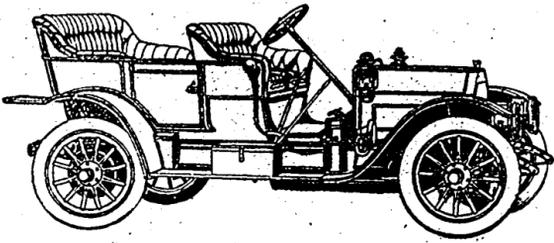


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Wednesday, Mrs. Luther Willard received word of the serious illness of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Abbie Dudley of Waterbury, Conn., and went there on Thursday morning to be with her.

Miss Ethel Parker went to Bethlehem, N. H., Saturday, for a stay in the mountain region. for the White Mountains on Friday, July 8.

Miss Katherine Lawrence spent the Fourth with her sister, Mrs. Clark in Lancaster.

Joseph Scott, a former Still River boy, but now of New York city, was the guest of Isaac Marshall on Sunday last.

Miss Katherine Mongovin, matron of the nurses home at the State hospital in Westboro, was at her mother's for the Fourth.

Miss Alice Lincoln of Somerville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sprague, from Saturday to Monday afternoon.

Elsie and Esther Smith have gone to Lynn to visit their grandmother.

Thursday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Barnes of San Francisco, Cal., arrived in Still River for a short visit. In the evening there was a social in the chapel and Mr. Barnes entertained the people with songs and anecdotes. Mr. Barnes has lived in San Francisco for many years, but gets back to Still River every few years, and always likes to have his old friends, as well as the new, and the strangers get together in the chapel for a good time.

Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Harris of Buxton, Me., a former pastor of the Still River Baptist church, arrived here on the evening train on Thursday and was here to be at the social and get a chance to meet many of his old friends.

### SHIRLEY.

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brockelman, have rented the cottage house on Harvard road, recently vacated by the George Penderseu family, and will commence housekeeping the latter part of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Brockelman have resided with his brother Henry since they were married.

Mathias Perry of Lawrence is at the home of his brother, Marshall Perry, who is critically ill with no hope of recovery.

Mrs. Albe Annis with daughter Gladys and son Harry left town on Wednesday for a visit with relatives in Malden. Mrs. Annis will return home Saturday, but the children will remain at Malden for two weeks' vacation.

\$10.00, 15.00, 18.00 and 20.00

The Congregational church Sunday school holds its annual picnic at Fort pond, Saturday, July 16.

D. D. G. M. Albert W. Allen of Taber lodge of Leominster has again been chosen as the deputy of J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W.

Mrs. Hobbs of Boston is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ellen C. Lynch of the Center for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lindenberg of Boston, have arrived at their summer home, Lancaster road, for the summer.

### Center.

Shirley League held its regular meeting Tuesday, July 5. This was stewards' night and the program was in charge of the stewards, George Farmer, Robert Evans and Elsie Holden. The entertainment consisted of the farce, "Why I never was married," which was given by Ruth Graves, Elsie Holden, Mabel Davenport, Ora Holden, Mrs. Price, Etta Holden, H. N. Brown, Ralph Evans, Robert Evans, Amos Farrar, John Farrar and George Farmer; and two piano solos by Mrs. Ward.

Mrs. R. A. Rowe has arrived at the Fairchild place, where she will spend the summer.

Alexander Wood of Dorchester spent a few days the first of the week with Mrs. F. L. Wood.

Nineteen Y. M. C. A. boys from Boston are at the Mary Anna home for a few days' outing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Longley and Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Longley spent the Fourth with Leroy Longley.

Hazel Cummings, who has been attending high school at Fitchburg for the past year, is home for the summer vacation.

Miss Etta Holden and a party of friends spent the Fourth at George Holden's cottage at Robbins' pond in Harvard.

Albert Adams, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is about again.

The Girls' Sewing guild will hold its regular meeting on Saturday, July 9, on the Common.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon will preach at Trinity chapel on Sunday, July 10.

First Parish church, Sunday, July 10. Rev. George W. Cook will preach at 11.15 a. m.

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Boys' Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers ..... 25c.

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Boys' Porosknit Union Suits ..... 50c.

### HARVARD.

#### Fourth of July.

The Fourth passed very pleasantly with few or no casualties to mar the general celebration of the day. At nine a. m. the following events were run off:

100-yd. dash, free for all. Kent Royal, first; Walter Hazard, second; 100-yd. dash, boys under sixteen years. Chas. Samorian, first; Elbery Royal, second; 50-yd. dash, boys under ten years. George Meade, first; H. Davis, second; obstacle race, open. Fred Whitney, first; Walter Desmond, second; hoop race, ladies. Katherine Hazard, first; Marion Rentrow, second; who-the-bow race, open. Kent Royal, first; Frank Gale, second; potato race, open. Kent Royal, first; Walter Desmond, second; tug of war, two out of three pulls won by the married men. B. J. Priest, captain; ball game, married men over thirty-five years, vs. single men under 20 pounds, won in five innings by the light-weights, score, 13 to 5.

At 12.30 the Hudson Military band gave a fine open-air concert on the common.

At 1.45 the children's entertainment was given in the town hall by Bennett Springer, conjurer and C. E. Wallace, entertainer. Both were good and proved to be both entertaining and mystifying.

At three p. m., Harvard vs. Shirley played a good game of ball, although the home team were very plainly outclassed by the swift and classy work of the Shirley boys. It was, however, a very clean game, the good field-work of Cleaves, who played for the first time for a year and the good work of Whitney behind the bat, where he is always at home. The score was 15 to 3. The day closed with a fine display of fireworks on the Bromfield grounds and concert by the band, after which the young people in large numbers attended the social dance in the town hall.

#### News Items.

The Ladies' picnic club will hold its annual business meeting on Wednesday afternoon, July 13, in the Hapgood memorial rooms at three o'clock. No other notice will be given.

The holidays brought home many absent ones. Mrs. Mary Kerley had her daughter Annie with her; Frank Gale was with his parents; William Robinson and Edgar Harold spent Sunday and Monday with their mother, Mrs. A. M. Harrod; Miss Christine Webster arrived home to her parents from Chicago, where she is engaged in the public schools.

Mrs. Helen Aldrich is at the G. F. Pollard home for the summer months.

Mrs. Louise Atwood and daughter are with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gale.

Born, July 2, a son to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cleaves.

The cottage for Leon Dadmun on Lovers' lane is completed and household goods are being moved in ready for the season's occupancy.

John Cleaves played with Cummings' Military band of Nashua for the Fourth.

Mrs. John Clancy of Springfield is a guest of her sister and family, Mrs. Wesley Hapgood for a few days.

Miss Royal and Ellery Royal started this week Wednesday, for a ten days' outing at Madison, Conn. While there, they will be guests of the Bacon's of Albany, N. Y., who own a fine summer place there.

Miss Edith Hapgood of Worcester is at home for a short vacation.

Sheep Island is getting its summer population into shape for the season. William H. Stone and family of Waltham are occupying the Gale cottage; Harry C. Edmunds and family of Waterbury are taking life easy in cottage No. 2; C. W. Benjamin and family are at No. 3 cottage.

Miss Marion Dickson returned this week to her duties at the Faulkner hospital at Jamaica Plain. Miss Dickson is acting assistant superintendent at the hospital for a period of two months or more, during the absence of the superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy A. Atherton of Boston spent Sunday and Monday at C. P. Atherton's.

Misses Carrie and Elizabeth Priest are visiting for a couple of weeks at Mrs. A. A. Dadmun's on Oak Hill.

Miss Osce Webster left here this week for a month's outing with friends in Nova Scotia.

Miss Ruth Bagster is taking a part of her vacation at Old Orchard Beach, Me., and expects to remain there for about three weeks.

There is some talk now that the married men will play the regular Bromfield team on Labor day. The game the Fourth only served as a warming up and getting back in shape.

Watson McCleery of East Boston visited Sunday and Monday with his brother Gordon in town. Mr. McCleery is engaged in the retail grocery and provision business in the former place.

Beginning next week the Berkeley club will hold a series of social dances on Thursday evenings.

Dr. Paul Thorndike of Marlboro at., Boston, and his son, who went across on the last trip of the Saxonian, have joined Mrs. Thorndike in Berlin. The arrival in that city of Dr. Thorndike is most opportune since he has been lending his skill in behalf of Mrs. Thorndike's sister, Mrs. Alexander M. Thackara, who recently was quite seriously injured by being thrown from her bicycle.

### Still River.

Fred Bateman and sister, Miss Eliza spent the Fourth with their brother Luther and family in Arlington. They found Luther gaining from his recent severe sickness and expects to start

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### WESTFORD.

**Centre.**  
Mrs. Elihu Smead of Los Angeles, Cal., has been visiting Mrs. Iram Whitney. Mrs. Smead is well-known and lovingly remembered by many of the older generation. She was Miss Garrie Ophelia Wright and her parental home was at Forge Village and the family were actively associated with the Congregational church of this village. The gracious, loving personality that formed loyal friendships in earlier days, distance and time does not annihilate, and it has been a pleasure to her friends to meet her again. Mrs. Smead is delighted with all that counts for progress and improvements in our town. The Wardsman is a welcome visitor each week in her California home.

The Donald M. Cameron's are spending the month of July at Mattapoisett. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Woodward are at Pawtucket, R. I., with relatives of Mrs. Woodward.

Miss Katherine Jenks and her little niece, Katherine Cooper, of Presque Isle, Me., have been visiting at the parsonage.

Mrs. Etta Garvin Lewis is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Abby G. Wright. This is the first time in nearly ten years that Mrs. Lewis has been to Westford, she having been for that length of time with Mr. Lewis in Cuba, where they have been interested in fruit growing. They have been located about one hundred miles from Havana and while glad to be back in New England, Mrs. Lewis finds much to commend in Cuba, its climate and its people.

Miss Etta Gill, who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, returned this week to her home in Ludlow, Vt.

Clifford Bridgford is spending his vacation at the Coolidge farm with his uncle, Ralph Bridgford.

Miss Lena Cheever of Lowell spent Sunday and Monday with her cousin, Mrs. Ralph Bridgford.

Miss Jennie Chandler has been attending the big teachers' convention this week in Boston, serving on one of the reception committees.

The H. V. Hildreth's have been spending the week at camp.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright with Frances and Alice and a party of friends, came up from Lowell for the Fourth and enjoyed the day at the log cabin on Prospect Hill.

Taylor brothers, Albert D. and Samuel A., were in town for the Fourth.

Miss Beatrice Sutherland entertained the Junior choir of the Unitarian church at her home last Friday evening. The young people had a delightful time with music and games. Afterwards, refreshments of ice cream and cake, all made by the young hostess herself were served.

James Kimball was at the Luce homestead over the Fourth.

As a sample of what a menace to forest trees the gypsy moth can be, John M. Fletcher has been going over the trees each day in an apple orchard back of his house, and one morning alone, took pains to count six hundred of the caterpillars, and in one week he destroyed over five thousand of the pests. Not all owners of orchards would have the patience or leisure to do as Mr. Fletcher has done, but it should prove helpful to others showing what neglect would mean.

Mrs. A. H. Sutherland has been visiting this week with her sister, Mrs. L. J. Nearden in Woburn.

Mrs. Gertrude C. Ayer and the children are at the Smith homestead. They will spend their vacation with Mrs. Ayer's aunt, Miss C. A. Smith. There is no place better fitted for little ones to have a jolly outdoor life than this grand old place.

The Edward M. Abbot Hose Co. had its monthly drill and tryout on Tuesday evening, opening hydrants near the town hall and the Unitarian church. The men used the water to good purpose in wetting down quite a stretch of the freshly gravelled main street, which the dry weather has made particularly uncomfortable.

A group of ladies enjoyed a day's outing at Nantasket Beach on Thursday. In the party were Mrs. W. L. Woods, Mrs. John Feeney, Mrs. Lizzie A. Hamlin and Misses Mary Moran, Cortrude and Evelyn Hamlin.

The sincerest good wishes for happiness and prosperity of her many friends in this village, particularly in the church where she has been so helpful a member, go out to Miss Martha Taylor, whose marriage to George Howard, Jr., was recently solemnized.

### Picnic.

The annual picnic for the Congregational Sunday school took place on Thursday of last week and was very much of a success. Weather conditions were ideal. The party took the quarter before eight car in the morning and at Brookside a special car was waiting to convey them direct to Lakeview. Special boats were at the picnicers disposal during the day and these were well patronized as well as the various other resources of the place. All met at dinner time and a combined basket dinner was enjoyed. Abundance of lemonade was provided. It was a great day for the children and young people and for the older ones more according to individual and the capacity for reflected enjoyment in the more exuberant participation of the day's enjoyment by the children. There were about eighty in attendance and the committee in charge were H. G.

Osgood, A. E. Day, Mr. Wallace and Miss L. B. Atwood.

### The Fourth.

In comparison with the special Fourth of July celebrations our town has had in recent years, this year's Fourth was a very quiet affair, but the townspeople rather concentrated their efforts upon a special observance of Memorial day this year with its dedication of its new soldiers' monument. Some of the boys had their little fling the "night before," and during the day the bells were rung at noon and flags were in evidence throughout the village. The new law regarding the sale of firecrackers, etc., in stores connected with dwellings, had its effect upon both of our stores with resultant quiet effect.

What might have had a serious outcome was the catching fire in the afternoon from a firecracker, of the roof of one of the horse-sheds at the Congregational church. The electric car men saw the incipient blaze and raised an alarm and helped with a fire extinguisher to put it out. With the prevailing drouth and wind that was blowing every one was very thankful that the fire did not gain more headway, for this is about as bad a place for fire as any in the village.

### About Town.

Hans C. Dage, the owner of Birch Wood farm, located a little northwest of Keyes pond, has adjudged himself a farmer no longer and has returned to his early skill as a dyer. Before purchasing the farm he was employed by the corporations in Lowell, but by this recent change he is in the employ of the Talbot dyewool company at North Billerica.

Luanna Decatur is home as teacher in Everett for the summer breezes and roses of home life.

Albert Waller is home from Washington. He will return when visiting has had his run.

Next Sunday will be the closing service at the Unitarian church before vacation. During this season extensive improvements will be made in the interior of the church.

### Fatal Accident.

The stone quarry of Peterson Bros. on Oak Hill was the scene of a fatal accident on Tuesday forenoon. Svan Lindergren, who in company with twenty-five men, was working near a derrick, when without warning, the derrick fell with a crash, striking Lindergren and pinning him to the ledge. His fellow workmen ran to his rescue and lifted the derrick from him, but death was instantaneous. The body was viewed later in the day by Medical Examiner Cowles of Ayer, and afterwards it was taken in charge by undertaker David L. Greig.

The deceased was twenty-six years old and came from Sweden about six months ago, and so far as is known he had no relatives in this country, but his parents, brothers and sisters are living in Sweden.

The funeral took place from the village cemetery at West Chelmsford on Wednesday; the Swedish service of the church in Lowell being used. Comrades with flowers were abundant.

### Forge Village.

The John Edward's Hose Co. held a very successful strawberry festival and social dance in Abbot hall, Saturday evening. The delicious fruit was served with cream and cake from seven to eight o'clock and the remainder of the evening was given over to dancing. Music was furnished by Miss Sara Precious, piano, and James I. Brown, violin. About twenty dollars was cleared after all expenses were paid. The money will be used to purchase red shirts for the firemen. A check was received from Edward Fisher of Westford, last week, which was greatly appreciated by the members of the hose company. Those who had charge of the refreshments were Mrs. George L. Sanborn, Miss Rachel H. Cherry, Miss Mabel Sanborn and Miss Mary Cherry.

