

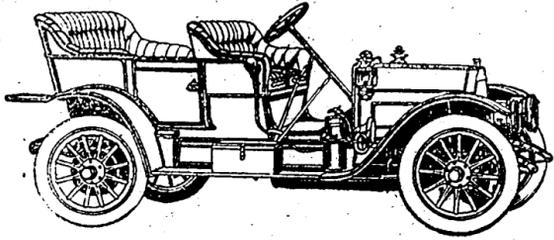
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LITTLETON.

News Items.
Mrs. John F. Comiskey of Clinton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles A. Hartwell.
Hugh McDonald has sold within two weeks three Red touring cars; one to William Kinsley of Acton Centre, another to Victor Pigeon of Forge Village and a third to Dr. Kilburn of Groton.
Rev. and Mrs. Harrison L. Packard arrived at the Congregational parsonage on Wednesday.
James Nixon and family are at their cottage in South Wellfleet for a week. J. H. Whitcomb is with them over Sunday.
Miss Virginia Hyde of Maplewood, N. J., is spending a week with the Edwards family at the Ledges.
There will be a union service at the Baptist church Sunday. Everybody is cordially welcome.
The Unitarian church will be closed through the month of August.
Another company of city children arrived Tuesday at Alex. Gregory's for ten days in the country.
Miss Jennie Sawyer is at North Conway for two days.
Rev. Paul G. Favor has been engaged to deliver a course of lectures on the bible at Boston university the coming season.
Four hundred and fifty sheep instead of forty-five were shipped to the U. S. quarantine last week. The ponies expected were retained on account of hoof and mouth disease now prevalent in the section of country from which they were to be exported.
John Hardy is making extensive repairs and improvements on his newly purchased house in South Littleton. Alexander Gregory is doing the carpentry.
Karlton Priest contemplates taking a course in forestry at Amherst Agricultural college, entering this fall.
Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence left home Monday for Ocean Point, Me., where she will be the guest of Mrs. Adelaide Fitz for four weeks or more. She is to read in an entertainment there, appearing in antique costume.
Mrs. Paul L. Brown returned yesterday from Portland, Me., where she has been for ten days.
The webbing factory is now running five days each week with the probability of continuing on that time in the immediate future.
Miss Helen D. Harwood went last Saturday to Norwell to be the guest of Prof. Bailey's family through the month of August.
Benjamin Conant of Arlington has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Amelia Wakefield, a few days this week.
Rev. and Mrs. Speed of Clinton, the latter a sister of Mrs. Packard, have been guests at the Congregational parsonage this week.
Alonzo H. Kimball, now at his son Clement's in St. Johnsbury, Vt., is in a very weak condition with rather discouraging symptoms.
"The world's challenge to the church" will be the subject of Rev. H. B. Drew's sermon Sunday at the union service. It does not yet seem to be generally understood that the three churches of Littleton are to unite in a service at the Baptist church Sunday morning, August 7, but it is hoped that all readers of the Gulton will spread the news and extend to everybody a cordial invitation to be present.

Dr. John Lemley is critically ill at Old Orchard with very little hope of recovery.
B. S. Hager and his niece, Mrs. A. J. Hardwick, of Alameda, Cal., spent two days last week in Gardner, making their headquarters with Mr. Hager's daughter, Mrs. Helen Blanchard, and visiting his nephew, John H. Hager. The latter has recently moved into his new two-tenement house which is very large and attractive with all the modern conveniences.
One of Thacher & Ireland's horses, becoming frightened at an automobile last week Friday morning, cleared himself of the grocery wagon and leaped the fence on King street, nearly opposite Mr. Stephens' barber shop, plunging into the meadow from which he was shortly released and escaped with a few injuries.
Miss Alice Chapman of Winchester and Brant Rock was an over Sunday guest of Mrs. John A. Kimball.
From a recent letter received from a prominent person in Ware comes the following testimony: "Of course you know that Ware is sending two of her very best in Rev. and Mrs. Fairfield," and also "We have known your new doctor for two years and I assure you that he is perfectly all right."
Mrs. Ethel Ames Hill, her daughters and maid from Auburndale have this week been guests of Mrs. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ames at the A. W. Knowlton home.
Miss Beckwith, a former teacher in our schools and her sister are expected for a week at Miss Mary Marshall's. Miss Marshall is entertaining Mrs. Leeds.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lovelace and daughter Marion of Worcester are at A. T. Kimball's for two weeks.
Broken Into.
Littleton station was broken into and entered Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. The gum box was taken outside, broken, emptied of its contents and left in front of Thacher & Ireland's store. The money box in connection with the pay telephone station was also broken and relieved of considerable money. The postoffice which is inside the station was also entered and some fifty cents in pennies, all the money in the place was arrested under suspicion. At time of writing no further developments in the case have been communicated.
Highly Complimentary.
At a meeting of an ecclesiastical council held little more than two weeks ago in the Mayflower church at Kingston, were read the following resolutions adopted by the church and society:
"Whereas our pastor, Rev. Harrison Packard, feels that he has been fed by the spirit to accept a pastorate in another community.
Resolved, That it causes a feeling of deep regret that the relations of pastor and people must be sundered at the close of five years of mutual helpfulness and friendship.
That the gratitude and the appreciation of the church and society be extended to Mr. Packard for his faithful and untiring service for their welfare, for his sympathy and counsel in times of need and for his zeal in working for Christ's Kingdom, shown by his self-sacrificing spirit and by his service to many in the community. That since gratitude be extended to

Mrs. Packard for her arduous labor for the church in the various departments of its work, the earnest desire for both being that God's richest blessing may rest upon them always, and that the success attained in their first pastorate may be increased manifold in their new field of labor.
That a copy of these resolutions be entered in the church records, and one sent to the church at Littleton, Mass."
Other resolutions of a similar nature were passed by the council. The above resolutions were read from the Congregational pulpit by Rev. Paul G. Favor, who preached here last Sunday and to the sentiments therein contained. Mr. Favor added words of highest commendation concerning Mr. Packard whom he has known well for several years and with whom he was a student at Andover Theological seminary.
From a letter accompanying the resolutions written by Everett G. Loring, clerk of the Kingston church, came the following testimony which was also read:
"I wish to assure you that they (the resolutions) were not written by the committee nor accepted by the church in any perfunctory spirit, but that they express in a very feeble way the esteem and love that we feel for both Mr. Packard and his wife. I wish also, to assure you that Mr. Packard will be deeply missed in the community at large where he has made a large place for himself in the time he has been with us. I feel that your church and community are to be congratulated in securing such a man."
Sunday School Picnic.
The picnic at Whalom on Wednesday was a gala time for the Unitarian Sunday school and friends in this and other towns. One hundred and thirty-seven excursion tickets were sold and twelve or fifteen regular tickets to those who left on the noon train, making the number of those who joined the company approximately one hundred and fifty. Among this number were Mr. and Mrs. Hartwell Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. Peter S. Whitcomb, Mrs. Caroline Hosmer, Mrs. Janet Jacobs, and Mrs. Mary J. Priest, who seemed to enjoy the day as much as their grandchildren. Former Littleton residents who joined the party were Miss Carrie Walker of Lowell, Mrs. Elizabeth Hamlin and daughter Gertrude of Westford and Mrs. Mary K. Harris of Leominster.
About Town.
Will Conant has gone to house-keeping in Alston and his children are with him. Mrs. Nellie Wright is the housekeeper.
Benjamin Conant, a former resident here, was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Amelia Wakefield, last Sunday at Mary Marshall's.
Our people will be sure of one evening's pleasure in the coming season of the lyceum course, as the committee have secured Gen. W. A. Bancroft of Boston as one of the speakers.
Miss Anna Woodbine, a former teacher here, was this week a guest of Miss Cora W. Davis.
Last week Friday, F. C. Hartwell treated the little country work children here to a boate getting lilies for them, and a happier set it would be hard to find.
The three churches here will unite in a union service Sunday morning, August 8, in the Baptist church and the pastor, Rev. Drew, will preach the sermon.
Several new books have just been put on the library shelves.
The many friends here of Dr. Lemley, who has been very, at Old Orchard, will be pleased to learn that he seems much more comfortable.
On Monday, Mrs. Eliza Hartwell and Mrs. Heyward Hartwell returned to their Somerville home and will spend the month at their camp in Egypt.
Mrs. Bert Wilcox and daughter returned Tuesday from a visit to Cambridge, their native place, coming home with the W. E. Conants in their auto.
J. W. Ireland and family are occupying their camp at Forge pond for this month.
Mrs. S. E. Houghton and Miss Mabel were here over Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Charles Houghton, and are now at Ashby for the rest of this month.
SHIRLEY.
News Items.
George Knox and Charles Dike are confined to their homes with sickness.
Mr. and Mrs. Trueman Nickerson, of Centre road are spending a brief vacation in Maine.
Miss Gladys Love left town on Wednesday for a month's vacation with relatives and friends in Boston and vicinity.
Mrs. Medie Devarney, with her three children, has arrived home after spending three weeks with her mother in Fitchburg.
Miss Lavinia Simonds of Malden, a former resident, is a guest at the home of Miss Mary A. Park.
Miss Louise Rheau of Lake Port, N. H., is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Leopold for a visit.
TOWNSEND.
Centre.
W. L. Bruce, our genial order clerk at C. W. Hildreth's, is taking his vacation and Charlie Howard is taking his place at the store. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce will visit at Ashby, Littleton and Rockport.
Mrs. V. E. Miller of Quincy and friend, Mrs. Moore, visited at Mrs. A. D. Feasenden's this week.
Mrs. Bertha Hesilton McLennan of Nashua has been in town this week visiting friends and relatives.
Don't fail to read the full page advertisement of F. Donlon & Co. on the sixth page of this paper.



Our Annual Mid-Summer
CLEARANCE
SALE

Our Annual Mid-Summer Clearance Sale is now on. It is the time of year when we close out the balance of our Spring and Summer goods. It is our policy not to carry goods over to the next Season, and this is the reason for this sale and the big cut from the regular prices. Look over the following items and note the reduction:

Men's Suits	Men's Outing Trousers	Straw Hats																										
This comprises the balance of our stock of Spring and Summer Suits. They consist of Fancy Worsteds and Fancy Scotch Mixture Suits. The regular price tag and the cut price tag on each Suit. The sizes broken of course, but all sizes in something.	<table border="1"> <tr><td>\$2.50 Trousers now</td><td>\$1.98</td></tr> <tr><td>\$3.00 Trousers now</td><td>1.98</td></tr> <tr><td>\$3.50 Trousers now</td><td>2.50</td></tr> <tr><td>\$4.00 Trousers now</td><td>3.00</td></tr> </table>	\$2.50 Trousers now	\$1.98	\$3.00 Trousers now	1.98	\$3.50 Trousers now	2.50	\$4.00 Trousers now	3.00	<p>Every Straw and Cloth Hat in our store now goes at a big cut in price.</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>25c. Straw Hats for Children now</td><td>15c.</td></tr> <tr><td>50c. Straw Hats for Children now</td><td>25c.</td></tr> <tr><td>25c. Straw Hats for Men now</td><td>19c.</td></tr> <tr><td>50c. Straw Hats for Men now</td><td>39c.</td></tr> <tr><td>\$1.00 Straw Hats for Men now</td><td>79c.</td></tr> <tr><td>\$1.50 and \$2.00 Hats for Men now</td><td>\$1.00</td></tr> <tr><td>25c. Cloth Hats for Children now</td><td>19c.</td></tr> <tr><td>50c. Cloth Hats for Children now</td><td>39c.</td></tr> <tr><td>50c. Cloth Hats for Men now</td><td>39c.</td></tr> </table>	25c. Straw Hats for Children now	15c.	50c. Straw Hats for Children now	25c.	25c. Straw Hats for Men now	19c.	50c. Straw Hats for Men now	39c.	\$1.00 Straw Hats for Men now	79c.	\$1.50 and \$2.00 Hats for Men now	\$1.00	25c. Cloth Hats for Children now	19c.	50c. Cloth Hats for Children now	39c.	50c. Cloth Hats for Men now	39c.
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Underwear	Children's Wash and Khaki Suits	Miscellaneous Bargains
Five Special Lots at reduced prices.	Ages 3 to 8.	Boys' 25c. Golf Caps now.... 19c.
All our 25c. Balbriggan and Black and White Mixture Shirts and Drawers for Men, now..... 19c.	50c. Wash Suits now..... 39c.	Men's Police Braes now.... 15c.
All our Boys' 25c. Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers now..... 19c.	75c. Wash Suits now..... 59c.	Men's Blue Stripe Overalls, 50c. quality, now..... 25c.
All our regular 50c. Blue Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers now..... 35c.	\$1.00 Wash Suits now..... 75c.	Men's 50c. Neglige Shirt now 25c.
One lot Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers 50c. value, now..... 39c.	\$1.50 Wash Suits now..... \$1.00	Men's \$1.00 Neglige Shirts now..... 79c.
One lot 50c. quality of Nainsook Shirts and Drawers, now..... 29c.	Ages 5 to 14.	25c. Wash Four-in-Hands, in Black and Tan colors, now 15c.
	\$1.00 Khaki Suits now..... 79c.	One lot Boys' Knee Pants, straight cut only, 50c. and 75c. values for..... 23c.
	\$1.50 Khaki Suits now..... \$1.00	15c. Wash Four-in-Hands now 9c.
	Hosiery	One lot 15c. Bows, now..... 5c.
	One lot Men's Hose, 15c. grade Black and Tan, now..... 9c.	
	One lot Men's Fancy Hose, 25c. grade, now for..... 19c.	

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WESTFORD.

Center.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the annual reunion and ladies' day of the Cavalry association are busy with plans for the day, and it is expected that it may prove as enjoyable to the members and their guests as last year. The dinner will be served at noon in the town hall and the new Whitney park will be in use for the first time. The ballfield and the tennis court are nicely finished and available while the remainder is not yet the beauty spot those interested expect it to become after a season or two when the grass and shrubbery are well growing. The Chelmsford band will be in attendance during the day and the hospitality of the membership will be extended to the guests of the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright, who have been enjoying a sojourn in the log cabin on the summit of Prospect hill, have returned to their home with the expectation of coming again for two weeks a little later in the season. It was pleasant to have Walter Sleeper calling on old friends in his childhood home this week.

Miss Elizabeth Hildreth of New York is making her usual summer sojourn with her cousin, Miss Ella Hildreth at Prospect Hill farm.

Miss Emma Perham is staying with Miss Miranda Luce.

