

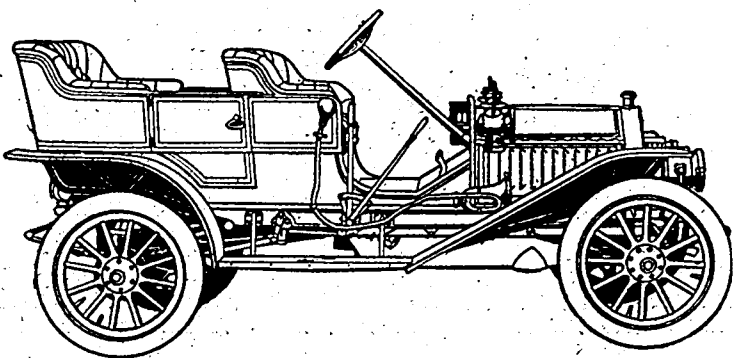
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A big line of Fur Coats of every kind. Just what a man who drives or runs an auto ought to have. Our prices are below the market value and are really splendid values for the prices asked. Every coat is a selected garment and is guaranteed in every way. They come in Dog Skin, Cub Bear, Galloway, Horse and Coon skin.

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\$20.00, \$25.00, \$28.00, \$30.00

Coon Skin, Selected Coats, good colors, \$65.00 and \$75.00

### Sweaters

We have an immense line of Coat Sweaters for Boys and Men, and for Women and Children. All the popular colors and many are genuine bargains at the price asked.

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Boys'—79c., 98c., \$1.50 and \$2.50.  
Ladies'—\$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00.  
Children's—50c., 75c., 98c., and \$1.50.

### Horse Blankets and Robes

We carry the famous and well-known line of 5A Blankets. A very large line to select from.

Stable Blankets, \$1.00 to \$3.00  
Street Blankets, 2.00 to 5.00  
Robes, 3.00 to 10.00

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Prices, \$28.00, \$35.00, \$50.00 and \$65.00

### Men's and Young Men's Suits

Our display of Fall and Winter Suits will please you. We are showing the new things for the season. The fabrics are of the best materials and the makes are among the best in the land.  
Men's Suits—\$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00.  
Youth's Suits—\$8.47, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$18.00.

### Winter Underwear

The most complete line of heavy underwear to be found in this section. It includes all the well-known makes in wool and fleec-lined.

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Men's Wright's Fleece-lined ..... 75c. and 95c.  
Men's Woolen Underwear ..... 50c. to \$1.50  
Boys' Fleece-lined ..... 25c. and 50c.  
Boys' Woolen ..... 50c.  
Men's Union Suits ..... \$1.00 to \$3.00  
Boys' Union Suits ..... 50c. to \$1.00

Seven persons from our society attended the different meetings of the Congregational society at Tremont Temple last week. Misses Mary E. Hager and Mary B. Nelson were delegates to the A. M. A.

A. A. Filiebrown, auctioneer, will sell by auction a lot of household furniture belonging to William Crombie of Ayer, on Saturday afternoon, October 22, at two o'clock.

### Items of Interest.

The first of the New England corn expositions will be held at the Worcester fair grounds the week of November 7-12. It is planned for the purpose of increasing interest in agriculture in old New England, of encouraging the "back to land" movement in the east. It is a New England undertaking, not a Worcester project, and its object is educational rather than money making. Every New England farmer that will exhibit at the show the best ten ears of corn raised by him this year, attend the show in person, make his own comparisons and go home resolved to profit by what he sees and hears at the show, can increase his next year's corn crop by ten percent. Nearly \$7,000 in cash prizes will be awarded at the exposition, and in addition there will be a large number of special premiums in the shape of cups, farming implements, household goods, etc.

The Protestant churches of Rhode Island have gained in membership only five percent, against an increase in the population of the State of thirteen percent during the past five years, according to figures by the Church Messenger, the official organ of the federated churches of Rhode Island. These figures are based on the leading denominations, and two of these, the Congregational and Free Baptist churches, showed losses in their membership.

There is a current saying that at thirty the minister is idolized, at forty he is criticized, at fifty he is ostracized, at sixty he is ostracized, at seventy he is parodied, and at eighty he is canonized. Might it not be said from his side that at thirty he idealizes himself, at forty he realizes himself, at fifty he minimizes himself, at sixty he retires himself and at seventy he reviews himself.

It appears that the United States postal officials in Mississippi have organized a censorship over all newspapers transported through the mails in that State, excluding from such transportation all public journals in which is printed any matter liable to start a quarrel or a breach of the peace. The curious part of the transaction is that the highest postal authorities at Washington deny that they gave any orders for such action. Possibly they did not order, but merely dropped a hint, a delicate suggestion. A word to the wise is sufficient, and the more sagacious need only a wink of the eye. It all sounds like an echo from the old Reconstruction times, when all sorts of official wrongs were perpetrated, and nobody was responsible.

### New Advertisements

**Auctioneers Attention.**  
Those auctioneers holding sales in this vicinity will confer a favor and find it to their advantage to send posters announcing such sales to Post Office Box 1, Cambridge, Mass., addressed to E. Davenport. Upon notification of the name and address of an auctioneer and receipt of one poster from him, postage will promptly be sent to cover mailing of later posters.

**STORE FIXTURES FOR SALE.**—One 6-ft. Counter Show Case, One 5-ft. Counter Show Case, One 15-ft. Oak Counter. All in good condition. Address BOX 5, East Pepperell, Mass.

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**FOR SALE.**—Colony Henhouses, complete with fixtures etc. W. J. HANDELY, Littleton, Mass. 248

### WESTFORD.

Centre.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Woodward of East Bridgewater were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fletcher.

Warren Russell of Atkinson, N. H., was a guest of his cousin, Mrs. M. J. Wheeler, last week.

In the list of floral offerings at the funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Colburn last week inadvertently a handsome spray of roses from the Union Congregational church was omitted.

Augustus Bunce's many friends are glad that he is much more comfortable after the serious ill turn of last week.

Nahum H. Wright, who has also had a serious ill turn, is resting comfortably.

This is the busy season with the tax collector. Saturday of this week he will be at George Mountain's store, Forge Village, from one to 2.30, and at Walter Wright's store in Graniteville from three to 4.30.

The fall meeting of the Middlesex Union conference of churches will meet with the church in Lancaster on Wednesday, October 26, with a most attractive program outlined.

Alec Fisher is having an extensive clearing of rocks in the large field owned by him at the junction of Cummings road and Depot street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth and Mr. and Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher attended the wedding of their classmate, Miss Gertrude Craven, at her home in Lowell on Wednesday evening to Mr. Elliot, a son of Thomas H. Elliot, the well-known real estate dealer.

Next Sunday will be observed as rally Sunday in the various departments at the Congregational church, and a full attendance at the services is earnestly requested.

Mrs. Sarah Heywood Trumbell of Billerica has been visiting Miss Emily F. Fletcher and was a guest at the Tadmuck club on Tuesday afternoon.

It was pleasant to have as a guest, Mrs. Martha Taylor Howard, who was formerly so helpful a member of the organization.

The grading and other finishing touches of the pretty new dwelling house W. J. Merritt has had built during the summer are being given and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wright expect to move in next week.

Mrs. John P. Wright, who underwent a surgical operation at her home in Lowell last week, is making as good progress toward recovery as can be expected.

Misses Frances and Alice Wright were over Sunday guests with Dr. and Mrs. Wells.

Mrs. Charles H. Bonney of Cambridge, who gave the address before the Tadmuck club on Tuesday, was the

guest on Tuesday and Wednesday of Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace.

### Tadmuck Club.

A most successful meeting of the Tadmuck club was held in Library hall on Tuesday afternoon. It was to be regretted that Mrs. Loker, owing to Mr. Bunce's illness, was unable to be present. In her absence the vice president, Miss Ella Hildreth, presided most acceptably. The subject for the afternoon was "Greetings" from the Cantabrigia club, Cambridge, by its president, Mrs. Charles H. Bonney, and "Reminiscences of Cambridge," by Rev. B. H. Bailey.

Mrs. Bonney combined a charming personality and the ability to tell things most capably and clearly. The message that she had to bring from a club, whose membership numbers five hundred to our modest unaffiliated club of seventy-five was stimulating and helpful. She outlined some of her club's activities, its influence and responsibility, its service and opportunity, elucidating particularly its efforts for civic betterment, such as the elimination of bill-boards, for a saner Fourth, for good literature and dramas and its attitude toward the cheaper class of moving pictures and in closing gave the real aim of the Cantabrigia club as embodied in its motto, "To make tomorrow better than today."

Rev. Mr. Bailey rounded out the afternoon's program with reminiscences of student experiences of his alma mater, Harvard college.

The next meeting of the club should prove of much interest to all the members, which is an address on "Conflicting Ideals in Education," by Frank H. Hill, superintendent of schools.

### BOXBOROUGH.

#### News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page and daughter, having closed their hotel at Rockway beach, are enjoying a two-weeks' vacation at Mrs. Anna Page's.

News has just been received of the death of Mrs. Edna Whitcomb, the oldest daughter of the late Granville and Caroline Hoar Whitcomb of this town on Tuesday. The body was brought to West Acton for burial on Friday. She leaves a husband, James H. Whitcomb, and one child. Their home was in Fitchburg.

Dea. Woods and wife, and R. Y. Nelson are the delegates chosen to attend the association in Lancaster on Wednesday, October 26.

Friday evening, October 14, the third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of candidates at Boxborough grange; four new members were admitted by demit cards and one application received. A fine harvest supper was furnished by the feast committee.

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**WESTFORD.**

**About Town.**

The next meeting of the board of registrars will be held at Healey's hall, Graniteville, Monday evening, October 24. Forge Village on Wednesday evening, October 26, at Abbot's hall. Town hall on Saturday, October 29, from noon until ten p. m.

The selectmen have made the following appointments of precinct officers to serve at the State election, November 8:

Precinct 1—Walter J. Merritt, warden; Leonard V. Wheeler, deputy warden; John M. Fletcher, clerk; Albert W. Heywood, deputy clerk; W. H. H. Burbeck, T. E. Wilson, inspectors; William O. McDonald, deputy inspector.  
 Precinct 2—Albert R. Wall, warden; Timothy Riney, deputy warden; William H. Beebe, clerk; J. W. Prinn, deputy clerk; Hammett D. Wright, Joseph Wall, inspectors; Charles O. Blodgett, M. Edwards, deputy inspectors.  
 Precinct 3—Michael McGilnehey, warden; Peter J. McGilnehey, deputy warden; William F. Taylor, clerk; Charles S. Edwards, deputy clerk; William J. Donnelly, Houghton G. Osgood, inspectors; Amos Polley, Charles M. Trull, deputy inspectors.  
 Precinct 4—Alvin S. Bennett, warden; David Lord, deputy warden; Fred E. Reed, clerk; Elson G. Boynton, deputy clerk; John Edwards, Arthur H. Comey, inspectors; John Flynn, James J. Wigham, deputy inspectors.

The tropical Indian summer weather is developing summer blossoms and fruit. Chelmsford reports ripe strawberries and the writer reports a pear tree in full blossom in Lowell. This he has seen without the aid of anyone else's eyesight.

The selectmen and management of the Lowell and Fitchburg railroad have decided that folks must be five minutes earlier than by their past record, as the starting time of the first car will be 6.55 instead of at seven o'clock.

Charles O. Prescott and Edward Fisher represented the First Parish of Westford as delegates to the Unitarian conference at Lowell on Wednesday. Besides the delegates, fifteen volunteers took their privileges and counted as part of the enthusiasm of the old historic church.

At the republican rally on Wednesday, Alonzo G. Walsh of Lowell, William H. Wilder of Gardner, Hon. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., of Saugus, Judge John J. Pickman of Lowell, and candidate James H. Wilkins of Carlisle answered roll call as they were several introduced to recite their lessons. They were all marked up perfect, by the teacher, who introduced them to recite. It was an evening of real profit, these gentlemen speaking well.

The switch track at Westford station will soon be extended towards the stone arch bridge in the direction of where Graniteville nestles in the valley.

Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher is ill at his home on Oak Hill and under the restrictions of a physician. These restrictions prevented his being present or presiding at the republican rally held on Wednesday evening. The speakers were all eloquent with good cheer and good advice.

Another little son, Stanley Law Snow, arrived on Friday, October 14, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Allen Snow of West Chelmsford.

At this harvest time of the year there is an opportunity to look back and see what the products of the fields have been. One family reports that from three trees of Gravensteins, ninety-four bushels of apples were sold and this makes no account whatever of the apples that fell and were not sold. As some of the apples brought fine prices in the market the net return from these three trees was very gratifying.

Mrs. Littlefield of Fitchburg and her son, Fred Littlefield of Farmington, N. H., were recent guests at Charles Walker's.

Miss C. Abbie Butterfield of Tyngsboro, for a long time an honored teacher in the old schoolhouse of Stony Brook district, was in town this week visiting old-time friends. She planned the new schoolhouse and was the last teacher in the old building and the first in the new.

Miss Maria Bunce of Lowell and Henry Bruce of North Chelmsford, have been callers at the Bunce household during the illness of Mr. Bunce.

**Forge Village.**

The Ladies' Sewing circle held a bean supper in Recreation hall, Saturday evening which was a very enjoyable affair. The tables looked very attractive and inviting, and were well laden with many good things. Supper was served from six to eight o'clock, and was in charge of Mrs. Richard D. Prescott, assisted by Mrs. Nelson Prescott, Mrs. Hugh Ferguson, Mrs. David Lord, Mrs. George L. Sanborn, Mrs. William H. Fernald and Mrs. Henry Catchpole. The affair was for the benefit of St. Andrew's mission. Mrs. Hovey and Mrs. Rand of Ayer were among the out-of-town people that were present.

Rev. M. L. Kellver, professor of the Theological school at Cambridge, occupied the pulpit at St. Andrew's mission, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole spent the week-end as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer of Clinton, Miss Emily and John W. spent Saturday and Sunday with their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mason of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bailey and two children, Lillian and Lester of Lowell, spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Myles Collins.

Arrangements are being made for a football match between the Buntings of Lowell and a picked team from this village and Graniteville to be played in Lowell on Saturday afternoon.

George Wilkinson of Harvard spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Joseph Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lord entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Sargent and their little granddaughter, Arline Farmer of Pepperell, over Sunday.

Miss Theresa Lowther and Miss Rachel H. Cherry were week-end guests of Miss Catherine Lowther of Andover.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Comey on Saturday, October 15.

Miss Ida M. Phillips, a former teacher at Cameron school, and Miss Lillian M. Phillips, of the teaching staff of the Oakdale Intermediate school, were visitors at Cameron school on Monday. During their short stay they called on old friends and were entertained at tea by Mr. and Mrs. George O. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Benoit have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their only child, Laura, who died on Sunday night after a short illness, aged two months. The spinal meningitis was the cause of death. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon. The bearers were Masters Maxine Ricard, Silver Benoit, Joseph Milot and Midase Pameton. Burial was in St. Catherine's cemetery.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met at Recreation hall on Thursday afternoon. After the usual work, a lunch was served.

The members of the John Edwards hose company will hold their third annual ball in Abbot hall on Saturday evening, October 22. Music will be furnished by Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell. An oyster supper will be served at intermission. This will be the last affair to be held in the hall for some weeks as it will undergo repairs and will be painted and decorated inside.

A library has been arranged in the teachers' room of Cameron school for the benefit of the school children. The books are loaned from the J. F. Fletcher library and are greatly appreciated by the children. Books are renewed once a week.

**Death.**

Mrs. Alice M. Mountain, wife of George E. Mountain, passed away at her home on Central street, Friday afternoon, October 14, after a long and very painful illness, aged fifty-four years. Mrs. Mountain had been a resident of this village for many years and was highly esteemed, and was very generous when appealed to for any worthy cause. She will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends. Besides her husband, she leaves one sister, Mrs. Charles Grey, and two brothers, Alex Courtney of Brookside, and Richard Courtney of Humphreys street, Lowell.

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at her late home and were attended by a large number of relatives, neighbors and friends. Rev. David Wallace of the Congregational church of Westford conducted the services and appropriate selections were sung by Mrs. David L. Greig and Mrs. Homer Seavey. The bearers were George Baker of Ayer, George E. Sanborn, George O. Jackson, Francis Lowther, Augustin W. Carkin and Edmund J. Hunt of this village. There was a wealth of beautiful flowers, the last offerings of loving friends. Burial was in Fairview cemetery, Westford.

**SHIRLEY.**

Miss Augustine Pellicier, organist at St. Anthony's church, has arrived home from a four-weeks' vacation spent in Canada.

Emanuel Des Roche of Lawrence was a visitor at the home of Richard Cormier last Sunday.

