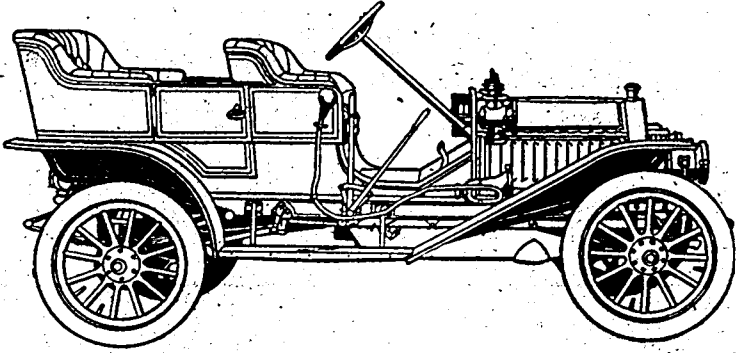


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LITTLETON.

News Items.

A wreck was caused on the Boston and Maine railroad near Littleton station on Wednesday by the collision of the sand train with the bunter. The buggy of the freight train was thrown across the east-bound track, thus delaying the passing of trains for several hours. Passengers were transferred and the wrecker with its crew from Fitchburg was called into service. After about five hours of delay the tracks were cleared and railroad business was resumed without injury to man or property.

Rev. and Mrs. Harrison L. Packard, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Conant, Margaret and Harold Conant and Miss Julia Conant attended the Wednesday dedicatory exercises and the unveiling of the tablets in Missionary woods, Andover, and in the public square at Bradford, commemorating the birth of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, one hundred years ago.

Rev. Nehemiah Boynton of Brooklyn, N. Y., whose first pastorate was in the Congregational church in Littleton, was chosen moderator of the national council of Congregational churches held in Boston this week.

Leslie Hager has gone on a business trip to Montreal.

Mrs. Emma Greenwood of Worcester has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. M. Parker, this week.

Misses Abbie and Elizabeth McNiff spent Columbus day with their sister, Mrs. Andrew McNiff in Beverly.

The department sale to be held in the vestry by the ladies of the Baptist society is scheduled for Thursday afternoon and evening, December first.

M. E. Somes' housekeeper goes to a Boston hospital today for an operation.

The subject of the C. E. meeting tomorrow evening is "Your amusements: do they build up or tear down?" Miss Della Case will lead the meeting at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kimball arrived at A. T. Kimball's from St. Johnsbury, Vt., Thursday. Mr. Kimball is making good progress, but is still unable to attend to his usual business.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barrows attended a grange meeting in Shirley on Wednesday.

At the King's Daughters' meeting held with Mrs. Annie C. Smith on Tuesday, twenty-five members were present. The membership was increased by the admission of Mrs. Esten and Mrs. Amsden. Mrs. G. H. Barker gave an interesting account of her return trip from California. A clever acknowledgment in rhyme by Mr. Ewings in return for his birthday cake was read.

The Junior Endeavor society of the Baptist church goes on a chestnut-expedition today, and is promised an appetizing supper at the vestry upon the return.

Mrs. Helen Swift Morris of Chicago has been the guest of Miss Sanderson this week.

Last Saturday evening the members of the graduating class of the high school, thirteen in number, with the assistant teachers, gave a genuine surprise to Principal Backus at his home. Music, games and refreshments made a very pleasant evening's enjoyment to all.

HARVARD.

News Items.

Paul Jennings of Braintree, employed at the South station, Boston, in the United States mail service, is a weekend guest at his sister's, Mrs. R. O. Kinsman.

It is authentically reported that the contract for building the new, twenty-room house and seven-room bungalow at the new possession of D. W. Crocker, opposite the summer home of E. W. Cottle, "The Crossways," has been given to H. D. Stone of this town.

Mrs. Celia Ryan and two children of Ayer, have been recent guests the past week at the home of her cousins, Miles and Philip McNiff, on the Littleton road.

Damage suit has been brought against the town of Harvard to recover damages on alleged breach of contract by the school committee. The plaintiff is Nell T. Hartshorn.

Still River.

Columbus day passed off very quietly in this village, in fact no notice hardly was taken of it, the flags usually out on holidays were not in evidence, except a couple of small ones that were thought of and put out.

Minnie Farnsworth spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Farnsworth.

Mrs. Hescocock, who suffered from a shock in Harvard, has many friends in Still River, where she has spent considerable of her time at her brother's, James Murchie.

Mrs. Ord is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hutcherson.

Mr. Seaver will close his summer cottage Sunday and with his family return to his home in Arlington.

Mrs. Newgent of Worcester has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. H. Morse.

Mrs. Austin of Newton, has been visiting Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. C. P. Willard.

Mrs. Vandyke of Hollis has been the guest of Miss Alice Marshall.

Luther Willard is making rapid recovery from his illness, reported last week, and while he cannot yet take up with hard work, he is doing remarkably well.

The first killing frost of the season was on Wednesday night this week. This was a hard one, the temperature being down to 26 above, in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Stone will celebrate their silver wedding next week Friday.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

The following members of the Society of the Assumption attended Columbus day celebration in Lawrence and marched in the parade: John Chaisson, Sylvester Thomas, Michael, Alex. Felix, William, Charles and Maxine Gionet, Phillip Leger, Richard Cormier, Michael Bolger and Charles Chaisson.

Miss Ethel Sanderson starts on Saturday of this week for a week's visit with relatives in Taunton.

The regular meeting of the King's Daughters was held with Mrs. A. A. Bronson at the parsonage on Tuesday evening. Supper was served, followed by business and a social hour.

The Sodality of the Children of Mary held a whist party in St. Anthony's hall, for the benefit of the church on Wednesday evening. The first prize for ladies was won by Lucy Chaisson, and the first prize for men was won by Anatole De Lisle. The other prizes were awarded to Madeline Cormier, Joseph Tessier and Garvais Gionet. The booby prizes were awarded to Rose Gionet and Joseph Descoteaux. Lizzie Hachi and Minnie Chaisson had charge of marking the points.

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WESTFORD.

Centre.
 Mrs. Jennie Emerson of Ward Hill, Haverhill, and Lowell Leighton of Oshkosh, Wis., have been recent guests of Mrs. Mary E. Fletcher. Mr. Leighton is a native of Westford, having been born in the house that formerly stood where our town library now does. He keenly enjoyed looking over our village, noting and commending its improvements and changes, but like many others, loyal to old Westford academy, he much regretted its present state from its former dignity.

Mrs. Frank C. Hildreth, president of the local branch of the W. C. T. U., attended the sessions this week of the State convention at Attleboro.
 Mrs. George W. Raymond of Ludlow, Vt., was a guest for several days the first of the week of Mrs. Lillian Lambert and her daughter, Miss Grace.

Columbus day was observed by the schools being closed and the children having the holiday. Flags were in evidence through the village.
 Little Gussie Anderson of Brookside, one of the primary pupils at the Frost school, while playing at recess Tuesday fell and received a badly cut lip and mouth. The little lad was taken to Dr. Wells and a number of stitches were necessary to close the wound.

Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace and Miss Sarah Loker have been attending what they could this week of the sessions of the American board centenary and the national conference of Congregational churches, which double event is being convened in Boston this week and next. On this account the regular church prayer meeting was omitted this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Woods have transferred their household goods this week to their recently purchased home and are busily getting settled. Everyone is glad to see them established in a home of their own and wish them all happiness and prosperity.
 A Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey with their eight-year-old son moved into the Brigham house vacated by the Woods family and Mr. Lindsey takes up the duties relinquished by Mr. Woods.

Mrs. Andrew S. Wright goes this week for the winter months to be with her brother-in-law, Mr. Newcomb, and her niece, Miss Amy Newcomb, in their pleasant new home in one of Boston's nearby towns.
 Mr. and Mrs. David Desmond, Miss Alice and William McDonald attended Brockton fair on Wednesday, going by auto, with A. H. McDonald as chauffeur.

Mrs. John P. Wright underwent a serious surgical operation at her home in Lowell on Wednesday of this week, performed by Dr. Mason of Boston, assisted by Dr. and Mrs. Wells of this town. What would seem more than the average share of sickness has been portion of this household during the past few years and the sincere sympathy of their many Westford friends go out to them at this time.

Word comes from our veteran townsman, Hiram Dane, who is in California, that he is well and enjoying his experiences there, although somewhat troubled with rheumatism. Mr. Dane expects to come back to his Westford home next spring. He is at Glendora, near Los Angeles.
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clarke and Mr. and Mrs. George Cameron were guests this week at Mrs. A. H. Sutherland's, the two ladies being sisters of the latter.

Since the electric cars resumed traffic on our branch line in the spring, motorman Sherlock and conductor Cutter have scarcely missed a trip with their cars. Once or twice they have been held up for minor repairs, but there has never been any unnecessary delay. The patrons of the road very much appreciate having so prompt, efficient and courteous a set of men for the cars.

Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Colburn took place from her late home on Friday afternoon, October 7, at half past one and was well attended by neighbors, friends and relatives. Rev. David Wallace of the Congregational church, of which the deceased was a member, was the officiating clergyman. A trio from the church consisting of Miss Lillian Atwood, Miss May Atwood and E. G. Boynton sang two selections, "No sorrow there" and "Looking this way." The bearers were her two sons, Charles D. and J. Henry Colburn, and James Hildreth and Charles Hildreth.

The floral offerings were very beautiful and were as follows: Pillow of roses and galax leaves, inscribed "Mother," from the children; wreath of roses and galax leaves, Miss Ella Hildreth; spray of yellow chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Day; spray of roses and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Day and Mrs. Emma Day; spray of pink, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Watson and Mrs. Maria Day; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot F. Humiston; bouquet of cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hildreth; bouquet of cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hildreth; spray of asters, Gibson family; bouquet of sweet peas, Mrs. Ferguson; roses, Mrs. H. B. Hall; cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Maxwell and Miss M. L. Hildreth. Interment was beside kindred dust in Westlawn cemetery.

Grange.

At the last meeting of the grange the attendance was good and much routine business was transacted. The names of four applications for membership to be initiated for the fall class were balloted for as follows: Mrs. Arthur E. Day, Miss Addie Day,

Benjamin Prescott by initiation and Arthur E. Day by demit.
 It was voted to extend invitations to Acton and Groton granges for neighbors' night, November 17.
 The lecturer's hour was a social time. Dancing to the accompaniment of the grange orchestra was enjoyed and tables of whist were arranged for those who enjoy the game. It was voted to have the secretary pro tem send to the absent master and secretary, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright, an expression of sympathy from the members in their illness.
 Wednesday evening a special meeting was held for conferring first and second degrees on the four candidates. The third and fourth degrees will be conferred at the next meeting, October 20, the third degree work being done by the ladies' staff, who have been rehearsing for this event.

About Town.

At the sixth councillor district convention, republican, Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher of Westford was nominated to serve another term in the executive council. Mr. Fletcher, who has also served in the House and Senate, is a conservative, a prominent business man, and a valuable man for the party and the State.
 At a meeting of the republican town committee, last Saturday evening, it was decided to hold a rally at the town hall on Wednesday evening, October 19, when this array of ability will entertain: William H. Wilder of Gardner, Hon. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., of Saugus, Judge John J. Pickman and Alonzo G. Walsh of Lowell. Everyone close by and afar off, in town, out-of-town and elsewhere are invited listeners.

John O. Sanburg, has his cozy cottage at Brookside far enough advanced to add to the city appearance of the street and connecting avenues.
 Miss Edith Clark of Newton and Mrs. Granville Keith Cutler of Andover, have been making a visit with their classmate, Mrs. George Howard, Jr.

Hon. Herbert Fletcher has commenced the foundation for his new house on Oak hill. The underground, tenement to be occupied by fruit and vegetables will be cement to the level of the green grass, thence skyward of stone. The house will be located on a prominent elevation facing the Groton road, and east of the crossing of the steam road. Tarbell of Lowell is landscape manager, and stickney of Lowell is house fitter.

Ice thinner than skating, but thick enough to drown, was what the weather gave to the public on Thursday morning along the lily of the valley of the Stony Brook.
 A forest fire started with the high wind on Wednesday afternoon on Fughill, westerly of Burgess pond. Fortunately the northeast wind controlled towards the railroad track and Hillside park, otherwise the heavy forest to the east would have been warmed more than is necessary. Chief forest fire warden John A. Healey was soon enough on the scene to discover that the fire was apparently one of plan. Three separate fires had been started along an old road.

Rev. Charles A. Allen of Waverley professor of elocution at Harvard, conducted the services at the Unitarian church last Sunday.
 Much sympathy goes to the Nelson family who live at West Chelmsford corner on the Lowell road. A few weeks ago Margaret, a sweet, lovable child, died with typhoid fever and Wednesday, the son August, just entering into manhood died with the same disease. Everything possible was done for their recovery, trained nurses were in attendance and doctors in consultation, but the dreaded fever could not be allayed. To this doubly-saddened home goes the true sympathy of friends.

The next conference of Unitarian churches, for Middlesex North will be held at Lowell, October 19.
 Mr. and Mrs. William J. Parfitt moved to Hopkinton, N. H., this week, where he is to have charge of a large farm.
 The next meeting of the board of registration will be held at Graniteville on Monday evening, October 17, at Healey's hall, from 7:30 to nine; at Forge Village next Wednesday evening at Abbott's hall, from 7:30 to nine. The last registration meeting will be held at the town hall Saturday, October 22, from noon to ten o'clock.

Mrs. Elizabeth Peckins has sold to John Feag, the triangular lot of land bounded by Main street, Providence and Leand roads.
 Daniel H. Sheehan of Pigeon hill has several portable engines sidetracked at Westford station. This added business suggests to him the desire to sell his cotton-woollen-cider-mill.

Death.

Mrs. Clementine Keyes Sweet died in Boston last week Friday as the result of a surgical operation. She was the daughter of the late Trueworthy Keyes, and was born at Westford Centre in 1838 and was therefore seventy-two years old. Most of her girlhood life was passed on Francis hill, on her father's farm in the easterly part of the town, where culture, method and variety were foundation principals of the old homestead life. She was one of the old-time scholars in the old Stony Brook district in the strenuous days of the old Brick schoolhouse. Near the close of the reign of the old district system she was for several years a teacher in this historic district. As such, she was apt, cultured, winsome, methodical.
 The funeral took place from her home in Winchester on Monday forenoon, Rev. D. B. Scott of Lancaster, officiating. The bearers were Rev. E. C. Bartlett, Harry C. Reynolds, Samuel Usher and John K. Murdock. Burial was in Riverside cemetery, North Chelmsford. She left besides her husband, Charles E. Sweet, two sons—Ralph and Arthur, and one daughter, Edith.

Forge Village.

