mrs. Charles Warner and Miss Anna A. Kloss, teachers of the Harbor school. The club members present were besides Mrs. Doherty, Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Ella E. Spaulding, Mrs. Keenan, Mrs. Mary E. Spaulding and Miss Maria Lane. Ice cream and cake were served. It also served to celebrate the ninth birthday of Mrs. Doherty's second boy, Ros.



AYER.

News Items. Howard Beverly, clerk at Hill's drug store, is confined to the house with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

George L. Osgood went Monday, April 18, to New Bedford as a guest of Edward M. Alden, a wholesale coal dealer in Boston, to be present at the launching of a large gasoline motor boat on a lake near the city.

Abel Prescott, formerly of this town, who fills the position of chief of tariff of the Boston and Maine railroad at the North Station, is to be transferred with others, May 1, to the South Station.

George Teter, a former barber here, who went to Florida last fall, has been for several weeks, head barber in one of the largest shops in Middleborough.

Mrs. G. G. Osgood and daughter Rachael, left Friday of last week for New York City, and Saturday they took the steamer for Bermuda, to be there a month or more. Word has been received that they arrived at Hamilton, Monday morning.

The Unitarian Women's Alliance will hold a sale of food, candy and aprons in the vestry on Tuesday afternoon, April 26, at three o'clock.

Born in Fitchburg, April 1, a son to Mr. and Mrs. William B. Connors, weighing two pounds, six ounces, said to be the smallest baby ever born in that city. Mrs. Connors is here with her baby, visiting her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Connors, Shirley street, and the baby weighed one pound, fourteen ounces when last weighed. The little waif died the forepart of this week.

The order of the Eastern Star, will give in Page hall, on Friday evening, April 23, "The African Jungle." Roosevelt will be there with the African chiefs and dusky babies and they will be supported by a full minstrel chorus. Sale of reserved seats at 35 cents each will open at nine o'clock a. m., Monday, April 25, at Page hall. All seats remaining unsold at twelve m., will be on sale at George B. Turner & Son's store.

Died in Ayer on April 16, Herbert W. Cutter, infant son of Walter and Edith Gray Cutter, aged 8 mos., 6 days. Cause of death, infantile spasm. Congressman Charles Q. Tirrell has been receiving a large number of requests for what is called the White House cook book. There is no such publication issued. A Farmers' Bulletin number 391, "The economical use of meats in the home" is probably what is referred to and is a useful publication on the subject. Copies can be obtained by addressing our congressman at Washington, D. C.

Lady Emma Chapter, O. E. S., will hold a large military whist and dancing party in Masonic hall, Fitchburg, Monday evening, April 25, and all members and friends of Ida McKinley chapter of this town are cordially invited to attend. Excellent music for the dancing will be furnished by E. Percival Coleman.

George A. Culver has this week been at work on his summer cottage at Sandy pond, putting it in complete order. He let his cottage, Friday, April 22, to a party of young people in town for one week.

Part of the lumber is on the ground for the erection of a bungalow at Sandy pond for George W. Ladd of Malden, and George A. Culver is to build it. It will be on the lot adjoining Mr. Culver's.

Born in Ayer, April 11, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Downing.

The alarm Wednesday afternoon, was for a fire at the dump of Mr. Phelps. It was soon put out and the dump saved by the fire department. It was a narrow escape from obliteration.

It was Reciprocity day in the Woman's club on Wednesday, and a very interesting program was rendered. It included musical selections by a quartet from the Littleton Woman's club and these papers: "The garden in literature," Miss Baker of West Acton Woman's club, and "What shall we do with our youth?" Mrs. Wolff, of the Altrurian club of Shirley. Club tea was served in charge of Mrs. Ida Perkins, Mrs. Sara Shattuck and Mrs. F. Lawton; Mrs. Mabel Manning and Mrs. Belle Osgood presided at the coffee urns. Guests were present from Shirley, Littleton, West Acton and Fitchburg.

There is to be an entertainment in the Congregational church, Saturday evening at eight o'clock, of a lively farce, "The Gumtown Women's association," and a musical arrangement of ten virgins in picturesque costume. High school orchestra will furnish music.

Rev. L. E. Perry was an invited guest at Leominster on Tuesday at the annual meeting and banquet of the I. O. O. F. Past Grand association of Worcester County and made an address. Mr. Perry also spoke at the patriotic meeting of the Leominster grange on Friday evening, April 15.

John Sherlock, a former motorman on the Lowell and Fitchburg Electric Railway, who went to California, eight months ago, returned to town last Saturday.

The mandolin club of the high school go to Millbury tonight where they will play at a cantata given by the high school there.

Jerome W. Wright has improved the home place of his father, the late Walter Wright, on East Main street, by building a large and broad piazza on the front of the house, and has made other additions that has improved the house very much.

W. T. Taylor, while crossing the railroad bridge Wednesday, his horse became frightened and ran down the hill at a lively pace and in turning the corner near the Sherwin storehouse, the spokes of two of the wheels broke away from the hubs and tipped over the wagon loaded with

fertilizer, dumping the stuff on the ground, which he reloaded in another wagon and started for his home in Groton.

Barnes Perry and Irene Charvin have been given the honors in the graduation exercises of the senior class of the high school in June.

The Otis Brigham house on Washington street, was sold by auction last Saturday afternoon and Charles L. Farnsworth was the purchaser at the price of \$2,350. He is now a resident of the Holmes' house and will occupy the Brigham house right away.

John M. Maloney, Esq., owner of the corner lot of land on Williams street adjoining the residence of P. H. Hooley, is planning to build a residence on his lot the coming summer of fall. It is a fine location for a residence of our popular and energetic townsman.

The St. Mary A. C. defeated the Charlestown A. C. in a well-played game of baseball on the Civic club field, April 19, at 10.30 a. m., the score being 12 to 7. The Ayer boys had an easy time up to the seventh inning, when Charlestown secured three runs.

In the afternoon the Ayer A. C. played the West Chelmsfords at the same field and defeated them by a score of 6 to 3.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Braffs, April 5, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Murphy, April 23.

Mrs. Percy N. Lawrence gave a bridge whist party, last week week Thursday afternoon, at her new home on Nashua street. There were three tables. It was a very social and enjoyable affair and Mrs. Lawrence entertained very nicely.

Last week Friday a Peerless automobile belonging to a man in New Hampshire, was partially destroyed by the burning of the gasoline in the tank caused by the leakage in a pipe, while in front of the residence of Nelson Root on the Shirley road. It cost when new, about \$3,500 and the owner does not know whether to sell it in its present condition or have it repaired by the builders. It is still in charge of E. O. Proctor and in the shed of Mr. Phelps, nearby.

There was one of the largest gatherings of masons at the exemplification of the capular degrees held at Fitchburg, Tuesday, April 19, known for years. The following members of Bancroft chapter attended: John F. Lentz, H. H. Proctor, O. K. Pierce, W. E. Murphy, L. H. Cushing, E. H. Bigelow, R. C. Parker, Wm. A. Wright, H. S. Turner, Geo. H. C. Turner, S. N. Lougee of Harvard, C. F. Johnson of Littleton and C. F. Watts of Holliston.

E. B. Heywood, a former ticket agent at the railway station here, and Boston and Maine station agent at Winchendon, has resigned his position there and William W. Preston, telegraph operator and freight clerk at Shirley for the Boston and Maine has been appointed to fill the vacancy at Winchendon, going there next week. The henhouses of Albert M. Phelps on Pleasant street were entered last Wednesday night by breaking the lock of his henhouse and carrying off seven of his hens. Sunday night the henhouse of Alfred Smith, son of Douglas C. Smith, was entered and six of his hens and a two-dollar rooster were carried off. Several in town, during the last four weeks, have had stolen from their henhouses a lot of their poultry. It is time something should be done to capture the hen thieves and parties in town are suspected of being the thieves.