Miss Evelyn Hamlin has returned from a pleasant vacation spent at York Beach and at Worcester with her aunt, Miss Ellen Kimball.

Miss Hannah Morrill has been the guest this week of her sister, Mrs. O. V. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Day have removed to Bedford to be with their son and family.

Miss Nellie Gill of Waltham has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher and Wednesday, Mrs. returned with Miss Gill for a few days' stay in Waltham.

Augustus Bunce's many friends were sorry to know of his serious ill turn this week but he is able to be about again superintending his farm interests.

Gilmer Stone is also among the sick ones and under the doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth and Master Roger Maywood Hildreth are enjoying a vacation at Wilton, N. H.

Charles O. Prescott has returned from an enjoyable trip of a week at Kineo, Me., on Moosehead lake.

Right in line with the spirit of village improvement, the enterprising firm of Wright & Fletcher have replaced the old sign over their store with a handsome new one with still letters on a background of black and underneath a smaller one reading "Post Office, Westford, Mass." The many autoists, who are oftentimes strangers, passing through our main street need not now be in doubt as to the identity of our pretty village.

Birthday Party.

The fourteenth birthday anniversary of Miss Hilda Isles on Friday of last week, was made most memorable and enjoyable by a very pretty party given by her mother, Mrs. Florence Isles, for her daughter. A merry group of her friends were bidden for the evening and much of the good time in games, music and sociability were enjoyed in the barn which had been prettily decorated for the occasion. The supper was served in the dining room indoors. The color scheme of the supper table was pink and white and was very prettily arranged. The birthday cake had its place of honor in the centre of the table. Caterer, Fred A. Smith, had charge of the making and serving of the ice cream.

Miss Hilda was the recipient of many pretty gifts and after a delightful evening the happy company took their departure, wishing their young hostess many happy returns of the day.

Congregational.

The bright crisp weather last Sunday after so much heat was an ideal day for whatever plans one might have, particularly for church-going and a large congregation was present at the Congregational church when Mr. Wallace's sermon was especially a message to the young people of the audience and incidentally was of much interest to the older ones as well. He showed a very sympathetic and intelligent insight into many phases of youthful life with all its ambitions and temptations.

For the next three Sundays there will be no morning services during the pastor's vacation.

Mr. Wallace went directly to Lunenburg, a former pastorate, and where he has so many friends, for a participation in the observance of an old home week and where he had charge of the Sunday evening services. After several days at Lunenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace go to Northfield for a series of meetings which are so valuable in the way of inspiration and helpfulness to christian workers. Misses Pauline and Rachael Wallace will remain in Lunenburg while their parents are at Northfield.

About Town.

During the thunder shower on Wednesday evening of last week, lightning came in contact with the lightning rod on the Unitarian church and they had it out together. The rod gave the lightning free transportation until near the ground, when the lightning suddenly scented something more

to its liking and without stopping to politely rap, it bolted right into the parlor and tried to play a tune on the pipe organ. The organ not being in tune as the result of repairs on the church, it is not known what tune it did play, but as an organist it was unsatisfactory and the insurance company will have to be put on as an interpreter.

The Tallent place on Stony Brook road is being cleared of the disfigurements of the spring fire. The old shed, which the fire did not have time to finish on account of interference by the Westford fire department, has been much improved in appearance by disappearance as a shed. The barn which was shattered and tattered in the emergency engagement between fire and firemen is being trimmed back to its former symmetry.

Late Thursday afternoon of last week, Paul Quist, who is tool sharpener for the H. E. Fletcher Company, while sharpening tools, had a piece of hot steel fly and lodge in the eye. He was quickly removed to the office of Dr. Leary of Lowell, who pronounced it painful and placed him under expert treatment to prevent loss of sight-seeing from the right side.

That almost absolute old-fashioned New England yoke of oxen was seen Monday afternoon with all the zuch-chewing simplicity of ye olden days as they passed through town on the Lowell road, for the old Levi T. Fletcher farm, where the Burton H. Wiggen company of Lowell is hauling wood and loading it on the cars at Brookside.

With windows closed, curtains drawn, doors that open not, while that soundeth not, and water fall that carries no energy to the wheel, the Brookside mill, like a parade, has been ordered to the at-rest position.

It looks at present as though the town would be compelled to be defendant in a suit for damages as the result of death by accident on the highway of the late Charles Reed. If the suit comes to trial it will be held in the United States court at Boston. This will allow the jury to be drawn from any part of the State. The trial if pressed will come off in October.

Mr. and Mrs. George Howard, jr., left the Old Oaken Bucket farm last week for Bound Brook, N. J. They left Boston harbor on the boat Harvard. When a short way out of the harbor the boat was struck by lightning. After striking the boat the lightning struck the water and was drowned.

Miss Amy Schellinger and Miss Holt of Boston were recent visitors at the farm on Lowell road, where the lawn tennis court, the old oaken bucket and the forest shades of Francis hill are nature's Wayside Inn.

The town teams are busy hauling gravel from the Willard Fletcher bridge on the Stony Brook road to Main street near Chamberlain's corner.

Charles A. Prescott, the two-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prescott was buried in Fairview cemetery, Monday afternoon. Services were held at the grave by Rev. David Wallace.

Forge Village.

The members of the John Edwards hose company held a very enjoyable dance in Abbot hall, Saturday evening. A large number from out-of-town were present. Gilmore's orchestra of Lowell furnished the music and refreshments were served at intermission. Joseph Bennett, jr., acted as general manager, assisted by members of the hose company. About eighteen dollars was turned into the treasury.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony H. Fernald of College City, Cal., are rejoicing in the birth of a son, born on July 17, who has been named Anthony H. Jr. Mr. Fernald was a prominent member of St. Andrew's mission and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Fernald of Knopp's Pond farm, Groun. Mr. Fernald was ordered south by his physician a few years ago, but since his residence in California has enjoyed the best of health.

Miss Catherine Burgess of Lowell is visiting at the Fisher cottage, the Birchess.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lewis of Everett, who are enjoying the life at Forge pond for the month of August, are entertaining Miss Clara Combes of New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman of Everett are occupying a cottage for the month of August at the pond.

Mr. and Mrs. party of friends from Boston are at Idealwood for a two weeks' outing.

Mr. Tibcomb with friends from Nisana will spend the next two weeks at Pine camp.

The G. W. Proutys of Littleton broke camp Monday after spending two weeks at Forge pond. They were succeeded by the J. W. Irelands and family of Littleton, who will enjoy the cool breezes of the pond for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Small of Everett are entertaining Master Everett and Miss Elizabeth Wakeman of Everett and Miss Freda Klingerhagen of Quincy at their cottage.

J. W. Blake and John Trainor, who have been employed the past few months on the new Abbot mill, left here Monday for Rotterdam, N. Y., where they are to assist in the construction of the new Y. M. C. A. building which is being erected there.

The many friends and former parishioners of Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, will be interested to learn that he has decided to go to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where he will engage in missionary work for one year. If at the end of that time he finds his work pleasing, Mrs. Fisher and two children will join him. Mr. Fisher received the call to South Dakota over a year ago, but did not care to go so far from his mother, who is eighty-three years old. He will commence his new duties September 1.

Miss Ada Nute of Brockton is visiting with Mrs. H. E. Randall. Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gades, Miss Mamie Dando and Miss Mildred McDonald of South Boston and Frank Sullivan of Nashua, N. H.

Walter Chappell, the well-known teamster for Abbot & Company, resigned his position Wednesday and starts Sunday for Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he will assist in harvesting the great wheat crop. His cousin, Alexander Chappell, will accompany him. Charles Blodgett of the Ridges has accepted the position as teamster for the Abbot company.

A son was born Thursday, July 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Delorier.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pauquette of Nashua, N. H., who are spending this week at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Leclerc, are rejoicing in the birth of a son born Wednesday, August 3.

At the regular meeting of the John Edwards hose company, Wednesday evening, Matthew Elliott was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Walter Chappell. The resignation of Capt. Richard Prescott was received and regretfully accepted to take effect September 1. John Spinner, jr., was nominated.

Miss Ethel Collins, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myles Collins, underwent a successful operation at her home Tuesday afternoon. Dr. O. V. Wells performed the operation, assisted by Mrs. O. V. Wells as trained nurse. The little patient is doing well.

Services at St. Andrew's mission will be held at nine o'clock, holy communion will be celebrated. Rev. Harry Gray will conduct the service. The usual afternoon devotions will be omitted.

Miss Alice N. Shicks and Miss Louise M. Marinell and party of friends of Lowell have returned home after a pleasant vacation spent at Mr. Lowther's cottage on the shore of Forge pond.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Miss Annie G. Snell of Northampton is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Julia Kilbourn. Mrs. H. D. Allen of Brookline is also a guest at the Kilbourn home for the summer. H. D. Allen spent over Sunday and will come to Shirley in a week or so for a vacation of a month or more. Mr. Allen is building a new home in Brookline.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Balch attended the funeral of Mrs. Balch's father at Westminster last week Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant are spending two weeks at Falmouth Heights.

Mrs. John Chaisson, who has been confined to her home for the past month with a serious illness, is improving.

The people of the town turned out in force last week Thursday evening to enjoy the band concert given by the Boys' band of the Industrial school.

Miss Mary A. Park, in company with her two nieces, the Misses Longley from the Centre and Mrs. Frank P. Rugg, enjoyed an outing to Gloucester last Saturday.

Will F. Russell has exchanged his house on Munroe avenue, known as the Russell homestead, together with a sum of money, for a house located at Houghton Court, Leominster.

Henry F. Burrage, who occupied the Russell house, will vacate and move into the house on Front street, vacated by George H. Wilson.

Miss Edna Ely has accepted a position in Columbus, N. J., as teacher of German in the high school there.

Rev. Fr. Grenier of Waltham was the guest of Rev. J. H. Cote the latter part of last week.

William H. Wilbur has purchased a Buick automobile.

Misses Annie and Nina Holbrook returned from their vacation at Peak's Island the first of the week and had a most delightful time.

Misses Exilda and Sorina Leouyer and Miss Annette Laberge of Fitchburg were visitors at the home of Richard Cormier last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Chaisson of Lawrence spent last Saturday and Sunday in town.

Mrs. Herbert W. McCoy starts Monday, August 8, for a two months' visit at her old home in St. Stephen, N. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wolf returned home from Harwich last Saturday evening in their automobile in company with Dr. and Mrs. Percy Miller, at whose home Mr. and Mrs. Wolf had been guests since the first of last week. Dr. and Mrs. Miller returned to their home in Harwich on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lewis returned home last Saturday from a two weeks' visit with relatives in New Hampshire.

The Industrial school baseball team defeated the Shirley Juniors on the school grounds last Saturday afternoon by a score of 10 to 1.

Joseph Landry and family have left town to take up their residence in Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Chaisson of Chelsea were recent visitors at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Chaisson.

Arthur Annis has returned home from a week's vacation spent in Malden.

Miss Marion Robbins, of the office staff of the C. A. Edgarton Co., is spending her annual vacation this week on the shores of Lake Champlain.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W. hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, August 8.

Miss Stella Ely spent a few days this week with relatives at Block Island.

Miss Ruby Felch in company with Eddie Smith spent over Sunday with friends in Allston.

Miss Buelah Dodge of Lowell is a guest this week for a few days of Miss Gladys Love.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon concluded his services at the Congregational church last Sunday and started Monday morning on his annual vacation of one month, during which time the church will be closed. He will join his family at their summer cottage, Picasset, and will return in season to occupy his pulpit on Sunday morning, September 4. Mr. Bronsdon leaves with the best

wishes of his parishioners for a happy month of rest and recreation.

Mrs. Clara Rugg of Taunton, a former well-known resident, has arrived at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Rugg, to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. Andrew Phelps entertained her Sunday school class at her home last week Friday afternoon, from two until five o'clock. Music and games entertained the little folks and refreshments were served on the lawn, after which they departed for their homes to remember in after years the many pleasant afternoons they have spent with their teacher.

Mrs. Alfred Rivers and son are spending a few days with relatives at South Acton.

The Shirley baseball team was defeated at Keene, N. H., last Saturday, by a score of 2 to 9.

Herbert M. Dickson in company with his sister, Mrs. Louise Livermore, and Mrs. Alice L. Wright and Eugene Livermore spent last week Thursday at Marblehead.

Frank X. Gionet, painter at the Samson Cordage works, has accepted a position as motorman with the West End electric road of Boston.

The Shirley baseball nine will play the Pepperell team on the new field Saturday afternoon, August 6. Game called at three o'clock.

Master George Haskins has returned from a vacation spent with relatives in Gardner in company with his sister, who will remain as a guest at the Haskins home for a couple of weeks.

Misses Mildred and Gladys Eisner are spending a few days with relatives in Cambridge.

Miss Ethel and Master Lester Freeman of Malden are visiting at the home of their uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Albe Annis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Collyer returned home the first of the week from a pleasant vacation spent at William Collyer's camp at Heading, N. H.

Henry Hewes, employed at the Industrial school for boys, met with an accident last Monday morning while at work in the laundry by getting his arm caught in the extractor, which resulted in a compound and dislocation and fracture of the radius; also, a fracture of the ulna radial and several smaller arteries were torn apart. Mr. Hewes is being cared for at the school hospital and is progressing as well as can be expected.

Phelome Murray, age 2 yrs., 8 mos. and 6 days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Murray, died Tuesday and was buried Wednesday in St. Anthony's cemetery.

Albert Neault, five years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Neault, died early Wednesday morning and was buried Wednesday afternoon in St. Anthony's cemetery, both of these died from the effects of the prevailing epidemic of dysentery. A number of children and a few adults are also confined to their homes under the care of the family physician with the same disease.

An infant of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kozlov is critically ill with cholera infantum.

Wedding.

Frank Savoy of Athol and Miss C. Lantaine of Shirley were married on Monday morning in St. Anthony's church, Rev. J. H. Cote officiating. Juddus Noel of Athol was best man and the bride was attended by Miss Juliette Savoy, sister of the groom. The church was filled with the relatives and friends of the couple.

A reception and wedding breakfast took place at the home of Gervais Gionet. The happy couple left town for Athol, where a reception awaited them at the home of Peter Savoy, father of the groom. Relatives and friends of both parties were present at the church from out-of-town, including Peter, Joseph and Germain Savoy, all brothers of the groom and Azade Nallet, all of Athol.

After a brief honeymoon through New England, the newly-wed couple will reside in Athol.

Farewell Address.