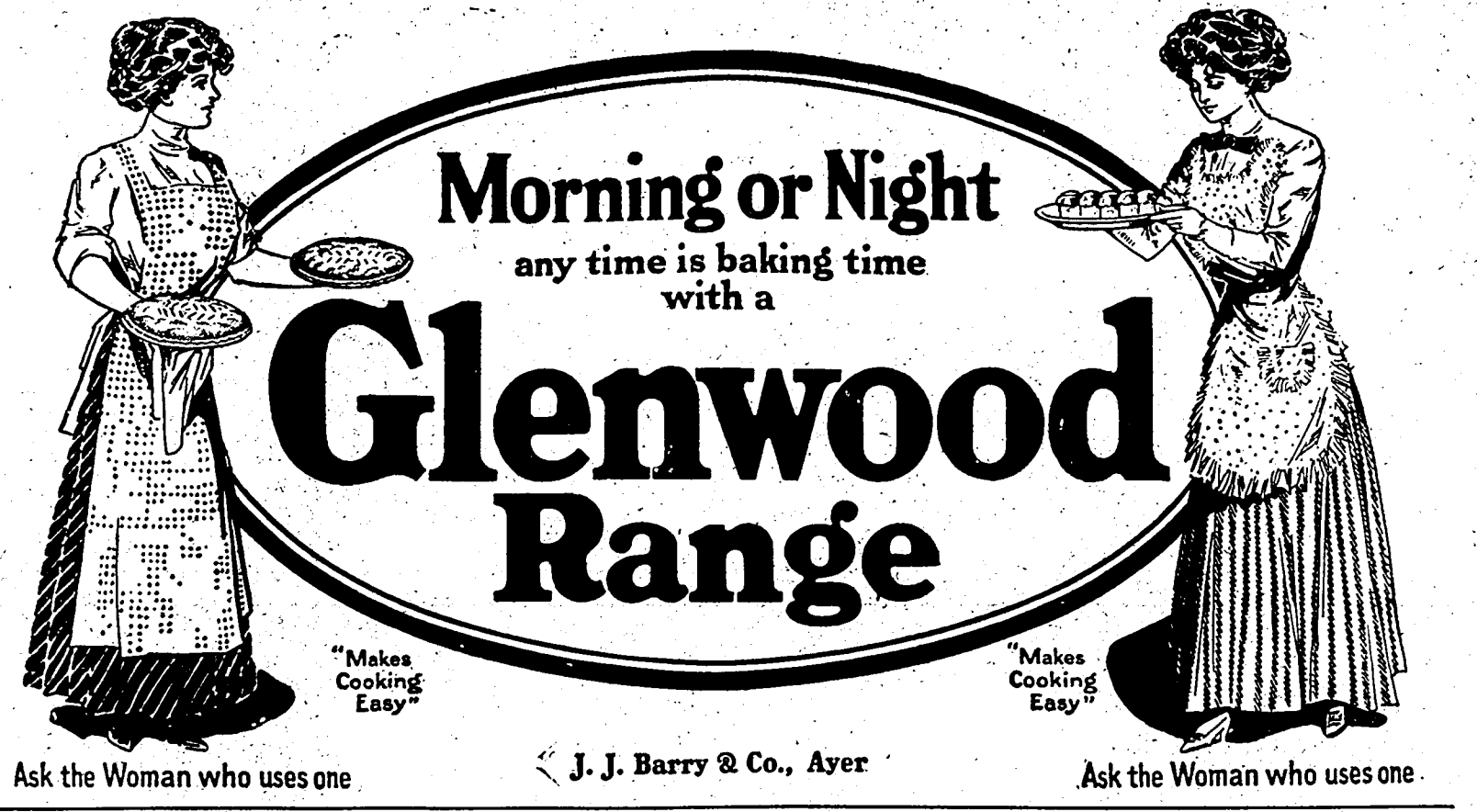
The Ladies' Sewing circle will hold their first supper of the season at Recreation hall, Saturday evening, from six to eight o'clock. Delicious brown bread, baked beans, cakes and pies of every description, and coffee will be served. The affair is for the benefit of St. Andrew's mission. The

Graniteville.

At the 10:30 o'clock mass in St. Catherine's church on Sunday morning, Rev. Fr. M. E. Doherty delivered another of those instructive sermons on "The sacrament of penance." These sermons are being followed with deep interest by the parishioners of St. Catherine's church. The holy rosary devotions were held in the church on Thursday evening at 7:30 and was largely attended.

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horse sheds in the rear of the mission house which were built some time ago, have received a coat of paint, which adds considerable to the appearance. The expense was met by the Ladies' Sewing circle. Hugh Ferguson had charge of the painting.

James E. Kitchen of Lowell and Robert O'Brien and Frank Noyes, two well-known musicians of Lowell, were entertained on Sunday by Mrs. Henry Catchpole.

Craven Midgley and two daughters, Misses Sadie and Daisie of Lowell, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Myles Collins, Sunday.
 Rev. Frederick Bowles of New Brunswick is spending a few weeks as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Morton.

The members of the Loyal Self-help lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., observed the one hundredth anniversary of the order with a social dance in Abbot hall, last Saturday evening. A large number were present from Littleton, Ayer, Graniteville, Westford and North Chelmsford. Dancing was enjoyed from 7:30 to 11:30. At intermission, refreshments of ice cream and cake was served. Music was furnished by Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell. All the members of the order wore souvenir badges.

At a meeting of the John Edwards hose company held on Wednesday, it was voted to hold a social dance in Abbot hall, Saturday evening, October 22. Music will be furnished by Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell. The affair will be held for the benefit of the hose company. The money will be used for the firemen's field day next year.

The young men's R. T. S. society opened up their new club rooms last week Friday evening. A minstrel show was held and a clever performance was given and greatly enjoyed by the large number who were invited to attend. Charles Flanagan acted as inter-locutor, Philip Lord and Edward Spinner were the end men. Many original and local jokes kept the audience in roars. Solos were sung by John Spinner, Jr., Dola Dumont, William Goodall. An excellent program is being arranged for the coming winter when they will entertain their friends once a week.

Cameron school closed on Wednesday and was observed as Columbus day. The mills ran as usual on that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McDonald have purchased the Bradley farm at the Ridges, Groton, and expect to take possession on Monday. The farm was purchased from Michael Bradley of Littleton.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Benoit, who has been seriously ill with cholera infantum, has had a change for the better. Hopes are now entertained for her recovery.

Miss Mamie McDonald and Miss Sadie Kavanaugh of Lawrence were weekend guests of Miss Sadie Smith at her home on Lakeside avenue.

Stephen Keefe of the Townsend A. A., and his sister, Miss Annie Keefe of Townsend Harbor, were among the out-of-town guests who attended the Odd Fellows' dance on Saturday evening.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Precious, James H. Brown and Edward T. Hanley were among those who attended the Mechanics' fair at Boston this week.
 Miss Bertha Wilson is visiting with friends in Boston this week.

William Weaver had a narrow escape from serious injury on Saturday evening, as it is he is suffering from a bad sprain. While attempting to board an electric car at the railroad crossing on Middlesex street, Lowell, for North Chelmsford, Mr. Weaver had one hand on the car and was waiting for a passenger to get off, when the car started suddenly, he alleges, throwing him to the ground with considerable force. He was picked up and assisted to the car. Sunday morning his hand was so badly swollen that the services of a physician was necessary, and his hand was put in splints. He also received bruises about his body and knees.
 Owing to a misunderstanding, E. H. Hibbard, superintendent of the Sunday school, conducted the services at St. Andrew's mission on Sunday afternoon.

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| 10c., 25c. Ash Sifters at 5c., 10c. | 10c., 25c. Padlocks at 5c., 10c. |
| 25c., 50c. Hemp Clothes lines at 12c., 25c. | 25c., 50c. Wood Chisels at 12c., 25c. |
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Many people from this village attended the one hundredth anniversary of the M. U. Odd Fellows that was held in Forge Village on Saturday evening. The celebration took the form of a dance that proved to be very enjoyable to all.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church met with Mrs. J. B. Carmichael on Thursday afternoon.
 Chestnut parties are very much in evidence here at present, and those who have been gathering, report the supply quite plentiful this year. The chestnut woods beyond Scribner hill appear to attract the largest number of people.

The members of the soccer football club are now in fine fettle and hope to be in readiness for their game in Forge Village next Saturday.

The local fire department were called out for a woodland fire back of the baseball grounds on Wednesday afternoon and owing to the brisk wind several acres were burned over before the fire was gotten under control. This is the third fire that has taken place in the vicinity of these woods during the past four weeks.

Carroll Furbush and friend of the C. S. S. Nebraska have been recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Furbush in this village.

C. of F. of A.

Cameron circle, C. of F. of A., held a largely attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday night. The meeting was made notable by the presence of two grand circle officers, Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer of Boston, grand supreme supervisor of laws and acting state deputy, and also Mrs. Julia McCarty of Lynn, grand chief companion. Before the meeting both officers were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wall.

During the meeting, under the head of new business, Mrs. Julia B. Wall, who has been treasurer of the local circle for the past four years and was recently elected to the position in the grand circle of grand outside guard, was duly installed in her new position by acting state deputy, Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer of Boston, assisted by grand chief companion, Mrs. Julia McCarty of Lynn. For the good of the order both the visiting grand officers were heard in short addresses, which proved very interesting to the members present.
 After the meeting a short entertainment was given, after which refreshments were served. The whole affair proved to be very enjoyable. Cameron circle is now enjoying prosperity and is looking forward to many pleasant social events to be held during the coming season.

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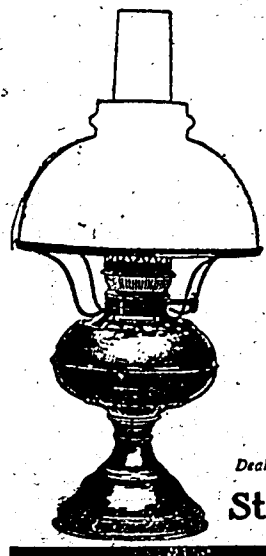
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LITTLETON.

News Items.
Misses Hatch and Wentworth of Exeter, N. H., are guests of Mrs. S. Emma Abbott.

Miss Florence B. Bartlett has been visiting friends in Somerville this week. On Tuesday evening she attended the wedding reception of Mr. and Mrs. Eichler of Waltham. Mrs. Eichler was Miss Helen Cushman, a teacher in the West primary school of this town in 1909.

At the annual business meeting of the Backlog club, held last week Thursday evening, few changes were made in the officers for the ensuing year. The following is a list for 1910-11:

B. Frank Jacobs, pres.; Harry J. Smith, 1st vice pres.; Mrs. George H. Chandler, 2d vice pres.; Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb, sec.; Mrs. George Howard, treas.; Frank B. Priest, parish representative; Austin T. Kimball, church representative.

Mrs. Goldsmith Conant of Maiden is spending the week at A. F. Conant's and Mrs. Wallace Conant of Concord is at N. B. Conant's.

Mrs. Goldsmith Conant is visiting at A. F. Conant's. Mr. Conant was at home for over Sunday.

Burton S. Flagg and children from Andover have been the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Flagg, this week.

Superintendent F. H. Hill has been authorized by the school board to engage Miss Margaret Thacher's services as director of sewing in the seventh and eighth grades of the public schools. She is to be assisted by members of the Woman's club. Sewing in the lower grades will be given up for the present.

Two youthful aspirants of the fairer sex recently accepted a challenge in walking and took a trip by foot from Littleton Centre to Arlington Heights. Misses Lena McCormick and Ethel Shaw started from their home at Leroy Jewett's at 6.15 o'clock on last Saturday morning and reached their destination at 2.15 in the afternoon, stopping but twice for rest and lunch. On the same night they went into Boston and walked a good distance there.

Needham & Fletcher are finishing off two extra rooms in the attic space of the Unitarian parsonage.

W. E. Edwards has sold his Pingryville place, formerly the property of Samuel Brown, to a Gardner man by the name of Peabody. The Edwards family has moved into the Patrick McGovern house at the corner of New Estate road and King street.

Littleton high school boys and Westford academy will hold a duel athletic meet at Littleton on Saturday, October 22.

John Halpin, who was injured by falling from an apple tree last week, is well on the road to recovery.

Charles Stevens, a leading manufacturer of Ware, and member of Rev. O. J. Fairfield's former parish, called on the Fairfield family here last week.

C. A. Kimball attended the republican senatorial convention at Reading last Saturday and James W. Ireland and Harold W. Conant went to the representative convention at Ayer on the same day.

Misses Lydia and Harriet Porter of West Acton were recent visitors with their sister, Mrs. Emily K. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Kimball have returned to their home in St. Johnsbury, Vt., and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo H. Kimball, arrived at A. T. Kimball's on Thursday of this week.

No one who has ever attended forgets the harvest suppers at the Orthodox vestry. Tuesday evening, October 18, supper will be served there from 6.30 to 7.30 o'clock. An entertainment and social will follow.

The auction held at the Oscar Farwell estate last Monday attracted a good number of purchasers and it was generally acknowledged that the prices kept up well throughout the sale. The real estate at last reports was unsold. Mrs. Farwell is still undecided as to her future home. This winter she plans to spend with friends in Worcester and Providence.

Mrs. S. E. Whitcomb is spending the week with her sister in Worcester.

Herbert Whitcomb exhibited at the Brockton fair six fancy pigeons and was awarded four prizes. Pretty good results considering the number of birds with which he competed—1400.

John H. Kimball is having a cellar made, preparatory to erecting a barn near his residence on King street.

A. T. Kimball has lost another valuable heifer from his herd. She was apparently well in the morning, but found dead in the pasture later in the day.

Many changes in the Boston and Maine time table went into effect last Monday. Several trains leave a few minutes earlier than during the summer and the possibility of missing them is thereby increased for those who travel on narrow margins.

Once more Littleton station can boast of a clock on its walls, much to the gratification of the public.

The Loyal Nashobah lodge, I. O. O. F. M. U., will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the order by giving a dance in town hall, October 27.

The subject of the Guild for Sunday evening, October 16, is Edward Everett Hale; leader, Mrs. Harry Smith.

The lyceum opened Tuesday evening with a grand concert by the Hayden concert company. All the artists rendered selections worthy of the high reputation they enjoy, and were well applauded. One thing, however, marred the enjoyment of those who attend the lyceum for the gratification of refined taste and intellectual uplift, and it is sincerely hoped that those in authority will not hesitate for a moment to bring into subjection any disturbing element in future audiences.

Mr. Edwards of Pingryville has moved into the Patrick McGovern house on King street.

L. W. C.
The Woman's club opened its new year Monday afternoon when a good number attended the meeting held at the Orthodox vestry. The paying of dues kept the treasurer busy for a long time and necessitated a little delay in beginning the program of the afternoon. The meeting was opened with prayer by the club chaplain, Mrs. Caroline A. Hosmer. Reports of the annual meeting and field day were read and several business matters received attention. Three new names were proposed for membership: Mrs. Dorothy Hardy, Mrs. Helen Munson and Mrs. Augusta W. Esten. Miss Tenney gave a faithful report of the annual meeting of the state federation at Lynn. Mrs. Alice M. Whitcomb was chosen delegate to the state federation meeting to be held in Jamaica Plain.

A letter was read from Miss Laura Brown, president of the West Acton club, inviting the Littleton women to attend the meeting of October 31, when Mrs. Kider will give her famous reading of Browning poetry before the West Acton club and guests.

Mrs. Priest reported pleasantly of presidents' day at Shirley. Mrs. Charlotte Tenney and Miss Emma Tenney played a brilliant piano duet and the president, Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, delivered a stimulating address expressive of hope, courage and loyal devotion. She had been especially impressed at the federation meeting in Lynn of the power for good, and the actual achievements in philanthropic and other lines justly credited to women's clubs of our state and country. She made an ardent appeal to all members for renewed loyalty and active membership. Several suggestions followed relative to helping the school children, and in closing Mrs. Priest pointed out the purpose of the club as given in the constitution and repeated the motto with the hope of individual growth and that of humanity in general through the club woman's efforts.

To the roll call the different members answered, usually with vacation notes, giving interesting accounts of trips or outings of some kind enjoyed during the summer.

About Town.
There was a large attendance at the opening meeting of the Unitarian Woman's Alliance, held last week Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. J. Priest. Following the reports at business session, the meeting took the form of an experience one, all the members responding to their names telling how their dollar was earned during vacation time, some in prose, while others gave thrilling experiences in rhyme. At the next meeting, Mrs. Kate Gannett Wells will speak.

Roger Priest of the Massachusetts Agricultural college; also, H. Malcolm and Dorothy Priest from their studies in Boston, were all at home of their parents, F. B. Priest, over Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Smith will lead the young people's guild in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Sunday, October 16. Her topic will be "Edward Everett Hale."

Mrs. Ada Ireland is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. Hibbard, in Winchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Kimball of Brattleboro, Vt., were over Sunday guests of his uncle, A. T. Kimball.

The Lincoln class will serve an oyster supper with entertainment in the Baptist church vestry on Monday night, October 17, at 6.30.