William Brown, druggist, invited Tuesday evening, the Civic club gymnasium boys, to his summer cottage at Sandy pond and they had a very enjoyable time as he entertained in many ways, serving them with light refreshments. Mr. Brown, since the starting of the gymnasium, has taken considerable interest in the boys and is looking out for their welfare and they appreciate his efforts in their behalf.

A cantata, "The wreck of the Hesperus," will be given in town hall, Friday evening, May 6, by the high school. There will be a miscellaneous program of solos and readings by Miss Modest Faneuf. Tickets on sale by high school scholars.

Recital. The recital given in Page hall, Thursday evening, by Misses Nina and Mary Fletcher, with Ernest Harrison as accompanist was a musical treat of a very high order. Miss Nina Fletcher has a wonderful mastery of the violin and impressed the large audience with what years of application to any art can do for one. Many good musicians considered the music that evening as fine as they ever listened to. Miss Mary Fletcher delighted all with her carefully trained voice and showed remarkable reserved power. A wonderful feature of the program was that neither of the Misses Fletcher had a note to look at during the entire program. The townspeople showed their appreciation of the artists by the large attendance and attention at this recital. Not a sound from the audience, except the loud applause was heard scarcely during the whole evening, and at the close of the recital many of the audience hastened to the stage entrance to congratulate the highly accomplished sisters whom they justly are proud to claim as natives of our town. The accompanist performed his part perfectly upon the beautiful parlor grand Miller piano. Each artist responded to encores.

Death. Mrs. Mahitable Gardner Huntington passed away at her pretty home on Washington street extension, on Tuesday, April 19. The cause of her death was heart failure. The deceased was eighty-one years and seven months of age and was the widow of Ezra Huntington, who passed away four years ago.

Mrs. Huntington was a native of Danvers, this state, where she was married fifty years ago and afterwards settled in Manchester, N. H., where she lived all the years of her married life. The deceased has been a true and devoted wife and mother, and is deeply mourned by her family. Those who survive her are one son, Harvey

Moore Huntington and wife, who now live in Ayer; Mrs. Alice Huntington Meade and Miss Ellen Lucy Huntington, also of Ayer. There are three grandchildren, Paul O. Huntington, now in Tufts college; Ruth B., and Frederick W. Huntington, who are now attending school in town.

The funeral was held Friday afternoon, at sunset, from her late home, Rev. W. H. Morris of Nashua, N. H., the family pastor for years in Manchester, N. H., officiating. Burial was in Cedar Grove cemetery, Peabody.

George Porter Brown, a former resident of this town, died last Sunday in Winchester, where he had been a resident for over forty years. If he had lived until next August he would have been seventy-four years of age. Before locating here he was a resident of Groton, and had spent part of his boyhood days there, attending the public schools and Lawrence academy. He was the son of the late George Henry Brown who was postmaster here under Lincoln's administration, his son being assistant postmaster, and both were well known here by the older residents of the town.

George Porter Brown was the first druggist who started business here and it was in 1858, and the drugstore and postoffice were in the Union hall building, where is now the American house, corner of Main street and Merchants' row.

Mr. Brown left here in 1863, selling out his drug business to Dr. Babcock, which was carried on by Mr. Wheeler, son-in-law of Dr. Babcock, and he sold it out to George C. Brock, who left here for Lowell, where he is now a resident.

After Mr. Brown sold out his business here he carried on the drug business in Springfield for a few months, selling out and moving to Winchester in 1864. While in the drug business there he filled several town positions for years, among them town clerk, and retired from business several years ago. He leaves a son, Harry W. Brown, and a grandson, Leland Johnson of Steelton, Pa.

The funeral services were held in the Unitarian church in Winchester, Wednesday afternoon and S. F. Farnsworth, Mrs. Helen M. Turner, Mr. Brown's sister, and Mrs. M. L. Savage went from here to the funeral and burial was in Winchester.

A Good Time. About fifty members of the local G. A. R., W. R. C. and Sons of Veterans took a barge ride to Shirley Centre, Tuesday evening, April 19, having been invited as participating guests in a patriotic meeting and entertainment held by Shirley grange in the town hall. The entertainment consisted of speeches, readings and music, each order having a part in same. The Sons of Veterans drum corps, which has been recently organized and equipped, was present and its selections were among the prominent features of the evening. Refreshments were served in the lower hall, and in all, a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all, and while there was a little rain on the return ride, yet it was not sufficiently wet to dampen the patriotism and pleasure of the party.

The First Fatal Accident. Sixty-two years ago Wednesday, April 20, John Park of this town was killed at the Main street railroad crossing, now closed. At the time of this accident the railway station of the Fitchburg railroad was located at Flanagan's crossing, about where the cutlery factory of Robert Murphy & Sons is located.

John Parker had in the carriage with him at the time, a man that he was conveying to the railroad station and in crossing the tracks the man saw the approaching train and grabbed from Mr. Park, the reins, slacking up the speed of the horse and jumped out in time to escape being killed.

Willard B. Bacon of old mill district, Harvard, was the switchman at the Main street crossing at the time and witnessed the accident. It was the first and only person that was killed at this crossing that had been traveled over for so many years.

Samuel Butter, dealer in metal in Boston, had fifteen or twenty men for three weeks cleaning up the debris at the Haynes-Piper Co.'s plant and finished this week. The ground where the building stood, that was destroyed by fire, presents a much improved appearance.

Rebekah Lodge. "The traveling well" was presented to Vesta Rebekah lodge by Prosperity Rebekah lodge of Leominster on Wednesday evening. It was the largest meeting of the kind held in town for years. The members of Prosperity lodge came in a special car. About seventy members came and one hundred and twenty-five were present at the banquet served at 7.30 p. m. The service in connection with the well was unique and interesting. One must see it to know what it is like; and to see it you must belong to the order.

A business meeting was carried on in the most ridiculous manner to illustrate how ladies meetings in churches are sometimes carried on. Vesta Rebekah lodge are to take the well to Pepperell on Tuesday evening, May 10.

Alonzo Hodgkins and Elmer Hodgkins, both of Pepperell, were before the court on Thursday, charged with assault and battery upon Louis E. Bernard at Pepperell, April 19. After a hearing, Alonzo was found not guilty and Elmer was found guilty and fined ten dollars, which he paid.

Fred Duford of Westford was before court, April 18, charged with assault and battery on Robert Jones the same town, April 16. On that he was found guilty and sentenced to the house of correction at East Cambridge, for three months.

The officer of Westford, Edson G. Boynton, who had Duford in charge, left the courtroom for the clerk's room to secure the papers for his commitment, and on return to the courtroom for his prisoner, he found he had flown. Diligent search was made for Duford about town and a lookout for him at

the railroad station, but no Duford could be found.

Exhibit and Entertainment.

The Sewing school of the Woman's club closed its winter session last Saturday with a public exhibit in the town hall.

The year's work has been one of the most successful in the history of the school, and the club has reason to be proud of this branch of its work. The corps of teachers has been made up of women faithful and successful in the work. The children have been very regular in attendance, and the results satisfactory.

In connection with the exhibit, was an entertainment which included recitations by Gertrude Briggs, Priscilla Mullin, Ruth Griffin, Gertrude McCarty, Alice O'Connor, Ruth Powers, Norma Bryant and Mae Milliken; a practical demonstration by Mrs. Barker's class of the work done by its members, and selections by the high school orchestra.