Dr. Thomas E. Lilly addressed the boys at the Industrial school last Sunday afternoon on the subject of physiology, which was followed with a touching far-well address by Herp F. Taylor, superintendent. At the close of the address Dr. Lilly, on behalf of the officers and employees of the school, presented Mr. Taylor with a fine etching, signed, Boston Light.

Dr. Lilly in making the presentation spoke of the pleasant and harmonious relations that had existed between Mr. Taylor and all connected with the school. Mr. Taylor was taken by surprise, but responded ably and to the point, voicing his sentiments in sincere and appreciative language. Toward evening the boys at the school marched in a body with their officers as escort to the home of Mr. Taylor and one of the number acting as spokesman, thanked Mr. Taylor for his kindness to them and wished him success and happiness in future years. This was followed by three rousing cheers for Mr. Taylor and the boys departed with feelings of sadness. Mr. Taylor and family left town Monday for Hudson, where they will make their home for the present.

Lost Her Way.

Mrs. William Brill of Slab city became lost last Sunday while out blue-berrying. It appears that she left her home in company with her little girl about nine a. m., and told her husband that she would be home in time for dinner at twelve o'clock. At five p. m. Mrs. Brill had not returned and the town officials were notified and the constables and a number of citizens started to search the woods in the vicinity where she was supposed to have gone and between six and seven o'clock word came from the Brill home that Mrs. Brill and child had been brought to their home by Emerson Parker, almost exhausted from fatigue in walking around and trying to find the way out of the woods.

Mrs. Brill says she was lost somewhere between her house and the Emerson Parker and William Jubb farms. She came out in the farm and Mr. Parker, who cheerfully consented to take her and the child home.

Centre.

Mr. Briggs and his family of Brookline have taken the Ware place for the month of August.

Mrs. C. K. Bolton will spend the coming week at Magnolia.

Last Thursday a horse belonging to G. W. Ballou took fright near Mrs. C. E. Lynch's and became unmanageable and ran away. It was stopped by Charles Longley before any damage was done. The team was driven by Mr. Loomer.

Shirley grange met Tuesday, August 2. The program was as follows: Address, "Our defense," Rev. A. H. Wheelock, chaplain of the Massachusetts State grange; song, grange; piano solo, Ora E. Holden; description of the Amherst trip, George Farmer.

Rev. Mr. Webster, rector of the Episcopal church at Waltham, will preach in Trinity chapel during the month of August.

Miss Helen M. Winslow and her daughter Allison and her sister, Miss Harriet Winslow, will occupy Melvin Longley's shop tenement during the month of August.

Capt. George V. Barrett of Ayer, who many old residents will remember as a Shirley boy, has been seriously ill, but is slowly recovering.

Last Sunday night Mrs. C. A. Longley sprained her ankle quite seriously and she is confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley of Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Going and their son Leon of Nashua and Miss Helen Fletcher of Charlestown, are visiting with Mrs. C. A. Longley.

Rev. George W. Cooke will preach at the First Parish church, Shirley Centre, Sunday, August 7, at 11.15 a. m.

Entertainment.

The musical entertainment and dance given by the Girls' Sewing Guild on Thursday, July 28, was well attended and enjoyed by all. The program consisted of a piano solo, Hazel Cummings; readings, Dr. Wicksell; violin solo, Olga Wicksell; songs, Eleanor Longley; violin solo, Miss Herring, accompanied by Miss Thayer; songs, Miss Olive Sampson of Newton; xylophone solo, Oliver Thayer; piano duet, Miss Cummings and Miss Chevreton; songs, Christine Longley; songs, Miss Alice Sampson. The entertainment was followed by dancing. Ice cream and cake were on sale.

The automobile which brought the orchestra from Pepperell got a puncture soon after starting for home and had to wait until three o'clock to get the tire repaired.

TOWNSEND.

Centre.

Mrs. Melvina Seaver and daughters, Edith and Blanche, of Mansfield, are at Melvin Davis' this week. Miss Blanche Seaver sang a solo at the Congregational church last Sunday.

F. C. Parker moved his family into his new house near the old baseball grounds, this week.

A team from East Weare, N. H., is to cross bats with the Townsend A. A. at Athletic park on Saturday, August 6. A great game is expected as these boys have been wishing to come down here for a good while.

The Townsends defeated the Grotton A. A. here last Saturday with a score of 14 to 2. Knight's pitching and his two three-baggers were the features of the game. He retired thirteen men. Keefe, also was a great help to the team at the receiving end, taking in some difficult foul flies and throwing well to second. Whitcomb, also, got three hits out of four times up. Boynton for the visitors made several brilliant plays.

Bertram Gurley of Boston is at home for a few days' vacation.

Mrs. Sarah Ball is enjoying the week at Winchendon, where her sister and relatives are boarding.

George R. Ward has leased the N. H. Ripley farm upon the Fitchburg road, for one year with the privilege of buying at the end of that time. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have just returned from California. They will move into their new quarters soon.

Joshua Swicker has joined his family, who left a few weeks ago for Nova Scotia, to visit their home town.

Mrs. Emma J. Spencer and Mrs. Irving Seaver sailed from Boston Tuesday on one of the Cunard line steamers for England, where Mrs. Spencer will meet and visit relatives. Mrs. Seaver accompanies her for the trip.

West.

Miss Bessie Conway, who has been visiting her home in Salem, has returned to the home of her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Manchester.

Frank D. Parsons has returned from a brief visit to friends and relatives in Maine and New Hampshire.

F. H. Ormsby took a brief business trip to Hartford, Conn., for a few days last week.

Miss M. Elinor Tower has returned from her outing at South Harpswell, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson of Maynard, took an auto trip to town and called upon friends Sunday. Mrs. Wilson will be remembered as Miss Henderson, a former grammar school teacher here.

Mrs. George Crozier and children from Boston have been spending a few days with her father, Kingsbury, Morgan.

Walter Bruce of Boston is spending his vacation with his father, W. E. Bruce, and Ralph H. Willard of Boston is spending his vacation at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bruce of Townsend are spending a portion of their vacation with Mr. Bruce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Bruce, at their farm on the Ashby road.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt is visiting her son, E. J. Pratt of Leominster.

Mr. and Mrs. Atwood Burnham of Milford, N. H., and Frank Elliott and two sons from Winchester, have been recent guests at Mrs. Kate Nutting's.

The circulation of our nine papers each week can be easily ascertained by looking over our subscription books and mailing lists. No lying circulation. A sworn statement will be furnished by asking.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Jane Hadley of Cambridge, is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hadley.

Mrs. Joshua Hobart has moved to the residence of Mrs. Josephine Stiles.

Lawyer J. Porter Russell and family of Avon, Mass., were guests of Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Perin over Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Lawrence and Mrs. R. Ernest Tarbell of Pepperell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Corey on Monday.

Mrs. Jennie Mahon of Dorchester, Mass., is at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Burke.

Born, July 31, at Pompanoosuc, Vt., a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Belanger, Mary Lois.

Mrs. W. Temple Boultonhouse and Miss Adelaide Markham, left for Belgrade Lakes, Me., Tuesday, where they will spend the month at Mrs. Boultonhouse's cottage.

Mrs. M. C. Fuller of Manchester was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence at Hillcrest.

Mrs. William Hadley and daughters Helen, Alberta and Edith, Russell Hadley and Elliott Hadley, sons of James Hadley of Arlington; also, Mrs. Ham and children of Waverley are at the John B. Hardy cottage.

Walter Cook and son Harry of Reading, Mass., were visitors in town last week after an absence of thirty-one years.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. French are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Haskell, Mrs. Carrie Haskell, Frank Haskell, Mrs. Laura Thurber and baby of Norton, Mass.

Miss Leonora Bradley is spending a few weeks with friends at Townsend Harbor.

Improvements are to be made at the summer home of Rev. and Mrs. George L. Perin.

Mrs. Albert W. Corey is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Dunbar at Sandown.

Mrs. A. J. Woodward and children of Putnam, Conn., and Miss Hibbard of North Woodstock, are at the Sargent cottage for August.

Rev. Warren L. Noyes is spending his vacation in Vermont.

Lutheran windows are being added to Samuel Swett's residence and to Hillcrest, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence.

Albert Gilson of Walpole was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell.

Walter Fessenden severely cut his foot last Saturday while chopping wood, laming him badly.

Miss Ella May Pierce is at the home of Mrs. Fannie French Strong, at Winthrop, Mass., for a few weeks.

Mrs. Fannie Peabody of New York is at the home of Mrs. Helen M. Hall for the month of August.

Rev. George L. Perin observed his fifty-sixth birthday, Sunday, July 31.

Wednesday evening, August 24, will be married members' night at the local grange. Entertainment by married members, in charge of Mrs. Lucretia Martin.

Rev. George L. Perin, D. D., of Boston, will preach at the Congregational church tomorrow.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Ayer, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires, in the following named streets and highways of said town. Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires, owned by the town and used for municipal purposes. Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:
East Main Street, from the Old Boston and Maine Highway Crossing near Church Street to Harvard Road.
Pleasant Street, from Cambridge Street to Howard Street.

These locations to be identical and used jointly with the Ayer Electric Light Company.
Dated August 2, 1910.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts.

By FRANCIS A. HOUSTON,
C. L. S.
General Manager.

Ayer, Mass., July 28, 1910.
Mr. E. D. Stone, Chairman,
Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Ayer, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:
We, the undersigned, respectfully petition the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Ayer, Massachusetts, for pole locations on East Main and Pleasant Streets, according to the drawing herewith furnished for said locations.

The above specified locations to be identical with those asked for by the New England Telephone Company to form a joint location line on said streets.

Yours truly,
Ayer Electric Light Company.
G. B. SPRING,
Superintendent.

Board of Selectmen.

Ayer, August 4, 1910.
Upon the foregoing petitions, it is Ordered, That a public hearing be given in the Selectmen's rooms in Town Hall in said Ayer, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., Monday, August 15, 1910, at which time and place all persons interested may attend and will be heard; and that the petitioners give notice thereof by publishing an attested copy of said petitions and this order thereon in Turner's Public Spirit and the Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least three days before said hearing, and that the clerk of the board mail written notices of the time and place of said hearing, at least three days before the same, to the owners of real estate along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct said line, as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

ELISHA D. STONE,
FRANK S. PIERCE,
JOHN M. MALONEY,
Selectmen of Ayer.

A copy of petitions and order thereon.

Attest:
JOHN M. MALONEY,
247 Clerk, Selectmen of Ayer.

FOUND—on Park Street, Ayer, a purse containing money, which the owner may have by proving property and paying for this advertisement.
THEOPHILUS G. SMITH, Groton, 1147

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ELIZABETH W. BROWN, late of Townsend, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, was presented to said Court, for Probate, by CHRISTIE BROWN, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix herein mentioned, and giving a surety on her official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of September 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 postpaid, 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-seventh day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

GLOBE'S \$10,000 PRIZE.

Star Event of Harvard-Boston Aviation Meet Will Be Flight to Boston Light.

The Harvard-Boston aviation meet in Soldiers' field from September 2 to September 13 will be the greatest event of the kind ever seen in this country. Every conceivable kind of flying machine and the greatest aviators in the world are entered for the various contests.

The most dramatic and spectacular contest of the meet will be the flight for the grand prize of \$10,000 cash offered by the Boston Globe for the quickest flight by any kind of flying machine from Soldiers' field to Boston Light and return, without stops. This is open to all and will be contested for each week day of the meet between twelve o'clock noon and seven P. M.

The exact distance from Soldiers' field to Boston Light is 12 1/2 statute miles, so that the total flight by any machine in the contest must be at least 25 1/2 statute miles.

Already the greatest aviators in the world have been entered for the Boston Globe \$10,000 cash prize, including Glen H. Curtiss, who holds the International championship won at Rheims, France, a year ago, and who won the \$10,000 prize recently for a flight from Albany to New York, Hamilton, who won the Philadelphia-New York flight, and Brookins, who won in altitude flight at Atlantic City, will also be among the contestants, as will Johnstone, the most daring of the aviators, associated with the Wright brothers, and Ward, the hero of the Los Angeles flight. Harmon and Harkness, the wealthy amateurs, will also contest, as will four French aviators with monoplane.

Besides this great prize of \$10,000 cash offered by the Globe there will be \$50,000 distributed in prizes for all kinds of contests with aeroplanes, gas balloons, dirigibles and kites. The tests for the Globe prize will be the most spectacular, as the aviators must pass over the city of Boston to reach the harbor, and back to the city on the return from Boston Light.

HOW TO CLEAN LACE.

Method of Restoring Fine Handmade Fabrics to Original State.

Lace which has become soiled may be restored to its original state and rendered equal to new if proper care and attention are bestowed upon it. Very fine handmade laces should never be cleansed by washing in the ordinary way. If they are only slightly soiled they could be very easily cleaned by rubbing powdered chalk or calcined magnesia well into them. This method of cleaning is credited to the late Mme. Modjeska. The lace should be neatly spread out upon a soft white cloth or fine white paper and thoroughly covered with the chalk or magnesia; then this should be covered by another cloth or paper of a similar nature, and the whole should be laid away for a few days under a heavy weight. At the expiration of the allotted time the lace should be taken from its wrappings and should receive a gentle but thorough shaking. Another method is to take a quart or less of cornmeal. Put it into a bowl or pan; then dip and squeeze and work the cornmeal into the mesh of the lace without straining any of the threads. After this treatment and a good shaking it will look as fresh and attractive as new.

Very fine lace which has become quite soiled may be cleaned by washing it carefully in benzine. The lace should be put into a bowl and covered with the best and purest benzine that can be procured and be allowed to soak for a short time, occasionally receiving a gentle shaking, but it should never be rubbed with the hands. If necessary, when the benzine is poured off it should be replaced by a fresh supply and the lace allowed to soak again for a time. After it has become perfectly clean it should be pinned while still quite wet on a flannel covered board to dry. It is important that this should be done with great care. Plenty of small pins should be used for the purpose. Each point must be fastened down securely with due regard to the pattern of the lace so as to keep it even and correct.

If the lace dries before the task has been quite completed it should be moistened again with a sponge wrung out of benzine and then be exposed to the sun, where the fresh air may play upon it in order to dispel the disagreeable odor arising from the use of benzine.

TO REMOVE STAINS ON AUTOS

How to Clean Light Colored Leather Upholstery in the Machines.