Mrs. Ben White of Lawrence was a visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. Perry, over Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Hughes, who for the past six months has been stopping with her sister, Mrs. Walter Knowles, sailed on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock on the Hamburg-American line steamer, President Lincoln, from New York city for Hamburg, Germany, where she will join her husband and proceed to their home at Hoxter-on-the-Rhine, where Mr. Hughes, six months ago, assumed the management of a large rubber plant.

The Arthur Felch family have occupied their own house on Harvard road, which was vacated this week by the Charles Wilson family who have moved into the house on Main street, which has been vacated by the Herbert Richardson family, who have taken up their residence in Leominster. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wheeler have taken up housekeeping in the Herson house on the Ayer road.

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will hold a dance in Odd Fellows' hall on Saturday evening, October 29. Music, Johnson's orchestra of Leominster.

Gilbert Gerard has sold the house he now occupies on Centre road, next to the residence of Frank Snell to Abbie Annis. Mr. Gerard and family are going west in a few weeks. Mr. Annis and family will occupy their new home as soon as it is vacated.

Mrs. Kate E. Hazen has sold her farm on Lancaster road to Sidney S. Horton of Malden, who will devote his time to experimenting on the apple orchards. Mr. Horton will remodel the house now occupied by the Fairbanks family and intends expending the sum of \$2,500 in the changes to be made.

Frank Neault, who has been employed by G. M. Ballou as teamster, has accepted a position as teamster for a Mr. Divall of Leominster and moved his household goods to that town last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret of Waverley, announce the arrival of a son born last week Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Pomfret were former residents of this town.

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

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Cormier on last Saturday.

Rev. M. D. Kneeland, D. D., gave a strong practical address last Sunday morning at the Congregational church on "The modern Sunday: its dangers and cure." Dr. Kneeland was very conservative in his ideas and con-

cluded his remarks to the actual breaking of the Sabbath by those in pursuit of pleasure and the unnecessary running of factories and other pursuits of business that could be dispensed with. Dr. Kneeland cited many cases which were vivid and brought to light the fact that it paid in every way to keep the Sabbath day a day of reverence and rest.

**Alliance Meetings.**

Mrs. Warren Wilson was the hostess at the meeting on Thursday of last week, and needless to say, gave the members a cordial welcome. Since the fall fitting of some of our summer residents, the attendance at these meetings has dropped to the usual number. Mrs. Martha Cooper's paper on "Explorations," was much enjoyed and showed careful thought and preparation.

The Alliance next meets on October 27, at the home of Mrs. Mary W. Hazen. Mrs. Avis Burns Fisher of Ayer will be the speaker.

A large delegation of Shirley Alliance women attended the neighborhood meeting of Alliances at Pepperell on last week Friday. Reports of work and intentions were given by Shirley, Grotton, Ayer, and Pepperell branches. A very enjoyable meeting was reported.

The funeral of Melvin W. Longley took place on Wednesday afternoon from his late home on Centre road. A large number was present, including all the members of the town government and representative citizens. The stores closed from 1.30 to 3.30 and the public schools of the town closed in the afternoon out of respect to Mr. Longley.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon was the officiating clergyman, assisted by Rev. Dr. Howard A. Bridgman, associate editor of the Congregationalist, and Rev. M. H. Birkhead of Grotton school. At three were intimately acquainted with Mr. Longley, and their words of tribute were given from tender associations of by-gone days, all agreeing that words were inadequate to express all they felt on the manly, practical and sincere life of deceased.

A quartet consisting of Mrs. Harry Collyer, Mrs. A. A. Bronsdon, D. Chester Parsons and J. A. Deardon, rendered, "Sometime we'll understand," and "Abide with me."

The pall-bearers were Welcome Longley, G. M. Ballou, Vern Ballou and Charles Longley. Burial was in Centre cemetery. The floral tributes were numerous and choice. Melvin Longley passed away Monday morning from the effects of valvular heart disease. His death came as a great shock to his family and friends, as his sickness was of short duration, commencing only on Wednesday of last week, being attacked with a chill while picking apples in his orchard. He went to his home and to bed. Following the chill came a stomach trouble which hastened his death.

Dr. W. N. Cowles of Ayer was the attending physician and on Sunday morning the well-known heart specialist, Dr. W. W. Gannett of Boston, was called in, and after a thorough diagnosis of his case gave no hope of his recovery.

Mr. Longley lapsed into a state of unconsciousness about Sunday noon and kept in that condition till the end came early Monday morning.

Mr. Longley was aged 61 yrs., 8 mos. and 15 days, and has always enjoyed the best of health. He had a sick spell a short time ago which lasted a few days and his family and those who came in daily contact with him say that he never seemed to fully recover from its effects.

Mr. Longley was a native of Shirley, being born in the house in which he died and where four generations of the Longleys have resided. He operated very successfully a very extensive farm and has always been prominent and active in town affairs. In 1901 he served as representative to the general court from this district. He has also served for about a score of years as member of the school committee and in about every office in the gift of the town. At the time of his death he was a member of the board of assessors and overseers of the poor. In each and every office he held he exhibited marked executive ability and his knowledge of town affairs was well-known to his fellow townsmen, who often sought his advice and counsel.

Mr. Longley's strong individuality as a man, his record for honesty and sincerity along many lines of work, have left behind him a record on the pages of the town's history and in the hearts of his fellowmen, that time will never efface.

Mr. Longley was a past master of the Shirley grange and was clerk of the Congregational parish, and a member of the Congregational brotherhood. He is survived by a wife and six children—Edith, Howard, Christine, Margaret, Kenneth and Eleanor Longley; also, one brother Charles, and one sister Marcette, who both reside at the Centre.

A town memorial service in honor of Mr. Longley will be held in the Congregational church some time during the month of November.

**Bowling.**

The T. A. Club, representing Leominster in the Trolley bowling league, continued to sweep everything before them in a match game at Leominster on Tuesday night, with the Shirley team when they took three out of four points, winning everything but the first string which was captured by the visitors with the wide margin of eighteen pins.

The Shirleys started with a pace that promised to make the Leominsters extend themselves, and as a matter of fact they did not feel at any time during the match that they could afford to slow up a particle. They won the second string by a bare margin of one pin, leaving the visitors still seventeen falls to the good in total pinfall. This did not daunt them however, and in the third leg Douglass opened with some pretty bowling, piling up 102 as his contribution. The others responded with their best, and as the result they won the string with a 28 pin lead, giving them a total of 1257 as against 1246 piled up by Shirley. Collyer lead the Shirleys with a total of 295. The score:

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No clumsy pan to spill dust and dirt on the kitchen floor.

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solves the problem. It is located just beneath the grate and connected by a sheet iron pipe straight down through the kitchen floor to ash barrel in cellar. No part is in sight. Not a particle of dust can escape. Just slide the damper once each day and drop the ashes directly into the ash barrel. This is only one of the splendid improvements of the new plain

**Cabinet Glenwood**

This Range can be had with Elevated or End Gas Range Attachments or if gas is not desired, with Large Copper Reservoir on the end opposite fire box. It can be furnished with fire box at either right or left of oven as ordered. It Makes Cooking Easy.

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**Odds and Ends Sale**

In looking through our Stock we find many odd articles, some of them shopworn, but just as good as new for practical use, these we are closing out at one-half price. A few of these articles are:

- 10c., 50c., \$1.00 Egg Poachers ..... at 5c., 25c., 50c.
  - 40c., 45c., 75c. Bread Raisers ..... at 25c.
  - 10c., 25c. Ash Sifters ..... at 5c., 10c.
  - 25c., 50c. Hemp Clothes lines ..... at 12c., 25c.
  - \$1.69 Enamel Coffee Boilers ..... at \$1.00
  - 45c., \$1.25 Chamber Pails ..... at 30c., 89c.
  - 10c., 25c. Nickel Tin Trays ..... at 5c., 10c.
  - 10c., 15c. Crumb Trays with brush ..... at 5c.
  - 10c., 25c. Padlocks ..... at 5c., 10c.
  - 25c., 50c. Wood Chisels ..... at 12c., 25c.
  - 35c., 50c. Enamel Water Pails .... at 17c., 25c.
- And many other useful articles not listed.

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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JOHN W. FARRAR of Shirley in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of November A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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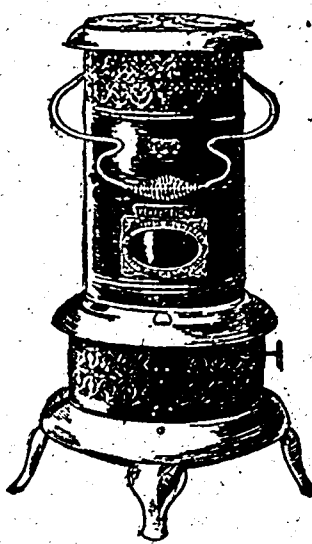
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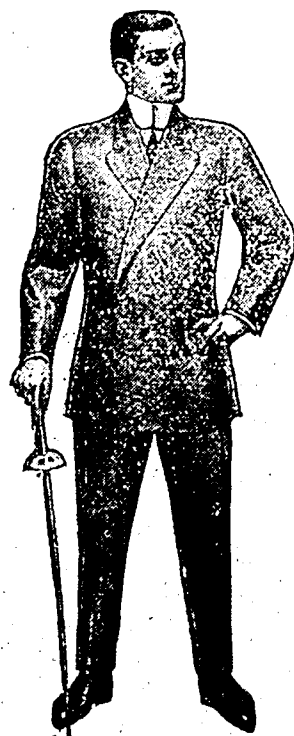
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## TOWNSEND.

**Centre.**  
Wilbur Scales is taking a month's vacation in Jameson, Missouri, among relatives.

A little daughter was born last week Friday to Mr. and Mrs. George Ward, and a little son last week Friday night to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gilson.

Miss Martha Harrington was the week-end guest of her nephew, Charles Frary, at Roxbury and also enjoyed visiting schools at Waltham and Cambridge on Monday.

Monday was allowed to our town teachers for a visiting day and nearly all took the opportunity of taking a homeward trip from last week Friday night until Monday night.

Fred Davis of Boston is home for a few days' hunting.

Next Monday will be neighbors' night at the Grange and Ashby garage is invited to Townsend. The entertainment will be furnished by Townsend.

The Phoebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., are putting quite a good deal of work into their fair and entertainment which will be held on Wednesday, October 26. They will serve a cold meat and salad supper at six p. m.; also, a social time with dancing is anticipated after the entertainment which will consist of a farce entitled "Blundering Bill."

Mrs. Sarah Ball and Miss Ellen Haynes are attending the National Congregational meetings in Boston this week.

Will Lang of Boston is home for a few weeks on account of ill health.

The members of Charles Haynes' Sunday school class are to hold a reunion or social meeting at the vestry next Tuesday night.

The young ladies of Miss Eastman's Sunday school class entertained the members of the cradleroll and their mothers on last Saturday afternoon, at the vestry and a social time was enjoyed. Books and playthings were brought to amuse the little ones. There were several musical selections for the entertainment and remarks by Rev. Mr. Porter of Dorchester. Cakes, cookies and cocoa were served by the young ladies and one interesting feature was that most of the young misses made their own cakes of which they were justly proud.

**Deaths.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Elsie Brogan, who died last week Thursday was held from her late home last Saturday afternoon. Rev. V. H. Wachs officiated. Mrs. Brogan was sixty years and nine months old. She leaves a husband and a daughter, Mrs. Emma Eaton. The interment was in the cemetery here. Many beautiful flowers were sent in by sympathizing neighbors and friends.

John C. Vinton, who has been feeble for some time, died at his home last Saturday, aged 78 yrs., 10 mos., 27 days. The funeral was at his late home on Monday afternoon, Rev. Granville Pierce of Ashby, officiating. Burial was at the West Village cemetery. Mr. Vinton leaves a widow, a son, George Vinton, and a daughter, who resides out-of-town.

**West.**  
The reading-room, provided by the kindness of Mrs. C. S. Homer, will be opened for the exchange of library books on Saturday, October 22. The hours for exchange and delivery of books will remain the same, from 1.30 till 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, and from seven till eight o'clock in the evening. All books must be brought and taken away during these hours, and any books remaining uncalled for at the closing hour will be replaced in the trunk until the following Saturday. The reading-room is well stocked with the popular magazines and papers, and will be open to the public on Saturday afternoons from 1.30 to six o'clock, and from seven to nine o'clock Saturdays, and from two till six o'clock on Sunday afternoons.

Miss Agnes Thompson, who has been employed through the summer at the Flume house in the White Mountains, has returned to the home of her mother, Mrs. Charles Patch.

Mrs. Amelia Hellur and daughter Belle from Nashua, N. H., are enjoying a vacation at their cottage in Josselynville.

There was no school on Monday of this week, the teachers taking visiting day. Miss M. E. Tower of the primary school, visiting schools in Fitchburg and Lunenburg, and Miss B. E. Sprague of the grammar visiting in Worcester, where she has been spending a few days with relatives.

A young people's society of Christian Endeavor was organized last Sunday afternoon, starting with sixteen members, the following officers being elected: Mrs. Charles A. Hodgman, pres.; Mrs. S. D. Ringrose, vice pres.; Miss Lena Thompson, sec.; Charles A. Hodgman, treas. The next meeting will be in the vestry at five o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Nancy Reed, who was at home last week on account of illness, has resumed her studies at Cushing academy, Ashburnham.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle are spending a few weeks with relatives in Beverly and vicinity.

Charles B. Stickey entertained a party of friends at his camp at Ward pond, Ashburnham on last Saturday and Sunday.

Alden Sherwin spent Sunday at the home of his fiancée in Quincy.

On four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, the Ladies' Mission circle met in the Baptist vestry. The topic was, "Alaska," and a number of articles on the subject was read by the members and Mrs. Naomi Wilder, who has just returned from a protracted visit to relatives in Milford, N. H., entertained the members by an account of her meeting with Miss Ruth French, a missionary to the foreign field, whose home was in Milford.

The L. B. B. S. held an all-day session in the Baptist vestry and served a dinner at noon to the members and their families at which twenty-two were present. In the afternoon preparations were commenced for their annual entertainment and sale which is to be held on November 15. The following committees were appointed:

entertainment, Mrs. Charles Hodgman, Mrs. Mabel Wilson and Mrs. Fred Patch; candy tables, Mrs. Charles Hodgman and Miss Stella Tucker; ice cream and cake, Mrs. Perry Sawtelle, Mrs. Mary Tucker, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch; fancy work and aprons, Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle and Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman; vegetable department, Mrs. Daniel Taylor and Mrs. D. C. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patch have been visiting friends and relatives in Boston and vicinity this week.

News has been received of the birth of a little daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Burton Bruce of Boston, former residents here, born on Wednesday, October 12.

Edward Walker and his little daughter Una, have been spending a few days with relatives in Waltham.

Mrs. S. W. Upton, Mrs. Charles Stickey, Mrs. E. J. Lees, Miss Emily Orr and Rev. Granville Pierce from Ashby, attended the Unitarian convention at Lowell on Wednesday.

## BROOKLINE, N. H.

**News Items.**  
The Loyal Workers met at the home of Mrs. Jennie Boutelle on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson is at the home of her son Harry at Townsend.

Howard Carter of Oak Bluffs is a guest at the W. B. Rockwood homestead.

Mrs. Mary L. Abbott of Stanstead Plain, Canada, spent the first of the week at the Seaver homestead.

Mrs. Robert Hungerford of Hartford, Conn., announces the engagement of her daughter, Constance Hildan, to Arthur J. Nye of Brookline, N. H.

Felamina, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Giuseppe Frozio, died on Sunday morning, after a brief illness with cholera infantum, aged 5 mos., 11 days. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, burial at the South cemetery.

Miss Olive Shuman of Quincy, Mass., has hired the Rolfe cottage on the Milford road. She has recently entertained her mother and sister and Dr. Jones of Quincy.

Albert T. Pierce attended the funeral of Arthur Adams at Hubbardston, Mass., Wednesday, October 12.

Miss Madie Nye goes to Poultney, Vt., on Saturday, where she will attend a private school.

Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., was in town on Monday.

Benjamin Farnsworth, son of the Ezra Farnsworth, died on Tuesday, October 18, after a short illness with typhoid pneumonia, aged 45 yrs., 8 mos. He is survived by three brothers, Charles of Nashua, Frank of West Townsend and William of Milford.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Wallace of Nashua are guests of Judge and Mrs. Edward Parker at Inncroft.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lakin announce the marriage of Lucie Johnson to Leslie Walter Ranney at Greenfield, Mass., on Wednesday, October 12.

Victor Maxwell has left the employ of Will C. Boutelle and Clayton Burnham succeeds him.

Mrs. Delbert Porter is seriously ill with pneumonia.

The friends of Mrs. Mary Rockwood Carter remembered her with a shower of postal cards on Saturday, October 15.

Wednesday evening, October 26, is "Brothers' night" at the local Grange. Entertainment by brothers, in charge of Clarence R. Russell. The program at the local Grange on Wednesday evening, October 12, was a farce, "Shattered nerves," by Mesdames Clara Russell and Lucretia Martin; vocal duets, the Misses Maude and Ethel Taylor; song, Mrs. Etta Hill.