HARVARD.
News Items.
The fish and game commissioners have sent a shipment of brown trout which have been placed in Hell pond.

Next Tuesday evening at the regular grange meeting the Men's Entertainment committee will present a one-act comedy, "Old plantation days," assisted by the Peerless minstrel troupe. If

you are anxious to hear of your personal life as viewed by our colored brethren, come early and secure a back seat. Entertainment at 8.30 o'clock.

The Worcester East Pomona grange will hold an all-day meeting with Harvard on Wednesday, October 19.

The officers of the chemical company issue the following statement in regard to the finances of the company, October 1:

Cash on hand, January 1, 1910 \$34.75
Net proceeds from four dances 20.25
Donated by Geo. F. Pollard 10.00
Donated by James H. Whitney 5.00

Balance in treasury \$70.00
The music committee for the company have secured the services of McNally's orchestra, seven pieces, for Thanksgiving night, when they will hold their annual concert and ball.

Mrs. Susan J. Savage is visiting with her son, William Savage, in New York city. During her absence, Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Savage, Jr., are keeping house for the family.

William Kerley, Reuben Reed, Adin Murshire and Henry Waters engaged Fred Savage and his auto for a trip to Pepperell last week, attending the dance party given there at the close of the Pepperell fair.

Mrs. May Hescocck suffered a slight shock on Friday of last week and has been removed to the home of her sister, Mrs. Roswell Davis, where she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert West of Westboro, are guests this week at A. T. West's.

Ellery Eaton of Toledo, Ohio, was a guest last week with his sister and family, Mrs. H. B. Royal. This week Mr. Eaton and Mrs. Royal are on a trip to New Hampshire, visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Lillian Hildreth of Townsend, employed in the postoffice at Waltham, visited this week Monday and Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Gale. Miss Hildreth is known here by a large circle of friends. She served as substitute postmaster here during the vacancy in this office in September and October 1909.

A large number of our young people are planning to attend the old-fashioned husking bee given just over the Bolton line. Plans are being made for a first-class affair.

Tuesday, George E. Bagster hauled a load of cider apples with his team from Ed. Cleavage to the cider mill at Littleton, which weighed gross, 9980; tare, 1840; net, 8140. Not too bad for Harvard hills.

Charles L. Clay, superintendent of schools in the New Salem district, spent Tuesday of this week in town. Mr. Clay had charge of the reading at Miss Emily E. Hildreth's. Subject, "Communication in the nineteenth century." He was assisted by Miss Maude King, Perley Beard and Miss Alice Cleaves, who prepared and read very interesting papers along different lines of communications in the past century. It was a very interesting reading.

Mrs. Selah Howell, wife of Prof. Howell, is visiting this week at the Kerley house.

Rev. F. E. Emrich D. D., secretary of the Massachusetts home missionary society is to address the Congregational church on Sunday morning. Dr. Emrich is well-known to many in the congregation and is a delightful speaker. It is hoped that the attendance may be large.

LUNENBURG.
Grange Meeting.
"Better than a circus with a paid admission" was the general verdict after the burlesque of the third degree had been worked on four candidates by a degree team of even made up as matrons, Wednesday evening. The team was made up as follows: Master, Arthur C. Emerson; overseer, George S. Winchester; lecturer, Horace H. Rockwood; steward, J. Phillip Gilchrist; assistant steward, Harry S. Gilchrist; chaplain, Andrew J. Callum; treasurer, Ralph L. Whitcomb; secretary, Charles H. Proctor; gate keeper, Alfred C. Gould; ceres, Lewis L. Harrington; pomona, Ernest Aker; flora, George S. Callum; lady assistant steward, Richard H. Harley. The chaplain was the star of the cast, and his picture will linger long in the memory of those who saw his make-up. The business was well carried out and the various charges brought out shouts of laughter. The quartet who exposed themselves to the ordeal of initiation, but escaped in good order, were John Woodredge, Merrick D. Pillsbury, Arthur B. Farnsworth and Clarence H. Fitzsimmons.

Other numbers on the program were a song by Mrs. Emma C. Parker, and readings by Mrs. Fred L. Francis and Miss Louie C. Fuller. The evening was in charge of Overseer Arthur W. Rockwood and drew out the largest attendance since last spring.

At the business meeting one new member was elected and seven applications for membership. The first and second degrees will be worked, October 19, the first degree by the regular officers, the second by the men's degree team, William A. Warren, master. An invitation to assist in the fair at Fitchburg park, next week, was received.

John Woodredge has charge of the program next week, and some surprising features are promised.

News Items.
Mr. and Mrs. George A. Paige have leased a tenement of C. B. Longley and moved in on Tuesday.

Capt. John B. Proctor, whose tall commanding figure, who has been familiar to many people in this and adjoining towns for many years, died at his late boarding place, J. H. Holsington's, on Saturday afternoon, October 3, at five o'clock. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon in Boutelle chapel, Rollstone church, Fitchburg, and interment was in the family lot, Laurel hill cemetery. He was nearly eighty-seven years old.

A large number of people from this town attended the two-days' fair at the trotting park, Fitchburg, Tuesday and Wednesday, and pronounced it an immense success, and the exhibits equal to any of the old-time agricultural fairs.

Miss Lucy Cook was married on Wednesday, October 12, at one o'clock p. m., to Arthur Lawrence of Fitch-

burg. The wedding took place at the home of her brother, Arthur Cook, in the house where she was born. Rev. F. W. Brett officiated at the ceremony. The many sincere friends of the young couple unite in wishing them many years of happiness together.

The Ladies' Sewing circle are preparing to send their annual consignment of second-hand clothing, boots and shoes of all kinds and sizes, to the Mather school of colored people in Beaufort, S. C. Anyone wishing to contribute to this worthy cause will be very gladly welcomed, and may bring their contributions to the Congregational parsonage, or to Mrs. C. B. Longley. No matter if the clothes or shoes do need mending, bring them along, they will be just as welcome.

BROOKLINE, N. H.
News Items.
Mrs. Harriet B. Murgatroyd and Mrs. Charles H. Dunlap of Nashua have been guests of Mrs. Edward Parker at Inncroft.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolan Blood of Pepperell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Patch of Malden, Mass., were cent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell.

Mrs. George L. Perin and Master George L. Perin, Jr., of Brookline, Mass., spent the week-end and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn S. Powers.

Mrs. Eddy S. Whitcomb is visiting her daughter Grace at Roxbury, Mass.

Edward C. Tucker is attending court at Nashua as a juror.

Arthur Adams, well-known to many of our residents, died at Hubbardston, Mass., last Sunday night. Mr. Adams was employed by the American Car Sprinkler Co., as timekeeper and surveyor when they cut the lumber from the Perkins' wood lot in town and boarded at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Pierce. The funeral took place at Hubbardston on Wednesday, October 12. Mr. Adams made many friends during his sojourn in town, who regret to hear of his death.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Charles Russell on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Leonora Bradley has had her household goods moved to her new home. She will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maynard until her home is ready to occupy. Her nephew, from London, England, is to spend the winter with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Averill and Miss Carrie Newbegin of Chelsea, Mass., are at Wastewater.

Rev. and Mrs. Warren L. Noyes attended the national council of Congregational churches at Boston.

Mrs. Julia Lawrence of Pepperell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Corey over Sunday.

Dr. Holcombe attended the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Surgical club at Dartmouth medical college at Hanover last week.

Born, Sunday evening, October 9, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Moses Braley.

The young people of the Methodist church are preparing a drama to be given in the near future.

HOLLIS, N. H.
News Items.
Miss Henrietta Drake, who has spent the entire summer with her aunt, Mrs. Gale, left town last Saturday for Sharon, Mass., where she has accepted a position to teach in one of the schools.

Delegates were chosen last Sunday to attend the meeting in Boston this week, of the seven benevolent organizations of the Congregational denomination. The delegates were, Miss Hattie Hayden, Dea. Perry Farley, beside Rev. C. H. Davis and Mrs. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. McInnes have the sympathy of their friends, because of the death of their infant son, last Friday. The funeral was held at their home last Saturday afternoon, Rev. C. H. Davis being the officiating clergyman.

Miss Mary Childs of Mason is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Goodwin.

The automobile fashion has struck Hollis: George Hale has already purchased one, and Miss Bertha Hayden is negotiating with an agent for one.

The W. C. T. U. held its second social on Wednesday evening at grange hall. A pleasant entertainment was given by the young people, followed by a social time. The proceeds are to be given to the state union, for use in the no-license campaign.

The New Hampshire Sunday school association meets in Manchester from October 18 to 20. The delegates from Hollis Sunday school are Miss Emma Van Dyke and Mrs. Lucy Brown; also, the superintendent, Rev. C. H. Davis.

Reports from George Robbins, whose accident with a cannon cracker was reported in last week's issue, are most encouraging. It was feared that he would lose the sight of the eye, but that danger is now considered past. He expects to leave the hospital soon, going in to see the doctor as long as his eye needs attention.

Charles E. Hardy has a booth at the Mechanics' fair in Boston, for the display and sale of his fruit. It may be remembered that Mr. Hardy won the Governor Draper cup at the New England fruit show last year in Boston. He is selling McIntosh red apples at the fair at high prices. Mr. Hardy is bringing the art of apple culture to a state, as near perfection as possible.

DUNSTABLE.
News Items.
A dramatic and dialect reading by Mrs. Adalmo Richards for the benefit of the church building fund will be given in the town hall on Wednesday evening, October 19, at eight o'clock. This is a rare chance to hear this talented reader who is well-known in Boston and New York city for her delightful drawing-room presentations. Music will be interspersed. Mrs. Richards gives her services and it is hoped a good audience will greet her in appreciation of great kindness and in aid of a worthy cause.

It is reported that strangers have

taken the store business and also leased the Charles Woodward place.

Rev. A. M. Rice is away this week attending the meetings in Boston. Rev. Mr. Brown of Tyngsboro will preach on Sunday, October 16.

The farm formerly known as the Taylor Butterfield place, now occupied by M. M. Wild, is for sale.

BOXBOROUGH.
News Items.
Alfred Cobleigh, who has recently sold his farm in Harvard, has moved into the house with his brother Nelson.

Will Raymond and wife have been guests at R. Y. Nelson's this week.

Miss Susie Littlefield returned to West Acton on Saturday and is now pleasantly located in her new tenement in the house with her sister, Mrs. Julia Mead.

Arthur Houghton and Lysie Smith of Worcester were Sunday guests at C. T. Wetterbees.

Henry Lawrence had his furniture moved to his new house on Silver hill on Monday and the family went the following day.

Just before dark, Wednesday afternoon, considerable excitement was caused by the sight of a fire on Patch's hill, but fortunately it proved to be nothing serious.

Last Saturday, Fred Kingsbury moved from the Littlefield cottage to Boston, where he is to work for the Boston Elevated road.

Dan Wetterbee was at home all last week.

Jerry Griffin's son, a lad about seven years of age, has been very sick with diphtheria, but is a little better.

Miss Mary Hager and Mrs. Feyler attended the convention at Littleton.

Mrs. Lambert is visiting at Miss Mary Hager's.

Rev. F. H. Viets and wife attended the Borough Pomona grange meeting at Sudbury.

Irving Feyler spent Sunday with his aunt at Arlington Heights.

SHIRLEY.
News Items.
Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., will stage a minstrel show the latter part of this month, under the direction of Mrs. C. R. White.

The fire department was called out on Wednesday to fight a brush fire in Tophet swamp.

Miss Abbie Gately of Salem was in town on Wednesday paying a visit to her brother, Eddie Gately, who we are pleased to report has had a change for the better.

Rev. A. A. Bronson, with Mrs. Bronson; also, Mrs. Alice L. Wright and Miss Mary A. Park, started on Wednesday for a few days' attendance at the national council of Congregationalists at Boston.

Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker will preach as usual in the Universalist church on Sunday, at eleven a. m. Regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. in vestry at seven p. m.

Fred McGrath of Leominster was a visitor in town last Sunday.

Mrs. Charles W. Wolf, who has been confined to her bed the past three weeks with sciatic rheumatism, is no better.

Members of the Societe L'Assumption of Shirley went to Lawrence on Tuesday afternoon and Columbus day participated in the parade in that city with Court St. Jean.

Game Warden Albert Sherman received last Saturday a shipment of brown trout from the fish and game commissioners which he placed in Hell pond, Harvard.

John Chaisson has purchased the Joe Gionet house on Front-street and moved into the same last Saturday.

The Shirley baseball team did not play any game last Saturday, the Concord game being cancelled.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank X. Ducharme last Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur H. Jubb was taken to a private hospital in Boston on Monday and Tuesday was operated upon. A tumor was found in the back part of the brain when an opening was made and the pressure relieved. Mrs. Jubb rallied from the effects of the other. Mrs. Jubb survives this operation, it will be necessary for another one if a permanent cure is to be effected.

TOWNSEND.
Center.
Waldo Adams of Concord, N. H., visited his mother, Mrs. White, over Sunday.

Henry Clark of Fitchburg was the guest of Miss Hazel Harrington, at Harry Whitcomb's over Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Withers of Dorchester visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tarbell, last week.

Miss Beattie McGuire and friend, Miss Clara Maxwell of Boston, were at T. J. McGuire's over Sunday.

An extra meeting of the Monday club was held at the home of Mrs. A. L. Fessenden this week and Miss Auger of New York gave the club an account of her recent trip to Alaska and the Yellowstone park, which was made especially interesting by the use of books and the many postcards which she brought back with her. Refreshments were served and a delightful afternoon enjoyed by all. John Manchester also added to the afternoon's enjoyment by giving several vocal selections and a piano solo was also rendered by Prof. A. G. Seaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Haynes have returned from a visit of several weeks' duration at their son's home in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Abel King has moved her household goods to Pepperell where she will now reside.

Mrs. Walter Rockwood is very ill to the regret of her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Upham celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary last Saturday and many of their relatives from out-of-town and also friends in town were present to make the occasion a joyous one. Mr. and Mrs. Upham were the recipients of a set of dishes and other useful presents. Refreshments were served and a good time enjoyed. Mr. Upham

carries on farming and Mrs. Upham is a willing and able worker in the Ladies' society of the M. E. church. They have five children, all of whom are at home.

William Booth has severed his connection with the B. & A. D. Fessenden Co., and he and his daughter are soon to go to Seattle, where they intend to make a new home.

The third annual fair of the Phoebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., will be held on Wednesday afternoon and evening, October 26. There will be the usual fancy articles, aprons, candy, and so forth will be for sale. A salad supper will be served in the banquet hall at six o'clock. There will be an interesting entertainment at eight, which will be followed by dancing.

George Parker and Miss Eaton of Haverhill were at Mr. and Mrs. Levi Parker's over Sunday.

Reception.
The Phoebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., gave a reception on Tuesday evening at Memorial hall, to Mrs. Alice Risley of Jefferson City, Missouri, who is the daughter of Phoebe Weston Farmer, for whom the tent is named. The various orders invited were represented on the reception committee as follows: T. J. J. Harvey, veterans, and Miss Hattie Smith for the D. of V. About seventy were present and enjoyed a delightful entertainment and social time. There was a song by Mrs. Florence Gwinn; piano duet by Misses Tenney and Adams of the West village; harmonica solo, W. L. Bruce; song, Hattie E. Saunders and several patriotic songs, among which were "The star spangled banner" and "Columbia, the gem of the ocean." Mrs. Risley gave an interesting account of how she and her mother escaped into the northern lines to safety and of their work later as nurses to the northern soldiers. Refreshments were served during the evening.

West.
Mrs. Louis Welch, who has been quite ill, is much improved in health.

George Willard from Boston is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard.

Mrs. Thompson and little son Ernest from Yonkers, N. Y., recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodgman.

Miss Lawrence of Troy, N. Y., visited her sister, Mrs. Duncan Rusk, the past week.

Miss Ruth Hayden is assisting Miss Alice Seaver in the free delivery station for library books at present.

