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LITTLETON.

News Items.
A full report of the Pomona grange meeting will be given in next week's issue.

A telegram received from Frank J. Hager of Ironwood, Mich., on Thursday afternoon, gave information that his wife, Mrs. Jessie Sanderson Hager, passed on on Thursday afternoon, November 3, and that Mr. Hager, with the body, would leave Ironwood for Littleton on Friday night.

Fred A. Hosmer met with a serious accident a few days ago when he jumped from his carriage. His ankle turned and he sustained a severe strain, from which he is suffering very much.

Joseph A. Harwood has returned from Kennebunkport, Me., where he spent his vacation.

Dr. William Spurgeon, who spoke at the Lyceum on Tuesday evening, on "John Bull and Uncle Sam," delivered as grand and practical a lecture as any given in the course for many years. Of his impressions formed in America he said much, weaving in many a kindly suggestion for improvement and illustrating his points with numerous clever illustrations that even solved the small boy question for the time being. Mr. Spurgeon was entertained at Dea. William Tenney's.

The Odd Fellows' dance last week Thursday night proved a pleasant social affair.

Gardner W. Prouty has gone on a three-weeks' business trip to Nebraska, Minnesota, and other parts of the west.

The C. E. S. of the Congregational church celebrated Halloween by giving a social in the vestry on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cash plan to attend the National grange at Atlantic City, beginning on November 15. They will stop over in New York city to visit friends.

Peter McNiff has taken up the agency for the River View laundry at Concord, beginning his duties on last Monday.

Edward Moore, alderman of Frederickton, N. B., has been a recent guest at Thomas Moore's.

Chester M. Hartwell has moved into the Merrifield bungalow and the Merrifield family has returned to the city home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hibbard of Winchester have been spending the week at J. W. Ireland's.

Word has been received of the safe arrival at Bermuda of J. W. Ireland and his party.

Mrs. Arthur Billings and two children are visiting at C. V. Flagg's.

Miss Margaret Thacher spent last Saturday and Sunday at Lasell seminary.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield gave an interesting talk before the King's Daughters on Tuesday, on his trip to the State of Washington.

A branch containing fifty-four fully-formed raspberries, some of them ripe, was found on George Cash's bushes this week.

Several carloads of cattle were received at the U. S. quarantine here this week, and in the herd was a \$5,000 bull.

A party of young people, chaperoned by Miss Jackson, high school teacher, and Miss Grace Needham, went to the barn dance in Westford Centre last week Friday night. M. W. Leahy conveyed the party free of charge.

W. E. Conant, C. A. Kimball, C. K. Houghton, Osman Needham, Edgar Woodbury, Hon. F. A. Patch and J. P. Thacher went on the special train to Gardner on Monday night and attended the republican rally. The train of ten cars was met by a body of men at the station and the entire company marched by fours, headed by a band and accompanied by a drum corps through the principal streets. At the hall the large audience was addressed by Congressman Samuel W. McCall of Winchester, a most polished speaker, and Hon. Herbert Parker, ex-attorney general from Lancaster, and William H. Wilder, candidate for congress of Gardner, both able speakers.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul G. FAVOR and their little daughter Elizabeth of Somerville, have been the guests of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Packard two days this week. While in town Mr. FAVOR called on several of his former parishioners.

Mrs. Paul Brown and his mother, Mrs. J. H. Whitcomb have been visiting relatives in Newton this week.

Little Winthrop Hunt underwent an operation for the removal of adenoids on Monday and is doing well.

A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Woodbury.

Mrs. Eleanor Hill is recovering from a sickness caused by diseased liver.

Mrs. Charles Havens of Colorado Springs, widow of the late Rev. Chas. E. Havens, has recently been to the hospital where she had a tumor removed, and is now reported as convalescent.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Brown of Cambridge were in town on Tuesday, calling on friends.

Mrs. Sarah Smith of Winthrop came this week to visit her son, Charles Smith. She will later be a guest of her granddaughter, Mrs. Charles F. Johnson.

Mrs. Arthur Drew, who has not been making all desirable improvement for

a few days is again making progress on the road to recovery. She is still very weak and in the care of a trained nurse.

The ladies of the Baptist society will hold a food sale on Saturday, November 5, in the vestry of the church.

L. W. C.

The Woman's club observed Federation day at the Unitarian vestry on Monday afternoon. The favorable weather added to the inducement of a fine program warranted a good number of guests from this and neighboring towns in addition to a large representation from the local club. The auditorium was simply, but prettily decorated with oak branches and a few potted plants, with suggestions of Halloween by the presence of bats and a Jack-o'-lantern suspended over the stage.

After a pleasant welcome to the guests from the president, the business of the afternoon was taken up. Mrs. Hardy, Mrs. Munson and Mrs. Esten were admitted to membership of the club, and the names of Mrs. Louise Layton, Mrs. Agnes S. Nash, Mrs. Cora S. Hager and Mrs. Lucy a Pickard were proposed for admission to the club.

Delegates chosen to attend the state federation at Cambridge on November 8, are Miss Fannie A. Sanderson and Mrs. Fannie P. Woodbury.

Then followed the program of the afternoon, which included a beautiful solo, "Good bye summer," by Mrs. Cora S. Hager, accompanied by Mrs. Gertrude F. Houghton at the piano, greetings from the visiting presidents of neighboring clubs, a brilliant piano duet by Misses Sweett and Foster, a select reading "A sketch of Alaska" by Mrs. Mason, and an address on the biennial at Cincinnati, 1910, by Mrs. Marian A. Crocker of Fitchburg, first vice president of the state federation. Guest were present from Pepperell, West Concord, Ayer, Westford, West and South Acton, Shirley, Gardner, and Dorchester.

Mrs. Crocker spoke of the significance of the name, General Federation, which applies not only to clubs in the United States, but to similar institutions in India, China, Ceylon, the Panama zone and all parts of the world. Of the unity and co-operation of clubs and the inspiration they yield, Mrs. Crocker spoke encouragingly. The General Federation Bulletin, published in New York was adopted as the official organ. Echoes from many speakers were included in Mrs. Crocker's address.

Henry T. Bailey of Massachusetts, well-known in the school world, spoke on "Practical art work for Woman's clubs," urging the consideration of a national flower, and suggesting the mountain laurel, with the outcome that the General Federation decided to endorse the adoption of that flower.

Mr. Patterson, speaker on "Municipal art," one of the best addresses given, has fortunately been secured for the Massachusetts State Federation meeting at Cambridge.

Reports were given of progress in handicraft, especially in the State of Kentucky, and among the Indian races. Mrs. Crocker, herself, discussed "Conservation," dealing particularly with soils, minerals, metals and conservation of animal life. Conservation of "Vital forces," appealed to the masses as it included "household economics," and was the most popular of the meetings.

The cleverness of our state president was well illustrated at the meeting of state presidents when each was called upon to name her state's greatest asset, she replied "Take a composite photograph of the assets of all these states and you have Massachusetts' greatest asset."

A most appetizing spread was served by Misses Sweett and Foster at the conclusion of the above program, and a social hour was much enjoyed.

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WESTFORD.

Centre.
 Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Goode have closed their camp at Forge pond and gone for their customary winter sojourn in New York. The pleasant fall weather has made it possible to make a long season at camp.

Miss Eva Pyne was an over Sunday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Rose in Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pyne have been recent visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer's home in Dorchester. Mrs. Sawyer is Mr. Pyne's sister.

Mrs. Arthur H. Hazen and Miss Gertrude Hazen of West Hartford, Vt., have been spending the week at the parsonage. Mrs. Hazen is Mrs. Wallace's aunt, and Miss Hazel her cousin and their home is in Mrs. Wallace's native town.

Mrs. Clifford Bass and Mrs. William Bragdon of Portsmouth, N. H., have been guests at Washoba farm this week, and were present with Miss Foster at the Tadmuck club on Tuesday afternoon.

James E. Gill of Ludlow, Vt., was an over Sunday guest of his sister, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher.

Master John Gill Fletcher has been on the sick list and under the doctor's care with tonsillitis this week.

A number of Westford patrons attended the Pomona grange session at Littleton on Wednesday, and were also present for the conference of the fifth degree and the entertainment in the evening.

Tadmuck Club.
 The regular meeting of the Tadmuck club took place in Library hall on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Loker, the president, who has always been so constant and prompt in conducting the club sessions was detained at home on account of Mr. Bunce's illness, and Miss Hildreth, the vice president, was unable to be present, having to meet a business appointment which she had deferred from the previous day in order to represent the club at the Littleton Federation meeting.

The secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Wheeler, presided at the routine business and reported pleasantly the meeting at Littleton on Monday afternoon, which Frank H. Hill, superintendent of schools, was introduced and addressed to the large audience on "Conflicting ideals in education." It was a comprehensive, earnest and thoughtful presentation of a vital subject and fully merited the careful and appreciative attention it received.

At the next meeting one of the programs of the special season's study will be carried out. This is the one in the group under "Spanish North America," entitled "The Astics and Montezumas," of which Miss Edith M. Lawrence is chairman. This afternoon's program is changed in place of Mr. Bailey's "The minister in fiction," which he will give on February 21.

About Town.
 The old First Parish church will hold its annual fair and entertainment next Friday afternoon and evening in the vestry of the church. There will be all the usual attractive tables with articles for sale. Supper will be served from four to six. Later there will be a concert and a dance. The music will be extra fine by out-of-town talent.

David Billson, the expert engineer at the Fletcher quarry, while trying to adjust some electric wires on a motor engine, last week Friday, accidentally touched two live wires which made him less live than the wires for a few minutes. Workmen close by were unable to loosen his hold of the wires until the current was shut off. He was rendered unconscious for a few moments, but soon roused.

Judging by the last rally day for registration there will be a large vote cast next Tuesday. Eighteen persons were registered Saturday afternoon and evening.

Daniel H. Sheehan has started his apple crusher and the flow of juice is more abundant than water in Tadmuck brook where sitteth the mill.

The saw and grist mill at Westford station would be busy with logs and cob corn if a rain would only add a little to the pond. As it is the sound of the grinding is very low.

Barn Dance.
 The sporting element of life that loves ball games in town had their annual outing indoors at the town hall, last week Friday evening, and the Westford A. C. in their barn dance attire never looked more business like or pleasure like. The hall was also uniformed for the occasion with Jack-o-lanterns, corn, all kinds of farming implements and rural greenness generally. The Colonial orchestra of Lowell also in barn dance uniform added to ye old time days of barn sociability. W. R. Taylor and May Balch were awarded the prizes for best costumes. The judges were John Hutchinson of Littleton, Joseph Wall of Graniteville and Mrs. Clara Greig of Westford.

Much additional merriment resulted from the presentation to the association of four sketches of this wonderful ball playing team by Miss Balch. Dancing was enjoyed from eight until one. Chelmsford, Littleton, Lowell and the surrounding towns were well represented.

Forge Village.
 A number of men have been engaged the past week raking up the streets and making new sidewalks. As a result Pond street and Bradford street present a very tidy and neat appearance. The work is being done

by Abbot & Company. A little grading and raking around the Cameron school would add considerable to the appearance of the building. New cement sidewalks were laid in front of the school when it was enlarged two years ago, but the lawn in the front and around the school remains in a very unsightly condition. The cellar windows are also left unsafe and an iron railing should be placed around them to protect the children. A little attention paid to these things would be greatly appreciated by the teachers and parents.

Rev. M. L. Kellner of the Theological school at Cambridge, conducted the services at St. Andrew's mission, Sunday afternoon. It was announced during the service that Rev. Arthur L. Bumpus of Belvidere, Ill., would be in charge of St. Andrew's parish November 6, and would conduct the services at the mission at 4.30. A letter was sent from the former parishioners of Mr. Bumpus to Bishop Lawrence, and was sent by the bishop to Rev. Mr. Kellner, who read it to the congregation on Sunday recommending Mr. Bumpus very highly. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend the service next Sunday and meet the newly-appointed vicar.

Edward T. Hanley, Fred A. Sweatt, Elmer E. Nutting, James Sullivan and John Carmichael spent Saturday and Sunday as the guests of Julian A. Cameron at his summer residence at Essex Island, making the trip in Mr. Cameron's automobile.

Mrs. Hugh Daly went to Leominster on Monday to attend the birthday party given her daughter, Miss Gladys Daly, by her aunt, Miss Elizabeth Dufort, on Monday evening. Mrs. Daly also attended the reception last Friday of the Leominster high school teachers to the parents of their pupils. Miss Daly is completing her last year at high school.

Daniel Sullivan of Boston, spent the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan of Pond street.

Miss Christina Lowther is spending this week at Worcester, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, at their home on College hill.

Philip and John Morton of Lowell were entertained on Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Morton on Central street.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met at Recreation hall on Thursday afternoon, and after the usual work a very pretty luncheon was served, which concluded with a social hour.

The members of the John Edwards hose company held their regular monthly meeting at the hose house on Wednesday evening. The money made at their recent dance was turned into the treasury, and plans were discussed to hold a concert in the near future.

Mrs. John Baker, who has been confined to her home by illness, is somewhat better.

Meedoe Canton has purchased a strip of land from Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Prescott on Union street and will build a two-tenement house immediately.

John Carmichael has purchased a strip of land, joining his residence which gives him a frontage of 132 feet.

Graniteville.

The song service that was held in the Long-Sought-For chapel at North Westford last Sunday afternoon, was very largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Y. J. Oldaker of Boston, while Rev. L. F. Havermale of the M. E. church, assisted by Lucy Blood, had charge of the Sunday school. Albert E. Day presided at the organ during the services. It is the intention to hold services in the chapel every Sunday afternoon during the month of November. Sunday school will commence at 2.30 p. m. to be followed by a song service from 3.15 to four p. m. All are cordially invited.

The spirit of Hallowe'en, that means so much to the young people was observed here in various ways. At several of the homes, many of the old-time tricks and charms were tried over again, while many of the youngsters paraded the streets in the early evening with Jack-o-lanterns and other contrivances appropriate for the occasion. A regular Hallowe'en party, under the direction of Miss Engla Mattson, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Mattson in West Graniteville, the proceeds of which will be added to the treasury of the Epworth league.

Many young people from this village attended the big democratic rally held in Ayer on Wednesday night.

Mrs. Julia B. Wall, g. o. g. of Cameron circle of Graniteville, and Mrs. Julia McCarty, g. c. c. of Lynn, visited Ayer circle on Tuesday evening.

A Rousing Rally.