Those who have purchased automobiles upholstered in light colored leather or because their wives or daughters liked the particular tint of the upholstery are often bothered by the apparent untidiness of the linings which is sure to result from exposure and use. To clean and remove stains from light colored leather, however, is not such a difficult matter, and the following mixture may be used with excellent results: Boil a pint of milk, allow it to cool and add one dram of hydrochloric acid and one dram of sulphuric acid.

After this has been well shaken a half dram of oil of lavender should be added and one pint of vinegar and the white of one egg beaten to a froth. The mixture should be kept in a tightly corked bottle. If this liquid is rubbed on the leather with a soft cloth the stains will be removed and the leather be much improved in appearance.

How to Exercise For Cold Feet.

Ankle exercises will improve the circulation of cold feet wonderfully. When sitting in a chair stretch the foot out, extending the toes to the extreme limit. Then rotate the foot up and down, sideways and around in a circle. Then stand, supporting yourself by a table or chair, and with one foot slightly raised, make it hang lifeless—in other words, devitalize it. With a circular movement of the lower part of the limb swing the foot around many times. Exercise both feet in the same way. When you have stopped the exercise you will feel a peculiar tingling sensation in the feet. This is the blood rushing back to them. Almost at once you will feel a comfortable sense of warmth that will be different from any feeling of warmth obtained by the use of hot water bags.

How to Make a Salmon Loaf.

Take equal quantities of boiled salmon and boiled rice. For a cupful of each use two hard boiled eggs, one tablespoonful of curry powder, two tablespoonfuls of butter, half a tablespoonful of cream; season with salt, white pepper and cayenne. Take all skin and bone from the fish and put in a saucepan with the butter. Add the rice, the whites of the eggs chopped fine and place over the fire until very hot, then take up on hot platter, molding it in shape of loaf with spoon. Cover with yolks of eggs rubbed through a sieve and serve. The mixture should be stirred often while on the fire.

How to Root Oleanders.

The best way to root oleanders is to cut off a strong woody limb, cut a slot in the end and fill full of cotton. Put this in a bottle of water, wrap paper around it so the plant will not touch the bottle, put in a dark place and in one week the bottle will be full of little white roots. Take out and put into plenty of rich soil and it will go right on growing.

How to Make Soup Stock.

Save water from vegetables and some of the vegetables themselves for soup. Gravies added to these will make enough soup for four people, which may be strengthened by an egg.

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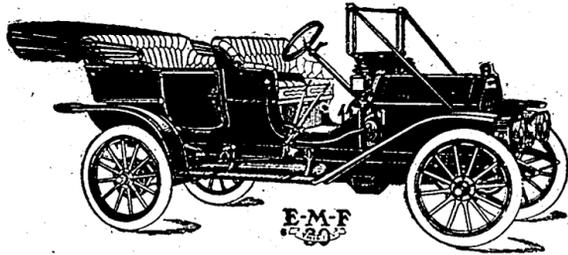
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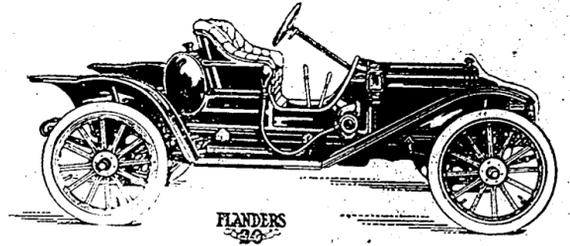
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COLLECTOR'S NOTICE

Groton, Mass., July 20, 1910.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate, situated in the Town of Groton, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the Taxes thereon, severally assessed, for the years hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as collector of taxes for said Town by the Assessors of Taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land, sufficient to satisfy said taxes, with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by public auction at the Selectmen's room, in said Groton, on Saturday, September 10, 1910, at two o'clock P. M., for the payment of said taxes, with interest, cost and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sum set against the description of the estate shows the amount of the taxes thereon for the years specified, the payment of which said estate taxes, including costs and charges thereon and costs and charges thereon to this sale.

Emley C. Blood.

Lot No. 1. A lot of land in the village of Groton at the corner of Hollis and Champey Streets, containing about 2 1/2 acres of land with all of the buildings thereon; bounded and described as follows: Southerly by Champey Street; westerly by land now or formerly by Alva Wright; northerly by land of H. E. Nutting; easterly by Common and Hollis Streets.

Tax for 1907, \$26.95; for 1908, \$26.95.

Lot No. 2. A lot of farm land on Chicopee Row road in Groton, known as the Timothy Blood farm, containing about 70 acres of land with all the buildings thereon; bounded and described as follows: Westerly by said Chicopee Road; northerly by the so-called Fitzpatrick road; easterly by the Raddin place, so-called; westerly by land of Torrey and land of Lewis.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed, given by Floretta Vining to the Trustees of the Groton Ministerial Fund, of Groton, Mass., Middlesex County, dated October 10th, 1907, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 3331, page 497, for breach of conditions contained therein and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction on the premises on Monday, August 22, 1910, at two o'clock P. M., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows, viz:

A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Groton and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the junction of the highway leading from Ayer past the dwelling house of the grantor to Groton Centre with the highway leading from said highway easterly past the dwelling house formerly of Charles H. Lewis; thence northerly by first named highway to land of grantor; thence easterly by land of grantor and land of F. E. Gilson to a corner; thence southerly by land of said Gilson to said highway (leading past the dwelling house formerly of Charles H. Lewis); thence westerly by last named highway to point of beginning, containing about two and three-fourths acres and being the same premises conveyed to Charles Jacobs by deed of Marcella A. Duren, dated December 18th, 1888, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 1884, page 228. For title of said Floretta Vining see Probate records, estate Elizabeth Jacobs, No. 49,884, Middlesex County at Cambridge, Mass.

Said premises are sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments. Terms: Three hundred dollars cash on day of sale, balance on receipt of deed.

"The Trustees of the Groton Ministerial Fund," Mortgagee.

By Everett B. Gerrish, Treasurer.

Groton, July 18, 1910.

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Administrator's Sale of

REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a license granted to me by the Probate Court for the County of Middlesex, dated June 24, 1910, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, at two o'clock P. M., Saturday, August 20, 1910, the following described real estate, viz:

A parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated on the westerly side of Pearl street in Ayer in said County of Middlesex, being the same premises conveyed to Ermina L. Kingsbury as Minnie L. Kingsbury by Abbie J. Hayward by two deeds, recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds, Book 2006, page 48 and Book 2388, page 144, respectively, less a strip 90 ft. long and 12 ft. wide on the northwesterly corner thereof which was conveyed by said Kingsbury to Raymond G. Kelleran, by deed dated July 25, 1899, and recorded with said Deeds, Book 2756, page 475.

Said premises are the well known Kingsbury place, consisting of a large house and barn, and plenty of land. Terms made known at time of sale.

THOMAS F. MULLIN,

Administrator of the estate not already administered of Ermina L. Kingsbury.

Ayer, July 28th, 1910. 3w46

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

Saturday, August 6, 1910.

GROTON.

News Items.

H. Huebner, the florist, has been confined to his room with rheumatism for several weeks.

Perhaps the largest house party at Islesboro, Dark Harbor, Me., at present is that of Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence, who maintain an all-the-year-round residence in Groton, and travel extensively. Among their guests are Dr. and Mrs. William Seward Webb (née Vanderbilt), who have a show place at Shelburne, Vt., and a town house in New York, where their daughter, Frederika, now Mrs. Ralph Pulitzer, made her bow in 1901. Other guests of the Lawrences are their daughter, "Libby" Emmons, and son-in-law, Nathaniel Emmons, their son, James Lawrence, Jr., and wife, formerly Marion L. Peabody. Mrs. Roger Wolcott and daughter Cornelia are also reported as their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bruce and daughter of New York, Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Bruce of Beverly were the guests of Mrs. Israel LeFavour at her summer home, Crystal Spring farm, Sunday. The party made the trip from Beverly and return in an auto.

The Groton Alerts play a picked town team this Saturday afternoon on Shumway field.

The W. A. Brown family have returned from camping at Sandy pond, Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck are occupying his camp at Cow pond meadows this week.

Mrs. Jane Clark is at home from Dunstable, where she was the nurse for the past fortnight.

Miss Agnes Burchill of Boston, an employe in Shepard & Norwell millinery rooms, is the guest this week of John Condon and family. Another visitor is Mr. Quirk of Marlboro, a cousin of Mr. Condon.

Burpee Blakney has been awarded the contract for making the relocated road near Groton School.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Erving left on Monday morning for a stay of several weeks at their place in Intervale, N. H.

Charles G. Shattuck tells of his catching a huge turtle at Baddacook last week Thursday. The turtle was so heavy that it broke off the hook just where it caught in the turtle's beak. Its estimated weight was fifty pounds.

Rev. G. M. Howe began his four weeks' vacation this week. On Wednesday Mr. Howe took part in the dedicatory exercises of the new Ritter public library at Lunenburg. Later he will join Mrs. Howe and others of the family at their summer cottage at Mere Point, Me.

Born Tuesday, August 2, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Raddin.

The many friends of George L. Smith of North Groton hear of his illness with regret. Mr. Smith sustained a slight shock on Tuesday.

The annual Baptist picnic will be held Tuesday, August 9, at Henry P. Shattuck's landing, Baddacook pond.

Hon. Charles W. Stone of Warren, Pa., Hon. Rufus B. Stone of Bradford, Pa., and Hon. George F. Stone of Seattle, Wash., were in town Wednesday. These three brothers, distinguished sons of old Groton, called on relatives and other friends, all being happy to see them again.

Charles B. Campbell returned to his position in Washington, D. C. last Saturday.

F. A. Torrey and family are now settled in their new home on Main street. The electric lights for which the house was wired by Fred W. Coburn, a couple of weeks ago, were turned on Saturday night.

C. Howard Patterson returned home last week Thursday from Boston, where he was at work for the C. I. Hood company. He had not felt well for two days previous to his return and this week suffered a severe attack of indigestion, requiring the doctor's prompt visits. He is now getting along all right.

Four from Groton went on the King Philip fishing excursion from Boston last Sunday. They were George E. Lawrence, Barbee A. Miller, E. L. Ames, Jr., and George Curtis, Jr.

Mrs. Charles Gilson, with three children, is on from Herkimer, N. Y., and is occupying the Timothy Blood place in Chiconoe row.

Miss Mary Parmenter, with her niece, Ruth Stevens, is visiting at her former home, a Wayland.

Miss Lillian Ames from Brookline, N. H., came for an over Sunday stay at her father's, A. L. Ames.

The Foster family residence on Farmers row is undergoing repairs by Lewis H. Clark, carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Trull of Manchester, N. H., who have been summering here at J. Warren Webster's house, sail Tuesday, August 9, on the Cymric for Europe.

The date of the Groton Farmers and Mechanics' club annual fair is set for Thursday, September 29.

Mrs. Charles E. Osgood left Wednesday morning for a week's visit with children and family friends at the beach.

H. Robins Sampson, who is at the west learning railroading in its different branches, has recently been promoted to a cashier's position with salary doubled.

Miss Mildred Brown goes this Saturday for a visit among friends in Winthrop.

Principal A. J. Clough of Lawrence academy is recovering from his recent severe illness.

Lawrence Brooks buildings are being wired for electric lights.

Mrs. Mary Harnden remains quite poorly.

James Harris from Elburn, Ill., is at Mrs. Mosely Gilson's.

Ernest C. Willard returns this Saturday to his work in Louisville, Ky.

Miss Clemma Blood is visiting at B. A. Miller's. Miss Blood is making a good recovery after her severe illness.

In the Fitchburg Sentinel of August 4, appeared the following: Alvah Blood of Groton was prevented from

Jumping into the Jackson company's canal at Nashua, Wednesday, by friends, and later turned over to the police and locked up.

Patrick Ryan has gone home from the hospital. The eight patients now there are doing well.

In giving the date of Mr. and Mrs. Converse's marriage last week the printer's ink must have given out or his eye sight been faulty. The date sent in—Saturday, July 16, was correct. There was no Saturday, July 1, this year as was incorrectly printed.

Ten from Groton attended the dance given by the hose company at Ayer and report a fine time.

John H. Boynton has bought an auto.

The electric lights have been turned on to F. A. Sherwin's buildings, corner of Common and Hollis streets.

Mrs. Olive M. Wilson recently returned from a visit in Burlington, N. J. Her sister, Miss Elizabeth E. Low of Burlington, who this summer is organist of a church at Concord, is now visiting Mrs. Wilson. Their mother, Mrs. Henrietta M. Chase of Burlington is also at her daughter's home here.

Mrs. Barham of Somerville, with little son, is visiting her relatives the Frank Patterson family.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Harrington and F. H. Torrey arrived in town from the south last week Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Harrington visited later in the week at Boston and vicinity. Mr. Harrington resumed work on his route on Monday morning.

Mrs. Fannie Forbes has gone away for a very much needed change and rest. Her daughter Helen went with her.

At the administrator's sale by public auction, July 30, four parcels of land belonging to the estate of the late James Fitzgerald were sold. The home place on West street to Henry R. Fitzgerald, the so-called Stevens piece to William F. Wharton, the Hines piece to Dennis Coughlin, the Fletcher piece to Timothy Sullivan.

Mrs. George E. Lawrence and two children are visiting her mother in Townsend this week.

Last Saturday night when Mrs. C. E. Greenwood retired for the night, she left her daughter, Miss Mary Ella, in her usual health, which has not been very good for some time. In the morning Mrs. Greenwood found her daughter had suffered during the night a serious ill-turn, some of the time unconscious. She was not able to help herself or make herself heard.

Kind neighbors and the doctor gave assistance in relieving, and on Monday Miss Greenwood was taken to the hospital here, where she is getting along very comfortably.

They have been very busy, as usual, at Groton Inn this week. Miss Lucy A. Dodge has gone to Leicester for a stay of a few days.

A fox was very neighborly at J. L. Gilson's on Thursday. Early in the morning Mrs. Gilson saw one on their place near the buildings, chasing a hen. It became frightened and skipped before a dose from a shot gun was applied.

The Boston Road patrons of route two, R. F. D., sent an envelope containing an expression of their congratulations and good wishes to the postal carrier, P. M. Harrington some few days ago.

A telephone was placed this week in S. R. Mason's residence, North Main street, call 53-21; also, in Mrs. C. E. Greenwood's residence.

Miss Kate Whalen and Miss Maggie Crowley postponed going to Canada, as they had planned, on account of the strike. They left Wednesday for a vacation to be spent at Winthrop.