The evening service at the Baptist church will be held Sunday evenings in the vestry again.

Mrs. Alice C. Risley of Jefferson City, Mo., has been a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams.

Guy Thatcher of East Rindge, N. H., has recently visited his sister, Mrs. Fred Whitaker of Josselynville.

Mrs. Chloee Brown has purchased the Richard McElligott house on lower Main street for her home.

The Ladies' Reading club held its first meeting of the season with Mrs. E. J. Lees, last Saturday afternoon with sixteen present. The subject for the season is "Our country," and the afternoon topic was "Physical geography of our country," in charge of Miss Alice V. Seaver. The next meeting will take up the early history of our country from 1620 to 1776, and will be in charge of Mrs. Alexander Reed.

The Ladies' Literary and Social club held their first meeting last week Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Louise McElligott and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Charles B. Stickney, presiding officer for one month; Mrs. Louise McElligott, vice pres.; Mrs. Ellen Pratt, sec.; Mrs. Charles Patch, treas. The next meeting will be held on Friday afternoon, October 21, with Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence, and the topic will be "The life of Booker T. Washington."

S. Leroy Shapleigh and wife from Cambridge spent last Sunday with Mrs. Mary Foster.

AUCTIONS.
There will be an auction sale of cows, bull, horses, sheep, swine, wagons, carts, household furniture and other property of E. Peterson, Lexington, on Friday afternoon, October 21, at 9.30 o'clock. Otis H. Forbush is the auctioneer.

There will be an executor's sale by public auction in Littleton of the personal property of the late Henry H. Ramsdell, on Saturday, October 22, at 12.30 o'clock, at his late residence on the road from Littleton Depot to the Common. Frank H. Farmer is the auctioneer.

There will be an executor's and clearance sale in Concord of personal property at the Munroe estate on Monday afternoon, October 24, at 10 o'clock, and Otis H. Forbush is the auctioneer.

There will be a large and attractive sale by auction of five horses, one cow, all the wagons, carts, sleds, farming tools, hay, etc., the property of Purinton Bros., Winchester, on Saturday forenoon, October 24, commencing at nine o'clock, and again Otis Forbush is the auctioneer.

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Saturday, October 15, 1910.

GROTON.

News Items.

Miss Jennie Thayer and Miss Gertrude Weeks of Boston, who recently returned from their European trip, were guests over Sunday at Groton Inn.

The patients at the hospital here are all doing well. Mrs. Charles Williams, who underwent a successful operation for the removal of gallstones has returned to her home.

M. Joseph Cleary, who was so seriously hurt last week, is doing well. As yet no internal injuries are shown.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Baptist church will hold a sociable with supper and entertainment at the church vestry on Thursday evening, October 20. Supper served at 6.30.

Miss Fannie E. Taylor returned on Tuesday night from her visit to Miss Carrie Hartt at Newport, N. H. Miss Hartt accompanied Miss Taylor on her return and will visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Joy of Plainfield, N. J., and their daughter, a student at Wellesley college, were guests for a few days, staying over Sunday at the Groton Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Joy on leaving Groton visited Judge Sanderson, who was his classmate at Lawrence academy and Yale college. Mr. Joy is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard P. Joy, deceased.

Word was received here of the death of R. C. Totten of Reading on Sunday, October 9. Mr. Totten had been out of health for some time, but the last illness was of a week's duration. The funeral was at Reading on Wednesday afternoon, October 12. Mrs. R. C. Totten, formerly Miss Mary Elizabeth Day, has a wide circle of friends in Groton, which was her home, and where she was a successful teacher for many years.

The North-Middlesex conference of Unitarian churches will be held with the First Unitarian church in Lowell on Wednesday, October 19.

Mrs. John Hynes, coming on Tuesday of this week, visited her son, J. H. Hynes and family, returning on Wednesday to her home in Worcester.

Mrs. Charles H. Gerrish and daughter Ruth, and Mrs. M. F. Warner, have made arrangements to go to Palm Beach, Fla., where they will have a cottage for five months.

Fred Smith, son of the late Dr. Norman Smith, was in town Thursday to see his sister, Miss Laura Smith, at the hospital here.

The cellar of the new railway station, made water-tight by several applications of cement and tarred paper, is completed. On top of the concrete side walls of the cellar is laid the brick under-pinning for the house. This is to be a frame building. Piles of lumber are now on the spot for its construction.

The supper at the Baptist church on Thursday evening, October 20, is to be a chicken salad supper.

Mrs. S. R. Mason, going over last Saturday afternoon, was a guest of W. V. Bixby's family and attended the twenty-fifth anniversary of the West Groton church on Sunday.

The Congregational church fair of Thursday was an unqualified success, from the sale of the afternoon to the delightful children's entertainment in the evening. The financial success must have been most gratifying. The apron table yielded sixty-five dollars and Mrs. Wiggs sold from her cabbage patch alone twelve to fifteen dollars. These are examples of the results of the sales. A full account of the whole affair will be given next week.

Mrs. L. E. Starr Henry M. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Swallow, Mrs. E. O. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hawkes, Mrs. Jane Clark, Miss Annie L. Gilson, Mrs. Wellington Kierstead, Nathaniel Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Sawyer, Miss Helen Barrows, Miss Esie Bailey, Miss Eleanor Mason, Mrs. Amy Wright, Mrs. Bessie Anderson and Miss Pansy Howe, the last five presenting "Aunt Susan's fortune" were those from Groton grange attending the Pomona in Shirley on Wednesday. Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer and Miss Barrows also helped in the entertainment, given the duets, "McGinty's first love."

The Misses Lucy and Fanny Phelps, coming last week from Boston, Hotel Bellevue, are at Miss G. A. Boutwell's for a stay this fall.

There will be a supper and social by the ladies of the Unitarian society on Thursday evening, November 3, with entertainment in charge of Mrs. Fred A. Sherwin and Mrs. Fred O. Porter.

F. F. Waters and daughter Edith, went on Thursday for the day, to meet friends in Worcester.

Miss Sarah Priest of Littleton visited her brother, Dr. H. B. Priest, for a few days this week.

M. J. Cleary, who was badly hurt on Tuesday last week, unloading some heavy machinery from the freight cars near the freight depot, is doing as well as can be expected.

Some people are skeptical. They say they would like to see the shell of that sixty-pound turtle caught one Saturday night not long ago. They say also, that the man to whom the turtle was given to be cooked, must have found sixty pounds too much for him, as it was for the public. It was a big fish story, but we were assured it was true.

Rev. H. A. Cornell attended the Merrimack association of Baptist churches at Lowell on Wednesday.

One hundred and ten took dinner at Groton Inn on Columbus day.

Mrs. Bradford Harrington has returned from a visit to her son Richard in Hyde Park.

Mr. and Mrs. William French of Westbrook, Me., with young son, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Shelby Sawyer on Champney road.

At the grange meeting on Tuesday evening several new names were read to be voted on for membership. A large class takes the first and second degrees at the meeting on Tuesday evening, October 25. After the regular meeting on Tuesday evening, fourteen ladies of the Middlesex Rebekah lodge gave the play, "A modern sewing society" with much credit to themselves and pleasure to their listeners. These ladies had given this play at the meeting of the Rebekahs on last week Friday, and were invited to repeat it at the grange meeting.

William A. and Albert F. Parkhurst and their wives went to Dunstable on Friday for the wedding anniversary of their oldest brother, Jacob Parkhurst, who was ninety-two years old that day, October 14.

Edwin A. Shattuck and James F. Shattuck are serving as jurors in the October term of court in Lowell.

Allen E. Woods was called to attend the funeral of his wife's mother, Mrs. Green, at Boscawen, N. H., last Monday. Mrs. Woods had gone to her mother some time before her death.

The food sale held by the Unitarian ladies on the afternoon of Thursday, October 6, was very successful. All the food was disposed of by 3.30 and more could have been sold: \$5.73 was realized.

C. Howard Patterson is working in Boston for the same firm of wholesale boot and shoe dealers where his older brother, William L. Patterson, is employed.

Mrs. George Carey of Wakefield was in town last week visiting Mrs. H. W. Whiting and other friends. Her brother-in-law, Rufus Carey, is in poor health.

S. Evans has left the hospital where he was taken after the accident at Ayer, and is at present at J. R. Hawkes', feeling quite comfortable. Mr. Evans has resigned his position at the Ramsden farm as foreman.

The honor of being the oldest person in Groton, given recently in this column, to Mrs. E. J. B. Robinson, belongs instead, we hear, to the mother of Montague Chamberlain of the old Ayer road. This lady, straight as an arrow, bright, interesting and active, will be ninety-five years old next January.

Frank A. Torrey, esq., and Charles A. Harrington, republican delegates from Groton, attended the congressional convention at Marlboro on Tuesday.

Schools were closed for Columbus day on Wednesday, and the public library, postoffice and other places of business were closed for the new holiday.

Married, by Rev. H. A. Cornell, on Saturday evening, October 8, at the home of the bride, Miss Florence Mabel Keirstead and Elmer Sawyer, both of Groton. Only members of the bride's family were present. Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer left on a wedding trip to New York city and other places.

Married, by Rev. H. A. Cornell, at the Baptist parsonage on Tuesday evening, October 11, Miss Cora L. Shaffer of Shirley, and Warren A. Clough of Groton. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Clough went to the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Clough, on the old Ayer road.

Death.
The remains of Edward E. Rankin were brought here for burial on Monday afternoon of this week. Mr. Rankin had been in an invalid at a sanitarium in Piedmont, S. C., and died there on Friday, October 7. Rev. G. M. Howe officiated at the committal service. The interment was in the Rankin lot in Groton cemetery.

Mr. Rankin was the husband of Mrs. Emma Mansfield Rankin, a former well-known and well-remembered young woman of Groton, her native town. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mansfield, whose home was on Hollis street, and the granddaughter of the late Dr. Mansfield, a resident physician here many years ago.

Mrs. Rankin, now of Arlington, survives her husband with their three sons, all successful business men. Two of the sons accompanied their mother to Groton last Monday.

The Groton relatives attending the last rites at the cemetery were Mr. and Mrs. George S. Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene O. Collier and Mrs. Susie Wright.

To the Editor:
To the garden growers of the schools of Groton, dear boys and girls: In behalf of the societies which arranged the school garden luncheon for the Hon. Willet M. Hays of the department of agriculture at Washington, I wish to thank you for your contribution to the luncheon. Your town was quite different from that sent by the other towns. The time was very short, so that your director had time to see only a few of you, but sent us some photographs of the gardens, so we could see what we might have had if a few of you had sent something.

If you will thank the boys who sent produce to represent your town. The flowers that Frank Woods sent were used to decorate the table, his lettuce was used in making sandwiches. The potatoes which Richard Kirkwood and Ralph Lawrence sent were mixed up with the produce from other States—Missouri, California and Canada, to make the vegetable salad. Not many of the schools could send potatoes so those came in especially well.

The preserved citron melon which Part Wilson sent gave us a little more variety. What was sent was very nice and made every one appreciate the pictures of your gardens still more, because they knew what good things they represented.

The luncheon was attended by teachers from California, professors of agricultural colleges in Ohio, Wisconsin, and New Jersey; presidents of Normal schools from Kansas, Missouri and South Carolina; State superintendents from Nebraska, Indiana, and North Carolina, as well as your own commissioner and that of Rhode Island; also men from the U. S. department of agriculture at Washington.

Secretary and Mrs. Hays wished you to know that they appreciate your gifts.

The commissioner of Porto Rico was there. He said if he had known they were going to have produce from the children's gardens, the boys and girls of his country would have sent pineapples and bananas from their gardens. They sent from Canada, from California, from the prairies of Kansas, from the sunny south, and from the city of New York and from small rural schools.

It is a pretty nice thing to be a part of this big army of young people who are doing something to make the world better to live in and to be among those who are learning from nature by gardening.

The young people of Groton, with their two hundred gardens, may well be proud of their place in this great movement.

Trust that you will go on learning nature's ways and doing things of value. Yours in appreciation,
E. E. BALCOMB,
Secretary National Committee on Agricultural Education.

Lawrence Academy Notes.
Saturday Lawrence academy plays Boston Latin school on Shumway field. Howard H. Hayden has been elected baseball manager and Walter O'Keefe president of the Gamma-Peta society. The first vesper service will be held on Sunday at five o'clock. Rev. P. H. Cressey will be the speaker. The public is cordially invited to this service.

Lawrence Academy defeated Groton school on Wednesday, October 12, in one of the best games ever witnessed on the Groton school field. Both teams played fast, clean football, not a penalty being inflicted during the game. The forward pass was used several times to good advantage by Lawrence while Groton school worked the delayed pass for big gains. The work of the academy backfield was especially good while in the line Williams and Prouty excelled. For Groton school Frothingham and Hardwick played a fine game. Hardwick's sensational plunges through the centre of the line made it possible for Groton to score. The summary:

LAWRENCE GROTON SCHOOL
Frieberg lb re Wharton
Carver it rt Boyer
Hammond lg rg Strodman
Williams c c Atkinson
Douglass qb ig Duncan
Dodge rt rt Palne
Frantz re re Parker
O'Keefe qb qb Hardwick (captain)
Quebec lb lb Frothingham
E. Carpenter (captain) rfb rfb Dyer
Ready fb fb Smith

Score—Lawrence academy 11, Groton school 5. Touchdowns, Keady, G. Carpenter, Hardwick. Goal from touch-down, O'Keefe. Rev. A. S. Hudson, Umpire, Libby. Field judge, Nichols. Head linesman, Abbott. Time, four 5-min. periods.

School Gardens.
It has lately come to the knowledge of the writer that a peculiarly novel and interesting feature of the convention held by the National Educational association in Boston, last July, was a school garden luncheon given in honor of Sec. Hays, and attended by men and women of educational prominence from north, south, east and west. Of still greater interest is the knowledge that the potatoes forming a part of the vegetable salad for that luncheon were furnished—wholly or in part—by three West Groton brothers—Richard, Kirkwood and Ralph Lawrence. Our village should be glad and proud that it raised the boys that raised such potatoes and do its level best to keep the good work going.

The Groton director of school gardens, Miss Elizabeth Hill, whom West Groton also claims, though unable to attend the luncheon, sent seventy-five little photographs of Groton gardens as souvenirs. It is quite possible that West Groton gardens were represented.

SHIRLEY.
Centre.
Misses Ruth Graves, Elsie and Ora Holden attended the husking bee last Saturday at Irwin Thompson's on Flat Hill.

Mrs. Grout, mother of Henry Grout, who has been spending the summer here, has returned to Boston for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams left last week for their winter home in Roxbury.

Miss Harriet Winslow of Cambridge is visiting with Mrs. H. F. Grout.

Grange.
The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange met with Shirley grange last Wednesday. The meeting opened at 10.30 with an address of welcome by Worthy Master, A. A. Adams, which was responded to by Mr. Sawyer of Groton. The next was a paper by Mrs. Lugerson of Ashby on "How our grandparents lived," followed by a discussion, "Can an honest man evade taxes in Massachusetts?"

Dinner was served in the lower hall at 12.30. Miss Margaret Evans was the dinner committee.

The afternoon meeting was open to the public and opened with a song by the grange, followed by an address by Arthur Stone of Cambridge on "Juvenile crime"; "Value of the toad," by Flora Holden; song, Mrs. Annie M. Greenleaf of Townsend; reading by Mrs. Minnie L. Green of Ashby; paper, "Should the ownership of land extend to the center of the earth and to the heavens above? If one why not the other and if so where can ships go and not trespass" by Harry N. Brown; "Is nature too slow in re-seeding woodland," Merrick W. Cary; discussion, "What is law for?"; piano solo, Mrs. F. W. Ward.