At the close the children were served with ice cream and cake by courtesy of the club, the committee in charge being Mrs. Carrie Bigelow and Mrs. Mary Farr, assisted by Miss Emma Butterfield.

Church Services.

The special religious services at the Baptist church during the week have been well attended and interesting. Rev. W. E. Waterbury will speak next Sunday at 10.45 a. m., and at seven p. m. The singing is an important feature of these meetings. Unitarian church services at 10.45. Dr. Plak will preach on "What religion does for man." Sunday school at twelve m. The Y. P. R. U. will go to Groton and join in service with the union there.

At St. Andrew's church, Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Brockhead of Groton school in charge. Holy communion at ten o'clock, morning prayer and sermon at eleven o'clock. Sunday school at twelve. Services in charge of Mr. Hilliard at Forge Village at 4.30 p. m.

LITTLETON.

About Town.

Several years ago the ladies of the Orthodox society gave an "Experience" party in their vestry, telling how they each earned their individual dollar for the benefit of general affairs. It was one of the most interesting parties ever held there, according to the opinion of outsiders. Wednesday, April 27, there will be another one, and in addition, there will be a sale of aprons, ice cream and cake and a varied entertainment in charge of a capable committee. Come, 7.30. Admission free.

At the residence of the late Mrs. Sarah M. Battles in West Acton, there will be a sale of real estate and personal property on Saturday afternoon, April 30, at one o'clock. F. H. Farmer, auctioneer.

SHIRLEY.

Altrurian.

The regular meeting of the Altrurian club was held at their room on Thursday afternoon, April 21. The president being absent, the vice-president, Miss M. A. Holden, presided, opening the meeting at three o'clock. The secretary, Miss Grace M. Kilburn, gave the minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. F. M. Ballou presided at the piano.

The subjects for the afternoon were "How can public spirit be aroused" by Mrs. M. M. Nickless and "The village beautiful" by Mrs. M. J. Conant. Mrs. Bolton gave an interesting account of the old roads and boundaries and other interesting facts concerning Shirley. The papers were all excellent and instructive. A spirited discussion followed. Meeting adjourned till May 5, when "Practical applications of suggestions during the year" will be given.

The club will hold its usual spring rummage sale at its room, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and evenings the second week in May.

News Items.

Mr. Sandlin and son went to Boston Wednesday to visit Mrs. Sandlin at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knox were visitors at Lynn the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Baker visited friends at West Acton, their former home, Tuesday.

J. Edward Pomfret is a member of the board of registrars for three years. The class of 1909 of the Shirley high school will give a social dance at town hall, the Centre, Friday evening, April 29, for the benefit of the piano fund. Barges will leave the railway station at 7.30 p. m. There will be good music.

An illustrated lecture upon North China will be given in the Congregational church vestry, on Sunday evening, April 24, at seven o'clock.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will hold its regular monthly meeting in the church vestry Wednesday evening, April 27. Supper will be served at 6.30, which will be followed with an address by Mr. Fred O'Connell, mayor of Fitchburg. This meeting will be one of special interest.

M. W. Longley will sell by public auction on Saturday, April 23, at 1.30 o'clock, the personal property belonging to Mrs. Cynthia E. Lynch of Shirley.

Beautifying the Town.

The second meeting of the residents of the town to take action relative to the cleaning and beautifying of the town was held in Engine hall on Thursday evening, when it was voted to arrange a meeting between Henry L. Farnsworth, road commissioner, and Herbert F. Taylor, superintendent of the Industrial school, for the purpose of deciding just what days will be set aside for the cleaning of the streets, so that the residents can cooperate with them as much as possible.

The idea of forming a permanent organization was discussed at length with no definite action being taken. It was voted to meet again at the call of the secretary.

New Advertisements

Board of Selectmen

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 100, Revised Laws, that George H. Hill has applied for a sixth class license to sell intoxicating liquors as a druggist at No. 7, Page's Block, Ayer, Mass., first floor, and basement for storage. ELIZABETH D. STONE, Chairman. Ayer, Mass., April 20, 1910. 2122

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## LITTLETON.

**News Items.**  
Elmar A. Flagg and family moved last Monday into Edwin N. Robinson's house at the common, recently purchased of George W. Whitcomb.

William Proctor had the misfortune to break two of his ribs last week. He is apparently gaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Kimball have entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lovelace and little daughter Marion of Worcester this week.

F. O. Stiles has bought the orchard strip of land near Great road, belonging formerly to Mr. Davidson.

Paul L. Brown is the owner of a Pierce-Arrow runabout.

The selectmen have organized with Hon. Frank A. Patch chairman and Fred C. Hartwell, clerk. They have appointed A. E. Hopkins, fire warden; N. B. Conant, inspector of milk and vinegar and sealer of weights and measures. Special police chosen are: B. Frank Jacobs, J. L. Pingrey, Fritz Puhpal, T. J. Mannion, C. H. Yapp, G. H. Chandler; Dr. J. N. Murray, inspector of animals; A. E. Hopkins, local superintendent of the moth department.

The pupils of the Centre and the Union schools have just finished their vacation of one week.

L. H. S. baseball team won from Bromfield academy, Tuesday, 8 to 3. The game was played in Harvard and showed good all-round work. Godfrey's pitching is said to have deserved special commendation. Our boys expect to play Ayer high school in Littleton, next week, Wednesday afternoon.

James McNiff of Taylor street is reported as making little if any improvement.

The ladies of the Baptist society held their missionary meeting at Mrs. E. N. Robinson's this week, Thursday. Mrs. Henry and Miss Martin had charge of the program.

Next week, Wednesday evening, the Farther Lights society will meet with Miss Gladys Kimball, for the annual meeting. Time 7.30.

Edwin A. Cox is the census enumerator for Littleton.

The Improvement society met as scheduled in the selectmen's room, town hall, Monday evening. Committees were chosen to attend to the various undertakings of the society. Announcement was made of the gift to the society by B. Stow Hager of a handsome iron fountain to be placed on the triangle, nearly opposite the Baptist church. The water supply for the fountain is the gift of the Conant & Houghton firm. The next meeting of the Improvement society will be Tuesday evening, May 3. A force of men have been setting out trees by the roadside this week.

Since the publication of last week's paper, the correspondent has learned that in addition to the music produced on organ by Miss Tenney and violin by Miss Mildred Flagg for the reception and the tea, they composed the exceptionally dainty and sweet selection to which Mrs. Lawrence and Mrs. Priest danced the minuet.

Miss Martha Taylor of Westford will address the Woman's club on Monday afternoon at the Baptist vestry on "An auto trip through England." There will be singing by the Ladies' quartet. The nominating committee chosen at the last meeting consists of Mrs. Elizabeth Conant, Mrs. Mattie F. Godfrey and Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence.

Mrs. J. W. Godfrey and Mrs. A. W. Knowlton attended the county convention of King's Daughters in Somerville on Monday.

Edwin A. Cox is census enumerator of Littleton.

The assessors have completed the assessment of personal property and will begin assessing real estate in another week.

Miss Mabel Pickard of Boston spent Patriots' day with her mother at Jeremiah Warren's; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace B. Conant of Concord spent the day at N. B. Conant's; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Prouty were at Mr. William Brown's; Miss Natalie Sleeper was the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. M. Hartwell; Herford Hartwell of Somerville was at J. M. Hartwell's; Henry Brown of Boston was a recent guest at Miss L. J. Brown's; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Ross were Patriots' day visitors at W. H. Brown's; Stanley Newton entertained a party of friends at his home, April 19; Glen Salmon spent the day with Walter Boireau at A. T. Kimball's.

