

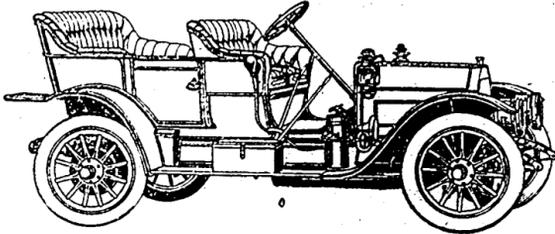
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HARVARD.

News Items.

Prof. Frank P. Chisholm, assistant to Dr. Booker T. Washington, and a graduate of the Tuskegee institute, will speak in the Congregational church, Sunday morning, July 17, in the interest of the work being done at Dr. Washington's famous school. Prof. Chisholm is teacher of mathematics at Tuskegee and will bring an instructive and inspiring report of negro education as represented by his alma mater. An offering will be taken for the Tuskegee normal and industrial institute. Prof. Chisholm is a very brilliant orator. It is a treat to hear him speak on any subject. Everyone welcome.

Rev. George Barber, who fifty years ago settled here as pastor of the Unitarian church, will preach at the regular morning service on Sunday, July 17.

On Friday of last week, Miss Katherine Dickson passed the nineteenth milestone in her life. She had made plans to observe the event very quietly at the Dickson summer camp at Sheep Island, but Miss Mildred Carmen with eight other girl friends, interrupted her in the afternoon with a very complete surprise call. Refreshments having been previously prepared the young people passed a very pleasant afternoon with boating and games.

Joseph McMahan and family of Groton spent Sunday last with his sister, Mrs. West and family.

During the rush season at the store of Gale & Dickson, Reuben Reed and Henry Dickson are employed as clerks.

Dr. Hopkins is attending Mrs. W. E. King during the absence of Dr. Cowles. Mrs. King is very slowly of course, but it is believed now very surely on the convalescent path. She has Miss Olive Marsh of the Memorial hospital at Worcester as her nurse.

Earl Oliver Turner has successfully passed the entrance examinations to the Institute of Technology, Boston, and will commence his school work there in September.

L. Harlow Morse is to attend the Fitchburg Normal school, but contemplates now taking a preliminary course of one year at the Rindge Manual school at Cambridge. He has successfully passed his examinations.

Misses Kate Waters and Viola Parker have both passed the entrance examinations to the Fitchburg Normal school, where they will attend this fall.

Miss Emily Whitney goes this week Friday for a two weeks' outing at Old Orchard beach.

The grange hold their annual competitive entertainment on Tuesday evening, July 19, brothers vs. sisters.

The latter are getting up something pretty slick and the brothers will not be far behind.

Nearly all the cottages about the pond are now occupied by summer campers. Calvin Maynard and family from Lancaster arrived last week for the entire summer. The Forsaiths from Watertown have also arrived, and complete the population at Sheep Island. Mrs. Sarah Greenman and Mrs. C. V. Wood, both regular summer visitors here, are at the Kerley and Maynard houses, respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. William Savage are on from New York making a visit with their mother, Mrs. S. J. Savage. Mr. Savage is employed by the Fairbanks Scale company in their machine tool department and has now under consideration, a proposition to take a business trip for the firm to Korea, Japan.

Mrs. Royal arrived home from her trip to Madison, Conn., last Tuesday. Ellery Royal in company with the Bacon boys, riding up cross country on their wheels, making the distance in two days, laying off through the middle of the days owing to the excessive heat. The distance measured was one hundred and forty miles and they made eighty miles the last day.

Still River.

Rev. and Mrs. Edward Read of Ohio are guests of his mother and sister, Mrs. S. M. and Miss J. M. Read. Mrs. Read had a fall upon the street of her Ohio home last winter and broke her hip and forearm so that she has to use crutches. Possibly Mr. Read will occupy the pulpit next Sunday. His father was pastor here many years ago.

Rev. Samuel Read of Springfield has also been visiting his mother, brother and sister here for a few days this week, so that the mother's heart has been made very glad, in having all of her children with her.

Miss Mary Noyes of Haverhill has been the guest of Miss Elizabeth Sprague this week.

Miss Alice Harrod visited friends in Lancaster on Tuesday.

Mrs. L. H. Morse and members of the intermediate classes of the Sunday school went to Lake Whalom on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Nugent of Worcester were visitors at the parsonage last week, returning home on Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Parker and Miss Ethel Parker are taking a vacation in Nova Scotia.

Orsamus Willard of Hillsboro, N. H., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Levi Howard.

Mrs. Clara Brown has been visiting her sons in Mansfield this week, and Miss Laura Brown is visiting in Attleborough.

Mrs. Hannah Harrod has been quite ill, but is now a little better.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Willard and Mrs. Charles Merrifield, attended the funeral of Mrs. Abbie Dudley in Waterbury, Conn., on Monday.

Miss Edna Flanders returned home from her trip to Norfolk, Va., and Washington on Tuesday, which she enjoyed very much.

Mrs. A. H. Keyes and three grandchildren of Springfield, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Keyes at North Still River.

Mrs. S. B. Haynes, Miss Elizabeth Sprague and Miss Noyes, visited Mrs. Adeliza Turner at Lunenburg on Thursday afternoon.

Entered by Burglars.

Sometime Tuesday night the railroad station was entered by burglars, and ticket case and money drawer smashed, and contents thrown onto the floor. There was no money in the office, and they only took away one 500-mile mileage book, this being all that were in the ticket case, but a lot more were in another place not found by the burglars.

The local tickets to the number of several hundreds were mixed together on the floor, so that it was a job of several hours' work to get them sorted and arranged according to numbers, in order to tell if any were missing.

They broke the money box to the slot telephone in the waiting-room and took away what money was there, possibly a couple of dollars.

TOWNSEND.

Center.

Little Richard Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Powell, who went to the Boston Children's hospital several weeks ago for an operation upon his ankle, returned home on Wednesday night. Before the operation upon his ankle, he came down with the measles and was sent to the City hospital. After recovering from the measles he had a growth and sores in his ears and head, for which another operation was performed so that he has now returned home to gain strength before undergoing the operation upon his ankle for which he was originally taken.

The meeting of the grange was adjourned on Monday night, so few being in attendance on account of the very warm weather.

The E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge initiated three new candidates on last Friday night at Odd Fellows' hall. Among those present were Charles B. Perry of Millbury, grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts; Mary J. Wheeler of Ayer, D. D. G. M.; George L. Marshall, grand warden and W. M. Webber, grand instructor, of Boston. Refreshments were served in the banquet hall.

George W. Brown died at his home here early Wednesday morning, aged eighty years. A little over a year ago he moved from his farm on the hill to his homestead in the village. Since then he has gradually been failing. The funeral was on Friday.

William Crombie, chauffeur at Mrs. A. L. Fessenden's, is entertaining his father Edwin of Chelsea.

WESTFORD.

Graniteville.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church held a sale on the church grounds on Thursday evening. Ice cream and home-made cakes and candies and popcorn was sold. Music was furnished by the Imperia orchestra and the lawn was brilliantly lighted with Japanese lanterns. The affair proved a great success both financially and socially.

Those who attended the 8.45 mass in St. Catherine's church, on Sunday morning were highly pleased with its singing as furnished by the Men's Cathedral choir of Boston. Nothing like it has ever been heard here on any occasion, and the parishioners of St. Catherine's church feel highly honored in having such eminent singers present in this little church. The pastor, Edward T. Schofield, thanked the young men sincerely for their kindness in being present and giving the members of his flock the opportunity of hearing good Catholic music by a first-class choir.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Nelson of this village spent Friday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horne of Nashua, at their summer camp on the bank of the Merrimac.

Edward De Leonzo cut his knee quite badly while at work at the H. E. Fletcher quarry at Oak Hill on Monday morning and he is now under the doctor's care.

Charles Martell of South Framingham has been a recent visitor at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Downs of North Westford.

J. B. Riney, while at work in C. G. Sargent's shop on Monday had a heavy casting fall on his left hand, breaking the index finger. Dr. W. H. Steiman dressed the wound.

The members of A. R. Choate's company held a very interesting meeting in their rooms Monday night. Business of importance was transacted and plans formulated for a social event in the near future.

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Boys' Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers 25c.
Boys' Porosknit Shirts and Drawers 25c.
Boys' Porosknit Union Suits 50c.

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WESTFORD.

Centre.

It seemed quite like former times last Sunday morning to have in the audience at the Congregational church, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright, with Francis and Alice, and also Mr. and Mrs. William A. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Wright and children are spending a month at Miss Hildreth's log cabin on Prospect Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins are guests of Mr. Bunce's Providence farm and later at Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Day's. Elizabeth and Marion Perkins are spending the summer with the Chicago relatives.

Misses Pauline Dole and Lillian Sutherland have been enjoying vacation days in Somerville.

Mrs. H. N. Jacques and daughter Dorothy of Malden, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sutherland.

Mrs. A. K. Francis, Miss Lizzie Howard and Misses Helen and Dora Jones, all of Lunenburg, were guests at the Congregational parsonage this week.

Mrs. Mary E. Fletcher and daughter Nellie, have been among the sick ones this week, and Miss Martha Hildreth of North Westford is caring for them.

The regular mid-week prayer service at the Congregational church has been discontinued until the first of September.

Mrs. W. M. Wright is convalescent from an ill turn and Miss Ethel Richardson is assisting with the household duties in the Wright home.

The force of workmen who are to renovate and transform the interior of the old First Parish church during the summer weeks, started in Monday. They are being boarded at Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blodgett's.

The big boulder to be used for a marker for the new Whitney park was placed since by the workmen. It was brought from the Hildreth Prospect Hill farm and required six horses to haul it.

Clipping.

Anything concerning the progress and welfare of our young people who are in other places is always of interest. The following item is quoted from a paper in Centerville:

"Our schools were closed last week Friday at noon, the teachers, Mr. Reed and Miss Connell, attending the teachers' meeting at the Hyannis Normal school. Miss Rose A. Harlow, librarian, also attended this meeting as all the town librarians were invited to meet and hear the able address of Miss Howard of Cotuit, an expert of the library question."

This refers to our Miss Alice Howard, who took the librarian's course at Simmons college and who has assisted in our own library so acceptably.

Runaways.

Master Clifford Woods met with an accident on Monday, which the little fellow's many friends are thankful was no worse. With Albert and a third boy, a Perkins' boy, he was departing from swimming at Burgess pond, and while at Westford depot, the horse took fright at the passing freight. The wheels, which were using had seen much service and when the horse started to run, one of the wheels came off and Clifford was badly bruised and suffered much pain. Dr. Wells was summoned, but fortunately found it not more than a shaking up and ordered some attention of the young man's condition.

Another runaway happened at the place where there was a party on Monday for a bad outcome. The runaway at the Whitney park was a runaway after the noon hour and the boys and their bridles remained on the road and dashed into the street and ran down Main street. The runaway was Sutherland's and the runaway was doing so well that the runaway stopped so quickly at the Whitney park.

About Town.

Harper B. ... with his parents ... by John ... the scenes and ... life. He is now ... raising 5,000 bushels of ...

The next meeting of the ... will be held Thursday ... July 21, when the following ... will be discussed, "What is the cause of the high cost of living?"

Rev. and Mrs. B. H. Bailey will spend their vacation with their daughter at Jamaica Plain, and the old First Parish church will be closed until the first Sunday in September. Notice was given last Sunday by the parish committee for the removal of all looks to the vestry, preparatory to extensive repairs on the interior of the church.

Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher and family have been enjoying forest and trout brook life in Vermont at Mrs. Fletcher's home. They have returned and are now "doing" Maine.

The contract for repairs on the interior of the church has been awarded to Perry Sons Company of Boston. Work has already commenced. It is estimated that about \$1,000 will be expended.

Forge Village.

A drowning accident was very narrowly averted in Forge pond on Wednesday afternoon, about six o'clock, when Miss Sadie Smith with several

companions were swimming. Miss Smith, who is anxious to learn how to swim, got out beyond her depth and the wind, which was blowing quite strong, caused her to loosen her hold on the waterwings. They floated away and she sank from view twice, the third time she threw up her hands, the other members began to call for help. Miss Nellie Burns swam to her assistance and brought her to shore, none the worse for her ducking, but badly frightened.

The Forge Village Lions defeated the Richmonds of Lowell on the home grounds on Saturday afternoon by the score of 8 to 6. Next Saturday the Lions will cross bats with the North Chelmsford team at that place.

Rev. Mr. Gray of Nevada will have charge of St. Andrew's parish until September. Services will be held at the mission house next Sunday at 3:30, instead of 4:30, until further notice.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodie of Westford are spending this week at their cottage at Forge pond.

William Myers of Boston is enjoying two weeks' vacation as the guest of Joseph Bennett, sr., and family.

Miss Ethel Jones of Worcester is enjoying her vacation at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett. She will also spend some time with her aunt, Mrs. Chester Blodgett at the Ridges.

William Hanley of Marlboro is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hanley.

Miss Ellen Burns and Miss Alice Oldham has returned from a very enjoyable visit spent with friends in Newark, N. J. They also visited New York city, Coney Island and Providence, R. I.

Miss Sara Lefevre and sister have gone to Stamford, Quebec, where they will spend the next two months with their parents.

William Leachey, who has charge of the Gage icehouses, sprained the ligaments of his knee while at work on Monday.

Patrick Fee of Cleveland, O., was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. McNiff at their home on Bradford street.

Mrs. Binns of South Barre and Mrs. Corcoran of Lowell are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John McNiff.

Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell and six children of Lawrence have returned home after a pleasant visit with her sisters, Mrs. Edmund Hunt and Mrs. William Hunt at their farm.

Miss Gladys Daly of Leominster has accepted a position as bookkeeper in the new store of Victor Pigeon.

The two new cottages which are being built on Lakeside are nearly completed and will be ready for occupancy in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Steward of Everett are entertaining a party of friends at Tinny-co-ed.

Miss Annie Walsh, who lost a roll of bills while on a shopping tour in Lowell a short time ago, was fortunate in having the money returned to her last week. The money was found by Miss Anna R. Cromie of Billerica, who is a trained nurse at the state hospital at Tewksbury.

LITTLETON.

At a parish meeting of the Unitarian society held last Monday evening, Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield of Ware received a unanimous vote to become pastor of this church.

Mrs. Lucy A. Peckard will take a vacation of four weeks, beginning on Monday next. The first week she will be spending with her daughter, Kate, in Boston, afterwards going to her son's in Chelmsford Centre and later to friends in South Chelmsford and former home.

Mr. Warren Bartlett and daughter Florence leave Monday for a trip of two weeks to Nova Scotia.

The grange will hold its next meeting at John A. Wood's in Pingreeville on Wednesday evening, July 20. The regular business will be taken up early in the evening and the remainder of the time will be devoted to a pleasant social.

Frank Stone, a long time employed by Thomas W. Ireland, has recently left Adams & Bridges of Concord Junction, to whom he has worked since his departure from Littleton.

At the special town meeting held last week Thursday night, the need of new law-makers and the requirements of State law through the board of health was legally and forcibly presented by the board and carried to install new members in the high school building.

Sudden Death.

The life of Oscar W. Farwell of Whitcomb avenue, closed suddenly on Friday morning, July 9. On the following Sunday afternoon, funeral services were held from his home. Rev. H. B. Drew, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating. His body was laid away in the family lot at Weymouth cemetery.

Mr. Farwell, son of Oscar and Martha Holton Farwell, was born in Pennington, Pa., March 17, 1855. He spent the greater part of his life at Littleton, twelve years of which he was in the employ of the Fitchburg railroad. For nine years he was foreman at the city farm at Fitchburg, leaving that position a few years ago to return to his Littleton farm. On November 4, 1879, Mr. Farwell married Miss Emma Haskell who survives him. To his widow in her sorrow and loneliness, the sympathy of the community goes out with sincerity.

Other relatives who lament his untimely death are two half brothers, I. G. Dwinell of Ayer and Charles P. Dwinell of Millbury, and a half sister, Mrs. W. G. White of Hartwell. He leaves an aunt, Mrs. J. Hartwell Whitcomb of Littleton and several other relatives.

The floral tributes were many and extremely beautiful, and were as follows:

Sheaf of wheat, Mrs. Farwell; pillow, Brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. White; wreath, Charles and I. G. Dwinell; mound of roses, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dwinell; box leaf wreath, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Dwinell; spray of flow-

ers, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown and J. H. Whitcomb, jr.; spray of roses, J. H. Whitcomb and family; spray of flowers, Mr. C. H. Holton, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Holton, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Holton, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Holton; wreath of roses, W. E. Bartlett; casket bouquet, Peter White and family; casket bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. George Holden; casket bouquet, Miss A. A. Deane; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. E. Humiston; bouquet of sweet peas, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. George Whitcomb; bouquet of sweet peas, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Moore.

Devoted to his good wife and his home this quiet unassuming man mingled but occasionally with the townspeople in general. But he enjoyed the confidence of those who knew him, and in his upright life and industrious habits presented a character that places the name of Oscar Farwell on the roll of honor.

About Town.

Mrs. Alice Gregory has ten of the little country week children from Boston.

A. E. Somes will begin work at the United States quarantine as soon as he gets his papers from the government.

At the Unitarian parish meeting on Monday evening, a large number was present, and it was the unanimous sentiment and vote of everyone to extend a call to Rev. Fairfield, now of Ware, beginning September first.

Mrs. E. W. Stone and children of New Bedford have come to her aunt's, Mrs. Elmer Flagg on a visit.

On Tuesday morning, C. F. Flagg and family, with Mrs. Gertrude Houghton and Heyward, went to Kennebunkport, Me., for a few weeks.

Mrs. Nellie Hartwell and Mrs. Elizabeth Proctor are at the Isle of Shoals attending the Unitarian meetings that is being held there. Miss Marion Brown is again the pianist at these meetings.

Members of the Proctor family will be in J. W. Ireland's camp, Forge pond, for the last two weeks in this month.

The drinking fountain for the Common is still at the station waiting for the railroad officials to settle for the breaking of it while in transportation.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

Misses Carrie and Vera Bradford started Thursday for Nova Scotia where they intend to spend the greater part of their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Hattie and Roger Moore of Greenwood were recent guests at Ernest Bartheaux's.

Mrs. Ida Hoffman of New York is staying with Mrs. Anna Page, who is not as well as usual this summer.

Burglars have taken advantage of the fact that Mrs. McCarthy was spending the summer in the country and ransacked her Charlestown home.

At the last grange meeting, F. S. Erick gave a very interesting account of his experiences in the Maine woods. Selections on piano and mandolin were rendered by the Misses Viets and Bradford.

Mrs. Mary Willard Fowler has opened her summer home here once more.

Another dance at the library hall this Saturday evening, good music, refreshments and a pleasant time are guaranteed to all. July 22, there will be a lawn party on the hill instead of the weekly dance.

Mr. Whitcomb has been enjoying a week's vacation at his father's.

George S. Wright passed away at his home in West Acton, July 10, at the age of 86 yrs., 6 mos., 3 days. Part of his early life was spent in Boxborough, living at one time in a house nearly opposite the one now occupied by W. F. Furbush and later in the brick house now owned by F. S. Erick.

SHIRLEY.

Death.

The funeral of Marshall Perry took place last Saturday morning with services in St. Anthony's church at 10, Rev. J. H. Cote, officiating. Burial was in St. Anthony's cemetery.

The pall bearers were Alexander Gionet, Joseph Gionet, Phileas Bolger, Philip Leger, Richard Cormier and William Gionet, members of the Societe L'Assomption, of which the deceased was a member.

Marshall Perry died Thursday, July 7, of a cancer at his home on Lancaster road. He was forty-eight yrs., eight mos., and leaves a wife, two sons, Peter and Arthur, six daughters, Mrs. Jane White, Misses Katie, Emily, Josephine, Albina and Loretta, a brother, Matthias of Lawrence, a sister, Mrs. Lina Gallant of Edmond Bay, P. E. I. Mr. Perry, who was a quiet, respectable and industrious man has been a resident of Shirley for about seven months, moving here from Lawrence. He came from Canada about ten years ago.

News Items.

W. Lloyd Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen, is spending a few weeks' vacation with his school friend, Fritz Shepherd of Derry, N. H.

Miss Marion Cleverly of Concord is spending a vacation with her aunt, Mrs. Andrew H. Phelps.

Misses Maggie and Nan Love left town Monday for Old Orchard beach, where they have accepted positions in a large hotel for the summer.

Miss Nellie Gardner left Shirley last Saturday for a vacation at the old home, River View, Me.

The Shirley baseball team defeated the Leominster team in a good game on Davis field last Saturday afternoon by a score of 9 to 4. Saturday afternoon, July 16, the Shirleys will play the Ashbys in Shirley on the new field, which has been put in good shape for a ball field by the town.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant will join their daughter Gertrude at Hampton beach, Saturday, to remain over Sunday.

Arrangements have been completed for the picnic of the Congregational church Sunday school, which will be held on Saturday, July 16, at Snell's grove, Fort pond. Barges for the children will leave the church at nine a. m., for adults about ten a. m., and

another barge will leave the church at 1:30 p. m., for all who wish to attend. Adult attendants will be on hand to go with the first barge, so the children will have ample care. A cordial invitation is extended to members of the church and congregation and the parents and relatives of the children of the Sunday school to attend the picnic and join in the festivities of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Lynch and family, in company with Mrs. Charles Ford, left town last Saturday for a two weeks' visit at the home of Mr. Lynch's parents in Amherst, N. H.

Miss Edith L. Conant of Chicago, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, who will spend her vacation in the east, arrived at the home of Mr. Lynch's parents in Amherst, N. H.

David Lindenberg of Boston joined his wife last Saturday at their summer cottage on Lancaster road to remain for two weeks.

Mrs. Annie I. Banks, who was prostrated by the heat last Sunday, is recovering nicely.

Miss Effie Hannah leaves town on Saturday for a few weeks' visit with relatives in New Hampshire and will then go to her home in St. Stephen, N. B., to remain indefinitely.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., held its regular meeting on Monday evening. Five more applications for membership were received, making a total of seventeen.

The next meeting of the Alliance will be at the Groat homestead, Centre, on Thursday, July 21, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. George Willis Cooke will be the speaker of the afternoon.

The members of the choir of the Congregational church enjoyed an outing at Whalom on Tuesday evening.

Rev. J. W. Thomas will preach in the Baptist church at 2:30 p. m. Sunday school at 3:30.

First Parish church, Sunday, July 17, 10 a. m., Rev. George Willis Cooke will preach.

Elected.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church have elected the following officers and committees for the last half of the current year:

E. H. Conant, pres.; Leonard Hooper, vice pres.; Mary A. Park, rec. sec.; Cor. sec. and treas., Mrs. Frank Brockelton, organist, Andrew Phelps, cornetist.

Lookout committee—Mrs. H. W. McCreary, Mrs. Sadie Knowles, Mrs. Charles Miner, Grace Adams.

Prayer meeting committee—Mrs. Alice Wright, Mrs. Frank Lutz, Jessie Love, Mrs. Andrew Phelps, Blanche Wells.

Social committee—Mrs. Harry Colyer, E. A. Miner, H. W. McCoy, Mrs. Nellie Holbrook, Chester Phelps.

Missionary committee—Mrs. E. H. Conant, Eugene Livermore, Mrs. Richard Pomroy, Elsie Knowles, Leonard Hooper.

Flower committee—Mary A. Park, Arline Wilbur, Flora Shepard, Edna Harris, Russell Miner.

Calling committee—Mrs. A. A. Bronson, Mrs. E. L. Harris, Mrs. Frank Brockelton, Emma Knowles, Bessie Padman.

Ushers—Leonard Hooper, Stanley Wells, Russell Miner, Lester James.

Alliance Meeting.

Elm farm on Benjamin road, the fine summer home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tolman was the mecca toward which the ladies of the First Parish Branch Alliance turned on Thursday afternoon of last week. Though the day was quite warm there was a good attendance and the cool breeze which came from over the wide green spaces without, tempered the heat and rendered the rooms delightfully cool.

Owing to a slight misunderstanding, Miss Hazen was not prepared to give her paper, so Miss Minnie Hobbs at short notice kindly substituted with one of her entertaining talks on life at Lorenzo, Marqua, South Africa, where she spent eight years as hostess of the American consulate. This was followed by a social period, during which the hostess, Mrs. Tolman, served refreshments that were both seasonable and satisfying. The ladies felt that the occasion was one of the pleasantest of the year.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor.

Clifford Keenan has lately purchased and moved onto the estate adjoining that of Mr. Babcock.

Leslie Gray of Brockton is a guest of Harold Gray.

Oliver Proctor recently observed his eightieth birthday and neighbors called and congratulated him on reaching his eighty-seventh milestone.

Last week Mrs. Lorenzo Doran entertained friends from Fitchburg at her home, Highlandwood.

Seven young ladies from Northboro are having a jolly outing at the Joe Borden place.

The Misses Morgan are visiting friends in New York State. Miss Mildred in Brooklyn, and Miss Ruth in Troy.

Mrs. Emma Spaulding of Hotel Brunswick is a guest of her niece, Mrs. Josselyn. Mrs. Spaulding came from Boston in her touring car and is enjoying some of the beautiful rides about Townsend and vicinity.

Miss Leonora Bradley, formerly of the Castle Square, is a guest of Mrs. Jones at Seven Pines.

Mr. and Mrs. Pond of Chelsea spent the earlier part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. George Jones. Mrs. Pond is better remembered by her friends as Miss Clara Jones, sister of the host.

Remarks of rather uncomplimentary nature are being made by autoists who pass over the road below the Harbor. In the repairing of the highway, they think perhaps, that the cheapness rather than the quality of the road material used is what appealed to the commissioners.

Will Cooper has been under successful treatment for a wound, caused by stepping on a rusty nail.

A Narrow Escape from Drowning.

While in bathing last Tuesday, Miss Harriet Morgan had a narrow escape from drowning. The Harbor pond, just above the dam, is an attractive place during the warm weather. This season an unusually large number of young people have availed themselves of the fine bathing and several have

received their first lessons in aquatic accomplishments. Among the latter number is Miss Morgan, who is able for a short distance to swim in a straight course. Realizing that she was getting into deep water, and being unable to turn about, she found herself sinking. Miss Morgan was going down for the third time when Mrs. Doherty, one of the onlookers, succeeded with others by taking hold of hands in forming a chain and thus furnishing timely aid.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

There was a large attendance at Tarbell's hall, Friday evening, July 8. The popular three-act drama, "Nevada, or the lost mine," being presented for the benefit of the Methodist church, under the direction of Miss Leonora Bradley. All of the characters were well sustained, showing the result of much training and study. Piano solos by Miss Edith Lyon of Ayer were finely rendered. Vocal solos by Mrs. Mabel Brackett and Miss Adelaide Weil, whistling solos by Mr. Anderson of Pepperell and piano and violin duets by Miss Lyon and Frank W. Jenness, added to the pleasure of the evening. Promenading was participated in and ice cream and cake were on sale. Over twenty dollars were added to the treasury.