The New England Moving Picture company will have another exhibition at town hall on Saturday evening, August 6. A special feature will be the celebrated Power Bros., the youngest Roman King actors in New England.

West Groton.

Mrs. G. H. Bixby is visiting relatives in North Haven, Vt. Mrs. Clifford Bixby of Waltham, is in charge of household affairs during her absence.

Mrs. W. E. Tarbell of Milton, N. H., spent Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Martha Tarbell. Mr. Tarbell, who is chauffeur for L. C. Spaulding of the firm Spaulding Bros., is away on a camping expedition near Moosehead lake.

Going Saturday, Miss Nellie Harrington spent Sunday with Miss Olive Tarbell in Allston, going from that place to Brighton, the home of her brother. She returned on Tuesday.

Miss Annie Foster of Cambridge is visiting at G. S. Tarbell's.

Miss Florence Fletcher, a teacher in the State Normal school at Castleton, Vt., was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. Spaulding, for several days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams are enjoying a week's automobile trip, visiting out-of-town friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge are spending the month of August in Swampscott. The church will be closed during the pastor's vacation.

Mrs. C. R. Dudley and little son Elliott are camping, enjoying an annual outing with her family, who reside in Danvers.

Fernald Nicholls of Lowell is visiting his grandfather, R. H. Burgess.

Miss Marion Mellish has been entertaining a former schoolmate, Catherine Ladeau of Concord.

Mrs. Fred Read and two younger sons are visiting in Fitchburg.

Webster Harrington is spending the haying season with his uncle in Pepper.

A. W. Lamb is enjoying a visit from his brother, W. Lamb.

H. M. Adams has completed a building for W. F. Lane, report says to be used as a garage.

Richard Kirkwood and Ralph Lawrence, are visiting relatives in Alton, N. H.

Miss Nellie Hill is spending the month of August at her home enjoying a vacation from her work. She has for several years been engaged in settlement work, being employed as secretary in the Frances Willard settlement on Chambers street, Boston.

Committees have been appointed and preliminary work is in progress for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the Christian Union church, to be held October 7.

Mrs. Patrick Hogan is a guest of her sister, Mrs. George Woolaver.

Miss Esther Jarvis is employed temporarily at Lawrence Blood's.

L. G. Strand is driving a well for one of his houses. James Starr has charge of the work, but has no need of the stone drill which he has used in other wells in the village.

William Kane is taking an enforced vacation from his work in Fitchburg, an attack of appendicitis being the compelling cause. He is able to be out.

On last week Friday M. McGinness, a man employed at the paper mill but three days, sustained a painful injury by having his hand caught in the slitter machine, severing an artery. "Quick aid to the injured" was rendered by Lawrence Blood. Dr. Kilbourn being engaged on a surgical case could not respond to a summons to attend the injured man, and Dr. Hopkins and Priest were called with a like result. He was taken by the superintendent in his car to Groton hospital, where the wound was dressed.

A Narrow Escape.

A. H. Thompson narrowly escaped an accident recently while automobiling with his niece, Mrs. Florida Stone and her daughters. In the vicinity of Waltham, two young men returning from a day at Lake Walden were riding a tandem bicycle. While going down hill, some part of the wheel broke, causing it to whirl around and to throw the riders violently to the ground, rendering the elder one unconscious.

Mr. Thompson coming behind, with great difficulty succeeded in checking his car quickly enough to avoid a more complicated and probably fatal accident.

Mrs. Stone, a trained nurse, went immediately to the young man's assistance. He was taken to the nearest house and cared for as well as possible, while Mr. Thompson went on in search of a physician and later conveyed the injured man to the Waltham hospital. Reports from the hospital on Wednesday were favorable for his recovery. The younger man escaped with painful but not serious injuries.

Conference.

The Tuesday program in the conference on agricultural education to be held at Amherst Agricultural college on three days of the coming week is particularly interesting as it deals entirely with the rural school and its problems.

Among the subjects for that day is, "Home and school gardens during the summer vacation," on which three speakers are announced, one of them being Miss Elizabeth S. Hill, director of garden work, Groton. Unfortunately Miss Hill is not sufficiently recovered from her recent illness to appear at the conference, but her paper on the subject, occupying a half hour, will be read by her sister, Miss Susie Hill. In addition to her work in Groton, Miss Hill has been a successful nature teacher in the public schools of Brookline, Newton, Watertown, Melrose and Wellesley and has had special classes in Boston.

Though compelled by ill health to relinquish active work, temporarily, articles from her pen on various forms of nature work find their way to papers and magazines.

HARVARD.

News Items.

Howard D. Stone, auctioneer, will sell on Wednesday, August 10, at one o'clock p. m., a lot of personal property belonging to W. H. Godfrey, at the Thomas W. McNiff place, Oak Hill.

A gang of Italians have arrived in town and are working between Harvard and Boxborough.

Prof. Nichols and his illustrated lecture on New York slums, given before the temperance society last Sunday evening, drew out an unusual number of people. No one was disappointed, as Prof. Nichols had a good subject and knew how to handle it.

Miss Ellen Hildreth is visiting for a few weeks with friends in Wisconsin.

The union Sunday school picnic of the Orthodox and Unitarian churches is to be held at Lake Whalom, Fitchburg, Thursday August 11. The party will leave Ayer by electric at nine a. m. It is understood that barges will be at the centre of the town ready to leave promptly at eight a. m., for those who do not have teams of their own.

Dr. and Mrs. Thorndike with Misses Anna and Martha and W. T. Sherman Thorndike, have opened their summer home, High Hills, for the month of August.

As is the usual custom there will be no services at the Unitarian church during the month of August. The doors of the Congregational church are wide open for any who may wish to attend the services there. Next Sunday Mr. Mason will exchange pulpits with Mr. Viets of Boxborough.

At the last meeting of the grange it was voted to hold their annual picnic on Tuesday, August 16, and brothers Beard, Harlow, Pettingill, Kerley and West were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Unclaimed letters this week at the postoffice: Mrs. Archibald Forbes, Miss Edith Ford.

Miss M. L. King is taking a two-weeks' vacation, visiting with her relatives in West Hartford, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sawyer of Chicago, who have been visiting at Brookline with Arthur Nickerson and family, have returned to complete their stay east with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hosmer.

Miss Agnes McGovern, formerly a school girl here, is visiting with her cousins in the family of the late Rosa McNiff.

The hospitality of the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Watson at West Bare Hill was opened on Thursday last to the ladies of the Afternoon Whist club. The weather was not what was desired, occasional showers keeping the lawns rather damp, but ample accommodations were provided indoors and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent, whilst being the feature for entertainment. Refreshments were served.

Last Sunday Wallace Bryant, Fred Whitney and Ed. Coke started from Bennett's rock at Bare hill pond for a swim to the boathouse of Flske Warren. They took a course south of Sheep Island on account of a heavy north wind. Coke gave up at Twin Island, but Bryant and Whitney finished; the former in forty-nine minutes and the latter in fifty-two minutes.

There was a parish meeting at the Unitarian church on Thursday evening last and it was voted to extend a call to Rev. George Jones. Owing to the heavy showers not so large a number were out as hoped for, only ten voting members being present.

Dentist.

George L. Worford, for many years a resident of the West Bare hill district as companion to the late Hiram S. Grover, but for the later years of his life an inmate at the almshouse, died there from the result of a shock on Wednesday, July 27. The deceased was seventy-two years of age. He was born in Franklin County, New York state in 1838. He was married and for several years previous to his coming to Harvard lived at Southboro, where his wife died and is now buried. The deceased was a man of good education and intellect, possessed with a pleasant disposition. R. M. Lindley had charge of the remains. Burial was on July 29, at Bellevue.

Still River.

The Sunday school and village picnic will be held at Turner's shore, Bare hill pond, Wednesday, August 10, and everyone in the village and vicinity is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. and Miss Hunting are now in Northfield, where Mrs. Hunting has been a teacher for several years, but has now retired. It is not fully decided whether she will build her house on the lot that she bought of Chester Willard this fall or wait until spring.

Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Read have returned to their Ohio home, after a visit with his mother and sister, here.

Fred Bateman and sister Miss Eliza, are now in East Jaffrey for a two weeks' vacation.

Edwin Haskell, who has been sick, is a little better.

Miss Laura Brown has returned from her visit in Attleboro.

Miss Lucy Lowell attended the old home and library dedication at Lunenburg on Wednesday.

Nellie Neyland and niece Margaret Bresnahan of Bellows Falls, Vt., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neyland.

Gladys Spencer of Leominster visited with Mr. and Mrs. Haynes this week.

Miss Eleanor Hudson of Winchester is visiting her cousins, Ruth Vera and Luther Willard.

Mrs. L. H. Morse and son Roger, are visiting in Worcester.

Auto Accident.

Wednesday night, about twelve o'clock, Chester Willard was awakened by a rap at his door, and upon responding found four young men who said that they were in trouble with an automobile near the railroad, and wanted to get a lantern, and also find a telephone.

Mr. Willard went with them to the house of Mr. Viles, where they telephoned to a Fitchburg garage of their trouble.

It seems that the party were out for a ride and started from Marlboro about ten o'clock for Fitchburg, but got off their track and finally came through Still River and were running very fast down the hill towards the station, and not being used to the road, did not know of the turn in the road, until right onto it, and were going too fast to make the corner, and skidded out into the ditch, narrowly escaping an elm tree. The auto turned turtle, throwing the occupants out, fortunately not injuring them much. One of them lost a lot of skin from one of his legs, but thought himself lucky not to have broken his neck.

Before morning help came, for at daylight the machine and men had gone, but the track that the auto made shows that it must have been going at a terrific speed when it tried to make the corner.

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AYER.

News Items.

Mrs. Reeves, while going through the subway last Saturday, fell and sprained her ankle so severely that she had to have a physician.

Mrs. Calvin Fletcher, last Saturday, burst a blood vessel in her leg.

Page Hose Company, No. 1, will hold another social dance in Page's hall on Friday evening, August 12. They will be a late car for Forge Village and Graniteville after the dance.

Charles W. McDermott, telegrapher in the upper railroad yard, who has been off and on there for the past five years—two years in all, left on Wednesday for New York, where he took the steamer Thursday noon for Boca, Panama. He is to be employed on railroad work for the United Fruit Company. Eddie J. Parmenter, who was employed here in the car department, and who left here four months ago, is at Boca, Panama, in the employ of the United Fruit Company as a train conductor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whiteher returned last week Thursday from York Beach, where they have been for the last nine weeks. Mr. Whiteher went to regain his health and he is some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore and their daughter Fern, left Sunday for Old Orchard beach for a two weeks' outing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. O'Connell returned last week Thursday from their trip to Minneapolis, Minn., and were gone three weeks. Mr. O'Connell, twenty-three years ago, had charge of the yard of the Great Northern railroad at that place and he had not been there until his present visit, during that long period. They had a most delightful trip.

The business portion of Main street between the town house and the railroad crossing has been worn away by the automobiles and the northwest winds so badly as to show the stones, the foundation of the road when repaired sometime ago. Now it is to be thoroughly oiled, then covered with the crushed stone and on top of that the gravel that is dumped on each side of the roadway ready for use. Then the steam roller will go over it thoroughly, which will put it in excellent condition for travel, and said to be more lasting than when before repaired.

The lightning of Thursday afternoon struck the barn at the town farm, entering one end and following the iron run in the barn, going out the other end. The lightning struck the roof, shattering the shingles and splitting some of the timbers inside. It struck the side of the house where the telephone wire enters, following the wire into the cellar and knocking out the batteries. Where it struck the house the lightning passed along the length of the clapboard, tearing it off. The damage to the barn and house is slight.

William Brown is having an addition built to his house on East Main street and Fred W. Hosmer and his father, John E. Hosmer, are doing the work and doing it rapidly when the weather suits. Between the main part of the house and the barn it is one story, which is being raised another story, making the addition of one or more rooms. The side entrance to the house will be built over, making a large covered open place. When completed the house will be very much improved.

George G. Day, who has been confined to his house for some time past, was out Friday forenoon, aided in his walk by Mr. Hessian from his residence to his building on Merchants' row.

Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, lately the vicar of St. Andrew's church, after some time deliberating, is to go to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where he will take up the work of a missionary for a year and expects to start September first in his new field of labor for which he is so ably qualified to fill.

Eight or ten members of George J. Burns hook and ladder left Friday afternoon, August 5, for Boston, and from there they went by boat to Bath, Me., and from there will take trips in motor boats and visit other places of interest. It is their annual outing and they will return on Monday, August 8. Last year they took the same trip.

Frank L. Road of Prospect street, went to Worcester on a visit to his brother, George W. Road, on Monday with his son George, and Mr. Road, returned on Wednesday evening. His boy George remains in Worcester for a few days longer.

Mrs. Lena M. Moore of Ludlow, Vt., who is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Phelps, expects to return home this Saturday or next Monday, after a stay of a couple of weeks.

E. O. Proctor has sold to William H. Wilbur, station agent at Shirley, a No. 19 Bulck.

Mr. French, freight fireman for Worcester, Nashua and Portland division, who has occupied the upper tenement on West street near Perrin's store, moved his household effects to Nashua, Thursday.

The congregations were good at the Baptist church last Sunday, some coming from quite a distance. Among the strangers were an English sea captain who has lately returned from India, and another English young man who has recently crossed the ocean to join his father in this country. Next Sunday the pastor, Rev. J. W. Thomas, will preach at 10.45 a. m., followed by communion service. Sunday school at twelve. Praise and evangelistic meeting at seven p. m. All are welcome.

The next meeting of the Fletcher family reunion, descendants of Robert Fletcher, Concord, 1630, that was organized in 1876, will be held in Horticultural hall, 300 Massachusetts avenue, Boston, on Wednesday, September 14. Hon. Edward F. Fletcher, ex-Mayor of Worcester is one of the vice-presidents of the organization. The hall will be open at 9.30 a. m., and the meeting is intended to be distinctly social. A first-class orchestra will be in attendance during the day and evening. A number of speakers, vocalists, musicians and entertainers will be present. The meeting will close with a dance in the evening of Wednesday. The Fetters are numerous in Ayer and the surrounding towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Morrison returned Wednesday to Laconia, N. H., after spending a week or more here, with their son, Fred C. Morrison and daughter, Mrs. A. M. Phelps.

The superior court has issued an order of notice, returnable the first Monday in September, on the application of Lucy J. Lepp of North Rutland for a divorce from Joseph Lepp, of parts unknown and whose last known address was at Ayer. The libellant alleges adultery, cruelty, non-support and desertion.