A chicken supper will be given by the Congregational society on Tuesday evening, October 25, at Tarbell's hall. Supper served from six to eight o'clock, to be followed by an entertainment.

The Fresh Pond Ice Co. are digging an extensive canal at the lake, which is to carry off the ice chips when cutting ice the coming winter.

Little Miss Velma Taylor, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Taylor, celebrated her seventh birthday on Friday, October 14, by entertaining sixteen of her playmates. The smiling faces and merry peals of laughter were proof that the hours were happy ones. A tempting lunch was served, the centre piece being a handsome birthday cake, decorated with chrysanthemums. The young hostess was the recipient of twenty-seven dainty gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ladd Dodge are visiting relatives at Brockton, Mass. The Misses Clara Campbell and Helen Pratt have charge of their household during their absence.

Through the purchase by John D. Rockefeller of thousands of volumes of a little book on the art of keeping happy and the wholesale distribution of these books by the oil king during a period of two years, Mrs. Florence L. Perin, wife of Rev. George L. Perin, the book's authoress, believes she has unwittingly become the exponent of the real everyday religion of John D. Rockefeller. Thousands of copies of the "Optimistic good morning," have been bought by the oil king's agents and distributed among his workmen. Fellow church members have been presented with them and copies sent to Mr. Rockefeller's personal friends.

The three-act comedy "Brother Joseph," was presented at Tarbell's hall on Friday evening, October 21, by the young people of the Methodist church. Following is the list of characters:

Josiah Armstrong . . . Alfred S. Barnaby  
Wellington Armstrong . . . Jas. N. Seaver  
Benjamin Butler Armstrong . . . Chester Barnaby  
William Le Blanc . . . Delbert Porter  
Harry Newcombe . . . James Gilson  
Hiram Penstroke . . . George H. Nye  
James . . . Wallace Jenness  
Mrs. Wellington Armstrong . . . Miss Blanche Hall  
Jimmy . . . Mrs. Hattie Pierce  
Glady Armstrong . . . Mrs. Jessie Seaver  
Ethel Le Blanc . . . Lillian Barnaby

## Royally Entertained.

The Sunbonnet club was royally entertained at the home of Mrs. Clara Russell, Friday, October 14. A sumptuous chicken dinner was served, the menu including roast chicken, rice, potato, mashed turnip, beets, carrots,

tomatoes, bread and butter, pickles, apples and squash pie, peaches, apples, bananas, grapes, cake, wafers, watermelon, ice cream and coffee. The fruit was artistically arranged on a large old-fashioned platter, making a charming picture. The dining room was attractive with decorations of autumn leaves. At each place was a picture of the hostess with her flock of two hundred chickens. Appropriate were the white feather favors with their tiny knots of ribbon. After ample justice to the tempting viands we climbed to the top of Potanips hill, where the magnificent view, beautiful with the autumnal tints, impressed us. Here we watched a flock of birds migrating southward, until only tiny specks were visible in the sky. Then through brush and bramble we tramped to the historic Bear's Den, a natural curiosity equal to the famed stonehouse. Our host provided each with a pilgrim staff, requiring each one to name the wood. At sundown we turned our faces homeward and back to our hostess floated hearty cheers. The day was an ideal one and the memory of it will long linger with us.

## HOLLIS, N. H.

**News Items.**  
Walter B. Stickey, one of the aged residents of Hollis, was critically ill last week with bronchitis and pneumonia. Word was sent to his son, Capt. Herman Stickey of the U. S. navy, who with his wife, immediately came to see his father. Capt. and Mrs. Stickey left town on Monday afternoon with the satisfaction of leaving their father out of danger.

Mrs. M. J. Powers is making a three-weeks' visit in Connecticut at Meriden, with her two daughters, Mrs. McKenzie and Miss Powers; also, in Brantford with other friends.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis and Mrs. Bena Fenley and Miss Hattie Hayden represented this church at the meetings in Boston last week.

The new store operated by F. M. Jameson was formally opened last week Saturday. Ice cream was served to each visitor. Mr. Jameson carries a line of dry goods and groceries.

Andrew Jewett lost a young Ayrshire cow last week. She snatched an apple from the ground while running, which could not be removed.

The Woman's club met with the Rogers sisters on Thursday afternoon. The following program was carried out: Current events given by Mrs. Cutter; paper on Voltaire and Rousseau, Mrs. Eastman; paper on the "Beginnings of the revolution," Mrs. Sweetser.

The Anna Keyes Powers chapter, D. A. R., observed the anniversary of its organization on October 19.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Greenleaf left Hollis on October 21, for New York, where they will take the boat for Fernandina, Fla., where they expect to spend the winter.

Quite a number from Hollis Sunday school attended the New Hampshire S. S. association held in Manchester on October 18-20, inclusive.

Some of the Hollis farmers put specimens of their fruit for exhibition in the sixteenth annual meeting of the New Hampshire Horticultural society, held in Manchester on October 20-22. Harold Hardy of this town was one of the speakers. His topic was, "The leaf hopper problem."

Mrs. Walter Flanders of Newton, Mass., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Warren Gould.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Maxwell burned herself quite badly recently, by pulling a dish of scalding hot milk over onto herself from the table.

**Accident.**  
C. E. Whicher met with a serious accident on Tuesday forenoon, while out on the order route taking orders for the store of G. C. Cobb. The horse became frightened at an automobile between the Worcester Bros. and Elson Hurd's farms. He became unmanageable and ran about two miles, and while turning a sharp curve near the farm of F. D. Rogers, Mr. Whicher was thrown out, the horse fell, and the wagon became partly demolished. Mr. Whicher was rendered unconscious, but soon regained it. Help was at hand and he was conveyed home. Dr. Hazard being out of town, Dr. Wallace of Nashua was summoned. He found the bone of one arm cracked, the wrist of the other one put out of joint, besides serious bruises about the head and face. Mr. Whicher has served the public for many years as postmaster, and clerk in the store under three different proprietors and is a very popular man because of his faithfulness and unflinching courtesy.

## LUNENBURG.

**News Items.**  
Apple picking is the principal business of the day here just now. Many farmers have their crop secured and others will finish this week. The yield is very good, the apples large, and splendidly colored.

Several of the local sportsmen are exercising the hunters' privilege and are roaming the woods, with dog and gun, from "day-light's early dawn," until exhausted nature reminds them that it is time to make tracks for home and refreshments. So far, there has been no long string or full game bag reported, and the general verdict is that game is scarce and hard to find.

The Ladies' Sewing circle of the Congregational church served a dinner in the vestry last Friday, which was patronized by more than one hundred people and netted a neat little sum for the treasury.

By vote of the Village Improvement society, the granite curbing encircling the "merry-go-round," was removed on Wednesday, and the ground graded.

The many friends of Frank A. Harley extend their hearty congratulations on the occasion of his marriage on Wednesday afternoon to Miss Ida May Gilpin of West Fitchburg. May their married life be as bright and sunny as was the beautiful autumn day on which they were married.

Two old fashioned husking-bees, with the accompanying red ears, rosy cheeks and lots of fun, finishing off with a rousing good old-fashioned supper, followed by jolly games and so-

ciality, were drawing cards in the amusements of last week. One was at the farm of George H. McIntire on Friday evening, where seventy-five bushels were husked, and the second at W. R. Peabody's on Saturday evening, where forty-five people assembled and made merry while they worked until one hundred bushels had been husked. By that time all had good appetites and when supper was announced were perfectly willing to do each their part in disposing of the tempting viands spread before them.

## SHIRLEY.

**Centre.**  
Rev. George Willis Cooke, minister at the First Parish church, was quite well acquainted with Julia Ward Howe, and he will take her life for his subject Sunday morning, October 23. Hour of service at 11.15 o'clock.

**Death.**  
Melvin W. Longley, who has died at his home in the old-time village of Shirley Centre, was one of the principal citizens of that place, and was known as "a gentleman of the old school." Mr. Longley, during his sixty years of life, had occupied many public offices in his town and county, and at one time was in the state legislature. Seventh in descent from the original-Longley of early colonial days, he occupied with his large family of sons and daughters the Longley homestead, where several generations of Longleys have been born.

He loved to tell the story of the capture, by the Indians, of his early ancestors and their rescue. Mr. Longley was a distinguished-looking, courtly man, with a lively wit and an intelligent interest in all live questions of the day. He was the warm-hearted friend and adviser of all the group of city people who make Shirley Centre their summer home.

He married, more than twenty years ago, Miss Abby Park of Shirley, who is still living with their six children on the ancestral acres—a refreshing survival of the older New England families, distinguished by typical integrity and solid character. Mr. Longley was one of the most progressive farmers in Massachusetts and a prominent member of the Grange.

**A Neighbor's Tribute.**  
Melvin W. Longley, whose sudden death at Shirley Centre last Monday threw the entire community in mourning, was one of New England's noblemen. He was trusted and admired by all classes because of his staunch christian character, and he was at the same time one of the most companionable and genial of men. His fellow citizens entrusted to him the most important official positions in the town and nobly did he repay the confidence reposed in him. No worthy cause sought in vain for his sympathy and support. In the schools, in town affairs, in the Grange and in the church life of the town he was deeply interested and his influence in all these spheres of action counted always for the best things. He was proud of his native town and his commonwealth. A hard working man he was never too busy to take his full share of the quiet, patient work involved in the day-by-day practice of good citizenship. He had lived all his life in the homestead which his great-grandfather built and in him the best traditions of the Puritan stock from which he was descended were exemplified.

Those of us who knew him as a neighbor felt the constant uplift of his sunny, friendly disposition. His heart was always overflowing with good will and only the recording angel knows the multitude of steps he took and the numerous offerings he made in order that the comfort and happiness of others might be enhanced. I have been about the world a little and I have met men of many types, but a choicer, rarer spirit I never knew.

He was a plain, unostentatious, modest, self-effacing farmer, but he could appreciate a beautiful sunset and enjoy a noble poem. He never traveled widely but he was in the best sense of the term a citizen of the world. We are all poorer for a time because his strong aid is withdrawn from us. But we are forever richer because of his worthy life covering three score years, the memory of which will spur us on to nobler living.

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**THE WOODS IN SEPTEMBER.**  
What joy we feel on this September day,  
As roaming through the thick, pine woods we find  
Fair Nature's richest charm in fine array.  
While gloomy thoughts are banished from the mind,  
The sturdy pines like watchful sentries stand  
While round their forms the crimson ivy clings;  
And here and there in scarlet raiment grand,  
The maples to the scene a glory bring.

In some cleared space beneath the noble trees,  
And by some rustic fence, or old stone wall,  
An eye for Nature's woodland beauty sees  
The golden rod, and crimson sumac tall.

While over tangled bush the clematis  
Spreads wide its bower of beauty,  
Fair and white,  
And underneath this bower of woodland bliss  
The purple aster cheers the ravished sight.

The woodpecker's rap on some ancient tree  
Sounds through the dim and fragrant forest glades;  
The bluejay's piercing note, is wild and free,  
The woodland's charming, witching realm invades.

Praise the Lord for the woods is old and grand,  
Away from the city's traffic and strife;  
Where free from the dull cares of life we stand  
And taste the sweet joys of a quiet life.

For woodland charms in mild September days  
Let fervent, heartfelt praise ascend,  
For all the beauties sent to charm our ways,  
Praise God until our earthly life shall end.  
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Saturday, October 22, 1910.

**GROTON.**

**News Items.**  
The Young People's guild of the First Parish Unitarian church resume the meetings of the society on the first Sunday evening in November, which is November 6.

Mrs. Charles Lawrence came from Brookline this week for a visit to Mrs. P. J. Benedict, Mrs. Henry A. Johnson and other Groton friends.

Miss Mary E. Parker has returned to her position as assistant teacher in the Butler grammar school.

Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck is in Wilton, N. H., at the home of her sister, Mrs. Gage, where she was called last week by the acute illness of a nephew. He died on Thursday afternoon, the same day of the arrival of Mrs. Shattuck, who remained for the funeral and several days since.

By a misprint last week, the results of the successful Unitarian food sale of October 6, was given as \$5.63, when it should have been \$45.63.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sawyer returned to Groton last Saturday afternoon. They are at Mr. Sawyer's home on the Martin's pond road.

Mrs. Holmes, recently from Lowell, is housekeeper for Eber Kierstead and father at their home here.

S. Evans is working for George L. Smith of North Groton.

Miss Eloise Eaton of Nashua, N. H., is visiting at F. A. Sherwin's.

Charles J. Wright was operated on for appendicitis last week Saturday at his home, corner of Main and Elm streets. Dr. Kibourn performed the operation. Dr. Smith of Nashua assisting. Dr. H. B. Priest was also in attendance. The case needed prompt operation. The patient is doing as well as can be expected.

Mrs. Henry Fitzgerald went to Cambridge on Tuesday, returning home with her friend, Mrs. May Doran, who has been visiting Mrs. Fitzgerald in Groton.

E. S. Clark, W. R. C., will hold a supper and entertainment in grange hall on Saturday evening, October 29. Supper at 6.30; entertainment at eight. Mrs. David Gibson, as chairman of entertainment committee, has prepared an unusually good program. Those attending will enjoy a rare treat in listening to Andrew H. McKee of Boston, second bass in the Beethoven quartet. Miss Lowe, musical director in Groton public schools, will be the pianist of the evening. A mixed quartet will render selections, composed of Mrs. David Gibson, Miss Susie Hill, Winthrop Chase and Rev. George M. Howe; Miss Susie Hill, violinist; readings by Miss Elsie Gillespie and little Merle Gillespie.

Wednesday, October 13, Sarah Ellen Prescott Rice of Fitchburg, visited her brother, George S. Prescott, renewing scenes of her childhood days at the old homestead on the Boston road.

Mrs. Irene Ames died October 5, at the home of her sister in Mascoma, N. H., aged eighty-six years. The deceased is survived by a son, Wheeler W. Ames of Groton, two grandchildren residing in Haverhill, three sisters, Mrs. Abbie Weaver of California, Mrs. Hattie Holley of Brookbury, Que., and Mrs. S. A. Colburn of Mascoma, N. H. Her husband died last winter. She was well-known in Haverhill and Portsmouth in both of which places she had formerly resided. She also had relatives in Windham and was an aunt of Mrs. F. A. Hillis of Hudson, N. H. Funeral services were held at the home of her sister in Mascoma where she had resided since the death of her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence are at their Groton home where they arrived two or more weeks ago.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church, are filling a barrel to be sent to a home missionary in North Dakota, the first of next month.

Droves of cows passing through here are returning from their summer pasture in New Hampshire.

Mrs. Chamberlain, mother of Montague Chamberlain, died very suddenly on Saturday, October 15, at the home of her son on the old Ayer road. Mrs. Chamberlain was spoken of in this column last week as the oldest person in Groton. She would have been ninety-five years old next January. The remains were taken to New Brunswick for interment.

Miss Mary Lidstone, a relative of Mrs. D. Graham, died at her home in Freetown, P. E. I., September 27. She was at the head of a large dressmaking establishment and received young women to instruct in her line of work. Miss Lidstone was a resident of Groton for several years and was well and favorably known here. Her many friends regret to hear of her death.

Rev. H. A. Cornell will preach at West Groton, Sunday morning, October 23, in exchange with Rev. J. P. Trowbridge.

Rev. George M. Howe attended on different days the meeting of the Congregational association in Boston last week.

Miss Clamma J. Blood passed away at one o'clock on Thursday afternoon. Funerary services will be held from the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred W. Coburn at two o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 23. Relatives and friends invited without further notice.

On Monday evening, October 24, Rev. H. B. Drew of Newton will lecture on "Hoe-cake Sue." This lecture will be given under the auspices of the Women's missionary society of the church and will give the true state of affairs at the south.

Mr. Richards, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Brickhead of Groton were given as three of the bearers at the funeral of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe on Thursday.

Mrs. Charlotte Floyd passed her eighty-first birthday pleasantly and in good health on Monday, October 17. Mrs. Floyd's home is with her son, W. P. Floyd, Barrel-lock hill, which is, by the way, one of the highest elevations of the town.

Rev. C. A. Finnegan has been ill this week and receiving the calls of his physician.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Parkhurst and Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Parkhurst went last week Friday to the home of their oldest brother, Jacob Parkhurst of Dunstable, in observation of his ninety-second birthday anniversary. It was not his ninety-second wedding anniversary as was printed last week.

Rev. A. J. Hovey and son Harold, arrived at the Baddacock farm, Shattuck street, Wednesday. They plan to leave on Friday afternoon, and on October 28, will embark with Mrs. Hovey on the Merchant and Miners' line for Florida.

The frame of the new railroad station on Station avenue is going up.