A rousing democratic rally was held in Healey's hall in this village on Thursday night of last week, that was largely attended by the citizens of Westford, Littleton, Chelmsford, Ayer, Acton and surrounding towns. Edward Fisher, chairman of the democratic town committee and candidate for representative in the eleventh Middlesex district, was chairman of the evening and introduced as the first speaker, Councilman Frank M. Farmer of Lynn, who delivered a very spirited speech on State issues. It was certainly an interesting subject. After the chairman had given a little inside information to the methods of the opposite party, Phillip A. Kiely of Lynn, candidate for senator in the seventh Middlesex district, was introduced. Mr. Kiely gave a clear, concise explanation of the different issues, comparing his record with that of his opponent, Frank P. Bennett, jr., of Saugus. His remarks were followed with close attention and judging by the interest shown by the large audience present, his words made a great impression. The next speaker was a man that the people here have been long anxious to see and when Hon. John J. Mitchell of Marlboro, candidate for congress in the fourth congressional district, was presented, he received an ovation. Mr. Mitchell did not talk on woman suffrage, or quote scripture, but came right to the point at once and the reason for the high cost of living as explained by him, left no doubt in the minds of those present that he has a thorough knowl-



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edge of the subject. From a personal standpoint, Mr. Mitchell is a striking figure and an able orator, and aside from his political faith it would be a pleasure to hear him deliver an address on almost any subject. He certainly made a great hit with the people here and at the conclusion of his address the applause lasted several minutes. Take it on the whole, the rally was a success in every way and those who attended will surely profit by it.

Harvest Supper.
 The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church held their annual harvest supper and entertainment in the church vestry on Thursday evening, and the affair was largely attended. The supper was in charge of Mrs. Maria Wall and served from 6.30 to eight p. m., and was up to the usual high standard sustained by the Ladies' Aid. After supper a very pleasing entertainment was given under the direction of Henry Smith. The program was varied and well balanced, and several of those that took part were obliged to respond to an encore. Miss Alice Gilson was the accompanist during the evening. Owing to previous engagement, the pastor, Rev. L. F. Havermale, was unable to be present. Both the supper and entertainment were highly enjoyed and the different committees in charge, as well as those who took part in any way toward the success of the affair, are to be recommended for furnishing a very enjoyable evening. Following is the program:

Piano solo, Miss Madeline Holland; vocal solo, "Face to face," Miss Rachel Wall; reading, selected, Mrs. O. A. Nelson; song, "The songs my mother used to sing," Miss Bertha Wilson; piano solo, "Sweet bye and bye," Miss Edith Furubus; quartet, "Who will enter the downs," Mrs. C. Wright, Henry Smith, Frank Caunter and O. A. Nelson; reading, "Peck's bad boy," J. Everett; vocal solo with chorus by the audience, "Mother hymn to me," Henry Smith.

LITTLETON.

A Live Issue.

At the beginning of the school year the school committee made some changes in the barge routes before letting the contracts that shortened the routes somewhat for the drivers, but made necessary tramps of from one-fourth of a mile to a mile for the children of families living off the routes laid out for the barges. Some of those interested made vigorous protests to the committee, but the committee stood their ground, claiming they had full authority in law to settle the matter according to their best judgment.

So far as I can find out the committee contend that the proper course to pursue is to send a barge out as near in direct line as possible from the schoolhouse at the Center to the outlying parts of the town and have the children living off this direct line walk to the nearest point of the route and wait for the barge there. The parents of the children affected by the new ruling claim this inflicts unnecessary hardship on the children and that the committee ought to provide transportation to and from the homes of the children, as has been done heretofore.

There is a very strong feeling on the matter and the protestants have presented to the selectmen a petition asking that the matter be brought before the town for discussion and settlement at the town meeting November 8. The committee will then have ample opportunity to present their side of the case and state fully the cause of their action and the interested parties of the other part will be fully prepared to state their grievances and argue for a redress.

The question is one that ought to be of vital interest to every parent and every voter and it is hoped that as many as possible will take the pains to thoroughly thrash out and action taken that will so decisively settle the business that it will stay settled for a long time to come. V. T. E.

Communication.

In response to the resolutions forwarded from the Congregational church to Rev. Nebemiah Boynton on his election to the office of moderator at the council recently held in Boston, the following communication was received last week and read in the Littleton church on Sunday morning: To the Congregational Church, Littleton, Massachusetts.

My Dear Friends: Among many words of generous friendship and kind interest which have come to me as moderator of the National Council, none have been more deeply appreciated than the resolutions of the church in Littleton, forever dear to me and mine, which we have enough to call to her pasture, a boy out of the Theological seminary, and in whose simple, beautiful meetinghouse the hand of

ordination was laid upon his head, setting him apart to the gospel ministry. Whatever I may be today in the way of useful service to the Kingdom of God, I owe very largely to the church in Littleton, which wakened my enthusiasm and stimulated my christian ambition and guided my early steps in christian ministry. The members of the church were so genuine in their spirit, open in their minds, joyful in their service, and generous in their benevolence. They received me so cordially, and accepted so royally the very little I had to offer. They loved my beautiful bride so devotedly, and by their gracious and friendly interest, made our first new home a little replica on earth of what the mansions in heaven must be. It was as your minister that my eyes just saw the real meaning of life; the true obligation of discipleship, and the wonderful opportunity which a minister by throwing his whole self into his task, might embrace if he would be utterly true to the high calling wherewith he was called. The influence of my church in Littleton has, during my entire life, been a cherished, a gracious, and a positive power. If I am of any special value to our denomination, the honor and the glory belongs in no small degree to the church in Littleton. I send to you my most humble and hearty thanks for your contribution to the fundamental imperatives of my life, and pray that your present minister there may be afforded the same enrichment of soul, with which you endowed me more than a quarter of a century ago. With an abiding love for the church in Littleton, Yours very sincerely,

NEHEMIAH BOYNTON, Moderator of the National Council.

Town Meeting.

The warrant for State election contains all, three important articles of local interest that are sure to call out all the loyal citizens able to be present on Tuesday, November 8.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to sell the town farm and the personal property connected therewith, or take any action thereon.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to so revise and extend their contracts with drivers of school barges on established routes, as to have them take the school children on said routes from their homes in the morning and return them to their homes at night, and to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money if necessary, to carry out such instructions, or to do anything in relation to the same.

Article 4. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to secure from the Commonwealth, if possible, an allotment of money, on same condition as before, with which to complete the King street road towards the West Littleton depot, either with macadam or gravel and asphalt, or do anything in relation to the same.

About Town.

Mrs. Janet Jacobs is making an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Hartwell, in Somerville.

On Monday, F. C. Hartwell started on a pleasure trip to Wentworth, N. H. John Kimball has the lumber on the spot for a barn and C. Needham is adding a bay window to his house, and putting in a heating plant.

Capt. W. H. Sawyer went to Boston on Wednesday so as to be present at the meeting of the Loyal Legion, of which he is a member.

Chester Hartwell moves this Saturday into the Nash bungalow on New State road.

On Monday night, Hon. F. A. Patch, J. W. Thacher, W. E. Conant and Osman Needham took the special train here from Boston for Gardner and attended the republican rally held in that town.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel White of Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Barker of Athol, with Mrs. Mary D. Brown of Ayer were last week over Sunday guests of G. H. Barker.

Mrs. W. E. Conant anticipates a trip to New York next week, leaving Monday for that city. She is a delegate to the meetings of the Woman's Board for Foreign Missions to be held in New York city.

W. E. Conant is making extensive improvements on the grounds about his residence, and among other things adding some landscape gardening.

C. N. Tuttle, who resides on Tahattawan road, is building a garage and adding improvements to his place.

Austin Hartwell and Carlton Needham spent Saturday and Sunday at the latter's uncle's in Waverly.

"Secrets of happiness," is the subject of the C. E. meeting tomorrow evening. At the Guild, November 6, Miss Sarah F. White will speak on "Some Unitarian opportunities."

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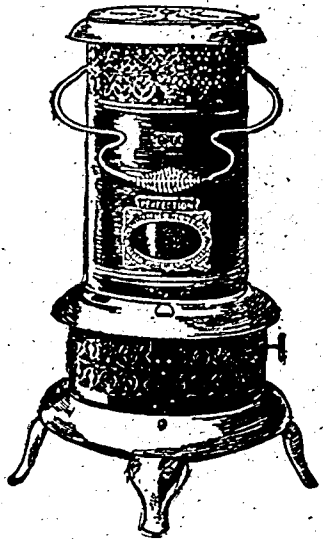
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Candidate for Mayor of Lowell,
1897.

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Born in Shoreham, Vt., in 1860.
Educated in Public Schools.
Married to Rosie St. George by
Rev. Father Garin, O. M. I. in
1888.
Occupation—Musician.
Political Career:
Member of House two years.
Member of Senate, 1908, 1909,
1910.

POLITICAL RECORD—Not
available or applicable to pres-
ent issues.
Pledge, if elected, to favor progres-
sive legislation, direct nomina-
tions, measures for the benefit
of labor, equitable milk legis-
lation; economy in state admin-
istration; election of U. S. Sen-
ators by the people, anti-monop-
oly bill.

POLITICAL RECORD—Voted for
labor measures only when en-
dorsed by A. F. of L.
Voted against all other popular
legislation.
Dodged on milk bills.
Voted for all corporation bills.
Never introduced an important
public measure, or advocated
one on the floor of the Senate.

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and future. About one hundred were present and over ten dollars were cleared for the use of the newly organized society.

Deaths.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, aged ninety-one years, was held in the Baptist church last week Thursday afternoon, Rev. S. D. Ringrose officiating. A quartet, Mrs. Clarence Stickney, Mrs. Frank Hardy, Perry W. Sawtelle and Walter Wilder rendered two selections, "Go bury thy sorrow," and "Rock of ages." The burial took place in the family lot at the Centre, and the bearers were P. W. Sawtelle, Walter Wilder and Edward Walker of this village, and Henry Butler of Marlboro. She leaves three children—Edward Walker of this village, Mrs. Elias Leonardson of Athol, and Mrs. Henry Butler of Marlboro.

Mrs. Ellen J. Webster, wife of W. W. Webster, passed away at her home on Monday, after lying at the point of death for nearly two weeks, following a paralytic shock. She was aged 65 yrs., 6 mos., and was a native of Troy, N. H., but has lived in this village about twenty years, seventeen of which was spent in Josselynville. Beside her husband, she leaves five sons—Walter D., Stephen L., James L., and Frank W. Farrar of Townsend Centre, and Clarence L. Webster, who has made his home with his parents in this village; she also leaves seven grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Warren Farrar of Troy, N. H., and Mrs. Susan Hill of Mills. Funeral services on Saturday afternoon, November 5.

Centre.

The Monday club met this week with Mrs. Margaret Higgins and the subject of the day was "Ancient Music." Mrs. Sylvia Wachs read a most interesting and carefully prepared paper upon this subject, taking up the various musical instruments and modes of teaching music in the world's earliest periods. After the paper was finished she hummed the air to a pleasing little tune supposed to have been sung in the presence of Confucius. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Helen P. Fessenden at Wynecrest. Eben Francis Thompson of Worcester, who has just returned from abroad, will be the chief guest and address the club upon "The authorship of Shakespeare."

E. O. Woodward, a Vermonter, has purchased L. J. Shapleigh's farm, formerly owned by George Tytherleigh.

Mrs. Aspinwall has returned from a nine-weeks' stay at Forest Hills, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Bruce.

Rev. Alfred L. Struthers of Alfred, Me., has accepted the call extended to him by the Congregational church and parish.

A moving picture show will be given at Memorial hall on Monday evening, under the auspices of the high school Tennis association.

Charles Robbins injured his thumb while at his work last Tuesday, so that it had to be taken off. He was taken to the Burbank hospital where the operation was performed by Dr. Lowell. Late in the day Mr. Robbins was brought back home.

There will be an entertainment in Memorial hall on Friday evening, November 11, by the Townsend club union, as follows: Playlet, "A Thief in the House," quartet, Ashbel H. Street, James B. Dods, Mervin E. Hodges, Walter E. Wilder, solo, James B. Dods; mock trial, "The pursuit of the parson." Both the men's clubs and the ladies' clubs are working hard upon this entertainment which will deserve worthy patronage.

Town Meeting.

In addition to the articles in the usual town warrant for town meeting calling for the election of state officers are the following:

Article 2. To see if the town will accept from the heirs of the late Lydia Beckwith, the sum of \$100, in trust, the income to be used for the perpetual care of lot 64, on easterly side of second avenue at Townsend Centre, known as the Joseph Blood lot.

Article 3. To see if the town will take any action on the recommendation of the State Forester, in regard to forest fire apparatus.

Article 4. To see if the town will sell the old fire engine.

Article 5. To see if the town will take any action on the recommendation of the State Forester, in regard to forest fire apparatus.

Article 6. To see if the town will borrow and appropriate a sum of money to repair or rebuild Hallowell bridge.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take to provide suitable place for keeping the records of the school committee.

Article 8. By request, to see if the town will choose a committee of three to investigate and report at the next town meeting in regard to installing a water supply in the cemetery at West Townsend.

Article 9. To see if the town will borrow and appropriate a sum of money to repair or rebuild Hallowell bridge.

Article 10. To see if the town will borrow and appropriate a sum of money to print the assessors' report of the new valuation.

Article 11. To act in any way in relation to foregoing articles.

Article 12. To see if the town will borrow and appropriate a sum of money for placing an electric light, north of stone bridge, West Townsend.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be observed in the Congregational church on Sunday, November 6. This will be the last time for the observance of this ordinance during this year.

Rev. A. T. Kempton exchanged pulpits with Rev. Albert F. Newton of Leominster, last Sunday.

Rev. A. T. Kempton is on a lecture tour in New York, this week, returning on Saturday morning.

Mrs. John Dowden of Fitchburg, who underwent a very serious surgical operation a few weeks ago, at the home of her sister Miss Mary Johnson, in Lunenburg, has so far recovered that she returned to her home in Fitchburg on Thursday, taking her sister Abbie with her for an indefinite stay.

George S. Winchester and Harry S. Gilchrist started for Florida on Wednesday morning. They would see the sights in New York, on Wednesday evening, and visit Washington on Thursday. They expect to locate in Bradenton, Fla., and to remain in the sunny south all winter.



Hon. John J. Mitchell.

Considerable interest is being manifested in this town over the candidacy of John J. Mitchell for Congressman. It is freely predicted that he will get the largest vote ever given a democrat in this town.