The glorious Fourth passed off very quietly here, the feature of the night before was the par parade of the young men at midnight, who decided to serenade their neighbors after they had failed to light their intended bonfire. The absence of the cannon cracker made the night more endurable. A large number of young people who spent the day at Revere Beach had the pleasure of seeing President Taft as he rode over the boulevard in his auto. Miss Elizabeth Dupont, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sheehan and daughter Helen, and Mr. Lapointe, all of Leominster, were guests of Miss Margaret Door at Lincoln cottage over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slater and six children and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Routh of Lawrence, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coley of Worcester were entertained over the Fourth by Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards.

John H. and Edwin J. Hinsley of Worcester spent the holidays as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Precious.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tyler and daughter Elsie of Worcester, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver over the Fourth.

Ephraim Vickers of Providence, R. I., visited his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bennett, the last of the week.

Miss Marion Lord and Miss Helen Lord were guests on Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Sargent of Pepperell.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cockroft and Miss Sarah Hunt spent the holidays with their brothers, Edmund J. and William Hunt at their farm.

Joseph, James, Timothy and Francis Sullivan of Nashua, N. H., and Miss Abbie M. Bladedell of Wamest were among the large number Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson entertained over the Fourth.

Miss Bessie Raynes and party of teachers from Chelmsford Centre spent last week at the cottage of Mr. Goode at Forge pond.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rigby of North Chelmsford, and two sisters of Mr. Rigby, who are visiting this country from England, are enjoying camp life this week at Mr. Lowther's cottage at

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oullette and son of Lowell are occupying their cottage at the pond for the rest of the season.

Rev. Mr. Gray of Nevada conducted the services at St. Andrew's mission last Sunday and preached a very interesting sermon. It is understood that Mr. Gray will be the officiating minister for St. Andrew's parish until a permanent vicar has been appointed. Services will be held at the chapel at 4.30, Sundays, until further notice.

Fletcher Norton of Bridgeport, Conn., is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Norton for a few weeks. Mr. Norton was a former resident.

Miss Edith P. Precious was entertained over the holidays by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Heefe of Townsend Harbor.

### LITTLETON.

#### News Items.

F. E. Briggs has accepted a position as principal of the Bar Harbor high school for next year. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs carry the good will and kind wishes of their present townspeople, who have enjoyed their sympathy and cooperation in those things that serve the highest interests of school, church and society.

Miss Ella Wright was a recent visitor in town and is now enjoying a vacation at her Alton home.

Miss Lucinda Jeffries is spending part of her vacation at B. F. Jeffries on Great road.

Miss Mildred Flagg was graduated in the modern language course from Concord high school last week.

The recent death of Mrs. Susan Kittredge Brown, aged eighty-six years, daughter of the late Dr. Paul Kittredge, at the Old Ladies' home in Haverhill, marks the passing of the last member of a large family—fourteen children in number—once residents of Littleton. Her burial was in her native town of Chelmsford.

Miss Mary L. Knox of Sheffield, Ill., is the guest of her aunt, Miss Dewey, this week. She has been for the past year, a student at Brooklyn Conservatory of Music.

Greetings have been received from Mrs. Minnie Tenney Peck, who is at Oberammergau and expresses herself as very much in love with the village and its people. She and Mr. Peck have attended the Passion Play twice and have lived in the homes of the Christ, Judas and the Virgin Mary.

The high school class of 1910, with their teachers, received their fellow-townspeople and commencement guests on Tuesday evening of last week in the town hall. Atwood's orchestra discoursed fine music which not a few tripped the light fantastic, and all were stimulated to most cordial sociability.

Dr. Joseph W. Godfrey and family moved on Thursday of last week, to their newly-purchased home in the town of Swampscott.

As a special honor to Archibald Godfrey, his class held a farewell party at J. H. Kimball's last week Friday evening, when he was presented with a pair of pretty cuff links. The evening was spent chiefly in sociability and games with refreshments of cream and cake and candy.

Charles McDermid, a former resident here, spent Sunday and Monday among his acquaintances in town.

John Ames of Somerville is at Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's.

Mrs. Paul Brown is entertaining an aunt; also, a friend, Miss Hazzard of Boston.

Among those who recently completed a post graduate course at Concord high school, was Jonathan H. Harwood, who enters Harvard this fall.

Miss Margaret Harwood is at home for vacation.

G. Frank Hibbard is having a vacation of two weeks. He, with Mrs. Hibbard, is enjoying the freedom of camp life at Forge pond with Mrs. Hibbard's people, the J. W. Ireland's.

Miss Mary V. Gardner and brother, Douglas of New Bedford, are at their grandfather Whitcomb's and will soon be joined by their mother, Mrs. Geo. Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Edward Prouty of Somerville are staying with their parents for a few weeks.

The fifth member of the committee chosen at the high school alumni banquet was Mrs. Gertrude E. Houghton.

Mrs. James C. Houghton and daughter Mabel of Albany, N. Y., have been visiting this last week at Charles W. Houghton's. They have left town for Old Orchard, to remain through the month of July. Dr. and Mrs. John Lemley, recent guests at A. T. Kimball's, went last week Wednesday to Old Orchard for the rest of the summer if health conditions favor. The two families will be members of the same household at the beach.

Dr. L. R. Eastman of Framingham, who preached so acceptably last Sunday at the Congregational church will preach again tomorrow. A letter accepting the call to this church was read from Rev. Harrison L. Packard of Kingston on last Sunday morning.

Joseph Harwood returned on Sunday evening from a two weeks' sojourn in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Drummond have been chaperoning the Knights and Ladies of King Arthur in camp at Glenknollwood this last week.

Miss Flora Sprague of Lowell, and friend, Mrs. Stuart of Fall River, have been living in Heywood Hartwell's camp for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheard Moore, son and daughter of Louisiana, are at Thomas Moore's and plan to remain with their parents through the summer.

Mrs. Hardwick of Alameda, Cal., is the guest of her uncle, B. S. Hager, for several weeks.

A fire broke out in F. C. Hartwell's Porter Tuttle house, corner of King and Hartwell streets, on Tuesday morning, shortly after Mr. and Mrs. Avery Blauvelt, the tenants, had departed for work. Dr. Murray, who discovered the flames, telephoned im-

mediately to the fire department, which responded promptly and did fine work, conquering the flames in short time. The clothing was all ruined by fire, smoke or water, but the furniture was uninjured. Probable cost of necessary repairs is reported at two or three hundred dollars.

Superintendent, Frank H. Hill, left for his home in Cape Elizabeth, Me., on Saturday morning.

Miss Elizabeth Smith is at home from Morristown, N. J., for the summer vacation.

Jonathan H. Hartwell has completed a P. G. course at Concord and enters Harvard this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Cleaves and Philip Prescott were commencement guests at J. H. Kimball's.

Miss Mabel Pickard was a holiday and holiday guest at Jeremiah Warren's.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stephens are occupying Mrs. Amelia Wakefield's house.

Misses Morrison and Noyes of Boston and Lowell, respectively, were guests at A. T. Kimball's over the Fourth.

Miss Grace Mitchell of the central telephone station is confined to the house with exhaustion.

Judge Sanderson is the owner of an Overland five-seat touring car, and his son Bennett is the chauffeur.

Mrs. N. B. Conant and daughter leave soon for Adams, where they will spend the rest of the month with Mrs. Conant's mother and her brother's family.

Ularo Tsukakoshi left town Tuesday for San Francisco, from which place he will sail for Japan.

Mrs. Wendal Willard, nee Jennie Brown, and daughter Ruth, spent Tuesday with Mrs. C. A. Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo H. Kimball arrived in town on Thursday and went to the old homestead where he hopes to regain his health.

This Saturday evening there will be a meeting at eight o'clock in the selectmen's room to act on the report of the secretary of the Same and Safe Fourth association and to decide on what shall be done with the balance of money in the treasury.

Ralph Loomis, son of Elihu Loomis of New Bedford, carried in the Lexington procession on Monday a flag of the minute men of 1775, taken on the 19th of April, 1775, by his great, great-grandfather Nathaniel Page, to Concord, where it figured in the fight at the bridge.

Miss Jennie Berg of Beverly has been a guest in the Osman Needham family the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Flagg and Mrs. Charles K. Houghton and son Hayward, leave home the first of next week for Kennebunkport, Me. Mr. Flagg will remain but a week, the others for several weeks. C. K. Houghton will join the family later in the summer. Miss Marion Flagg will visit at Arthur Blanchard's in West Acton next week, and then go to Kennebunkport for the rest of the season.

Melville Rowell of Reading, a partner in the Ames Plow company and his family are again occupying the Hartwell bungalow at Spectacle pond.

Camp life at Forge pond is claiming the interest of many city people at present. At one of the J. N. Murray camps are G. J. Schoonover of the U. S. navy and Lieut. Wayne of Boston, at another are Mr. Hardy, editor of the Bostonian and Mr. Hardy, and at a third are A. A. Wyman and family of Somerville, all here for the season. Next Monday six school teachers from Cambridge take possession of another camp.

Miss Mabel Parker of Littleton and Miss Butterworth of Maynard represent the Middlesex C. E. union at the Sagamore beach convention.

### The Fourth.

Never within the memory of the writer has Littleton been able to boast of a better if as good a procession of horrors. One could expatiate at length on this subject alone without exhausting it, but simply the names of several representations must suffice: chief marshal carrying the national flag, Richard Hartwell, followed by a large police force with V. T. Esten, chief; Uncle Sam; the old-time Littleton brass band, led by drum major and playing patriotic airs; band wagon effectively decorated with yellow bunting; Jeffries vs. Johnson, giving frequent demonstrations; the spirit of '76, an excellent float; an air-ship, perhaps the most unique float in the parade; the Littleton fire department, capital representation; the suffragettes and the Arts and Crafts society, both complete in details and very amusing; the hearse, unsurpassed; the school barge with its bones of contention; the moth department, altogether refreshing; the street department; the milk strike; the automobile; the honey-moon; Littleton trotters; clowns; bicyclists; popular songs. "Has anyone seen Kelley" and "My old gray bonnet," etc.

In recognition of the good exhibition and the clever hits, temperance drinks, peanuts, sandwiches, doughnuts, etc., were served to those in the parade by Thacher & Ireland, W. E. Conant, F. B. Priest, and Conant & Co.

Several hundred spectators were present at station, Centre and Common to enjoy the fun and add to the general applause.

At 9.20 the Lunenburg brass band arrived and gave the first concert at the Westend. In the afternoon they gave another concert at the driving park, the center of afternoon attractions, and again in the evening at the Common.

The ball game between Littleton High and the Has Beens, resulted in a victory for the latter, score 9 to 8.

The following report of sports has been received: 100-yd. dash won by Richard Harwood 1st, Roger Priest, 2d, Jonathan Harwood, 3d; high jump, Richard Harwood 1st, Richard Hartwell 2d; 5-mile auto race between Dr. J. N. Murray and A. Eugene Robbins, was won by Dr. Murray, time 12 min.; horse race between Richard Conant's horse and F. B. Jacobs' horse, won by R. Conant; a second horse race was won by Mr. Gilmore.

An important feature of the afternoon was an address by Rev. H. B. Drew.

The refreshment stand is reported as being well patronized and conducting a good business throughout the day.

### A Masterpiece of Eloquence.

The baccalaureate service at the Baptist church last Sunday evening was universally well attended and very beautiful as well as impressive.

The church auditorium in its decorations of white daisies and red ramble roses—colors particularly in harmony with the mural tints—reflected much credit on those whose kindly thought and deft touch produced the pleasing combination and arrangements universally appreciated.

The gratification of the senses was completed by the beautiful strains of the organ played by Miss Tenney and the sweet harmonies of a select quartet, consisting of Messrs. Cox and Whitney, Mrs. Priest and Mrs. Houghton.

To the orator of the occasion there remained the office of appealing to the intellect and the heart, and Rev. H. Bellows Drew delivered a masterpiece of eloquence that was grandly impressive and enduring.

### Graduation.

The graduation of class 1910 of the Littleton high school was attended by favoring skies and the pressure of an inspiring audience.

In the decorations the prevailing color scheme was red and white. Festoons and streamers of crepe paper in red and white adorned the walls. A bank of hemlock studded with white daisies and bearing the class year '10 in the same flowers, formed a background for the stage. The front of the platform was adorned with hemlock and tufts of syringa, peonies, rambler roses, laurel and ferns with delicate twigs of the smoke tree. Across the arch above was the motto, "Vincit qui se vincit." (He conquers who conquers himself), in letters of red crepe paper over white with the evergreen background.

The following program was faithfully carried out:

Entrance of school marshalled by Lester Griffith; music, Atwoods orchestra, Lowell; invocation, Rev. H. B. Drew; chorus, "Land of freedom," school; salutatory, Francis Gerald Healey; music, orchestra; essay and valedictory, "Mastership," Florence Sprague Whitcomb; chorus, "Let the hills resound," school; address, "Real education," John G. Thompson, principal of Pitsburg Normal school; music, orchestra; presentation of diplomas, Rev. Wm. Channing Brown; chorus, "Ave Maria," school; the solo by Miss Ruth Prescott; benediction, Rev. H. B. Drew; music, orchestra.

The singing by the school with Miss Prescott, soloist, under the direction of the able instructor, Mrs. A. B. Weber, was of the usual excellence.

Rev. W. Channing Brown, chairman of the school board, addressed the graduates, commending them for their ambition and appealing to their loyalty in cooperating with the town and the teachers for the greatest interest of our high school.

### Banquet.

Wednesday evening the Alumni association enjoyed a social hour in the town hall, followed by a banquet prepared by the ladies of the Baptist society and served by the high school sophomore boys—the banquet that would do justice to any city caterer.

Ensemble music was discoursed by the Cynthian orchestra, assisted by George Barrows of Ayer. Throughout the banquet the same music continued and was heartily applauded by everyone present. Following grace, asked by Rev. W. C. Brown, and the seating of the alumnae, Pres. Chester N. Hartwell, with dignity, ease and cordiality, welcomed to the alumni ranks, the class of 1910, and expressed his pleasure at the large attendance, some ninety in number.

Reports of secretary and treasurer were read and accepted.

The nominating committee presented the following nominees, who were elected to office: P. C. Edwards, pres.; Harold M. Conant, vice-pres.; Miss Grace Needham, sec.; Miss Abbie McNeill, treas.

Resolutions on the death of Mrs. William F. Conant and Col. Herbert J. Harwood, drawn up by Charles A. Kimball, were read by Mrs. Kimball and accepted.

President Hartwell introduced as toastmaster, Naham H. Whitcomb, who again proved his divine right to the position he has so many times dignified.

Frank B. Priest extended greetings to the class of 1910 and congratulations to all those upon whom increased expenditure of money for education is lavished.

Mr. Gladys Kimball, representing the class of 1910, pledged allegiance to the school and the alumnae association and Frank H. Hill, superintendent, responding to the toast, "The Littleton high school," outlined his ambition for that institution, closing with an assurance of his heart and hand in the supreme interests of the good old high school.

Mrs. P. C. Edwards gave two refreshing descriptive selections on the piano, prefacing them by an explanation of the developments in the exquisitely rendered solos.

Miss Mabel Puffer of Ayer charmingly entertained her audience with two delightfully amusing readings. About 10.30 the festivities were concluded and everyone returned home with a sense of complete satisfaction.