On Tuesday some hounds in full chase after a young deer brought up by the buildings of Baddacock farm. They were adding to the misery of the poor creature when A. W. Shattuck mercifully used his shot gun. It was found that two of the deer's legs were broken and that it had been previously shot by a rifle. William P. Wharton, deputy warden, was immediately notified, who in turn notified the chief warden in Boston. Game warden Mills of Ayer was seen to the disposal of the game.

Miss Annie L. Gilson and Mrs. Mary E. Boynton enjoyed a beautiful drive on Wednesday and visited the J. Warren Wetherbee family at their bungalow in Peppereil on the Townsend road.

Rev. John Malick of Cambridge will preach at the Unitarian church tomorrow.

Mrs. F. F. Woods, Mrs. E. M. Needham, Mrs. Francis G. Lawrence, Mrs. Moseley Gilson and Miss Alice Reed attended the North Middlesex conference of churches which met with the First Unitarian church in Lowell on Wednesday. They found the meetings exceedingly interesting.

Miss Emily J. Brigham returned to her home in Washington, D. C., last week, having spent the summer in Groton at the home of her sister, Mrs. Needham.

Bids on the wiring of the town house for electric lighting are being received.

Harry A. Floyd and Mason A. Shattuck attended the Mechanics' fair last week Friday, the last day of the Marine band at the fair.

Rev. and Mrs. Endicott Peabody plan to sail for France in late November to join their daughters, Elizabeth, Rose and Helen, who are established for study and well chaperoned. Malcolm Peabody, Harvard '10, who went across with his sisters, has returned and entered Trinity college.

**The Church Fair.**

Those who worked for, and felt anxious to have good results, feel especially gratified at the success of the Congregational church fair, with supper and entertainment, held in the town hall last week Thursday afternoon and evening. The public responded generously and an air of good comradeship prevailed. This pleasant neighborly feeling characterized the whole affair. In the afternoon many found their way to the hall where the booths prettily decorated with autumn foliage, and other colorings in paper, first met the eye. Within these booths the Fair ladies were deftly doing up packages until their wares were gradually diminished in number. The most unusual feature of the sale was at the children's table. A sign posted, told that there, Mrs. Wiggs sold cabbages, and a Gay lady in sunbonnet and otherwise suitably dressed, Gayly sold her produce. To each cabbage a little gift was attached by a string, so that in pulling out a cabbage from the patch, at ten cents apiece, a little extra value was enjoyed by the purchaser. One hundred and fifty cabbages, all of Mrs. Wiggs' stock in trade, was sold and she Gayly dropped fifteen dollars into the treasury. Some of these vegetables were used by the ladies to decorate their hair and proved quite becoming. The bountiful supper was fully patronized at both the hours of six and seven o'clock.

The children acquitted themselves wonderfully well in the entertainment. "The lost lady's slipper; or, Cinderella in flowerland." The old story of Cinderella ran through the whole operetta. The modest Daisy, Beatrice Murphy, scorned by her handsome sisters, Hollyhock and Tiger Lily, Florence Roache and Irene Peabody, finally became the Princess Margaret of the Prince Sunshine of Sunbeam Castle. Allan Barnard, the gallant prince found the lost slipper through his trusty herald, Robin Red. Burton Robinson, in blue and pink were Blanche Benedict and Jessie Green. The following list contains the cast of characters:

- Cinderella—Daisy . . . . . Beatrice Murphy
- Proud sisters—
- Hollyhock . . . . . Florence Roache
- Tiger Lily . . . . . Irene Peabody
- Godmother—Nature . . . . . Edith Kirk
- Bonnie Bee—Little Page . . . . . Raymond Lazarus
- Butterflies—Charlotter . . . . . Blanche Benedict, Jessie Green
- Robin Red—Prince's Herald . . . . . Burton Robinson
- Prince Sunshine of Sunbeam Castle . . . . . Allan Barnard
- Guests at the ball: Poppy, Frances Lackay; Buttercup, Angie Denahy; Pansy, Ethel Green; Daffodil, Marion Patterson; Sweet Brier, Alice Cleary; Violet, Ethel Patterson; Mignonette, Elizabeth Blood; Lily Bell, Irene Peabody; Mahon; sweet pea, Blanche Frazee; Narcissus, Florence Greene; Carnation, Gertrude Crowley; Sunflower, Laura Cummings; Lily-of-the-Valley, Alice Molson.
- Little Sunbeams: Charlie Mansur, Charlie Woods, Stafford Sheedy, Lawrence Boynton, Malcolm Wood, Paul Woods, Paul Blood, Roy Bennett, Morton Fletcher, Samuel Foreino.
- Little Raindrops: Beatrice Palmer, Blanche Benedict, Annie Keene, Jessie Fisher, Bertha Rose, Jessie Green, Lena Lahere, Bertha Patterson.
- Prologue—Fairy, Margaret Benedict.

The prologue was prettily rendered by the Fairy, Margaret Benedict and Godmother Nature with her wand well acted by Edith Kirk. Bonnie Bee, the little page, so cute in his little dress of black and yellow, his buzz, buzz, and funny little ways, proved irresistible to the audience. Bonnie

Bee was aptly represented by Raymond Lazarus. It was all very sweet and charming. The costumes were beautifully gotten-up, and the children who acted their parts in every particular so well, spoke or sang so distinctly, not only gave much pleasure to their many friends in the large audience, but have furnished themselves with a store of pleasant memories for future days. The financial report is as follows: Tables, white, \$41.50; fancy, \$35; ice cream and cake, \$36; candy, \$12.50; domestic and apron, \$65; children's, \$32.50; supper and entertainment, \$120, for a total of \$342.50. From this there is to be deducted the expense of hall and incidentals.

**West Groton.**

Mrs. Frank Worcester and daughter Lois have been recent visitors at Mrs. M. E. Williams.

An anniversary guest whose name was omitted from the list last week was Mrs. Lillian Harrington of Ayer.

A. Wright has left his employment at the paper mill, disposed of his goods at private sale and left town.

Mrs. Earle F. Sleeper has been quite ill, with appendicitis, it is understood.

Mrs. Kiziah Small has been enjoying a visit at her old home at Harwich on the cape.

Eugene Chevrete and family have moved into the house on Mill street lately vacated by Mr. Craft.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Shores and Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Webber were visitors at Mechanics' fair, Boston, last Monday.

Mrs. R. H. Burgess was called to Somerville this week by the serious illness of an elderly friend.

J. T. Shepley and H. E. Kemp started by rail for Vermont last Monday. They expected to meet D. M. Shepley in Nashua, returning from a trip to Boston. They would reach the Shepley home in Sheldon, Monday evening.

Mrs. J. T. Shepley is visiting her sister, Miss Flora Kemp.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge will exchange with Rev. H. A. Cornell of Groton next Sunday morning.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Bowles at the town farm last Thursday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge attended the Mechanics' fair on Wednesday of last week. On Thursday and Friday Mr. Trowbridge was present at the convention of the National Council and the American Board of Missions. Mrs. Trowbridge visited her daughter in Swampscott.

A well-filled house enjoyed the excellent entertainment given by S. Thompson Blood of Concord last Wednesday evening. The beautiful evening was all that could have been desired and young people from surrounding towns came in good numbers to enjoy the dancing.

**Reception.**

Invitations are out for a reception to be given to the members of the cradle-roll and their parents next Saturday afternoon from two to four o'clock. The picture postals with their poetically worded invitations are very appropriate and will certainly be enjoyed by all the little ones old enough to understand them. Simple refreshments suited to the age of the little guests will be served by the matron in charge, Mrs. C. R. Dudley, assisted by the young people of the Sunshine club, who will also entertain with songs. Twenty-four families are represented in the cradle-roll which numbers thirty-nine.

This year graduates from the cradle-roll to the primary department of the Sabbath school have also received invitations. Following is the list of names which constitute the present cradle-roll:

- Elizabeth May Bates, Norman William Bates, Rudolph Varnum Bixby, Harvey Asa Bixby, Dorothy Hazel Blood, Ralph Lawrence Blood, Ruth Evelyn Blood, Helen Elizabeth Blood, Marion Lynette Blood, Beatrice Blood, Vivian Josephine Boutelle, Eugene Clinton Boutelle, Adelaide Lyon Boutelle, Marjorie Lillian Carey, Arthur Edward Carey, Elliott Roland Dudley, William Henry Gill, Alfred Hodgson Gill, Virginia Ariene Harrington, Seth Edmund Kierstead, Philip Arthur Lamb, James Alfred Dean Lamb, Amelia Lamb, Joseph Warren Lawrence, Charles Donald Lawrence, Roger Franklin Reid, Everett Havel Reid, Stanley Matthews Robinson, Winifred Josephine Shores, Earle Forrest Sleeper, jr., Raymond Arthur Sleeper, Louise Louise Smith, Lillian Arathusia Smith, John Francis Welton, Edward Richard Wright, Marjorie Deltz Wright, Florence Mabel Bacon, Evelyn Elizabeth Parker, Homer Amory Harrington.

**HARVARD.**

**News Items.**

Miss Emma Newhall of Newton is a guest this week at H. H. Gale's.

The ladies of the Unitarian church held their annual sale on Thursday afternoon. The hall was very simply yet tastily decorated and the various tables were placed in different parts of the hall containing the usual useful and attractive articles always found at these sales. A chafing dish luncheon with coffee was served. The sweet strains of music added warmth and tune to the general sociability. The financial result was very gratifying.

William Lawrence Parsons is to move his household goods into the Chaffin place near the railway station. He is working with Mr. Hardy on Prospect hill.

Charles Savage, with his family from Leominster, called on William Savage on Sunday last. They came down in Mr. Savage's new light auto truck.

Ralph Whitney, now at the Kilbourne hospital, Groton, where he has been very dangerously ill, following an operation for appendicitis, is now well on the road to strength again and expects to be at home before long. He is especially pleased with the many cards and personal calls from his Harvard friends who are all anxious to see him at his home again.

Kent Royal, now playing on the Worcester academy football team, was home last Sunday. Saturday last the academy team were defeated by the Dartmouth boys, this being their first defeat of the season.

Miss Mabel Damon of Marshfield is visiting this week with Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Payne.

James Lee is laid up at his home with trouble in his right eye which is badly inflamed and very painful.

George F. Pollard is having a new steel ceiling put in to replace the old plaster one in the living room of his home here.

Miss Mary Bull is a guest this week with her cousin, Mrs. H. Emma Whitney.

Mrs. Harry Atwood and daughter Ruth with Mrs. Walter Atwood of Fitchburg are week-end guests at H. H. Gale's and G. T. Gale's.

Mrs. Gliman Carman of Greenfield visited on Thursday this week with her daughter, Mildred Carman, at the home of Mrs. Emeline Carman.

Stanley E. Hildreth and family close their house here this week and go to their winter home at Cambridge.

Miss Lucy Hazard is at home for a few weeks.

Sister Myra McLean of the Harvard community is visiting in New York state with relatives for a few weeks.

**Grange.**

Gentlemen's night at the Grange was pronounced a success, even by the ladies. A minstrel performance was the feature. The program was opening overture; song, "Wont you be my honey," Kerley; song, "Roses," R. Reed; song, "Down where the cotton blossoms grow," H. Waters; song, "Just for tonight," A. West; stump speech, original; P. Beard.

The affair was interspersed with local jokes and hits, all very clean and pertaining only to members of the Grange. E. J. McLaughlin was interlocutor. In the circle were Wm. Willard, Benj. Keyes, P. Beard and C. Beard; bones, West and Waters; tambos, Kerley and Reed; Miss M. L. King, pianist; Clifford Dudley, stage manager.

The Worcester East Pomona Grange met with Harvard Grange on Wednesday in an all-day session. Owing probably to the busy season with the farmers the attendance was below the average. Visitors from the Borough Pomona were present. The morning session was taken up with the question: "Problems confronting Massachusetts farmers," A. L. Nourse of Bolton. Mrs. A. F. Ripley read a paper on "the U. S. postal service." In the afternoon a speaker, one of the state Grange officers, gave a very instructing lecture on "Field corn," using samples of the various kinds. Music by Harvard Grange.

**Still River.**

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bigelow are rejoicing over the coming to their home of a fine baby boy on Thursday.

Skunks are very plenty and four were killed in the village on Tuesday evening.

Miss Rhoda Millot of Worcester was the guest of Mrs. Josephine Whitney for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutcherson and Mrs. Ellen Whitney attended the Mechanics' fair in Boston on Thursday.

Miss Gertrude Sanderson of Allston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Willard.

R. E. Portley is taking a week off from his duties at the railroad crossing.

A. W. Robinson has been loading cider apples at the station for Haynes-Piper Company, Ayer.

The Ladies' Benevolent society met with Mrs. Morse at the parsonage on Thursday afternoon to plan for the winter socials. In the evening, on invitation, the gentlemen met with them in the vestry of the church, where supper was served and a social evening spent.

Mr. McCullum and Frederick Hall of Illinois, the latter a nephew of Mrs. Fairchild, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild over Sunday. Misses McCullum and Hall were delegates to the Congregational missionary convention in Boston.

Mrs. Annie M. Clark of Lancaster was the guest of her sister, Miss Katherine Lawrence, a few days recently. Mr. Merrifield went to Waterbury on Wednesday.

A fire in the woods, close to Frank Sprague's icehouse, on Tuesday afternoon, supposed to have been set by hunters, was put out by hard work without serious damage.

**AYER.**

**Church Notices.**

Unitarian church services at 10.45. Sermon by Rev. Dr. Fisk. Sunday school at twelve m. Y. P. U. at seven p. m. Miss Whitney will lead and present a musical program.

At the First Congregational church on Sunday, October 23, Rev. E. B. Crooks will speak in the morning on the subject, "Let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me, and he shall make peace not and cold water service at 6.30. Home, "Canst thou by searching find out God?" Young people's service at 5.45.

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Saturday, October 22, 1910.

**AYER.**

**Railroad News.**

When a locomotive is built it is expected to make a certain mileage before it receives a general overhauling. When that overhauling is done it is again required to make a definite mileage.

A modern passenger locomotive is expected to cover 100,000 miles between general "shoppings," intermediate repair being made at the various roundhouses.

Responsibility for the failure of a locomotive to perform the work out of it is easily fixed by means of a system of records. The superintendent of shops is responsible for all power cut out of service on the road and placed inside the shop grounds, and this responsibility does not end until the locomotive is ready for service again. From the time that it is ready for service until it is once more cut out for repairs in the shop, the master mechanic shoulders the responsibility.

When the locomotive is ready to leave the shops it is inspected jointly by the shop inspector under the supervision of the superintendent of shops, and an inspector working under the master mechanic. Every workman who has any part whatever in the handling of the locomotive is responsible to his immediate foreman just as the foreman is responsible to his superiors.

In spite of the many intricate parts of a locomotive the company records show few failures. An "engine failure" is a delay of one minute or more to any train, provided it is caused by a failure of the machinery of the locomotive.

The labor of every man who works for even an hour upon a certain engine is charged to that engine, each mechanic recording his labor upon a slip of paper known as a daily time certificate, which in turn is certified to by the general timekeeper. The records of the road enable the officials to show the exact cost of labor and material for each mile that a locomotive travels to each ton handled.

**He Admits It.**

From the Fitchburg Sentinel, October 17: William H. Wilder of Gardner, republican nominee for congress in the fourth district, has admitted that he had his leg pulled during the recent campaign. The Boston Journal in its Sunday issue had this editorial: "Standing on the platform of a public hall the other evening, the successful candidate for a republican nomination for congress remarked with deep and impressive pathos: 'I have had my leg pulled.'"

"That was a plain confession by a plain man who had fought hard and who had won the fight. It was his first candidacy for as high an office as that for which he is now the nominee, and in fighting he had to cover much territory. He is not classed among the poor men of the district, and his adversary is credited with the possession of wealth. When the fight was over, each knew that he had been in a very lively encounter. It was left for the victor, however, to stand before a large number of his constituents and declare, out of the fulness of his heart: 'I have had my leg pulled.'"

"How many are there who would be willing to make the same public confession, either as defeated candidates or as nominees? The number, we opine, is not large. To make such an admission is to reflect, in a certain way, on one's own cleverness, on one's power to discriminate between those who sell political gold bricks and those who deliver precious metal in exchange for greenbacks. And yet, if the truth were told, the fourth district is not the only one in Massachusetts in which a candidate for office could rise and solemnly, as well as truthfully, proclaim: 'I have had my leg pulled.'"

Mr. Wilder's public confession was not needed to make the fact of his troubles generally known in this city. On the night of the caucuses, one of his hardest workers in Ward 5, and a man who has been a democrat for years, stated publicly that he was working to get the nomination for Wilder because he believed he would be an easier man to beat at the polls than Pierce. And there were a lot more who felt the same way, and they probably do yet.

And Mr. Wilder will have to sell an extra lot of oil stoves to replace the lot of money that he spent in this city and elsewhere in the district.