The homes of C. R. Russell, G. L. Dodge, S. A. W. Ball, John Martin, George Betterley and Edward Lancy are being equipped for telephone service.

Children's Sunday will be observed at the Methodist church, Sunday, July 17. Rev. J. N. Seaver will preach a sermon to the children at the morning service and a concert will be given at six o'clock.

Edward C. Wade of Boston spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Tucker. Master Edward C. Wade, jr., is at the Tucker homestead for the summer.

The Misses Ellen C. Sawtelle and Martha Wright are at the Sawtelle homestead for the summer and are entertaining Mrs. Martin and Miss Amy Parker of Portland, Me., and Miss Harris of Allston.

Married, at Nashua, Thursday, July 7, by Rev. W. H. Bolster, Harry J. Drew of Brookline and Mrs. Rebecca S. Dearing. They will reside at Brookline.

Harry J. Drew entertained a party of gentlemen friends on Monday evening in honor of his recent marriage. The evening was replete with good cheer and merry making.

Wednesday evening, July 27, will be single members' night at the local grange. Entertainment by single members. Committee, Miss Gladys Slocombe and James Gilson.

Miss Florence Sargent of Putnam, Conn., is at their summer cottage for July.

Mrs. Chester B. Valedge and daughter Ruth, are visiting relatives at Rockland, Mass.

The Misses Doris and Ruth Nye of Sandown are guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Nye.

Mrs. Sarah Shattuck of Pepperell is spending a few weeks with Mrs. Charles G. Gilson.

New Advertisements.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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

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

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

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

Groton, Mass., July 12, 1910. 3144

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 that 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, at G. W. CANNEY, Adm.,
FITCHBURG, Penn., May 21st, 1910.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

In Pepperell, Mass.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Frank H. Kilburn and Lucy F. Kilburn to Byron H. Laws, dated May 16th, A. D. 1908, and recorder with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds in book 3375, page 561, will be sold at public auction at the dwelling house on the premises below described on Monday, the eighth day of August, A. D. 1910, at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows:

A certain tract of land, with the buildings thereon, situated in the westerly part of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, on the road from the house of Samuel E. Tucker's heirs to the house of John Hamlin, containing fifty-four and one-half (54½) acres more or less, and bounded and described as follows:—Beginning at the northerly corner of the premises at land of John Hamlin and land of E. H. N. Blood about forty-six (46) rods to a stake and stones; thence northeasterly by said Blood's land about twenty-nine and one-half (29½) rods to land of H. D. Shattuck; thence southerly by said Shattuck's land about thirty-five and one-half (35½) rods to a birch tree; thence easterly by said Shattuck's land about eight (8) rods to a stone bound by land of Harriet E. Freeman; thence easterly by said Freeman land about forty-seven (47) rods to a stone bound; thence south 75° east by said Freeman's land about eighteen (18) rods to a stone bound on Pond Brook, so-called; thence southerly by said Brook about seventy (70) rods to land of Samuel E. Tucker's heirs; thence northeasterly by said heirs' land to aforesaid road and across the same and still westerly by land of Charles F. Jewett thirty-seven (37) rods; thence northerly sixteen and one-half (16½) rods; thence northeasterly nineteen and one-half (19½) rods; thence northerly again still by said Jewett's land eight (8) rods to land of Olive Hayward; thence easterly by said Hayward's land about nineteen (19) rods to aforesaid road and across the same; thence northerly by said road to place of beginning; excepting and reserving all the rights of the public to the use of the highway passing through above described premises. Also the right to use the right of way at all times over the path near the brook along the easterly side of the premises conveyed by William A. Ames and Elisha Colson to Harriet E. Freeman, by deed dated January 4, 1882 and recorded with said deeds in book 1589, page 471.

Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and all tax titles so far as the same may be valid or affect said mortgage.

A deposit of \$100 will be required at sale, other terms made known at time of sale.

BYRON H. LAWS, Mortgagee.
Townsend, Mass., July 15, 1910. 44

TOWNSEND.

West.
Mrs. S. D. Ringrose and son Roger returned on Saturday evening from a week's visit to relatives in Vermont.
Abbott Hodgman, who has been for several months with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman, has returned to Portland, Me., where he will resume his former occupation in the machine shops. Mrs. Hodgman will remain here at present.
Mrs. George Ball and little daughter, with her niece, Freda Jodery from Concord, are at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Wood.
Alfred Wyman and his sister, Miss Marion from Worcester are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Evans of Josselynville.
Mrs. Munroe from Troy, N. H., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ringrose at the Baptist parsonage.
Mrs. Susan Hill of Millis is stopping at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. W. Webster.
Mrs. Rosella Hodgman from New York city is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman.
Mrs. Elmer and children from Summit, N. J., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Lois Vose at Clarence Stickey's.
Miss Annie Parker from Marlboro is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Flynn.
A little daughter arrived Tuesday, July 5, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Whalen of Bayberry Hill.
Miss Lena Thompson has returned from a brief visit to her sister in Winthrop.
Charles Whitcomb, son of Mrs. William Crowell, was operated upon for appendicitis in the Brookline hospital on last week Thursday, and is improving as fast as possible.
Little Doris Tenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tenney, is on the sick list.
An alarm was sounded for a fire in the woods just back of L. K. Blair's farm on Tuesday forenoon, and was quickly extinguished with the chemicals before much damage was done.
George Hayward of Bayberry Hill has accepted a position in one of the Fitchburg banks.
Miss Laura Upton of Milton is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. W. Upton of Josselynville.

Deaths.
The funeral of Mrs. Hannah W. Smith, one of the town's oldest residents, who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle, within one week of her eighty-sixth birthday, was held at her late residence last week Thursday morning, Rev. S. D. Ringrose of the Baptist church officiating. A quartet composed of Mrs. Clarence Stickey, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilder and Clarence Streeter rendered two very beautiful selections, and fitting tribute was paid to her lovely and consistent christian character by the pastor. The bearers were her four sons, Arthur Smith of Waltham, Charles Smith from Athol, Mr. Dunn of Beverly and Perry Sawtelle of this village. Interment was in the family lot at the Centre cemetery. Many beautiful floral tributes testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held in her family and neighborhood.
Mrs. Hannah Walker Smith was born in this town and spent most of her life here, marrying Daniel Smith of this village, who passed away about eleven years ago, after which she spent four years with her daughter, Mrs. Sawtelle in New Haven, Conn., and three with her son Charles in Athol, returning with Mr. and Mrs. Sawtelle to this village about three years ago. She was one of the oldest members of the Congregational church at the Centre, which she joined at the early age of twelve years, keeping her membership there all her life, and becoming a member of the home department during her last residence here.
A patient sufferer all the last part of her life, she still kept her interest in the lives of those about her and gathered around her many friends who mourn her loss. Always a devoted and loving mother, her memory is fondly cherished by her children and grandchildren.
She leaves two sons, Arthur Smith of Waltham and Charles Smith of Athol and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Dunn of Beverly and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle of this village.

News Items.
News was received Sunday morning of the death of Mrs. Annie Colby of Newton Highlands, after months of illness. Mrs. (Towle) Colby taught school in Hollis more than thirty years ago. She retained her interest in the town and was a frequent visitor here. Some years ago she married Richard Smith, a native of Hollis, who practiced law in Boston. He died several years ago. She afterwards married Herbert Colby of Newton Highlands, who survives her. She is also survived by a sister in Hollis, Mrs. F. W. Dudley.
Mrs. Helen Leighton is visiting relatives in Dunstable, Mass.
Miss Grace E. Hayden, who has been teaching in the Refuge, an institution in Boston, during the past year, is in town for the summer. She expects to return to Boston in September and take charge of the training class at the Y. W. C. A.
Mrs. Charles Willett of Lowell with her two boys is visiting at Pierce brothers.

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JOHN M. MALONEY, Commissioner.
Ayer, July 15, 1910. 3144

Party.
A pleasant little party of between eighty and one hundred people gathered on the grounds of the Baptist church on Sunday evening to eat ice cream and enjoy a social chat together, and to bring gifts of money, food or groceries to their good friends, the venerable Deacon L. F. Wood and his wife. Seated were placed upon the lawn and refreshments were sold in charge of Fred A. Patch, Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence, Mrs. Charles Hodgman, Miss Lena Thompson and Miss Alice Seaver, while selections upon the graphophone were rendered through the evening by Charles Hodgman, and two readings, "The graduation," by Mrs. Fred A. Patch, and "Betsy and I are out," by Rev. Samuel Ringrose completed the program. A most pleasant evening was enjoyed and about thirty dollars in money, as well as a table full of groceries, were collected for Mr. and Mrs. Woods, as a memento of the evening.
It was a great pleasure to the committee in charge to see how kindly and heartily the people responded to

this call for help to an unfortunate brother.
Centre.
Townsend was again victorious on Saturday at the ball game played between the Townsend A. A. and Fitchburg Independents at Athletic park. The home team put in some of their best batting work during this game, Sheehan leading off with a home run hit which sent the ball clear across the new field to the turnpike road which bounds it. Keefe, who played his first game, and made a fine showing at the receiving end, also came in for a two-bagger. Captain Whitcomb made a sensational running catch during the game, gathering in Richardson's long hit to left field. The score was 8 to 4.
Jacob Misner, Miss Viola Misner and Mrs. Joshua Swicker and two sons left here Tuesday morning for Boston, where they will take the boat for Nova Scotia. They will visit among relatives several weeks.
Patrons of the telephone service here in town are very sorry to hear of the resignation of their central operator, Miss Bertha Spaulding. For promptness, courtesy and general efficiency she could not be surpassed. It is wished by her many friends that she might return.
Miss Agnes Davis of Worcester was a recent guest at A. S. Howard's.
Little Florence Lancy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lancy, was operated on for appendicitis on Friday at her home, by Dr. Lowell of Fitchburg. The attack was very sudden as she was in her usual health up to Wednesday night. At the present writing she is getting along nicely. The family has been having a siege with the measles and have the sympathy of all in the present sickness of their little girl.
Charles Howard is visiting at Worcester.

Charles Whitcomb was taken with a severe attack of appendicitis last week and was taken from his home on West Townsend road to Ayer by auto and from thence by train to the New England Baptist hospital, Boston, where an operation was performed by Dr. Richardson. At the last report he was in a comfortable condition.
Died in Townsend Centre, July 12, George W. Brown, aged 89 yrs., 2 mos. and 23 dys. Funeral at his late home on Smith street on Saturday afternoon, July 16, at two o'clock. Friends and relatives invited to attend.

News has lately been received from Medfield, of a little daughter's arrival on June 12, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Spinney. She has been named Rachel Elizabeth. Mr. Spinney was formerly principal of the high school here.
Albert Kilbourne has gone with his aunt, Mrs. J. S. Auger of New York, to Seattle, the Yellowstone Park and home via Niagara Falls.
Ellery Kilbourne is at Mrs. Ball's for his summer vacation.
The Greenville A. A. will cross bats with the Townsend A. A. at athletic park on Saturday afternoon, July 16.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eldridge of Plymouth came by auto on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Eldridge.

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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 Marting Pond in said town, from the end of the road leading to the property line between Lawrence Brooks and Charles H. Perry, southerly to the North Common, where said pond is located, to 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 o'clock of the clock in the forenoon, to locate accordingly.
RALPH N. SMITH, Asst. Clerk.
June 27, 1910. 3142
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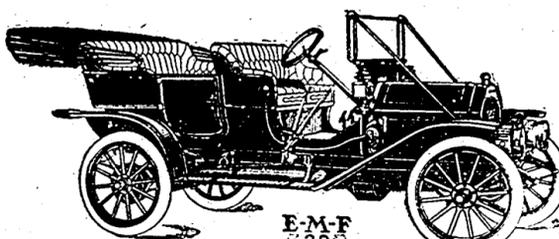
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of MARIA E. BENNETT, late of Townsend, in said County, deceased: Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, and RICHARD McLELLAND, who is the executor named in the said instrument, has applied to him for the execution of an 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 petition 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, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3142 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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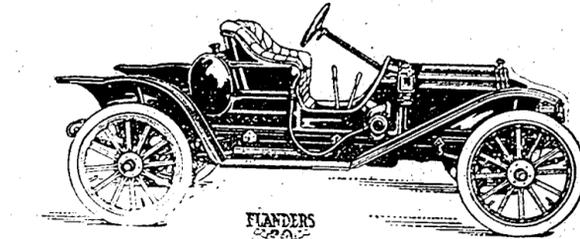
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GROTON.

News Items.

P. M. Harrington and Fred H. Torrey took the Bar Harbor express at Ayer, Tuesday night, enroute for Napoleonville, Louisiana. There at the plantation home of her father, E. L. Monnot, Miss Martha Monnot was awaiting their arrival. On Thursday morning at eleven o'clock, the marriage ceremony uniting in wedlock, P. Milo Harrington and Miss Martha Monnot, was performed. Fred H. Torrey, our Groton postmaster, an intimate friend of the groom, was best man. The honeymoon trip will be a return north. Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Harrington will make their home in Groton at the Harrington home on School street.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty was christened at the Catholic church last Sunday, receiving the name of Hanora. Miss Nellie McCarty, an aunt, was godmother.

Mrs. A. J. Clough and daughter, Miss Margaret Clough, have returned from their visit to friends in East Hampton.