### Reunion.

The Conant reunion and picnic held at Sandy Pond on Wednesday was attended by forty-nine members. After the greetings and a bountiful dinner, a literary program under the direction of C. H. Conant of Lowell, as chairman, was heartily enjoyed. Letters were read from George F. Conant and his son Francis of Mississippi, and from Ralph W. Conant of Chicago. Miss Grace Patten Conant of Milliken university, Decatur, Ill. spoke on "Impressions of a college town." Wallace B. Conant contributed an original paper written for the Boston Common, a periodical for which he writes regularly, taking for his subject on this occasion, "The influence of family tradition," the result of investigations of Roger Conant's descendants now

living at Salem, the town of his planting.

### About Town.

The Unitarian parish meeting of last Tuesday evening was a large and harmonious one, its principal object being to confer about the pulpit supply. It was the unanimous vote to adjourn one week to Monday evening, July 11, in the vestry, giving all an opportunity to hear one of the ministers again on Sunday, July 10.

Miss Florence Wilcox spent the weekend and over the holiday with her friend, Mrs. Remick, at her cottage in Swampscott.

### SHIRLEY.

#### News Items.

Miss Etta Holden entertained over a score of her young friends the Fourth at the Holden cottage, Robbins' pond.

Miss Edna Ely is at home for the school holidays.

Mrs. A. A. Bronson and son Abbott, left town on Wednesday for Pocasset to remain until the first week in September. Mr. Bronson will join Mrs. Bronson the first of August, when his church closes for the usual summer vacation of one month.

The Shirley baseball team went to Groton on last Saturday afternoon and defeated the Leominster team by a score of 7 to 0. The feature of the game was the fine pitching of Burrill of the Shirley team. On the afternoon of the Fourth, the Shirley team went to Harvard and defeated the Harvard team by a score of 13 to 2.

News was received over the phone last Saturday announcing the arrival of a little daughter, weighing six pounds, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dana B. Somes of Pittsfield. Mrs. Somes is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen and is being kindly cared for at the "House of Mercy," Pittsfield. Mrs. E. H. Allen left town last Saturday morning for the home of her daughter, where she will remain for a month or more.

Miss Mabel Hazen, in company with Mrs. T. L. Hazen, attended the meeting of the National Teachers' association in Stadium hall at Harvard college, the Fourth, when President Taft addressed the gathering.

Marshal Perry is very ill with chronic gastritis.

Miss Lizzie Haehi of Carraquet, N. B., is at her home here for a two months' vacation.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., holds its regular meeting next Monday evening.

Miss E. Gionet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gionet, who has been a student for the past two years in a convent in Carraquet, N. B., has arrived home for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben White spent the Fourth with friends in Lawrence; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret with their son at Hudson; Miss Ella and Lena Cately with relatives in Boston; J. E. Richardson with his sister in Clinton.

Mrs. Augustin Chaisson of Lincoln, N. H., is spending a two weeks' vacation at the home of Michael Bolger.

Fred D. Weeks and family spent the Fourth in Chelsea, Vt., making the trip in their auto.

Miss Abbie McNeill of Littleton is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. O'Neil, and next week will substitute for Miss Gertrude O'Neil at the postoffice. Miss O'Neil will spend the week with Mrs. Miller of Farwich.

Miss Sarah Harkins, school teacher at Malden, is spending a vacation at the home of her sister, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly.

Miss Inez McMurray will leave town Saturday, July 9, for a few weeks' vacation at her old home, Lake George, N. B.

### New Advertisements.

NOTICE—Cherry Curnants 10c. per quart at G. D. BANCROFT'S, Town Hall Street, Pepperell. Telephone 19-21 1143.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the devisees under the will and all others interested in the estate of Susan A. Butterfield, late of Ayer in said County, deceased.

Whereas, George J. Burns, executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the order named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex,

**SHIRLEY.**

**Birthday Anniversary.**

Mrs. Mary J. Hastings of Harvard road reached her eighty-eighth birthday on July 4, and an informal reception was held at her home, last Saturday afternoon, when a number of relatives and friends called to extend congratulations. Mrs. Hastings was the recipient of many pretty and substantial reminders and the day was one of real pleasure for Mrs. Hastings and her guests.

Mrs. Hastings still retains her mental vigor, being always bright and interesting and her cheerfulness makes her a delightful companion and friend.

Dainty refreshments were served to the guests by her granddaughter, Miss Mabel Hazen.

**Celebration.**

The program on the Fourth commenced with a parade of horrors, followed by sports and a band concert in the evening. The exercises commenced with the parade at seven a. m., and were almost continuous until nine p. m.

The parade was led by Miah H. Flynn, chief marshal with J. A. Dearson and Edward Harkins as aids. The Industrial school brass band, with H. F. Taylor, superintendent, as leader, came next and E. T. Clark was drum major.

Behind the band was almost the entire enrollment of the boys at the school, clothed in their regular working attire and each one carrying some of the tools they use daily at the trade they are learning, with all the guards and instructors with them. Even some of the hospital corps was represented with some of its equipments and was accompanied by the school physician, Dr. Lilly and nurse, Mr. Whitcomb. In fact every department of the school was represented in a practical manner, just as they really live and work at the school and this was most certainly the star feature of the day.

The parade covered every street in the town and was witnessed by all the residents and summer visitors. A drum corps made up from the citizens led the second division of the parade. Prizes were awarded the three best hits in the parade and C. K. Bolton, G. E. Harlow and F. H. Wheeler were the judges appointed by the committee, who awarded the first prize of one dollar to the Cowdrey Hill band wagon, owned by C. H. Tremblay; the second prize of two dollars was given to the automobile owned by S. C. Petersen, and the third prize was given to the Pioneer team with H. F. Burrage as driver. The remaining teams; also, the Industrial school band, with its officers, boys and equipments, were given honorable mention.

The first division of the parade consisted of chief marshal and aids, Industrial school band and boys, Tucker school team, the Jeffries-Johnson team with all the essentials used in the fight at Reno and the Cowdrey Hill band wagon.

The second division was made up of the 101 Ranch, Barium & Bailey's great show, Pioneer team, Goddess of Liberty, Shirley Centre street lighting department, automobile and ambulance, followed by paraders in varied costumes.

Each feature in the parade was placarded with signs giving some comic hit on some individual or phase in the life of the town. The sum of \$15.50 was given in prizes on the parade.

When the parade disbanded the Industrial school boys and crowds led by the school band assembled on Davis field, where the sports of the day was admirably carried out, without the slightest hitch or friction. The following is a complete list of events with names of winners and amount of prizes awarded:

100-yd. dash for boys at Industrial school, first prize, \$2, won by Martin Moran; second, \$1, Adelard Tetreault.

200-yd. dash for boys, first prize, \$2, Harry O. Bangs, W. Connors; second prize, \$1.50, Martin Moran, Adelard Tetreault of the Industrial school.

100-yd. dash for boys at Groton, first prize, \$2, awarded to E. Goyal; second \$1.25, Walter Badstuber. 100-yd. race for boys, seventeen and under, first, \$2, Martin Moran; second, \$1, Leroy Smith, both Industrial school boys.

100-yd. dash for men, first prize, \$1, H. O. Bangs; second, \$1, Willie Connors.

25-yd. sack race, open to all, first, \$2, Louis Gionet; second, \$1, C. K. Markham, Industrial school boy.

50-yd. dash for girls, open race, first, \$2.50, Mary Badstuber; second, \$1.75, Lois White; third, \$1.25, Bertha Lowe. Ball throwing contest, open to all, first, \$1.75, Guy Cook, who scored a good record of 240 ft.; second \$1.25, Willie Connors.

A baseball game then took place between the Industrial school boys and the Lajoles of Fitchburg, the school boys playing fine ball and winning the game by a score of 4 to 1. The sports then adjourned until five p. m., when a govt. game of ball was played by the Industrial school team and a picked team of Shirley juniors, the school boys again winning by a score of 22 to 33. The Industrial school winning the prize of five dollars; also, a hat and ball awarded by the committee on sports.

In the evening at 7.30 a band concert was given by the boys' brass band of the Industrial school in front of Brockelman Bros. store, a large number being present to enjoy it. This ended the celebration and much credit is due to H. F. Taylor, superintendent and Dr. T. E. Lilly and committee for the successful termination of the day's program.

**New Advertisements.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of GEORGE W. CANNEY, late of Groton, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, and has taken upon himself the trust by giving bond, and appointing CHARLES F. WORCESTER of Townsend his agent as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to the subscriber, GEORGE W. CANNEY, Administrator, Pittsburg, Penn., May 31st, 1910.

FOR SALE—At Sandy Pond & New Cottage House of Six Rooms, 1443 PHELPS, Ayer, Mass.

Joe Wall, auctioneer, will sell thirty acres of grass at the Hillside farm, Long-Sought-for-pond, North Westford, on Saturday afternoon, July 9, at 2.30.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts.**

Middlesex ss.

**Administrator's Sale.**

I, Henry R. Fitzgerald, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of James Fitzgerald late of Groton in said Middlesex County deceased, under the power in me vested by virtue of a license dated June 27, 1910, by the probate court in and for said Middlesex County to sell real estate of said deceased at public auction for the payment of his debts, legacies and charges of administration, will sell at public auction on the premises hereinafter described, on Saturday the 30th day of July A. D. 1910, at ten o'clock in the A. M. the following described parcels of land, to wit:

1. A certain parcel of land situated near Groton Centre in said Groton, containing 4 acres and 79 rods, more or less, being the same premises described in a deed from Calvin Stevens to James Fitzgerald, dated Nov. 1, 1860, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 853, page 105.

2. A certain parcel of land, containing about 3 acres and 133 sq. rods, more or less, situated in said Groton upon the road leading past the dwelling house occupied by Charles G. Fletcher, being the same premises described in a deed from Charles G. Fletcher to James Fitzgerald, dated Feb. 14, 1873, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 1251, page 145.

3. A certain parcel of land in said Groton, being the same premises described in a deed from Harriet M. Bigelow to James Fitzgerald, dated Feb. 26, 1857, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 1140, page 429.

4. A certain parcel of land situated in said Groton on the westerly side of road leading from Farmers' road to Hollingsworth's paper mill, with the buildings thereon, containing 4 1/2 acres, and being the same premises described in a deed from William Hines to James Fitzgerald, dated Jan. 8, 1889, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 1914, page 572. Terms made known at time and place of sale.

HENRY R. FITZGERALD,

Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of James Fitzgerald. Groton, June 28, 1910. 3143

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Pepperell, at East Pepperell, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 30, 1910.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$131,029.18
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	81.50
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,900.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	277.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	94,341.00
Banking house, Furniture, and fixtures	\$10.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents	50,737.26
Notes of other National Banks	205.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	34.28
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$4,064.20
Legal-tender notes	10,935.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation)	2,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$315,618.80</b>

Liabilities.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	2,600.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	8,562.26
National Bank Notes Outstanding	59,000.00
Dividends unpaid	230.00
Individual deposits subject to check	229,661.08
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,565.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$315,618.80</b>

I, H. F. Tarbell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. F. TARBELL, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixth day of July, 1910. George G. Tarbell, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: Chas. S. Denham, Irving J. Rowell, Alta A. Shattuck, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Ayer, at Ayer, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 30, 1910.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$400,155.05
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,212.67
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	20,000.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	86,997.59
Due from approved Reserve Agents	78,658.61
Notes of other National Banks	765.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	242.36
Lawful Money Reserve in Specie	\$19,522.85
Legal-tender notes	36,612.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation)	700.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$626,443.94</b>

Liabilities.	
Capital stock paid in	\$75,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	36,925.19
National Bank Notes Outstanding	20,000.00
Due to other National Banks	1,766.20
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	24.62
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	30,753.38
Dividends unpaid	3,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	432,299.69
Demand certificates of deposit	842.26
Certified checks	64.69
Cashier's checks outstanding	665.00
Reserved for taxes	1,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$626,443.94</b>

I, Hobart E. Mead, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HOBART E. MEAD, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this seventh day of July, 1910. Warren H. Atwood, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: Howard B. White, Treasurer; H. W. Fletcher, O. W. Mead, Directors.

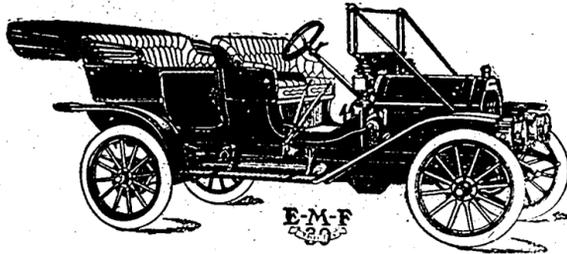
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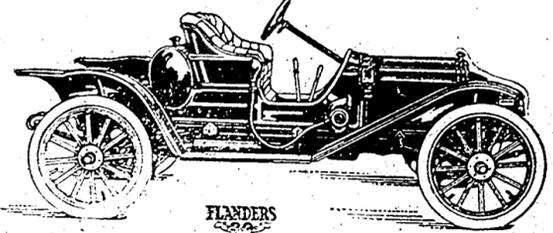
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

Whereas, at a meeting of the County Commissioners for said County, at Cambridge on the first Tuesday of June A. D. 1910.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in said County for the relocation of Martins Pond Road in said town, from the end of the location by the Commissioners in 1909 at the property line between Lawrence Brooks and Charles H. Eery, Southerly to the North Common where said road called Hollis Street, also the road on the North side of said Common and Hollis Street, Northeasterly from said road to the property line between Lawrence Brooks and the cemetery, it was adjudged that said relocations are of common convenience and necessity.

Said Commissioners therefore give notice that they will meet at the Selectmen's room in Groton on the twelfth day of September next at 10.45 of the clock in the forenoon, to locate accordingly.

RALPH N. SMITH, Asst. Clerk. June 27, 1910. 3142

A true copy. Attest: A. A. FILLEBROWN, Deputy Sheriff.

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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 ALMA A. CARLSON, late of Shirley, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to OSCAR BENNETT of Ayer, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

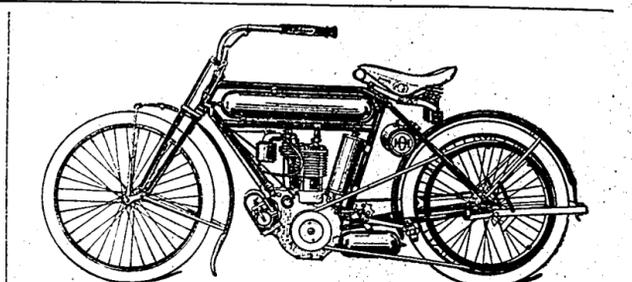
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirteenth day of July A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the said should not be granted.

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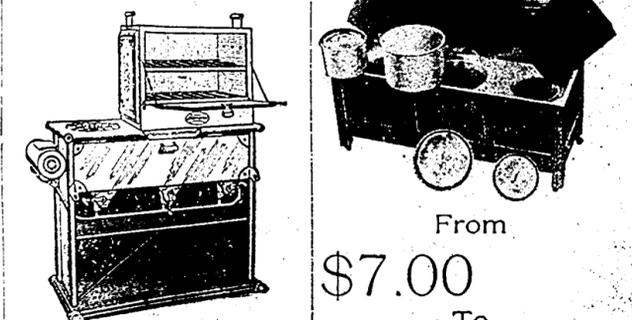
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Saturday, July 9, 1910.