Death.
Mary Cary, wife of John W. Farrar, died at her home on Sunday, October 9, at 3.30, after an illness of several weeks. The funeral took place Wednesday at two p. m., at her late home with Rev. A. A. Bronson officiating. Mrs. Collyer and Mrs. Bronson sang "Beautiful mansions." A large number of relatives and friends attended. The officers of Shirley grange, of which she was a member, attended in a body. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. The bearers were Mrs. S. Hazen, William E. Hubbard, Sidney Carter and Elmer H. Hubbard. Mrs. Farrar came to Shirley about forty-five years ago to live in the home of Jonas Longley and she has made Shirley her home ever since.

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West Groton.
Mrs. J. P. Catlin, with her infant son and nurse, returned to her home in Swampscott last Saturday, after a three weeks' visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge. Mr. Catlin spent Sundays in West Groton during his family's stay here.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch McCauley of Leominster visited Mrs. McCauley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jarvis, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Cronin visited here last Wednesday.

It is reported that the injuries sustained by Seth, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Talmage Kierstead, while leaving an electric car in Lowell, some two weeks ago, are not especially serious, as was at first feared. The shock

of the fall caused the little fellow to be quite ill for a time, but fortunately he seems to have made rapid recovery.

The school children enjoyed their first experience of Columbus day as a holiday last Wednesday.

An entertainment and dance, under the auspices of Squannacook lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., will be held on Wednesday evening, October 19. The impersonator, S. Thompson Blood of Concord, will present a program entirely new to this place. Entertainment from eight to ten, dancing to one. Music for both entertainment and dance will be furnished by Thayer's orchestra. Ice cream and cake will be on sale. Everybody welcome.

A. F. Bates and H. Spaulding, also, William Mills of West Townsend, all members of the Manchester Unity lodge here, attended the centennial banquet in Odd Fellows' hall, Boston, last Monday evening. H. J. Wentzell, P. P. G. M., well-known to the members of Squannacook lodge, was toastmaster and president of the centennial committee.

"It's the time for jolly huskins", and a good, old-fashioned time. While the frost is in the meadow, and the pumpkin's on the vine."

So thought W. V. Bixby last Tuesday, and as a result, about thirty friends and neighbors gathered that evening in the barns of Bonnie Brae, where loads of corn awaited their nimble fingers. It was a jolly husking and a good old-fashioned time, red ears and all. Having husked seventy-five bushels the party returned to their homes through the beautiful moonlight, after partaking of delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake.

C. L. Roy sent a day this week in Westmoreland, N. H.

Mrs. E. P. Shores visited friends in Lynn on Monday and Tuesday.

A tract of land lying west of the river has been sold by Edmund Blood to Hollingsworth & Vose Co. to be used as a filter. Water from the mill is to be carried by a large pipe or pipes to the filter and afterward returned to the river-bed. Italian workmen have been employed on the work for some days. If this work is to bring back our beautiful Squannacook in all its old-time purity and freshness, there is surely good cause for rejoicing.

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Saturday, October 15, 1910.

AYER.

Weddings.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reynolds on Grove street was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Reynolds' sister, Miss Stella M. Ruse, was united in marriage to Carl S. Proctor. The ceremony was performed at four o'clock by Rev. Richmond Fisk of the Unitarian church. To the music of the wedding march from Loherlein, played by Mrs. Fredrick Ruse, the bridal party entered the parlor, the bride on the arm of her brother, by whom she was given in marriage. The room was tastefully decorated for the occasion, the bay window, in which the party stood, being arched with autumn leaves, at the base of which were masses of scarlet salvia. Quantities of geraniums also lent their colors to the scene.

Miss Grace Murphy was bridesmaid, and the best man was the groom's brother, Herbert H. Proctor. The bride's gown was of white silk muslin with lace trimmings, and she carried a bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid wore Nile silk green and carried pink roses.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, congratulations were received, after which a wedding lunch was served. At five o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Proctor left by auto on a short wedding trip. Before they were allowed to depart, however, a party of friends appeared on the scene, decorated the car in a most appropriate manner, and showered the couple with an abundance of rice and confetti. On their return they will live in the Felch house on Grove street.

The wedding gifts were numerous and beautiful and included articles of furniture, china, cut glass, linen, pictures, bric-a-brac, and money.

Mrs. Proctor has been for several years at the head of the cutting department of the Sigsbee company, and Mr. Proctor is in the employ of Robert Murphy & Sons, at the Ayer Automobile station. Both are exceedingly popular young people, and a wide circle of friends extends sincere good wishes for future happiness and prosperity.

A very pretty home wedding occurred on Monday afternoon, October 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oren N. Kidder, on Fletcher street, when their daughter, Sarah E., was united in marriage to Henry E. Dustin of Townsend. The single ring service was used. The bride was given away by her father. A luncheon was served to the guests immediately after the wedding.

A pleasing feature of the occasion was that the ceremony was performed by Rev. H. G. Buckingham of the Laurel street church in Worcester, twenty-five years ago, pastor of the local Methodist church and who also married the parents of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Dustin will take up their permanent residence in Townsend.

Excursion.

The train on the excursion to Hoosac Tunnel on Saturday, October 15, will leave Ayer at 9.30 a. m., and the fare for the round trip is \$2.00. Tickets are good only on special trains. Returning the special train will leave North Adams at 4.45 p. m. Tickets will also be good returning on regular trains on October 16 and 17.

Upon payment of fifty cents additional tickets may be purchased on train for side trip to Wilmington, Vt., over the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington railroad. "The Narrow Gauge route" through the Deerfield Valley. Upon returning to Hoosac Tunnel station, Boston and Maine tickets will be good for trip through Hoosac Tunnel to North Adams, on train No. 7, October 15.

News Items.

Dr. Sullivan, who underwent a surgical operation for a serious case of appendicitis a couple of weeks ago, is getting along nicely at St. John's hospital, Lowell. When he leaves the hospital he will go to his uncle's, Dr. Sullivan of Lowell, and be under his care until he is able to return to his home here, which will likely be in two or three weeks.

A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will take place on Tuesday evening, October 18, at seven o'clock at Masonic hall. Right Excellent Charles W. Godfrey, district deputy grand high priest of the eleventh caputular district, will make Bancroft Royal Arch chapter an official visit. Right Excellent William Hamilton, of Clinton, past district deputy grand high priest, will install the officers elect of Bancroft chapter. A banquet will be served after the installation.

The Vesper Preserye Co., West Main street, have six hands employed, and later when business is rushing, will have more. They are shipping their products as fast as manufactured and are handicapped in not receiving their glass bottles for their preserves that were ordered some time ago.

Thomas McGuane picked three wild ripe strawberries in Nutting grove last Monday.

W. F. Dickson of Harvard shipped last week from Harvard station and other places on the line of the Worcester and Nashua railroad, ten carloads of apples and this week no many more, direct for Liverpool. In each car shipped, some shipped from here, contained from 160 to 200 barrels. Mr. Dickson has been shipping apples to Liverpool for the past twenty years.

Service at St. Andrew's church at 10.45 a. m., Sunday, October 16. Forge Village at 3.30. Prof. M. L. Kellver of the Theological school at Cambridge, will preach here and at Forge Village.

The West Main street Lions played a game of football with the East Main street Tigers on Thursday afternoon on Kidder's field, and the

score was 6 to 5. The scoring was made by Robert Emmet of the Lions, and Archie Maynard of the Tigers.

William Brown and his happy family pulled up stakes at the Sandy pond settlement, on Wednesday and all hied themselves to their newly made over house on East Main street, happy, no doubt, to get back. The next day, Thursday, E. A. Richardson and his family made their way to their town home. Both families have enjoyed many weeks of the past season at their summer quarters at the pond. All are ruddy, very much improved in health and more weight.

Of the juvenile offenders who were to appear in court here last Saturday, charged with malicious mischief, the four younger ones were discharged, and on the hearing of the two older ones, they were also discharged. They hailed from Littleton.

Charles P. Halpin of Littleton, charged with drunkenness at Littleton, October 9, was in court on October 10, was tried, found guilty and fined fifteen dollars.

Oscar E. Larsen of Shirley, drunkennes at Shirley, October 9, was in court on October 10, and on trial was found guilty and fined five dollars and placed on probation for six months.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mason returned from their summer home at Centre Harbor, N. H., on Tuesday afternoon, after a residence there of twelve weeks. Both for a while were taken sick. Mr. Mason a week, Mrs. Mason two weeks, while there, but they have returned hale and hearty.

William A. Richardson, Herbert Proctor, Newbert Sanderson and F. W. Hoamer gathered in their boats on Thursday night and have housed them in Mr. Richardson's cellar for the winter. After the housing of the boats, which was quite a job, they assembled at the log cabin of Mr. Hoamer, "The pines," and the chef of the cabin entertained his guests with a lunch that few could excel the chef in what he produced to whet their appetites. The inner man of the four were chuck full when everything had disappeared before them.

The following sales of real estate were made by E. H. Bliss: F. A. Wright of Pepperell sells his fifty-acre farm near Townsend Harbor to Chauncey G. Darrah of Medfield. Mrs. Kate Hazen sells her farm on Lancaster road to Sidney S. Horton of Malden, who will remodel the house and give the orchards special attention. W. E. Edwards sells his twenty-acre farm at Pingreyville to E. A. Peabody of Gardner. Mr. Bliss also reports options have been taken on three large high-priced farms near here.

Edward C. Stone of Lexington at the republican congressional convention at Marlboro on Tuesday, October 11, placing in nomination the name of William H. Wilder, reminded the convention that the democrats had placed in nomination, in the person of John J. Mitchell, a man who had been elected twice to the state senate in a republican district and that he was defeated by only 3,400 votes by the late Mr. Tirrell in an overwhelmingly strong republican district, and a time when there was not the unrest that now existed in the conditions of the country.

The Unitarian Alliance was entertained at the home of Mrs. W. Edward Murphy on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Elson H. Bigelow and Mrs. Murphy. Mrs. Alice F. Butterfield was made president pro tem. An appropriation was made to the church expenses. The program was "Story of the Berlin conference" by Miss S. R. Tuten and "A chapter from an unpublished story" by Rev. Dr. Fisk. Refreshments were served during a social hour by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Carrie Bigelow. There was a very large gathering.

The Art class of the Woman's club met last Friday evening with Miss S. A. Blood. The program this year is to be a review of Greek art and the study of some American artists. The topics were "Prehistoric Greece" by Mrs. Barker, and "Outline of geography of Greece" by Miss Blood. The next meeting is Friday evening, October 21, with Mrs. Barker.

Mrs. Susan Barker attended in Salem on Thursday, the centenary of the late Professor Alpheus Crosby, a man of note in the educational world and principal for some years of the Salem normal school. The gathering was held under the auspices of the Salem normal school association of which Mrs. Barker is a member. The association presented to the normal school at this meeting, \$600 to be called the "Alpheus Crosby fund."

The following persons went in two autos, one G. L. Osgood's, and the other, John G. Allison's, to Worcester on Monday, October 10, on a visit to Montacute lodge at the visitation of the district deputy and witnessed the working of the third degree. They were: John G. Allison, Frank S. Pierce, William Richardson, M. P. Cole, car inspector, George A. Fillebrown and Edward A. Richardson in one auto, and in the other auto, George L. Osgood, A. A. Fillebrown, L. H. Cushing, Dr. Wiley, Howard Beverly and H. S. Turner.

There were about thirty persons last Monday evening to hear Rev. H. B. Drew of Littleton lecture on "The south and the negro," in Page hall, under the auspices of the C. E. S. of the Congregational church. About eleven dollars was taken and the expense was about seven.

At the fourth republican congressional convention held in Marlboro on Tuesday for the nomination for congress, William H. Wilder was the choice of the convention, the vote being Wilder 82½, Harry L. Pierce of Leominster, 64½. The convention was called to order by Hon. George J. Burns, chairman of the fourth congressional committee. The nomination is to fill the unexpired term of the sixty-first congress, caused by the death of Hon. Charles Q. Tirrell of Natick, and also for member of congress for the full term of the sixty-second congress.

Dwinell & Moore expect to be ready to open their new store in Mr. Phelps' building on Monday morning.

Unitarian church service at 10.45 a. m. by the Rev. N. S. Hoagland of Tyngsboro. Sunday school at twelve o'clock. Y. P. R. U. service at 7 p. m.

Mrs. Ruth Sherwin will be the leader and Rev. Mr. Hoagland, the speaker. Rev. Dr. Fisk will preach in Tyngsboro. Unclaimed letters at Ayer Postoffice for the week ending October 11: Edmund Burke, Mrs. Joseph Gates, Mrs. Will E. Gillin, Mrs. Martha Kimball, Mrs. John McNamara.

Going to Florida.
William H. Sherman, who has been a resident of this town for a number of years, leaves here the first week in November for St. Cloud, Florida, where he has land and will make his home there permanently, becoming a tiller of the fertile soil in that section.

Mr. Sherman was born in Lowell in 1840 and enlisted at the age of twenty years, May 11, 1861, at Lowell, and served three years in the civil war, being slightly wounded at the battle of Cedar Mountain in Virginia; and was severely wounded through the body at the battle of Gettysburg, during the third day of the fighting.

In 1867 Mr. Sherman purchased the dry goods business of E. B. Jenkins, in a building where now stands the Public Spirit building and ran it for four years, selling out to Charles W. Mason, who sold out to Mrs. Lewis, and Mr. Sherman bought out Mrs. Lewis in 1883.

Mr. Sherman was appointed postmaster of this town, filling the unexpired term of Postmaster Sprague, and was appointed postmaster for four years, from February 6, 1893, to February 6, 1897.

In 1865, Mr. Sherman conducted a photography establishment on Merchants' row for about a year. He is a member of George S. Boutwell post and served as commander and adjutant.

Commenced Work.

Howard D. Stone of Still River commenced work last Monday on the addition to the garage building of E. O. Proctor on West Main street. He has now three men employed, but next week he will have double that number to rush it up, so as to have it completed in three or four weeks. Mr. Stone, as soon as he gets the garage completed, will commence with a gang of carpenters in the erection of two houses on the pinnacle of Oak hill, Harvard, for Harry W. Crooker of Newton. The main house, a large one, is where Mr. Crooker will reside, and the other house, a bungalow, will be occupied by Mr. Crooker's man of all work. Next Monday, Mr. Munroe of Concord Junction will have thirty "Dagos" breaking ground and will lay the cellar foundations of the two buildings. The work is to be rushed.

Mellen Elected President.

Charles S. Mellen was elected president of the Boston and Maine railroad Wednesday afternoon at the meeting of the re-elected directors of the road, in session in the North station, Boston. Lucius Tuttle, the former president, was made chairman of the board of directors, a new office.

E. A. Ryder was re-elected clerk of the corporation and H. E. Fisher was re-elected treasurer. The action of the directors Wednesday makes Mr. Mellen the active president of the Boston and Maine and its holding company, the New York, New Haven and Hartford. Mr. Tuttle, by stepping into an office created for him, still remains in a large measure actively interested in the future of the road.

At a meeting of the stockholders in Lawrence Wednesday morning the nineteen directors of the road were re-elected after a quiet and short session in the Board of Trade rooms, about two-thirds of the shares outstanding being represented. Mr. Tuttle presided and got through with the business of the meeting in twenty minutes, Mr. Mellen having very little to say. Then those of the directors present went to Mr. Mellen's special car and went to Boston for the afternoon session.

Representative Convention.

At the eleventh Middlesex representative republican convention held in the town hall last Saturday afternoon, the meeting was called to order at two o'clock by J. Adams Bartlett, chairman, who was afterwards chosen temporary chairman and Huntley S. Turner, temporary secretary. The chairman appointed John M. Maioney of Ayer, J. W. Ireland of Littleton, Arnold C. Perham of Chelmsford as a committee of credentials. They reported present, Ayer 4, Acton 1, Littleton 2, Westford 4, Carlisle 1, and Chelmsford 4.

Martin Lovering placed in nomination James H. Wilkins of Carlisle as the candidate for representative from this district, the nomination being seconded by Samuel L. Taylor of Westford, and the nomination was made unanimous.