Last Monday evening Rev. H. Bellows Drew and Ralph Conant attended the Christian Endeavor rally at Maynard, where Mr. Drew spoke on "Divisionism." He is president and Mr. Conant is vice-president of the C. E. union of this district. Next Monday evening, Mr. Drew will lecture at the Union church in Concord on "My first parish." There will also be music by a quartet and violin solos by Miss Mildred Flagg. A large number of persons will attend the Baptist and the Congregational churches of Littleton. The lecture is to be given for the benefit of the C. E. Union.

Mrs. James Ireland and son William are weekend guests of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Hibbard in Winchester.

Wallace Flagg has a position as surveyor for the Chicago and Northwestern railway, with headquarters in Chicago.

Mr. Cooper is making extensive repairs and improvements on the Allen Kimball house, Great road.

B. F. Jeffrey has converted the Nashoba schoolhouse into an attractive dwelling of two apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kimball entertained a party of friends at their home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. A. W. Turner has been visiting at the H. F. Proctor home, and Mr. Turner has also been there for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb spent Patriots' day at Henry Robbins' in Newton.

The grange conferred the third and fourth degrees upon a large class, Wednesday evening. The deputy inspector was present.

## Reception.

The Unitarian society held a very pleasant reception in the beautiful auditorium of the vestry last week, Thursday, in honor of their pastor and his bride. Fairy fingers gave artistic touches to the quantities of laurel used for ornamentation. Symmetrical hemlocks and fragrant cut flowers completed the decorations.

Rev. and Mrs. Drummond were assisted in receiving their friends from the three societies by Mrs. Hendley, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Hosmer and Mrs. Priest, venerable members of the Unitarian society and supporters of its various organizations.

Mrs. S. E. Whitcomb read a fine original poem which she afterwards presented to Mr. and Mrs. Drummond.

Refreshments of cream and cake and fruitade were served and the guests enjoyed one of the delightful socials for which Littleton people are noted. The Cynthian orchestra, reinforced by U. H. Barrows of Ayer contributed much to the entertainment of the evening.

## Forest Fire.

An alarm for fire in New State woods was given Sunday morning and again Sunday afternoon. A good force responded to the call and gained control over the threatening flames. The actual loss by fire is reported as comparatively small.

The men who come with shovel and spade and toil for the protection of property, although willing to do their part, experience no fun and find no poetry in fighting forest fires. In some cases, no doubt, they could be spared the exhausting work, the exposure to smoke and flames and other inconveniences if everybody exercised proper care with matches and took fewer risks in burning brush.

## The Churches.

Mrs. Langsdale of Tewksbury again occupied the Congregational pulpit last Sunday.

At the Baptist church next Sunday evening there will be a vesper service.

Miss Sarah F. White, leader of the Guild meeting at the Unitarian church, will speak on "Martin Luther."

At the spring meeting of the Congregational church of this district, held in South Acton, on Wednesday, Waldo E. Conant was moderator and Charles A. Kimball was one of the speakers. The general subject was: "The relation of the church to social problems." Mr. Kimball's particular subject was: "These principles as applied by the working man." Rev. John L. Sewall, our former townsman, spoke on "A practical experiment in co-operation." The delegates from the Littleton church were, Mrs. Esten, Miss Elizabeth Houghton, the Sunday school superintendent, and the clerk.

Don't forget the experience party with entertainment and sale of aprons, May baskets and ice cream and candy at the Orthodox church, Wednesday evening, April 27.

Rev. T. G. Langsdale of Tewksbury will again occupy the Congregational pulpit next Sunday.

The Junior Endeavor society of the Baptist church will observe their fifth anniversary Sunday evening, April 24. The service will be held in the church auditorium and will consist of exercises appropriate to the occasion.

Sunday morning Rev. H. B. Drew will preach the sermon on his sermon of last Sunday, taking for his subject, "There was a poor man."

The Lincoln club will meet at the Baptist vestry next Monday night when they will have a speaker and other attractions.

Littleton was well represented at the Congregational conference at South Acton, Wednesday. Fifteen people attended and report an excellent meeting. Rev. P. G. Favor was among the ministers present.

## About Town.

Under the Back log auspices, the annual Sunset party was the largest one for a long time. Many from out-of-town being present and about forty from Westford. About sixty children had the hall before supper. The hall was prettily decorated with flags and the national colors. Music, an orchestra of five pieces. The committee furnished a fine supper for about 250. Many home comers were noticed among the evening's company.

Mrs. M. J. Priest and Mrs. Janet Jacobs are making an extended visit with their children in East Orange, N. J.

Last Saturday, George Wright and family with Prof. Smith and family of the Lowell Textile school were guests at W. E. Conant's.

The warrant calls for a parish meeting in the Unitarian vestry, Monday evening, April 25.

Wallace Greenwood of Worcester, has spent the past week here with his aunt, Mrs. Adelia Parker, and on Monday Mrs. Emma Greenwood, his mother was here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Flagg, have visited the past week with their son and family in Andover.

The Unitarian Guild here will attend the neighborhood meeting of guilds in Groton, Sunday evening, April 24.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb were in Newton over the holiday at their daughter's, Mrs. Henry A. Robbins.

G. W. Prouty is in New York this week.

## BOXBOROUGH.

### News Items.

The last week of the Borough Pomona for this season was held here, April 14, with one of the largest gatherings we have had, dinner being served to one hundred and sixty-two patrons. The question for the morning session: "With the same amount of capital invested, are the results of business like farming more profitable than any other trade or profession?" was opened by Rev. F. H. Viets in the affirmative and F. H. Stevens in the negative. The afternoon session was public and West Acton G. A. R. post and the W. R. C., were present and united with the grange in a patriotic meeting.

Mrs. George Keyes has returned from a pleasant visit with her sisters in Sheffield and Waterbury, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Littlefield spent Sunday in Marlboro.

C. B. Robbins commenced his duties as juror in Lowell on Wednesday morning.

A large and enthusiastic audience was present at the Old Folks' concert, the proceeds of which are to start a fund towards purchasing a piano for the church vestry.

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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ALFRED WEATHERBY, late of Townsend 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, to appear by MARTHA J. WEATHERBY, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named.

It is hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of May 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 hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

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

3121 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of FREDERICK 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.

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

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF  
REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Catherine and Thomas Haley of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Mary K. Fletcher of said Pepperell dated March thirteenth, 1894, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, libro 2259, folio 321 and assigned to Augustus Woods of Groton in said County by assignment dated October twenty-fifth, 1895, and recorded with Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, libro 2435, folio 424, for breach of condition contained therein, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction upon the premises, near the buildings thereon, on Tuesday, the third day of May A. D. 1910, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows, viz.:

"A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the Easterly part of said Pepperell and on the westerly side of the road leading from H. A. Parker's mills to Pine Orchard School House so called, and containing twenty-four square rods more or less and bounded as follows, viz. Beginning at the north-easterly corner of the premises on said road at land of Phillip Attridge; thence running westerly by said Attridge land one hundred and twenty-two feet to a stone bound at land of heirs of John Sullivan; thence southerly by said Sullivan's land fifty feet to land of Mark Riley; thence easterly by said Riley's land one hundred and thirty-eight feet to the above said road; thence northerly by said road fifty feet to the place of beginning."