### GROTON.

#### News Items.

Daniel Markham severely injured his hand recently while at work at the Vose mills, Groton. His left hand as he was trying to adjust his work on the machine, was drawn in, and had he not been able to wrench it away, which he luckily did. The ligaments of the wrist were injured and the flesh of the hand stripped open in a frightful manner. He was taken to the hospital in Groton and seems to be doing well at present. A good deal of sympathy is expressed for him and his family who have had much trouble and sickness in the past few years.

At the regular meeting of the Middlesex Rebekah lodge on Friday evening, July 1, a pleasing entertainment was given by the four members, Mrs. Nesbit L. Woods, Mrs. William Whitehill, Mrs. Willard Sawyer and Mrs. William Fernald. The Rebekahs were further entertained by W. H. Barnes, who treated them to recitations and songs in his own inimitable manner. At the next meeting of this strong and prosperous lodge it is expected that five new members, Mr. and Mrs. George Meyet, Miss Mildred Brown, Mrs. Eva Murphy, Miss Elizabeth Whitehill will be initiated.

Frank A. Torrey's recently purchased residence on Main street is now about ready for occupancy, which will soon be made. Among other changes and improvements, are the putting in of a bathroom, introduction of water by the Groton Water company and electric lights.

The remains of a Mr. Wasson were brought to town for burial in Groton cemetery last Tuesday.

C. A. Durant, one of the force of employees at Groton School, has been on the sick list and under the physician's care during the past week, but is now improving.

Miss Alma Jones, a sister of Miss Jones, the nurse at Groton hospital, was operated on last Saturday at the hospital for gall stones. Dr. Smith of Nashua and Dr. Kilbourn in attendance.

Samuel Ramsden and family of Cambridge have arrived on their farm on the Ayer road. Mr. Ramsden makes a specialty of raising mushrooms for his own use and the market.

Mrs. Charles H. Berry was taken quite ill last Saturday and is under the doctor's care. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Moore of Waltham, is a guest of the family.

Miss Florence Rand and sister, Miss Eleanor Rand of Roxbury, were among those attending the high school anniversary last week.

Mrs. Putnam of Princeton is staying with Mrs. Robert Sargent.

Miss Elizabeth M. Whitehill, during the past school year an assistant of the principal in Medford high school, has accepted a more desirable position in Winthrop for next year.

J. R. Hawkes went to the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston on Tuesday and brought George Curtis back home.

Warren Whitehill is passing his vacation at home doing good work helping his father, W. H. Whitehill, on his farm. Young Mr. Whitehill passed successfully through the first year at Lowell Textile and returns next fall to the same institution.

Charles H. Berry returned from the Massachusetts General hospital on Wednesday feeling fine and much improved after the operation which he underwent at the hospital.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families met in an informal manner at their hall on Hollis street last Tuesday evening in an enjoyable gathering. William H. Barnes, who is from San Francisco, spoke on this occasion, particularly and most interestingly of his and Mrs. Barnes' personal experience in the great Californian earthquake of 1906 and also gave some of his delightfully entertaining recitations and songs. Fruit punch, cool and refreshing, was passed during the evening.

Miss Thekla Huebner of this town was a recent visitor and in attendance at the Humane society lawn fête in Nashua.

The Groton Improvement society met on Tuesday, July 5, at the home of Miss Richards. Three new members were added to the society and three names were proposed for action at the next meeting. A letter from the Groton Cornet band, thanking the society for painting the bandstand was read. The beautiful appearance of the town has been noted by old Groton friends who returned for the recent reunions. The improvement society has been instrumental in adding to the natural beauties of this charming old village. The August meeting will be omitted.

Miss Marguerite E. Leonard is visiting in her friend, Miss Bertha Fletcher, at her home in Greenfield, N. H.

Miss Grace Cleary of Lowell is visiting her cousins, the Misses Marguerite and Esther Cleary.

Mrs. W. B. Robinson and daughter Miss Clara, spent the Fourth in Concord, enjoying a visit to Lexington park and other interesting places.

A Fourth of July daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty of the mill neighborhood on Monday.

Views of Concord and Concord fight will be on exhibition at the public library from July 9 to 23.

Miss Abbie Bowen and cousin Martin O'Keefe, spent last Sunday and Monday with relatives in Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Musgrave and daughter Miss Emma, spent the recent holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Fitzgerald at Shawfieldmont.

Mrs. Fred O. Parker of Pepperell, coming Saturday with her two little daughters, visited until after the Fourth at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Mason.

Miss Marguerite Leonard, a graduate of the high school, class 1910, is intending to enter the Fitchburg Normal school next fall.

Mrs. E. Smith and Mrs. Charles Osgood took an outing several days ago to Unconomuck park.

Miss Marion S. Blood, going last Saturday, is visiting at the parental home of A. Fariss Lyon in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Gladys A. Mason declining the positions offered her in the River and the Centre school at Sterling, has accepted the second grade in the Groton street school, Pepperell. Miss Marion Blood has accepted the first grade school in the same building in Pepperell.

Miss Ruth Floyd, chief telephone operator at the central office, goes on her vacation on July 16.

Miss Nan Clarke, who is taking a post graduate course as nurse at a Boston hospital, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. John L. Gilson.

The Groton Alerts opened their season on July 2 and met with a defeat from the Shirley team. More fortunate in the game of the Fourth with Nashua A. A., they won in a good game. The next game is on Saturday, July 9, with the Leominster Independents.

Road commissioner, Burpee Blakey is continuing his application of coal tar on the State road. Thursday he was at work on the road opposite W. H. Bruce's.

Merton O. Gowing of Springfield, Vt., was in town on Thursday with his automobile load of his four happy children, calling on old friends. Mr. Gowing is now a foreman in the turret machine department of The Jones & Lamson Machine Co. Starting from Springfield at noon on last Saturday, he arrived with his family in Dunstable at the home of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, going the one hundred miles in five hours.

Miss Ada Bradley, who has been in training under Dr. Kilbourn at the hospital here, is now employed as a nurse to a patient in West Groton.

Charles Carroll Southard died in Groton at the residence of his son, C. Z. Southard, on Friday, July 1. The burial was in Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday, July 3. Mr. Southard had been an invalid for the past nine months, six weeks of which had been in Groton. The greater part of his life was passed in Boston and New York.

Charles J. Wright was accidentally hit by a bat while playing ball on the afternoon of July 1. The doctor says he had a narrow escape from a serious injury to his eye, but escaped with a bad cut near the eye.

F. A. Sherwin is having his home near Hollis and Common streets quite thoroughly renovated. He expects to move in with his family some time this month.

Mrs. George H. Cook with children from Lee, N. H., arriving last week Friday, for the anniversary, was an over the Fourth visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woolley. Mr. Cook came Sunday and his mother from Fremont, N. H., was also a later guest, going back with her daughter-in-law on Wednesday morning.

George I. Crocker, with his wife and little daughter Dorothy, came last week Friday, to attend the high school anniversary. They staid over the Fourth with his mother, Mrs. Jerome Shattuck. Dorothy is a very charming little girl, especially delect with grandparents. She has three great-grandmothers, two grandmothers and one great-grandfather. The latter is the recipient of the Boston Post gold-headed cane in Epping, N. H. Mr. Crocker is connected with the Hope Rubber Co., of Providence, where he resides with his family, though he travels quite extensively, having charge of several of the company's stores, located in different places.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Clough gave their annual Fourth of July outing to a number of their relatives and friends. Guests were present from Medford, Fitchburg and Cleveland, Ohio. Among those from Groton were: Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Kilbourn and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hawkes. Mr. and Mrs. Black, parents of Mrs. Clough were also present, one being eighty-six and the other eighty-four years old. The usual excellent dinner of clams, lobster, ice and an abundance of other good things was served.

Born, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ronan Allen, July 1. Name, Doris Hall Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Souther and children spent the Fourth with Mrs. W. W. Ames at camp Idle Rest.

The N. E. Camergraph will give a moving picture entertainment in town hall, Saturday evening, July 9. A vaudeville act will be given as an extra.

Reunion. The nineteenth annual reunion of the Swallow family was held at the home of Miss Anna Swallow and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Livingston on the new Dunstable road on Wednesday, July 6, and was called to order that afternoon by M. R. Swallow, president of the association. The secretary, Marshall Swallow, read his report which was accepted. Remarks were made by Mrs. Ellen R. Richards of Jamaica Plain, and immediately after the following officers were chosen: M. P. Swallow, pres.; A. E. Swallow and H. S. Swallow, vice-pres.; Marshall Swallow, sec.; E. D. Swallow, treas.; executive committee, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Swallow, Howard and Carrie Mitchell, C. H. Brown. The regular business of the meeting followed. A collection was taken. Remarks were also made by Rev. J. B. Gilman, A. E. Swallow, W. L. Noyes, J. R. Swallow, George Swallow. Those present from Groton were: M. D.

Swallow, Mattie B. Swallow, Bertha M. Swallow, C. W. Swallow, Gladys L. Swallow, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Swallow; from Pepperell, Ann H. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Chapman.

A Quiet Time. Fourth of July was very quiet in Groton, dull perhaps to those who miss and enjoy a noisy, frolicsome observation of the nation's birthday. Flags flying and work laid aside gave a holiday air which was increased by the scores of automobiles flying past. A number of these were gay with many small flags and looked patriotic and pretty. Other vehicles were numerous on the road. Many attended the sports in neighboring towns. The night before demonstrations were mainly the noise from small firecrackers and later the ringing of bells. Neither police or professional detective service was necessary, although it is said that some provision of the kind was made to trap the lawless. But there was no destruction of property and no rowdiness, nothing ungentlemanly and no accidents to mar our Fourth of July this year.

Fiftieth Anniversary. The observation of the fiftieth anniversary of Groton high school was held on Friday, July 1.

The events of the day were carried out as arranged by the several committees and consisted of a reception and gathering of former pupils and friends of the school a banquet, a ball game, and an evening dance.

The reception was held in one of the lower recitation rooms of the building in the forenoon, and quite an animated scene presented itself as old schoolmates greeted one another.

This school was established in December, 1859. While there were present a few of the pupils of 1859, '60 or '61, and other early years, the majority were the past ten or fifteen years. Although those attending were largely from Groton, a considerably large number were former Groton boys and girls now located in other towns or cities who took the day off from profession or other business to be present at this gathering.

The names of members of different classes and of friends were written on the blackboards or recorded in the great book.

The banquet furnished by a caterer from Fitchburg was spread in the main schoolroom of the building. The seats at the four tables in the centre and two longer ones running the entire length on each side of the room were well taken.

Principal J. H. Manning presided and saying, "Will the pupils of the Groton high school please come to order," called upon Rev. George M. Howe of the school committee to offer prayer.

After dinner speeches were listened to from Principal Manning, followed by Miss Georgiana A. Boutwell, H. R. Priest, M. D. of the school committee, Francis M. Boutwell and F. Lawrence Blood, all of Groton.

Letters were read by Mrs. E. M. Needham from Mr. Green, a former principal and from two or three others who were unable to be present.

Miss Isabella Fitts, a former assistant teacher, was then called upon and was followed by recent graduates of classes as follows:

Class of 1868—Rev. C. B. Ames, of Andover, Harvard graduate.

Class of 1869—Judson I. Crane, lawyer, Boston, Brown graduate.

Class of 1870—Randall Whittier in bank, Boston.

Class of 1875—Woodbury K. Howe, graduated 1910, Lowell Textile.

Class of 1876—John Evelyn Fernald, Fitchburg Normal school and now student at Vassar.

Class of 1895—Miss Genevieve Hodgman, graduated 1910, Wellesley.

Class of 1896—Bertha P. Fallon, graduated 1910 Clark.

Class of 1898—Daniel Needham, student at Harvard.

Class of 1899—H. H. Weede, student at Dartmouth.

After a few words by Rev. P. H. Cressey, all joined in singing "Auld lang syne." The bell rang for dismissal and the company dispersed.

The ball game in the afternoon was between two teams picked from the alumni by F. W. Coburn and F. A. Torrey on one side and the other by Thomas F. Donahue. The Donahue team won by a score of 7 to 6.

The dance in the town hall in the evening was very well attended and closed the day's festivities.

Some of the attractive and popular young people of Groton present were:

Misses Mildred Brown, Marion Green, Margaret Leonard, Hertha Fletcher, Edith Waters, Naomi and Thekla Huebner, Beatrice Darling, Grace Bixby, Genevieve Hodgman, Esther Jarvis, Beatrice Harrington, John Gay, Fay Sampson, Willie Bradley, Harry Bruce, James Keedy, Charles Keenan, Daniel Keenan, William Gibson, Carl Lawrence, Woodbury Howe, Winthrop Shedy and Howard Patterson.

West Groton. J. T. Shepley, returning from Vermont, rode most of the two hundred miles on his wheel.

Mrs. Roscoe Ferden has returned from a visit with her parents in Foxborough. Mr. Ferden joined her there for the Fourth.

Clayton Robbins of Fitchburg was a recent guest at the home of his uncle, A. F. Bates, leaving for home on Tuesday. He was accompanied by his cousin, Asel Bates, who will spend a week in Fitchburg.

Mrs. Tarbell is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. Worster of Fitchburg.

Mrs. M. E. Williams is staying for an indefinite time with her daughter, Mrs. Donovan of Gardner.

Mrs. Edward Mellish and daughters spent the first of the week in Shirley at the home of Melzar Farnsworth, Mrs. Mellish's father.

R. H. Burgess spent Sunday and the Fourth with his daughter, Mrs. David Petrie of Lowell.

Miss Esther Jarvis has passed a week's vacation at her home.

Miss Olive Tarbell, coming Saturday, remained at home over the Fourth.

Little George Woolaver is spending his vacation in Nova Scotia.

Among those entertaining guests this week are Miss Sylvia Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams.

H. E. Lindall was at home last Monday, returning Tuesday. He was accompanied by his daughter Evelyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Scoville of Worcester were recent guests at C. R. Dudley's.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Skelton of Chelsea were guests the first of the week of Mrs. F. E. Harrington, Mr. Skelton's sister. Evadne Harrington accompanied her uncle on his return to Chelsea.

Mrs. A. W. Lamb is entertaining a little niece during the summer holidays.

Ralph Kilbourn of New York City made a brief call on relatives here last Monday.

Children and grandchildren from Ayer, Fitchburg and Walpole gathered at the home of Mrs. Augusta Harrington.

Clifford Bixby and Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Chapman and daughter spent a few hours during Sunday and Monday with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Geo. H. Bixby.

Misses Kate, Elsie and Olive Tarbell were invited guests at a family party on the Fourth. Their hostess was Miss Alice Hamilton, at her home, West View, in Lunenburg.

Mrs. Mitchell, who is still in her physician's care, is with her daughter, Mrs. G. H. Bixby.

W. V. Bixby was quite ill last Tuesday, requiring a physician's attendance. He is out again.

Mrs. Lucia was taken to Groton hospital for treatment by Dr. Kilbourn on Wednesday.

The midweek services at the church will be discontinued during July and August.

The "Bonne Amis," a club composed of several young ladies from this village and Groton, very pleasantly entertained a number of young men last Saturday evening at the home of Miss Sylvia Lawrence. The lawn was tastefully decorated for the occasion with Japanese lanterns. Merry outdoor games filled the hours from seven to eleven. Dainty refreshments were served. The young men attending from this village were: Renald Fernald, Raymond Sleeper, Lee Bixby and Jerome Bowles.

Miss Helen MacCherle, a graduate of Framingham normal 1910, is at home for the summer.

Dr. and Mrs. Boyd F. Bowles spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bowles.