**To Be Double Tracked.**

An appropriation of \$378,000, has been received by Superintendent William R. Mooney of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the Boston and Maine railroad, to complete double-tracking the road between Nashua and Worcester. This division is also in receipt of an appropriation of \$141,000 for bridge improvements. On Monday, Superintendent Mooney made the following statement:

"I have received an appropriation of \$378,000 from the Boston and Maine railroad to double-track the road between Nashua and Groton, and Ayer and Thayer. With the double-tracking of the road between these places there will be a complete double-track equipment between Nashua and Worcester.

"In addition to the appropriation for double-tracking, I have also received an appropriation of \$95,000 for bridge improvements. This appropriation, together with \$46,000 previously made, makes a total of \$141,000 to be expended on this division, for bridge improvements.

"In the matter of double-tracking it may be stated that the work will be started without loss of time."

Speaking of further improvements on the road, Superintendent Mooney stated that about \$200,000 was being expended in classification yard improvements at Worcester. The freight

yards there are being laid out for joint use of the Boston and Maine and New Haven systems for the handling of through freight particularly, and when the improvements now under way are completed Worcester will have admirable facilities for the handling of freight.

Railroad men are enthusiastic over the project of double-tracking the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division between Nashua and Worcester. The business of this division has undergone an immense increase in the past few years and the lack of a double-track has handicapped the work of handling the large number of trains required.

**Convention.**

The Democratic convention of the eleventh Middlesex representative district was held in town hall, Ayer, on Saturday afternoon, October 15. William J. Donlon of Ayer presided and Robert F. McCarthy of Westford was chosen secretary. Edward Fisher of Westford was placed in nomination by Rev. Mr. Billington of Carlisle. In seconding Mr. Fisher's nomination, John J. Denehy of Littleton moved that it be made unanimous, which was carried.

The convention chose the following district committee: James P. Dunigan of Chelmsford, Rev. Mr. Billington of Carlisle, Robert F. McCarthy of Westford, Peter B. Murphy of Ayer, Charles F. Johnson and William Kelley of Acton. The district consists of the towns of Chelmsford, Ayer, Westford, Littleton, Acton and Carlisle.

**Estate Left by Tirrell.**

An estate of \$103,000, of which \$100,000 was in personal property, was left by Congressman Charles Q. Tirrell of Natick, whose will was admitted to probate by Judge Lawton in the Middlesex county probate court at East Cambridge on Wednesday. Mrs. Mary E. Tirrell, the widow and executrix of the estate, filed a bond for \$200,000.

Most of the estate was devoted to private bequests, although \$1,000 is left to Dartmouth college for an athletic scholarship; \$5,000 to the Protestant Episcopal church of Massachusetts, the income to be paid to St. Paul's church of Natick, and \$1,000 each to the Grand Temple of Honor of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Grand lodge of Odd Fellows, and the town of Weymouth, Mr. Tirrell's birthplace. The income of the bequest to Weymouth is to be devoted to the public library, which also receives Mr. Tirrell's books, with the exception of his library.

**An Old Resident.**

Mrs. Rebecca Sanders, who is eighty-six years of age, and one of the oldest residents in town, moving here soon after her marriage, fifty-six years ago, is now living with her daughter in Fitchburg, Mrs. George Stevens. Mrs. Sanders rented her house on Washington street to Bassett Dickerson, Monday, October 17, and Thursday of last week, Mrs. Sanders went to Fitchburg in an auto, reaching there without any ill effects from the trip. Of late Mrs. Sanders has not been in the best of health and is now quite feeble. Her daughter, Miss Aggie Sanders, who has been living in Winchendon most of the time for the past sixteen years, has given up her position there and is now caring for her mother. Miss Aggie Sanders was born here fifty-three years ago and her last birthday, Monday, October 17, was the very day her mother rented her house.

**Bowling.**

The T. A. club bowling team, representing Leominster in the trolley bowling league, came to Ayer, Friday night, for a game with the team from this town and the best they could do was an even break, taking two of the four points.

Ayer won the first and the third strings while Leominster captured the second by a large margin which gave them the total pinfall by a score of 1269 to 1259. The rolling of the Leominster team was decidedly off color in view of what they have been doing, and had Ayer been a little bit faster, Leominster would not have been so lucky as to break even.

In the first string Ayer started things by turning in 440 while the best Leominster could do was 419. In the second leg the T. A. quintet was rolling a little more in its old style, and piled up 452. They fell down again in the third totaling but 398 while the Ayer bunch topped them five pins. The score:

LEOMINSTER.			
Douglass	78	102	77-257
Labuff	85	78	79-242
Metcalf	84	98	85-247
King	83	90	64-247
St. George	89	84	93-266
	419	452	398-1269
AYER.			
Fillebrown	88	76	70-234
Daly	87	82	75-245
McGuane	88	82	82-252
Reynolds	99	85	103-287
Fitzgerald	78	85	82-245
	440	416	403-1259

Thursday night Fitchburg played the Ayer team here and won all three strings easily, with a total pinfall of 1,301 against Ayer's total of 1,227. The score:

FITCHBURG.			
Cate	84	82	86-252
Haran	80	85	82-247
Duffy	93	72	88-253
Hawthorne	84	108	78-270
Coleman	89	105	85-279
	430	452	419-1301
AYER.			
A. A. Fillebrown	84	75	85-244
Daly	81	84	86-251
McGuane	87	83	82-252
Reynolds	99	85	103-287
Fitzgerald	78	85	82-245
	410	413	404-1227

**News Items.**

A very pleasant surprise was given Rev. L. E. Ferry and family last week Friday afternoon, when about twenty-five ladies of the Congregational society met for a friendly call there, each carrying a donation for their pastor, who moved about a week ago from here. They are getting well settled in the very pleasant and commodious parsonage and this surprise call was a very happy occasion for all. The ladies met at W. J. Harwood's and went in a body. The affair was planned by Mrs. Halga Duriva and Miss Inez M. Wheeler.

Misses Katherine and Margaret Hall of Chelmsford, twin nieces of Mrs.

Henry Austin Bixby, spent the weekend, remaining over Sunday, at her home here.

At the special convocation of the Clinton Royal Arch chapter at Clinton, on Monday evening, October 17, there were present from Ayer, A. A. Fillebrown, J. F. Lentz, H. H. Proctor, H. G. Turner and G. L. Osgood in Mr. Osgood's auto; H. D. Stone of Still River, G. H. B. Turner, E. O. Proctor, in Mr. Proctor's auto. It was the occasion of the official visitation of Charles Dana Burrage, grand high priest of the grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts, and John F. Lentz, high priest of Bancroft chapter, was a member of his suite.

The engine not long ago installed in the shop of the N. E. Paper and Stationery Co., that was, has been taken by the owners, who put it in the Rollins Engine Co. of Nashua, and the new Whitlock Co. has been purchased by Wm. M. Sargent.

There has been paid to E. W. Carley, tax collector, \$27,000 of the \$40,000.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robbins and daughter Marjorie, enjoyed a delightful trip through the Hoosac Tunnel to North Adams this week.

Thomas F. Mullin has sold for Thomas Carney his four-tenement house on West Main street to William Cornellier.

The Unitarian conference in Lowell on Wednesday was attended by Rev. Dr. Flisk, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. E. H. Bigelow, Mrs. Alice Butterfield, Mrs. Henry Butterfield, Miss Emma Butlerfield, Mrs. H. A. Bixby, Mrs. Lyman Clark, Mrs. F. A. Day, Mrs. B. H. Hartwell, Mrs. F. Lawton, Mrs. Edward Murphy, Mrs. A. C. Perkins, Mrs. S. E. Preble, Miss S. R. Tuten and Mrs. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Church have gone to northern Vermont for a stay of several weeks. Mr. Church is a conductor on the Fitchburg division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

East Main street and Washington street primary teachers observed last Monday for visiting day. They went to West Newton to see illustrated some of the late methods in reading. Our new teachers are bright, earnest and well abreast of the best things in pedagogy.

Mrs. Barker attended the opening meeting of the New Hampshire daughters in Boston last Saturday.

Nineteen members of the Unitarian Woman's Alliance attended the neighborhood meeting with the Pepperell Alliance last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray Lynds made a trip recently to New York and Canada. Since their return Mr. Lynds has been having trouble with his eyes which has incapacitated him from work.

Miss Ethel Andrew is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. D. Stroud, in Newton Highlands.

Howard D. Stone, who is erecting the addition to Proctor's garage on West Main street, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his marriage at Still River, Friday evening, October 21, and Mr. and Mrs. Elisha D. Stone and daughter were present.

Solomon R. Simmons, who has been very ill for the past nine weeks, is improving under the attention of Dr. Hopkins. His wife, Mrs. Mary J. Simmons, has in flower, some raspberry bushes on which there are ripe raspberries and many other ready to ripen.

At the meeting of the Woman's club on Wednesday, a very good program was rendered. "An automobile trip among the White Mountains," was bright and especially enjoyable as given by Mrs. Clara Hill; a brief report of the Cincinnati biennial was read by Mrs. Carrie Lynds, and Mrs. Nina Lovejoy gave an interesting story of her recent trip to Atlantic City, Gettysburg and Washington. The music was a club song and a whistling solo by Mrs. Eva Richardson. At the business meeting, Miss S. A. Blood and Mrs. A. B. Fisher were elected delegates to the State federation meeting at Cambridge on November 8. Notice was given of a conference to be held at Jamaica Plain on November 2, on food sanitation. Anyone desiring to go may secure a ticket from Mrs. Fisher, president of the club.

Mr. Crombie and his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Findlay, start Wednesday, October 26, for Folbrook, Cal., where they will permanently reside. Mrs. Findlay has been a resident here with her brother for two and one-half years.

Unclaimed letters at Ayer postoffice for the week ending October 17: John K. Austey, William Davis, Charles E. Little, Miss Anna Quinlan, Arthur Stanley.

**Accident.**

Roderick MacDonald, employed by Mr. Phelps in the upper sawmill, running the circular saw, went down a short flight of steps at the mill on Wednesday evening to throw off one of the belts and on descending caught his heel on one of the steps, when near the bottom and fell forward, his head striking the large pulley fronting the steps going at a speed of four hundred revolutions, and was thrown under the ground of the cellar and lay there a little while stunned from the severe blow on his head. He managed to crawl up the stairs and with difficulty reached his home on Pearl street and a physician was called. He received a severe scalp wound above the forehead and he was otherwise injured about the head and back part of his neck from the severe blow he received. It was a narrow escape from what might have been a fatality and he is confined to his home badly used up. It will be several days before he will be able to resume work at the sawmill.

**Railroad Enterprise.**

The fact that the Boston and Maine railroad has made an appropriation for double-tracking the line between Nashua and Worcester will mean considerable to Ayer as a railroad center. In the past few years, under the direction of Superintendent William R. Mooney, the business of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division has forged rapidly ahead. There has been such a great increase in the volume of business handled by this division that a second track between Nashua and Worcester will not come any too soon. The very liberal appropriation which

the railroad has made for repairing and strengthening bridges on this division is a matter of interest and importance. It will probably mean the use of larger and more powerful locomotives for the handling of the extensive freight traffic.

Eventually, it is probable, there will be a double-track from Worcester to Portland, but the matter of present moment and interest to shippers here is the improvement soon to be effected which will so greatly facilitate the handling of business.

**Installations.**

The installation of the newly chosen officers of St. Paul lodge of Masons, were installed on Monday afternoon, October 17, in Mason's hall, by Worshipful Albert T. Atwood of Townsend, assisted by Worshipful Luther G. Robbins of Pepperell. Nearly a hundred sat down to a banquet in banquet hall.

It was a public installation and a number of ladies were present and after dinner the lodge was opened for transaction of business. The installation was followed by interesting literary exercises under the direction of Worshipful Richard Skinner, Ely, master of St. Paul lodge. Excellent music was furnished by the celebrated Schubert male quartet of Boston. Following are the officers who were installed:

Richard S. Ely, master; Daniel W. Mason, s. w.; Lawrence Morgan, j. w.; Charles Bixby, treas.; Henry R. Hill, grand sec.; George M. Howe, chaplain; Luther G. Robbins, p. m. marshal; Timothy E. Flarity, s. d.; Jacob G. Wiley, j. d.; John W. Hutchinson, s. s.; Years J. Sherwin, j. s.; Frank B. Higgins, i. s.; Walter H. Drury, organist; George A. Wilder, p. m. Tyler.

Remarks were made by S. N. Lougee of Ayer, Rev. George M. Howe of Groton, Rev. A. W. Nelson of Pepperell and E. L. Haynes, superintendent of schools of Townsend.

At the regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter at Masonic hall on Tuesday evening, October 18, there was an official visitation of Right Excellent Charles W. Godfrey, district deputy grand high priest of the eleventh caplular district and installation of the following officers by Right Excellent William Hamilton of Clinton and past district deputy grand high priest:

John F. Lentz, high priest; Albert A. Fillebrown, king; Herbert H. Proctor, scribe; Frank S. Pierce, treas.; Elson H. Bigelow, sec.; Stephen N. Lougee, chaplain; William E. Murphy, captain of the host; Albert P. Fillebrown, principal sojourner; Louis H. Cushing, royal arch captain; Edgar H. Woodbury, master third veil; James W. Brown, master second veil; Huntley S. Turner, master first veil; John W. Hutchinson, senior steward; William A. Wright, junior steward; Oliver K. Pierce, tyler.

After the installation a turkey supper was served in the banquet hall by E. H. Bigelow, caterer, and fifty or more were present. There were visitors from Fitchburg, Clinton, Concord and Nashua.

**A Hustling Time.**

Never was there a time in the history of this famous firm of Haynes-Piper Co., that apples have been received by them in carloads and otherwise when they have been so quickly utilized as this season, under the superior management of Ruel P. Lougee, superintendent, and without a hitch. Previous to this season there have been seventy or eighty cars on the tracks, but not so now. They came so fast and they were unloaded so fast, that one not knowing, might be inclined to think that Mr. Lougee was not doing much of an apple business this year. The company have now seventy-five men as busy as bees in the many branches of their establishment and for some time yet they will be kept hustling.

A new tank house is being built at the west end of the plant and it is being rushed to completion. On with your apples, farmers, and don't stop bringing them on until an apple cannot be found.

**New Houses.**

Mr. Lapointe has inside of the new house for Mr. Harrington so far completed that on Monday, October 21, the plasterers will be plastering it. It is pleasantly located on Jackson street and is in a commanding position. Mr. Lapointe is a hustler and in a very short time rushed the work in this dwelling in record time.

Mr. Lapointe, who built the Pelletier house on Cambridge street extension, commences this Saturday to put on the finish, which he says will take about a week.

Some time ago he moved a large barn of his on Central avenue. Lapointeville, which he is erecting for a two-tenement house of seven rooms each, and will have the modern conveniences which will make very desirable tenements, and we learn they are already spoken for.

By the middle of next month Mr. Kidder's house on Fletcher street, will be ready for occupancy for his son, Hartwell Kidder.

The carpenter shop on the Kingsbury place is being rushed to completion and Mr. Phelps has made an addition to it and it is to have a furnace, hot and cold water, bathroom, and will be wired for electric lights.

The Kingsbury house, now owned by Mr. Phelps, is being put in complete repair, and when finished both in the inside and outside, will present a much improved appearance that was long needed. When completed it will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Zollar, and will have all the modern conveniences.

**Resolutions.**

The following resolutions were adopted by the Irish Catholic Benevolent society on the recent death of Patrick Hurley:

Whereas, this society has learned of the death on September 19, 1910, in Lowell, of Patrick Hurley, one of its oldest and most faithful members, after a lingering illness;

Resolved, that we hereby express our sense of grief and respect at his loss and our appreciation of his many good qualities as a brother member, who, while residing with us, was active in the work of the society;

Resolved, that these resolutions be made a part of our records, and that a copy be printed in Turner's Public Spirit, and sent to each of his nearest relatives.

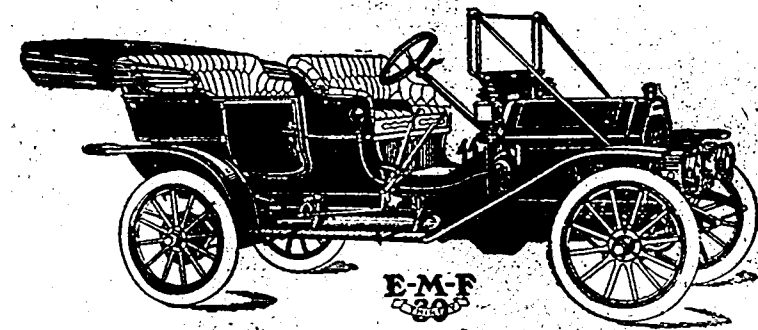
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**LITTLETON.**

**News Items.**

The guild will hold a neighborhood meeting on Sunday evening, October 23, in charge of the executive committee and the missionary committee.

The subject of the C. E. meetings tomorrow evening is "The chances we miss." Leader at the Baptist church, Miss Augusta Smith.