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Boston Congressional Districts Will Have Sharp Contests For Democratic Nominations—Fitzgerald Machine Will Oppose Congressmen Kellher and Andrews

The political situation in Massachusetts is somewhat mixed just at the present moment. So far as the Republicans are concerned there seems to be no doubt that Governor Draper and Lieutenant Governor Frothingham will be renominated. There seems to be some doubt, however, in regard to the nomination for state auditor. Hon. Henry E. Turner of Malden, who has filled that position for several years, is now in the south, endeavoring to recuperate from a severe illness. Whether he will be able to resume his duties seems at the present uncertain. If he should not, the Republicans will be called upon to nominate someone for state auditor.

There is much speculation as to the outcome of the pending contest in the Democratic party for the gubernatorial nomination. It had been supposed until quite recently that ex-Senator James H. Vahey of Water-town, who has headed the Democratic ticket for the last two years, would be accorded a renomination without opposition. This is no longer regarded as possible. Powerful influences in the Democratic party in Boston and the state seem to demand that Mr. Vahey retire and give up the nomination to Congressman Eugene N. Foss of Boston. Mr. Vahey has absolutely refused to retire and will make a contest for renomination from now until the date of the state convention. Mayor John F. Coughlin of Fall River is also a candidate.

It is said that the recent city election in Boston has some bearing on this situation. Mr. Foss is understood to have been of great assistance to the campaign of Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, and it is claimed that for this reason the latter has started out to reward Mr. Foss with the Democratic nomination for governor.

Will Foss Be Strong?

There seems to be a feeling quite general among Democrats that Mr. Foss would be a strong candidate if he could be nominated without antagonizing Mr. Vahey and his friends. The backers of Mr. Foss say that he could not very well again accept the nomination for lieutenant governor after occupying a seat in congress. They think that would be progressing backward. It seems to be their view that he must either secure the nomination for governor or again be a candidate for congress. In view of the fact that he pledged himself on every stump in the Fourteenth district not to run for re-election, it hardly seems possible that he could break faith with the voters and run for re-election there. Even his own friends do not see how he could expect to be believed again if he should violate a statement so openly and repeatedly made to the people of the Fourteenth district. It would show exactly what value was to be put upon any statement of his in the future.

The Years 1890 and 1910

In a general way Democrats say that political conditions this year greatly resemble those of 1890. Republicans reply that if this is so, it ought to teach the voters a useful lesson. In 1890 the McKinley tariff bill had just been enacted. The Democrats raised a great hue and cry against this bill, greatly misrepresenting its provisions and effects, and ascribing it to the high prices then prevailing. Republicans assert that it was due to this misrepresentation that in the fall of that year a national house of representatives was elected with an overwhelming Democratic majority, and Democratic governors chosen in quite a number of northern states. The people showed plainly by their ballots that they believed conditions were due to the tariff act, and evidently thought these conditions might be improved by putting the Democrats in power. Political economists declare now, as they declared then, that high prices were due to circumstances wholly outside of the tariff.

Nevertheless, the continuing impetus of the victories of 1890 gave the Democratic party complete control of the government in 1892, including the president, senate and house. This was followed immediately by a prostrating financial panic, for which the Democratic party disclaimed responsibility. The Republicans recall that immediately after the inauguration of President Cleveland in 1893, the Democratic party prepared to carry out its promises to reform the tariff. After a long struggle among themselves they did pass the "Wilson" tariff bill, which Mr. Cleveland characterized as a "tariff of perfidy and dishonor," because he did not believe it represented Democratic principles. It is a contention of Republicans that the four years of depression in business,

stagnation in manufactures, and fears and anxiety over our financial condition were wholly the result of Democratic control and the passage of the "Wilson" tariff bill. During that time hundreds of thousands of workers were thrown out of employment by the shutting down of factories, shops and mills, and to prevent them from actual starvation, free soup houses were established in all the large industrial centres of the country to feed the unemployed.

Undoubtedly the campaign this year will be made by the Democratic party along the same lines as those of 1890 and 1892, when they promised an era of great prosperity if returned to power by the people.

Boston Fight For Congress

There is likely to be considerable interest in the contest for the Democratic nomination to congress in the Ninth district. Congressman John A. Kellher is a candidate for renomination. He will be opposed by Wm. F. Murray, a member of the governor's council of this year. Mr. Kellher will be opposed because he supported James J. Storrow for mayor against John F. Fitzgerald. Mr. Fitzgerald, it is said, has promised to relegate him to private life. With all the patronage of the city of Boston at the mayor's control, it looks as if Mr. Kellher would have a pretty hard time to be renominated and re-elected. Nevertheless, it is not an impossibility that he might win both nomination and election if he is wise.

Mr. Fitzgerald will do everything in his power for Murray, and so will Martin Lomasney and most of the other influential Democratic leaders. Mr. Kellher has made a very good member of congress and Mr. Murray is an estimable man.

In the Eleventh congressional district it is now understood the mayor will oppose the renomination of Congressman Andrew J. Peters for the same reason as he opposes Mr. Kellher. Mr. Peters thought James J. Storrow would make a better mayor than Mr. Fitzgerald. There is no forgiving such treason as that. The political judges think the chances of Mr. Peters are not very good with the political machine of Boston against him. It is said that ex-Senator Dowd of Roxbury is the man who will be backed for the nomination by the Democratic organization. The fight in this district may result in the election of a Republican if that party is wise enough to nominate a strong man to oppose the Democratic nominee.

**New Advertisements.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court, To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of HERBERT J. HARWOOD, late of Littleton in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased, to the said HERBERT J. HARWOOD and RICHARD G. HARWOOD of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on their bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the second day of May 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 petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guide, 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 fifth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

3131 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court, To all persons interested in the estate of GILBERT HARDY, late of Ayer in said County, deceased, Intestate.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the fifth day of May 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 administrator is ordered to deliver a copy of this citation to each of the persons interested in the estate, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guide, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

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

3131 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court, To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of JOSEPH A. HARWOOD, late of Littleton in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate not already administered of said deceased, to JOSEPH A. HARWOOD and RICHARD G. HARWOOD of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without requiring a surety on their bond.

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

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**BROOKLINE, N. H.**

News Items.

Mrs. Martha Bromley, who has spent the winter at the parsonage, goes to the family homestead, in Vermont this week for the summer.

Mrs. Josephine Stiles is at home after a sojourn for several months at Nashua, with her daughter, Miss Marion A. Stiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Gilson of Townsend were the guests of Mr. Clinton D. Gilson and son, Sunday.

Thomas Magner of Salem, Mass., is in town superintending the shipping of granite from the Corey quarry.

Members of the Methodist choir recently surprised Mrs. Frank Maynard and presented her with a handsome lemonade set.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Randall and little son have gone to Cornish, Me. They have stored their household goods for the present.

Edward C. Tucker has been re-appointed truant officer and Dr. Holcombe member of the board of health.

Dr. Holcombe spent the weekend and Sunday at Winchester, Mass.

Fred A. Hall commenced his duties as census enumerator for Brookline and Mason, Friday, April 15.

James Lawrence of Pepperell is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Corey.

Ralph Greely and Miss Maude Taylor spent Sunday at Amherst.

Mrs. O. D. Fessenden and daughter Blanche, are at home from Everett, Mass.

Rev. D. H. Hickey has been appointed pastor of the Methodist church at Linden, Mass.

Albert Foster, a former resident of Brookline, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Emma C. Tarbell, at Lyndeboro, Sunday, April 17, aged eighty-four years. He is survived by a daughter and four sisters, Mrs. J. A. Hall of Brookline, Mrs. Mary Scripture, Miss Dorcas Foster and Mrs. Elizabeth Foster of Fitchburg. The funeral took place at the home of his daughter, Wednesday, Mrs. J. A. Hall and Alpha A. Hall attended the funeral.