Entertainment. "Down in Maine," a domestic drama in four acts, will be given in Squannacook hall, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society on Friday evening, July 15, with the following cast of characters:

Zeph Cummings, of Hardscrabble farm, A. W. Adams; Ralph, his brother, a New York millionaire, A. W. Lamb; Nell Wentworth, a young inventor, A. Cottrell, Jr.; Blaine, the old fisherman, Edward Mellish; Tomps, the hired man, C. R. Dudley; Mr. Holden, a lawyer, G. H. Bixby; Jimsey, a fresher kid, John Robinson; Miss Gossin, a stuttering lover, H. Spaulding; Susie Cummings, Ralph's daughter, Miss Elsie Tarbell; Mrs. Cummings, Zeph's wife, Mrs. G. H. Bixby; Keziah, forty-three, and despatcher, Mrs. E. K. Harrington; Betsey Tomps, Mrs. A. W. Adams.

Music between acts will be furnished by Thayer's orchestra. Ice cream and cake will be on sale after the play. Entertainment to commence at 7.45.

LITTLETON.

News Items. Eleven carloads of sheep were unloaded at the U. S. quarantine Thursday night, July 7.

Peter Lochran has moved his family into the W. H. Tenney house on Foster street.

John A. Backus, graduate of Tufts college, a member of the Gorham, Me., normal school faculty and formerly a teacher in Newburyport and Cumberland Falls, R. I., has been engaged as principal of the High school. Mr. Backus comes with flattering recommendations and a history that makes his services most desirable. He is a young man, not over thirty years of age and married. He will occupy the Edward Frost house.

Supt. Frank H. Hill and his daughter Eleanor were recently in town. Mr. Hill has engaged for his home the F. B. Priest house lately moved and now being remodelled at the station.

Miss Cora Warren has been visiting friends in Acton Centre.

Miss Zilpan Wright has been at home a few days. She has a new position in the Mutual Insurance office at Fitchburg.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a good sale in the vestry on Wednesday afternoon, July 13, at three o'clock. Orders left with Mrs. Elmar Place and Mrs. Everett Kimball will be filled.

New Advertisements.

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Saturday, July 9, 1910.

AYER.

Clipping. From The Call, New York city, Saturday, July 2:

Rev. Edwin Evans has, by request, resigned the pastorate of the Church of the Messiah, Universalist, at Fort Plain, N. Y. In other words, a difference of views relative to what to do and what not to preach, and how to preach it has caused Pastor Evans his position.

His resignation was to have taken effect on October 1st, but the church trustees having been tipped to the effect that Pastor Evans planned the passing out of some short arm jabs, upper cuts, right swings, etc. tomorrow morning, demanded that the resignation go in force forthwith, and as a result the local Universalist church will be silent as the tomb tomorrow.

Evans was to give a sermon on "Fundamental and progressive democracy," and he announced with smiles that didn't look good to his opponents that the sermon would be appropriate to the Fourth of July. There will be nothing doing in the fireworks line, however, in the local Universalist church tomorrow.

Pastor Evans came here from Ayer, Mass. about six months ago, and he had hardly been here long enough to hang up his hat before the state and conservative inhabitants of this Mohawk Valley village realized that a verbal frebrand was among them. He stood the singing by the choir of words that didn't conform to his views of theology, he blue penciled teachings in the Sunday school that dealt with what he considered to be ecclesiastical impossibilities, and from his pulpit he insisted that there are too many churches that are weak and tottering and that strength would be gained if the narrow-viewed church-goers would forget many useless, silly ideas.

"One can scarcely help feeling that God himself must be grievously displeased with the sectarian strife and disappointed with the little practical religion manifested in the common life and enormous waste of energy and money."

In tendering his resignation Evans said: "The untimely relinquishment of ministerial duties is chiefly, if not wholly, due to my unwillingness to recite a creed and other antiquated theological phrases, which unfortunately constitute a part of the religious exercises, but which I regard as untrue and not binding upon a Universalist minister. Having detected a failing off in the congregation and suspected the reason, I intended to resign at the end of the year if a change did not take place."

"Being convinced that religious cant is the worst form of irreligion, I would rather resign the ministry altogether than to blaspheme the name of God under the pretense of worship or profess to believe as true what I know to be false."

"On retiring from the duties of the Universalist church I think of starting an independent religious movement in some city of a distinctly socialist nature to meet the needs of the unchurched thousands and to champion the economic rights of the vast number of poor, depressed souls who have no sympathy, but much contempt for present religious institutions."

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Viall and family left July 4, for a few weeks' outing at Long Beach, Gloucester and other places on the north shore. Their daughter, Violet Viall, is spending her vacation with her former schoolmate, Miss May Hardy, at their camp at Spofford lake.

Mr. and Mrs. La Roy Steves at Willow, are the happy parents of an eight-pound daughter, who arrived on Monday morning, June 27. She is the twenty-fourth great-grandchild to be born to Mr. and Mrs. John N. Wilkinson of West Townsend. Her name is Harriet Maria, for her great-grandmother. Mother and child are doing nicely.

E. O. Proctor sold last week four automobiles and this week two.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will hold its regular meeting in the church parlor next Wednesday afternoon. Supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock. This is to be their last supper before the summer vacation and it is hoped there will be a good attendance.

Mrs. Rebecca B. Sanders and her daughter Agnes, came from Fitchburg to their home on Washington street on Wednesday for the summer. The trip was made in an automobile.

Miss Kathleen Moses went to Hampton Beach on Thursday with a party of friends for a three weeks' outing.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Culver of Groton entertained their daughter and family; also, a large party of friends on the Fourth at their cottage "Twin Oaks," at Sandy pond. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Coolidge and family will remain at the cottage for a few weeks.

The boiler in a laundry in Laconia, N. H., exploded on Tuesday afternoon and the market of Charles E. Morrison, a former resident of Ayer, which occupied the lower floor of a building near the laundry was badly wrecked, the windows all blown out and a woman who was standing in the market was picked from her feet and tossed through the window just behind the glass.

Orrin Wing, who is eighty-five years of age, is probably one of the most active men of his years in all this region. He is at present working each day in the hay field, starting early and putting in a full day. He remembers well of seeing Halley's comet when it was here before and says it was much more plainly seen than this last time.

F. W. Moses has caught in Sandy pond the past nine days, forty-three black bass.

The ladies of St. Andrew's church will hold a lawn party on the vicarage lawn on Tuesday evening, July 12. All are welcome.

If the brown-tail moths put in an appearance in large quantities on Friday or Saturday nights, the arc lights on Main street will not be lighted and a bonfire will be started in the square and the brown-tails will get a roasting. The "stuff" is already for the blaze.

Fred Harris, claiming New York as his home, and Ayer as his destination, was arrested in Fitchburg for walking on the railroad tracks on Sunday afternoon. The stranger was discovered walking along the track with a bundle under his arm, wrapped up in burlap from a New York, New Haven and Hartford car. The bundle was of no value, simply being the waste paper and burlap, but on account of being on the tracks and unable to tell a straight story as to his home and destination he was sent to the station as a track walker.

Martin H. Rummell of Bennington, Vt., claims to have been relieved of a roll containing forty-nine dollars in bills and a check for fifty dollars, while a passenger on an Ayer electric car on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Rummell was a visitor in Fitchburg on Sunday, coming by way of Ayer and he says he was confident that his pocket was picked on the street car which he says was crowded. He discovered his loss after arriving at the home of his daughter in Fitchburg.

Superintendent of schools, F. C. Johnson and family of Williams street start Saturday for Boscawen, N. H., where they will remain until September 1.

Mrs. E. W. Carley returned last Friday night from Galesburg, Ill., where she had been to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary Ward, who is seriously ill and is growing weaker quite rapidly.

Clifford N. Cole, son of M. P. Cole, of Pleasant street, cut his arm quite badly Friday afternoon with a piece of glass. He hastened to Dr. Hopkins' office, where his wound was dressed.

Clifford Winchester of Pearl street, who recently went to Groton for an operation for ulcers of the stomach, is now in Laconia, N. H., hoping to regain his health.

Miss Eva Wright of Lynn is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Bertha G. Perry, daughter of Rev. L. E. Perry, has gone to the White Mountains and will be located at the Maplewood, Bethlehem.

O. K. Pierce is having his house painted, and when that is done will go to Sandy Pond for the summer.

Miss Pauline Sherwin has gone to Shrewsbury to spend a fortnight with her sister, Mrs. Charles Wood.

William Sargent met with quite a loss Wednesday in the death of his horse which he has had for twenty-four years.

J. B. O'Connell, who has charge of the railroad yard here, left for the west on Thursday with his wife and they will be gone through the month of July.

The following items are from the assessors' books: Valuation 1910, \$2,178,250; 1909, \$2,088,530, gain, \$89,720; rate of taxation, 1910, \$17.20 per \$1,000; 1909, \$17.30 per \$1,000; number of polls, 902, increase over 1909, 87; population, 1910, 2,670; 1909, 2,591, increase, 79; state tax, 1910, \$3,080; 1909, \$2,610; county tax, 1910, \$2,136; 1909, \$2,226; town tax, 1910, \$22,340; 1909, \$21,835.

At the Bruce cottage, Sandy pond, for over the Fourth, were Mr. and Mrs. Haughton, Mr. and Mrs. Jenness and Mr. Flanders, all of Boston. They came Friday night and returned Tuesday night.

Samuel Reed went last week to Waverley for a rest from business cares.

James Reagan, who was in the lockup Monday night and was released Tuesday morning was seriously injured in East Pepperell on Thursday evening by being struck by a Worcester bound freight train and had two ribs broken and a bad scalp wound.

Judge Sanderson has a new Overland auto and his son Bennett is the chauffeur.

Charles Green, brother of the late Simeon Green, died last week Monday at his home in Leominster after five weeks' illness, aged seventy-three years. The immediate cause of death was from locomotor ataxia. He is survived by a wife, who was Miss Felt and a former resident of this town, whose daughter is Mrs. J. E. Bulkeley. He also leaves a daughter, Mrs. Chas. Savage of Leominster. Burial was in Leominster cemetery. Mr. Green was a native of Lunenburg.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker returned on Wednesday from a four days' visit with friends in Keene, N. H.

Many Changes. There will be many changes in the town schools the coming year. Several of the teachers have resigned. Miss Florence L. Hamblin of the high school and a very able teacher, goes to Warren, R. I. Miss Marion W. Bowles, who has also done splendid work is to take a course in Simmons college. Miss Bessie C. Rowell of the seventh grade is to become assistant to the headmaster in the grammar school of Brockton. Miss Mary E. Crowley has resigned her position as teacher in the Main street primary school and her marriage is looked for in the coming months. Miss Clara M. Burns of the sixth grade, one of Ayer's popular young ladies and a faithful teacher for twelve years, in town, goes to Revere. The drawing teacher, Miss Emily L. Haines has a call elsewhere to a higher salary.

Resigned. The resignation of Miss Clara M. Burns as teacher of the sixth grade in our public schools comes to us with much regret. Coming into our employ direct from the Normal school and without practical experience, the result that she has furnished gives ground for the belief that teachers

like poets, are born, not made. The methods pursued have been modern and such as to make the advancement of her pupils unmistakable. There has been at all times a life interest in and about her school-room that is essential for progress and the presence of which cannot prevent progress. She has an enthusiastic manner that not only inspires her pupils to their best efforts, but she seems to win the good will of her pupils. Miss Burns has accepted a position in Revere. Her new duties begin in September.

Fourth of July Celebration.

The Fourth of July was an ideal day so far as the weather was concerned; it was more ideal than in former years as regards its observance. There was enough doing after midnight so that one trying to sleep would be reminded that it was the Fourth. The first on the program for celebration was the huge bonfire in Railroad square at midnight and from this on there was a continuous performance. The observance was more elaborate and interesting than in former years and there was much more system in the program and more order in carrying it out.

People were more comfortable in the shade on the hillside sitting on the substantial new seats at the new park. The vision to the playground was good, one could see all that took place. There were no serious accidents. A. E. Lawrence had the glass on his wind shield of his automobile broken by a baseball; Hon. John M. Maloney would have wet his shoes badly by the sinking of the raft at Sandy pond on which he stood, with others, had he not undressed his feet; George C. Peterson's sail boat was tipped over and he with Wilbur Hart were rescued.

The fireworks were the closing feature and were enjoyed by a large number of people. The music during the afternoon and evening by the American orchestra was greatly enjoyed. Ice cream and cold drinks were in much demand. About twenty-five gallons of cream were sold on the grounds.

There is a great deal of hard work in carrying out such a program as we give today and a great deal of credit is due those who had the affair in hand. The forenoon program at Sandy pond, which consisted of aquatics, was very amusing. We give here the program:

Under water swim, first, Lucius Wheeler, toilet case; second, John Hooley, letter case; double oared race, J. H. Pihman, Henry Nutting, first, two stroke pairs; single oared race, first, Alfred Richardson, pocketbook; second, Henry Nutting, pocketbook; sailboat race, first, Vixen, Alfred Richardson, silk pennant; tilting race, first, Harold Felch, Earl Buddington, box cigars; canoe race, first, Frank Brown, Alfred Richardson, two canoe pillows; scotch swim, juniors, first, Alfred Smith, watch; second, Jack Sanderson, knife; single oared race, juniors, first, Frank Brown, tennis oxfords; second, Roger Lawrence, tennis oxfords; double race, first, Alfred Smith, knife; second, Albert Irwin, watch; fob; single oared race, small boys, first, Albert Irwin, tennis oxfords; second, Ralph Brown, tennis oxfords.

At the park in the afternoon the exercises were varied and interesting, and were as follows:

Hurdle race, first, Arthur Coughlin, tennis oxfords; second, Paul McGuane, tennis oxfords; running high jump, first, Henry Brown, bathing suit; second, John Hooley, jersey; height, four feet, eleven inches; four lap relay race, first, Harold Felch, Earl Buddington, Wilbur Hart, J. Donahue, light ice cream tickets; 100-yd. dash, juniors, first, Arthur Coughlin, watch; second, Paul McGuane, knife; potato race, first, Frank Ball, pocket watch; fob; three-in-hand race, first, Mark Moore, Paul McGuane, Arthur Coughlin, Leonard Bowler, four watch fobs.

A new feature was introduced this year in the folk dances directed by Mrs. Jones of Lancaster and were very pretty. These persons took part: Dorothy Bixby and Alice Lahey in a dance called the American minuet; then came a patriotic march by twenty boys; Mrs. Jones gave a Highland fling; Evelyn Glynn, Jane and Gertrude Briggs, Eva Waterman and Grace Farrar gave a Greek dance; Helen Griffin, Margaret Walsh, May Peterson, Madeline McCarthy, Lois Leavitt, Edna Brown, Madeline Donlon and Kathleen Hackett danced the Irish reel. The dancing was novel and the costumes upon the young ladies and uniforms on the boys who took part in the march gave a very fine, spectacular appearance. The display of the red, white and blue by the twenty boys and the stars by the two minnet girls was heartily cheered.

The baseball game by the Has Beens and Hopetuis came at the close of the afternoon program and was won by the Hopetuis by a score of 6 to 2.

Demonstration. That credit should be given the water-commissioners for the improvement in the water pressure at the hydrant on the premises of the Haynes-Piper Co., was demonstrated on Thursday noon.

At a fire on the dump of L. W. Phelps, with two lines of hose on, there was more pressure than at any previous time with one line. Besides these two lines attached to and playing from the hydrant, the H. P. Co. men had a fire line on the same main using a one-inch nozzle.

Mr. Lougee informs us that on the night of July Fourth he put a line of hose on the hydrant mentioned and his men could play a one-inch solid stream over the highest point of the elder-mill, some seventy-five feet in height, and it took three men to control the nozzle.