Mrs. Jennie Hemenway is ill and under the doctor's care.

The Misses Bessie and Ruth James of Salem are staying at the home of the late Mrs. Mary Hallissey, their grandmother, for two or three weeks.

Mrs. Robert Sargent of Leominster is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Porter.

Miss Hannah Hallissey, taking the cars at Boston on Tuesday, has gone for a visit to her brother in Chicago. Miss Hallissey was accompanied by her niece, Miss Hattie James of Salem. They will be gone until September.

Steel ceilings have just been put on the rooms of the Butler high school building.

Mrs. Dudley P. Moors and daughter, Miss Ethel Moors from Charlestown, are visiting Mrs. Moors' sister, Mrs. Ella P. Woolley and family.

On Sunday the thermometers registered in different places here, 92, 94, 96 and 102 degrees above zero.

The Book and Thimble club will hold no further meetings until September.

Rev. Dr. Scott of Lancaster will preach at the Congregational church next Sunday in exchange with the pastor, Rev. G. M. Howe.

Rev. P. H. Cressey of the Unitarian church, goes on his vacation this week Friday, to be spent in Fitzwilliam, N. H. His pulpit will be supplied during the remaining two Sundays in July. During August there will be preaching services at the church.

Rev. Charles B. Ames of Quincy will preach at the Unitarian church next Sunday.

Rev. H. A. Cornell began his first two weeks of vacation on Monday. Charles Howard Patterson is working for the C. I. Hood Company, Boston.

Howard L. Gilson, substitute R. F. D. carrier, is on P. M. Harrington's route during the latter's absence.

Miss Ruth Rockwood is assisting at the postoffice during postmaster Torrey's absence.

Mrs. Edward Torrey of Concord was a visitor at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Torrey on Hollis street, last week.

Miss Helen Sanderson of Westford is visiting here, dividing her time between the home of her mother, Arthur A. Wood on Whiting avenue, and that of her aunt, Mrs. Edwin A. Sanderson on School street.

Dr. H. B. Priest has bought a new and larger automobile. Dr. H. B. Priest has bought the one reported by his larger one.

Miss Sylvia Wood of Westford, N. H., is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. B. Brown.

At the annual meeting of the Groton Grange of the Connecticut Valley, held at the grove of the grove, a paper was read by Miss Helen Sanderson of Westford, N. H., on the subject of the grove. The paper was read by Miss Helen Sanderson of Westford, N. H., on the subject of the grove. The paper was read by Miss Helen Sanderson of Westford, N. H., on the subject of the grove.

Miss Anna Whidden of Lowell has been spending a week at the home of Mrs. F. E. Woods. Other recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Woods were Mr. and Mrs. Archibald from Jamaica Plain and George Richardson of Lowell. Mrs. F. E. Woods left Tuesday for her vacation in Jaffrey, N. H.

The appearance of the sidewalks along by the old cemetery has greatly improved since the grass was cut. This was the gratuitous work of Jerome C. Shattuck, who does acceptable work for the Village Improvement society.

Tuesday, July 26, is "An evening with our Ayer brothers and sisters," for Groton grange. They will hold a lawn party at the town hall, where the Groton brass band will discourse music, and ice cream and cake will be on sale. From nine to twelve there will be dancing in the town hall.

Warren Whitehill was awarded a scholarship for excellence in chemistry at the close of the year at Lowell Textile in June.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hawkes returned this week from a visit of a week among friends in Foxboro and Boston.

Edmund D. Collier with son has returned to his home in Somerville, after a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Collier of the Boston road.

Miss Lois Hall, the teacher in the commercial course at the high school, is not coming back to the position.

From an apple tree of the Williams variety, well covered with its crop of fruit, Lawrence Harrington picked a beautiful apple blossom on Thursday morning.

Patrick Ryan injured his knee by a fall some few days ago and is at Groton hospital for treatment.

The Groton Alerts met defeat in the game with the Leominster Independents on last Saturday. The Alerts, fond of the sport themselves, had thought to provide recreation for the village people who would enjoy watching a good game on some of these summer afternoons. But the lack of support and appreciation shown, makes them decide not to play any more games in Groton this season.

Miss Elizabeth Whitehill has been camping out at Doone pond, Stow, for the past two weeks with five Medford teachers.

There will be no services at the Baptist church for the next two Sundays.

Wallace A. Brown and family have hired a cottage at Sandy pond, Ayer. They go this Saturday for an outing there for ten days or so, and during their stay will entertain quite a number of friends.

A Merry Party.

What they called "a bacon bat," was enjoyed by a number of young people the other evening. There were the Misses Edith Waters, Genevieve Hodgman, Beatrice Darling, Ruth James, Clara Robinson and Helen Dodge. We believe the young ladies walked to old Baddicook, which was the inviting spot for that day of high temperature. They were joined soon after by their young gentlemen friends, Daniel Needham, Winthrop Sheedy, Harry Bruce, Carl Lawrence, Charles Keenan and Sanford Johnson. Then they made merry with songs and stories. Hot rolls, coffee, cake and bacon, cooked over a fire until the pieces on the ends of sticks sizzled to the proper degree. The party accompanied Miss Dargree to her home, where the young ladies spent the night. The young gentlemen wended their ways homeward.

Death.

Mrs. Sarah Anne Carruth died in Dorchester on July 13, at the advanced age of ninety-seven years. She attended school at Lawrence academy as far back as the year 1828, and at the time of her death she was the oldest living scholar of the institution. When she was in attendance, the school was a co-educational institution, known as Groton academy. Mrs. Carruth was a daughter of Silas Pratt, and was born at Charlestown on March 6, 1813. She was twice married, her first husband being Royal Porter, and her second being Nathan Carruth. Her father was Silas Pratt, a native of Fitchburg, where he was born on October 15, 1782. She was the mother of the late Rev. Edward G. Porter, who for many years was settled as a Congregational minister at Lexington.

West Groton.

Mrs. Horace Sprague, formerly Miss Ellen Bixby, with her daughter, Misses Elsa and Marguerite, and her son, Stanley, has been a recent guest of her relatives here. The family left town on Tuesday, enroute to Deerfield, their former home, where Mr. Sprague, who was expected to join them in Buffalo, has mining interests. Coming east three years ago, Mr. Sprague and family have resided in Alliston.

Mrs. M. J. Shepley of Waltham with her granddaughter, Loretta Stone, has been visiting her brother, G. H. Bixby, but is at present staying on Bixby Hill. Another grand daughter, Marjorie, is expected to join her later.

James Mitchell, former superintendent of the leather and mill, passed a night here recently, staying with his sister, Mrs. G. H. Bixby. He was accompanied by Mrs. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell has resigned his position in Leominster and is now located in Maine.

The latest addition on Bixby street in the line of automobiles is the property of A. W. Adams.

Joshua Bixby, while mowing last Tuesday, was thrown from the machine sustaining a painful though not serious injury to his arm.

Miss Cora Sheper has been visiting friends in Worcester and Springfield during the last two weeks. She is expected home soon.

Little Catherine Bixby, who sailed two weeks ago with a party of Groton people, including her aunt and uncle, has arrived in Ireland. She will pass the winter there, returning in September.

James Starr of Pepperell is engaged in covering the well on the premises of the Bixby farm to a depth of about twenty feet. The well is situated on the farm. Starr was carried to a depth of eight feet.

H. Spaulding, rural mail carrier, is taking his annual vacation of fifteen days. The route is served by his substitute, J. T. Shepley.

Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge are visiting this week at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Cullen of Swampscott.

Spaulding and Parkhurst are working in Ayer on the house owned by Geo. H. Bixby.

Charles Bixby's house has been wired this week for electric lights. The new cottage house on Main street, owned by H. M. Adams of Groton, is occupied by Charles Richardson and family of Ayer.

Miss Ada Bradley of Groton hospital, employed professionally at Earl Sleepers', returned to Groton on Tuesday.

Elbridge Brown of Foxborough is staying with his sister, Mrs. Roscoe Ferden.

Wedding.

The home of Lewis J. Tatman of Mill street was the scene of a simple, but pretty wedding last Wednesday morning, when at eleven o'clock, Ernest Myron Hartwell of this village and Maud Alice Fuller of Pepperell were united in marriage by Rev. P. H.

Cressey of Groton. The bride was charmingly gowned in white. After the ceremony refreshments were served and amid showers of rice the young couple started on their wedding trip, taking the 12:30 train for New Hampshire. On their return they will reside with Mrs. L. J. Tatman, Mr. Hartwell's sister.

LITTLETON.

Fatal Accident.

Again our quiet villagers were shocked by the news of tragic death when William D. Stratton of the Bruce farm on Ayer road was thrown Tuesday afternoon from a load of hay to the barn floor, fracturing his skull and which shortly proved fatal. Medical aid was promptly in attempting restoration, but consciousness never returned, and in two hours from the time of the accident the spirit had fled to its maker, there to continue an existence unrestricted by physical ills or ailments.

Funeral services were held at Mr. Stratton's late home on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Paul G. Favor of Somerville, offering words of consolation and assurance of the larger and more beautiful life unfolded beyond the portals of death. The services were attended by a good number of neighbors and other townspeople whose esteem for the departed brother had, in the year of living among us, been firmly established by his manly deportment and the unmistakable evidences of a clean soul and a kindly heart.

Many choice flowers in pillows, wreaths, sprays and bouquets, silently and sweetly conveyed the sustaining messages of love and sympathy in this experience that forms a part of the great plan in nature.

For the widow and her two daughters, the sympathy of our people is keenly felt. Of the universal sorrow over Mr. Stratton's tragic and seemingly untimely death at the age of fifty-eight and one-half years, the afflicted family may be assured.

Mrs. Stratton and daughter, Miss Bertha, with R. P. Morse, accompanied the remains to the former home of the Stratton family, Auburn, Me., where services were held and interment was made on Friday.

News Items.

Mrs. Alice Griffiths Kempton, who has recovered from a serious operation at the Waltham hospital, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Griffiths. Mr. Kempton is here such part of the time as business allows.

Souvenir cards have been received this week from Mrs. A. M. Parker in London, England.

Dorothy Smith returned last Saturday from a visit of one week with her grandparents in Lynn, and now her older sister, Vera, is enjoying a week there.

The Congregational church will be closed July 17 and 24, and the recent pastor, Rev. Paul G. Favor of Somerville, will occupy the pulpit, the last Sunday of this month, July 31.

Lawn party on the Congregational church grounds, Thursday evening, July 21. Plenty to gratify the senses of sight, hearing and taste. Come and aid the good cause.

The J. W. Ireland family break up camp today at Forge pond, and the G. W. Prouty family take the Ireland cottage for two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Prouty will take charge of affairs at the Prouty residence on King street.

A Russian colony, numbering twenty-one, came to town Saturday night for the annual outing, returning the following afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Hartwell and Mrs. E. H. Proctor are at the Isle of Shoals. Mr. Hartwell and Mr. Proctor expect to join the party soon.

New notices for bicycle riders have been posted this week. Why not observe the law in regard to riding on the sidewalks and avoid the possibility of trouble.

Misses Gladys and Mary Kimball and Olive and Mildred Flagg have been visiting in Providence, R. I.

Percy Crane returned recently from the west.

Miss Ruth Thatcher, postoffice clerk, has been spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Blanchard in West Acton and Miss Cora Davis has been substituting for her at the office.

Obed Sanderson, lawyer of New York city, is the guest of his brother, Hon. G. W. Sanderson.

At a parish meeting of the Unitarian church last Monday evening, it was unanimously voted to extend a call to Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield of Ware, to become pastor of this church.

Mrs. Carl Dodge came to town on Thursday and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Houghton.

W. W. Leahy has been very sick and threatened with pneumonia, requiring the daily attendance of Dr. Hopkins.

The webbing factory has been running four days this week, and it is rumored that prospects are in sight for a full week very soon.

Thomas Fisher and Webster Blanchard are guests of Bennett Sanderson.

Mrs. Sarah Loring of Lowell was a guest at Mrs. Benjamin Robbins' on Wednesday.

Miss Jackson of Nashua, N. H., has been visiting in the Edwards' family for a week.

Alden Chamberlain of Lowell has been spending a week at the home of his grandfather, Harvey Brown.

Mrs. Herbert Wellington of Fitchburg and Mrs. Fred Russell and daughter of Philadelphia were over Sunday guests at John A. Wright's.

Mrs. Walter La Bree and two children of Pictou, N. S., and Miss Catherine Grassie of Waltham have been guests at Leander Fisher's.

Miss Alberta Nixon and Arthur Barreau, left town for Nova Scotia on Tuesday morning.

Miss Abbie M. McNiff, for many years a successful teacher in our public schools, has given up the Stoneham position, to which she was appointed for a one-grade, one-session school in Belmont that offers better advantages in every sense. She was

asked to remain in Littleton at an increase in salary, but decided to accept the Belmont election. She has the good wishes of an interested public and her devoted pupils here.

The Improvement society will hold a lawn party in August.

E. A. Cox burned his hand badly in trying to extinguish flames from an oil stove recently.

A surplus of thirty-five dollars was left in the treasury after the Fourth and it will be used for the 1911 celebration.

Mrs. Alex Gregory is boarding a colony of city children.

SHIRLEY.

A French play, entitled "The malediction of a mother," will be given in Odd Fellows' hall, Sunday evening, by the young ladies of St. Anthony's parish for the benefit of the church.

Oscar C. Sibley is confined to home with sickness.

Miss Effie Hanna has been presented with a birthday book by the members of the Congregational church choir, of which Miss Hanna is a member. She leaves the last of this week for her home in St. Stephen, N. B.