Miss Josephine Seaver has been ill for the past ten days at Reed's Ferry, where she is visiting.

Mrs. Sargent and Miss Florence Sargent of Putnam, Conn., spent Patriots' day at their summer cottage.

Mrs. Louise Monroe Wood and daughter Florence, of Hyde Park, are guests at the Elmwood. Mrs. Woods is a prominent member of the Woman's club.

Rev. J. N. Seaver will commence his pastorate at the M. E. church, Sunday, April 24.

Mr. and Mrs. David Barnaby of Leominster are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Barnaby.

Warren Shattuck of Royalton, Vt., is at the home of his sister, Miss Caroline Shattuck.

Mrs. Luther Lawrence, who has been detained at home by illness for several weeks, was able to attend church last Sunday.

Miss Lenora Bradley is the guest of Mrs. Mary Cox. Miss Bradley is to return to the apartments at the Cox homestead for the summer.

The program at the local grange, Wednesday evening, April 13, was discussion, "The federal income tax," W. J. Bailey, C. R. Russell, F. A. Hall, Clara E. Russell, readings, Mrs. Hattie Slocombe, Gladys Slocombe; vocal selections, Annie and Mildred Gilman, Ethel and Maude Taylor; the Dicker party caused much merriment. The grange voted to hold a fair this coming fall. Wednesday evening, April 27, will be neighbors' night and Hollis grange will furnish the entertainment. Supper will be served under the supervision of Mrs. Clara E. Russell.

**HOLLIS, N. H.**

News Items.

The high school baseball team played a game April 16, with Wilton high on Wilton grounds. Hollis was defeated by score of 12 to 3.

Clifford H. Burbee will enter Mount Hermon school, April 23. He is a member of Hollis high, class of 1910. He expects to finish with Hollis high with his studies at Mount Hermon.

Otis D. Goodwin came home from Lynn Saturday and remained until after the 19th.

The Woman's club met with Mrs. P. A. Powers, Wednesday afternoon. Forty ladies were in attendance. The meeting was addressed by Rev. Van Der Pyl of Haverhill, Mass., on Dutch peasant life. Mr. Van Der Pyl was a very interesting speaker and gave an interesting lecture, which held the close attention of all present for more than an hour.

Wednesday evening, the first of a series of lectures, under the auspices of the grange, was given in grange hall, by Hon. Richard Pattee, master of New Hampshire grange. His subject was "Possibilities and prospects." Mr. Pattee is a logical speaker and gave an excellent lecture.

George W. Hardy is quite ill with pneumonia. A. F. Hildreth attends to his mail and passenger route.

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**WEEK DAY TIME.**

Leave Merrimack Square, Lowell for Boston via Tewksbury and Reading to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlestown—6.45 a. m., every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. Sundays—Same as week days. Return—Leave Sullivan Square—6.45 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. Sundays—7.45 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.15 p. m.

Boston via North Billerica, Billerica Centre, Buxton, Ayer, Winchester, and Medford to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlestown—5.25 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.25 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12.25 p. m. until 9.55 p. m.) 10.25 p. m. to Woburn only. Sundays—6.55 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.55 p. m. 10.25 p. m. to Sullivan Square Terminal—6.32 a. m., and every 30 minutes until 9.32 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 11.32 a. m. until 9.32 p. m. Sundays—7.32 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.32 p. m.

Lawrence—6.15, 6.35, 6.40 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10.40 p. m. Sundays—7.10 a. m., then same as week days. Return—Leave Lawrence—6.20, 6.40, 6.50 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10.50 p. m. Sundays—7.20 a. m., then same as week days.

North Chelmsford via Middlesex Street—6.15, 6.35, 6.55, 7.05 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11.33 p. m. Sundays—7.33, 8.03 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 10.33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5.30, 5.55, 6.30, 6.57, 7.13 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m., then 11.48 p. m. Sundays—8.03 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m.

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

Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—5.18, 6.00, 6.55, 7.18 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.48 p. m., then 10.45 p. m. Sundays—6.18 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10.18 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—5.40, 6.20, 6.57, 7.33 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m., then 11.23 p. m. Sundays—6.40 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m. THOMAS LEES, Supt.

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Saturday, April 23, 1910.

## PEPPERELL.

### Wedding.

Miss Ethel Mae Billings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Billings of Worcester, formerly of Pepperell and Charles H. Mills were united in marriage, Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock, by Rev. Edward Payson Drew, pastor of Old South church, Worcester. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the immediate families. The couple were attended by Miss Anna Mae Shaw of Pepperell, as bridesmaid and Ralph H. Cross of Worcester, as best man.

The bride was attired in a tailored suit of navy blue, French serge, handsomely braided, and wore a hat of champagne colored straw, ornamented with trimmings to match the suit. The bridesmaid wore a three piece suit of Alice blue trimmed with messaline with braid. Her hat was a large black chip, ornamented with plumes.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple with their attendants left for Boston where a wedding dinner was served. Mr. and Mrs. Mills will enjoy a short wedding trip, after which they will be at home to friends and relatives at 60 Merrick street, Worcester.

### East.

The P. H. S. Alumni will hold a meeting at the home of Miss Bernice Lunt, Main street, Thursday evening, April 28, at 7.30 o'clock.

The high school baseball team won the first game of the season last Tuesday at Groton, defeating that team by the score of 4 to 3. The game was full of thrilling plays and reflects much credit on all our team. L. Chinn caught and Sullivan pitched good ball. They play in Townsend next Saturday.

The entertainment in Prescott hall, last Tuesday evening, by the high school pupils and others, was a decided success. The prize speaking contest was interesting as well as instructive, the winners were Mildred Morgan, Marguerite Deware and Russell Davey in the order named. The attendance was fair and the entire program reflects much credit on the committee from the Farmers' and Mechanics' club. The dance was well patronized.

A number of bad places in the sidewalks about town, and also the planking of the bridges are in need of immediate attention. Supt. of streets S. M. Nokes says he expects to have the most serious repaired this week.

The police department have called the attention of the public to the requirements regarding bicycles. It is much cheaper to buy a bell for night riding than to pay a fine, and also better to stay off the sidewalk than to get caught riding thereon.

A large number of citizens have been to Lowell this week to attend the suit for damages in the civil court, Sullivan vs. town of Pepperell. Mr. Sullivan, it is understood, asked for damages by reason of the street having been raised and the water not taken care of. It is alleged that his blacksmith shop has been flooded during rainy seasons. The case was ended Thursday afternoon and as the jury had not reached a decision at close of court, a sealed verdict is expected.

Mrs. Ardella Ward had her residence on High street connected by telephone, 107-2.

The special town meeting is to be held sometime the first of next month. The selectmen have received a petition and will issue the warrant at the next meeting, May 2.

Richard L. Bowser of Stoneham was a guest of F. J. Bowser, Oak Knoll, on Tuesday.

The movement in this state for another legal holiday by the establishing of Columbus day as such, is expected to be successful, for the bill awaits Gov. Draper's signature.

The Sunday evening meeting of the Babbidge Guild will be omitted this week, as the guild has accepted an invitation to meet with the Y. P. R. U., of the Unitarian church in Groton at seven o'clock.

The East Village social club will meet with Mrs. John Pierce, Wednesday afternoon, April 27. Subject, "Discoveries."