Miss Eva Davenport, daughter of J. C. Davenport, is spending the weekend with her brother's fiancée, Miss Jessie Cameron of the Harvard road.

On Wednesday, August 3, born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Hatch, a daughter. Mrs. Hatch was for the past ten years a bookkeeper and teller at the North Middlesex savings bank.

The alarm rang in Thursday afternoon was for a fire in the paint shop of S. F. Farnsworth on Central avenue from spontaneous combustion.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hill are at their cottage at Sandy pond where they are entertaining Mrs. Hill's sister, Miss Helen Wood and aunt, Miss Esther Brown from Worcester.

George H. B. Clark has moved this week from Pleasant street where he was living in the house with his father, to the lower tenement in the Newton house on Washington street.

A party of young people including Hazel Irwin, Madeline Donlon, Edith Longley, Agnes McCarthy, Beatrice Kellerman, Mabel Sargent and Lucy Wyman, are in the Donlon cottage this week at Sandy pond. The chaperone of the party is Miss Jennie Sargent.

Misses Helen and Emma Kinney go to Sandy pond today, accompanied by Miss Amy Kendall of Worcester as chaperone. They will camp in a tent for a week.

Mrs. Lucy A. Rhoades went to Framingham on Wednesday for a visit with relatives.

Joseph Quackenbos, night operator at the telegraph station, with Mrs. Quackenbos and daughter Hilda, go to their old home near Montreal in Canada next week for a visit of several weeks.

Leave of absence for the month of August has been given by the Methodist society to their pastor, Rev. Frank Hargraves. He will spend the time with his mother in Indianapolis, Ind.

Miss Grace Downing is at Sunapee Lake, N. H., with the party that includes her sister, Mrs. Ellis B. Harlow.

The Pillmans—Howard and Ferne—are to start a preserving factory in the building where John T. Pillman had his preserving factory a few years ago, and it is to be fitted up for their occupancy as soon as possible. They will occupy all of the first floor, the basement and the upper part of the ell. They have all of the building but the hall in the main part, which is occupied by the Eagles.

Officer Beatty received a notification to be on the lookout for the Italian murderer of Quincy. He has been seen in Lowell and Waltham and later reports say that he was last seen in Littleton, headed in this direction on Wednesday.

Division 7, A. O. H., are to take part in the Hibernian parade to be held at Lowell, August 24, and expect to have a good chance of winning a prize for best appearance. There are few divisions in the state that are equipped with a regalia such as the Ayer division have. About sixty of the members expect to parade on that day.

Louise Fletcher, aged fourteen, ran away from her Roxbury home last Tuesday morning and was later found here in Ayer by Officer Beatty. Miss Nellie Thayer, agent of the Roxbury home, came and took her back on Tuesday afternoon.

On Wednesday night a transformer of the electric light company was burnt out on West Main street, near St. Mary's church and the lights in that section were out of commission for a short time. On Thursday night the lightning arrester at the plant was burnt out and all the street lights were out for about an hour until repairs could be made.

It is said that Capt. George V. Barrett is very sick at the Johnson farm in Lunenburg, where he has been for his health since the first of last month.

Letters remaining uncollected for at the Ayer postoffice for the week ending August 1: Benton, H. E.; Hill, Joshua M.; Smith, Charles E.; Williams, Jennie.

Don't fail to read the full page advertisement of P. Donohoe & Co. on the sixth page of this paper.

District Court.

Edward O'Brien, charged with drunkenness here, July 31, was in court on August first and on trial was found guilty and sentenced to two months in the house of correction at East Cambridge.

The Globe hotel was raided last Tuesday night by Officers Beatty, Mullin and O'Connell and Logue of Shirley. Three quart bottles were found, two of these in the room of one of the boarders, one of which contained a small amount of whiskey. A beer bottle was also found in a boarder's room and contained about a gill of lager.

John McGrath, aged eighteen and William Melly, aged twenty, both of whom claimed New Britain, Conn., as their homes were arrested on Wednesday by Officers Beatty, Mullins and O'Connell on suspicion of breaking and entering the West Acton station, but were released on Thursday morning.

The liquor cases of Daniel F. Heslian and Charles H. Chandler were continued until Saturday, August 6, on account of the absence of their lawyer, Mr. Walsh of Fitchburg, who is their counsel. The government will be represented by John M. Maloney and Lyman K. Clark. James T. Carter of Townsend was in court on August 2, on two charges

of larceny, the complainant being O. T. Manning of Townsend. At the hearing the case was continued to Friday, August 12, and Carter furnished sureties in the sum of \$200 on each charge for his appearance at that date.

The complaints are the sequel to a dealing between the two men in which the complainant made over certain real estate and personal property to the defendant under an agreement that the defendant should furnish him a suitable home and living for the balance of his life. A short time ago Mr. Manning brought an action against Carter asking for the return of his property and claiming that Carter had failed to keep his part of the agreement and had forced him to leave the premises to get suitable food and clothing. The court granted the petition after a hearing and now the complainant alleges that Carter has failed to comply with the order of the court and also that he has moved from the premises and taken away with him certain personal property owned by him.

In the first complaint, upon which the summons was issued, the complainant alleges larceny of a cow, and in court, Wednesday morning, an additional complaint alleging larceny of one hundred articles of furniture was also made.

Thomas L. Walsh of Fitchburg appeared for the complainant and John M. Maloney of Ayer for the defendant.

Resolutions.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in his divine wisdom to take from our midst, Companion Nellie Cullinan, when so many years of usefulness were apparently before her,

Whereas, we wish to express our regard and esteem for her,

Resolved that in the death of Companion Cullinan, her husband and family have lost a loving wife and mother, and this Circle a good and faithful member,

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the records of our Circle, Resolved, that a copy be sent her bereaved family and they be published in Turner's Public Spirit,

Resolved, that as a token of respect our charter be draped in mourning, for ninety days.

Jennie McGuane, Susie C. Mullin, Agnes Wilson, Committee.

Ayer Circle No. 478, Companions of the Forest of America.

Ayer, August 4, 1910.

Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith very quietly observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, Saturday, July 23, at their home in Melrose. Their children, George Pierce Smith, Frank L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Haggitt and little Miss Glenn, completing the family circle. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Landry of Ayer and Mrs. W. E. Brooks of Somerville spent the day with them. Many letters and cards of congratulations were received; also, several pretty and appropriate gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were married at her old home, the George B. Pierce place in Ayer, July 23, 1885, and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce had looked forward with much pleasure to this silver wedding day, but the deaths in their family last year were all too recent for any but the quietest observance of the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Smith spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Landry at the Willows.

To the Editor:

It may interest some of your readers to know that some of the bells that were captured by Gen. Butler at New Orleans are still in existence. These bells with others, at the earnest solicitation of the rebel General Beauregard, were contributed to be cast into cannon.

After their capture by Gen. Butler, they were sent to Boston and sold at auction, bringing about \$30,000. Through foundrymen and junk dealers, most of them reached the melting pot, but three of them escaped that fate and today they hang in New England churches, where they summon the worshippers upon the Sabbath. One is at Canton, Mass., one at Morrisville, Vt., and one in the Congregational church at Ayer.

WILLIAM H. SHERMAN.

Those Butler Bells.

From the Boston Transcript: Another, or third bell has been "discovered." This third is at Ayer, over the First Congregational church. This and the ones at Canton and at Morrisville, Vt., were all cast at the Buckeye foundry, Cincinnati, and are of the same "stock" pattern. This latter, however, has a known history. It was at the opening of the Civil war doing duty on the plantation of D. B. Beavin, a wealthy planter, at Plains, in Jefferson County, Miss. The bell called his one hundred and twenty-five slaves to and from their work. He died early in the war and his executors turned in the bell in accordance with the appeal of General Beauregard, which was issued March 8, 1862, from Jackson, Tenn., and was addressed "To the planters of the Mississippi Valley." The purchase at the Boston auction was by Benjamin Franklin Snow, Jr., for the Trinitarian church at Fitchburg, and was presented to that society with the stipulation that its first peal should tell of freedom to the slave, and Mr. Snow had the pleasure of carrying out the stipulation, for not many months elapsed—July to January—when he himself rang the bell on the first day of January, 1863, at which time President Lincoln's proclamation went into effect. In 1882 this church disbanded and the bell was sold to the Ayer church. The bell's weight is about 800 pounds, and certain marks show it was bought in 1856.

To the Editor:

Honorable Charles Q. Tirrell, member of Congress from this district, died suddenly of hemorrhage of the brain at his home in Natick last Sunday morning.

Of the men who have represented this district in Congress, Mr. Tirrell stands first in point of continued service. He was a painstaking, conscientious, straightforward man of integrity, energy and honest purposes. No member of the Massachusetts

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We are offering for the next three weeks Special Bargains in Men's and Boys' Summer-Weight Suits, Trousers, Shoes and Furnishings. Among the Suits you'll find a large number bearing the label of

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Table with columns for Men's Suits, Boys' Suits, Dutchess Trousers, Ladies' Tan Oxfords and Ankle Strap Pumps, and Men's Oxfords. Includes price comparisons (e.g., 'That were \$22.00 now \$16.47').

Special Sales in Men's Furnishings Store will close Thursday Afternoons during July and August. FLETCHER BROS., AYER



Hon. Charles Q. Tirrell.

Natick, Mass., July 30, 1910. Hon. George J. Burns, Chairman of Republican Congressional Committee, Ayer, Mass. Dear Mr. Burns: While I am assured from intelligence received from different parts of the district that my renomination for Congress seems certain, for personal reasons I have concluded that I shall not be a candidate for the Republican nomination this Fall. I realize after my long service that there are many others in the district who are amply qualified to serve and that it is with no feeling of hostility or dissatisfaction that prompts the support of other candidates. I have represented the district for five terms. I have devoted myself unremittingly to its interests. I have been faithful to my party, but no constituent has been knowingly neglected and governmental favor has been denied, which it was possible to properly obtain. Deeply grateful for such support and with the consciousness that I have endeavored to merit the confidence reposed in me. Very truly yours, CHARLES Q. TIRRELL. Mr. Tirrell's death is a loss to the district and to the State. No successor can surpass him in effort and result. His death is to me, a personal loss. I have seen him facing all sorts of issues, but I never saw the time or place when he manifested the slightest inclination to swerve from the moral and patriotic side. GEORGE J. BURNS. Ayer, Mass., August 3, 1910.

Salaries Increased.

It is expected that the recent increase of pay granted to the trainmen, conductors, and other employees of the transportation departments of the Boston and Maine railroad will be gradually extended until it effects practically every employe and official on the entire system. In addition to the generous increases granted these classes of employes a few months ago, additional raises are now being given the salaried employes and sub-officials, all of those grades who receive from \$500 to \$2000 per annum either having received raises ranging from five to fifteen percent, or will receive them in the near future. For the past two weeks the employes of various departments have received notices that their salaries had been advanced from \$50 to \$200 or more per annum, according to their position and the wages which they previously received. All the clerks in the various departments have already been given raises, while the various foremen in the road and other departments have also received them. The other employes have been given increases in proportion, and more recently the officials at the head of the various departments have got theirs. Within the city of New York there were 52,618 street and steam railway accidents in 1909, against 56,491 in 1908.

delegation surpassed him in devotion to the interests of his district nor equalled him in results obtained. His hold on the voters was manifested by his repeated nominations and elections in a district, where precedent seemed to have established two terms as the limit. Two years ago his plurality was cut down in a campaign of misrepresentations and misunderstandings, in which he declined to resort to the tactics of a demagogue to get votes. His record in Congress vindicated him and the claim his friends made in his behalf. He was, by nature, kind hearted, sensitive and sympathetic. While he enjoyed hard work and close application, he was easily wounded by misrepresentations that impugned his sincerity or integrity. I had the honor of being one of his closest and most trusted political friends. I was chairman of his campaign committee at the time of his first nomination. I presented his name to the convention and have been chairman of the Congressional District committee during the service in Congress. I knew his intellectual and moral worth and his physical and nervous weaknesses. The fret and worry of a political campaign depressed him. Immediately after his last election I had an interview with him and told him that he was too good a man and had served this district too well and faithfully to be dragged through the mire of another political campaign, and urged upon him not to be a candidate for another term. Since the adjournment of Congress, I have had repeated conferences with him. Of his renomination and election, I have never entertained the slightest doubt. Influential men in the district urged him not to withdraw. I told him that he owed more to himself, his family and his friends than he owed to the district, but that if he should decide to be a candidate, it would afford me the pleasure that it always had to support him. The last conference I had with him was at Boston last Friday. At that time he decided definitely to withdraw, and the next day he wrote me the following letter which was the last political and business act:

BEGINNING MONDAY, AUGUST 8, and continuing for Two Weeks, Hun- dreds of Dollars' Worth of First Class Seasonable Goods will be Sold at a Sacrifice of 50 to 100 per cent.