The ladies of the Congregational church kindly ask for the afternoon and evening of November 16, and the ladies of the Baptist church wish for December first.

Monday, October 24, members of the Littleton Woman's club will attend the West Acton club and hear Mrs. Kidder, who is an especially fine reader of Browning.

Twenty-five representatives of the local church attended the Unitarian conference at Lowell, Wednesday—the largest attendance from any one church outside of Lowell, and report a very profitable day.

Miss Nora Gay of New London, N. H., is visiting at Charles V. Flagg's.

The subject of Superintendent Frank H. Hill's address to be delivered before the Tadmuck club in Westford, November 1, is "Conflicting ideals in education."

Rev. H. L. Packard attended the meetings of the Congregational council, three days this week, and reports very inspiring addresses, particularly that of Dr. Nehemiah Boynton on Wednesday. Dr. Pickens of Taledega university, who spoke with so much power in the Littleton Congregational church three years ago, was another of the speakers Mr. Packard was privileged to hear.

James W. Ireland has been at home from the store several days this week for physical repairs.

Haywood Houghton is again on the sick list.

Fred Reed, Jr., is making life pleasant for himself and friends with a beautiful clear-toned graphophone that he has recently purchased.

There will be a meeting of the Woman's missionary society of the Baptist church on Wednesday afternoon, October 26, at the vestry. Mrs. Frank Briggs will tell of the work in Japan. The ladies of the other societies are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Fenn of Utica, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Irene Estelle, to Rev. Charles F. Atkins of Springfield. The wedding will take place on Wednesday, November 16.

The annual fair at the Unitarian vestry took place last week Friday. The various wares, displayed in attractively decorated booths, received generous patronage, although the number of persons present seemed somewhat less than usual. At 6.30 a supper, consisting of cold meats, potato salad, rolls, fancy pies and coffee, was served, and in the evening an entertainment, chiefly of pantomimes and music, was given. This was followed by an auction sale of vegetables and fruits which concluded the fair. The exchequer was swollen to the extent of \$200.

Mrs. Carrie Nye attained her twenty-fourth birthday yesterday. So sweet in figure, fair in complexion, and well personed in every respect, is this venerable lady, that the number of milestones she has passed seems almost incredible. Her many friends would extend to Mrs. Nye their very cordial greetings and congratulations.

Many wells are reported very low, and for several weeks people have been obliged in not a few instances to get their supply from an inconvenient distance.

The first sewing lessons in the seventh and eighth grades this season were given by Miss Margaret Thacher last Friday.

Miss Mabel Sargent spent last Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Montague.

Superintendent Hill has been engaged to address the Tadmuck club in Westford next week.

Miss Alice Jones of Boston spent Sunday with her niece, Miss Nellie Jones, at E. A. Cox's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wynn Brown of Woburn have taken a cottage at Bonnie Brae which they expect to occupy for several weeks.

Mrs. Walter Kimball has been visiting relatives in Woburn.

Mrs. Ethrow's parents have moved into the Hall house at Newtown with them.

Bernice Conant, 1932 Harvard college, and a classmate from Seattle, Wash., were at A. F. Conant's, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Ella Wright of Shirley, formerly of Littleton, spent Sunday with her sister, Miss Alice Wright.

Miss Perry of Hillsboro Bridge, N. H., has been visiting in Fred C. Hartwell's family.

Mrs. A. W. Knowlton and son Heywood, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Knowlton's relatives in Woburn.

Mrs. Charles W. Colman of Somerville is visiting Mrs. W. E. Conant.

Miss Etta McClintock of Lancaster is a guest at Mrs. Hiram Sawyer's.

Deacon J. W. Thacher and Miss Elizabeth Thacher attended the funeral of Melvin Longley at Shirley on Wednesday. Mr. Longley is well remembered in Littleton by his pupils who studied under his instruction at the West school about thirty-two years ago.

There will be a meeting of the Odd Fellows at town hall next Monday evening. Two candidates will be initiated.

John Anderson, in the employ of Conant, Houghton & Co., has moved into the Manning house tenement recently vacated by J. W. Dodds.

The Armstrong family has left the Halpin place and moved into the west tenement of the Frost house.

Don't forget the Odd Fellows' dance in Littleton town hall, on Thursday evening, October 27. Thayer's orchestra has been engaged for the evening.

The registrars of voters will be in session at the selectmen's room, lower town hall, Saturday, October 22, from 7.30 to nine p. m., and Saturday, October 23, from twelve m. to ten p. m.

**Wedding.**

Littleton people are interested in the Elliott-Craven wedding that took place at the bride's home on Stevens street, Lowell, Wednesday, October 19, at 6.30 p. m. The bridegroom, Robert Henry Elliott, is the son of Thomas H. Elliott, who summers near the Littleton boundaries in Westford and attends church here.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. F. Dannels, pastor of the Highland Congregational church. The bride was given away by her brother, Allan B. Craven, and a sister, Miss Eva Craven, was maid of honor, while John C. Leggat was best man. The two ribbon bearers were Misses Margaret and Esther Elliott. The wedding march was played by Miss Edith Normington of Worcester. The rooms were prettily decorated by Morse and Beals, and the catering was done by D. L. Page of Lowell.

Among the guests present from numerous towns and cities outside of Lowell was Joseph A. Harwood of Littleton.

The couple was generously remembered with beautiful and valuable presents. Their future home will be on Stevens street, Lowell.

**A Letter.**

The following is a copy of a letter sent from the Congregational church to Dr. N. Boynton this week in recognition of the honor he has received at the council held in Boston last week and this:

To Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, D. D., Moderator of the National Council of Congregational Churches, Boston, Mass.

Greeting: The Congregational church of Littleton your first and best wishes extend to you its heartiest congratulations upon your election as moderator of the national council of Congregational churches convened in Boston, an office for which you are so eminently and so admirably well fitted.

We are glad that our church which had the privilege of humbly furnishing the training ground for your most successful and most brilliant career as a minister of the gospel is thus honored by your elevation to this high office. We have watched with great interest and great pleasure the effective work you have done in other places to which you have gone and we rejoice that many others have enjoyed the blessed opportunity of coming under the teaching of one in whom are so happily and so perfectly blended the traits of pastor and preacher. May God's richest blessing attend you in the future as it has in the past.

The Congregational church of Littleton by its pastor, H. L. Packard; deacons, John W. Thacher, Walter Conant; superintendent of Sunday school, Charles A. Kimball.

Littleton, Mass., October 16, 1910.

**Supper and Entertainment.**

The harvest supper, held in the Orthodox Congregational vestry on Tuesday evening, was patronized by a good number of people who ought to be classified as competent judges, and they pronounced it one of the very best public suppers they ever tasted. The tables were well supplied with hot baked beans and brown bread, rolls, sliced ham, hot mashed potato, cranberry sauce, pickles and chow chow, apple, squash and cranberry pies, apples, grapes and coffee. To the committee in charge, Mrs. Elmer Fletcher, Mrs. Charles V. Flagg, Mrs. Perley Smith, Mrs. J. William Dodds, Mrs. George Canney, and their able corps of assistants, much praise was universally accorded, for a delicious supper and an excellent service.

Following the supper a pleasant social half hour was enjoyed, while tables were cleared and settees were rearranged for a most gratifying entertainment of music and readings, which was as follows: Vocal duet, Misses Bartlett and Hill, accompanied by Miss Sanderson; vocal quartet, selections, Fred Reed; vocal solo, Miss Davis, accompanied by Miss Tenney; readings, Rev. H. L. Packard; vocal solos, Mrs. Wallace Conant, accompanied by Miss Sanderson. The above artists well deserve individual mention. Every number was heartily enjoyed by a most courteous and appreciative audience that would have remained happy listeners for another hour. The financial profits amounted to twenty dollars.

**SHIRLEY.**

**A Clipping.**

The following clipping was taken from a Medford paper which gives a brief account of the death of J. H. Jenner, who will be remembered by a large number in Shirley as he was a frequent visitor at the home of his brother, A. E. Jenner:

J. H. Jenner, one of Medford's best known citizens, is dead at the age of forty-seven years. He had been confined to his bed the greater part of that time. He was born in St. John and shortly after the family moved to Shirley where he spent the early part of his life. He has been in Boston some twenty-five years and was an officer in the John Hancock insurance company the greater part of the time. He was conspicuous in church and temperance work, and was an officer in the Medford Baptist church, and has also gained prominence as an anti-drink preacher, holding many temperance rallies in connection with the I. O. G. T., of which he was district deputy.

He leaves besides a sorrowing wife and daughter, six brothers and three sisters—Thomas O. Jenner, I. C. R. engineer, Medford; Rev. John H. Jenner, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, Sydney; Amos C. of Boston; Fred W. and Alfred E., of St. John and Hedley of Grand Lake. The sisters are Mrs. J. Sullivan, and Miss Lizzie of Boston, and Mrs. W. A. Wetmore of St. John.

Interment took place on Tuesday afternoon last, at Woodlawn cemetery, Medford.

**Items of Interest.**

Rev. Leonard P. Brink of Tohatchi, N. M., has translated the book of Genesis and the gospel of Mark into the language of the Navajo Indians. Translations of the Bible are provided by the American Bible society in many Indian languages, but this is the first translation into the Navajo dialect.

The New Zealand Legislature has been asked to add telegraphers' cramp to the list of diseases for which an employer must compensate a man who sustains it in his employ.

Light motor cars driven by storage batteries are gradually replacing hand cars for section crews on some railroads.

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"The first night came, and Tree forgot his lines continually. His fingers snapped all through the show like an unending package of firecrackers. He thought his career was doomed, but the next morning all the critics said of him unananimously:

"Mr. Tree's artistic study of the blind Colonel Chalice was a revelation. Never before have the habits and thoughts of the blind been so carefully analyzed and so faithfully portrayed. The entire study was perfect, even down to the nervous twitching of the fingers and the anxious listening, as though loss of sight made hearing all the more dear."

**No Wonder He Was Disgusted.**

It was on the Peary north pole expedition that an Eskimo came into possession of a piece of wire. Never having seen wire before, he asked Professor D. B. McMillan what it was for.

"White men string it on poles struck into the ground, and by talking into an instrument at one end the voice can be heard on the other," he was told by Professor McMillan. The next morning somebody called to Peary and the other members of the expedition to come out and watch the Eskimo. He was sticking some forked poles into the ground and hanging his piece of wire on top of them. He next held one end of the wire to his mouth and talked to it at the top of his voice. Then he hurried to the other end and held the wire to his ear, expecting to hear his own words repeated. When he failed to hear any sound he looked at his white friends in disgust.—Chicago Tribune.

**Snails Are Queer Creatures.**

The snail is found everywhere, over 3,000 species being known. Some of the large tropical snails, as bulimus, form nests of leaves, their eggs being as large as a pigeon's. The snail is extremely skillful in mending its shell, and some curious experiments may be made with them. Thus I have seen a helix of a yellow species attached to another shell of a reddish hue by cutting off the top whorl of the latter, when the snail will proceed to weld the two shells together and occupy both, using the addition as a door and possibly wondering at this sudden extension of its house. In the winter some of the snails hibernate or lie dormant until warm weather. A snail of the Philippine Islands has a faculty of throwing off its tail when seized. This is also true of a West Indian variety, stenophus.—London Telegraph.

**A Brougham Pun.**

John Brougham was celebrated for his ready wit, and a story is told of him and Pat Hearne, who was the Canfield of his day. Hearne was a big man and addicted to flashy waistcoats. In one of his parts Brougham made up to resemble Hearne and wore a particularly loud and gaudy waistcoat. Hearne's friends persuaded him to go to see the play, anticipating considerable amusement at his expense. As they were coming out of the theater he was asked what he thought of Brougham's performance. "Not a bit like me. Why, I wouldn't own such a waistcoat," Brougham, hearing this, said, "I see; he wouldn't acknowledge the Pat Hearne-ity (paternity)."—"Recollections of Lester Wallack."

**Dead as a Doornail.**

The phrase "dead as a doornail" originated in this way. In early days, when door knockers were common, the plate upon which the knocker struck was sometimes called a nail. In the course of years it was struck so often that all life was supposed to be knocked out of it; therefore when it became necessary to refer to anything hopelessly lifeless it was merely an emphatic expression to say that it was "as dead as a doornail."—Home Notes.

**Headed For the White House.**

The small newsboy was leaning up against the wall, sobbing bitterly.

"Cheer up, my little man," said a passerby. "What's the use of worrying? You may be president some day."

"S-s-say," sobbed the little fellow, "it's-sure do look as if I wuz h-headed dat way; somebody's a-lers a-roastin' me!"—Chicago News.

**He Wasn't It.**

"My dear Miss Billmore," sadly wrote young Hankinson, "I return herewith your kind note in which you accept my offer of marriage. You will observe that it begins 'Dear George.' I do not know who George is, but my name, as you know, is William."—Chicago Tribune.

**Witty.**

The following epigram was written on Dr. Isaac Letson, a once well known English physician:

When folks are sick and send for me  
I purges, bleeds and sweats 'em.  
If after that they choose to die  
What's that to me? I Letson.

**A Come-back.**

"Honesty, my son," said the millionaire, "is the best policy."  
"Well, perhaps it is, dad," rejoined the youthful philosopher, "but it strikes me you have done pretty well, nevertheless."—London Tit-Bits.

## GOOD WAY TO USE HYOMEI FOR CATARRH

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**ADVICE FOR SWIMMERS.**

How to Approach and Save a Drowning Person.

"The week end picnic and yachting parties make plenty of work for us during the vacation season," declared Dennis Butler, patrolman of the Third district in Philadelphia and at one time the amateur champion swimmer of America, in telling several friends about the long list of deaths that have accompanied vacation periods during the many years of service that he has seen in the police department.

"What puzzles me more than anything else is the number of drownings that occur during the season," he continued. "Sometimes many a brave fellow who goes to the rescue of a drowning pleasure seeker is caught in the deadly clutch of a drowning man and accompanies him to a watery grave."

"Now, I have learned from experience that to swim straight at a drowning person and attempt to seize him from the front means probable disaster. He will clutch wildly at anything and hold on fast. He prevents the swimmer from keeping his air, and when that is exhausted the jig is up."

"Here is the way in which I have saved many a man. The best way to get at a drowning man is to swim around him and seize him beneath the armpits from behind. Then you are out of the reach of his arms and can hold him up and tread water. At times one must use other means of rescue."

"Usually the person won't listen to your advice to keep still and will wriggle around and try to seize you by the neck. The only thing to do in that case is to deal him a blow on the bridge of the nose and stun him. Then the rest is easy. In his unconscious state the person will naturally become rigid, and all that you will have to do is to keep him afloat and tow him ashore. There are hundreds of ways in which a person can be rescued, the principal rudiments of which are to keep cool and always to keep out of the reach of his arms."

"Another important feature in the rescue work is that of getting rid of the water and restoring respiration. When the rescued party is on shore the first thing to do is to stand him on his head and hold his feet straight up in the air. The water will gush from his lungs, and when it stops flowing stand him on his feet with his back toward you and by holding him about the abdomen allow him to hang limply over. By pressing the abdomen in and out the water which is in his digestive organs will also be got rid of."

"Another step is to lay him over a barrel or any other object face upward and his head lowered toward the ground. Seize his hands and work them with a circular motion from the head to the abdomen and back again. In bringing the arms back toward the head keep them wide open so that air will be forced into the lungs. Of course the work of restoration requires anywhere from several minutes to many hours, according to the amount of water which has been taken into the lungs."

"But, like everything else, even a novice can make an effort to prevent himself from drowning. When a man falls into the water who cannot swim the easiest way to keep up is to have the lungs well filled with air. This, together with the hands extended palm downward on a level with the breast and a few motions of the feet, will keep him on top for about a half hour, and in this time he has many chances of being rescued. Instead of doing this, however, a novice upon falling into the water will raise his hands over his head and attempt to call for help. After he discharges the air from his lungs in the vain about the lungs take in water, and then he naturally sinks."

**USES FOR OLD LINEN.**

How Wornout Sheets and Tablecloths Can Be Utilized.

Sheets of linen should never end their days as dust cloths, nor should the outside edges be turned toward the center and sewed together when the center is worn, as the crease of the seam is most uncomfortable to sleep upon. Besides, when the linen sheet has reached this stage it has served its day as a sheet.

The ends will be found comparatively good and can be made into handsome turnover and sham sets for the spare bed. They may be hemstitched and one's monogram or initial worked in the center.

Dollies, tray covers, centerpieces and sideboard and dresser scarfs may be materialized out of old linen sheets. A handsome bedspread, too, could be made by cutting the good parts into small squares, featherstitching a simple design on each square and joining with linen lace insertion. The edges may be finished with lace edging to match.

Old table linen, too, is often put to use as a dust cloth when it deserves something better. Soft face towels, ten towels for silver and glass and cloths to protect the freshly baked loaf of cake or bread from dust or possible transgressing fly may be had by the mere hemming. Oftentimes a perfectly good square of the old tablecloth is left which would be large enough for a lunch cloth and good enough to pay one for hemstitching or featherstitching a hem.