Following is the district committee for 1911: H. S. Turner, Ayer; H. F. Clark, Acton; J. W. Ireland, Littleton; W. Robbins, Carlisle; S. L. Taylor, Westford; J. Adams Bartlett, Chelmsford. The district committee for 1911 met and organized with the choice of J. Adams Bartlett of Chelmsford as chairman and Huntley S. Turner of Ayer as secretary.

Unitarian Fair.

A harvest dinner of hot and cold meats, baked beans, all kinds of vegetables, pies and puddings, will be served in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Tuesday, October 18, at twelve o'clock. A sale of aprons, fancy articles, handkerchiefs, homemade candy and other things will be held in the afternoon. There will be a mystery table of interest.

The entertainment at the Unitarian church on Tuesday, October 18, will be the "Passion play of Oberammergau," by Mrs. Caroline B. Lawrence of Winchester. She was a witness of the play, has traveled abroad a great deal and is a lecturer in great demand. This will be a rare treat and all should see it. The play will be illustrated by stereopticon views.

SHIRLEY.

Disappeared.

Charles Goldsmith, aged thirteen years, who has made his home with George Sinclair of Shirley ever since the boy was three years old, disappeared last Tuesday morning and Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair do not know what to make of it. When he left his home that morning to go to school, he bade them good bye. The Sinclairs thought the world of him and did

everything for him that was in their power and to all appearances enjoyed his happy home. When he left he was dressed in a light brown coat and dark pants, no cap. He had been going to school at Shirley Centre since it had opened this fall.

His father, brother, and a sister reside at Augusta, Me., and it was thought he might have gone there, but they received word on Friday morning that he was not there.

Mr. Sinclair is almost prostrated at the boy's departure and is fearful that something has happened him. Word has been sent to many places to be on the lookout for him.

Items of Interest.

Congress appropriated for the American navy for the fiscal year 1911 a total sum of \$131,350,854, which is \$2,900,000 less than voted last year. The bill provides for two first-class battleships, whose cost, exclusive of armor and armament, is not to exceed for each vessel six million dollars. Provision is also made for six torpedo boat destroyers, costing \$750,000 each; two 14-knot collars, each to carry 12,500 tons of coal, exclusive of bunker coal, and to cost \$1,000,000, and four submarines to cost each \$500,000. There is also an appropriation of \$445,000 for the construction of a torpedo vessel of an experimental character.

The Soo canals are the busiest artificial waterways in the world, and the traffic grows apace. The last report of Col. C. McD. Townsend of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, shows that the total value of freight passing through the canals during the season of 1909 was \$626,104,173. The total freight traffic for the year amounted to 57,895,149 net tons, an increase of no less than forty percent over the amount in 1908. The average number of vessels per day through the Poe lock of the American canal was thirty-five. Through the Wellitz lock of the same canal it was twenty-two, and through the Canadian lock, twenty-seven per day. The whole of this immense traffic was confined to a season of navigation of seven months and twenty-seven days.

An estimate of Chicago's church census taken on Saturday night and Sunday, October 8 and 9, shows: The number of persons represented 2,000,000; number without church preference, 175,000; regular church attendants, 900,000; irregular attendants, 475,000; number with membership letters, but out of touch with churches, 450,000; refused to give information, 1,000. The complete classification of the data will require another week. The census was taken by 12,000 workers, representing 800 churches.

Contractor Mague of Newton to whom was awarded the contract for building an asphalt road in Pleasant avenue from the city line to Pleasant street in Dracut, will come here soon for the purpose of outlining the work, it being his intention to finish the job before the cold weather comes. The work will cost \$4,000 and was made possible through what is known among legislature as the "small towns" act, which Senator Hibbard got through this year, providing that twenty percent of the automobile legislation fees of the state shall be given to the towns of Massachusetts for repairs on highways that have been damaged by auto travel. The bill became law within a comparatively short time, and Dracut is one of the first towns to receive a benefit from it. The town appropriated the additional \$2,000.

An interesting custom was recently observed at Lochmaben, in Dumfriesshire, Scotland, when the townspeople exercised an ancient right granted by charter of James VI. of netting the lochs surrounding the burg for vendance, a very rare fish. The fishing, however, did not prove productive, very few vendance being captured, though in former years they were plentiful. This fish, which is peculiar to the Lochmaben lochs alone, takes no lure, and dies immediately when taken from the water. Its length varies from six to eight inches, and it is greatly prized by epicures, being a fish of rare delicacy.

Owning Your Home.

"I have always felt that upon properly appointed and becoming dwellings depends more than anything else the improvement of mankind," said Benjamin Disraeli (Earl of Beaconsfield). To sit in the evening in your comfortable armchair; to look around you and know that everything you see there is your very own and that you have obtained it all so that you practically do not feel the cost; to know also that if you, the breadwinner, were suddenly called away your home would still be your wife's or your family's—that is one of the pleasures of life, indeed. It is a pleasure which gives you new heart in your work in the world. It sends you out every morning determined to get on and to earn more money, and because of that very determination you do become worth more money.—New York Press.

A Handy Snuffbox.

A curious story is told as to how the Rothschilds supported Carafa, the composer. The latter was far from rich. His principal income was derived from a snuffbox. And this was the way of it: The snuffbox was given to the author of "La Prison d'Edimbourg" by Baron James de Rothschild as a token of esteem. Carafa sold it twenty-four hours later for 75 napoleons to the same jeweler from whom it had been bought. This became known to Rothschild, who gave it again to the musician on the following year. The next day it returned to the jeweler's. The traffic continued till the death of the banker and longer still, for his sons kept up the tradition to the great satisfaction of Carafa.

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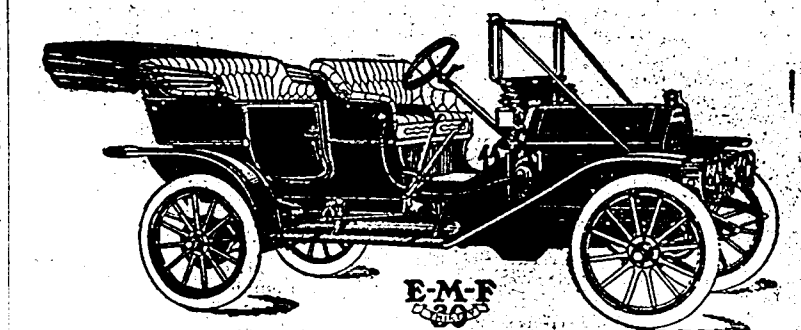
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SERVING OF WATERMELON.

How to Use the Rind as a Bowl For the Pink Fruit.

Though most true lovers of the watermelon will insist that the only way to enjoy the fruit thoroughly is to eat it as nature, as the pickaninies do, this is hardly a proper and befitting manner for the luncheon table.

The commonest method of serving the melon is to cut it, not into the crescent shaped pieces beloved by the darky, but in pie shaped triangles. It is pleasant to serve these without the rind, and for this purpose the fruit should be carved in the following manner: Slice off both round ends. Cut the remaining portion in two. Then cut the pink centers out of either of these sections and serve them on platters of ample size. At the table pieces may be cut into individual portions.

A more novel method is to utilize the effective green rind as a bowl for the pink center. Cut the melon in half lengthwise and trim it on the bottom, that it may stand firmly on the platter. It may be brought to the table in this manner or scooped out with a large berry spoon. The platter should be garnished with large green leaves from vine or bush.

When one owns a French potato ball scoop the pulp may be shaped in little round balls and served in sherbet glasses with lemon or pineapple ice. These balls are also a decided addition to fruit cocktails or fruit hash.

In serving melons one must always remember to have them and the platters from which they are to be served thoroughly chilled. Some people are of the opinion that salt brings out the flavor, while others prefer sugar. The same rule for chilling holds good with muskmelons. To serve them with chopped ice in the hollowed center is to detract from their taste, as well as to bother the consumer. They may be eaten with sugar, salt, pepper, cinnamon or salad dressing, according to preference.

CHEAP MILK REFRIGERATOR.

How to Make One From a Wooden Box and a Tin Pail.

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Many are unable to buy enough ice in summer to preserve milk in ordinary refrigerators for twenty-four hours. Most mothers, however, buy a five or ten cent cake every morning and by following the suggestion of Dr. Alfred F. Hess can make at home at small cost an excellent milk refrigerator that requires only a very little ice.

"Obtain a box from the grocer. Any wooden box a foot in depth will answer the purpose. Buy a tin pail with a cover, one deep enough to hold a quart bottle of milk, and a slightly larger pail without a cover. Place one inside the other and stand them in the center of the box. Now pack sawdust or excelsior beneath and all about them to keep the heat from getting in. Complete the refrigerator by nailing about fifty layers of newspaper to the underside of the box cover.

"The refrigerator is now ready for use. In the morning as soon as the milk is received it should be placed in the pail, and 5 cents' worth of ice should be cracked and placed about the milk bottle. The cover should be replaced on the can and the lid on the wooden box. Every morning the melted ice should be poured off."—Survey.

How to Make Starch.

To make starch allow one-half pint of cold water and one quart of boiling water to every two tablespoonfuls of starch. Put the starch in a large saucepan and pour on the cold water, stirring all the while with a spoon to remove all lumps. When the mixture is smooth place the pan on the hot stove and pour boiling hot water over the starch, continuing the stirring. If made properly the starch will thicken immediately. It often happens that the water is not at boiling point when being poured on the starch, and in this case it will not thicken and must therefore be emptied into a clean vessel and placed on the fire to boil. When smooth remove from the stove and strain. Set aside to cool, taking care that it is covered so that a skin will not form over the top. To give a shiny and smooth appearance to the linen when ironed stir a piece of wax candle three or four times in the starch. This will also prevent the iron from sticking.

How to Clean Varnished Wall Paper.

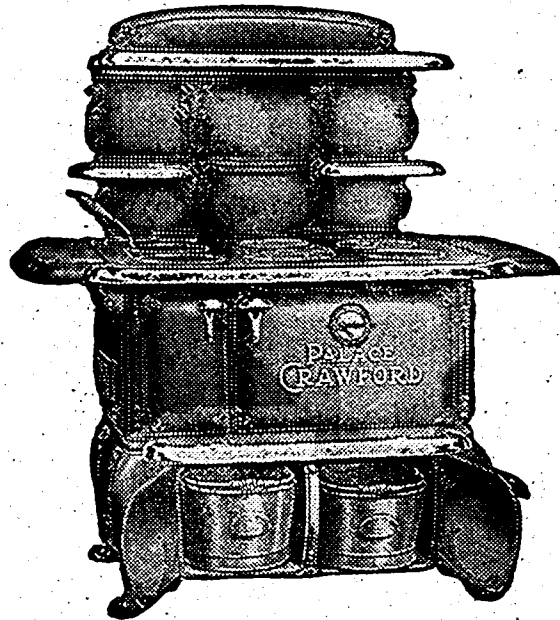
Varnished wall paper should never be cleaned by rubbing with a flannel or cloth. Procure a good soft white-wash brush, which can be bought at any oil store; then have a bucket of clean soft warm water in which yellow soap has been lathered. Dip your brush into the water, slightly squeeze it and commence rubbing gently from the bottom of the paper, working upward. You will thus have your paper free from smears and the varnish uninjured.

How to Mend a Rubber Glove.

To mend a tear or cut in a rubber glove put a piece of adhesive plaster a little larger than the rent inside the glove, hold the sides of the tear in place and press the plaster and the glove together firmly. Of course the sticky side of the plaster is laid next to the glove. This will hold the rubber fast, and it will wear for many days despite the unfortunate rent.

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Remarkable Instinct. "Every time I go shopping I thank heaven that I have a good business head," said the woman who boasts that her quick wit always saves her from financial loss. "A saleswoman came very near getting into trouble today over a belt I bought. The only thing that saved her was my business instinct. First I bought a belt for \$1.25 and paid with a two dollar bill. In handling my change the girl dropped a quarter into the paper and boxes that strewn the floor back of the counter and could not find it. Of course I could have held her accountable, but she looked so tired and worried that I hadn't the heart to do that, so how do you think we settled it?" Her husband gave it up. "Why," said she triumphantly, "I just exchanged my \$1.25 belt for a dollar one, and neither of us lost anything."

"Remarkable instinct, my dear," said the husband, and she smiled over his approval.—New York Sun.

Bernard Shaw's Excuse. Bernard Shaw was invited to a banquet in honor of the sculptor Rodin. He sent the following letter as his excuse for not attending: "For me a banquet to Rodin is quite superfluous. I have already taken measures to assume immortality for myself by attaching my name to that of Rodin. Henceforth in every encyclopedia you will read 'Bernard Shaw; subject of a bust by Rodin; otherwise unknown.' "If the bust is lost, broken or spoiled, so much the better for me," he continues. "They will speak of the lost Bernard Shaw of Rodin, as today they speak of the lost Athens of Phidias. Nothing can be more beautiful than the statues which no one ever saw. Therefore I have done all that is necessary. I can get along without banquets. You will only be Rodin's hosts. I have the honor to be his model."—Dramatic Mirror.

The Unreality of Opera. There are people who still complain of the unreality of opera, who cannot subject themselves to its illusion. And indeed the illusion of opera breaks down if everything in it is not kept at the same distance from reality. In that world of musical expression we must never be suddenly lowered by any incongruous detail into the ordinary world of prose. Realism, the attempt to work upon the emotions by complete illusion of reality, is disastrous in opera. If the scene is a railway station we remember at once that people do not sing when they are catching trains.—London Times.

The Music Was Fatal. A New York politician once found it necessary to attend an entertainment at an orphan's home, and he was having a bad time of it. The selection by the boys' band was particularly distressing. Turning to a friend, the politician said with a shudder, "No wonder they are orphans."—Success Magazine.

A Money Saver. "But you are taking considerable risk in letting your young men owe two or three weeks' board." "Yes, there is some risk," answered the boarding house keeper. "But then, you see, they worry over it so that they lose their appetites, so I save money in the long run."

Diplomatic. "I believe our boy is a born diplomat." "Has he shown extraordinary ability as a prevaricator?" "Well, no, not that exactly, but he can cheat other boys in trades and make them think they are getting all the best of it."

Napoleon and Woman. Napoleon I. who was a great admirer of female talent when its owner did not, like Mme. de Staël, direct it against himself, used to say, "There are women who have only one fault—viz, that they are not men."

Man and Woman. When a man gets into trouble the first thing he thinks of is, "How shall I get out of this fix?" When a woman gets into trouble her first thought is, "How shall I best bear this misery?"—Winifred Black.

Cheeky. "Does Winks take any magazines?" "All he can get, 'I don't dare to leave one lying around.'"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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How to Do it by a Simple Home Process and Remove Stains.

To keep china bright and spotless is the desire of every housekeeper, and so the task of washing the best dishes she rarely intrusts to a servant, for should the cleansing be done in a careless way the result will be an accumulation of small stains which will require treatment bordering on the heroic to remove.

Hot water should be avoided when washing fine china, because the heat is apt to make cracks, just as it will break glass. To cleanse such china a cupful of soapsuds or thin soap jelly should be added to a pan of hot water, and as a precaution against chipping or breaking it is a good plan to fold a dish towel and lay on the bottom of the dishpan. For this purpose there are rubber mats, but a thick fold of toweling will be just as much protection.

In washing only a few cups and plates just ordinary care is sufficient, but when housecleaning is the order the china closet and its contents demand special attention, for even though the pretty ware has been kept behind closed doors dust will sift through and often stains appear on china when it is unused for months at a time. Of course it goes without saying that only a few pieces should be put in the bath at a time if the work of cleansing is to be thorough. In soaking, however, if each dish is placed carefully in the bath a number of pieces may be put in together.

After soaking in soapy water for several minutes to soften the soil and stains a second bath should be prepared, into which a few pieces should be washed at a time. A small, old, soft toothbrush is the best article with which to clean handles of cups, pitchers and vegetable dishes.