This increase in pressure has evidently been brought about by the work done on the main near the shop of Frederick Whitney.

Death.

In one of the homes on Pearl street is to be found the wife and three children of Michael Cullen and they are lonely and sad because the faithful and kind husband and father was so suddenly taken from them. Mr. Cullen was only sick four days. He went to the hospital in Groton and underwent an operation for strangulated hernia. Drs. Hopkins and Sullivan attended. He did not rally from the operation, pneumonia set in and a specialist was called on Saturday, but Mr. Cullen in spite of all that was done for him passed away Sunday morning at half-past seven o'clock.

He was at his work for the Boston and Maine railroad Wednesday and on the following Sunday was separated from his family and the wife and children will have one day's pay to draw this time instead of one week. Mr. Cullen worked for the Boston and Maine for twenty-seven years, since coming to this country. He married twenty-one years ago the day he passed on, July 3. He came from Leltrim, Ireland, twenty-seven years ago and has lived in Ayer nine years. He was forty-seven years of age.

His children are: Miss Annie C., Walter B. and Mary J. Cullen. There are two sisters: Mrs. J. McCoy of Danvers, this state, and Miss B. Cullen of Casco Bay, Me. The funeral was held on Tuesday forenoon in St. Mary's church, Rev. P. J. Sheedy, officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery. Mrs. Cullen and children have the sympathy of all in their great loss.

Sandy Pond.

As a summer resort presents increased attractions this year. The season has fully opened, most of the cottages are occupied and everything is in full swing. The Taft cottage has not as yet an occupant, but it is all ready, having just been put in good condition by Mr. Kittredge. Opposite, on the corner, where Shady cottage stood, is a portable store in charge of Philip Delano and Albion Washburn.

Passing along the pond road at the first settlement is the new cottage of Walter Ladd of Malden, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ladd and one child. Just above is camp Ta-Kit-E-Z, two large tents, where E. E. Sawyer and family are located for the summer. Beyond, in the Fletcher cottage, are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fletcher and daughter, Margery, and at The Birches are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lawrence and son Roger. The Donlon cottage will be occupied today by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. B. Turner and family for three weeks.

Farther on, the Pierce cottage, is to be occupied in a few days by Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Pierce. In the little cottage close by, Rebecca Pierce, Natall Bigelow and Miss Wesley Patton of Somerville are spending their second week, being chaperoned by Miss Emily Cole. At Ashby cottage are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Richardson and daughter Charlotte.

At Grant Dwinell's cottage are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Dwinell and family of Jamaica Plain. Near Ashley cottage is the entrance to Shoreacres and here is perhaps the largest settlement. The new cottage of E. Z. Nutting, is large and pleasant with spacious piazzas. Mrs. Nutting and son Wendell are here and Mr. Nutting comes Friday nights from Brooklyn and remains till Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson and sons Alfred and Ralph, are in their cottage for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. William Brown and family went down Thursday to stay at their summer home.

In the Hill cottage are Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Beverly and Dr. and Mrs. Wylie. At the Sherwin cottage are Mr. and Mrs. William U. Sherwin and family. At Sesame lodge are Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Green, son and daughter, for the summer.

At the Beckford cottage, which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murphy for a fortnight, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bigelow took possession on Thursday night and will remain through the month.

Fred W. Hosmer's log cabin is the home of its owner and has the coolest location, perhaps on the whole shore. Boating and bathing are the special recreations, and are greatly enjoyed by everyone. This settlement has had a telephone established at E. A. Richardson's and thus are within easy reach of the outer world.

Our papers go regularly every week to our subscribers, leaving this office every Friday evening, and are forwarded every Saturday morning from the postoffice at Ayer on the trains leaving at eight o'clock. Complaints are occasionally sent in from subscribers that they do not receive their papers promptly on Saturday. The fault is not with the publisher. If any of our subscribers fail to receive their paper, send us a postal note and we will forward another copy with pleasure.

New Advertisements.

Subscribers, Your Attention.

Rules of the Post Office Department. ORDER NO. 907. The following section is taken from the latest revision of postal laws of the official order of the Postmaster General affecting newspapers in force January 1, 1908:

Renewals of Subscriptions.

3. A reasonable time will be allowed publishers to secure renewals of subscriptions, but unless subscriptions are expressly renewed after the term for which they are paid, within the following periods—dailies within three months, triweeklies within six months, weeklies within nine months, semi-monthlies within three months, monthlies within four months, bi-monthlies within six months, quarterlies within six months—they shall not be counted in the legitimate list of subscribers, and copies mailed on account thereof shall not be accepted for mailing at the second class postage rate of one cent a pound, but may be mailed at transient second class postage rate of one cent for each ounce or fraction thereof, prepaid by stamps affixed.

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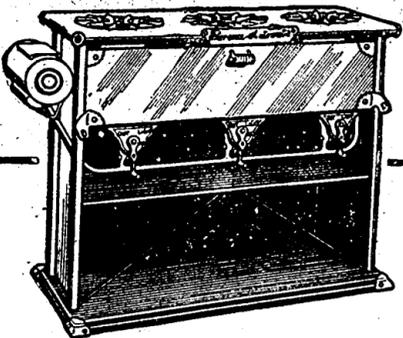
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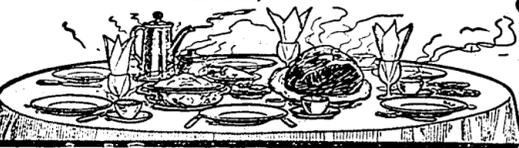
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#### TOWNSEND.

Clipping. From the Fitchburg Daily Sentinel, July 2:

Lendall U. Clement of Townsend has brought a bill in equity in the superior court of Middlesex county against Ransom B. Adams of Townsend to compel him to deliver a deed of a two-acre tract of land with buildings on the payment of \$501.25 by the plaintiff, and also to restrain the defendant from selling or otherwise disposing of the farm and from interfering with the plaintiff in the possession of the farm. The papers in the suit were filed by Attorney Avrah M. Levy of Fitchburg at Cambridge, Wednesday afternoon, at which time a temporary injunction was issued by the court. In his allegations the plaintiff says that early this month he bargained to sell a 100-acre farm in Townsend to the defendant for \$2,500 and an additional payment of \$101.25, but that the sale did not include certain standing wood and timber. By request of the defendant, according to the allegations, there were placed restrictions in the deeds to be passed, but in a separate instrument the defendant agreed to convey the standing wood and timber back to the plaintiff. The parties to the transaction met at the office of one Baker, and the deal and pass deeds and the deed that time the plaintiff had intended to secure an assignment of a bill of exchange property covering the standing wood and timber, but the defendant refused to go ahead with the deal, but made a payment of \$101.25 to hold the trade and as a guarantee of good faith.

They met at the farm on June 22, it says, and that the plaintiff was unable to get the assignment, but agreed to pay the defendant \$17.18, the amount of the assignment, and this being accepted by the defendant, the plaintiff says he produced his bill of exchange and laid it on the shelf while he examined the assignment offered him by the defendant, and also counted a roll of bills ready to be given. While he was thus engaged, he alleges, the defendant grabbed the warranty deed from the shelf without the consent of the plaintiff and ran out of the door with it, but later returned and while he was gone the plaintiff alleges he counted the roll of bills and found there was but \$501 in small bills instead of \$2,501 as he expected to find.

He alleges that when told the amount of money in the roll the defendant declared that there was \$2,501 in it when he placed it within reach of the plaintiff and that he refused to return the warranty deed in exchange for the roll of money and deed for the standing wood and timber. The plaintiff asks that the defendant be ordered to return the warranty deed to him on receipt of the \$501 paid and the deed for the standing wood and timber, and also that the defendant be restrained from selling or otherwise disposing of any interest in the farm and from interfering with the plaintiff in the exercise of the rights of the owner of the farm. In the equity session of the superior court of Boston, Friday, Judge Franklin G. Essenden issued a temporary injunction on the petition of Lendall U. Clement vs. Ransom B. Adams, restraining the defendant from disposing of a farm, the title to which he recently acquired from the plaintiff by sale or otherwise, and from interfering with the plaintiff in the exercise of the rights of an owner, pending a hearing and final decree in the case.

A. M. Levy appeared for the petitioner. No date was named for the hearing.

West. A still alarm was sent in for a fire in the piece of land near the railroad

Arthur Smith of Waltham is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Sawtelle.

Wedding. On the evening of the Fourth at eight, a quiet home wedding was solemnized at the home of the groom, Thomas H. Welch, who was united in marriage to Miss Lucille Perry, his housekeeper, by Rev. Samuel Ringrose of the Baptist church. Miss Perry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver H. Perry of New Ipswich, N. H., and has been a resident of this village about fifteen years. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Charles Russell of Josselynville, and only the members of the families were present at the ceremony. They were the recipients of a number of valuable and useful gifts and have the congratulations of their many friends and associates. They will make their home at the cottage on Elm street, except when acting as caretakers at the Homer residence.

#### Remmon.

One of the pleasantest features of the Fourth was the reunion of the Stickney family at the beautiful residence of Clarence Stickney of this village and there were present fifty-seven descendants of Alvah and Rebecca W. Stickney, natives of this town, who passed their lives on the old Stickney homestead on Townsend Hill, which has been in the possession of the Stickney family for over a century.

The guests arrived early in the morning in all kinds of vehicles, from the family carry-all to the latest automobile, and the beautiful weather and merry company conspired to make the occasion one of the most memorable of its kind.

A bountiful feast was served in the big tent erected on the west side of the house and when the festivities were over the company enjoyed a musicale in the parlors, followed by speeches and a business meeting of the Stickney association, at which A. F. Stickney, who has been its president for the past fifteen years, resigned his position and Rev. Maurice A. Levy of Newton, was elected in his stead, with James Vose of Ashburnham as secretary and treasurer.

During the afternoon the elder members of the assembly enjoyed a social hour among themselves, while the younger and more restless had games and sports in the field below the house, and enjoyed brief auto trips to points of interest about town.

The party dispersed about six o'clock with many expressions of pleasure and thanks for the hearty hospitality which they had enjoyed, and as each vehicle drove away with its load of merry-makers, they were followed with three hearty cheers, led by the president of the Stickney association, Rev. Maurice A. Levy.

There were present Mr. and Mrs. Alvah F. Stickney and son Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Stickney and son of this village; Louis Stickney of Ashburnham; Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Lewis from the Harvard Medical college; Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Levy of Newton; Mrs. Everett Stickney, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Stickney, Mrs. L. J. Sherwin, Mr. and Mrs. Jewett and two children from Milford, N. H.; Mrs. Lois Vose of this village; Mr. and Mrs. James W. Vose of Ashburnham; Mrs. Clifton M. and daughter from Summit, N. J.; Mrs. John Vose of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Rockwood and child of Watertown; Mrs. Ambrose Stickney and Miss Mary and Mrs. Grosvenor Stickney of Syracuse, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Abbott Stickney and daughter from Worcester; Dr. and Mrs. Lewis from the Harvard Medical college; Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stickney; Charles B. Stickney and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Stickney from Townsend Hill; Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Stickney and son from Holden; W. C. and Mrs. Harold Loveland and son from Ashby; Mr. and Mrs. Eaton from Lunenburg.

Of the seventy-two living descendants of the family, fifty-seven were present, the oldest member being Alvah F. Stickney, and the youngest, the sixteen month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Rockwood of Watertown, while the youngest of the brothers and sisters was Mrs. W. C. Loveland of Ashby.

Of the twelve brothers and sisters, six have passed away since the last reunion, which was held September 1, 1900. There have been eight deaths, fifteen marriages and six births among the members of the association.

#### HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items. Thursday afternoon, June 22, the Y. P. S. of C. E. gave its annual reception to those people in town who have reached and passed the age of seventy years. Twenty-seven of that age were present out of the sixty-five who reside in town. Each brought a companion with them and with the members of the society, there were one hundred present. The reception was held in grange hall, which was transformed into a drawing-room with easy chairs and it was tastefully decorated with flowers. A social hour from two to four was enjoyed and then the young people entertained the guests with a welcome by the president of the society.

A memorial to those who have passed away during the year was given by Mrs. Jewett. Music by the orchestra, which was composed of Walter and Arley Lund and Miss Delle Gilman. After the singing of old familiar songs, the pastor, Rev. C. H. Davis, made congratulatory remarks to the guests. He also presented a large bouquet to the oldest lady present, who was Mrs. E. W. Coburn, and another bouquet to the oldest gentleman present, Joseph Gales. As it was the birthday of Mrs. Mercian Spaulding, she was also presented with a bouquet.

The company adjourned to the banquet hall, where a bountiful supper was served under the management of Mrs. W. W. Pierce and Miss Hattie Hayden. A loaf of wedding cake was served to the guests of seventy and older, sent by the bride of the previous day, Mrs. Edith Reed-Martin.

Miss Henrietta Drake, a teacher in one of the Lowell schools, is spending her summer vacation with her aunt, Mrs. A. P. Gale.

Dr. A. P. Powers has sold his residence in the village to Charles M. Stratton. Dr. Powers and family will return to Connecticut, where they

formerly resided. Three years ago Dr. Powers had to give up the work of his profession because of impaired health. Since he resided here he has improved very much in health and will resume his practice in the fall.

Miss Lucilla Willoughby of Dracut, Mass., who recently visited friends here, is the widow of the late Dr. Willoughby, who was the village doctor for years in town.

Charles H. Miller of Pepperell has been kept busy in Hollis the past fifteen months erecting new buildings and remodeling old ones. There has not been so many buildings erected during the same length of time for years as he has recently built.

The fresh air children from Boston have arrived in Hollis, and will continue to come and go in instalments until September 1. There are ten at Mrs. Button's.

The last meeting of the year of the Hollis Woman's club was held at Handhurst on Thursday, June 30. It was a lawn party with about thirty ladies in attendance. The afternoon was spent in character sketches and a social season. Dainty refreshments were served. The first meeting of the year will be the first Wednesday in October next.

Mr. Watson of Boston, one of the holiday guests at the Crawford Inn, sang a solo at the morning service last Sunday in the Congregational church. Mr. Watson is a bass singer of unusual merit.

Charles Willett of Lowell spent the holiday at Pierce brothers.

The irreplaceable boy took advantage of the Fourth to upset the tidy appearance of the Hollis village that morning to the disgust of some of the citizens. A sawhorse was placed on the roof of the engine-house and the roof of the horse-sheds similarly decorated. The high school building was discovered to be on fire, but in season to put it out before much damage was done. It is estimated that fifty dollars will put it in repair. The cause of the fire is supposed to be from fire-crackers.

Mrs. C. F. Burge was thrown out of the wagon the morning of the Fourth while on her way to the village. Her horse became frightened at the approach of an automobile that came puffing along. Her collarbone was broken and she was otherwise severely injured.

Charles Bell, Jr. and Carl Brown will enter the State college at Dunham, next September.

Miss Mary Lawrence of South Hollis, entertained nine of her little friends on Thursday afternoon, July 7, it being her tenth birthday. It was a happy time for the youngsters.

#### Wedding.

Wednesday evening, June 29, one of the prettiest weddings ever witnessed in this town, took place in the Congregational church here, when Miss Marion Frances Powers of this town was united in marriage to Thomas Edward McKenzie of Meriden, Conn. The double ring service was performed by Rev. C. H. Davis. The front of the church was banked with green and mountain laurel and the central chandelier was a pyramid of laurel.