In the contest he is making, he is presenting his case to the voters of the town and the district fully and openly and he states where he stands upon the questions upon which all the voters are interested. He says that the principle issue is the "High cost of living." This is caused by the exorbitant rates of taxation in the Payne-Aldrich bill. He cites as an illustration of the burden placed upon the workingman, the farmer and the consumer, the following:

"The workingman, tired out with the toil of the day, drags his weary feet into his cottage at eventide, hangs up his hat taxed 85 percent, puts his tin dinner pail taxed 92 percent, on the shelf, pulls off his coarse work gloves taxed 66 percent, walks over a carpet taxed 127 percent to an easy chair taxed 42 percent, takes off his shoes taxed 28 percent and sox taxed 86 percent, gets out of his worsted shirt taxed 135 percent, throws off his suspenders hitched to button taxed 127 percent, slips off his trousers taxed 76 percent, gets into his cotton night shirt taxed 96 percent, crawls into a bed taxed 66 percent, draws a blanket over him taxed 107 percent, and before he falls asleep thanks the Lord that salvation is still free and firmly resolves to whack the Republican stand-patters at the first opportunity."

He is in favor of the direct election of United States senators by the people. He is in favor of an income tax and in favor of extension of employers' liability law. He is in favor of conservation of our natural resources, he is in favor of progressive legislation to the interest of most of the people.

He has been a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives for four years, 1903, 1904, 1905 and 1906, and a member of the Massachusetts Senate in 1907 and 1908, being elected in districts overwhelmingly republican.

He was born in Marlborough, always lived there and is a lawyer by occupation.

A tremendous amount of money which is being spent by the other candidates to get the nomination is disgusting to many republicans all over the district and as the same methods are being adopted to bring about the election, it is freely predicted that he will be overwhelmingly defeated. Mr. Mitchell is conducting a clean campaign wholly to a discussion of the issues and appealing to the intelligence and integrity of the voters for his support. Hundreds of loyal friends are working in his behalf and all over the district without being paid and who sincerely believe that he stands for the best ideals in our American life.

SHIRLEY.

Alliance Meeting.

This was held last week Thursday at the home of the vice president, Mary W. Hazen, and an unusually large number were present. The speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Avis Burns Fisher of Ayer, gave a most instructive and interesting talk on a trip to the Bermudas. Her keen observation, fine descriptive powers and unaffected manner quite won the hearts of her audience and the fact that the trip described was a wedding trip gave a romantic interest to her account of her sojourn on the islands. The next regular meeting of the Alliance comes on November 10, and is to be with Miss Agnes M. Holden. Dr. Ellen E. Schenck will give a paper on Julia Ward Howe and members are requested to bring appropriate quotations for the rollcall. This will be the last of the fortnightly meetings, as they will be held monthly for the remainder of the year.

A Financial Success.

The Hallowe'en dancing party at Odd Fellows' hall, last Saturday evening by Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge was a splendid social and financial success. A large number was present and the committee in charge are to be congratulated on the smoothness and decorum so much in evidence during the evening. The decorations were autumn leaves and weird reminders of Hallowe'en, which made a very effective display. Punch was served by the Rebekahs and Brockelman Bros., the caterers, served ice cream and cake. Johnson's orchestra of Leominster, furnished the music. The party came to a close a little before the midnight hour, all leaving the hall with pleasant memories of the third annual Hallowe'en party held by the members of Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge of Shirley.

Bowling.

The Fitchburg team of bowlers came to Shirley on Tuesday evening to roll off a scheduled game of the Trolley league series with the Shirley team. The Fitchburg team won out taking all four points by close margins. However, the game was closely contested, the first string being won by only a majority of five. The second string was still closer, being won by exactly three pins. The final string was captured with six pins to the good, making the total pinfall for the visitors 1,287, as against 1,273 for the Shirleys. Coleman of the winning team was the last bowler of the game, rolling over the century mark in the last two strings and finishing with a total of 298. Hawthorne, also of the victors, came next with a total of 289 and also connected for a century score in the middle string.

For Shirley, Collyer was high with a score of 265, closely followed by Burrill with a total of 26. The summary:

FITCHBURG.			
Stoddard	81	78	232
Gallant	61	79	225
Horan	82	83	245
Hawthorne	96	101	289
Coleman	93	104	298
414 445 428 1287			
SHIRLEY.			
Burrill	94	79	262
Price	87	80	245
McGuinness	76	100	252
Day	80	88	249
Collyer	72	95	265
409 442 422 1273			

LITTLETON.



George Scott.

Suicidal Attempt.

The attempted suicide of George Scott, twenty years of age, and a resident of Ayer, has been the absorbing subject of thought and discussion in our quiet little community and has awakened no small interest in the reading public generally since last Sunday evening when the gathering shadows intensified the greyness of his blood-stained body as the heart-broken boy crawled to the door of Louis J. Stone and gasped his deplorable condition, beseeching aid.

Concealed in a neighboring field, George had for a few hours watched for Della, the elder daughter of Mr. Stone, an attractive high school girl of about seventeen years, whom he loved desperately and had declared essential to his life and happiness.

Seeing her with another would-be suitor, and crazed by his own unrequited love, George Scott drew from his pocket a revolver and sought to end his misery in death. Three times he shot, one bullet entering his eye, another the side of his head, and a third piercing his abdomen. His consciousness aroused, he now called for help, but all in vain. With difficulty he reached the home of her in whose presence he believed there would be healing, but only to be turned away.

At a neighboring house he asked again for admittance and aid, but Mrs. M. W. Leahy, whose help and protection he implored, closed the door, terrified at the blood besmeared face and form of a stranger, and immediately called up Constable Fred Reed, who came shortly to the scene. Mr. Reed telephoned for Dr. Christie who lost no time in answering the summons.

He realized at once the gravity of the situation, and binding the boy's wounds and making him as comfortable as possible, took the patient in Thomas Moore's automobile to the Groton hospital where it was said he had an even chance for life.

Mr. Scott's friends speak of him with sympathy and pathos, as a good fellow who has experienced an unusual amount of "hard luck." Parentless, with a young brother and a sister of fourteen years dependent upon him for support, he sought work for a long time without success. Finally he obtained employment in the cider mill in Ayer. While at work there he lost two fingers and was again thrown out of employment. About four weeks previous to the tragedy of Sunday morning, he succeeded in getting a position as carpenter in Harvard at which trade he was still working.

Miss Stone is the quiet, but attractive daughter of Louis J. Stone, a modest, enterprising, and successful farmer and wholesale candy dealer, who lives at Littleton Common. She has remained away from school this week and been spared somewhat the publicity naturally attending an affair of the sort. Much sympathy is felt for the suffering boy, and likewise for the innocent girl who unwittingly caused him the pangs of heart that all but cost him his life.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. George Proctor celebrated his seventieth birthday last Sunday by spending the day with their son, Herbert J. Proctor and family.

Mrs. Arthur W. Drew has been very critically sick, having had two severe hemorrhages of the nose. Dr. Christie was in attendance and on one occasion called his father, Dr. Christie of South Acton, to his assistance. Mrs. Drew is convalescent although still weak from excessive loss of blood.

Herbert Whitcomb has left Tufts college and entered M. I. T.

Miss Mabel Pickard of Boston was an over Sunday guest of her mother at J. T. Warren's.

Real estate owners have received the annual notice from the selectmen to destroy the gypsy and brown-tail moths on their property on or before December first, in compliance with the laws of the commonwealth.

A serious cat distemper has been making sad havoc among the feline race in town within a few weeks past, and many a cherished pet has succumbed to the dreaded disease that reveals itself in a sort of a stupor, followed by fever and distress.

At the delightful missionary meeting held in the Baptist vestry last week Wednesday, Mrs. A. B. Webber contributed very largely to the pleasure of the company by her beautiful singing. Unintentionally her name was omitted in the item on the afternoon program as published in this column last Saturday.

GROTON.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Porter, and Fred H. Torrey, passed last Sunday in Sudbury, Mr. Porter's old home.

One hundred and thirty-one took dinner at Groton Inn last Sunday.

George Towne of Ayer, the young patient at the hospital here, whose legs were amputated after being run over and badly crushed by several cars of a freight train last week Monday afternoon, is doing so well that he is considered practically out of danger.

The third Groton school ball team played Groton high on Tuesday afternoon, winning by a score of 28 to 5.

Miss Lois Wright has been at home this week on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. James Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Tuttle are to leave Groton on December first, for New York city, where they will, the next day, take the steamer for Florida to spend the winter. They will be accompanied by their son and his wife to be, Miss Margery Cruzier of Watertown, who are to be married at the bride's home in that town on Wednesday, November 30.

Howard Tuttle has been a resident of Watertown for a year or more and is employed in a drug store there.

George Scott of Ayer, the attempted suicide, was brought to the Groton hospital about eleven o'clock last Sunday night. The erratic young man lies at the hospital in an uncertain condition, though he has done far better than was expected. The shot in the abdomen perforated the stomach, making stitches necessary and producing complications.

Charles J. Wright was out for an automobile ride with his physician on Tuesday.

M. Joseph Cleary is able to sit up.

Mrs. Frank Patterson went last week for a visit of two weeks or so to her sister in Cambridge.

Charles Forcino and family have moved into the former John Benedict house, now owned by Lawrence Brooks on Hollis street.

Mrs. Sarah Fiske of Malden, is a guest of Miss G. A. Boutwell.

Maj. M. P. Palmer attended the meeting of the Loyal Legion in Boston on Wednesday night.

Amory A. Lawrence, returning so late in the season from abroad, did not open his Groton residence as usual this fall. Coming to Groton late in the week during the few weeks past, Mr. Lawrence has been an over Sunday guest at the several homes of his friends, S. W. Sturges, John Lawrence and William F. Wharton.

Edmund D. Collier and young son were visitors from West Somerville last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Collier, of the Boston road.

Miss Carrie A. Stevens, recently of Groton, has a fine position in Boston with the Modern Priscilla Publishing Company. Miss Stevens has had the position for only about a month and commenced with good salary. Her work has been so satisfactory that she has, since then, been given a raise in pay. Miss Stevens is head adviser of the company, having charge of all registered and other mail matter, etc. This will interest her many friends in Groton, who will be glad of her good position.

The Ladies of the Groton branch Alliance feel quite sure that they are offering something in the entertainment given in town hall under their auspices, this Saturday evening, that will prove highly satisfactory to the Groton public. It is by no means an ordinary moving picture show. Magnificent scenes, views of historic and modern buildings, persons and places. A beautiful evening's journey taking one abroad with explanation of the conditions, habits and industries of people of many countries. Nothing too sensational for the children. They will enjoy the birds and beasts. Everything is high class. Don't miss seeing it all.

Arthur C. Tuttle has just bought a farming implement which is quite a curiosity in this vicinity. It is a McCormick husker and shredder and husks a bushel of corn a minute. The ears are elevated into place and the shredded fodder is blown through a tube into a silo. This machine was set up at Mr. Tuttle's on Monday. As Mr. Tuttle had about eight acres of corn at an estimated yield of one hundred bushels an acre, he will have a fine opportunity to test the worth of this machine as a farm help and saver.

James R. Hawkes was called to Ashfield on Monday by the death of his aunt, Mrs. Henry Fuller.

Miss Lilla J. Childs came up from Boston on Monday to attend the funeral of her friend and former classmate, Miss Laura Smith.

Dr. D. R. Steere left Tuesday for a visit to relatives in Kansas.

Miss Ruth Blood has been home from Fitchburg normal with a sore foot, the result of stepping on a tack.

Samuel Ramsden and family were up from Cambridge by auto on last Sunday to visit his place on the Ayer road.

Mrs. Everett Williams and Mrs. J. F. Peabody went on Saturday for a visit at Fitch Bay, Canada.

The public schools were not in session this week Friday on account of the teachers' convention meeting here on that day.

The first meeting of the sewing school will take place in the town hall on Saturday afternoon, November 19, at two o'clock. All children of six years of age and older are welcome. There will be a class in cutting out and making babies' clothes for the girls who have completed the work in both grades.

E. S. Clark post meets on Saturday night, November 5, for inspection, G. O. Tarbell of Pepperell being the inspecting officer. Charles H. Berry, senior vice, will preside at the meeting in place of Commander D. R. Steere, who is away on a visit at the west.

Miss Mabel C. Dickinson was a week-end visitor with relatives in Central Falls, R. I.

We hear that proposed changes or enlargement of the railroad bridge,

near Mrs. E. A. Barrows, will take in the driveway up to her house, thus shutting off her approach by the old way to the main road.

The new passenger station on Station avenue is being rapidly pushed along in its construction. The long walk running north from the station and parallel with the tracks is three hundred feet long, and is to have a cemented bottom walk.

Accident.

The following is part of a clipping from the Boston Daily Journal of October 27:

A horse being led along Tremont street by Albert F. Sargent of Dorchester and George P. Bell of Roxbury, yesterday afternoon, broke loose and for ten minutes defied capture by the crowd. Sargent, who owned the horse, was trampled on. His arm was broken and he sustained severe internal injuries. The horse had become frightened at siren on an automobile behind and narrowly escaped trampling on the crowds on both sidewalks.

Groton people who read the above recognized that Albert F. Sargent, formerly of Groton, was the injured man spoken of, and this account gave his friends here anxiety to hear from him. One of our citizens being in Boston soon after, telephoned out to Mr. Sargent's place of business in Dorchester, and was replied to personally by Mr. Sargent, who was at his post of duty. A small bone of his arm was broken and he had been badly shaken up, but not "trampled on," and he had not "received severe internal injuries." The frightened horse had reared its full length in the air and Mr. Sargent holding on had been carried up with him.

Though not feeling entirely comfortable, or as well as ever, Mr. Sargent attends to his daily work thankful, as all of his friends are, that he had so fortunate an escape.

Death.

Miss Laura King, Smith, daughter of the late Dr. Norman and Mrs. Mary J. Smith, died at the hospital here on Saturday evening, October 29, at the age of 38 yrs., 2 days. Miss Smith had come to Groton the latter part of September, hoping for a renewal of strength and health, which was not of the best. She was here but a little while when seized with a serious illness. She had been taken to the Groton hospital where she was operated on for appendicitis and peritonitis. Complications existed and the case proved incurable.

Miss Smith was born in Groton, educated in the public schools and a graduate of Groton high school class of 1890.

She united with the Congregational church here, but later on removing from town took a letter to a Congregational church in Dorchester.

Miss Smith was a woman of estimable character and was pleasantly remembered by many friends whom it has seemed pathetic that coming back to the home of youth, the scenes of her childhood for health and enjoyment, she unthinkingly came back instead to end her days here.