Leo, age 2 yrs., 1 mo. and 21 dys., son of Patrick and Florina (Leculier) Gionet, died on Thursday morning of cholera infantum. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon. Burial was in St. Anthony's cemetery.

AYER.

To the Editor:

There are so many that are writing about the traveling picnic of the Middlesex Worcester Pomona grange, to leave Ayer, Wednesday, July 20, at 8.03 a. m., enroute for the Amherst Agricultural college for a two days' outing that this seems to cover the matter. The tickets go on sale or are spoken for at James P. Fitch's jewelry store on Monday afternoon, July 18, and consist of a full itinerary and return to Ayer, with three meals at the college dining hall and lodging at one of the two hotels in Amherst, thirty-two miles trolley trip. Those patrons and friends coming from Ayer and south of Ayer, Groton, Littleton, Harvard, Pepperell, Townsend, Shirley and Hollis, N. H., will be accommodated at the Amherst house. Those from Lunenburg, Leominster, Ashby and Mason, Nashua, Brookline and other New Hampshire granges except Hollis, will find lodging at the Prospect house. An orchestra of five pieces under the management of Henry M. Adams is an assured fact. All persons having necessary communications sent while in Amherst, can direct the same in care of Prof. W. D. Hurd, Amherst Agricultural college. Prof. Hurd will give a talk on the coming corn exhibition at Worcester this fall; also, on the outlook for the New England farmer. A bureau of information will be established at Amherst at Prof. Hurd's office. Should it be rainy the excursion will start and with plenty of music and a lot of jolly patrons; a good time is assured. Don't be afraid to wear easy clothing and shoes and take a forty-eight hours breathing spell. James P. Fitch, past master of Groton grange, acts as purser at Ayer, and the trip is full of delightful promises. Greenfield and Deerfield granges have notifications of the picnic and invited to be present at the State reservation pavilion.

L. E. STARR, Lecturer Middle-Wor. Pomona Grange.

A Stupendous Undertaking.

The great plant of the Connecticut River Power Co., at Vernon, Vt., is but the beginning of a systematic development of New England water power which will result in the transmission of high-voltage power all over central and southern New England, from other similar points in the Connecticut valley. Already plans are being perfected for the development of another water power of 70,000 horsepower, four times that of the Vernon fall. A storage reservoir with the capacity of 60,000,000 gallons, the third largest in the United States, and with three times the volume of the Metropolitan water commission's reservoir, will be begun the latter part of this summer. The company behind the enterprise, Chase and Hariman, incorporated, has already secured right of way to many of the important New England cities.

The plant already in operation is a reproduction of the Niagara power distribution idea on a reduced scale. Its success is already assured, for at the end of the first six months of operation three-fourths of the available power is being marketed, with prospects of closing contracts for the other third within a short time, and the business is more than meeting operating expenses and interest.

At the present time the plant consists of a 600-foot dam at Vernon, a power house 200 feet long, with eight generators, and a transmission line built on private right of way 100 feet wide running from the power house 70 miles to Worcester, via Gardner, Fitchburg and Clinton, and twenty miles north to Brattleboro, and is going through a part of Ayer to Lowell.

The company is in the field primarily to supply power in wholesale quantities to large consumers. It is not eager, its management says, for the lighting business, nor for the smaller power business, which it is content shall be handled by local companies, most of whom operate their plants by steam, it has made arrangements to furnish auxiliary power to these local companies, to be distributed by them to their customers.

By a decision of the Gas and Electric Light commission, the Connecticut company is restricted in Fitchburg and Worcester to users of 150 horse power or more. This decision results in the protection of the local electric companies against too severe competition. The rates of the transmission company average about one cent per kilowatt hour, which is from a fourth to a third of the power rate charged in the city of Boston. The Boston retail lighting rate is eleven cents.

As the Connecticut river is subject to very low stages of water in the late summer, the company has two steam-power plants in reserve, at Clinton and Fitchburg, and besides has made ar-

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arrangements with owners of steam plants by which they will supply energy to the power company in times of low water. The output of the company nearly equals that of all the central stations in Massachusetts combined, excepting the plant of the Edison company of Boston.

The dam at Vernon sets the water back a distance of twenty-two miles, raising it fifteen feet at Brattleboro and causing still water. The storage capacity is about 200,000,000 cubic feet. From the power station a transmission line, consisting of six power and two telephone wires carries the current to the cities mentioned. The circuit is suspended on steel towers, built on concrete bases. Each tower is designed to carry wires with a coating of three inches of ice, in a wind one hundred miles in velocity. The towers are four hundred feet apart, and follow a course that is clear of all trees and underbrush, up-hill and down dale. The vista of a line of these gigantic structures stalking across the landscape is truly inspiring.

Items of Interest.

You cannot afford to miss the "Travelers Picnic," from Ayer to Amherst Agricultural College and return, starting Wednesday, July 20, eight a. m., with its two days itinerary, \$5.50 round trip. Tickets on sale Monday p. m., July 18, at James P. Fitch's Jewelry Store, Ayer.

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Saturday, July 16, 1910.

AYER.

News Items.

Geo. L. Osgood, John R. Murphy, T. Frank Mullin and E. B. Butterfield took a trip in Mr. Osgood's new auto to Bass Point and other places near Boston, Thursday afternoon.

Herbert Whitney, who recently returned from California and who with his wife and three children have been stopping with Mrs. Martha B. Barrett, East Main street, grandmother of Mrs. Whitney, moved into one of Capt. Palmer's tenements, East Main street, on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Dudley, who has for some time past not been very well, had a partial shock last Tuesday, but is able now to be about the house.

Daniel R. Chandler has bought of Judge Sanderson the Holmes house on Holmes street, and has cleared up the grove about the house and had the place enclosed by a fence, improving its appearance very much.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a lawn party on the church grounds, Wednesday, July 20. All are invited.

Patrick Donlon has purchased of E. O. Proctor a Model 19 touring car, and Mr. Proctor has sold Mrs. C. Z. Southard of Groton, a Model 10, surrey.

Mr. Robinson, postmaster, is now handling forty-one mails a day and it is keeping him and his assistants busier than ever. For some time past the mails have been increasing here for him to handle as the postoffice here is a distributing point.

The Unitarian church service at 10.45, Sunday, July 17, will be the closing service for vacation until September.

The selectmen will undoubtedly grant the petition of the Connecticut River Power Company, for leave to string its wires across the northerly part of the town on their way to Lowell. The Lowell and Fitchburg street railway will also be granted a location for an extension of its tracks to the West Main street crossing, with a condition that cars will not be permitted to remain on the extension except while passengers are being transferred.

Rev. A. L. Snell, D. D., of Fitchburg will preach in the Baptist church on Sunday, July 17, at 10.45 a. m. in exchange with the pastor. Sunday school at twelve. Praise and evangelistic meeting at seven in the evening.

At the annual meeting of the trustees of Norwich University in Northfield, Vt., held in June, Dr. J. Q. A. McClester of Waltham, well-known here as the leading physician for years, was re-elected trustee for the term of five years. Dr. McClester is the only surviving member of the class of 1853.

Mrs. G. L. Osgood and three children and maid leave on Monday night, by boat from Boston, to Sullivan, Me., to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lord, where she will leave her children and will return on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Osgood leave on Friday of next week in their auto for Sullivan, Me., where Mrs. Osgood will remain until the schools open and Mr. Osgood will be there for three or four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Mason leave on Monday, July 18, for their summer cottage, "The Mason's lodge," at Centre Harbor, N. H., where they will be through the rest of July, August and part of September.

It is a sight for those who are interested to see at E. O. Proctor's garage on West Main street, twenty-three automobiles, and five others outside of his garage. It is doubtful if there is another town in the State of the size of Ayer, where can be seen so many automobiles as he has here. It is a great display.

Michael Fitzpatrick, who arrived in town on foot Tuesday, and who said he belonged in Lowell, was found at the railway station in a dazed condition and muttering in a mysterious manner that he was being followed by a man with a revolver, was taken care of by officer Beatty, locked up, and later taken into court and on trial was sentenced for a two months' stay at East Cambridge to sober off and recover from an attack of the delirium tremens. Fitzpatrick said he was thirty-nine years of age and has relatives in Lowell, his home.

Eather A., daughter of Elisha D. Stone, in company with her cousin, Edna Flanders of Still River, returned on Thursday from their trip of ten days. They stopped at Baltimore, Washington, Norfolk, Fortress Monroe, and other places in that vicinity. They had a delightful trip.

Levi Miller, father of M. N. Miller, clothier in Carley's block, died on Tuesday, July 12, of heart disease, aged seventy-seven years. He has been a resident here off and on for the past eleven years. He was born in Russia. His body was taken to Dedham on Wednesday and burial was in the Jewish cemetery in that town.

Rev. Thomas L. Fisher preached at the Episcopal church in Nashua the last two Sundays.

The latest news for the traveling picnicers from Amherst college. Social union rooms in the north college for ladies' exclusive use. Each squad of fifteen or twenty persons given a special escort. The registrar and dean of the college will be on hand Wednesday afternoon and Thursday forenoon to consult with parents and prospective pupils. The drill hall will be used for a social hall. The railroad will have special cars and members from Shirley and up the line can get into them.

H. L. Whitman and daughter Imogen are visiting cousins in Whitman this week. Mrs. Whitman will go to her father's, Fred O. Smith, at Buzzard's Bay, next week.

Mrs. Ellen F. Whitman of Paris, Me., mother of H. L. Whitman, principal of the high school and Roy E. Cole, nephew of Mr. Whitman, have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Whitman the past week.

Channing Wilkins of Worcester was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Harry Stone, corner of Williams and Columbia streets on Thursday.

H. R. Northrup of Williams street is storing his household goods. His wife and two daughters are with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Flewelling. Mrs. Northrup's mother and father, who have been living with the Northrups the past year, have gone to Clifton, N. B., their former home, where Mrs. Northrup will spend the summer. Mr. Northrup will continue to work at Forge Village and will board there during the summer.

The inquest, with regard to the accidental death of Sven Lingram, who was instantly killed by the falling of a derrick at the quarry of Petersen Brothers in Westford, July 5, by the breaking of two steel guy ropes, came up before Judge Atwood, Saturday forenoon, July 9. Several witnesses were examined and the decision was that no unlawful act of any person contributed to the death of Lingram, who was a helper at the quarry and had been employed there for four months. He was twenty-five years of age, a native of Sweden, where his relatives reside.

Charles L. Hildreth of Westford was examined July 9, by Dr. Bulkeley of this town and Dr. Cyril A. Blaney of Westford. At the close of the examination and the facts placed before Judge Atwood, he was pronounced insane and taken to Worcester insane hospital.

M. L. Savage, O. K. Pierce, H. S. Turner, W. E. Murphy, F. S. Pierce and A. A. Fillebrown attended an outing of the Martin Luther club of Lowell on the banks of the Merrimack at Tyngsborough on Thursday afternoon. Ex-Governor Guild was present and was one of the speakers.

L. H. Cushing, superintendent of the Lowell and Fitchburg Railway Co., with his wife and son, spent this week at Harwichport.

C. H. Hardy has been awarded the contract to build a two-story house, 25x31 feet, on Fletcher street for O. N. Kidder, and it is to be completed by November first. In Mr. Hardy's contract he takes the job from cellar up. When it is completed it is to be occupied by Mr. Kidder's son, Hartwell Kidder and his family. The lot on which the house is to be erected is back of the residence of Mrs. Horace Hovey.

The Congregational and Methodist churches united in holding their annual picnic at Sandy pond on Thursday. The day was fine and many availed themselves of this opportunity of a day's outing at this popular summer resort.

A new pump is being installed at the upper railroad yard and the gasoline engine of fifteen horse-power is here. When the engine is set up and the pump going, it will pump at the rate of 20,000 gallons an hour. A very large quantity of water is necessary to supply the freight engines that are in the upper yard.

Mrs. Lillian Brooks left Tomahawk, Wis., Thursday and expects to reach here on Saturday, July 16, on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Sarah F. Brown, East Main street. During the month of August Mr. Brooks and family will occupy Shady cottage, Sandy pond, owned by E. A. Richardson.

Herbert Farnsworth, who goes by the nickname of "Rusty Farnsworth," has been driving a horse that was unfit to be driven. He was told to kill it, and failing to do so, Officer Beatty and Joseph M. Russell, state agent, went to Farnsworth's place of residence this side of the brook on the Groton school road, yesterday afternoon and shot the horse.

Charles Stone, whose farm is partly in Harvard, has just harvested thirty tons of the finest hay he has ever cut and the largest for a great many years.

Two weeks ago last Sunday, Hugh Waters of Littleton hired of E. O. Proctor a bicycle, and while he stepped into the ticket office of the railway station at Littleton to purchase a ticket to Ayer, found on going outside of the bicycle, that it was gone. Tuesday night the bicycle was located and in the possession of an Italian named Joe Maynard of this town. At first he denied having it, but afterwards said he had it and returned it to the police station, when he claimed he bought it, but could not remember the name of the person he bought it of. If he fails in doing so, he will be brought to trial.

James Nutting, whose family is of ancient origin in this town and who resides at the Hotel de Town, recently departed for parts unknown. James finally turned up after about a week or ten days, much to the delight of Landford Delano, who depends so much on James to help him keep the town's streets cleaned up. This outing was the time of James' life.

Rev. L. E. Perry attended the funeral of Deacon William Harrington of Paxton, who dropped dead on Monday morning with heart failure. He was a former parishioner of Mr. Perry.