China dishes displaying raised patterns are veritable dust traps and need much soaking and scrubbing to release the grime. One cannot be too careful, however, with this kind of ware, and the wiping really is almost worse than the washing, for unless thoroughly dry the dust will settle into the crevices, so after rinsing and drying thoroughly with a soft towel it is a good plan to place the articles in a cool oven, leaving the door ajar, if only as a reminder that the dishes are inside and must be removed before the fire gets hot.

One of the best home remedies for removing stains on china is wood ashes. These ashes are safe to use, and any ordinary stains will disappear with the treatment, consisting of soft ashes shaken on a damp cloth and applied.

When a stain is obstinate a little dry salt will usually remove it and will not injure the china. There are, however, some kinds of stains that do not disappear by ordinary means, notably the dark color that has settled into small cracks and the yellow tinge often assumed by unused china; also stains caused by medicine.

When such is the case there is nothing that will remove the obstinate spots but muriatic acid. At the outset it is best to say this must be used with caution. At the same time there is no better agent. If china has been well fired no harm will result to the ware or its colored decoration, but if home fired the china must not be treated with this acid.

In applying muriatic acid it is best to use a camel's hair brush, because, while the acid will not burn the fingers, it is apt to injure the cuticle around the nails. The muriatic acid should be used full strength, and if the article to be whitened is a dish or plate the liquid should be poured into it, tilting and rolling the acid until the stains disappear.

Stains caused by running water in bowls will disappear as if by magic by using a little muriatic acid. It must not, however, be poured on marble, only porcelain, for it will eat away the polish on the marble. In purchasing the acid the commercial muriatic acid should be secured.

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Registration of Voters
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Thursday, September 15, 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.
 Saturday, October 22, 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.

Saturday, October 29, 12 m. to 10 p. m.
 Registration will close at 10 p. m., Saturday, October 29, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registration, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the collector of taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1910. Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization.
 JOHN L. KENNISON, PETER B. MURPHY, FRANK J. MALONEY, GUY B. REMICK, Registrars of Voters.

MANUFACTURERS' MATERIALS
 Very Heavy Imports For the Last Fiscal Year

THE TARIFF ON NECESSITIES

Schedules Speak For Themselves—Show Reductions or No Change For the Most Part—Increases Were on Luxuries
 If one were to judge of the conditions of the manufacturing business in this country from the imports of raw materials for these industries, this year must be an exceedingly busy one. This is true of hides and skins, of which 586,000,000 pounds were imported for the year ending July 31. As showing how imports in this line have increased it may be said that 341,000,000 pounds was the sum total in 1900. In raw wool the amount was 255,000,000 pounds, practically 100,000,000 pounds more than in 1900. Of iron ore there was imported 5,306,000,000 pounds, nearly three times as large an amount as ten years ago. In copper ore and matte 946,000,000 pounds was imported as against 90,000,000 pounds in 1900. Of copper pigs and bars 245,000,000 pounds was imported, three times as large as was brought in a decade ago. Wood pulp, however, shows the largest increase. There was brought in 869,900,000 pounds against 191,100,000 in 1900. The importations of lumber show a very large increase, amounting to 1,370,500,000 feet in 1910 as against 656,600,000 feet in 1900. Of raw silk there was imported 20,600,000 pounds against 11,200,000 pounds a decade ago.

Lower Prices Prevailing
 Lower prices for commodities in this country and abroad are one of the features of the latest price figures issued by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. Raw wool is one of these, the August price being 21 cents as against 27 cents in July. Boards, planks, etc., in the lumber line are given as \$18.65 per thousand feet in August against \$20.02 in January. Raw cotton, 18 cents in August against 21 cents in July. Tea, 18 cents a pound in August against 22 cents in May. In the domestic markets wholesale prices are in most cases lower now than a few months ago. Corn shows a decrease of 3 cents a bushel in August over July, selling in the latter month at 70 cents a bushel. Flour exports average \$5.04 a barrel in August against \$5.42 in May. Unbleached cotton cloths 6.8 cents per yard in August against 7.1 cents in July, and 8.1 cents in March.

What the Payne Tariff Did
 There seems to be a good deal of misinformation abroad concerning the tariff on a good many of the necessities of life. There were 874 changes made in the tariff schedule by the Payne act. Of this number 654 were decreases of duties, and only 220 increases. These increases were very largely made upon luxuries. The following list shows only a few of the decreases:

- Agricultural tools, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Bacon and ham, Tariff reduced 20pc
- Beans, Tariff not changed
- Beef, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Boots and shoes, Tariff reduced 60pc
- Butter and milk, Tariff unchanged on dairy products
- Cane sugar above 16 and all refined sugars, Tariff reduced 24pc
- Cabbages, Tariff reduced 33pc
- Clayboards, Tariff reduced 16pc
- Coal (no duty on hard coal)
- Soft coal, Tariff reduced 33pc
- Corn meal, Tariff reduced 5pc
- Cotton thread, Tariff reduced 16 to 20pc
- Cotton goods, Tariff not changed except in certain finer grades, which are luxuries. Raw cotton free
- Crinoline hair cloth, Tariff reduced 20pc
- Cream of tartar and saleratus, Tariff reduced 16pc
- Eggs, Tariff not changed
- Ether, Tariff reduced 20 to 80pc
- Flour, Tariff not changed
- Glazed brick, Tariff reduced 22pc (used)
- Gloves (commonly used), Tariff reduced 25pc
- Gunpowder, Tariff reduced 33 to 50pc
- Harness and saddles, Tariff reduced 55pc
- Hammers, sledges, etc., Tariff reduced 8pc
- Herring, Hides, Tariff reduced 33pc
- Hooks and eyes, Tariff reduced 47pc
- Iron ore, Tariff reduced 60pc
- Iron (holler) Tariff reduced 15 to 40pc
- Iron (bars) Tariff reduced 25 to 50pc
- Iron (pig) Tariff reduced 37pc
- Kerosene oil, Placed on free list
- Knives and forks (commonly used), Tariff reduced 13 to 26pc
- Lard, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Laths, Tariff reduced 20pc
- Lumber, (boards, planks, deals and other sawed lumber of white wood, sycamore and bass wood, not planed or finished) Tariff reduced 50pc
- Lumber, (sawed) not special-ly provided for, Tariff reduced 37pc
- Lumber, (planed) on on side Tariff reduced 30pc

- Planed or finished on two sides) Tariff reduced 33pc
- (Planed or finished on four sides) Tariff reduced 31pc
- Manufactures of leather, Tariff reduced 13 to 75pc
- Mutton, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Nails, spikes and tacks, Tariff reduced 20 to 50pc
- Oil cloth and linoleum, Tariff reduced 9 to 38pc
- Peas, (dried) Tariff reduced 16pc
- Peas, (in bulk) Tariff reduced 37pc
- Petroleum and products, Placed on free list
- Pork, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Potatoes, Tariff not changed
- Saccharine, Tariff reduced 66pc
- Salt, (in bags, etc.) Tariff reduced 8pc
- Salt, (in bulk) Tariff reduced 12pc
- Sardines, etc., in tins, other than bottles, jars, tin boxes or cans, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Saws, Tariff reduced 16 to 25pc
- Sewing machines, Tariff reduced 33 1-3pc
- Sodas, Tariff reduced 12 to 33 1-3pc
- Starch, (except made from potatoes) Tariff reduced 33 1-3pc
- Steel rails, Tariff reduced 50pc
- Stockings, (common) Tariff not changed
- Tallow, Tariff reduced 33pc
- Timber (hewed) square, Tariff reduced 50pc
- Varnishes, Tariff reduced 20 to 48pc
- Veal, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Venison, Tariff reduced 25pc
- Wood and manufactures of, Tariff greatly reduced
- Woolens, Tariff unchanged except in unimportant details
- Window glass (common) Tariff reduced 4 to 20pc

New Advertisements.
 NOTICE—Luther and Dexter Page, heirs of Abel Page, who died in 1881, in Ayer, please communicate urgent business, Address, JUSTIN SPAULDING, Ayer, Mass., Box 6. 213*

A MINISTER'S NOTICE.
 The undersigned, now Chaplain Emeritus, may have many of his Sundays at liberty. He would be very glad to be of service to any ministers in the neighborhood, who may be in need of occasional assistance, without reference to any money compensation. Any churches also, of whatever name or denomination, needing a pastoral supply, either for a single Sabbath, or for a longer time, he would be glad to advise or assist, if his services would be acceptable.
 WILLIAM J. BATT, Concord Junction, Mass.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
 heirs of Abel Page, who died in 1881, and all other persons interested in the estate of L. EMOGENE CARTER, late of Shirley in said County, deceased, are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten, 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 the Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said court.
 Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.
 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
 To the devisees, legatees, and all other persons interested in the estate of GEORGE S. BOUTWELL, late of Groton in said County, deceased, testate:
 Whereas a petition has been presented to said court to grant a letter of administration with the will annexed on the estate of said deceased not already administered, to WILLIAM F. WILKINSON of Groton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his official bond, or to some other suitable person.
 You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-fourth day of October, 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 the Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all devisees and legatees named in said will, seven days at least before said court.
 Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.
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 Sundays—First car at 7.05 a. m., then same as week days.
 Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer and Brookside 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.
 Cars leave Brookside for Lowell, North Chelmsford and Ayer at 6.15, 6.50 and 8.05 a. m., and 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 11.05 p. m.
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Saturday, October 15, 1910.

PEPPERELL.

Gleanings.

Cards of invitation have been received by friends in town announcing the observance on Tuesday, October 13, of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robbins of Fitchburg, formerly of this town.

Mrs. Jennie McCullough, who has been spending a vacation in Maine, is now a guest of Mrs. George Shaw.

William Lewis and two children of Lynn were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln J. Mason.

Mrs. Georgiana Kimball is spending a few days in Hollis and Milford. A. J. Shattuck of High street still continues seriously ill.

Ruth Nelson of Wilbraham, Mass., spent last Sunday at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Nelson of Chapel place.

Mr. and Mrs. Way of Cottage street, are to move into E. E. Tarbell's house on the corner of Mill and Cottage streets.

Mrs. Elmer Andrews is boarding with Mrs. Pierce at Reed's Ferry, N. H.

Mrs. Eugene Potter of Somerville has been a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Drawbridge. Mr. Potter also spent Sunday with them.

Walter Lunt received word on Monday of the death of his father at Gardiner, Me., and went to Gardiner on Tuesday.

Timothy O'Leary, while picking apples some time ago, fell from the ladder on account of a broken cord, breaking ribs, and injuring himself in other ways. He has been very sick, but is now better.

Martin Carbo, the grocer who was burned out in August last, has resumed business in what was the Clement building.

The W. C. T. U. held a meeting on Friday last at the home of Mrs. E. F. Harmon. Superintendents of the different departments were chosen for the coming year and delegates to attend the State convention to be held at Attleboro.

Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold their annual ball and supper on November 15. A change is expected to be made in the orchestra and one procured that will give satisfaction to all.

The meeting in regard to the annual hunt, was held at F. J. Dunlap's on Tuesday night, October 11. It was decided to have the hunt on October 21 and 22, and the game supper in charge of the members of the Acoma lodge in the banquet hall, on October 24.

Some of the K. of C., of this town, attended the celebration at Boston on Columbus day.

A few of the members of the A. of H., of this town, went to Boston on Sunday to attend a convention held there.

Roger Taft of the Nashua River Paper Co., is enjoying a vacation trip in Canada, starting from here on Saturday last. He expects to spend some time in New York before he returns to Pepperell.

C. A. Goff is fixing up the grounds at his home on Pleasant street, but was disappointed in procuring the loam he desired of the Boston and Maine railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Blood, who have been on a carriage drive through New Hampshire and Maine, have returned to their home in this town well pleased with their trip.

The new track being laid by the Boston and Maine railroad at the station here is nearly completed and is expected to be in use soon.

H. A. Wentworth, chief engineer for the Nashua River Paper Co., is spending his vacation with his brother at South Brewer, Me., and expects to enjoy a hunting trip while away,

thereby furnishing reminiscences with which to regale his friends on his return.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rodman Blake on Wednesday, October 12.

Harry J. Bean of Boston has been a recent guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bean.

Mrs. William Lewis of Lynn, visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Johnson, coming on Wednesday from the sanitarium at Rutland, where she has been a patient for a number of months. Mrs. Lewis, although greatly improved in health, has returned to Rutland, where she expects to remain for the winter.

Columbus day passed off in a very quiet manner. The schools were closed and the employees at the post-office observed the day, but the stores were all open and the different manufacturing concerns continued work as usual, except the shoeshop, which showed its patriotism by closing.

The third and fourth quarterly conference of the year will be held at the Methodist church on Saturday evening, October 15. The district superintendent, Rev. Dr. Rice, will preside. He will preach in the Methodist church on Sunday morning, October 16.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Handley returned from their vacation on Friday, October 14. Mr. Handley enjoyed a day at the Brockton fair while away.

Walter Sherwood has been spending a week with relatives in Worcester.

Miss Beatrice O'Connell returned on Thursday from Charlestown, where she has been spending a few weeks with Miss Helen Sullivan.

Mrs. Frank Lawrence and son, Gerry of Concord are visiting her parents on Franklin street.

Mrs. George Hanna and children have been visiting Mrs. Hanna's sister in Greenville, N. H. They returned on Monday of this week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Green of Mill street on Thursday, October 13, named Marlan.

Electric lights have been installed in the auditorium of the Methodist church and will be ready for use on Sunday evening, October 16.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gordon McDowell have moved to Bolton. They have made many friends since coming to town, who greatly regret their removal, particularly their friends in the Methodist church. Their new church home will be in Hudson. Mrs. Underhill, Mrs. McDowell's mother, accompanied them.

Mrs. Frank Hall and son Roscoe, of Nashua, visited Mrs. Ada Upton on Thursday of this week.

Miss Jessie Steeves is expected home on Saturday of this week. She has been spending the summer at the home of her parents near Moncton, N. B.

Frank O'Neal, who returned some two weeks ago from the Massachusetts General hospital, where he had an operation for appendicitis, is now able to be at work.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall are entertaining company—Mrs. William Marshall, Jr., of Hartford, Conn., and Mrs. J. Fox of Brooklyn, N. Y.

James Bent has moved his family from the Schottmiller home, so-called, to the double house of Mrs. Jennie Winch on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bailey (Annie Gilman), who were married recently in Brookline, N. H., are now occupying their new home in one of John Frossard's houses on Crescent street.

Mrs. Mary Foster of Somerville is the guest of Mrs. Lucius Wilson.

Rev. Harry Shattuck of Lowell, formerly of this town, has been quite seriously ill, but is now improving a little.

Mrs. H. L. Thurston, who was quite badly hurt by a fall a few weeks since, is gaining slowly and pleasant days is able to sit a short time on the piazza.

Mrs. Leonard Nodding of Somerville visited her parents in town last week. She returned to her home on Sunday, accompanied by her daughter Phillips, who had been making a two-weeks' visit with her grandparents.

On Friday afternoon, October 21, at three o'clock, the ladies of the M. E. church are to hold a food sale in the vestry of the church.

Death.

William H. Lunt, a former resident of this town, died very suddenly in Gardiner, Me., on Monday, October 10.

Mr. Lunt was seen to fall on a bridge near his home and when help reached him it was found that he was dead. He was supposed to be as sound and healthy as any man of his age of seventy-four years, as he had no illness and had been out and about as usual. Heart trouble was stated as the cause of his death.

Mr. Lunt was born in Gardiner and was the son of the late Capt. William and Eliza Jordan Lunt. He was a paper maker for many years, but for several years has done no heavy work, and was janitor of a Gardiner school building. He was a veteran of the civil war, serving in Co. I, of the 24th Maine, and was a member of Heath post.

Mr. Lunt came from Gardiner to Pepperell in 1870, obtaining employment in the papermill. Later, going to work in the shoeshop for Leighton Bros. He built the first house that was erected on Pleasant street, a double house now owned by W. H. Annis. In 1887, or thereabouts, Mr. Lunt returned to Gardiner.