The funeral was on Monday afternoon from the Congregational church parlor, Rev. G. M. Howe officiating. A quartet consisting of Mrs. Gibson, Miss Susie Hill, F. W. Chase and G. M. Howe sang by request, "Jesus lover of my soul," and "My Jesus as thou wilt." There were beautiful floral offerings and the interment was in Groton cemetery, where she was laid by the side of her mother with the committal service by Mr. Howe.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Kittredge of Dorchester, two brothers, Norman R. Smith of Boston and Roxbury, and Fred L. of Providence, R. I., all of whom were present at the funeral.

Her sister, Mrs. Kittredge, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Norman Smith, were also able to be with her as she passed away.

Special Meeting.

There was a large and enthusiastic special meeting of the Groton Historical society on Monday evening in the lower town hall. The object of the meeting was to consider the matter of selling the Alden Warren place to Arthur G. Fuller, former owner and occupant of the place now occupied and owned by Prof. C. A. Shaw on the Boston road. Mr. Fuller desires to purchase the Alden Warren place for a summer residence and will make extensive changes in the house and other buildings before occupying it next spring. Mr. Fuller pays \$500 for the place. Major Palmer, who deeded the Warren place to the Historical society, very generously consents to the plan; and places the proceeds at the disposal of the society. The society passed a cordial vote of thanks to Major Palmer and voted to call the gift, the Moses P. Palmer fund. This fund is to be a permanent one, the revenue from it only being at the disposal of the society. A financial committee consisting of C. E. Bigelow and Michael Sheedy was appointed to care for all funds belonging to the society. This meeting was a special business meeting, and the next regular meeting will be held in January.

A Happy Event.

"It was late in mild October," over a week ago, on one of those beautiful summer-like days before the heavy frosts had fallen, that Mrs. Francis G. Lawrence, and her sister, Mrs. Brooks of Belmont, Mrs. F. F. Woods, and Mrs. Robinson of Lawrence academy, taking their lunch with them, went for a day's outing on old Wachusett. Although they found the trolley had been taken off, fortune favored them in that the proprietors of the line courteously took them in their private car, both in going and on their return. The hills and valleys in the wide stretch of view, the trees in variegated foliage, the ferns and rocks, with now and then a quail or a rabbit pecking out the quiet, the balmy air and sunshine enveloping all, made an enchanting experience. Leaving, the ladies took the old Indian trail on their homeward way, their day's outing a happy event.

Supper and Entertainment.

The Woman's Relief Corps held a supper and entertainment in Grange hall on Saturday evening, October 29. The supper was all one could desire

as are all suppers served by the corps. The musical entertainment was of a very high order. Andrew McKee rendered three solos, giving us a rare opportunity to hear one of Boston's best singers. Miss Hill was at her best in the selections she gave as soloist. Both soloists were accompanied by Miss Lowe as pianist, who also gave piano solos. The quartet composed of Mrs. David Gibson, Miss Susie Hill, Rev. George M. Howe and Winthrop Chase gave very acceptable selections; also the readings of Miss Etta Gillespie and little Myrl Gillespie.

The corps takes this method of thanking all who assisted them in making the evening a success. About twelve dollars were realized for the treasury.

Wedding.

Married in Lowell, October 19, Miss Verena D. Adams and A. J. Dugas, both of Groton. Miss Adams is a graduate of Groton high school, class of 1910, and has since been on the force of telephone operators at the central office here. Mr. Dugas, for the past one and one-half years, has been assistant agent and night telegraph operator at the Groton station. He is now assistant agent at Milford, N. H., where the young couple are now housekeeping in their newly established home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dugas were given a farewell reception at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams, of Elm street on Saturday evening, October 29.

Grange.

Forty-two from Groton grange attended the Pomona at Littleton on Wednesday, "rather too numerous to mention," by name, but none too many to have a good time. All found the Littleton people agreeable and hospitable. The program of the day was enjoyed. Rev. Robert E. Bisbee of Boston, speaking on "Direct legislation," gave the leading address. The other numbers—reading, musical selections, etc., were all interesting.

The Groton visitors felt that their brethren of the grange did themselves credit in the "Musical show," of the evening. Shad Evans made a typical "Mand Lee," and was quite a favorite with the audience. The fifth degree was conferred on sixty-five candidates coming from the different granges of the Pomona.

Going home late at night, those who had quite a distance to cover, found a rain storm none too comforting and yet were not unpleasantly affected by it.

Teachers' Convention.

The eighteenth annual convention of the Northwest Middlesex Teachers' association met here in town hall on Friday of this week. The following program was observed:

9:15 a. m., opening exercises, conducted by Rev. George M. Howe, 9:30, appointment of committees, 9:45, "Notes on development of school children," Rev. Sherrard Billings; 10:45, "Teaching to study," William D. Brinkman, superintendent of schools, Waltham; 11:15, adjournment; one p. m., business meeting; 1:15, music—violin solo, Mr. Mansur; 2:00, "The what, when and how of public school music teaching," Charles I. Rice, supervisor of public school music, Worcester.

The dinner was served by the Ladies of the Benevolent society of the Congregational church. Mrs. Thomas Aitken being chairman of the dinner committee. Plates were laid for one hundred and twenty-five. The tables were tastefully spread.

Not a Joke.

There was a selo-comic affair at Baddock on Tuesday. W. P. Floyd, short of water at his place, drove to the pond to fill a tank. He backed his express wagon down into quite deep water, filled his tank and prepared to go home with it. But the horse, frightened or nervous, scorned the idea of leaving, pawed, snorted, and wheeled back into the water where she continued her antics, floundering around, although Mr. Floyd had waded in to help her out. Finally the horse went under. Shouts brought Arthur Shattuck and a farm hand to the rescue. Mr. Shattuck engineered the tactics with good old Shattuck grit, and all working together got the horse landed and things righted up.

W. P. Floyd loves a joke and sees the funny side when there is any to see, but in this case, the fun must have been pretty nearly drowned out.

The Apple Crop.

The large crop of Groton apples is gathered and sold, although in some cases not all barreled and sent off. The following is the yield of some of the larger orchardists. These apples have been sold in home and foreign markets, going to Liverpool, Glasgow, London, Baltimore, Cincinnati and the southern states. The greater part were sold to go into cold storage in Boston. Apples brought good prices.

P. J. Benedict—150 barrels fair yield from ten acres of orchard. Has a crop every year.
F. E. Gilson—1,100 barrels from seven and one-half acres, 800 came out of four and one-half acres. One Baldwin tree yielded seventeen barrels. Two Northern Spy, twenty-eight barrels.
F. D. Lewis—Crop not in shape to give exact, but estimated at 1,000 barrels. Picked eleven barrels from one Russet tree, as many more blew off. Has about twenty-five acres of old and young trees.
G. S. Knapp—728 barrels of market apples exclusive of older. Picked thirty barrels from two Gravenstein trees.
M. P. Palmer—Estimated yield, 1,100 barrels, from orchard of forty or more acres. Fair yield.
J. B. Redd—100 or more barrels, forty acres in orchard. Fair yield.
A. C. Tuttle—From 700 to 800 barrels, 300 bearing trees, twenty acres in orchard of young and old trees.
E. C. Williams—500 barrels.

West Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Brown of Leominster were recent guests of Mrs. Keziah Small, Mrs. Brown's mother.

Mr. Edmund Blood is reported quite ill and in care of his physician.

The new house of A. W. Lamb received finishing touches this week and Mr. and Mrs. Lamb are planning to move in the near future. The house vacated by Mr. Lamb is to be occupied by Mr. Young and family.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge was unable

to attend service last Sunday evening, but is much better.

Mrs. R. H. Burgess was recently called to Somerville by the death of a friend. On her return she was accompanied by Miss Beale the friend's daughter.

Mr. Bonnie of North Shirley, reported ill last week, is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia, greatly to the satisfaction of friends and physician, who for a time despaired of his life. Mrs. Bonnie, formerly Miss Viola Farrar, has had experience in nursing at Groton hospital and elsewhere.

Last Monday evening Ruth Mellish entertained young friends to the number of ten. Various Hallowe'en games formed the evening's program and refreshments were enjoyed.

The ladies on the supper committee for the Hallowe'en party last week are receiving innumerable compliments on the appearance of the tables. Noyal, artistic, harmonious seem to be the adjectives best describing the result of their efforts. That the tables with their load of good things were pleasing, not only to the eye but to the palate as well, one hundred and thirty-six people can testify. The L. A. S. treasury is the fuller by about fifteen dollars.

The L. A. society met last Thursday with Mrs. George Adams of North Shirley.

Prize Winners.

Two little pupils of the Tarbell primary department are reaping the reward of good work. Last June drawings were sent by the pupils to the School Art Book, published by Henry Turner Bailey. Drawings from all over the country are received and prizes awarded according to merit. There were winners of the third prize by various contestants in the higher grades, but the only third grade pupil to receive third prize was Victor Duquette of West Groton, who thus becomes a member of the Art Guild and receives a badge of membership. Irving Kezar received honorable mention and some token of appreciation will be sent to him.

Of others who submitted drawings, several had the satisfaction of seeing red stars upon the returned papers, which mean "good work." These results must be very gratifying not only to the young workers, but to their class teacher, Miss Bixby, and also their drawing teacher, Miss Edith Bradley of Gardner.

HARVARD.

News Items.

W. Fred Dickson loaded and shipped for export during the month of October, fifty-four carloads of apples from Harvard and surrounding towns. He reports that he is getting pretty well cleaned up. "He has a gang of men with his son Walter in Hardwick, at present packing apples in that district."

Harvard grange held a very interesting meeting on Tuesday evening. A check for ten dollars was received from the Worcester East Fair association for the Harvard apple exhibit. It was also voted to invite Lancaster grange to neighbor with the grange here on Tuesday evening, November 15. Supper to be served by the brothers of the order. The lecturer presented the following program: Current events, Benjamin Keyes; song, A. T. West; grange paper, Annie Reed; mandolin solo, Jessie Cameron; paper, "How to keep the young people on the farm, Mrs. Ripley."

William Hanna took a couple of days off duty last week Friday and Saturday, visiting with friends in Boston and vicinity. During his absence A. R. Willard and Wallace Bryant conducted the coach and express business.

Isaac P. Baker was in Boston a part of this week wrestling with the tax problems at the state house.

George McMahon was at his home here in town on Monday. He has recently entered the U. S. navy.

Mrs. Ethel Hapenny and daughter of Waltham, are among the recent guests in town. They visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna.

The mansion house at Tahanto farm is closed for a few weeks and the family of Fiske Warren are now at their home in Boston. William Ford went with them as house man.

Master Clarke of Lancaster is visiting his grandmother here, Mrs. S. J. Savage.

One of our young ladies, residing on the common, while recently receiving a call from a young man, was surprised to have the master of the house suddenly appear and ask the young man if he knew what time it was. The latter thinking a hint was better than a kick, hastily departed. After he had gone the head of the house said, "What's the matter with that fellow?" "My watch has stopped and I wanted to know the correct time."

Lewis Ripley, who has been traveling out this way the past few weeks, surprised his parents here by walking in last Saturday. He is home making a short visit. Wednesday he left with a school friend for New York. Leaving there they go by boat to Key West, Fla., thence to Jamaica. Leaving there they go to Panama, where they will spend a few weeks in the canal zone. Mr. Ripley is very fortunate in having the opportunity to take this trip, and his friends wish him a very pleasant and instructive journey.

Misses Lucy McMahon and Gladys Glynn of Ayer, spent last Saturday and Sunday with the former's aunt and family, Mrs. A. T. West.

T. J. Faherty, an instructor in the preparatory school at Holy Cross, visited Monday and Tuesday with W. J. Kerley at the Kerley house.

Messers Kerley, Reed, Murchie and T. J. Faherty took an auto trip on Tuesday evening, stopping at Maynard for a few hours and incidentally taking in the dance in that town.

Miss Nina Perkins, our second primary teacher, paid a visit to her home in Franklin, N. H., last week.

The girls of Bromfield school will run off the series of inter-class basketball games next week on the school grounds. The games begin daily at two p. m. Wednesday, seniors vs freshmen, juniors vs sophomores, Thursday, seniors vs sophomores,

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juniors vs freshmen; Friday, seniors vs juniors freshmen vs sophomores. At a meeting of the Chemical company, held on Thursday evening, it was voted to hold a series of dances for the benefit of the company's treasury. The first party to be in charge of R. L. Fillebrown will be held on Friday evening, November 11.

Town Meeting.

Constable Hanna has posted a warrant calling a town meeting on Wednesday evening, November 9, to act on the article, "To see what action the town will take in regard to the suit brought against the town by Nell T. Hartsborn, to recover \$400 damages in an alleged breach of contract with the school committee." It is hoped that a full representation of the voters of the town will be present and insist by their vote that a just disposition of the case may be agreed upon and that a fair deal may be given both plaintiff and defendant, regardless of personal prejudices. The meeting will be called to order by the chairman of the selectmen at eight o'clock.

Fair and Entertainment.

The ladies of the Orthodox church will present their annual supper, fair and entertainment at the town hall on Thursday evening November 10. Supper in charge of N. A. Dill will be served at six and seven o'clock. Entertainment given at 8:30. This feature of the evening is under the direction of Miss Gladys Hildreth of Cambridge. The play in three acts is taken from "Alice in Wonderland," and is really a wonderful production of costuming and grotesque situations, something entirely different from what has usually been staged here and is sure to be a popular entertainment. The following is the cast of characters: Alice, Mrs. Howard; Queen of Hearts, Mrs. Lawrence; Duchess, Miss Faulkenham; Cook, Miss H. Hildreth; Dormouse, Miss Reed; Hatter, Mr. West; White Rabbit, Bernard Foss; March Hare, Mr. Reed; King of Hearts, Dr. Paine; Knave of Hearts, William Houghton; The Gryphon, Miss Perkins; The Mock-Turtle, Miss Brooke.

The hall will be open at two p. m., with the following tables: Fancy, flower, variety, mystery, children's, canned fruit, domestic, ice cream, candy and cocoa, in charge of competent and obliging matrons.

Presentation.

Miss Grace E. Putnam, whose record here as principal of the Centre school, will always remain to her credit, has tendered to the school committee her resignation to take effect on Friday, November 4. She goes to Reading, where she is offered much better inducements, and while the pupils and teachers connected with her place their utmost confidence in her as a teacher and principal, are sorry to see her go, yet they are glad for her that she is to be so pleasantly situated and extend to her their best wishes. On Thursday evening the teachers in the Centre building and the pupils of Miss Putnam's room, the seventh and eighth grades, met at the home of A. T. West and after an hour of general sociability and music,

presented to Miss Putnam as a token of their best wishes for her and her future, a chafing dish. Ices and cakes were served during the evening.