Stas N. Stone expects to go to the Massachusetts General hospital for an operation.

For other Ayer news, see opposite page.

Suicided.

Abraham I. Gage shot himself in the head in the shop of his brother-in-law, Henry W. Tinker, in Charles street, Lowell on Tuesday, and died instantly. Mr. Gage, who was sixty-three years old, had been despondent for several months. He was for years employed in the yard of the Merrimack company, Lowell. He formerly lived with the Shakers in Harvard. Mr. Gage leaves four sisters. Tuesday was the twenty-third anniversary of his wife's death and this added to his despondency. Tuesday morning he announced his intention to go to Ayer, but was prevailed upon to

postpone his visit. His body was found by his brother-in-law. He was at one time in the employ of Wm. A. Boutillier, who was located here before going to Shirley.

Death.

Mrs. Harriet A. Lovejoy, wife of Augustus Lovejoy, one of Ayer's prominent business men, passed away quite suddenly on Thursday, about noon at their new home on East Main street. The cause of Mrs. Lovejoy's death was a weak heart. Her death is a great shock to this community, coming so suddenly. Mrs. Lovejoy was sixty-nine years of age and would have celebrated their golden wedding next year, had she been spared. They were married in Nashua, N. H., April 28, 1861, by Rev. L. J. Hall, pastor of the First Congregational church of that city, who is now living in Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Lovejoy have lived forty-seven years of their married life in Ayer, where they are both held in high esteem.

The deceased was a native of Brookline, N. H., and leaves her husband and three sisters, Mrs. L. W. Cummings of Fitchburg, Mrs. E. L. Worrick of Bridgeport, Conn., and Mrs. S. P. Morgan of this town. Mrs. Lovejoy was highly respected by all who knew her and was a woman of a high type of character and was one of the most painstaking housekeepers to be found.

One of the sad features of her passing away is the leaving of her pretty home so recently bought and refitted with all modern improvements. Mrs. Lovejoy was a member of the Congregational church.

The funeral will be held on Monday at two o'clock, at the home on East Main street. Rev. L. E. Perry will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot at Woodlawn.

The husband and sisters and entire family will have the sympathy of all at this time of their great sorrow.

Smoke Experiment.

The Boston and Maine railroad is experimenting with a smoke consuming device which is expected to work well. Engine 644, which has been undergoing repairs at the Keene shops, has been fitted with the Schleyder smoke arresting scheme, a German invention for which much is claimed, both as a smoke burner and in the point of economy in fuel consumption.

The device consists of a tube five inches in diameter, which taps the smoke arch, underneath the stack, at a point just below the deflecting nettings where the draft is downward. Here it has an enlarged opening to which a vacuum is applied by a steam jet located elsewhere in the five inch tube. Gases and cinders are thus drawn into the tube. This tube runs back to the rear of the fire box and up through the grates just below the fire box door, where the gases or smoke and cinders collected are discharged, mixed with steam, and in a condition to at once ignite on coming in contact with the fire.

Deaths.

Mrs. Lurena E. (Spaulding), wife of Charles E. Oliver, died at the home of her son, Charles Everett Oliver, in Fitchburg, Friday morning, July 8, from heart disease and complications with which she has been a sufferer for seven months. The funeral was Sunday afternoon and burial at Townsend.

Mrs. Oliver was a native of Townsend and a daughter of Amos and Lurena Spaulding, and after her marriage she moved to this town where she remained for some time before going to Fitchburg. Until her illness she lived for many years in South Fitchburg, but of late she has been at her son's home. She was a member of Rollstone church in Fitchburg.

She leaves her husband, two sons, Charles Everett and Asa Bell Oliver, two daughters, Mrs. L. A. Woods of Olympia, Wash., and Mrs. F. R. Sherman of Tacoma, Wash., also one sister, Mrs. Leona Gale of Fitchburg, and two brothers, Amos F. and Warren E. Spaulding, both of Worcester.

Merger of Yards.

The merger of the Boston and Maine and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads took a concrete form Thursday, when engineers and superintendents of both the roads went through Ayer to Fitchburg and examined the railway yards there with the view of concentrating the work under one head.

The engineers discussed contemplated improvements and the merging of the two big yards into one and combining all the freight, passenger and other local interests of each road into a single proposition with a definite management.

The party included General Manager Frank Barr, General Superintendent C. E. Lee and Superintendent A. S. Cheever, representing the Boston and Maine railroad, and General Manager Samuel Higgins, General Superintendent B. R. Pollock, Superintendent Albert Ross of the Old Colony Division of the New Haven road and General Engineer B. T. Wheeler and Division Engineer J. W. Pearson of the New Haven system, with other minor officials.

To the Editor:

The announcement in your issue of last week that six of our school teachers have resigned their positions, and the fact that at least one other teacher has also resigned, making a majority of the whole number employed, leads one to inquire into the causes of such wholesale resigning. And an inquirer will probably be told that the teachers who resigned did so because they were offered larger salaries elsewhere. I am informed, however, that such is not the real reason, or, at all events, not the only, nor even the controlling reason in some of the cases.

When a teacher, born in this town and living here with her family all her life, after teaching in our schools for twelve years, hands in her resignation and accepts a position elsewhere which will oblige her to live away from home, it is obvious that any increase in salary she may obtain will be offset by increased living expenses, to say nothing of the loss of the comforts and surroundings.

While it is true that with our population and valuation we cannot expect to compete successfully with the cities and the large and wealthy towns of the State in the payment of teach-

ers' salaries, it is also true that we have been very generous with our school appropriations which have steadily risen during the last decade and are certainly as large as ought reasonably to be expected. At the last town meeting we raised by taxation for school purposes \$10,750, out of a total tax levy for town purposes of \$22,340, practically one-third of the total tax going to the schools.

And in reality the proportion is greater than one-third because the schools were also given the refund of the dog tax which will amount to about \$200, and which could have been appropriated for the library, thereby reducing the amount raised for the library, and the income of the Holmes house which will net about \$100, as the Holmes house could readily be sold for at least \$2,000, and the money used for other purposes. The town also will receive from the State \$200, on account of the Union Superintendency District, and about \$800 from the income of the Massachusetts School fund, the principal of which now amounts to \$5,000,000. A small amount will also be received for tuition of children from other towns.

In the year ending March 30, 1901, the total number of school children enrolled was 502, and the total expenditure for school purposes was \$8,890.73. In the year ending March 10, 1910, the total enrollment was 504 while the total expenditure had increased to \$12,659.02.

In each year the number of teachers employed was thirteen. The number of schools maintained in 1901 was eleven and but ten in 1910.

But if the real reason which actuated the resigning teachers was not the question of salary, it is possible that steps may be taken to prevent a repetition of their acts. I am informed that great dissatisfaction exists among the teachers because the school committee has no system of regulating salaries or promoting teachers from grade to grade; that teachers who have been here for years are paid less than those just hired; that teachers doing the same work are paid different salaries for no apparent reason; that a teacher of the seventh grade, who had taught here for years, was allowed to go because her salary of \$13.75 per week could not be increased while her successor was immediately paid \$15.00 per week, which is now the established salary in that grade and also in the eighth grade, while one of the high school assistants gets but \$11.25; that one of the lower grade teachers, whose work for years has been warmly praised by different superintendents, applied for a vacancy in the seventh or eighth grades and her application was refused on the ground that only an experienced teacher in those grades would be acceptable, although the same superintendent who gave that reason had previously offered a vacancy in one of those grades to a still lower grade teacher of no experience in the higher grades.

I am also informed that Mr. Ernest P. Carr, one of the best men as well as one of the best superintendents we have ever had, was allowed to go because his salary of \$1650 could not be increased, while his successor was immediately paid the \$2,000 which would have kept Mr. Carr.

And I think this is a good opportunity of saying publicly what I have always said without hesitation privately, that I believe the policy of the school committee in refusing to hire Ayer girls who are graduates of our State Normal schools as teachers in our schools until they have taught elsewhere is entirely wrong in principle and entirely unjust to our girls and to the parents who have made so many sacrifices to give them an education.

The rule of the committee is based principally upon the theory that it is undesirable to employ our own girls because they may prove incompetent, and then it would be likely to create trouble if they were discharged.

This rule, like many other rules, has not been impartially observed, for its working is seen in the fact that although many of our girls have graduated from our normal schools and have been and are successful teachers elsewhere, only two have been employed here last year and the rest of them will be here next year.

Every graduate of our normal schools is required to teach for six months during her course and is recommended by the principal of the school as capable of teaching in the first eight grades.

Is it fair to say to our girls who have been graduated from our normal school and a state normal school, that they must go to New Hampshire or Vermont for experience before they would be troublesome to discharge them if they were employed here and proved incompetent?

Such a rule may shield a superintendent from the performance of his agreeable duty and save annoyance to the committee, but neither of those reasons is sufficient for its adoption or maintenance or to overcome its injustice.

Wouldn't it be fairer to give our own girls a chance to prove their capability, and wouldn't our teachers be more satisfied and likely to stay with us longer if more of them had their homes here and if we had a well considered, impartial system of regulating promotions and increases of salary instead of the present haphazard system which can only continue to breed discontent?

JOHN M. MALONEY.

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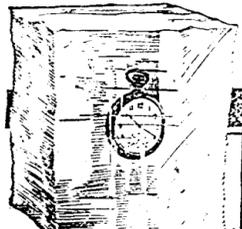
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WOMEN TELLERS.

Why They Supplanted Men in a New York Bank.

An embroidery hoop is not exactly what one would expect to see on the other side of a bank teller's window, but that is precisely what one is likely to see any day of the week if one goes to get a check cashed or to make a deposit at the Maiden Lane Savings bank, Maiden lane and Broadway, New York. The hoop has been there for the last five years, and it has never been observed that business suffered in consequence.

There are times when there is no line of depositors at the windows, and during such intervals there is no reason why shining moments should not be improved.

As a matter of fact, the bank employs women tellers. Miss Sadie Clare has been paying teller for five years, while Miss Marie McClusky has served as receiving teller for an equal period, and the president, Louis Windmiller, said that he had never had occasion to regret this departure from precedent. The bank was obliged to economize, he explained, and had engaged the women because it could not afford to pay the wages usually demanded by men, but the women had been found to do the work just as well as their predecessors.

"We have had no cause for complaint in five years," Mr. Windmiller said, "and that can hardly be said of the men who were employed previously. The women are always pleasant and always ready to answer questions, and there never has any occasion to apply to their bondsmen to make up shortages. They have become experts in the identification of signatures, and no discrepancy ever escapes them."

Mr. Windmiller doesn't believe in votes for women, but says he believes in giving credit where it is due.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

In selecting spoons for kitchen use it is a wise plan to get those with holes in the handle. They may be hung up and thus kept accessible.

Having several pairs of shoes and never wearing the same pair more than one or two days at a time will rest the leather and make it last better.

A stain in a rain-coat can be removed by washing it in strong hot suds made of pure white soap to which a little borax and a little ammonia have been added.

The colored bedspreads which were in such favor for summer cottages last season are being utilized both as spreads for the schoolgirl beds and for delicate covers to throw over couches.

When books become badly soiled on the edges, if not gilt edged, close the book tightly and erase the marks with an ink eraser. This will cut off the rough edges and all soil marks and leave the book quite clean.

Japaned ware should be washed with a sponge, dampened in warm water and dried immediately with a soft cloth. Obsolete spots can quickly be removed by rubbing with a woolen cloth dipped in sweet oil.

Everyday Logic.

Have you ever invited two people in order to make them quarrel? Have you ever argued inwardly because the whole affair was such a failure?

Neither woman would talk on any subject save herself, and both sat in the midst of long silences, staring at each other, and then just as you had given up hope another woman dropped in, usually a woman who was in great demand everywhere.

All of a sudden you found out the reason why. She took these two human beings in hand, and the first thing you knew she had them talking to each other and then to her.

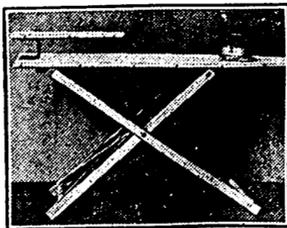
Well, that is the secret of the average woman's popularity. She fits into any surroundings. She is at home with all sorts of people. She makes them feel thoroughly at ease and brings out the best in them. That is why they love to have her around.

It is no fun to sit and listen to a woman who glitters at the expense of every one else.

But the woman who says just enough to make us respond on the subjects we know most about in our best vein is the one we simply adore, and we can't be in her company too much.

A Labor Lift.

The woman who does her own ironing will welcome this latest invention to lighten her labors. As you see, it is an ironing board that may be folded



THE NEWEST IRONING TABLE.

and put in the cupboard when the day's work is over. For small kitchens and apartment kitchenettes this contrivance is especially good. There is a second small board raised slightly higher than the big board for ironing sleeves and shirt bosoms.

Care of Gas Stove.

If you use a gas stove never leave it with anything that might boil over. It is quite possible for soup or milk boiling over to put out the gas flame, and the escaping gas will fill the room, and should some one come in with a light an explosion must follow.

HOW TO DODGE A HOLDUP.

First Be on the Alert, Says a Detective in Chicago.

What is the best thing to do in case you are held up?

"I would bet almost anything I have that if the citizen who is held up should yell 'Police!' or 'Murder!' the holdup man would run away every time," is the opinion of Detective Captain Wood of Chicago.

"The chief trouble is that people are not on the alert. I always take the outside of the sidewalk when out after dark. Then if any one should happen to be lurking in a dark passage-way I have a good chance to see him in time to be on my guard. If I saw two men come toward me late at night and they separate I would get on the outside of the walk. If they inquire the time of me I would not give it to them, as this is likely to be merely a ruse to snatch your watch.