Charles Gage, Jr., is in town regarding the new business in town of manufacturing the single service paper bottle. Mr. Gage states he is receiving very encouraging results from his work. It is to be hoped that the necessary support can be secured so that we may have this important industry here.

Miss Annie F. Nutter of Winchester, was a weekend guest of F. J. Bowser, returning Wednesday.

George H. Stewart left for Springfield, Tuesday, as her sister is ill there.

Miss Maud Chinn has accepted a position in the schools at Sandown, N. H.

Miss Alice Chinn was home from Revere over the holiday.

William Scanlon is home from Boston for a couple of weeks.

Painters are at work on the buildings at the estate of Mrs. Jennie L. Williams, Oak Hill, and the new coat and lustre gives added beauty to this attractive and artistic property.

The funeral of Dr. Samuel W. Fletcher was held Thursday afternoon from his late home. The body has laid in state awaiting the arrival of his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Smith, who arrived Wednesday afternoon, having reached New York in the White Star steamer Princess Cecil, Tuesday. The funeral was one of the largest ever held here and the floral tributes the grandest by far ever seen in a country town. The gathering from far and near, including friends from many cities, reminds one of the lines from Will Carleton's "Country doctor." "Nearer my God to thee," "Rock of ages," were sweetly rendered by Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson. Services by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge. He was laid to rest beside his wife, who passed away in 1883.

Special attention is called to the supper next Friday night in the First Parish church. It is called an "Indian meal supper" and will be followed by a cosmopolitan program.

The annual ball of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., is announced for Monday evening, May 2, in Lawrence hall.

### Gleanings.

J. R. Shattuck attended the reunion of the Old Massachusetts sixth regiment at Lowell, Tuesday, April 19. Forty-seven years ago that day the regiment, enroute for Washington, passed through Baltimore, when they were mobbed and stoned, three of the soldiers being killed and over thirty wounded. A reunion has been held in memory of that day every year since the return of the Old Massachusetts 6th regiment from the war.

The wife and daughter of Rev. A. W. Nelson, pastor of the Methodist church, arrived in town on Monday last. They were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Rowell, pending the arrival of their furniture from Southbridge.

Miss Della Kemp of Medford is at the home of her mother on Pleasant street on account of illness.

Henry Harris of Pleasant street, celebrated his eighth birthday, which occurred on Sunday, April 17, the Saturday before. Quite a number of his young friends were present, each bringing gifts appropriate to the occasion. Games were played, and a very dainty supper was served including strawberries. At an early hour the young people departed to their several homes well pleased with the afternoon's entertainment.

Miss Minnie Marnell of Malden was a weekend and over the holiday visitor at the home of her aunt, Mrs. John Attridge on Cottage street.

The Misses Mary and Agnes Green of Chelsea, also, Miss Tina Manning of Cambridge were holiday guests of Mrs. L. D. Rowand of Pleasant street.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lynch of Leominster spent the holiday with Mr. Lynch's sister.

Mrs. E. E. Handley and Mrs. Archibald G. Pike were in Nashua, April 19. Mrs. Leonard Bradley has moved

from the upper tenement in Frank Hamilton's house on Main street to Brookline, N. H.

L. D. Rowand of Pleasant street spent Sunday and Monday in Boston and Chelsea.

Frank Behrens of Mill street, who has been quite ill for a number of weeks, is now able to be out again.

Jerry Thayer of Epping, N. H., was a recent guest at the home of his parents on Pleasant street.

Mrs. H. Winslow returned to her home on Pleasant street on Monday of this week. Mrs. Winslow spent the winter with her daughter, Miss Helen Winslow in New York City.

Miss Louise True of Leominster spent a part of last week with Mrs. Bemis of River street.

David Belyea has sold his place and expects soon to go to Millstream, N. B. Mr. Belyea's daughter, Miss Lu will accompany her father. Miss Ethel is to board with Mrs. Sarah Patch. Master Frank is to board in Groton.

The household goods of Rev. A. Nelson reached here from Southbridge on Tuesday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Hanna of Crescent street on Monday.

A young man from Groton employed in Johnson's livery stable came very near having a serious accident in this town on Sunday night. When turning the corner from Crescent street into Cross street, the horse was driven onto the curb, smashing a wheel and throwing the occupants of the carriage, seven in number, to the ground. No one was hurt, the young man left the damaged carriage in a yard nearby and after hiring another proceeded to Groton to make his peace with his employer and owner of the carriage.

Mrs. Hollis Jordan spent a few days with her sister in Lynn last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Deware is visiting in the family of Dr. Weaver of New Boston, N. H.

Miss Agnes O'Neal of Newton formerly of this town is not quite as well, and will soon have to return to the hospital and submit to another operation.

Ernest Bartlett of Boston was also among the number who spent Tuesday last, with friends in town.

Mrs. David Cuthbertson and Miss Lizzie McNayr were in Nashua on Tuesday, and visited Mrs. Esther Shattuck at the City hospital. Mrs. Shattuck is contented and happy and gaining a little each day.

Mrs. Putnam Webber is a little better, and hopes that she with Miss Marion and Master Fred expect soon to go to North Andover. Mrs. Webber was obliged to give up her proposed trip to Salem on account of illness.

### Centre.

Everett Boynton, a native and former resident of Pepperell, now of Swampscott, is now at the Hot Springs of Arkansas, with relatives of his wife. A picture card has been received by one of his old friends here representing the Rockefeller hotel, where he is located. A three days' journey took him there. He is about eighty-eight years old. Charles E. Boynton of Head street, is his son. He still retains his interest in Pepperell and its association with his youth.

The Woman's club held their meeting for the choice of officers at Central hall, last Wednesday afternoon, and the following officers were elected: Mrs. May B. Tarbell, pres.; Mrs. Fannie E. Bennett, Mrs. Clara Reed, Mrs. Lucy F. Saunders, vice-pres.; Mrs. Nellie M. Gutterson, rec. sec.; Mrs. Helen G. Meriam, cor. sec.; Mrs. Achsa F. Blake, treas.; Mrs. Louise A. Lunt, cust.; Mrs. Emma C. Rowell, Mrs. Alice Shattuck, Mrs. Julia C. Dunn, dir. two years; Mrs. J. Idella Ward, dir. one year.

Miss Isabelle E. Stiles of Worcester, has been a guest this week at the home of L. P. Blood, her father's cousin.

Prudence Wright's chapter flag was floating from its staff on the common on April 19, in commemoration of the day when the embattled farmers stood

on the Old North Bridge and "fired the shot heard around the world."

Kenneth T. Blood of Concord Junction has visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Blood, this week, returning home April 19, to the celebration of the day of the year in Concord.

Mrs. Oliver Richardson has been visiting at the Richardson farm this week.

F. Jewett Moore, who is professor of chemistry in Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Mrs. Moore, have been at the Reed farm the past week. They go to their summer home at Bar Harbor, Me., for their next vacation.

### About Town.

Miss Piper from Waltham, coming Monday, is visiting at Miss Ann Jewell's.

Arthur Bolles, employed at the hotel Touraine in Boston, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bolles, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Marston and child from Melrose, have been visiting at George H. Stewart's this week.

Mrs. Martha Spaulding has moved from Lucius Wilson's to Mrs. John Lawrence's on South street.

Mrs. Warren S. Clark of Maquoketa, Iowa, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Parker.

Since the accident which befell Mrs. D. R. Child, which demolished the surrey in which she was riding, is again on the streets with a handsome new carriage.

Miss Anna French, who has been on the sick list this week, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Hall of Winthrop, spent Sunday, Monday and Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. Winslow Parker. Mr. Hall is connected with the Boston office of Bradshaw's mercantile agency.