Music for the evening was given by pupils in Miss Putnam's room, and included a piano trio by Eva Sheehan, Dorothy West and Carrie Houghton; piano solos by Grace Tewksbury and Carrie Houghton. The children occupied the between times in playing games. The waiters were Grace Tewksbury, Carrie Houghton, Priscilla Shores and Dorothy West.

Still River.

The Adams family, who are living in the cottage of Frank Sprague, are certainly in hard lines. The father, Herbert Adams, was taken to the insane asylum a few weeks ago, and Mrs. Adams was made about sick from that, and the report in the city newspaper, giving the unclean babblings of her insane husband. Then last week her youngest son Clarence, was stricken with diphtheria, and died on Saturday. Mrs. Adams is now quite ill with the same trouble, and a sister that is living with her, also has a slight touch of it. Altogether they are having more than their share of trouble. Neighbors are providing food for them.

The pile-driving apparatus of the pile-driving firm of W. S. Rendall & Son of Boston, has arrived at the railroad station, and is being set up for work in putting in the foundation for the abutments for the new bridge over the Nashua river, which the railroad is having put in. About six hundred piles will have to be driven, and Mr. Rendall has bought a lot of standing timber of Mrs. E. J. Parker, and has his men at work cutting the trees for piles. Another gang of men from the firm, who has the abutment contract, is expected in a few days, to get the ground ready for the piles, so take it altogether, it will be busy times around the bridge for the next few months. Only a few of the men could get board in Still River, and the rest are living in Clinton.

Mr. Hutcherson has bought a corn husker and shredder, and is husking corn for himself and neighbors.

Edna Robinson has been visiting a sister in Hudson, Mrs. Clark, who celebrated their twenty-second wedding anniversary last Sunday.

Mrs. Hunter lost her only sister, Miss Moore of Bolton, Tuesday, from heart failure. Miss Moore had been a visitor at Mrs. Hunter's and Mrs. Chester Willard's frequently during the past two years.

Mrs. Tabor of Manchester, N. H., is a guest of Miss Alice Marshall.

Edna Flanders of Palmer, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother here.

Mrs. Clara Brown, housekeeper for W. O. Willard, concludes her duties on Saturday and goes to South Framingham, where she has a position. The Boston and Maine railroad has made the Still River telegraph office a night one, and H. A. Norton of Worcester, commenced as night operator on Monday night. He is probably here only temporarily, as the position is advertised for bids, and some regular operator is liable to bid it off.

AYER.

News Items.

Twenty passenger locomotives of the Class A type for the Boston and Maine road are in process of construction in the shops of the American Locomotive company in Manchester, N. H.

Miss Bertha Perry, youngest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Perry, now of Hudson, N. H., is out again after having an operation on her throat at the Emergency hospital, Nashua, her tonsils being removed. Dr. Kittredge of Nashua, performed the operation.

Moving pictures will be given in Page hall this Saturday evening, and also on next Wednesday evening.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold their annual sale and supper in Page hall on Thursday afternoon and evening, November 10. A variety of articles, both useful and ornamental will be on sale; also, pack ages shrouded in mystery, popcorn, and home-made candy. The sale begins at four o'clock. A chicken pie supper will be served at six o'clock. Look for menu on the dodgers.

At the meeting of the Y. P. R. U. on Sunday evening the leader was the president, Miss Evelyn Sanderson. The speaker was Miss Mary C. Wiggin of Boston, who gave an interesting address on various phases of the work of the Consumers' league.

A very pleasant Halloween party was given by Raymond and Marion Farnsworth on Saturday evening, to a company of their little young friends. There were all kinds of games which filled the evening full of merriment. Refreshments of cake and candy were served, and each child received a fancy pumpkin. Those present were: Pauline Sherwin, Doris Fletcher, Charles Mullin, Roger Lawrence, Leon Briggs, Warren and Marion Winslow, Flora and Clifford Cole, Frank Brown, Margaret Hume and Edith Longley.

The Unitarian Woman's Alliance met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. C. Perkins. Appeals were received and appropriations made to the Alliances in Keokuk, Ia., Bondville, N. Y., and Charleston, S. C. Appropriations were made to pay the conference tax. The program was a hymn by the Alliance, current religious news by Mrs. Lyman Clark, and a paper "Trip to Bermuda," by Mrs. Avis E. Fisher. This was illustrated by many photographs and souvenirs. At the close of the program refreshments were served by the hostess during a social hour.

A rummage sale is to be held in the lower town hall on Monday afternoon by the Unitarian Social Gathering. It will be in charge of Mrs. J. W. Kittredge and Mrs. George J. Burns.

At the business meeting of the Woman's club on Wednesday afternoon, there were sixteen candidates for membership admitted. The program included current topics by Mrs. Emma M. Wood, a fine address on "African experiences," by Miss Minnie Hobbs of Shirley, who has had a residence of ten years in Africa, in the family of the American consul. The lecture was illustrated by many curios. The musical part of the program, arranged by Miss Emma Butterfield, included a piano solo by Mrs. Blanche D. Whitney, a vocal solo by Mrs. Eva Richardson, and a vocal duet by Misses Mildred Sanders and Helen Hardy, with Miss Edith Longley accompanist.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker, as delegate from the Woman's club, attended the conference of the State Federation committee on "Food sanitation," held in Jamaica Plain on Wednesday. The Current Events club was represented at the meeting by Mrs. Helen E. Hartwell.

Monday, October 31, the following members of the Ayer Woman's club attended Federation day at the Littleton Woman's club: Mrs. A. V. Fisher, Mrs. Nina M. H. Beverly, Mrs. Clara L. Burns, Miss Isabel Murphy and Mrs. Charlotte I. Whitman. The afternoon was most enjoyable. The vestry was prettily decorated for Halloween. The program was one of much interest and the tea especially dainty.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Thomas visited their daughter, Mrs. Jennie Merchant, and attended the Baptist anniversaries at Newton Centre last week.

We are indebted to the Boston Post for the half-tone illustration of George Scott on page three of this paper.

O'Toole Bros., of Clinton, have been awarded the contract of putting a pneumatic water supply system in Worcester Bros., residence, Hollis, N. H.; also the plumbing and heating of same; the plumbing and heating of the Parker J. Kemp residence, Popperell; heating the Harvard town hall and the A. M. Winslow residence, Ayer.

The C. E. society of the Congregational church gave the annual Halloween party last Tuesday night in the vestry. There was a large attendance of the young people and all enjoyed the amusing games that filled the evening. Refreshments were served in charge of Misses Rachael Ossod and Bertha Stone, and candy in care of Misses Gertrude Stone and Edith Longley.

There was a quiet wedding at the Baptist parsonage on Monday evening, October 31, when Rev. J. W. Thomas united in marriage Harry P. Lufkin, and Miss Una A. Chaffin, daughter of Mrs. Jennie P. Chaffin. The bride was one of the telephone girls. The newly-wedded couple will reside with the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Brooks on East Main street.

It is currently reported that some of the school boys are smashing the window lights in the vacated buildings of the New England Paper and Stationery Company and if they keep this up there will not be a whole light left.

The George J. Burns Hook and Ladder company will give a social dance in Page hall on Tuesday evening, November 8. Music by Thayer's orchestra of Popperell, four pieces.

Under the able direction of Mrs. W. B. Robinson of Groton, the play, "Liberty corner," presented in Page hall, Thursday night, for the benefit of Robert Burns lodge, was a great success, all taking their parts admirably. The hall was crowded.

George Scott of this town attempted suicide at Littleton last Sunday evening and a full account will be found on page three.

The public schools were closed on Friday, November 4, so that the teachers could attend the teachers' convention at Groton.

On Friday afternoon word was received from Groton hospital that the Towne boy, whose legs were amputated last week, is getting along nicely. George Scott, if anything, is a little more comfortable, but is still in a critical condition.

The transfer of the Livingston soap business on Saturday last, marks the change in ownership and management of one of the oldest industries in the town. J. R. Phyllis Daudelin, S. L. Cotton and George Shuke took over the property on that date and will conduct it under the firm name of Daudelin & Cotton. The business will be conducted along the same lines as it has been for the past fifty years by F. J. Livingston, and his father before him. The new firm expect to put up a small plant on the outskirts of the town within a short time.

Elisba D. Stone, E. A. Richardson, John M. Maloney and Huntley S. Turner went on the special train from Waltham to Gardner on Monday night at the rally in that town in behalf of William H. Wilder. The four walked in the procession four or five miles, and John's avoirdupois was sorely taxed. Never again.

A new cement walk is being built on the east side of Pleasant street, from the residence of U. H. Barrows to Howard street.

H. B. German, who has carried on the photograph business in Carley's Block since last February, has packed his goods and is ready to be moved to East Pepperell, where he will open photographic rooms in that place.

Miss Ellen Graves of Bennington, N. H., daughter of the late Sumner Graves of Groton, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Felch, and leaves soon for Haverhill on a visit with a cousin in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Felch leave here on Thursday, December first, for New York city, where they will take the steamer for Ocala, Fla., for the winter, returning about the middle of next March. They sojourned last winter in Florida.

G. W. Balcom of Cambridge, an Ayer boy, was in town this week. He is a son of the late W. W. Balcom, and recently came in possession of his father's homestead on Forest street, and placed it in complete repair with the modern conveniences and is now a desirable piece of property. Mr. Balcom left here in 1876.

Dr. R. H. Wiley, dentist, will start this Saturday for a vacation in Maine.

There are frequently seen here at the railway station, engines of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad and they attract considerable attention for their trim appearance. On Wednesday morning an engine of that road coming from Popperell to Ayer carried 185 pounds of steam, and a smaller engine than those of the Boston and Maine, that carry about 135 pounds of steam. This engine of the New Haven road took the passenger train along at a steady and lively pace.

There are on the voting list 601 names, twenty of them new ones.

W. H. Sherman left on Wednesday for St. Cloud, Fla., and he will make a permanent residence there where he has land that he will cultivate in fruit and vegetable raising.

Shot Himself.

On Thursday evening, November 3, the town was startled to hear that Alfred Manzer, who resides on East Main street, opposite Fred Livingston's had shot himself in the right temple. His wife, has of late noticed that her husband at times did not seem to be himself and on questioning him, Mr. Manzer said his head troubled him.

After supper on Thursday evening, he laid his head on his arm, something unusual, and his wife noticed there was a change in his countenance and it alarmed her so that she stepped over the street to Fred Livingston's and spoke to him about her husband, and he went immediately with her to the house and on entering found him with a bullet wound in his head from which the blood was flowing, Mr. Manzer having committed the rash act immediately after his wife stepped out.

Dr. Hopkins, who was nearby, was called in, and he hastened Mr. Manzer in his auto to Groton hospital and word was received on Friday afternoon, stating that he still remained unconscious, and that probably he would never recover.

Mr. Manzer and his wife have been residents of this town for the past eight years and during that time he has been in the employ of Fred Livingston, assisting him in his soap business at his works, and a greater part of the time the driver of the soap wagon.

Mrs. Manzer is prostrated over the rash act of her husband which was evidently done in a moment of temporary insanity. They have no children and both Mr. and Mrs. Manzer are from New Brunswick, and their home was not far from the city of St. John. They have no relatives here and are residents of the Maritime provinces. Both Mr. and Mrs. Manzer were constant attendants at the Baptist church while here.

Mr. Livingston speaks in the highest terms of Mr. Manzer, that he was the most honest and upright man that he had had dealings with, and that it was a terrible shock to him when he found what he had done.

Mr. Manzer, in the position he was employed, made many friends in the adjoining towns and was highly esteemed by all who enjoyed his acquaintance. His wife was as equally esteemed and their home was one of the happiest in town.

Open Air Rally.

A good-sized gathering of our citizens of different shades of political belief assembled in Railroad square on Friday forenoon, shortly before twelve o'clock, to see and hear Hon. John J. Mitchell, candidate for congress in the fourth congressional district. Mr. Mitchell addressed the

gathering in the open air from the railroad station platform, upon the issues of the campaign, stating his position upon matters of public interest, and said that the people were entitled to know how his republican opponent, Mr. Wilder, stands upon these matters that vitally concern the public welfare. So far as he could learn Mr. Wilder had remained silent upon this subject.

There was considerable disappointment at the failure of Hon. Eugene N. Foss to be here as advertised. Mr. Mitchell said that Mr. Foss telephoned to him at South Acton this morning, and asked him to tell the people of Ayer that he was extremely sorry that he could not possibly get here today to talk to them. After his address here Mr. Mitchell went to Shirley where he spoke.

A Serious Accident.

Last week Friday evening, there was a collision near the house of Louis Pelletier on West Main street, between the electric car for Fitchburg, leaving here about six o'clock, and a wagon driven by George C. Robbins of Leominster, and with him was John N. Martin of this town, killing the horse outright and smashing the wagon, and injuring Martin about the head, fracturing the left leg of Robbins below the knee and likewise breaking the wooden stump. Mr. Robbins is about sixty years of age. The front of the electric car, where the horse struck it, was stove in. The horse belonged to a Mr. Fairbanks of Leominster, in whose employ Mr. Robbins is. Mrs. Corlies and Bulkeley met the car on its arrival at its stopping place here and the injured men were cared for. It was found that Robbins was so seriously injured that he was taken on the car that collided with the wagon to the Burbank hospital, Fitchburg.

Just how the accident happened is not known, but it is claimed that tracks of the wagon could be seen between the rails. It is presumed that the men were driving along towards Ayer and was confused by the headlight and drove right into the car which crushed into the horse and overturned the wagon. It was a narrow escape for both of the men from being killed.

District Court.

Morris Arnold of Milford, a quarryman, charged with larceny at Westford of two bush hammers, valued at five dollars each, the property of William Stewart, October 19, was in court October 28, and on trial was found guilty and was placed in custody of the probation officer at Milford until April 23.

William P. Mahan, alias M. Mahan of Lowell, charged with larceny of a bush hammer from William Stewart, October 19, was in court on October 28, was on trial found guilty and placed in custody of the probation officer here until April 29.

Edward Heaton of Groton, drunkenness at East Pepperell on October 25, was in court October 26, and on trial was found guilty and fined ten dollars.

James Gillespie of Ayer, drunkenness at Ayer October 30, was in court on October 31, and on trial was found guilty and fined ten dollars, and placed in the custody of the probation officer here for six months.

John Sweeney of Westford, drunkenness at Ayer on October 30, was on trial found guilty and fined ten dollars, and placed on probation for six months.