"My advice is, 'When out at night keep on the outside of the sidewalk, keep on the alert, and if attacked make an outcry.

"What is the best thing to do in case you are held up? That depends upon the conditions that enter into the matter, the weapon carried by the holdup man, for instance," said Assistant Chief Schuetler. "Some might have a revolver and some a piece of lead pipe. If your assailant is determined looking and has a good sized revolver it is best to surrender.

"If the man held up is of more than ordinary strength and confidence he may sometimes knock his assailant's gun out of his hand and get the better of him. If the proper degree of care is taken a holdup may sometimes be avoided altogether. If a man follows you at night and stops when you stop or walks opposite to you on the other side of the street it is likely that he is a holdup man. The best thing to do in that case is to get among other people or board a car or run into a nearby house."

CARE OF KID GLOVES.

How to Mend Them and Keep Them From Stiffening.

If kid gloves are worn the hands become very hot and cause the gloves to stiffen and shrink. French chalk will prove a good remedy. The gloves should be put on and the tips of the fingers dipped in French chalk and rubbed gently one against the other, then finally rubbed with a soft duster. A little French chalk should also be put in each finger.

It is a good plan when wearing rings under gloves to turn them with the stones toward the palm of the hand. This not only prevents marks, but is more comfortable than when the rings are worn the right way up.

Kid gloves should be removed by turning them over the hand and afterward turned right side out, blown into, the creases smoothed out and finally put away in a glove box.

Nothing looks more untidy than to see any one wearing a pair of gloves with the finger tips protruding or the seams burst. So if you spy even a tiny hole mend it without delay and with fine cotton the same color as the kid. Never use silk, as it cuts. Don't break off the cotton, but cut it, or you will draw the stitches too tightly together and make the seam uneven.

When the finger seam is split insert a finger into the glove and draw the edges together so that they just meet and no more. A ridge spoils the look of the gloves and feels uncomfortable.

How to Preserve Leather Furniture.

Leather furniture needs constant and intelligent care to keep it from drying out and tearing into shreds or turning to powder. In the first place, don't be afraid to apply a little soap and water to it to wash off the dust and dirt. Use soapy water, a sponge and a paint brush to get into the folds of the leather and the crevices. The soapy water will darken the leather, but only temporarily. When the leather is dry here is a preparation that will do it good. It's simple—just one part sweet oil and four parts benzine. The oil will darken the leather a little, but it will soon dry in and leave it the original color. The surplus oil may be removed by rubbing. Rub into the grain of the leather. This treatment four times a year will preserve both the life and the elasticity of your leather furniture covering.

How to Keep an Iris Bed Sightly.

If you have a bed of iris that is a blot on your garden, while the withered stalks are laying up a store of nutriment for next year's bloom, it is well to plant something in between the plants that will make them look less unsightly.

In between the iris plants the seed of mignonette can be sown about the middle of April, and begonia superflora can also be used. These plants take less nutriment from the soil than taller growing plants, as their root growth is shallow. They also do well in the partial shade that is needed for iris.

How to Clean Plaster.

When plaster casts become soiled with either dust or finger marks make a creamy solution of dry starch and cold water and apply it with a soft brush, carefully wetting all crevices and depressions. Set the cast aside to dry, then remove the starch with a stiff brush, and it will look as if fresh from the studio.—Harper's Bazar.

How to Clean Glass Water Bottles.

To clean glass water bottles cut up a large potato fine and put it in the bottle with some warm water and shake it rapidly until it is clean. Some use shot and soda, but potato is even more effectual.



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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of GEORGE CHANDLER, late of Acton, in said County, deceased: Whereas HERMAN S. HAZEN, the administrator with the will annexed of said deceased, has presented for allowance the fifth account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the twenty-sixth 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 allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

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

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY HALLISSEY, late of Groton in said County, deceased:

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by HENRY W. WHITING, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor thereof 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 twenty-ninth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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 offer 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, on the twenty-sixth 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 ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate, fourteen days at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

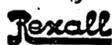
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There is just as much uncertainty today regarding the Democratic nomination for governor as there was one month ago.

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There is a good deal of feeling in the Democratic party against the side-tracking of Mr. Vahey.

Signs are not lacking, however, that the leading Democrats right around Boston have determined to nominate Mr. Foss and the plans for doing this are apparently complete.

Vahey's Friends Are Vindictive Some of Mr. Vahey's friends are saying that if he is slaughtered there will be things doing in the state campaign that are not on the schedule of the party leaders.

Vahey men to Mr. Foss, and that in some sections an almost complete reversal of Democratic opinion so far as leaders are concerned has been accomplished.

The news that former President Theodore Roosevelt will speak in Massachusetts during the fall campaign has pleased the party leaders immensely.

Speaker Joseph Walker of the Massachusetts house of representatives will again be a candidate for speaker.

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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 said deceased at public auction, 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, 1872, 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 1149, page 429.

4. A certain parcel of land situated in said Groton on the westerly side of road leading from Farmers' road to Follingsworth'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, 1880, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds Book 1914, page 572.

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WHAT THEY NEEDED

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Having occasion to see Gunter after office hours on a matter of business, I went to his room. It was 9 o'clock, a time when young people are supposed to be enjoying themselves in their evening amusements and married people are sitting around the hearthstone or the big lamp on the center table reading, dozing or listening to the chatter of the children going to bed.

"Because I have no one to sit with me." "Then why not go out?" "I've been going out for years, and I'm tired of it."

I was shocked at what I had done. Suppose they didn't get on together. How would I feel at having tied them up in a knot they couldn't unloose without a lot of trouble?

"How are you, old man? Happy as a clam, eh?" "There was no fervor in his affirmative response. "Come, I went on; "tell me how you and Mag are getting on."

"Well, Mag gives way to me in certain things I don't care anything about, but if anything of importance comes up between us she must have her own way."

"What's the matter?" "My husband is unreasonable." "About what?" "Well, he gives way to me in things that I don't care anything about, but if anything of importance comes up, he's a perfect tyrant."

"If you two people," I said, "insist on quarreling instead of enjoying the happiness that has come to you I can't help it. I did the best I knew how for both of you, but—" "Our affairs are none of your business," said Mag fiercely.

we kin jest now, but hope to send him some more bimo by. We had some money saved up for old age, but we've been a-drawin' on it for Tom, and this is all there is left."

There was a visit from the sweetheart after this to ask for a draft of \$18.50, which convinced me that Tom had accepted the last amount she had sent him.

"I dunno. Tom's got another mine. He says he's sure of this." "Of course it's no business of mine, but I don't like to see you, an old man, mortgaging your farm to send money to a son who should be giving you money instead of you giving it to him."

"That's what I tell ma." "At this moment the draft was laid before me, but instead of handing it to him I said: "Hahn't you better think this over?"

"Well, Mag laying down the paper, "the old man has given his home to his reprobate son; he has nothing more to give. I shall not suffer again at seeing him come into the bank to do what I can't prevent his doing."

"The same day I met the young girl on the street whom I was sure was Tom's sweetheart. I stopped her and asked: "Is Farmer Williams turned out of house and home?"

"No, sir. He wrote to say that he was awful sorry to see the farm go, but he could not help it."

"I attended Tom Williams' wedding and kissed the bride. I couldn't help it."

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PEPPERELL.

D. A. R.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held its July meeting at the chapter house, July 6, when it entertained the state regent of Massachusetts, Mrs. James G. Dunning of Springfield. After an informal reception and the short business meeting, Mrs. Dunning gave an interesting and inspiring address which was intently listened to by the large number present. Among the guests were Mrs. Cook, regent of the Matthew chapter of Nashua, and Mrs. Bessie Allen of a St. Louis chapter, both of whom spoke briefly on the work of their respective chapters. A number of the non-resident members were present and most heartily welcomed. Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee and a pleasant social time enjoyed.

On Friday evening, July 8, a number of the chapter members accepted the invitation of the Prescott grange to a "Relic party" in their hall, bringing with them articles of antique value and explaining their uses. They were most hospitably entertained by the grange and had a very enjoyable evening.

News Items.

The annual fair of the L. B. S. of the Congregational church will be held on Thursday afternoon, July 22, beginning at three o'clock, in the vestry. Supper will be served at 6:30.

Rev. Otto E. Schneider, wife and child of New York, formerly pastor of the Unitarian church, arrived Saturday at the bungalow of Mrs. E. B. Head. They are to occupy one of the buildings at the beautiful grounds of N. W. Appleton, Mt. Lebanon, for the summer.

The farmers are all well satisfied with the splendid weather for hay-making. Better hay and more of it is the universal report. Many of the fields have grain growing at a rate to have it properly harvested as soon as town has a reaper and the machine formerly came from Hollis has departed.

The many friends of Samuel P. Hancock will regret to learn that he continues in poor health at his home in North Pepperell.

The Pepperell ball team goes to Groton on Saturday, July 23, to play the Alerts.

Town electrician, Edward A. Johnson, had a large force of men last Saturday setting new poles on Groton street from Heywood square to Henry Blake & Son's mill. These are especially the poles and were set from John F. Sartelle.

A. R. Paull and family left Saturday for their summer home in Maine.

Mrs. J. Caddigan returned to Boston on Monday after a week's visit with friends in that city.

The tarvia mixture was tested at the depot for the most recent experiment.

A small forest fire started near the Pepperell springs on Monday in some very dry and brushy land. The entire force of employees was busy for some time. The fire was provided their usefulness in saving how the fire started.

A. P. Wright, postmaster, has had his house completely renovated. 1973. A. G. Gagnon has had a change of address, enjoying the popular two-penny number 222, instead of 264.

The play of the golf course last Saturday by the Edward L. Tarbell cup resulted as follows: three points, E. L. Tarbell; two points, Rodman Blake and C. B. Taft; Waldo Spaulding and Dr. C. G. Hoard tied with one point each. The tie will be played off on Saturday, July 16, and another cup will be played for.

The traveling picnic, held under the auspices of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange, is to be on Wednesday and Thursday, July 20 and 21. Everyone who can, should avail themselves of the advantages at the low railroad fare.

Skunks are plentiful around the chicken coops and many have met the fate they deserve. One particular instance was that of a farmer's wife who had retired, but was aroused and went forth with lantern and discovered the skunk in one of the coops and would not come out, but was laid out with the aid of a pitchfork.

Mr. Keene of the engineering force of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company was in town on Wednesday with foreman H. E. Farnum of Ayer, estimating for new constructions in 1911.

J. H. Patton, of the State tax commissioner's office was in town on Tuesday. He called at the office of the assessors to examine their work. It is understood he commended them highly on the results of their work, the condition of the books and particularly as the work is entirely new to them.

The O. H. I. S. announce another of their popular social dances, to be held Monday evening, July 18. Robbins' orchestra, and M. E. Gaskell has been engaged as promoter.

Tuesday's alarm was for a brush fire in a wood lot off Groton street, belonging to J. F. Sartelle. The damage was slight, as the volunteers did good work with the chemical.

Mrs. Horace Drury and her granddaughter Leora Brainard have gone to Worcester for a visit with Mrs. Drury's sister, Mrs. F. A. Harrington.

Miss Kathleen Thayer returned on Thursday from a week's visit with her brother Jerry and family, at Epping, N. H.

William Thayer, who has been with the Boston and Maine at the railroad station here, has been transferred to the operator force at Nashua Junction.

Mrs. Dwight Richardson and family of Winchendon are visiting at Mr. Richardson's old home, E. R. Richardson farm.

Work on the new dwelling and stable of P. J. Kemp, town clerk, is being rapidly put into results. The frame work of the barn is erected and a good part of the dwelling.

Mrs. Susie Andrews has accepted a position as cashier at the grocery store of E. E. Tarbell. Frank Mahoney has also entered the employ of this firm as clerk.

Fred A. Milan, the popular clerk of Mansfield's pharmacy, leaves on Saturday on his annual two weeks' vacation. He has planned to spend the time at Rye and York beaches, Maine, visiting his brother in Portsmouth on the way.

Hon. Geo. B. Greenhalge of Pawtucket, R. I., arrived here last Sunday in his auto. His wife and children, Charles and Helen, are spending the summer here, with Mrs. Greenhalge's mother, Mrs. Lucy B. Page.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael H. Sullivan and family left Tuesday for their summer home at Green Harbor.

Among the visitors in town over Sunday were Mrs. Cora De Rohm, Miss Hattie Attridge, Fred Lakin of Lowell; J. P. Kerin, Miss Annie McGrail, Miss Lillian Kennedy of Boston and Leon Lawrence of Concord.

George H. Belyea arrived at his home here on Tuesday. He was recently arrested at Athol depot and accused of attempting to steal a U. S. mail bag. After a hearing before the government authorities at Boston he was released as there was not evidence against him, and anyone who had been waiting at the station as he was, might have been arrested, for he was the only one there when a mail bag was found missing. It does not seem just that anyone should have this notoriety thrust upon him, and it might have been entirely avoided if some people were accurate instead of lastly bright.

James Reagan, who hailed from Ayer and was struck by a passing freight near the railway station last week Thursday, and who was seriously injured, narrowly escaping being killed, is much better.

Dr. Percy Miller of Harwich, son of Charles H. Miller, arrived at his parents' home here on Thursday on his motor cycle on a visit.

Mrs. E. E. Handley is spending a few days at Brookline, N. H.

The metal ceiling for Groton street schoolhouse has been ordered and is expected soon. The work in putting it up will be in charge of C. H. Miller.