Below is a Partial List and Prices of Goods

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Curry Combs		"Dana" Mop Wringers		Kitchen Sets	
Former Price.	Now	Former Price.	Now	Former Price.	Now
4-6-8 Bar Steel Combs, black enameled handle and riveted. Assorted styles	10c.—5c.	Pail and wringers in one, wrings mop quickly and dryer than any other. Easily operated with foot.	\$1.50—\$1.10	Cake turner, can opener, egg whip, kitchen fork, paring knife, basting spoon, all black enameled handles	25c.—15c.
Wood Chair Seats	10c.—5c.	Cobbler's Outfits	50c.—35c.	Corn Poppers	25c.—10c.
Made of three layers of wood. Veneered with grains crosswise to prevent splitting		Iron stand, Men's Women's and Children's last, hammer, knife, peg awl, sewing awl, heel plate nails, etc.		Black sheet steel, sliding perforated cover	25c.—10c.
Polished Iron Baking Pans	60c.—40c.	Hand Cultivator	\$2.50—\$2.00	Square, wire lid, long handle	15c.—10c.
Double strongly wired, lapped corners, firmly riveted handles		18-inch wheel, road shovel, stirring shovel, weeder and 8-tooth rake		"Rayo" Lamps	\$1.50—\$1.00
Spading Forks	65c.—45c.	Lemonade Sets	\$1.50—75c.	Nickel body, white shade, centre draft, all complete	
4 Steel Tines, 4½-inch ferule, grip handle		Pitcher, tray and 6 glasses, assorted colors		Table Lamps	60c.—45c.
Field Hoes	35c.—20c.	Crown Stone Water Pitcher	4-qt. 30c.—20c. 2-qt. 15c.—10c.	Best finish, extra heavy crystal glass	50c.—40c.
Forged, Polished, Steel Blade, Solid Shank, 4½-foot handles		Ice-Water Pitcher	25c.—20c.	Scythes	45c.—35c.
Handy Knobs	5c.—2c.	High Grade Willow Clothes Baskets	\$1.00—75c.	Solid steel edge. Extra wide, heavy steel, 36 and 38 inches long	85c.—50c.
Black enameled, complete with bolt, nut and two washers. For tea or coffee pots or pot covers		Extra heavy, white, all whole willow, very strong		Scythe Snath	65c.—50c.
Extra Large Bleached Yellow Sponge	10c.	Bushel Baskets	60c.—40c.	Patent swing socket cap, fits all our scythes	
Regular 25c. Size		Hardwood rim and Standards, Narrow splint maple filling		Lawn Rakes	45c.—30c.
and will bring that price anywhere		Whips	35c.—20c. 25c.—15c. 10c.—5c.	All steel, 24 teeth, long wood handle, reversible	
Ice Cream Dishes	10c.—5c.	Screen Doors	\$2.25—\$1.50 1.25—90c.	Hay Rakes	25c.—15c.
Big improvement over old style. Charcoal tin polished lock seam body. Removable key		High-grade fancy doors		14-tooth, 2 wood bows, selected hardwood, each tooth securely pegged to head	40c.—25c.
Galvanized Wash Tubs	95c.—70c. 90c.—65c. 25c.—20c. 50c.	Walnut Stained Doors	\$1.00—60c.	14-tooth, 3 iron bows, cannot break	40c.—25c.
Large size		Walnut stained doors		Hay Forks	55c.—40c.
Medium size		Window Screens	40c.—25c.	3 polished oval tines, 4½ and 6-foot hardwood handles	
Foot Tubs		Iron frame, adjustable		Potato Hooks	55c.—40c.
Wood Tubs, choice		Wood frame	38c.—30c. 35c.—25c.	4 oval steel tines, 5-foot handle	
Galvanized Pails	35c.—25c. 25c.—20c.	Water Wings	25c.—15c.	Enamel Ware	High-trade, triple-coated, acid proof, absolutely pure and guaranteed. Never before was such goods offered at the following prices:
Large		Ironing Tables	\$1.25—95c.	3-qt. Coffee Pots	75c.—35c.
Medium		4½-foot 14-inch white, clear basswood top, hardwood legs, well braced, adjustable		Tea Kettles	\$1.25—35c.
Croquet Sets	\$2.75—\$1.75 1.50—1.00 1.00—70c.	Ironing Boards	85c.—65c.	8-qt. Preserve Kettle	75c.—35c.
Child's Four-Wheel Carts	\$1.00—60c.	4½-foot clear, white basswood		8-qt. Windsor Kettle	90c.—35c.
10 and 15-inch wheels, varnished hardwood body, iron axles		Shelf Paper	5c.—2c.	6-qt. Princess Sauce Pan	75c.—35c.
Hammocks	\$4.75—\$3.25 2.75—2.00 2.25—1.75 1.25—90c.	Leading tints, embossed lace patterns, 12 inches wide		14-qt. Dish Pan	75c.—35c.
Large assortment of new goods		Ice Tongs	10c.—5c.	10-qt. Windsor Kettle	\$1.00—35c.
Blue-Flame Cookers	3 Burner \$5.00—\$4.75 2 Burner 4.00—3.25	Lemon Extractors	10c.—5c.	12-qt. Water Pail	\$1.00—35c.
Improved Burners, Steel Frame, closed in back, Black Japanned Finish		Extra heavy crystal handles and lipped new patent cone, improved seed and pulp retainer		2-qt. Coffee Pots	50c.—20c.
Oil Stoves	3 Burner \$1.65—\$1.00 2 Burner 1.25—70c. 1 Burner 55c.—30c.	Hand Saws	75c.—50c.	Wash Basins	40c.—20c.
Washing Machines	\$8.95—\$7.75	26-inch carbonized steel blade, royal blue finish, brass screws, guaranteed		2½, 3 and 4-qt. Preserve Kettles	40c.—20c.
Up-to-Date Family Washer will wash quickly, thoroughly and without tiring the operator, or injury to the clothes		Bamboo Fish Poles	15c.—5c.	2½ and 3-qt. Sauce Pans	40c.—20c.
Lawn Swings	\$4.00—\$3.25	Selected quality fresh, yellow stock 18-ft.		4 and 5-qt. Pudding Pans	40c.—20c.
Guaranteed as to material, construction and finish bolted throughout, hardwood, painted and varnished		Tea and Coffee Pots	75c.—50c.	4-qt. Porridge Pots	50c.—20c.
Lawn Mowers	\$3.00—\$2.25	All copper, nickel plated		3 and 4 Side Handle Bakers	40c.—20c.
8-inch wheel, 3 blades, 16 and 18-inch cutter bars, plain bearing				3-qt. Stew Pans	50c.—20c.

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Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Co. TIME TABLE.

Cars leave Ayer for Lowell, North Chelmsford and Brookside at 6.05 a. m., and 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.05 p. m. The two earlier cars, one at 5.15 and 5.30 a. m., start from the carhouse.

Sundays—First car at 7.05 a. m., then same as week days.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer and Fitchburg at 6.05, 7.20 a. m., then 20 minutes past the hour up to and including 11.20 p. m.

Sundays—First car 8.20 a. m., then same as week days.

Cars leave North Chelmsford for West Chelmsford and Brookside at 6.00, 6.35 and 7.50 a. m., and 50 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.50 p. m.

Sundays—First car 7.50 a. m., then same as week days.

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THE OUTLOOK MUCH BRIGHTER

Governor Draper as a Stalwart Campaigner

The Democratic Mixup Over the Gubernatorial Nomination—Republicans Are Alert to the Situation—Popular Charley Hatfield

So far as is now known, the only change in the Republican ticket to be nominated at the state convention in Tremont Temple, Boston, on Thursday, Oct. 6, will be the attorney generalship. Mr. Malone retires voluntarily after several years of highly effective service. His successor will probably be James M. Swift of Fall River. Mr. Swift has been for about eight years district attorney for the southeastern district of Massachusetts. He is endorsed by many of the leaders of the bar throughout the state and is well qualified to fill the office. At the present time there is no other candidate in sight.

Draper and Frothingham will again head the state ticket on the Republican side. At the state election in 1909 Draper received 190,186 votes for governor as against 182,252 for James H. Vahey of Watertown, the Democratic candidate. This left Draper's plurality just under 8000, as against one of about 60,000 in 1908.

Governor Draper never "chases rainbows." Several years ago he was chairman of the state committee, and the knowledge of the field which he then acquired is of great advantage to him now. He never takes anything for granted in politics any more than he does in business. He always knows where he stands. He was one of the very few men in Massachusetts last fall who saw the impending slump. At the very beginning of the campaign he said privately to Colonel George H. Doty of Waltham, who was then chairman of the state committee: "We have got to fight terrifically to get 10,000 plurality in November." Notwithstanding the canvasses of local committees made to the state committee indicated a normal Republican plurality in an off year, his election was never for a moment deceived and was, therefore, perfectly well satisfied to pull through with 8000 plurality. He enters the fight this fall undaunted and willing to do his full share of the work. All he asks of the rank and file is that they will do theirs.

Outlook Much Brighter

The outlook for the Republicans is much brighter now than it was a few months ago. In the first place, the party in Massachusetts feels the reflection of the generally improved conditions all over the nation, due to President Taft's securing so much legislation designed to carry out the party's pledges. In the second place, the Massachusetts legislature, which wobbled badly until the session was about two-thirds over, "found itself" in the weeks immediately preceding prorogation and enacted legislation which can hardly fail to help the dominant party in the pending contest. The Berkshire trolley bill, the New Haven validation bill, the New Haven preferred stock bill and other legislation have done much to straighten out the railroad tangle. The people have become very weary of the "moral turpitude" issue raised by the anti-mergerites in the Massachusetts legislature in the past few years. They desire to see the New Haven road allowed to develop the industries of Massachusetts without being harrassed and hampered by pin pricking legislation.

The enactment of the Berkshire trolley legislation is especially pleasing to the farmers and others in the western section of the state. That feeling is shown by the remark made by one of the local committeemen at a recent conference held at the Red Lion Inn at Stockbridge, of which President Treadway of the Massachusetts senate is proprietor. That committeeman said: "I have driven over the road thirty-six miles to attend this conference. The next time I come, thanks to Governor Draper and the New Haven road, I expect to come on the trolley."

Farmers Are Feeling Happier
The farmers all over the state are also feeling much better in regard to the milk situation than they were last year, the change in feeling being largely due to legislation which has been enacted in accordance with recommendations and suggestions contained in Governor Draper's inaugural address.

On the Democratic side there is considerable of a mixup as regards the ticket. The rival candidates are Congressman Eugene N. Foss and former State Senator James H. Vahey of Watertown. Vahey was fighting Democracy's battles when Foss was running for congress and for the nomination for lieutenant governor on the Republican ticket. There are five candidates for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor, all conditioned upon Vahey's withdrawal and giving Foss the first place on the ticket. They are: Former Mayor and former State Senator William P. Hayes of Springfield, Representative Thomas P. Riley of Malden, Mayor John T. Coughlin of Fall River, former Mayor Theobald M. Connor of

Northampton, and former State Senator Thomas P. Cassidy of Adams.

Vahey is just as much entitled to a third nomination as was "Billy" Russell; and, if he had "the price", he would receive it. Last year when Vahey was defeated by 7934 votes, Foss was defeated by 7758 votes by Frothingham, who polled 2000 votes less than Draper. Foss's total vote was 1593 less than Vahey's total. In Boston, where the movement to make Foss governor had its genesis at the hands of Mayor Fitzgerald, Vahey received 1592 more votes than Foss did.

Popular Chairman Hatfield

The Republicans have not been caught napping this year as they were last. The new chairman of the state committee is Hon. Charles E. Hatfield of Newton. He was recently nominated and elected mayor of that city without any rival candidate being placed in the field. He is an extremely popular man, with great physical strength and endurance, a hustler, who works hard all day and part of the night and of much personal magnetism. There will be many in Massachusetts who will vote for Draper and Frothingham this fall, just to please "Charlie" Hatfield. In politics he is a wizard. It was he who conducted Frothingham's winning campaign for the nomination for lieutenant governor a few years ago as against Speaker John N. Cole of Andover and Representative Robert Luce of Somerville, pulling Frothingham out of what seemed to be a very bad hole.

It is well to bear in mind that Massachusetts is a Republican state, that she seldom swings from her moorings, that this is a congressional year, that a United States senator is to be chosen, and that President Taft and his administration are to be given a ringing endorsement by the Republican state convention. These facts, coupled with the facility of the Democrats for blundering when they have a chance to win, and their custom of winning elections in the summer on paper and losing them at the polls on election day in November, may help one to believe that the old Bay State will be found safely anchored in the Republican harbor on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

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And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and any who cannot be so found, 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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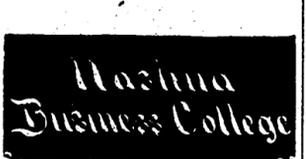
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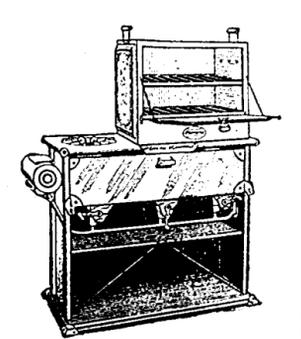
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"George," said Mr. Skinner, "you're an excellent young man, but you have no business shrewdness about you. When my girl marries I don't wish her to marry a man who is liable to slip up on providing. I wish her to have a husband who can make money. When I was your age my father gave me a thousand and told me to use it and my wits together. Out of that thousand I've made \$20,000. No; I can't give you Grace. You're not sharp enough."

"But I haven't a father to give me \$1,000," said George. "I haven't a father at all."

"Well, George," said the other, "I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll lend you a dollar. Come and see me at the end of a year, and if I find you've done well with it I'll lend you a thousand. The dollar is only to try you without making any serious loss. The thousand will be to set you up. Then if after another year you have made your thousand grow I'll throw in Grace. I don't mean that you must make something out of nothing, but you must come pretty near it."

George took the dollar and his departure without making any further remark.

"Grace," said Mr. Skinner one day some months after this, "a man came into the office the other day and sold me a bottle of some stuff for getting grease out of clothes. I've spilled some gravy on my coat. You'll find the extractor in my bedroom closet. I wish you'd bring it and take out the gravy."

Grace brought a box containing a white paste and a small bottle. After reading the directions for application on the label she scraped some of the paste on to the grease spot on her father's coat, poured some of the liquid from the bottle on to the paste and rubbed it with a cloth. The mixture formed a frothy substance, which, on further application of the liquid, was easily rubbed away. But the grease spot remained.

It occurred to Mr. Skinner that he had been done by the man who had sold him the grease eradicator. Nothing in the world irritated the old gentleman so much as to find a man sharper than himself. "Acme Grease Eradicator," he exclaimed contemptuously, reading from the label. "I'll bet it is a swindle, and if it is I'll go for the company that sells it. I'll have Ben Humiston analyze it." Humiston was a young chemist and Mr. Skinner's nephew.

A few days later the analysis came in. It was this: "Soap and water."

"Soap and water, eh? I reckon I can get a few thousand for keeping still anyway," remarked the old gentleman, and sending for his lawyer, he commissioned him to see the Acme Grease Eradicator people and find out what they were willing to give for keeping their secret. The attorney did so and reported that the company were now using a different eradicator, that they would pay nothing for secrecy and were too rich for Mr. Skinner to punish. They were turning out tons of their eradicators daily, and it was sold in every city, town and hamlet in the country.

A few weeks after this his daughter reminded him that the year he had accorded her lover to make the dollar he had given him sprout was about to expire. Mr. Skinner remarked contemptuously that the dollar had doubtless long ago gone for cigarettes. That evening George called and tendered the loaned dollar.

"Well, George," remarked the lender, "I confess I never expected to see it again."

"You said, Mr. Skinner, that if I made it grow you'd lend me a thousand and if you'd made that grow you'd give me Grace."

"So I did, boy. Well, what have you done with it?"

"Made a million."
"A million grains of sand?"
"A million dollars."