Simon and Salvan Paretta, brothers, were in court on November 2, charged with assault and battery on William Hannis, and on trial sentenced to the House of Correction for six months. The brothers were employed in the works of the Haynes-Piper Company here, and under the charge of Mr. Hannis. He directed one of the brothers what to do about his work, and not liking to be told, struck Mr. Hannis on the head and face with a shovel, cutting a gash necessitating two stitches by the attending physician. The other brother in the melee, pummeled Mr. Hannis over the head with a heavy broom, each blow stunning him. They received their just deserts.

Real Estate Sales.

Edward H. Bliss has sold for Louis G. Papineau, his farm of forty-five acres at Shabokin district, Harvard, J. P. Nutting of Hudson, N. H., will take possession immediately following the auction on Saturday.

A ten days' option on a fine \$10,000 fruit farm is also just given through Mr. Bliss, with two other offers under consideration.

The above sale is the fifth within fifteen months where Mr. Bliss has sold to the first party shown the place and all are satisfied to date.

Democratic Rally.

The most enthusiastic rally in years in this section was that held under the direction of the democratic committee in the town hall on Wednesday evening when a fine array of speakers sent here by the democratic state committee claimed the close attention of a large audience till a late hour.

The rally was preceded by a reception to the speakers at the Globe hotel, where they met prominent democrats from this and adjoining towns. The speakers, representatives of the town committees of this town and others, formed in line after the reception and marched from the hotel to the hall to the accompaniment of the Captain George V. Barrett Camp, Sons of Veterans drum corps. There was plenty of red fire along the path of the march to add to the enthusiasm of the occasion.

Upon arriving at the hall, the speakers and the prominent members of the party of Ayer and other towns, took seats on the platform, while an orchestra engaged for the occasion, rendered excellent music.

Patrick Donlon presided at the rally and introduced the various speakers. They were: Winfield Tuck of Winchester, candidate for sheriff of Middlesex county; James J. Irwin of Everett, who is opposing district attorney Higgins, the present incumbent of that office; Charles T. Daly of West Medford; Philip A. Kieley of Lynn, candidate for senator in the seventh Middlesex district; Thomas J. Boynton of Everett, ex-mayor of that city; Edward Fisher of Westford, candidate for representative in the eleventh Middlesex district; and Hon. John J. Mitchell of Marlboro, candidate for

congress in the fourth district, whom many believe will defeat Mr. Wilder, the republican nominee.

As the first five speakers mentioned wished to leave early to attend other rallies they were given precedence in speaking. Candidates Tuck and Irwin, together with Charles T. Daly, devoted their time to a discussion of the so-called Middlesex County ring, now holding the county office, claiming the members were wasteful and extravagant in expending the money of the county, which is paid into the county treasury from the various cities and towns comprising it. The speakers produced figures regarding their claims, and asked the voters to change this condition of affairs by voting for the democratic candidates on Tuesday, November 8.

Mr. Boynton was the next speaker and gave an earnest, forcible talk on the high cost of living, for which he claimed the Payne-Aldrich tariff was principally responsible. Mr. Kieley told the audience why he should be elected to the state senate over his republican rival, Hon. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., whose record he claimed as a member of the legislature was always against the common people.

Edward Fisher of Westford, was the next speaker and he devoted his time to conditions in the eleventh representative district, pledging himself, that if elected, he would be a representative in every sense of the word.

After Mr. Fisher had finished, Mr. Mitchell arrived from Fitchburg, in an automobile, having spoken earlier in the evening at a rally in that city.

The next congressman from the fourth district, as he was called by the chairman of the meeting, was given a rousing reception and three cheers. Mr. Mitchell began his remarks by thanking the people of Ayer for the cordial way in which he has always been received here. He spoke feelingly of the late Congressman Charles Q. Tirrell of Natick, who although he opposed him for congress two years ago, he regarded him as an honest, upright and conscientious man.

Mr. Mitchell then devoted his attention to the high cost of living which is a vital issue in this campaign, and hoped that men of all parties would come to the polls on election day and repudiate the action of the framers of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, which he claimed was responsible for the high cost of the necessities of life.

Mr. Mitchell, both in personal appearances and in his earnest and convincing style of speaking, makes an excellent impression wherever he appears and attracts to his standard, men of all political beliefs. After his speech here, he hurried to Leominster and Clinton, where he was advertised to speak at rallies.

Bowling.

Ayer played Leominster in the Trolley league on Thursday night at Leominster and they lost all four points. The summary:

Table with columns for names and scores. LEOMINSTER: Douglas 118 104 89-311, Wefenair 75 85-248, King 83 103 78-264, Reagan 92 109 105-306, St. George 93 94 96-283. AYER: Rynn 89 88 72-249, Daly 80 79 88-257, Fitzgerald 91 90 97-277, Rexford 92 80 84-256, Filibrown 74 75 79-228. Totals: 436 412 429 1268.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

While Austin Lawrence was on his homeward trip from Boston last week Friday or rather about two o'clock on Saturday morning, his horse started unexpectedly and threw him from the wagon in such a way that the front wheel passed over his legs and the hind wheel across the small of the back. No bones were broken except one small one in his ankle, but he is still confined to his bed and suffers much pain from the bruises. The accident happened near Richardson's crossing, between West and South Acton.

Miss Ella Furbush has returned from Beverly and entertained a friend from South Ashburnham over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Priest have moved into the Littlefield cottage.

Miss Carrie Bradford has been on the sick list this week so that she was unable to attend her school duties.

Alfred Cobleigh's baby is very sick with pneumonia and his wife is also sick abed, worn out with care and anxiety to which was added a severe cold. Mrs. Withington is with them for the present.

R. Y. Nelson has sold his West Acton milk route to Warren Hayward.

W. H. Furbush is entertaining his brother and wife from Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wadsworth of Chelsea and Mr. and Mrs. Lee of Worcester were Sunday guests at Albert Hartwell's.

Grange News.

At the last grange meeting the question for discussion was "Is the coming of the city resident a benefit to the country towns?" L. W. Richardson and Mrs. Viets on the affirmative, with R. Y. Nelson and Mrs. Furbush on the negative side, followed by a general discussion. Six applications have been received for membership and more coming in at the next meeting.

Nine members of our grange went to Stow on Tuesday evening and enjoyed the program presented by Sudbury grange. As it was neighbors' night, there were representatives from all the surrounding towns.

New Advertisements

NOTICE—I intend to start south for the winter and offer at reduced prices, my stock of Carriages, Wagons, Sleighs, Harness, Robes, Blankets, Horse Goods and Farm Implements. I expect to return about March 20, and shall then have a fresh new stock. F. B. FELCH, Carriage, Harness and Implement Dealer, Ayer, Mass., Tel. 84-2.

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A Word to Voters

To the People of Ayer:

At the democratic rally in your town hall last Wednesday night, my democratic opponent stated that I voted against grade crossing abolition; against the railway liability bill for injury to passengers; against regulation of monopolies in the necessities of life; and against milk legislation. These statements are so viciously untrue that I think the people of Ayer ought to know what kind of a campaign it is my opponent is waging. I have not seen his speech in full, but it is safe to say that if this is a sample of it, the balance of the speech will deserve to be taken with very considerable allowance for unfounded statements.

FRANK P. BENNETT, JR., Senator 7th Middlesex District, 16 Columbus Ave., Saugus.

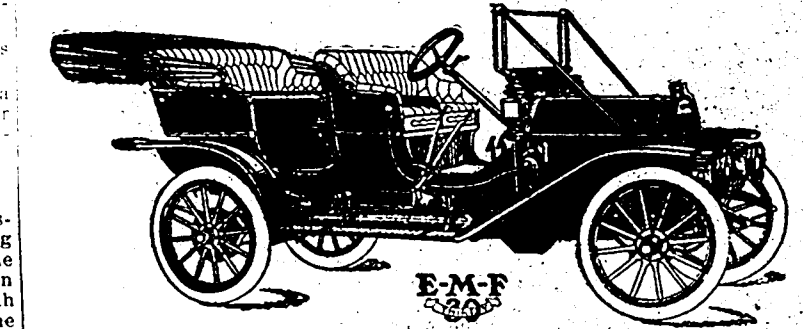
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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

The Misses Madeline and Bernice O'Connell, who reside just beyond the Russell farm, gave a delightful Halloween party on Saturday evening, entertaining sixteen of their schoolmates. The house was prettily decorated with evergreen, autumn leaves and Jack-o'-lanterns. Halloween games were enjoyed and they were a merry band when they attempted to dive for the apples in the tub. Mrs. O'Connell and the Misses Madeline and Bernice gave the comedy entitled, "Spooks," in a very pleasing manner. Mrs. Clara Russell in costume, gave an old-time ghost song, which delighted the young people. The graphophone furnished music for dancing. Refreshments were served. A glorious time was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Cora Boultonhouse is at home for a few weeks.

Miss S. M. Baer of Cambridge, Mass., has bought the Whitcomb farm through the agency of Walter E. Corey.

The three-act comedy, "Brother Josiah," was given at Tarbell's hall, last evening for the benefit of the Methodist society.

Miss Marjorie Patch of Malden, Mass., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Averill returned to their home in Chelsea, Mass., the first of the week.

The Loyal Workers met at the home of Mrs. James Campbell, Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Arthur Payne and sons of Charlestown, Mass., Mrs. Warner of Leominster and Mrs. Julia Lawrence of Pepperell were guests of Mrs. Falter E. Corey on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett attended the grange fair at Milford on Tuesday.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be observed at the Congregational church on Sunday morning, November 6.

Richard Clayton is the name of the little son recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Gilson.

Mrs. Martha Bromley, who has spent the summer at Castleton, Vt., is the guest of Rev. Warren L. Noyes and wife at the manse.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith is at home after an absence of several months.

John Aiden of Grand Rapids, Mich., was a recent guest of his aunt, Mrs. John B. Hardy.

Frank L. Willoby is another local hunter that has secured a hunter's license.

Wednesday evening, November 9, will be a "Night with the stewards," at the local grange, in charge of James H. Gilson, Frank E. Gilman and Mrs. Ella F. Rockwood.

Death.

The funeral of Mrs. Angie Whitney Porter took place at the Methodist church on Wednesday afternoon, October 26. Rev. James N. Seaver officiated and tenderly referred to the young mother who had passed to the beyond. Mrs. Hattie Stiles, Mrs. Jennie Boutelle, Charles Stickney and H. Arthur Brown sweetly sang, "Aid with me," "Jesus lover of my soul," and "Good night." The body rested in a black casket, surrounded by beautiful floral tributes expressing the love and sympathy of many friends, among them was a mound inscribed with the words: "Aid with me, the word rest, from the Methodist choir; garlands of asters, sprays of pinks and wreath of laurel and evergreen. The burial was at the South cemetery, Herbert Corey, Walter Corey, Frank Gilman and Edwin Taylor serving as bearers.

Entertainment.

One of the happy events of October was the entertaining of the Sunbonnet club and the husbands of the members at Inncroft, the delightful summer home of Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker, on Friday evening, October 28. Supper was served in the dining room which was attractive with festoons of Japanese lanterns. Covers were laid for twenty-two. The table was a delightful picture with the pyramid of apples and pears for the centre piece, from the Russell farm. At each plate was a miniature Jack-o'-lantern, a graceful fern and the napkins suggested the approach of Halloween. Jack-o'-lanterns decked the tables and the famed black cat stood as guard over the array of tempting viands, that would have delighted an epicure. Each Sunbonnet contributing to the menu.

Good cheer, wit and mirth prevailed. The gentlemen enjoyed a smoke talk in the Judge's apartment and later Mrs. Clara Russell in costume related "Charity Grinner's" experience with the R. F. D. mail box and the R. P. D. carrier. Clarence Russell gave "Old Mother Hubbard," with variations. The hearty applause that followed both, surely put to flight all the ghosts of Halloween. Readings by Mrs. May Hadley, Mrs. Hattie Pierce and H. Arthur Brown were enjoyed. When William Hall gave his part of the entertainment we realized that he still retained the agility of his youthful days. The Judge and Edward C. Tucker were boys again when they sang their duet. Mrs. Grace Dodge and Chester B. Valdege delighted all with vocal solos and Mrs. Emma Valdege finely rendered piano selections. The host captivated all when she gave, "Polly dancing in the sand." All united in singing college songs and the beautiful Scotch air, "Auld Lang Syne."

As the midnight hour chimed, homeward wended the Sunbonnets, taking with them the memory of one of the brightest chapters in the history of the "Sunbonnets." Nathaniel Hobart was the guest of honor, being the escort of his granddaughter, Miss Blanche Hall. Notwithstanding his advanced years, he entered into the spirit of the evening with as much zeal as the younger members.

Accident.

George Robbins, formerly of Nashua, and who has made frequent trips into Nashua during the past six or eight years since he has been living in Brookline, is at the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg, the result of a collision when a Fitchburg and Leominster street railway car crashed into a lumber wagon, in which he and John

Martin of Ayer, were riding. The accident happened in Ayer on last week Friday night. Mr. Robbins was badly bruised about the body and suffered from a severe scalp wound as well as several cuts on the head and shoulders. It is also believed that he sustained a fracture of the left leg above the knee. Some years ago Mr. Robbins had the lower portion of the limb amputated, but the injury is to the stump.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Miss Ethel Goodwin left town last week Friday for Leominster, Mass., to visit her cousin, Mrs. Begg. From there she goes to Mason for several weeks' visit with her aunt.

F. A. Patch has been appointed guardian for Henry Patch, who is in the State hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Sophia White of Schenectady, N. Y., is visiting her nephew and niece, Mr. and Miss Hayden.

James Jewett of South Framingham, Mass., is visiting his brother, Andrew Jewett.

Mrs. W. C. Burbee is spending several weeks in Ashburnham, Mass., where she formerly resided.

The Hollis Woman's club met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. S. A. Worcester. The following program was carried out: Monthly review, Mrs. C. F. Worcester; "The three assemblies for constitutional government," a paper by Mrs. Sanders; another paper, "The leading legislators," Miss Hinckley.

The Ladies' Reading and Charitable society met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. W. B. Simonds. At the same time and place the Auxilliary to the Woman's board held its annual meeting.

Last Sunday forenoon, the pastor, Rev. C. H. Davis, gave a strong sermon, illustrated with blackboard drawings, urging the voters to be true to righteous principles at the State election on November 8. He especially urged votes against the liquor traffic.

SHIRLEY.