It is said that Earl M. Stewart and family will move some time in the near future to a farm which has been in the family possession for many years, situated within a few miles from Washington, D. C.

Mrs. C. G. Hamlet went to Worcester to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Alphonso Billings.

The Misses Hamilton and Pinkham arrived Saturday, April 16, at their summer cottage, off Townsend street, for the season.

The stock of the Berkshaw Co., formerly owned by Charles Baker, the superintendent, has passed into the hands of Harry Foster and Edward Glow, who are both experienced knife makers.

Prescott grange went to Townsend, Wednesday evening and presented the play, "The country minister," so successfully given here. A large number drove from Pepperell. Dancing was enjoyed until one o'clock. The play was given in Memorial hall.

Mrs. Mattie Fletcher Smith arrived Wednesday, April 20, from London, coming to attend the funeral of her father, Dr. S. W. Fletcher, which was held on Thursday, April 21. The journey from London to Pepperell was accomplished in one week.

### TOWNSEND.

#### Centre.

T. W. Tins of Ayer has rented his home place in town to Albert Blow of Fitchburg.

The Monday club was entertained by Mrs. R. G. Fessenden at Wyndcrest this week. The afternoon's program was very pleasing and consisted of readings by Mrs. Henry Hill of Southbridge, and selections upon the Victoria. Lunch was served. Among the guests were Mrs. B. F. Potter and Miss Ruth Potter of Worcester.

Miss Edith Young, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, has returned to her home at Sandown, N. H.

Arthur Eastman of M. I. T., Fred Davis and Miss Bessie McGuire of Boston, were in town over the holiday.

Mrs. Frank Wood entertained the members of the Country club last Thursday afternoon at her pleasant home on South Row. A beautiful lunch was served and a social time enjoyed.

In honor of Patriots' day, Mrs. Irving Seaver invited the members of the Country club and friends to meet with her and enjoy a musical and literary entertainment prepared for the occasion. The rooms were prettily decorated with the red, white and blue colors and plum blossoms were also used for decorations. The guest of honor was Mrs. Lucy Hardy of Amherst, who has for many years been prominent in the work of the E. M. Stanton No. 116 W. R. Corps. Refreshments were served and a pleasant afternoon enjoyed.

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The program for the grange Monday evening will be as follows: Current events, Mrs. Clara Farrar; subject, "Domestic science," Abbie A. Barber, Louise A. Tenney, Clara C. Flarity, Lillian M. Seaver, Mabel Brackett. Music in charge of Annie N. Greenleaf.

The ladies of the Congregational society are planning for a supper and sale of aprons and home made candy to be held at their vestries, Friday, April 29. The entertainment in the evening will be in charge of Mrs. Abbie A. Barber and among other things will be a unique farce and Master George Way who is a general favorite will also be in the limelight. There are to be other things at the entertainment which are not often seen and which are to remain a mystery until that night.

Mrs. W. P. Taylor left this week for a visit at her son's home at Plainfield, N. J.

Mrs. F. S. Pingry of Littleton was a guest at her daughter's, Mrs. Wilbur L. Bruce, this week.

The drama, "The country minister," as cast and played here Wednesday night by the members of the Pepperell grange was well received, the many laughable scenes keeping the audience entertained throughout the entire drama. A play of this nature always was excellently played. Thayer's orchestra furnished music for dancing afterwards.

### A Special Meeting.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange held a special meeting at the Harbor church hall, Thursday. There was a business meeting in the morning with thirty patrons present, after which a bountiful dinner was served from what was supposed to be a box lunch, but the Harbor people furnished beans, biscuits, fruit, puddings, pickles, doughnuts, pies and cakes, fairly outdoing themselves in generous hospitality. Clarence Josselyn furnished the coffee for the occasion and all enjoyed a right good dinner. During the business meeting in the morning Chas. E. Cox of Lunenburg, for ten years treasurer, was presented with a charm as a token of the grangers' appreciation of his services. The afternoon meeting was open to the public.

### Colonial Tea Party.

The colonial tea party given by the A. D. Fessenden Camp and the Phoebe Weston Farmer Tent, sons and daughters of veterans, with the members of the Townsend Memorial society and wives, and also the Townsend grange as guests, Tuesday evening, was a grand success, both as a unique and social entertainment. All were requested to appear in costumes of "ye ancient times," and many responded to the request by wearing old time silks and laces of long ago; George Washington suits, knee-bucklers and plug hats were also conspicuous among the gentry present. As the guests entered the ante-room they were served with fruit punch from dainty glasses. This table was in charge of Mrs. Inez Richards and Mrs. Grace Wright. The banquet room was fittingly decorated with flags and bunting and the tables were set for an old-fashioned tea party, with blue china and old-fashioned dishes, as far as possible. Caddies upon the tables, paper napkins, with patriotic design and horse-shoe nails tied with the national colors made the tables look very attractive; the latter nails serving the double purpose of

souvenirs and nut-picks. As the guests entered the banquet room they found a pouter, dressed in colonial costume at the head of each table. The tables were well stocked with the good things our grandmothers loved, such as graham bread, fried pies, sandwiches, cheese, tarts and nuts. The pourers were Miss Hattie Smith, Mrs. Louise Tenney, Mrs. Hattie Misner, Mrs. Helen Daisy; warmers, Mrs. Martha Wells and Emma Adams. Commander John J. Harvey acted as toastmaster and the following toasts were given: "The farmers of 1775," by Mrs. Vernal Barber of the grange; "The soldiers of the revolution," by veteran T. J. J. Harvey, of the Memorial association; "The women of the colonial period," by Miss Hattie Smith, president of the Tent; and the "Results brought about by the war," by Carl E. Willard of the Camp. Later in the evening a guessing game of "Tea-party" was played, and Mrs. A. J. Atwood won first prize on guessing the largest number of words ending with "ty" in giving unfinished sentences. Mrs. Rouy Cowdrey receiving second. Both were tried for honors with several others and received the prizes by drawing lots. All enjoyed the evening greatly and gave thanks to the sons and daughters for their entertainment.

Wm. M. Lawrence, who has been spending several weeks in the south, returned to his home Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Martin Wheeler and little child from Fitchburg, have been recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler. Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Craig have returned and opened their home here, after spending several months with relatives in Troy, N. Y. Clarence Stickney, a prominent business man of this village, and Mrs. Alice L. Proctor, widow of the late Charles M. Proctor, also of this village, were united in marriage by Rev. Benjamin A. Willmott, at his residence in Lowell, on Thursday afternoon, April 14. Edward Patch, who has been at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch of Joslyville for the past week, suffering from an attack of mumps, has returned to his work in Boston.

Rev. Mr. Hardy and family have arrived at their home on Bayberry Hill for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bruce spent a few days last week with relatives in Boston and upon their return were accompanied by their son, Walter, who is employed in Boston, who spent the holiday with his parents.

Miss Mildred L. Seaver of Boston has been enjoying a few days' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Seaver.

Rev. C. J. Harding of Palmer, a candidate for the Baptist pulpit, preached here last Sunday.

Mrs. E. R. Brayton and son Randall, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, have returned to their home in Providence.

Alden P. Sherwin, clerk at Sherwin's store, has been on the sick list and under the doctor's care for a number of days, but recovered sufficiently to enjoy a brief vacation with friends in Quincy, April 19.

G. M. Frye has been spending a few days this week on a business trip out of town.

Miss Stella Tucker of Joslyville is at present employed in Leominster.

William Lyons of Cambridge spent April 19 as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch.

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