The bride was handsomely gowned in white with veil en-traine and the groom in the conventional black. The bridesmaids were gowned in pink, with bouquets of pink sweet peas. The bridal procession entered the church to the strains of Lohengrin's march. The bride, on the arm of her father, was met at the altar by the groom and best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Helen Powers, a sister of the bride, Miss Mary Spaulding of Nashua and a friend from Connecticut. The church was filled with a large number of guests. After the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Powers.

Mrs. McKenzie is a native of Hollis; a graduate of the high school and also a graduate of a normal school in Connecticut and she has taught school in Meriden, Conn., the past two years. Mrs. G. H. Bullock of Pepperell is a sister. Mr. McKenzie is in the money order department of the postoffice in Meriden, where they will reside. They have the best wishes of their many friends for a prosperous, happy future.

It is forty-two years since the last wedding in the old church of Hollis took place.

This paper is the paper to insert your advertisements for the reason that it cannot escape the eyes of the thousands who read this paper from week to week. No "bores" circulation.

#### New Advertisements.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF the Townsend National Bank, at Townsend, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 30, 1910.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$249,767.56
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	34,892.81
Real Estate, Furniture, and Fixtures	1,000.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents	21,885.45
Checks and other Cash Items	44.91
Banks	2,904.00
Fractional Paper Currency, National and State	13.00
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$8,414.00
Legal-tender notes	\$500.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent circulation)	5,000.00
Total	\$431,922.73
Liabilities	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	24,313.04
National Bank Notes outstanding	100,000.00
Dividends unpaid	48.00
Individual deposits subject to check	187,561.69
Total	\$431,922.73

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex ss. I, Henry A. Hill, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY A. HILL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this second day of July, 1910. E. ALONZO BLOOD, Notary Public.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by HENRY W. WHITING, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twentieth day of July, 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 seventeenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3141 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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Sundays—First car 7:05 a. m., then same as week days.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer and Fitchburg at 6:05, 7:20 a. m., then 20 minutes past the hour up to and including 11:20 p. m.

Sundays—First car 8:20 a. m., then same as week days.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for West Chelmsford and Brookside at 6:00, 6:35 and 7:50 a. m., and 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10:50 p. m.

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L. H. CUSHING,  
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WEEK DAY TIME.

Leave Merrimack Square, Lowell for Boston via Tewksburg and Reading to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlestown—6:45 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:45 p. m. Sundays—Same as week days. Return—Leave Sullivan Square Terminal—6:45 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:45 p. m. Sundays—Same as week days.

Boston via North Billerica, Billerica Centre, Burlington, Woburn, 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 Woburn only. Return—Leave Sullivan Square Terminal—6:32 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:32 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 11:52 a. m. until 9:32 p. m. Sundays—7:32 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:32 p. m.)

Lawrence—5:15, 6:15, 6:40 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10:40 p. m. Sundays—7:10 a. m., then same as week days. Return—Leave Lawrence—5:20, 6:10, 6:50 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10:50 p. m. Sundays—7:20 a. m., then same as week days.

North Chelmsford via Middlesex Street—5:18, 6:00, 6:50, 6:55, 7:02 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11:33 p. m. Sundays—7:32, 8:03 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 10:33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5:30, 5:55, 6:30 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.

Tyngboro via Middlesex Street—5:18, 6:00, 6:55, 7:02 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:48 p. m., then 10:48 p. m. Sundays—5:18 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9:18 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngboro—5:40, 6:20, 6:57, 7:33 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m., then 11:33 p. m. Sundays—7:03 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m.

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### Chairman Hatfield Discusses the Political Outlook

### WORKING HARD FOR SUCCESS

is Confident That People Do Not Wish Democratic Victory—Evidence That Manufacturers Fear Democratic Congress

Chairman Charles E. Hatfield of the Republican state committee is doing very active work in organizing the state for the coming campaign. He believes that hard work is the invariable secret of success. He is laboring to imbue the city and town committees of the state with his own energetic spirit and he believes that the Republican ticket is going to be successful next November. Mr. Hatfield has given an interview to a representative of this newspaper in which he expresses himself frankly as follows:

"I have made a pretty thorough tour of the state and find a much better situation than existed a few weeks ago. Republicans are awakening to the fact that a hard fight is ahead of us next fall and they are taking steps to get in condition for the campaign. Throughout the state I believe city and town committees are in good condition and that they will leave nothing undone which might aid in our canvass this fall. They realize thoroughly how much depends upon them in the coming contest.

"The attempt to hold the tariff responsible for the increased cost of living is a failure. There was nothing but politics back of the effort to convince the people that high prices were due to the tariff. To hold the Republican party responsible for that would be pure childishness, especially in view of the fact that the greatest increases have been in articles on which the tariff has been reduced or which are on the free list.

"Besides, the rise in prices is not a local matter. If it were due to the tariff it ought to be confined to the United States. As a matter of fact, there has been the same proportionate advance in prices throughout all Europe, in free-trade England as well as in the countries which have a moderately protective tariff.

The Tariff Not at Fault

"Of course our friends the Democrats were quick to attribute this advance to the protective tariff and the Republican party. It seemed to be the only thing in sight on which they could frame a plausible issue on which to appeal to the people. Notwithstanding that all the facts refute their claim and that all the economists, regardless of their political affiliations, unite to acquit the Payne-Aldrich tariff law of any substantial influence in the price advance, our Democratic friends at stated intervals solemnly reiterate these absurd charges.

"The Republican state committee proposes to make the best campaign possible this fall for the election of our state and congressional ticket, and with the united efforts of all Republicans there is no reason whatever why we should not be successful all along the line. The people can be trusted to render a verdict for the party of construction, and against the party of destruction and obstruction, which is the Democratic party. I do not believe that the people of the country who went through the dark years of 1893-94-95 under Democratic administration wish to see another period like that sufficiently to put the Democratic party again in power in the nation.

Governor Draper Strong and Fearless

"With a man like Governor Draper as our standard-bearer our success at the polls should be assured. The state has never had a governor who excelled him in strength, capacity or fearlessness. His own political future does not weigh a jot in the scale with his convictions of right and justice. He would rather be defeated standing for a just cause than be successful at the sacrifice of the best interests of the state. Such a candidate ought to have the vote of every man who holds the interest of Massachusetts as a sacred trust. He has never surrendered his honest convictions to win popular clamor or transient applause. He is content to make an administration which shall appeal to the sober second thought of the people of the state."

Employers Fear Democratic Congress

Careful observers say if one may judge of the future of the textile industry by the decreased activity in the cotton markets, business in that line is not likely to be brisk until the November elections shall show whether there is to be a Republican or a Democratic congress. They add that business men appear to be very timid in regard to branching out until after this point is decided, and in reducing production they say they must necessarily lay off help. With a Democratic congress and an attempt to again revise the tariff manufacturers are likely to more heavily curtail production.

A bulletin of the department of commerce and labor shows cotton

receipts for May, 1910, of 87,470 bales for the northern, and 170,197 bales for the southern mills. The cotton takings of the northern mills for the nine months of the season, 1,905,204 bales, were 24 percent below the figures of the preceding season, while those of the southern mills, 2,420,354 bales, show a loss of slightly over 4 percent. The monthly wool receipts at Boston for May, 11,991,907 pounds, are regarded as an even more unfavorable condition of trade, being the lowest monthly receipts for the year and less than one-third the May, 1909, receipts.

According to the same bulletin there was a decreased activity in the buildings trades all over the country for that month. The comparative values of building permits granted by 104 municipal authorities were 76,255,637, a decrease of over 17 percent from May, 1909, and nearly 16 percent from the month of April.

If such a condition is the result of a fear that Democrats may elect the next congress, many thoughtful people are wondering if it is not proper to inquire what the actual effect of a Democratic congress would be upon commerce, industry and labor.

### BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.  
Rev. Warren L. Noyes and wife attended the annual reunion of the Swallow family at Nashua on Wednesday, June 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nye, daughter Audrey and son Lawrence of Leon, Inster, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Nye.

Miss Marion A. Stiles is at home from school duties at Nashua for the summer vacation.

James H. S. Tucker of Nashua was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Tucker.

Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker and daughters Rena and Edna of Nashua are at Inncroft and have entertained Mrs. Murgatroyd of Nashua and Arthur Carter of Pepperell.

Miss Hattie Whitcomb of Fremont is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alpha A. Hall.

George Shattuck, who is employed at the icehouse, is to occupy the cottage on the Millford road, owned by Samuel Swett.

Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., are here at their summer cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton; also, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rockwood of Temple, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Holcombe on last Sunday.

The officers of the P. S. C. E. for the ensuing six months are: H. Arthur Brown, pres.; Carl Clifford, vice-pres.; Mrs. Bertha Brown, cor. sec.; Miss Marion A. Stiles, rec. sec.; Harry M. Hall, alt.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hammond of Dorchester are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence at Hillcrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Vaelege and daughter Ruth, were Fourth of July guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perley Pierce at Greystone.

The Seaver homestead is to be improved by the addition of a veranda and Lutheran windows.

Mrs. W. Temple Boultonhouse and her niece, Miss Adelaide Markham are at the home of Mrs. Boultonhouse for a few weeks. Mrs. Boultonhouse will spend the last of the month and part of August at her cottage at Belgrade Lakes, Maine.

Ella C. Ballard of Putnam, Conn., Miss Kathleen O'Heren of Fitchburg and Harold Hadley of Cambridge were recent guests at the Elmwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parker, Miss Eliza J. Parker, Miss Louise Parker, Hutchins Parker and Alan Parker of Lowell were at Four Pines and entertained a family party over the Fourth. Dinner was served beneath the pines. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. N. H. B. Wardwell, Albert Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Blodgett, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bennett, Master Ralph Bennett, Master Hutchins Bennett, Mrs. Harriet Cole, Marcus Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Everett B. Moore, Mrs. James Metcalf, Miss Belle Metcalf, Ernest Scribner, Eugene Ouellette.

All roads will lead to Tarbell's hall on Friday evening, July 8, when the popular three-act drama, "Nevada," will be presented for the benefit of the Methodist church under the direction of Miss Leonora Bradley.

The Congregational Brotherhood were delightfully entertained at the home of Dr. Holcombe, Friday evening, July 7. Three new members were added to the ranks, Charles Stickney, Frank W. Jenness, D. Wallace Jenness. The usual business of the monthly meeting was transacted and the piano selections were finely rendered by Mrs. Minnie I. Holcombe and a reading by Chester B. Vaelege. The ladies were invited and Mrs. Chester B. Vaelege gave an original poem, describing in a very pleasing manner the different members of the Brotherhood. Ice cream and cake were served.

Birth Day Celebration.

A most delightful birthday celebration was held on June 29, in honor of the eighty-sixth birthday of George W. L. Hobart, given by his children. The celebration was held at the old Hobart homestead, the summer residence of Dr. and Mrs. George L. Perin of Boston. With the exception of the dinner served under the maples and which included good things enough to satisfy the taste of an epicure, the whole affair was very informal. Four generations were present and were represented by Will A. Hobart, the oldest living son of the hero of the occasion; and Clarence A. Hobart, his son; and Kenneth Augustus, the ten month's old son of Clarence Hobart.

A most delightful feature of the occasion was the singing of the old, old songs by Nelson Raymond of Boston, a member of the famous Loftus Male quartet, closing with "God will take care of you," and "Auld Lang Syne."

Among the guests were Nathaniel Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wallace Smith, Dr. and Mrs. George L. Perin, Miss Mary Perin, Edward Perin, Master

George L. Perin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Powers, Harry Powers, Miss Gertrude Willey, Will A. Hobart, Miss Edith Hobart, Clayton Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hobart, Kenneth A. Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Hobart, Miss Katherine Hobart, Mrs. Belle C. Hall, Miss Ellen C. Sawtelle, Miss Martha Wright, Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker, Mrs. Sarah Smith, Mrs. Sarah Corey, Miss Jessie Corey, Mrs. Josephine Stiles, Miss Marion Stiles, Miss Josephine Sawyer, Mrs. Hattie Stiles, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Holcombe, Mrs. Daniel McKim, H. Nelson Raymond, Jr. Noteworthy among these were an older brother of Mr. Hobart, Nathaniel Hobart, who is the oldest man in town, and a sister, Mrs. E. W. Smith and her husband.

Mr. Hobart was presented with many gifts, including money in gold, and beautiful flowers. Many letters were received by him, the keynote of which wished him peace and happiness through the remaining years of his long and useful life.

The Fourth.

The vigilance of the selectmen and the officers of the law caused the Fourth of July to be ushered in with very little demonstration. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Delbert Porter, the church bells were not rung. A little past midnight an alarm of fire was rung in caused by the burning of the old cooper shop, located on the land of the late James C. Parker. It was in a dilapidated condition and not of much value. The engine company responded and kept the flames under control. The illumination from the fire was very brilliant and lighted the whole village. Family gatherings and picnics were held during the day. Several attended the ball game at Townsend and others enjoyed the sports at Pepperell. Old Glory was a symbol of patriotism throughout the village.

Entertainment.

Among the happy events of the past week was the entertaining of a party of friends at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett, Wednesday afternoon and evening of June 29. Supper was served at five o'clock and the table made a charming picture with its decorations of green vines, sprays of white flowers and blush roses and the tempting viands. Later, games were enjoyed.

Readings by Miss Leonora Bradley, among them, "That old sweet-heart of mine," by James Whitcomb Riley; dialect selections, Francis Lawrence; whistling solos, Mrs. Mabel Lawrence; vocal solos, Mrs. Agnes Yarrick; piano selections, Mrs. Frances Cox Evans; sleight-of-hand, Prof. Joseph Yarrick. Ice cream, cake and confections were served during the evening.

### BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.  
Fourth of July morning there was an interesting game of ball between the Bolton and Boxborough teams, played on C. T. Wetherbee's grounds, resulting in a victory for the home team with a score of 6 to 5. In the evening there was fireworks on Prospect Hill, followed by a dance in the library hall.

Mrs. J. A. Walker, who has been very sick, is improving.

Miss Mary Larkin of Jamaica Plain is visiting at Ernest Davidson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus McEchron and children and Miss Gertrude Vincent of Brockton, have been spending the week with Mrs. Fred Kingsbury.

Miss Lillian Garlick of Ashburnham is spending part of the vacation with Miss Ella Furbush.

Superintendent Brick moved from Maynard into his new home near the church on Wednesday.

Mrs. Montgomery and family arrived from New York, Thursday, and will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Shattuck.

Charles Wilson went to Boston Monday to march in the procession with the High school cadets. Miss Nellie accompanied him to witness the parade.

Mrs. McCarthy and family are at Mariagold cottage for the summer.

Mr. Wilson has presented the library with a fine, large clock; also, a flag which was displayed for the first time on the Fourth.

Among the guests in town for the holidays were Mrs. Gertrude Shattuck at W. H. Furbush's; Miss Florence Moore at R. Y. Nelson's; Mrs. Lydia Hartwell, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, Miss Cora Hartwell and Linus Hartwell at A. B. Hartwell's; Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Hager and F. E. Chester at S. P. Dodge's; Miss Bernice Childs and friend at her father's; and Wetherbee at C. T. Wetherbee's.

### LITTLETON.

About Town.

The floral and patriotic concert given last Sunday at the Unitarian church by the Sunday school scholars was the best ever given. The recitations, and especially the singing, showing excellent training. Under the guiding hand of the committee the church and altar were artistically decorated with large clusters of roses.