Joseph Cavanaugh of Fall River, and Henry Carroll of Hyde Park, both seventeen years of age, ran away from the Industrial school at Shirley on Tuesday and were captured at Fitchburg on Wednesday morning at three o'clock, by Patrolman Moran and were taken to the police station for the school authorities. The boys were found wandering on upper Main street and the early hour aroused the suspicion of the policeman who questioned them closely and they finally admitted they were wanted. Cavanaugh had a coat in his possession which he said he took from a wagon in the Back Bay station.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will serve a salad supper in their vestry on Saturday evening, November 5, at 6.30 o'clock. An entertainment will be given at eight o'clock.

The pastors of the town will occupy their pulpits as usual on Sunday morning, with evening meetings at seven o'clock.

Mrs. Lena Bosley and Walter Weston of Albercon, Quebec, are visiting at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Joseph Penderseau.

Miss Ruth Burrage of Medford spent over Sunday with Mrs. Louise Butler.

Mrs. W. G. Lyon of Ayer has resigned as deputy of Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge and Miss Esther Rugg of Prosperity lodge, Leominster, has been appointed to succeed her.

Miss Louise Birken of Everett is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Will Love.

Richard Albert of Caraqueet, N. B., is in town visiting friends.

Phileas Bolger fell from the steps of his home on Wednesday evening and dislocated his wrist.

A large number attended the I. O. O. F. minstrel show in Odd Fellows hall last week Thursday evening, given under the direction of Mrs. Charles R. White.

Home training was the subject of Rev. A. A. Bronson's sermon at the Congregational church on last Sunday morning, and was a practical and timely one for parents, embracing the principles to be cultivated in children and its powerful influence in the development of character in later years which laid the foundation for the molding and acceptance of the nobler and finer ideals of the religious life.

Eli Bolger of Athol, a former resident, was a visitor in town last Saturday and Sunday.

Michael and William Gionet spent last Sunday visiting friends in Leominster.

Eddie Gately, who has been confined at home the past few months with heart trouble, is falling rapidly and his attending physicians give no hopes of his recovery.

The members of the Franco Independent club held their regular meeting on Thursday evening of this week when important business was transacted.

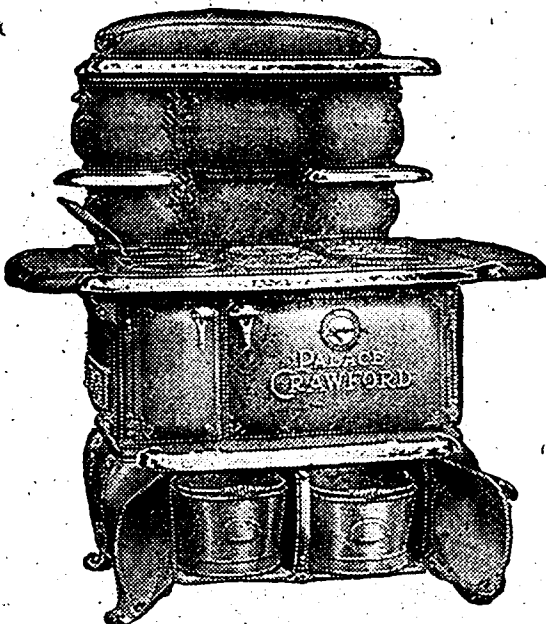
A Halloween invitation party was held at the Baptist church on Monday evening by the young people. A goodly number attended. Refreshments were served, games, music and other features appropriate to the memories of Halloween were entered into and much enjoyed.

Mrs. Arthur H. Jubb was again operated upon on Monday at a private hospital in Boston, by Dr. Mixer, the specialist, assisted by Dr. Thomas E. Lilly. The pressure on the back part of the brain was again relieved. The results of the operation will not be known for a few days.

Halloween was observed on Monday evening with a vim and enthusiasm never known here before. The younger element of boys and girls turned out in force with Jack-o'-lanterns, masks and weird costumes, headed by a tinpan band. Many of the residents were forcibly reminded of Halloween by the ringing of their door bells and the clatter of beans on the window-panes. However, no damage was done and all seemed to enter into the spirit of Halloween and enjoyed the harmless pranks of the youngsters.

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Republican State Committee — Charles E. Hatfield, Chairman; John H. Curtin, Secretary.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CLEMMA J. BLOOD late of Groton in said County, deceased.
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by FANNY E. BLOOD who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second 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.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Groton Landmark, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.
318 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY C. FARRAR, late of Shirley in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant an order 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.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.
316 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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 a poster from him, postage will promptly be sent to cover mailing of later posters.

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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 BOYNTON NEEDHAM, late of Littleton 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 WALDO E. CONANT, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth 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.

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.
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FOOD SUPPLIES SHOULD BE FREE

Findings of Republican Commission on Cost of Living

TARIFF FAILS OF PURPOSE

If It Doesn't Raise Price of Protected Article—Reciprocity With Canada, Free Food Supplies and Lowered Duties on Necessaries Advocated by Commission

The Massachusetts Commission on the Cost of High Living appointed by Governor Eben S. Draper, which made its report to the legislature, has been published in book form. While much of the book is naturally devoted to dry statistics its conclusions are very interesting and worth being repeated. The following extracts touch upon a subject that just now is being earnestly discussed in many homes and by political leaders. The report favors reciprocity with Canada, untaxed food supplies, very light taxes on the comforts of life. The following is a partial digest of its findings, taken verbatim from the report:

Massachusetts and the Tariff
Massachusetts comes far from feeding itself. In consequence of our extremely small percentage of agricultural workers and the excess of population in proportion to available farm land, the state is mainly dependent on outside sources for its food supply.

If, then, we are sure to buy from two-thirds to five-sixths of our food from producers at a distance, if by no possibility we can get whatever advantage might arise from relying on our own farmers for the great bulk of our food supply, no obligation prevents us from seeking to buy in the cheapest market available, unless it be found among the reciprocal obligations of the tariff system. But the tariff was never meant to apply seriously to the food of the people, save for the development of such industries as the growing of fruit in Florida or beets for sugar in the west. From the first it was designed to create and preserve manufacturing industries. The odium of the corn laws need but be suggested, to show how obnoxious would be a serious tax on food. If we have reached a point where it is of real importance to us to have the product of the farms of the north as well as that of the farms of the west, no tariff hindrance can be endured.

The Massachusetts farmer has nothing to fear from a free food supply, but, on the contrary, has much to gain. Our physical limitations and the competition of mill and factory for the available help make it sure that he can at best no more than furnish a quarter or a third of our food. His nearness to the market makes it certain that no remote competitor can undersell him on that part of our food which he can most profitably produce. As to the rest, he will benefit in common with all other consumers. He has as much to gain as anybody from the grain that will henceforth in ever-growing flood come from the vast prairies of the Canadian northwest. It will feed his poultry and fatten his cattle; it will help revive the dairy, which ought to be his mainstay, and will make it cheaper for him to work the market garden and develop the orchard.

Nor could the wage earner suffer. One great object of the protective tariff system is to maintain our wage scale and standard of living above that found in other lands. It is not probable that the removal of the duty on farm products would diminish by a penny the wage rate of farm laborers anywhere in the United States. That rate is determined by the competition of the mill and the attractiveness of the city.

But there is no reason why we should restrict our new purchases to Canada. If Mexico, or Argentina, or Australia, can help us, let us turn to them as well.

We submit, therefore, that it is a wise economic policy to give the people free access to those articles of food that call for the bulk of the expenditure of the masses. For purposes of revenue it may be wise to tax somewhat the comforts, and the heaviest duties should be levied on the luxuries, but the food necessities of life should be "free." We have not deemed it feasible to attempt to draw conclusions about the effect of the protection given to our manufactures upon the cost of living. It is manifest that if the tariff did not raise the prices of protected articles, it would fall of its purpose.

There is today in this country no important body of opinion hostile to the protective principle. Both the great political parties are committed to it.

Rising prices serve as a fillip to industrial enterprise, and prevent a temporary collapse from developing into a confirmed and prolonged depression. This stimulating influence made itself felt in 1903 and again in 1907, contributing powerfully toward the recovery from the panics of these years.

On the other hand, rising prices cause serious economic evils. In general, they tend to promote a reck-

less speculative spirit in business circles. This demoralizing influence has been conspicuous during the last decade. Furthermore, rising prices inflict hardship upon wage earners and salaried persons. It is an economic law that the prices of services rise more slowly than do the prices of commodities. Consequently, when prices are going up, wages and salaries do not increase to keep pace with the advanced cost of living. The workingman has been compensated for the loss caused by the advance in prices through increase of wages to a greater extent than has the salaried person. The members of the latter class have not been compensated in this way for the burden of increased living expenses to any appreciable extent. Salaries move even more sluggishly than wages. Members of this class have, therefore, suffered most from the recent advance of prices. They do not protect themselves through combinations as do members of the wage-earning class.

The clergyman, the physician, the engineer, the editor, the teacher, the judge, the public official, are among those upon whom the burden of rising prices falls most heavily, who least can endure its hardships. They are expected to deport themselves according to the social standards set for their position. Petty economics lessen their usefulness; great economics may destroy it.

The lowering of the standard of living, which is threatened by a long-continued advance of prices, is obviously fraught with far-reaching consequences for the nation. It means a deterioration of physical, economic, social and moral efficiency. A lower standard of living means a reduction of national vitality, and this affects immediately every form of activity and enterprise. It is not to be inferred that racial deterioration has already begun in this country. The advance of the cost of living has not proceeded long enough or far enough to produce undercivilization and degeneration. The further increase of prices in the future, however, if not accompanied step by step by an expansion of wages and incomes, must in the end produce debilitating and demoralizing effects upon the national stock.

The ethical effects of the advance of the cost of living are also most far-reaching. While the acute and immediate condition underlying this thirteen-year rise in the prices of the necessities of life constitute an economic question of the first importance, in its broader sense the subject comes within the domain of morals. Any evil influence that the trusts, combinations, illegal restraint of trade, tariff, etc., have had in making unequal the burdens of the people, may be remedied by legislation.—Report of the Massachusetts Commission on the Cost of Living.

TARIFF AND THE HOME

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The washboard itself is tariff taxed 35 percent and the ribbed zinc 1 1/2 cents a pound.

She dumps the damp clothes into a wicker basket that is tariff taxed 35 percent.

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If instead she balances herself on the fire escape the rope is taxed 45 percent, and the pulley is also taxed 45 percent. A wooden frame drier is taxed 35 percent.

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On the tub over which she bends and palls beside them is tariff taxed 35 percent. The bench or chairs it rests on are taxed 35 percent, and the paper palls beside them is tariff taxed 35 percent.

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Saturday, November 3, 1910. PEPPERELL.

News Items.

At the whist club in the Aldine rooms on Monday evening, Edward Gagnon won the prize.

The youth of the town were in evidence on Monday evening as everywhere could be seen the Jack-o-lanterns of small, large and giant pumpkins.

The November committee of the Ladies' Social circle, branch of Woman's Alliance, will serve an old-fashioned baked bean supper in Central hall on Thursday, November 10, from 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. P. J. Sullivan has sold her very attractive town to Miss Bertha Danforth of Tyngsboro.

S. Thompson Blood of Concord, spent Sunday with his parents in Pepperell, coming by auto from Concord.

At the annual business meeting of the Village Aid society, the following officers for the ensuing year were chosen: Mrs. J. L. Boynton, pres.; Mrs. C. B. Taft, vice-pres.; Mrs. W. F. Dennen, sec.; Mrs. C. G. Heald, treas.; Miss M. W. Hutchinson, first directress.

Although this society is not large, the work it does is very necessary. It can be called upon in cases of need, and gives comfort in sickness. The district nurse and the doctors find willing hands among the members.

During the past year, eighty-three dollars have been spent in the work, beside many contributions of clothes and bedding.

Miss Bertha Colson returned on Saturday from Everett, where she spent the week with her sister, Mrs. George E. Rockwood. Miss Colson went down to attend the supper and fair given by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., as Mrs. Rockwood had one of the booths. The trip was made, both ways, in Mr. Rockwood's auto.

The funeral of Andrew J. Shattuck took place here last week Thursday, from his late home on High street. The pall bearers were Parker J. Kemp, C. H. Miller, R. Plummer and H. N. Tower. Services at the home by Rev. A. W. Nelson. Many floral offerings were brought and placed as the last worldly tribute to a fellow citizen and friend.

John L. Boynton, as an insurance office. He took charge of the papers on Thursday and the Clarion-Advertiser can be purchased there.

Thomas F. Graham has opened the New Prescott garage and has the exclusive agency for the Chalmers cars, in Ayer, Dunstable, Groton, Harvard, Littleton, Pepperell and Townsend.

Monday, October 31, was the coldest day this fall, when in many places the thermometer dropped almost to zero.

The public reading-room which is to be opened next week, promises certain success. There is to be a meeting at the new reading-room on Monday evening at eight o'clock in the school building, Tarbell street. Members are all requested to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parker, Brookline street, are happy over the arrival of a baby boy born on Friday afternoon, October 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Marston of Melrose, formerly of this town, are being congratulated upon the arrival of a son and heir, born on Friday, October 28. Mrs. Marston has been at her mother's, Mrs. L. A. Stuart, Oak hill, for several weeks.

The Ladies' Social circle announce an old-fashioned baked bean supper in Central hall on Thursday evening, November 10. Only those who attend these suppers can appreciate the splendid suppers these women of this society serve.

George Scott of Ayer, who shot himself at Littleton on Sunday, was at one time a resident of this town. He has two brothers now living here with their uncle, L. C. Blood, and one is employed by H. F. Hobart.

A large number are planning to go to Groton on November 9, to witness the football game between Groton school and St. Mark's.

The town electrician states that a large number of the street lamps are being broken, either by stones or by air rifles. He offers a substantial reward for information against the guilty ones. He says thirty-seven lamps of the large Tungsten style have been broken the past few months. This is up to the detective force of the police department. When people are questioning why the taxes are so high, they should see how much more these departments cost than is necessary and economize.

Tax collector, Edward P. McCord, reports a good number have paid in time to avoid interest, but that the large number who have not attended to this matter must realize that the taxes are something which must be paid and the non-payment is not known in progressive towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wetherbee have closed their summer home here and moved to their Groton home for the winter.

The schools here were closed on Friday and the teachers attended the annual meeting of the North-Middlesex Teachers' association, which met at Groton.

The late fatal accident at the Ayer and Shirley crossing is recalled by the collision of a team and electric car very near the spot last week Friday night where the late Dr. Grenache met his death. The horse was killed and the two men in the team seriously hurt.