The large brick chimney at the old paper mill, in North Pepperell, is to be removed. Last Monday evening an explosion, which was heard for miles around, and broke windows in buildings nearby, destroyed this five feet square chimney, which was seventy feet in height. All that is left of it is a mass of brick and plaster. This was done for fun and sport as no doubt the young men who did the act will claim. It was planned for July 4, but miscarried. The young men who did it are known and have been credited with better judgment of right from wrong.

The paper mill and other metal machinery are being put into shape to fill orders. The practical use which this wonderful material can be put to in the many things in daily use is without number.

The cottage of Miss Emma H. Haynes of Groton street, which has recently been rebuilt by Charles H. Miller, is now receiving a coat of new color. The roof is being stained green and the main body of the house to be slate color.

Miss Dorothy French, daughter of Dr. Charles French of Pawtucket, is spending the week as guest of Miss Helen Greenhalge.

Fred Black, Arnold Bishop and John Little, all of Pawtucket, are visiting Charles Greenhalge and they are enjoying the pleasures of camp life at Camp Strongheart.

Miss Helen Leeds, who has been ill, is able to be out for a short time now.

A boy was born Saturday morning, July 9, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Prescott.

John Fredericks has sold his wheelwright and carpentering shop to P. W. Flynn.

Baseball.

The Oak Hill team went to Hollis last Saturday to play the return game and defeated the New Hampshire boys by the score of 9 to 8, in a closely contested game. The visitors were handicapped at the start without their catcher. Thomas Tarbell filled this position in good style, although he has not caught a game since grammar school days. James Sullivan pitched six innings, and notwithstanding the game was safe, was relieved by Soule, who pitched the balance. The Hollis team was strengthened by several importations, including Ditchman, a Williams college man. He pitched good ball, but not of the winning kind.

The sensational play was in the first half of the ninth, when the score was 8 to 7 in favor of Hollis. Capistran hit for two bases, and Milan next up, caused a change of pitchers, Ladd succeeding Ditchman, but it made no difference. Milan hit the second ball pitched for home run. Soule then held the Hollis boys during their half by three strike outs.

Gleanings.

Arthur Wright is suffering with rheumatism. He has been confined to the house some of the time this week and Mrs. Wright has assisted Miss Harrington in the postoffice.

Miss Susie Andrews is acting as cashier in E. E. Tarbell's grocery store.

Miss Margaret Burns went to Nova Scotia on Monday, where she is to spend a few weeks with her sisters.

Francis, the young son of Mr. Drimane of Cross street, was hit in the head by a bat, while at play Monday evening. Dr. Heald was called and dressed the wound. The child is not supposed to be seriously injured.

Roswell Lawson went to Eastport, Me., recently, returning a few days later accompanied by his daughter Alice. Miss Alice is visiting Mrs. Geo. Pierce and expects soon to go to Brookline, N. H.

Kenneth Blood of Concord is visiting his grandparents in town.

Mrs. Warren Blood returned last week from Boston, where she has been visiting friends. Previous to that Mrs. Blood spent a few days with friends in Cambridge.

Mrs. Susie Dort has just returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Balmforth of Lawrence.

Edward McKay of the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston, has been a guest of Mrs. E. Bates.

Mrs. Eugene Annis and daughter of Maine have been recent guests of Mrs. Joseph Donnelly.

The Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church will hold a food, vegetable and ice cream sale at Central hall, Thursday, July 21, from 3:30 until six o'clock.

Lewis H. Bean, who has been quite seriously ill at his home on Cross street, is now convalescent.

Mrs. Myra Attridge and son Franklin went to Nashua on Wednesday. They expect to remain a few weeks as Mrs. Attridge is not well.

About Town.

Miss Florence Bates was at home from her duties at the Wellesley Inn, Wellesley, last week, returning on Monday.

Edward McKay of Malden spent a few days with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bates.

Winslow Parker's family enjoyed their annual picnic on Thursday, July 14, at Hollis.

Mrs. Herbert Shattuck of Melrose with her little grandson are occupying the Henry Woodworth place for the summer.

Mrs. Bert Granger of Lynn spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Fuller.

Earl Nutting has been sick with tonsillitis and under the doctor's care the past week.

Citizens of Oak Hill were startled by a brushfire in the beautiful pine woods situated near the Pepperell Springs. It was finally subdued by use of chemicals after having burnt over about an acre.

Mrs. Lizzie Gilson of Townsend street has let her tenement to Boston parties for the summer.

Paderewski's Distinction.

There was a day when Paderewski's English was not fluent. One evening before a choice company in his elegant apartments in New York he was showing a few highly flattered callers how to do this, that and t'other on the keys of his grand piano, explaining in bad English as he went. Of course the man was present who is ever ready to supply a word when a speaker hesitates. The famous artist, landing with both hands as if he had just dropped from the ceiling, exclaimed, "Harmony!" All applauded the perfect concord. He shot down again like a triphammer and would have exclaimed again, but the word refused to come. "What you call—er—er—" "Discord," put in the supplier of words, Paderewski's hair stood straight out, and his face was white and red with anger. Jumping up from the stool, he sputtered: "Deesort! No! With me a deesort is impossible!" He would not be persuaded to touch the instrument again that night. The unintentional insult struck deep.

No Sense of Humor.

"Fog Eye" Smith of northwest Wyoming bore an appalling facade. His style of beauty was a blight. Depending upon his horrid exterior, he was in the habit of trying to awe newcomers. On one occasion, affecting some displeasure at the manner in which a pallid stranger watered his liquor, Mr. Smith announced, frowning, that unless he detected immediate amendment he would send the neophyte home in a market basket. "Which I'll sure tear you up a whole lot," said Fog Eye. Half an hour later Mr. Fog Eye was found groping about on the floor under the poker table hunting for his glass eye and muttering to himself. The stranger asked with some evidence of impatience what new line of sentiments Mr. Smith was now harboring. That injured resident, glaring malevolently from beneath the furniture, replied, "Which I sure do hate a man with no sense of humor."—Argonaut.

Origin of "Watered Stock."

The expression "watered stock," which describes so well the expansion of the stock of a company beyond the value of the property, originated, it is said, in connection with Daniel Drew, who was once the wealthiest and most unique manipulator in Wall street. Drew had been a drover in his younger days, and it was said of him that before selling his cattle in the market he would first give them large quantities of salt to make them thirsty and then provide them with all the water they could drink. In this way their weight was greatly increased, and the purchaser was buying "watered stock."

A Masquerade

A Story of the Eighteenth Century.

By EDITH B. GOLDWIN

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"For shame! You, the son of an earl and a member of one of the proudest families in England, to make a highwayman of yourself. Our betrothal is at an end. Leave me."

The Hon. Alfred Tillotson, younger son of the Earl of Enderby, withdrew without offering a bit of defense, keeping his face while retreating toward the Lady Clara Travis, the plume of his hat trailing on the floor. But, though his bearing was humble, he was not without hope. Did he not know by her heightened color, the tremor in her voice, even a slight moisture in her eye, what she suffered in dismissing him? But would her heart triumph over her resolutions? Clara Travis was not a prude. She was a light hearted girl who could dance till morning at a ball, ride across country, taking fences and ditches by the way, but she would never stoop to injure even an enemy. Indeed, men said of her that her standard of honor was that of an honorable man.

Months passed, and Tillotson saw no alteration in Lady Clara's treatment of him. He looked in vain for the slightest sign of relenting. But if she grieved she did not believe in seclusion. She hunted, danced, played at cards with no trifling stake, just as she had done before her disappointment. Tillotson when he met her looked in vain for even recognition. She paled or colored slightly at his approach, but evidently considered one who had taken purses even for amusement unworthy of her acquaintance. When months had passed and there was no reconciliation the lover became despondent.

During this period, the latter part of the eighteenth century, Venice set the fashion in all matters of amusement, just as under the second empire in France Paris set the fashions in woman's dress. From the City of the Sea a mania for masquerading and gambling spread over Europe. In London people were accustomed to go about to gambling and dancing houses, and matters finally came to such a pass that the city government decided to raid a notorious dance house in Soho. A few hours before the raid was made the lord mayor, dining at a fashionable club, revealed the proposed descent to a companion. The latter begged to be permitted to accompany the force sent for the purpose disguised as a policeman, and leave was given. By the lord mayor's order he was enrolled and uniformed as a special policeman.

Revelry was in full swing at the dance house when a policeman, followed by others, entered the place, locked the door behind him and posted a man at each point of egress with orders to permit no one to pass out. Nearly all those present were masked. The dance came to a sudden halt, the dancers standing stock still in their places. Then the officer of police called:

"All unmask!"

Some endeavored to pass the policeman at the points of exit, but were driven back. Some endeavored to hide under the furniture or behind curtains, but they were pulled out. It was a slow process, but one by one they were all pushed out to the open floor and forced to uncover their faces.

What was the amazement of the police to discover that at least a third of the company consisted of ladies and gentlemen of the highest aristocracy. A policeman stepped up to a lady, furious at her exposure, her eyes snatching, her foot stamping the floor, and, doling his hat respectfully, said to her:

"My service to your ladyship. I've come to ask which is worse, taking purses on the highway or frequenting low dance houses?"

The lady looked at him, stupefied for a moment, then exclaimed:

"Alfred Tillotson, what does this mean?"

"That a highwayman has joined the police. You would not have me as a lawbreaker, so I became one of those whose business it is to punish lawbreakers."

"How dare you speak to me when I have persistently cut you?" she cried angrily.

"Clara, I can get you out of this."

"Oh, Alfred!"

"I knew you the moment I entered the room. You have not been recognized. Put on your mask and come with me."

Donning the mask and slipping her hand on his arm, the two walked out of the hall and, entering a carriage, were driven away.

"Who was your escort to this select party?" asked Tillotson.

"Father. I forgot all about him."

"He won't suffer, being in good company. Nearly all our best families were represented. But, Clara, if one who attends dance houses is too good for a highwayman, don't you think she could condescend to marry a policeman?"

There was no reply. He felt for her hand, found it, and it was not withdrawn.

The next morning all London rang with the news that the nobility had attended a dance house in Soho, and many names were mentioned as participants in the festivities. But the name of Lady Clara Travis was not among them. She never afterward forgot this service of her husband.

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The Color of Water.

The waters of the seas, lakes, rivers and streams in general are very often colored. For instance, the water of the Mediterranean sea is not colorless, but green-blue; also there is a brilliant red river in South America. The St. Lawrence, in Canada, is pale green and the Ottawa golden brown. Where these two rivers meet quite frequently whole broad patches remain unmixed. Here is a gold patch and there a green one. Otherwise than this water reflects the colors of its surroundings, and a so called "Emerald pool" in the White mountains is green because the birches on its borders in early summer are brilliant green. The Blue grotto, in Capri, Italy, shows a remarkably rich color, near to green-blue, because all the light received in that grotto comes through the water at its entrance, and, as has been said, the Mediterranean is green-blue. The water of the geyers in the Yellowstone park are also colored by natural mineral dyes. You can dye your own glass of water by a piece of the bloodroot plant. Try it. That will be a vegetable dye.—St. Nicholas.

No Oil Trust Then.

"Dey warn't no trusts in de days er Jonah," said the old colored brother. "How come you ter study 'bout dat?" a member of his flock asked. "I wuz des thinkin'," the old fellow said, "dat dey had been any trusts dar ole Jonah would ha' had dar whale in de de business so quick dat it would ha' made its head swim."—Atlantic Constitution.

For the Chafing.

"My Cousin Fannie sent me the loveliest chafing dish you ever saw for my birthday," says the lady with the mixed rings. "I'm just dying to get something to use with it."

"Let me send you some talcum powder," says the caller, who is rearing a new baby the best she may.—Judge.

A Modern Phase.

"Ah, my lad, you are a fine little fellow!"

"Thank you, sir."

"And are you mamma's boy or papa's boy?"

"I spend six months in the custody of each," answered the urethra courtously.—Washington Herald.

No Doubt About It.

Blowhard had just finished relating a strange occurrence.

"Why do you look so surprised?" he queried of his one man audience. "Don't you believe it?"

"Yes, that's the trouble," retorted the other. "I happen to know that it's true."—Chicago News.

As Expected.

An Irishman after working on the railroad for fifty years is laid off on account of old age. He goes home and breaks the news to his wife, and she says:

"Pat, I knew that would not be a steady job when you took it."—New York World.

Not What He Expected.

"Had a great surprise today."

"How was that?"

"My son pointed out the famous football coach to me."

"What surprised you in him?"

"Why, it was a man. I always thought it was an ambulance."—

His Weapon.

Hoax—Out in Arizona he is known as a bad man.

Joax—Is that so? Did he ever kill any one?

Hoax—Oh, yes.

Joax—What make of car does he drive?—Philadelphia Record.

Providence Forbid.

"I have four daughters, and everything is bustle at my house these days."

"Gee! Are they coming in fashion again?"

"What?"

"Bustles."—Houston Post.

The Real Risks.

"I suppose you couldn't get any life insurance?" said the automobile tester's friend.

"Oh, yes," said the chauffeur. "I'm a good risk. It's the people along the road who are barred."—Buffalo Express.

At the Night School.

Teacher—You have heard, I presume, of the "fourth estate." Have you any idea what it is?

Shaggy Haired Pupil—Yes, sir. It's a quarter section of land.—Chicago Tribune.

The Next Best.

"You were a little shy on facts in that speech of yours."

"I know I was," admitted the new congressman. "That's why I put in plenty of gestures."—

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