**How to Wash Vins**

For washing bottles or other glass vessels save eggshells in a paper bag, crush them fine, put in the cruets with warm, soapy water and shake well. This will clean and not scratch the finest glass.

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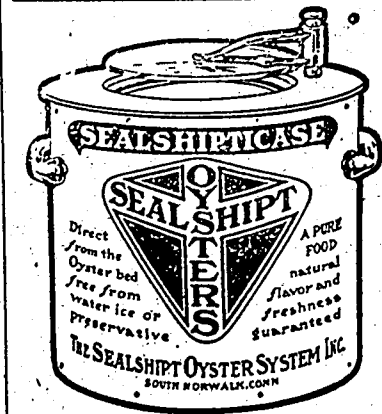
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**Registration of Voters**

The Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall Building, for the purpose of registering voters and correcting the list of voters.

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.

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**POLITICS IN THE STATE**

**Chairman Hatfield Says Republicans Will Win**

**GOVERNOR'S VETO EXPLAINED**

**So-Called Eight-Hour Bill Affected Only a Very Few Persons—Did Not Apply to Laborers in General—Draper's Work For Women and Children**

Judging from the opinion of Mr. Charles E. Hatfield, chairman of the Republican state committee of Massachusetts, the political situation in this state is very encouraging. In an interview Mr. Hatfield has this to say: "I regard conditions in this commonwealth as very satisfactory for Republican success in November. Since the alleged Democratic convention in Faneuil hall, I am getting letters from Republicans and Democrats from all over the state, saying that 'the only issue now before the people is Governor Draper and respectability,' and that they were 'going to vote for Draper and decency.' The great danger to the Republican party at this moment is over-confidence, because of the effect of the Democratic convention on the voters of the state. It seems to me that it behooves us to put forth every effort in every senatorial and representative district in the commonwealth, in order that the state ticket may be elected by an overwhelming majority, and the Democratic party be given a rebuke by the people. It is a sad spectacle to see a great political party unable to carry on to completion the work of a convention without turning it into a prize fight."

The interest is unusual. "I have attended and spoken at a number of Republican conventions recently, and find an unusual amount of interest. Many of these conventions where there was no contest have been very well attended, and there is great interest even at this early stage of the campaign. "It is a curious campaign. We have been obliged to wage a canvass for some time without knowing who the Democratic candidate was to be. Nevertheless I believe the Republican city and town committees are working in such perfect harmony with the state committee, that we are in a condition to take advantage of all the blunders of our opponents. There is certainly no less glory in picking up a football on a fumble and making a goal and kicking a goal from the field. Both methods are equally effective. "The humorous remarks of former Congressman John R. Thayer at the opening of his address at the Democratic state convention mark him as the greatest humorist of the age. I believe the people, both Democrats and Republicans, are disgusted with Democrat machine methods, and that the whole Republican ticket will be elected by a fine majority. "The State League of Republican clubs, which has just been formed in this state, ought to be of great assistance in getting out the vote, and in making headquarters for Republican voters to congregate, find and read Republican literature, and talk over Republican principles and policies.

"The Republican state committee is working in perfect accord with Mr. John Hays Hammond in this matter, and we expect this week to start three or four Republican clubs in the city of Boston."

**The Eight-Hour Bill**

There seems to be a very general misconception abroad in regard to the so-called eight-hour bill which was vetoed by Governor Draper this year, as well as last. There seems to be a general impression that this bill, if enacted, would have put working people generally on an eight-hour basis. This is not correct. The bill applied only to persons who worked for the commonwealth, for the county, city or town, and even then not to those working for all cities and towns, but only those working for cities or towns that had accepted section twenty of chapter 106 of the revised laws. Even when these provisions of the law had been accepted by the city or town the bill did not apply to all public employees, did not cover certain classes of printing, nor employees in any institution nor on a farm, nor those in charge of the grounds, or stables, or the domestic, kitchen, or dining-room service, nor those employed in store-rooms and offices. It favored only a limited class, and by many was regarded as class legislation of the worst kind.

The attempt was made to pass this bill in the legislature by a false title. Those who advocated it called it "An act to constitute eight hours a day's work for public employees"—which it was not. That act had already been established by chapter 269 of the acts of 1907—passed by a Republican legislature and signed by a Republican governor.

The vetoed bill would not permit public employees to whom it applied to work more than eight hours, even though they wanted to—would not allow them the chance to make the extra dollar or two that everybody likes to pick up now and then—made a

criminal of anyone who permitted it, liable to a fine of \$1000 and six months' imprisonment. There are a good many people in the commonwealth who think Governor Draper ought to be commended, not condemned, for protecting the public from this scheme of the favored few.

**Draper a Great Governor**

It is beginning to be appreciated that Governor Draper is one of the ablest chief executives who has filled that office in many years. Two years in office have shown the manner of man he is, and proved his integrity, his business-like methods, and his unflinching courage. He has given the people what they most needed, a business administration. His second year is closing with the people of the state generally employed, with many new mills in process of construction in different parts of the commonwealth, and with the condition of the savings banks of the state indicating a prosperous and thrifty commonwealth.

A glance at what he has accomplished as governor reveals a tremendous amount of work completed, many difficult problems solved, and a list of appointments to office of as high a grade as were ever sent in to the council by an executive of the state. In the making of these appointments he has freed himself entirely from personal considerations and friendships, and has consideration only for the best interests of the commonwealth.

Signed the Fifty-Six-Hour Bill. It is true that he has been attacked by prejudiced labor leaders as unfriendly to labor. As acting governor in 1908, Governor Draper signed an act (Chapter 645) reducing the hours of labor for women and children from fifty-eight to fifty-six hours a week. This single act affected more than 250,000 women and children employed in manufacturing establishments, to say nothing of mercantile establishments. Few governors have done as much during their entire terms of office for the interests of labor as Governor Draper did in that one stroke of his pen.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of **EMOGENE CARTER**, late of Shirley in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by **SIDNEY A. CARTER**, who prays that said instrument may be admitted to probate, and that he be appointed executor thereof, and that he be given a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirty-first 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 *Turner's Public Spirit*, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all persons interested in said 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.

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**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, testator. 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, and said estate already administered, to **WILLIAM F. WILBARTON** of Groton in the County of Middlesex, without giving bond, and without giving notice 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.

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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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North Chelmsford via Middlesex Street—5.18, 6.00, 6.30, 6.55, 7.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.33 p. m. Sundays—5.33, 6.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5.30, 5.55, 6.30, 6.57, 7.18 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.33 p. m. then 11.45 p. m. Sundays—5.35 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m.

Nashua—6.45 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 12.15 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12.45 p. m. until 10.15 p. m.) Sundays—7.15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.15 p. m. Return—Leave Nashua—6.35 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10.35 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 1.35 p. m. until 10.35 p. m.) Sundays—7.35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m.

Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—6.18, 6.00, 6.55, 7.18 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 11.48 p. m. then 10.48 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—5.40, 6.20, 6.57, 7.33 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m. then 11.33 p. m. Sundays—9.03 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.33 p. m.

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

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

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

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

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## PEPPERELL

**Center.** An interesting and amusing comedy will be given in Prescott hall on Thursday evening, November 10, by out-of-town talent. They are to present this play in Jordan hall, Boston, and have consented to repeat it here on November 10.

The L. S. C. Alliance branch, of the United church, entertained the Alliance of Shirley, Groton and Ayer on Friday afternoon, October 14, in Central hall. Interesting reports were given by the presidents of the branches, followed by a most excellent and instructive paper on "The use of the bible in Sunday schools," by Miss Harriet E. Johnson of Boston, superintendent of the Arlington street Sunday school. Regrets were received from Littleton branch, their fair preventing attendance.

The annual business meeting of the Village Aid society will be held at three o'clock Thursday, October 27, at the home of Mrs. E. B. Heald. Any one wishing to become a member may do so at that time, or by speaking to a member. The officers for the ensuing year will be chosen at this meeting and the treasurer will receive the dues.

The Alliance held a very pleasant and interesting neighborhood meeting at the Unitarian church vestry on Friday afternoon, October 14. A large number of ladies were present from Ayer, Shirley and Groton. A meeting was held with the president, Mrs. N. S. Shattuck, Park street, on Friday afternoon, October 21.

Tax collector, Edward P. McCord, wishes to remind the tax payers who have not as yet paid their taxes for 1910, that the same go on interest on Tuesday, November 1st. He also wishes to state that these must be paid as voted at the last annual town meeting.

**Meetings.** Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held its twelfth anniversary of Char-

ter day on Wednesday, October 19, when a reception was given the six real granddaughters. Guests were present and a large number of daughters anticipating in the exercises which opened with chapter meeting, followed by a program: readings, Mrs. Herrig and Mrs. Tower; two songs, Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson; presentation of a generous number of useful articles by members of the chapter to the chapter house. A most attractive birthday cake, beautifully decorated and lighted by twelve blue candles, was made and presented by Mrs. Erbert Williams. The finding of the ring, thimble and coin, lucky omens, by the members when the cake was served caused much merriment.

The reception given to the Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., by the ladies of the Woman's club, on Wednesday, October 19, was fully attended by the ladies of both organizations and was a most successful occasion. Mrs. Tower and Mrs. Herrig gave readings, Miss Annetta Merrill read a letter, telling about the first cup of tea made on Nantucket Island. Mrs. John Bennett rendered a piano solo and Mrs. Charles Hutchinson sang Mrs. Julia Ward Howe's "Battle hymn of the Republic." Miss Merrill told of the circumstances which lead Mrs. Howe to write it. The club wishes to call public attention to the concert on November 21, which will be open to all. There will be music of a high order and a professional reader. Make a note of the date and keep the evening free. It will repay you, we are sure.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical society, Dr. Samuel A. Green communicated the diary of Rev. Joseph Emerson, minister of Pepperell, kept while he was chaplain of the expedition against Louisburg on board the frigate Molineux, from March 15, to August 14, 1745. He submitted with this a short account which he had prepared of Mr. Emerson's life. The original manuscript of the diary was recently given to the society by Miss Harriet Elizabeth Freeman of Boston.

**Gleanings.** Mrs. Abbie Shattuck of High street is confined to the house with the prevailing distemper.

Mrs. Lillian Carlton of Milford, N. H., is a guest of Mrs. W. D. Hazen on Pleasant street.

Miss Ethel Kemp spent Columbus day with her sister in Medford.

Mrs. Carrie Pitman has been visiting in Haverhill and Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frossard spent a few days this week with their daughter, Mrs. Leonard Nodding of Somerville, going on Wednesday in their auto. Mr. and Mrs. Nodding are also entertaining the mother and sister of Mr. Nodding from Canada.

Mrs. L. H. Bean has been confined to her house since Sunday last, on account of illness.

Frank Wright, who recently sold his farm on the Townsend road, is to occupy a tenement in the house of P. J. Drinane on Cross street.

James Parker, overseer at the shoe-shop, has moved into the house occupied by the late Mrs. James Elliott. William Mansfield will still occupy a room there.

Mrs. Anna, Nutting of Gardner is sitting at the home of her son, Leroy Nutting.

Quite a number of ladies attended the Unitarian convention at Lowell, Wednesday, October 19.

Miss Margaret Parks is in training for a nurse at the hospital in Waltham.

Mrs. Joseph Donnelly returned last week from a two-weeks' visit at the home of her parents in Ayer, Me.

Edward Drinane of the depot village is quite ill with typhoid fever.

Archibald Pike and Maurice Gilchrist are duck shooting at Burnt Island, Me.

Kenneth Blood of Concord, a teacher in the Institute of Technology in Boston, and aide in the Concord Reformatory, was a week-end and over Sunday visitor at the home of his grandparents in this town.

Joseph Lavell and M. C. Gilchrist returned from a two-weeks' trip to Maine on Saturday last. They were accompanied by Mrs. M. C. Gilchrist and little grandson Robert, who have been spending the greater part of the summer in Maine.

Mrs. Thomas Gaul of Natick and Mrs. Edward McDonald of Mattapan, have been visiting their father, Timothy O'Leary, who is recovering from the effects of a fall.

Leslie Reed, a graduate of the Pepperell high school, passed a civil examination at Lowell recently, receiving high honors.

Mrs. W. H. Marshall of Hartford, Conn., and Mrs. Joseph Fox of N. Y., who have been visiting friends in town, went to Boston on Monday to visit friends there.

Harold Farley spent Tuesday, hunting game in Shirley.

The E. L. of the M. E. church will hold a Halloween party at the home of Mrs. J. W. Hingley on Main street, Friday evening, October 28. During the evening there will be home-made candy, cake and cocoa on sale—and a pleasant Halloween time is expected.

Mrs. Henrietta Winslow, who has been visiting her sister in Portland, Me., has returned home again.

Mrs. Frank Farley spent Wednesday last in West Groton, visiting her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Darling went to Fitchburg on Tuesday night to attend the anniversary of the Rebekah lodge of which Mr. Darling is a charter member.

Alfred Blood of this town has sold his house in Stoneham to J. W. Patterson of Malden.

Miss Jennie Sharp spent Wednesday of this week with her sister in Littleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Blood and daughter Marie were in Stoneham over Sunday and Monday.

Roswell Lawson made a flying trip to Haverhill on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Strong from Hartford, Conn., and Mrs. Angus Cuthbertson and son, Clyde of Fitchburg, spent Saturday at Mrs. William Marshall's on Pleasant street.

**About Town.** Dr. Arthur Bush, formerly of this town, with his family, are spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Chas. Shattuck.

Andrew J. Shattuck is very low at his home here. His condition is due to a complication of diseases.

Patrick Sullivan, who recently left the employ of Lawrence Brooks of Groton, has moved to the Schottmiller place on Mt. Lebanon street.

Mr. and Mrs. Burpee Keith are enjoying a visit from relatives, arriving from British Columbia on last Thursday.

Mrs. John O. Bennett has been entertaining her brother from California, whom she has not seen since he was twelve years of age. Mr. Brown, recently an instructor in the Leland Stanford university, is now taking a course at Harvard college.

Mrs. Charles Burkinshaw and family of this town, now of New Britain, Conn., came to town on Wednesday, after spending a week visiting friends in Maine.

Waldo Spaulding is out this week with a new five-passenger Maxwell touring car.

The residents of Pepperell Centre little realized how much attached they were to the town clock on the Congregational church, until they have been obliged to live without it. Now it is once more in its place and running as usual. We hear words on all sides for this faithful old clock.

**News Items.** The Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church will hold a harvest supper in Central hall on Thursday evening, October 27. Music during supper, followed by dancing.

The East Village Social club will meet with Mrs. Charles Chapman on Wednesday, October 26. Subject, "Miscellaneous."

Many of the poultry raisers report loss of chickens and hens by raids of skunks and foxes. On Monday night, Otis A. Merrill lost eight from one coup and by the conditions found in the morning a whole family of Reynolds had paid a visit.

A large number report loss in shipments of crated live poultry by express to Boston and in some cases a discrepancy of fifty percent has been experienced, notwithstanding the shipping weight was verified by the express company.

The meeting at the home of Mrs. P. W. Flynn on Monday evening, for the furthering of the work of the reading-room association, was well attended. Many who were not at the previous meeting being present, including Miss Mary L. P. Shattuck, secretary of the school committee. This reading-room and library movement is already assured success, for with but a few hours' work much has been accomplished by the officers and committees, and the positive date of opening will be announced in next week's issue.

The M. E. church was lighted by electric lights last Sunday evening, for the first time. It gave a decidedly satisfactory effect, and this success reflects great credit on the Epworth league members and the pastor, Rev. A. W. Nelson, who worked so hard to raise the necessary funds. Electricians E. A. Johnson and Charles Bartz did the wiring.

A good amount of unnecessary, as well as uncalled for activity on the part of a number, caused a great amount of unwarranted talk and rumor regarding the departure last Thursday of Elbridge Jewett, which it is now understood was not a sensational item. Even the report that Dr. F. W. Lovejoy made trips in search of Mr. Jewett were without foundation and strong criticisms is waged on the activity of the few in creating so much excitement and unnecessary interest.

The selectmen at their meeting on Monday evening, appointed Charles S. Denham and Thomas J. Drummeary to fill the vacancies on the water board.

The report of the water commissioners was put in circulation on Wednesday, October 19. Copies can be secured at the postoffice by voters asking for them.

William A. Drummeary has purchased from A. F. Parker the newspaper business. It is understood he will open a new store at Railroad square.

Dr. Nelson S. Woods has had his office connected by telephone, number 65-3.

E. P. McCord has entered the employ of the Champion International Paper Company.

Many familiar faces were seen among the over Sunday visitors in town: Miss Cora De Roehn of Lowell, Miss Gladys Williams from Nashua, and her friend, Miss Belluove, Mr. and Mrs. John Milan of Nashua, Minot L. Blood of Boston.