Unclaimed letters at East Pepperell post-office for the week ending October 31: Darius Colvert, Elizabeth Green, Walter Hall, William Morrison.

About Town.

Dr. R. B. Carter and Harry Hutchinson enjoyed a two days' hunt at Belchertown, where the New England Fox Hunting club held their annual meet, this week Friday and Saturday.

Miss Helen M. Keefe, a former teacher, from Roxbury, with Miss Loe Keefe, a teacher in Ayer, visited Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Sullivan and family last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. A. N. Blood left Tuesday for a visit with friends in Ayer.

Mrs. Sarah Fletcher is visiting among her friends in Leominster.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCormack of West Fitchburg, came to town on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mr. McCormack's sister.

The horsemen of Pepperell are holding meetings, discussing the feasibility of forming a gentlemen's driving club. The object is to promote interest in the breeding of a better grade of horses.

The Halloween party given by Dr. and Mrs. Lester R. Qua, at their home on Monday evening, to the school teachers of Pepperell, was pronounced by all present as a very enjoyable and instructive affair. The preparations for the evening's entertainment showed much taste and skill. Dainty refreshments were served. The prizes were won by Miss Gladys Mason and Miss Sarah Hill.

Several from here attended the Pomona grange meeting at Littleton on Wednesday evening, the fifth degree being conferred at this meeting.

Telephones were installed at residences of Charles Gage and H. Foster of Townsend street on Saturday, October 29.

Gleanings. Mrs. Bert Stoddard, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Chester Parker, has returned to her home in Greenfield.

A Halloween party was held at Saunders' banquet hall on Monday evening, October 31. From eight to ten whist was enjoyed. Later dancing filled the time until a late hour. Quite a number were present.

Herbert Raymond has again entered the employ of F. J. Hayes as meat cutter, and has moved his family into H. C. Thurston's house on Main street.

Mrs. Charles Parker and Mrs. Chester Parker spent a day in Nashua this week.

Miss Bertha Johnson of this town, and Miss Annie Hutchins of Leominster attended a Halloween dance at Shirley on Monday evening. Miss Johnson returned to Leominster as the guest of Miss Hutchins until the following day.

Mrs. Michael Dowling of Worcester was a week-end visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fitzpatrick of Cottage street.

McClellan Gilchrist of Nashua was at his home in this town over Sunday.

James Breen, who was so badly injured by falling from a load of hay last July, and was carried to the Groton hospital, is improving slowly. He is now able to sit up in bed.

Mrs. Edward Comery of Concord Junction has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Marshall.

Mrs. J. Donnelly and daughter Margaret, were in Nashua last week.

Miss Rosamond Bartlett is at the hospital in Springfield, sick with typhoid fever. At this time she is improving and her condition is not considered serious.

A. G. Pike and Maurice Gilchrist have returned from their hunting trip to Maine.

Mrs. Morton Kilne (Alice True) and children from Fitchburg, were visitors at her parental home in this town last week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Neuman Prescott of Franklin street on Thursday, October 27.

Rev. Harry Shattuck of Lowell visited his mother, Mrs. Mary Shattuck of Franklin street on Monday of this week.

The Halloween party at Mrs. Hingley's on Main street, given by the E. L. of the Methodist was a very successful affair socially, and financially. The house was very prettily decorated. Halloween games of different kinds were played, giving amusement to young and old. Refreshments were served, and cake and confections were on sale.

Warren Upson is confined to the house with chicken pox.

Howard O'Connell returned last week from the eye and ear infirmary in Boston, where he had been under the previous week for an operation for adenoids and enlarged tonsils. He is doing well and will soon be at school again. Mrs. O'Connell accompanied Howard, remaining to visit friends in Charlestown, and seeing Howard as often as the physician at the infirmary would permit.

Miss Maud Simmons and her cousin of Haverhill, were week-end and over Sunday guests of Roswell Lawsons.

Celebrated.

Nathaniel Lakin of Townsend street, celebrated his eightieth birthday on Thursday, October 27. Samuel Lakin, his brother, and Mrs. Mary Shattuck, a sister, were guests at dinner. A surprise had been planned for the evening. Mr. Lakin's niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gilbert of this town, and Mr. and Mrs. Dana Fletcher and daughter, Mrs. Knight, of Townsend, came in the evening. A very social time was enjoyed. Mr. Lakin thanking the guests for their courtesy, and remembrance of his birthday. Music on the Victor phonograph was a part of the entertainment. Dainty refreshments were served by the guests. The pleasant time will be long remembered by those present.

Death.

The death of Miss Violet MacCormack of typhoid fever, occurred on Monday, October 31, at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. P. Oulton, in Madison, Me. Miss MacCormack was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacCormack of this town, and was in her twenty-second year. She was sick about three weeks, and at the last was unconscious; previous to that she realized her condition, knew that the end was near, and waited patiently for the coming of her Lord.

Miss MacCormack was to have been married very soon. She was a very lovely young woman, and leaves besides her relatives, a large circle of friends to mourn her loss.

Prayers were held at W. P. Oulton's on Tuesday, November 1, by Rev. Mr. Woods, and the body brought to this town for burial. Funeral services were held at Fred MacCormack's on Wednesday afternoon, November 2. The minister in charge was Rev. A. W. L. Nelson of the Methodist church. He spoke comforting words to the sorrowing relatives. Mrs. F. W. Lovejoy and Mrs. G. W. Pierce rendered very sweetly two favorite hymns of the deceased, "No, not me," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

The pall bearers were the three brother-in-laws, and the gentleman to whom Miss MacCormack was engaged, J. Jackman, Aaron Forster, William P. O'lon and Howard Reid. The profusion of beautiful flowers attested the love in which she was held. Among them were tokens of remembrance from all her relatives and many friends, including a beautiful spray of carnations from the normal school in Fitchburg, and also from her shopmates in Maine.

Miss MacCormack is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacCormack, and sister, Helen E., of this town; John S. Allen, D. George, Mrs. J. Jackman and Mrs. A. J. Forster, brothers and sisters of Fitchburg; Edward L. of Woodland, Me., and Mrs. William P. Oulton of Madison, Me. Besides the above mentioned, there were present from out-of-town at the funeral, Howard M. Reid of Madison, Me., Miss Ida Scott of Haverhill, and Miss Lena MacCormack of Littleton. The burial was in the family lot at Woodland cemetery, in charge of Roland H. Blood.

Centre.

The East Village Social club will meet with Mrs. Granville Davis on Wednesday afternoon, November 9. Subject, "Miscellaneous."

On Saturday afternoon, October 29, Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., entertained the teachers and officers with friends of Pepperell schools. A large number were present who were received by the regent and officers, and entertained by chapter members, who took pleasure in showing chapter house and contents, all of which were interesting. Refreshments were served and the guests expressed pleasure and appreciation to the chapter.

Entertainment.

A comedy in three acts entitled "Mollentave on women," will be given in Prescott hall on Thursday evening, November 10, at eight o'clock by members of the Friendly society of Weston, for the Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church. Cast of characters: Mr. Mollentave, Dr. Sayward; Sir Joseph Balstead, K. C. M. P.; Mr. Graves, Everard Swenboys; Mr. Brown, Leonard; Mr. Bailey, Mr. Richardson; Mr. Dexter, Mr. Martin; Mr. Fiske, Mrs. Noyes; Mr. Dolbear, Mrs. Dolbear; Margaret Messliert, Miss Brocton; Miss Trebble, Miss Jones; Mrs. Martelli, Mrs. Pratt.

Tickets are on sale and will be exchanged Tuesday noon, November 8, at 12:30 o'clock, at stores of C. D. Hutchinson and Mrs. Mault.

Pleasantly Surprised.

Last week Friday evening many of the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Gaskell, met at the Oak Hill hall and sent for these special guests of honor, it being an occasion planned to welcome them to their new home on the hill. They were totally taken by surprise so well did those in charge plan and as there were so many of their friends to meet them, it was decided to hold it at the hall in preference to their home. At about eight o'clock, W. E. Conant addressed the gathering, calling upon Mr. and Mrs. Gaskell to step forward, and in a few remarks he told them how glad their friends were to thus meet and give them a good house warming party. Those gathered around gradually stepped aside and disclosed an oak dining table, which had been purchased for them. Mr. Gaskell replied in his usual frank way, thanking one and all for their thoughtfulness as well as beautiful gift. Dancing was enjoyed, refreshments served and all had a delightful time. Miss Helen Robbins and Miss Daisy Wilson furnished music. Before the refreshments were served Mr. Gaskell was again called on and this time he was presented with a purse, being the amount left after the table was purchased. And as usual he had a spicy word to reply.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor. Harry Bryant, who is in the employ of the Boston Elevated, recently spent a few days at his home here, Maplewood.

Fred Ross and family are occupying their new house on Wallace hill.

Mr. Dubeau has moved his sawmill into the Orin Ball woodlot.

Miss Emily Lawrence and mother have lately moved into the Cyrus Lane cottage.

Wilbur Colson is suffering from a bruised hand, caused by dropping a timber upon it.

Mrs. Dubeau and her daughter, Miss Carpenter, have returned to Derry, N. H.

Mrs. Bryant spent the mid-week in Boston and vicinity.

Frank Conant is having a 600-foot trench dug preparatory to laying a pipe to supply his buildings with water from a spring in one of his fields.

On Tuesday the As You Like It club held its first meeting of the season at Walnut grove with Mrs. Laura Smith. Mrs. Fanny Adams was re-elected president and Mrs. Smith, secretary. Mrs. K. N. Proctor was chosen treasurer. The literary program had special reference to the witcheries and mysticisms of Halloween. Music was furnished by Mrs. Conant and Miss Smith. The exercises of the afternoon closed with a Halloween lunch. Miss Mary Cruikshank of Brookline was the guest for the day. The next meeting of the club will be at Westview on November 15 with Mrs. Florence Conant.

On Thursday of last week Nathaniel Lakin reached the age of four score years. The event was pleasantly observed by a number of his friends and relatives calling upon him in the evening. Although the party was a complete surprise, Mr. Lakin showed in a pleasing manner his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him. The guests in turn enjoyed the hearty welcome and cordial hospitality of the Lakin home and upon taking leave of their host wished him many happy returns of the day.

Surprised. On Friday evening, October 28, Mrs. Dana Fletcher was agreeably and completely surprised when, having been summoned to the parlor from her sleeping apartment to which she had retired for the night, she found the room filled with fellow members of the Monday club together with their husbands and friends. The occasion was Mrs. Fletcher's birthday. A fitting program had been arranged which included in a pleasing speech by Mrs. Josselyn the presentation of a beautiful cake and a Tennyson birthday book. Mrs. Fletcher in a happy acknowledgement expressed both by words and actions her heartfelt appreciation, not only of the gifts themselves, but of the good fellowship and friendliness which they implied. The serving of dainty yet bountiful refreshments brought to a close an evening greatly enjoyed by all.

Centre.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tenney have moved from West Townsend for the winter. They are occupying the Howard tenement back of the M. E. church.

Mrs. A. D. Fessenden is visiting in Quincy.

Miss Young of Sandown, N. H., is at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller's.

The teachers from here all attended the Northwest-Middlesex Teachers' convention at Groton on Friday.

SHIRLEY.

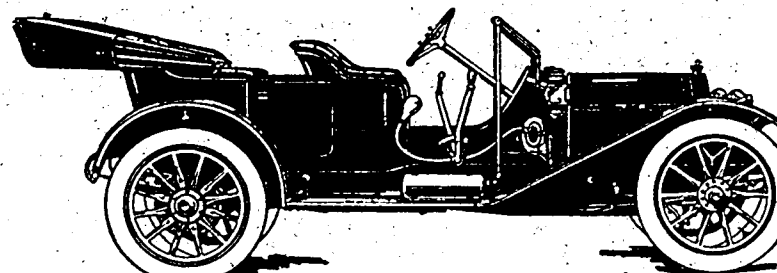
News Items. Odd Fellows' hall was well-filled on Wednesday evening to witness Edwin J. Hadley's moving pictures and very instructive lecture on foreign lands, given for the benefit of the Shirley high school fund. Dancing followed with Miss Eleanor Miner, class of '11 at the piano.

The public schools closed on Friday to allow the teachers to attend the convention held at Worcester.

Thomas E. Winston, teacher at the Boston English high school, spent last Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lilly.

The Ladies' Aid of the Universalist church will hold a supper and an entertainment on Wednesday evening,

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November 9. The entertainment will be under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Hazen. Supper will be served at seven o'clock.

Mrs. Charles W. Wolff, who has been confined to home with sciatic rheumatism for the past two months, is no better.

Rev. G. W. Cooke will preach next Sunday at the usual hour at the First Parish church, Shirley Centre.

Preaching in the Baptist church tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. by Rev. J. W. Thomas. Sunday school at 3:30.

New Advertisements.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth A. Walker late of Townsend in said County, deceased intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to EDWARD E. WALKER, of Townsend 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 twenty-eighth 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.

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

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to LITTLE B. NICKERSON of Townsend in said County, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex on the twenty-second 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.

LOST—Between Groton and Ayer, an Old-fashioned Revolver in Leather Holster. Return to J. P. FITCH, Ayer, and receive reward. 118

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LOST—October 15, Female Hound Pup, slender long-legged. Tan head, body white with black spots. Valued as pet. Reward. WILLIAM W. SMART, Townsend. 118

Deer Hunting

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ADDITIONAL BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF AYER.

I certify that the following additional by-laws were adopted by the town of Ayer at the annual town meeting, April 4, 1910, and that they have been approved by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

GUY B. REMICK, Town Clerk.

Article VI. Sidewalks.

Section 1. The tenant, occupant or owner of any estate abutting on any street, highway or town way in the town, and where there now is, or hereafter may be, a sidewalk constructed of or covered with concrete, brick, cement, stone, wood or any other material than earth, ashes or gravel, shall within twelve hours after the ceasing to fall, form or drift thereon, of any snow, sleet or ice, remove or cause to be removed such snow, sleet or ice therefrom so far as it can be removed, and, if the same cannot be wholly removed, shall sprinkle or cause to be sprinkled thereon, sand, ashes, sawdust or other suitable substance, so that such sidewalk shall not be slippery and shall be safe and convenient for public travel.

Section 2. Whoever violates the provisions of the preceding section shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars.

Boston, October 21, 1910. I approve the foregoing by-law.

DANA MALONE, Attorney General.

SITUATION WANTED—Mrs. Emma Pare wants position as nurse, housekeeper, or caretaker for a child. Call at Paul Hame's, South Street, Ayer, 118

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