Without regarding Mr. Skinner's puzzled look George told his story. With the dollar he had received he bought two cakes of white soap for 5 cents each. The soap he cut into candles and ran a wick through each candle. Five cents more he invested in a bottle and filled it with pure water. Fifty cents more went for a table. Then he went to a circus and began to take grease spots off the clothes of the people outside the show. The spots he made himself by spilling his "candle grease" on the clothes, and on the application of water resulting soapsuds washed it out. Such a demand was made for the grease eradicator that dozens of boxes could have been sold if they had been on hand to sell. But George took a partner and the next night did a good business.

"What did you call it?" asked Mr. Skinner eagerly.

"The Acme Grease Eradicator."

"Sold!" exclaimed the old man.

"We are now selling a real eradicator on the demand worked up with the soap and water, and a million wouldn't buy the plant and the business."

It took Mr. Skinner a long while to awake from the stupor occasioned by his wonder, a long while to realize that George was the Acme Grease Eradicator company and still longer to realize that he was not dreaming. Then he said:

"George, you're a razor. You may have Grace."

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About Town.

A valuable hunting dog belonging to William Rouse of River street was run over and killed by an automobile from Fitchburg.

Edgar Shattuck of Newton is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Shattuck of Heald street.

Miss Edith McCormack of Fitchburg spent the past week among her many friends in town.

Mrs. Frank Story has been ill and confined to her house on Heald street.

George Gilchrist was in town Monday looking up horses to enter the matinee races at Fitchburg driving park this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Tarbell are enjoying a vacation at Lake Sunapee.

Ralph Lawson from Westport, Me., is visiting his father, Rose Lawson.

Henry Wright, our popular mail carrier, returned from his vacation on Tuesday, August 2, after a pleasant trip with his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Lawson at West Haven, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton are spending a few weeks at their bungalow on Mt. Lebanon and have as their guests, Mrs. Otto Snieder and son.

George Henry Eastwood from Connecticut, formerly of Berkinshaw Village, visited recently at John Melendy's.

Julius Gage and wife were visitors this week at Mrs. Wm. Heald's.

Gleanings. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nodding and daughter Phyllis of Somerville came in their auto on Friday of last week from Silver Lake, where Mrs. Nodding and Miss Phyllis have been spending a month, to the home of Mrs. Nodding's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Frossard. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chelsa Davis of Silver Lake in their auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis returned to their home on Friday night, and Mr. Nodding to Somerville on Sunday evening. Mrs. Nodding and daughter remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. Albert Parker and children are visiting in Wakefield. Mrs. Austin Saunders spent a part of last week with Mrs. Otis Saunders in Lunenburg.

Miss Teresa Fitzpatrick of Worcester spent a week of her vacation with her mother here.

Miss Rosamond Barrett returned to Springfield this week.

Miss Margaret and Eugene Donnelly, Miss Doris Hartwell, Earl Parker and Miss Edith Annis went to Ayers, Me., on Monday of this week.

Miss Edith Batherly of Fitchburg is visiting Miss Helen McCormick.

Mrs. Frank Gilman of Milford, N. H., who has been caring for Mrs. Ray Maxwell, returned to her home on Sunday last. Miss Annie Gilman is now with Mrs. Bates.

Mrs. Georgiana Bates and daughters Mary and Grace and son, Edward, moved to Everett this week. Edward McKay of the Massachusetts General hospital, now residing in Somerville, and husband of Mrs. Bates' oldest daughter, will make his home with Mrs. Bates. Miss Esther will remain in the employ of Mrs. Wald Spaulding the remainder of the summer and Miss Florence with Mrs. Edwin Richardson.

Miss Edith Gerrish of Worcester spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Miss Lena Brown is visiting relatives in Barre, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Adams, who have been occupying a tenement in O. M. Nash's house on River street, have moved to Fitchburg. Mrs. Adams, who is an invalid, made the journey in one of F. R. Bennett's autos, accompanied by Mrs. Laura Parker.

Harry Lakin was the guest of his parents on Sunday last. He returned to his home in Greenfield on Monday, accompanied by his niece, Miss Bertha Johnson, who will remain for a visit of a week or more.

The Misses Helen and Rose Sullivan of Somerville are guests of Mrs. Patrick Sullivan at the cottage.

Miss Alice McFarland of Boston is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Nellie McFarland, in town.

Mrs. Sproul, of Cambridge, of Milford, N. H., is the guest of Mrs. D. Cuthbertson.

John Lakin, in the employ of Albert Parker, had his hand and arm badly cut with a hammer while working on a building. He was taken to a hospital.

Mrs. Frank T. Storey is very ill at her home on Heald street.

W. A. Harrod and G. M. Palmer went to Boston on the early Saturday morning train and joined the fishing party down the harbor. They brought home two strings of fish, but which of them caught the small shiner and who caught the dozen large ones has been related in different ways.

Mr. and Mrs. William Page of Nashua were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright.

The telephone line at the North Village has been completed, connecting F. L. McEnnis' grain store and North Pepperell station, number 58-22; residences of Eli Surprenant, 58-11, and L. H. Williams, 58-6.

Town electrician, E. A. Johnson, has erected a new pole on Franklin street and a new street lamp. This pleases everyone on that street.

The open amateur golf tournament of the Country club was held on Friday and Saturday and proved to be highly successful. There were thirty-seven entries, representing eight different clubs. The tournament was at eighteen holes, medal play.

Letters uncalled for at the East Pepperell postoffice: Byron Weston, C. Knapik, Le Roy, George, Landon, Emil, Morton, Albert, O'Connell, Eugene, Ruchey, Miss A.

Miss Gertrude Nokes has returned home from a two weeks' visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Smith.

The thunder and lightning this week has been the heaviest experienced here and the rain which accompanied it, the wettest for the summer. It will do immeasurable good, but is a little tardy for some of the crops.

The telephone men have completed one of the finest lines of poles and wires in town on Hollis and North streets, particularly where it borders the famous and beautiful Prescott homestead. The poles are not only straight and painted, but are set in such a way as to be unobtrusive to the view or appear out of place, but seem to give an additional point of perfection to the well-kept street.

This creditable piece of work was under direction of wire chief, Henry E. Farnum.

The lightning did considerable damage to telephones in town. At George W. Smith's it blew the porcelain protector in small pieces, and along the line split four poles to the ground. All the lines were working in a short time and mention is due the telephone employees for the quick work, particularly in the case mentioned. When work was resumed it was also said that Mr. Smith was ill and the phone might be especially needed. It is three miles from center and the inspector, Mr. Bird, was sent at once and the service again put in order.

George Smith of North Groton, but familiarly thought of as Pepperell, as it is on the border line of the two towns, is reported very ill, having suffered a stroke of paralysis on Wednesday. His many friends will wish him speedy recovery, as he is not only a well-known and popular citizen, but one of the best of our farmers.

Miss Amanda Dean of Laconia, N. H., has been visiting her cousin, Miss Gertrude Nokes, Arthur Wheelock, son of Rev. Wheelock of Marlboro, formerly of this town, was the guest of the same hostess on Wednesday.

William Gardner of Dunstable and Miss Gertrude O'Brien of this town were united in marriage on Wednesday by Rev. T. Coghlan. They are enjoying a trip to the beaches and will reside here on their return.

The tarvia mixture for the road experiment is to be applied on Friday or Saturday. It was to have been done on Thursday under the direction of an expert, but owing to the rain was postponed. It is expected it will be put on the road beyond the Fitchburg bridge for about one hundred feet.

The assessors expect to get the tax bills completed this week. That means they will in all probability be in the hands of the tax payers about August 15.

The M. E. church and Sunday school held their annual picnic on Wednesday at Silver Lake in Hollis. A good number attended and all had a good time.

It is understood that an interesting case will be called next Saturday at the district court at Ayer. Several prominent citizens have received summons and it is hoped the recent dog poisoning is to be cleared up.

Golf Winners. J. A. Wiley of this town won best gross score with 77 and net of 70. The prize of best net was won by Dr. R. B. Carter, also of this town, with score 71. W. A. Putnam of the Leominster golf club and J. C. Bailey of the Alpine golf club of Fitchburg tied for second net, scoring 73. The scores were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Lists golf winners and their scores for Gross and Net.

HOLLIS, N. H. News Items. Everett Bridges of Pepperell has accepted a position for a short time with Andrew Jewett.

Last week Friday a party of Hollis ladies chartered one of F. D. Bennett's touring cars for a trip to Revere beach. They were Miss Emma L. Van Dyke, Mrs. L. H. Burbee, Mrs. Hattie A. Hazard, Mrs. Sallie Sanders, Mrs. Nellie L. Hardy, Miss Alice Hardy, Miss Minnie Bancroft.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan of Gloucester, Mass., are spending a few weeks in Hollis, making their headquarters at the Cranford Inn. Mrs. Jordan was formerly Miss Hattie Worcester, one of the daughters of the late Gilman Worcester.

Miss Helen Hazard is entertaining two friends, Miss Bonney and Miss McDonald.

Charles Crathern, jr., of South Braintree is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Goodwin.

Miss Marston of Roxbury is visiting with Mrs. Frank Proctor who is spending the summer at the Proctor homestead.

It is now more than forty years since the milk car was put on at Hollis depot, which conveyed milk to Boston. Hollis has been the starting point for the car, most of the time during all those years. Owing to the going into effect of the Saunders law, August first, the farmers who have been shipping their milk from Hollis, now have to take it to Pepperell.

Miss Ruth Goodwin is making an extended visit with relatives in Mason.

Miss Minnie A. Colburn purchased the farm of the late Wm. H. Conant that was sold by auction last week by the administrator, George W. Hardy.

Struggle for a Baby. The following item taken from the Boston Journal of August first, shows that quiet little town of Hollis is not without its exciting episodes, as well as larger towns:

The little year and a half old girl baby of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Cobb of Cambridge, has a father one day and a mother the next, but seldom both at once, and, incidentally, little Gladys, the baby, is becoming a commuter between Hollis, N. H., and Boston.

Last June Mrs. Cobb applied to the courts for separate support, and after listening to the case Judge Chamberlain continued it, and recommended that the two parties in interest effect a reconciliation.

Cobb and his wife were childhood sweethearts. She was Miss Grace Folker of Cambridge and their marriage was in the nature of an elopement a few months prior to the day set for the wedding. Cobb is but twenty-six years old, but owns a grocery in Cambridge and a farm and hotel at Hollis, N. H.

Shortly after the arrival of the baby Mrs. Cobb left the home one night and could not be found. She returned, but gave no explanation of her absence. Twice after that she left for short times and then left for good, going to live with her married sister in Worcester. Cobb took the baby with him to Hollis.

The other day Mrs. Cobb, in company with her sister, Mrs. Mildred Lopez, went to Nashua and in an automobile went to see Cobb. She took the baby into the car with her and had started when Cobb jumped aboard and it was agreed that the Nashua police should decide who had the right to the child. The Nashua police decided in favor of Mrs. Cobb, and she proudly bore her child with her to Cambridge. Last week Cobb visited the Cambridge home and saw the baby. Yesterday, in the absence of Mrs. Cobb, he came, he saw, and during a moment when Mrs. Lopez left the room Cobb did likewise, taking the baby with him. A waiting automobile whirled him away just as Mrs. Cobb was coming down the street.

Last night Mrs. Cobb went to Hollis.

BOXBOROUGH. News Items. Mrs. D. W. Cobleigh has sold the Capt. Varnum Taylor farm to a Mr. Adams from Belmont, who will soon take possession of the place.

The barn which was struck by lightning and burned, belonged to J. A. Walker, instead of J. A. Wilson as noted in last week's news.

William Perkins and family are enjoying their vacation at C. H. Burroughs.

Miss Alice Cobleigh was thrown from her bicycle while going down the hill near Mr. Lodge's last Sunday afternoon and hurt her head quite severely. She has been confined to her home ever since.

C. T. Webster, Arthur Houghton, Ralph and Ira Whitcomb, Leo Cunningham, Charles E. and Lewis Bradford, Albert and Charles Littlefield, S. D. Salmon, Paul Viets and Arthur Nelson were among the fishing party that enjoyed the day off Swampscott on Wednesday. The fish were decidedly scarce, but all had a good time. Sam Burroughs caught the most fish, three in number. Dr. Staples caught the largest and B. D. Hall the smallest one.

Elen Mead was at home on Sunday and his mother and Ethel drove to Townsend with him, returning the next day. The main object of the trip was to welcome the new baby, Gertrude Alice, who arrived at Clarence Mead's, July 21.

Rev. Mason of Harvard is to preach here on Sunday morning in exchange with Mr. Viets.

Miss Allena Gray of Roxbury is with Mrs. C. B. Robbins for a two weeks' vacation.

Miss Walters is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Wilson.

Rev. F. H. Viets and wife are enjoying the week with old friends and acquaintances in Connecticut and will also attend the Viets reunion.

Friday evening, August 12, is the next grange meeting, which is our summer visitors' night and an open meeting.

The assessors announce a tax rate of \$12.80 on a thousand this year. F. R. Bennett, Pepperell, is at home over Sunday.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell on Monday, August 8, at one o'clock p. m., twenty-five cows and heifers, heifer and bull calves, the property of David Hall, Liberty square, Boxborough.

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On Monday, August 15, at 9.30 a. m. Mr. Forbush will sell fifty high-grade Holstein cows, heifers and bulls at the Wilson stock farm, Carlisle.

Birthday Anniversary. James S. Chester observed his ninth birthday anniversary on July 30, at his home here. He was born in the southwest part of this town, July 30, 1820. At twenty years of age he bought the place where he now lives. He was married to Miss Rachel Ann Paine of Boston in 1846 and nine children were born to them—Harriet Ann, who died at the age of fifteen, Newell T., who lives in this town, Giles S., who died at the age of forty-eight, George E., who is the head waiter at Marston's restaurant in Boston, Augustus J., who lives in this town, Myron P., who died in Chelsea at the age of thirty-eight, Miss Mary C., who cares for her father, William H., who resides in North Leominster, Mrs. Rachel C. Chester Hazard, who lives in Leominster. Mrs. Rachel Paine Chester died September 24, 1878, aged fifty-three years. He has also fourteen grandchildren.

He received his many kind friends and relatives who were present from Boston, Cambridge, Everett, Fitchburg, Leominster, Harvard, Groton, Pepperell, Worcester, Littleton, West Acton, Boxborough. Remarks were made by Rev. F. Viets, Rev. F. Rice, both of this town and R. B. Hazard of Worcester, which was highly appreciated by all. Music was rendered by the family.

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