The three little girls—Margaret Brown, Georgine Chandler and Rosalie Milliken—wishing to do some charity work, held a sale of homemade candy in their schoolroom and were assisted by their teacher, Miss Barker, from which sale they realized \$2.50. They gave the money to the treasurer of the King's Daughters to be sent to the floating hospital in Boston.

Friday, July 1, Rev. and Mrs. Favor gladly received a little favor into their home, Elizabeth Putnam by name.

Early Tuesday morning the old Porter Tuttle house was discovered by Rev. Wm. C. Brown to be on fire. The alarm was immediately given and help soon put the fire out. It took fire from a defective chimney.

Twelve of the knights and ladies of King Arthur were in the camp of J. M. Hartwell at Spectacle pond, this week, having as guests, their teacher, Rev. Drummond and his wife of Somerville. Mr. Drummond preaches at the Isle of Shoals on Sunday, July 10, where they intend to remain for a couple of weeks.

Rev. Fairchild of Ware will occupy the pulpit of the Unitarian church again on Sunday, July 10.

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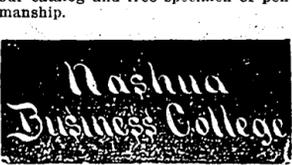
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MERTABLE GARDNER, HUNTINGTON, late of Ayer, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to ELLEN L. HUNTINGTON of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of July, 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 Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said County, the thirtieth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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Saturday, July 9, 1910.

### PEPPERELL.

#### Accident.

James Reagan of Ayer was struck by a Worcester bound freight train on Thursday evening at about nine o'clock, not far from the railway station. The accident was witnessed by a number of people who were not only horrified to see it, but were held speechless with amazement at the apparently dazed actions of the victim. Help was immediately summoned and he was removed to the office of Dr. C. G. Heald, who was assisted by Dr. F. W. Lovejoy in the examination made. His wounds were dressed and at about eleven o'clock that night he was taken to the Pepperell hotel. It was found that two ribs were broken and a deep scalp wound. It cannot now be stated if his skull is fractured or how serious his injuries will prove. Mr. Reagan was employed at Ayer and has a sister living in that town.

#### The Sports.

The Fourth here was a very quiet day excepting for the sports at Babatasset driving park where about six hundred witnessed the horse racing and sports. The local trot was won by Adelbert McNary, horse John Agan; Berdite, driven by J. Connolly, second; Mystic Maid, E. S. Durant, third; Queen by Mr. Taylor, last.

In Class B, Dr. Lewis won with his horse from Nashua, Gen. P. Robinson, driven by McLean; second, P. W. Flynn, by Fisher, third.

The last race between Gypsy, driven by Capistran of Lowell and Motion G. Dr. Davis Genola, by Rolfe of Nashua, was won in the order named.

The other sports were closely contested. 100-yd. dash, La Bean, first; followed by Sullivan and Melanson, time, fourteen seconds; wheelbarrow race, Burke, first; Gray, second; O'Brien, third; Drummy, fourth; half-mile race, Carl Milan, Harper, Capistran, Haggerty, time, 3 min. 25.

#### Tax Rate.

The assessors announce the tax rate will be \$18.20. Last year the rate was \$17.09 per \$1,000. These officials are to be complimented on the results of their work. It reflects great credit on a new and inexperienced board of officers. They have made some changes, and although the tax rate is a little higher than last year, it will be noticed the real estate valuation is lower. 1899, real estate, \$1,636,687; personal, \$553,371; 1910, real estate, \$1,680,290; personal, \$571,156. The State and County taxes last year totalled \$5,681.50; this year \$5,681. Last year's assessment did not include any interest on the water bonds, as required by law. This year \$2,200 has been raised and more money has been raised for schools this year. The assessors are now busy on the tax bills and it is expected they will be in the hands of the people at an early date. Last year they were not out until the first of September, although no fault of the old board.

#### News Items.

Mrs. Elizabeth Maloney of Burnt Island, Me., is visiting her sisters here, Mrs. J. E. Dunn, Mrs. W. C. Harriman and Mrs. M. R. Gilchrist.

Charles Marshall is having his residence on Pleasant street connected with town water.

Miss Margaret Burns starts on Saturday for a vacation with friends in Nova Scotia.

Forrest Wood has left the employ of R. Deane and is now chauffeur for H. W. Legg.

Many house-women were in town over the holiday, among them: Chas. Bemis, Cookmaster; Elbert Merriman, William Scanlon, Miss Alice McGrath, Miss Althea Blake, P. T. Flynn, Thos. Cuniff from Boston; C. P. Lawrence, New Haven, Conn.; P. J. Korin, Philadelphia; Miss Maud Chinn, Peabody; Miss Alice Chinn, Lynn; Frank O'Neil, Norwood; F. W. Ames, Nashua.

Miss S. Whipple of Ipswich was the guest of Mrs. E. F. Harmon over the Fourth.

Joseph McGrath, who has umpired the Groton school games the past season, umpired the games at Townsend on Saturday and Monday.

Mrs. Cynthia Lawrence, who has been so ill at her home on Townsend street, is not as well.

The Buffalo Shoe Company is increasing their experienced help each week and it is expected a good many cases of shoes will be turned out each day.

James Bent lost a valuable horse from rapture. It was one he used on his farm team that he recently purchased.

The reception held by Mr. and Mrs. James E. Attridge, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Tarbell, last Friday evening was a very enjoyable occasion. Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Tarbell, Miss Edna Tarbell, sister of the bride, and Arthur Attridge assisted in receiving. The ushers were Mrs. E. W. Blake and Miss Ethel Wells. The Hardscrabble orchestra added to the enjoyment. Refresh-

ments were served and the happy couple received beautiful and valuable as well as useful presents.

Saturday, July 9, at the Golf club, the first round will be played for the E. L. Tarbell cup.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, July 14, at 2:30 o'clock.

A. R. Paull, superintendent of schools, returned on Thursday from Boston, where he has been attending the National Educational association.

The Oak Hill baseball team will play at Hollis on Saturday, July 9.

Mrs. Fred Blethen and daughter from Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. James Parsons of Westminister, were guests of Chester Card, Brookline street, over the Fourth.

Town electrician, E. A. Johnson, has thoroughly inspected, cleaned and newly painted the firealarm boxes in town. The failure of the alarm whistle to blow the night of the fire was caused by two parties pulling in an alarm at the same time from different boxes.

It is stated authoritatively that the water pipes are to be laid to Burkinshaw village at once.

W. A. Kemp announces that there will be an auction on Tuesday, July 12, at the Hobart place, Foster street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wentworth, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Marsden, enjoyed a drive in the three-seater to Silver Lake, Monday, where they enjoyed a holiday and a picnic.

L. H. Bean is ill at his home on Cross street with an attack of indigestion.

Teams are at work on the rebuilding of State road between the Hollingsworth bridge and Shirley street.

Superintendent of streets, Nokes, is making preparations to experiment with oil and also with tarvia. Main street, Railroad square and as far as the Nashua River Paper Co. will be oiled and another section will receive the other treatment and this will enable the people to choose that which will be best for the entire street.

Last Saturday's ball game with Hollis A. A. on the public grounds resulted in favor of the home team, 8 to 1. It was a good game but our boys excelled in batting and the Hollis boys failed to hit Soule, who pitched a good game, Robbins catching.

Wendall Lovejoy, son of Dr. F. W. Lovejoy, and Lloyd Bancroft, son of F. S. Bancroft, have gone to Canaan to enjoy the camp and fishing preparatory to the coming of the household for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Rowell returned Tuesday from York Beach, Me., having spent several days there, including the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Marsden of Waltham are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Bullock this week.

J. F. Flynn is cutting the hay on the Dr. Fletcher place, having bought it at the recent auction.

George H. Belyea of this town was before United States Commissioner Hayes on Tuesday, accused of the theft of a small pouch containing between 400 and 500 letters, at the Athol railroad station. The arrest was made by Deputy United States Marshal Ruhl. Belyea was held in \$500 for a hearing on Saturday.

Thomas F. Clark has opened a new restaurant in the old stand, formerly managed by Mrs. Slimey. His many friends are glad to see him again catering to their wants, for he not only opened the first restaurant in town, but knows how to serve the public.

The Oak Hill ball team went to Townsend the afternoon of the Fourth and lost to the Independents, 5 to 1. The boys battled the ball more effectively than their opponents, but costly errors and poor base running lost the game.

Miss Gertrude Willey has returned from a week's visit to Brookline.

Ernest Barber, E. Gagnon and Benjamin Cushing played with Hollis against Townsend A. A. on Monday morning at Townsend.

Some of the horse sheds near the Unitarian church are being torn down, many of them have for some time needed something done to them.

Frank S. Fitch has had a phone installed in his residence, number 14-11, so has James Bent, number 14-13.

Preparations are being made to install electric lights in the M. E. church. This object is a praiseworthy one and Ezra Goss is entitled to much credit for the work he is doing toward it.

Mrs. Ralph Pratt and mother from Brockton, Miss Lona Keefe of Roxbury, spent the Fourth with Mrs. P. F. Sullivan.

#### About Town.

Michael Dolon and family have moved to Worcester, their furniture going last Thursday. Mr. Dolon is engaged in the grocery business.

Forrest Winch, having severed his connection with Rainsford Deware, has now secured a lucrative position as chauffeur for Harry W. Legg.

The Burkinshaw knife factory is closed this week while repairs and improvements are being made.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster of Worcester spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Foster of Heald street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Newell of Lawrence motored to town spending the Fourth with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Taylor.

Elba Merlam from Boston was a recent visitor at his father's home on Townsend street.

Mrs. Flora Joy of Beverly is visiting her relatives, Mrs. J. R. Boynton and daughters of Townsend street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Parker with their two children are spending their vacation at W. S. Parker's.

Miss Marion and Vera Legg from Dorchester are enjoying a visit with their relatives at the Legg farm.

Lloyd Bancroft is visiting Wendall Lovejoy at Dr. Lovejoy's summer home at Canaan, N. H.

Mrs. Anna Nutting and granddaughter of Gardner are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nutting.

Supt. A. R. Paull has been delayed from leaving town for his summer duties at Bar Harbor in connection with the Chautauquan's summer school, on account of his wife's illness.

Miss Aldrich, one of the teachers, has gone to Wilmington for a vacation, leaving Saturday, July 3.

Deacon Smith enjoyed a very pleasant Fourth, having all his children and grandchildren at his home with him.

East Village Social club are planning for a picnic to be held in the grove near Fred Hartwell's.

Mrs. Merritt H. Johnson left Wednesday, July 6, for New York, where she will visit with her son, Norman Johnson.

Charles Lawrence of New Haven, Conn., has been spending a few days with his father, Nathan A. Lawrence of Nashua street.

### TOWNSEND.

#### Harbor.

Harry Knight, who recently graduated from the Townsend High, is to continue his studies at the same school in preparation for enrollment in the class of 1915 at Dartmouth.

Last Sunday was children's day at Harbor hall. The exercises were largely patriotic in character and from the opening march, under the stars and stripes, to the singing of America, great interest was manifested by an appreciative audience. Mrs. Josselyn, who was in charge had arranged an unusually varied and attractive program and she was ably assisted by the children who performed each number in a hearty and enjoyable manner. Mr. Wachs' remarks to the children were especially appropriate and gave them a high ideal of true patriotism.

The following were guests at the Cape for the Fourth: Charles Wright of Worcester at Chestnut farm; Miss Lizzie Whitcombe and Miss Eleanor Bateman of Boston at Edgewood; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bradley of Boston and Mrs. C. L. Noyes and Mrs. Foss of Everett at Seven Pines; Mr. and Mrs. Snow, Chester, Charles and Muriel Snow of Framingham and the Misses Travers of Ashland at the Old Homestead; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wharf and son of Maine at Highland cottage; the Misses Horgans and friends from Chelsea at Brookside; Miss Mary Doran of Fitchburg at Dinglewood and Frank Fairbanks of Fitchburg at Pinehurst.

Patriotism at the Cape was at high tide last Monday and the national birthday was celebrated in a becoming manner. At ten o'clock the program opened with a ball game and judging from the enthusiasm of the spectators, was greatly enjoyed. Directly after the game dinner was enjoyed at the hall where covers were laid for sixty guests. The hall and tables were handsomely decorated with tri-colored bunting and flags. At two o'clock a piano solo announced the first number of a musical and literary program which proved unusually interesting. The entertainment was followed by dancing. At five o'clock ice cream and cake were served. A pyrotechnic display on the lawn at Westview made a fitting close to the day's celebration.

#### WESTFORD.

#### Graniteville.

The funeral of Ferdinand Perrin took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hyacinthe Le Duc of this village at 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning. At nine o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated in St. Catherine's church by Rev. Fr. Doherty. The choir, under the direction of Miss Mary F. Hanley, sang the Gregorian chant and the offertory, "Pie Jesu," was sung. The floral pieces were many and beautiful. The bearers were G. P. Le Duc, Ferdinand Le Duc, Henry Le Duc, T. A. Riney, J. B. Riney and J. H. Payne. Burial in St. Catherine's cemetery.

#### Centre.

The first band concert of the season was enjoyed by an appreciative audience last Friday night. These concerts will now continue weekly unless notice is giving to the contrary.

A. N. Fessenden and family are enjoying a few weeks' outing with Mr. and Mrs. Victor Miller at their cottage at Weymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick and little son of Allston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitcomb, last week.

Miss Bessie McGuire, Fred Davis and Harry Spaulding of Boston were at their respective homes during the holidays; also, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Miller of Somerville and Arthur Eastman of M. I. T. and Miss Bessie Eastman of Needham, are at home on vacations.

E. P. Marshall and daughter, are visiting at Athol.

Miss Margaret Farley of Attleboro is the guest of Mrs. William O'Brien this week; also, Mrs. Mary McGuane and son of Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Streeter and son and Mr. and Mrs. Christy Gates and children of Waltham are in town for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shirley of Lynn, and Miss Lillian Hildreth of Waltham were at H. B. Hildreth's for over the Fourth.

A little girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Eldridge on Thursday, July 7.

Mr. and Mrs. George R. Ward arrived from California on Thursday night. They are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moulton.

#### Weddings.

Chester Going and Miss Florence Bingham were married at the M. E. parsonage last Friday afternoon by Rev. V. H. Wachs. They will reside in part of the house now occupied by Roy Brown.

Richard J. Hargreaves and Mrs. Jennie Sargent were united in marriage at the home of the bride in Shirley on Tuesday evening, July 5, Rev. V. H. Wachs of this town performing the ceremony. The happy couple have taken an extended trip to Peoria, Ill. Mr. Hargreaves has charge of the mill at the B. & A. D. Fessenden Co.'s plant, is active in the M. E. church work and has many friends in town who will be glad to welcome him and his bride on their returning. It is understood they will reside in the Charles Fuller house on School street. Mrs. Sargent is a daughter of Charles Andrews, a former resident.

#### Ball Games.

In three ball games played here on Saturday and Monday, Townsend won two out of three. The Saturday game was lost to the Nashua A. A. by one run, the score being 4 to 3. This was

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A certain lot of land with the buildings thereon situated on the northerly side of Main Street in said Pepperell, containing twenty-eight square rods, more or less, and bounded: beginning at the southwesterly corner of the premises at the junction of said Main Street with Franklin Street, thence northerly by said Franklin Street about one hundred and fourteen feet to a bound at land of William Ford; thence easterly by said Ford's land about seventy feet to a bound; thence southerly by land of Moses P. Palmer about one hundred and fourteen feet to Main Street aforesaid; thence westerly by said Main Street about sixty six feet to point of beginning.

Said property will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes. Terms made known at the time and place of sale.

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