C. H. Thomas of Salem has arrived in town and has taken possession of the farm he purchased from George S. Day. Mr. Day is assisting him until he gets familiar with the milk route.

James West, Mill street, met with an accident at the Nashua River Paper mill on Wednesday, when his leg was crushed by a heavy roll of paper.

The hunters who have joined together for a hunt and supper are busy bagging game. The supper is to be held in the banquet hall on Monday evening, October 24.

Mrs. Elbridge Jewett says that she did not request any action by the police the day Mr. Jewett went seeking work elsewhere, and she doesn't understand why so much activity was in evidence without first inquiring of her regarding her husband.

Pastmaster L. G. Robbins assisted at the installation of officers at St. Paul lodge, A. F. A. M., on Monday. Rev. A. W. Nelson of this town was also a guest.

The board of registrars meet on October 24 and 29, notice of which is posted in the postoffice.

**Death.** The sudden death of Mrs. Josephine Carboy at her home on Tucker street on Monday morning, was a shock to the entire community. She became ill the week previous and the physician discovered she had pneumonia. She was forty-nine years of age, a native of Ireland, and has lived here about

fifteen years. Besides her husband, Martin Carboy, two children mourn the loss of wife and mother. Funeral was held on Wednesday morning from St. Joseph's church. Rev. T. I. Coghlan celebrated requiem high mass. Burial was at St. Joseph's cemetery in charge of R. H. Blood. Everyone sympathizes with this family in this added affliction, as it was only a few weeks ago, fire destroyed the grocery kept by Mr. Carboy and his son.

**Town Meeting.** The adjourned town meeting was called to order on Thursday evening, October 20, by moderator, Charles H. Miller. Town clerk P. J. Kemp read the minutes of the last meeting of September 29. Article two was then brought to life—"To hear the report of the water commissioners and act in relation thereto." It was asked if the town auditors had credited the report, but no one was able to answer the question. The moderator stated that the report had only been out since Wednesday, that although his name was in it he had not seen it until that day, and he is one of the water board.

E. P. McCord made a motion that the report be laid on the table, saying, that as the commissioners were not present and that there were many things which the public wanted light on, which the report evaded, and as there seemed to be some question as to the auditing and also as to getting any more information from unwilling commissioners. This motion was carried.

Consideration of the resignation of the commissioners, George T. Keyes and Waldo Spaulding, next ensued, and there seemed to be a lack of debate and after a period, E. P. McCord addressed the chair, stating that he did not wish to do all the talking, but he wished to state as a citizen from his district that since early in 1908, personal interviews, correspondence, petitions and several town meetings had been held for the purpose of securing town water in his locality; that notwithstanding the treatment they had received from the commissioners, he was of the opinion that no one on Oak hill desired these men to resign. He referred to the busy time Mr. Keyes had at Washington last spring, thus keeping the water report from the town report.

Speaking of the splendid system and the great amount of work these men had done and the sacrifice they no doubt had personally made in the interests of the town, he made a motion that they be tendered a vote of thanks. This was not seconded. But a motion by someone that the resignation be accepted without a vote of thanks was carried. The meeting then dissolved.

**Premiums Awarded.** The following premiums were awarded at the fair of the Pepperell Farmers' and Mechanics' club, held on Thursday, October 6:

Harry W. Legg,illy, 2d prize, \$1.  
 Leonard, White Plymouth Rock chickens, 2d, 50c.; Rhode Island Red cock, 1st, 50c.  
 Charlie Bennett, Barred Rocks and chickens, 2d, 50c.  
 W. F. Dennen, herd of Holstein cows, 2d, \$3; Holstein bull, 2d, \$1.  
 W. F. Dennen, display of papers, 2d, 25c.; tomatoes, 2d, 25c.; goose eggs, 1st, 25c.; honey, 1st, 50c.; coon cats, 1st, 50c.; trio Partridge Cochon ducks, four Silver Laced Wyandotte chickens, 1st, 50c.  
 Henry C. Gray, pumpkins, 1st, 50c.; tomatoes, 1st, 50c.; potatoes, 1st, \$1.50.  
 Mrs. F. A. Davis, 1st, 50c.; trace sweet corn, 1st, 50c.  
 N. S. Shattuck, peppers, 1st, 50c.; five turkeys, 1st, 50c.  
 Mrs. W. F. Dennen, two towels, 25c.; three centre pieces, \$1.  
 Mrs. F. A. Davis, display of canned fruit, 1st, \$1.  
 James F. Dunn, apples, five varieties, 1st, \$1; pears, 1st, 50c.  
 Henry Atkinson, children's garden collection of vegetables, 1st, \$1.50.  
 Mrs. Julia A. Lawrence, colt, two years old, 1st, \$2.  
 H. N. Tower, display of squashes, 2d, 25c.; trace corn, 1st, \$1; apples, five varieties, 2d, 50c.  
 Mrs. F. A. Davis, children's garden display, squashes, 1st, \$1.50; apples, ten varieties, 2d, \$1.  
 E. S. Durant, eleven-months-old colt, 2d, \$1.  
 Keyes' farm, grown by W. G. Atkinson, vegetables, 1st, \$5; two-year-old heifer, 1st, \$5.  
 Leroy A. Shattuck, pears, 2d, 25c.; quinces, 2d, 25c.; squashes, 1st, 50c.; melons, 1st, 50c.  
 Mrs. F. A. Davis, children's garden display, onions, 1st, \$1.50.  
 Jessie E. Flynn, four oil paintings, 1st, \$1.  
 W. S. Wilson, mangel beets, 1st, 50c.; carrots, 1st, 50c.; half-bushel rye, 1st, \$1; grapes, 1st, 25c.  
 Victor Blanchard, Groton, four rabbits, four Beikian hares, 1st, 50c.; four blue Homer doves, four red Homer doves, 1st, 50c.; three Indian Runner ducks, 1st, \$1; pen Partridge Bantam fowls, 2d, 50c.  
 Howard Shattuck, Rabbits, 1st, \$1.  
 Mr. R. B. Carter, pen Houdon chickens, 1st, 50c.; pen Houdon hens, 1st, 50c.  
 Burpee A. Keith, pen Rhode Island Red comb, 1st, 50c.  
 Silas Nokes, pen Barred Plymouth fowls, 1st, \$1; potatoes, 2d, \$1.  
 Mrs. Silas Nokes, loaf white bread, 1st, 50c.; doughnuts, 1st, 50c.; canned fruit, 2d, 50c.  
 James Hunt, collection of vegetables, 2d, \$2.  
 Francis Atkinson, children's garden collection of vegetables, 2d, \$1; pen Bantams, 1st, \$1.  
 Frank I. Smith, pen White Plymouth Rocks, 1st, \$1; single hen, 1st, \$1; single hen, 2d, 50c.; one pair Berkshire pigs, 1st, \$2.  
 E. S. Durant, orange, collection of vegetables, 1st, \$1.  
 Miss Sarah B. Tucker, pen Buff Plymouth Rock chickens, 1st, 50c.; Columbian Plymouth Rock pullet, 1st, 50c.; White Polish pullet, 1st, 50c.; Silver Wyandotte cockerel, 1st, 50c.; Silver Wyandotte pullet, 1st, 50c.; Golden Wyandotte cockerel, 1st, 50c.  
 W. E. Thorpe, Holstein and Guernsey cow, 1st, 50c.; Holstein and Guernsey calf, 2d, 50c.  
 Ada Spaulding, couch cover, 1st, 50c.  
 Mrs. H. Letender, pen Guinea chickens, 1st, 50c.  
 Paul Maxwell, female Boston Terrier, male Boston Terrier, male puppy, 2d, 50c.; Rhode Island Red pullet, R. C., 1st, \$1; Rhode Island Red pullet, R. C., 2d, 50c.; Rhode Island Red cockerel, R. C., 2d, 50c.  
 McNaury, egg plant, 1st, 25c.; cabbage, largest specimen, 1st, 50c.; apples, twenty-six varieties, 1st, \$2; basket display of assorted fruit, 1st, \$2; quinces, 1st, 50c.; brown bread, 2d, 25c.; white bread, 2d, 25c.  
 W. H. Jewett, Brown Leghorn hen, 1st, 50c.; Brown Leghorn chicks, trio, 1st, 50c.; Brown Leghorn hen, trio, 1st, \$1.  
 Mrs. J. N. Payne, Indian Runner ducks, 1st, 50c.; Pekin ducklings, 2d, 50c.; Wild Mallard duck, 1st, 50c.; Rowen duck, 1st, 50c.  
 A. McElhinney, fox hound, bitch and pup, 1st, \$1.  
 E. S. Grenache, brood mare with colt, 2d, \$1.  
 Mrs. Mary Keyes, Italian donkey, 1st, 50c.  
 R. H. Savare, herd milch cows, 1st, \$5; Jersey cow, 2d, \$1; Holstein bull, 1st, \$1.  
 M. Upton, Pekin ducks, trio, 1st, \$1; Buff Orpingtons, two, 1st, 50c.; half-bushel of beans, 1st, 75c.; trace of corn, 1st, 50c.  
 Mrs. Upton, sock pillow, 1st, 50c.

corset cover, 1st, 25c.; apron, 1st, 25c.; Kleinburg heater, grade, 1st, \$1.  
 Mrs. Jennie Presby, display of canned fruit, 2d, 50c.; hand made rug, honorary mention.  
 Byron H. Laws, two pumpkins, 2d, 25c.; mammoth sunflowers, 1st, 25c.  
 Mrs. C. F. Peck, knit articles, 1st, \$1.  
 V. G. Rouse, Rhode Island Red cockerel, 1st, \$1.  
 Hand plowing—A. S. McNayr, 1st, \$2; E. E. Sargant, 2d, \$2.  
 Sulky plowing—Joseph Savage, 1st, \$3; Andrew V. Pillsbury, 2d, \$2.  
 Exhibits which were deserving of the highest commendation, as they were made ready with no small amount of expense to the exhibitors, and with no prize return in view, were as follows:  
 W. E. Chairman, display of wall papers, paints and work, including a two-seated democrat wagon and the fire department hose wagon in a new coat of paint and tints of which the workmanship was in itself an exhibit of unequalled skill with brush and blend of colors.  
 Henry J. Gilson, set Boston team harness.  
 J. Saunders & Son, display of Crawford ranges, oil heaters, bedding, carpets, mission furniture.  
 Burkinshaw Knife Co., cutlery.  
 Whipple & Tower, boots, shoes and rubbers.  
 Peppercell Country club, golf prize cups won by the club.  
 Sumo shoe, moccasins and shoes, their patent waterproof goods.  
 Single Service Co., paper bottles.  
 Lane Bros., boots, shoes, rubbers and clothing.  
 George H. Bullock, jewelry, community silver and alarm clocks.

**TOWNSEND**

**Center.** Harry Dustin and his bride, formerly Miss Sarah E. Kidder of Ayer, who were married at Ayer, October 10, are keeping house in the double tenement on Brookline street.

Miss Bessie Eastman visited this week in East Weymouth, Plainville and Quincy.

Mrs. Sarah Ball and her sisters, Mrs. Melvina Augur of New York city, Mrs. Lydia Farley of Cambridge and Mrs. Abbie Hastings of Lunenburg, called upon their brother, Oliver Proctor, Cape corner, Harbor road on Friday. This is an interesting item in that the youngest one in the family is seventy-eight years of age, and the oldest in the neighborhood of ninety, and all are in good health. Another brother is also living, but was not present.

The Phebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., was inspected on Tuesday night by Mrs. Mabel Gooding, assistant inspector and past department president, and department president, Gertrude Holbrook of Forge Village. Refreshments were served during the evening.

A telephone was placed in the home of Roy Brown this week.

D. B. Scott has sold his residence near the upper hotel to a Mr. Cook. All regret Mr. Scott's departure.

**HOLLIS, N. H.**

**Apple Raising.** The little newspaper published at the Mechanics' fair in Boston, to illustrate printing machinery on exhibition there, Tuesday, contained the following concerning the exhibit of C. E. Hardy, the well known orchardist of this place:

What can be accomplished in raising apples in New England, is emphasized by the display of prize-winning fruit shown in the balcony of Grand hall, by a New Hampshire grower. No less than ten ribbons and cups mark the quality of these apples.

It was on the Brookdale farm in Hollis, N. H., that the plate of fruit that won the Governor Draper silver cup at the New England Fruit show at Boston, in 1909, was grown. C. E. Hardy, who operates the orchard, takes great pride in showing several small apples that were typical of the farm before he introduced modern methods in cultivating the trees, and comparing them with the present fruit, which is larger, better colored, and considered as fine as the western products in every way except, perhaps, size. Some consider the flavor of the New England apples superior to that of others.

Baldwins and McIntoshes are the principal fruit grown on this farm and the careful attention given the orchard has increased the product more than ten-fold, in both quantity and quality.

Mr. Hardy believes there is a fine opportunity for apple growers in New England, but says great care is necessary to bring the fruit to perfection. Regarding the work he says:

"All of our orchards are carefully pruned each winter, all surplus wood being removed. They are well fertilized with potash, bone and nitrates as soon as possible in the spring. Clovers are used to some extent to furnish the later and are plowed in.

"The orchards are sprayed during the dormant seasons with lime and sulphur, which is prepared on the farm. Just before the blossoms appear the orchards are sprayed and also they are sprayed just after the blossoms fall and again two weeks later. This makes a total of four sprayings, and as a result the fruit is absolutely free from insects."

**LITTLETON.**

**News Items.** The grange held its regular meeting on Wednesday night for rehearsal of degree work. Next week Wednesday evening, the initiation of a class into the first and second degrees will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell attended the Elliott-Craven wedding in Lowell on Wednesday evening.

Several Littleton grangers attended Westford grange last Thursday evening, when the third and fourth degrees were conferred.

Leander L. Fisher, employed at the Avery Chemical Co., has been off duty for two weeks past because of a dislocated shoulder and fractured collar bone in injuries received in a bicycle accident.

Mrs. Elmer A. Flagg is sick with asthma.

Rev. H. B. Drew lectured in Taunton on Wednesday night, and in Newburyport on Thursday night.

Following the Christian Endeavor meeting at the Baptist church at 6:30 p. m., tomorrow, there will be a preaching service.

Mrs. S. E. Whitcomb, who has been visiting her sister in Worcester, returned home on Wednesday.

The fall conference of Congregational churches will be held at Lancaster next week Wednesday. It is hoped that a good representation from the Littleton church will attend.

Roger Priest came home sick from

Amherst Agricultural college on Wednesday.

The ladies of the Baptist society have decided to change the date of their annual fair to Wednesday, November 30.

The oyster supper prepared by the Lincoln class in the Baptist vestry last Monday evening gave convincing evidence of culinary skill among the men of that society, although it is hinted confidentially that a few of the fairer sex could be discovered behind the screens. At any rate the supper was pronounced a number 1, and those who partook did it justice. A short entertainment of music and readings followed.

M. W. Leahy lost another fine driving horse last week, the second within a few months.

The plumbers completed their work on the new drinking fountain at Littleton on Thursday, and the donor, B. Stow Hager, and his horse enjoyed the first drink from it, the former pronouncing the quality excellent. The supply is ample to meet the needs of the public, and that thankful enough are those in the vicinity whose wells are dry. The suffering caused by the drought is pitiable. One family has even threatened to leave town if the present condition of things long continue.

Mrs. Alta Hollis and daughter and Madam Hollis were conveyed in the McDonald auto to their winter home in Cambridgeport on Thursday.

Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence returned to her home on Monday after a pleasant three-weeks' visit with friends in Greater Boston.

**SHIRLEY.**

**Altruism Meeting.** The Altruists held their first meeting at the club room Thursday afternoon. The president being absent the vice-president, Mrs. Martha A. Holden, presided. Minutes of the last meeting and all correspondence was read by the secretary. An invitation from the West Acton Woman's club to attend the readings by Mrs. Kidder at the Baptist church was accepted. Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman was appointed a delegate to the Federation meeting at Cambridge. Two new members were admitted to the club.

The subjects for the afternoon were "Treatment of the tramps" by Mrs. Alice L. Wright, who gave an interesting account of the different classes, the laboring, the yegg or those who dressed well and had the power to converse eloquently. Mrs. Wright gave several quotations from Josiah Flynn, who had traveled and lived as a tramp to learn the ways and needs of these people. The second subject was an excellent paper on "Settlement work" by Mrs. M. J. Conant, who was conversant with the work, having visited different settlements and been greatly interested. Mrs. Conant being called away, her paper was well read by Mrs. C. E. Tilden.

The third paper was on "Housing the poor" by Mrs. Mary M. Nickless, who treated the subject with much thought and study, referring to the benevolent and wealthy men and women who had done so much to improve the homes and surroundings of the poor. Building light and airy apartments that they might enjoy the comforts of pleasant homes.

A good number were present and the papers were all extremely interesting. After singing a club song, the meeting adjourned for two weeks.

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