He leaves a wife, Susan Sprague Lunt, three sons, Walter of this town, Adelbert and Linwood of Gardiner, and one daughter Maud, also of Gardiner, and two brothers and two sisters.

The funeral was held in Gardiner on Thursday afternoon, October 13. His son, Walter Lunt, went to Gardiner on Tuesday and has not as yet returned.

About Town.

Mrs. Jennie Williams has closed her house on Oakhill and left town on Tuesday for Brooklyn, N. Y.

Roger Taft has gone to Montreal and other Canadian points on an automobile trip in company with Eben Phillips and others.

Gordon McDowell, who has been occupying the Alfred Lawrence place, left on Monday for Bolton, Warren M. Blood moving his goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wentworth left Tuesday noon for Bangor, Me. While visiting friends and relatives Mr. Wentworth expects also to enjoy a few days spent in hunting.

Mrs. Lizzie Curtis enjoyed a trip to Worcester last Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Burkinshaw of Bridgeport, Conn., visited Wardell Parker and other friends in this vicinity and left Wednesday for Bath, Me., on a visit with many friends and relatives in her native town.

Mrs. Perley Blake returned on last Wednesday from her visit to relatives in Braintree.

S. S. Blood and family left their summer home on Oak hill for New York city on Tuesday.

Miss Luella Parker returned from her visit to friends in Hudson and is now employed by Charles Gage.

Mrs. Edward Taylor and little daughter of Somerville are visiting the Misses Josie and Elinor Lawrence.

A. Leon Lawrence of Concord Junction was in town over Wednesday.

Frank T. Marston and family of Melrose are visiting relatives in town. Mr. Marston, who is now employed in the Charlestown navy yard, will be remembered by the people of Pepperell and vicinity as news gatherer of the Pepperell Advertiser.

Miss Edna Kittridge, former cashier at Hayes' store, has returned to her home from Rindge, where she has been employed recently.

Centre.

The Woman's club will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 1, in Central hall. There will be a business meeting at 3.45, followed by a reception to Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R. The occasion is a "Patriotic day." Music by members of the club followed by club tea.

The Congregational church and parsonage are receiving a coat of white paint. William E. Chapman has the contract and when he gets through with it, it will shine as never before.

The vaccination of the school children is making satisfactory progress, large numbers having already visited placed in the hands of the physicians. The school department have issued a series of blanks which have been placed in the hands of the physicians. These blanks meet the approval of the physicians and it will not be long before the secretary will have on file some one of them for every school boy and girl.

The Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will meet at the chapter house on Wednesday afternoon, October 19, at three o'clock, to observe its twelfth birthday, as it was organized in 1898, and received its charter on October 19 of that year. A reception and social will be given its six real granddaughters, after a short business meeting and program. Delegates and alternates were chosen at the last chapter meeting to attend the State meeting to be held in King's chapel, Boston, on Thursday and Friday, October 20 and 21.

News Items.

Mrs. Harriet E. Gutterson picked a large bunch of ripe strawberries from her garden on Monday, October 10.

Mrs. Charles E. Spencer has returned to her home in Roxbury, after a two-months' visit with her mother on Townsend street.

The Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church will hold a harvest supper and dance on Thursday, October 27.

Dr. George A. Raymond, dentist from Boston, will soon be in his new office in E. E. Tarbell's building. For the present he is at the New Prescott hotel.

The premium list of the Pepperell Farmers' and Mechanics' club came so late this week, Friday morning, that it was impossible to set it up without delaying the issue of the paper. We were promised them the early part of the week. They will appear next week.

Everyone interested is invited to attend a meeting at the home of Mrs. P. W. Flynn, Tarbell street, to complete the plans for the opening of a reading room in the vacant school building. Splendid success has rewarded the efforts of the soliciting committees and it is expected the rooms will be ready by this time next week.

W. N. Mault is improving his residence by the addition of a bathroom and hot and cold water.

Elmer E. Shattuck is visiting his sisters, Misses Luella and Ada Shattuck on Oak hill.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Markham are spending their vacation with Mrs. Markham's mother, Mrs. Edward Fitzpatrick.

Mrs. Frank Smith is spending a week's vacation with her mother, Mrs. H. W. Trenholm at West Fitchburg.

Charles S. Denham and Edward P. McCord were delegates to the councillor convention at Boston on Friday, when Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher of Westford was chosen as a candidate for election. Mr. McCord substituted for J. A. Saunders, who was unable to go.

Those wishing town water installed before freezeup time are reminded of the notice by superintendent Perley Blake in another column.

Miss Pansy Howe and Miss Bertha Farnsworth were guests at the wedding at Green Harbor on Friday, October 7, at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Barker, when their daughter, Miss Elsie May Barker, and Mason Hills Stone, Harvard '07, nephew of Mrs. L. E. Starr of this town, were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Stone have been frequent visitors here previous to their marriage.

William Ames, who has been out-of-town for some months, visited old friends here on fair day last week.

The new fall time tables on the Boston and Maine railroad are in effect. The Bar Harbor express has been discontinued and the train formerly due from Worcester at 3.50, arrives five minutes later.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational

church held a very successful supper in the vestry on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Mary Blood died at her home on Leighton street of heart failure on Wednesday morning, October 5. She was thirty-eight years of age, a native of Worcester, and leaves a husband, Walter D. Blood, to mourn his loss. Funeral was in charge of R. H. Blood Services were on Friday, from St. Joseph's church. Many floral decorations, were brought, among them:

Pillow, pinks and roses, husband; spray of pinks, Martha E. Blood; spray of pinks, Fred Messer and family; pinks, Mead and Mrs. Alfred Blood; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messer; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. Nokes; asters and dahlias, Mrs. Frederick.

Joseph A. Wiley and E. L. Tarbell won honors at the Chestnut Hill golf club open tournament last Saturday. Wiley being fourth and Tarbell tenth from a list of fifty-four crack players from many clubs. A number planned to attend the play this Friday.

Unclaimed letters at East Pepperell postoffice for the week ending October 11: Leon C. Evans, James Mackey, Alexander Lavalie, Mrs. William Turner, Tom Wharton.

His Whereabouts Unknown.

Elbridge Jewett disappeared on Thursday morning from sight of the usual routine of his daily life and cannot be found. He left home on Pleasant street at about 5.30 a. m., to go to the factory of the Buffalo Shoe Co., where he has been employed for the past six months. Previous to that he had been employed in a like capacity by the Champion International Paper Company for a number of years.

As he did not appear at the factory that morning, Superintendent Thomas H. Bailey telephoned to know the reason. At ten o'clock Mrs. Jewett notified the police department and acting chief George G. Tarbell, started an investigation and learned that Mr. Jewett had passed the time of day at Charles Sylvester's market and then proceeded on the Worcester and Portland railway tracks in the direction of Ayer. Mr. Sylvester thinks this was about 5.45 a. m. This was the last seen of him in town as far as can be learned and upon telephoning the selectmen, Chief Tarbell sounded the fire alarm for volunteers to make a search. Dr. F. W. Lovejoy made many trips in his auto in this work. Parties in boats dragged the rivers all to no purpose and others searched the woods for miles without any further clues of his whereabouts.

At nine o'clock in the evening, a persistent rumor that he was seen at Ayer in the morning, was taken up by Chief J. Morrish and he ascertained that he was seen about ten o'clock by Joseph Suprenant of this town, who is employed in the express office at the junction. He conversed rationally and continued on foot in the direction of Littleton.

Mr. Jewett is fifty-five years of age, about six feet tall, weight about 200 pounds, walks rather laboriously with slightly drooped shoulders. He has been a resident of this town for many years and has a brother, Andrew Jewett of Hollis, N. H.

No reason is at present apparent for his peculiar departure, as his home life is reported as ideal. He took his dinner pail with him as usual and upon being reminded not to forget his glasses as he left the house, replied he "had everything."

The Races.

The first Columbus day was celebrated here, many flags flying and the stores closed at ten o'clock in the morning. Fully six hundred people attended the matinee races at Babbarset driving park. There were three races, resulting as follows:

CLASS A.
Mystic Maid 4 3 4
Morton G. 3 2 2
Michigan Boy 1 1 1
P. W. Flynn 2 4 3

CLASS B.
Major Douglas 1 1 1
Baby 3 2 2
Bessie 2 3 3
Kitty 4 4 4

The entire program went off without a hitch and much interest as the races were closely contested.

At the opening, while scoring, Michigan broke a rein and threw the driver, but the horse circled the course at a perfect pace and was stopped near the stand. This feature duplicated an incident of fair day, when Mystic Maid performed the same trick during a heat and came in second.

Death.

Mrs. Gagnon, wife of Charles J. Gagnon, sr., passed away at her home on Bennett street last week Friday, in her fifty-fourth year. She was the daughter of John O'Brien and a native of this town. Besides her husband, she leaves six children, all living in town. Death was caused by cancer of the stomach. Funeral was on Saturday from the church, services by Rev. T. J. Coghlan, who celebrated high mass or requiem. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

Mrs. Gagnon is survived by five sons—Edward, Charles, Fred and Lee of this town and John of Stoneham, and two daughters, Alice and Julia of this town and a brother, John O'Brien, also of this town.

Items of Interest.

Tenth place among the nations in the world's shipping is the rank taken by Canada. At the end of the last fiscal year, March 31, 7768 vessels of 718,537 tons were recorded on the register books. This is an increase of 166 vessels and 16,229 tons compared with the preceding year. The total includes 3,229 steamers with an aggregate gross tonnage of 513,962.

Mexican railway mileage has increased 148 miles in the past six months, bringing the total under Federal jurisdiction to 12,225 miles. In addition there are 3,000 miles of State controlled lines, making total mileage 15,225 miles.

The records of the United States Geological Survey show that the total gold production of Alaska at the close of 1909 was \$162,066,455, of which \$118,219,757 came from placers and \$44,666,689 from lodes. The records of production begin with 1880.

In 1908, according to statistics published in London, 909 persons in British India were killed by tigers and 269. Other animals killed 686. Nearly 20,000 people were killed by snakes.

Patted Her on the Back.

Tennyson on one occasion on board the royal yacht, at the request of the then Princess of Wales, read "The Grandmother." "I read it," said Tennyson, "in a cabin on deck. The princess sat close to me on one side and a young lady whom I didn't know on the other. The wind came through an open window, and the princess whispered, 'Put on your hat,' but I said I ought, if possible, to make myself bolder than ever before so many royalties. She said again, 'Oh, put it on' so I did, and I heard afterward that the king of Denmark's court fool, who was in the background (they really kept a court fool), remarked, 'He may be laureate, but he has not learned court manners.' When I was done the ladies praised me, and I patted the unknown one on the back by way of reply, and presently I found out she was the empress of Russia?"

"Had you any talk with the czar?" "Hardly any. He said he couldn't speak English. Perhaps he was disgusted at my patting his wife on the back. His head was up in the cabin ceiling as he walked about below."—London Gentlewoman.

Hydrocyanic Acid.

The distilled essential oil of almonds, which when diluted supplies the popular favoring for sweets and confectionery known as "ratania," contains in its strongest form a sufficient percentage of hydrocyanic acid to make it highly dangerous. A young man who was executing an order by pouring it from a large bottle to a smaller one noticed that he had not put the label quite straight on the smaller bottle and took it off again. Before replacing the label he licked it to make sure of its sticking properly. But while pouring he had inadvertently let a drop or two trickle on the outside of the bottle where he had affixed the label. Then when he touched the label with his tongue he felt as if something shot along that member and also a jump of his heart. So he rushed to a tap, which was fortunately close at hand, and put his tongue under the running water. Never as long as he lived, he said, would he forget that poisoning sensation.—Chambers' Journal.

A Way Man Has.

A man who will sit up all night and display marvelous agility of the fingers in operating a pack of cards finds that he has hands like an elephant's feet when he is asked to hook up or button up his wife's gown. This fact is observed time and again and is one of the popular bits of philosophy to be served in connection with a dressmaker's convention desiring public attention. That it is a more difficult undertaking to shuffle the deck and deal a poker hand—merely as a test of digital cleverness without taking into consideration the more important item of dealing a satisfactory hand—than to hook up a gown even when the eyes are hidden in the lace must be admitted. That a man will undertake the one cheerfully and the other churlishly must be ascribed to the survival of the Old Nick in most male humans.—Chicago Tribune.

A Nice Distinction.

He was hurrying for the train, somewhat impeded by a clumsy crate containing a large live turkey. As he approached the gate the guard stopped him with a gesture.

"You can't take that through here," he said. "That'll have to be checked or go by express."

"But I can't stop," declared the passenger. "I've got to get this train." And he tried to push through again.

The guard held him back. "That is baggage," he said firmly, "and it must go in the baggage car."

"Oh, no," replied the other, with a charming and confident smile; "it's luggage. Don't you see I'm lugging it?" And he had slipped by before the astonished guard had caught his breath.—Youth's Companion.

Circumstantial Evidence.

Even the clearest and most perfect circumstantial evidence is likely to be at fault, after all, and therefore ought to be received with great caution. Take the case of any pencil sharpened by any woman. If you have witnesses you will find she did it with a knife, but if you take simply the aspect of the pencil you will say she did it with her teeth.—Mark Twain.

Ultra Practical.

"I notice," said a husband who was reading a lengthy letter which his wife had written and had handed to him for perusal, "that you have made a stupid mistake. You have written 'mlrage' instead of 'marriage.'"

"Either will do," replied the lady. "They both signify an illusion."

Sure Thing.

"So Jack and Tom proposed last night. Which did you accept?"

"Why, my dear, I was so excited I can't remember. But whichever calls tonight must be the one."—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

Painfully Frank.

Miss Oldgirl—Here are some new pictures I had taken, but they are perfect frights. The photographer I went to is no flatterer. Miss Pert—No, but he is conscientious.—Baltimore American.

Taking Her to Task.

Mrs. Plymouth Rock—Yes, we are very proud of the fact that our ancestors came over in the Mayflower.

Mrs. Many Rocks (severely)—In the first cabin?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Oh, life! An age to the miserable, a moment to the happy.—Bacon.

PEPPERELL.

To the Editor:

Idea of many citizens of Pepperell, the very picturesque town in the State. Note the symmetrical streets lined with the symmetrical maple tree; excellent roads have been made good for driving, cycling, and autoing. The scenery around and through the town is a most beautiful one, passed by any small country town.

The air pure and dry, frosts do not reach the hill tops until all her neighbors have been nipped. Town water the best. The noted Pepperell Springs, which so many families sip through their warm season houses in here. Many summer homes are being built and people are turning to this lovely, healthful, life-giving spot for summer outings.

A number of old homesteads are being sold for summer homes, cabins, bungalow cottages about most of them. One has an attractive park with drives and paths winding in every direction, an observatory commanding a view of the mountains all around and the forests, Nashua River Valley, adds to this charming view.

The site nearby is an ideal one for a summer hotel and we are indebted to Mr. Appleton for his kindness in allowing people to drive or walk through this attractive place and to view the property. Two large boarding houses are on these beautiful heights. But one thing we lack and that is arolley, one from Fitchburg to Nashua.

A meeting should be called at the town hall and summoned as many as possible to discuss this very important question, which would be such a benefit to the town.

The improvement society is doing a good work, many ugly places and plots have been made pretty, attractive to the passersby.

We should look to the beauty of the place as well as the beauty of it. Other business firms and manufacturers could be induced to locate in Pepperell that would employ our people as well as men. But there must be some inducements offered to encourage them to locate here.

Railroad facilities are all that could be desired and there is an abundance of uncultivated land that could be bought at a reasonable price. It is important to manufacturing concerns to locate here. It is currently reported that there is a man in town ready to give up this rrolley line through Pepperell with the town's consent and it would seem that we should stand in our own light and did not let this chance slip away. Don't stop progress. If in the right direction. S. E. S. BANCROFT.

Items of Interest.