

## 1911 BUICKS

Model 39, Body-Touring type with fore doors. Wheel Base, 116 inches. Tires, 36 x 4. Cylinders, four, 4 1-2 x 5. Splitdorf Magneto and dry cells. Price, \$1850.

Model 38, Same as Model 39, only Roadster type. Seats two persons.

Model 21, Touring Car with fore doors. Wheel Base, 110 inches. Tires, 34 x 4. Cylinders, four, 4 1-4 by 4 1-2. Splitdorf Magneto and dry cells. Price, \$1500. This car is also furnished in close coupled four-passenger type, with detachable tonneau.

Model 27, Touring Car. Wheel Base, 106 inches. Cylinders, four, 4 x 4. Splitdorf Magneto. Price, \$1150.

Model 26, Roadster with fore doors. Wheel Base, 100 inches. Tires, 32 x 3 1-2. Cylinders, four, 4 x 4. Splitdorf Magneto. Price, \$1050.

All the above have sliding gear transmissions, semi-floating axles. Equipped with oil lamps, tail lamp, gas lamps and generator, except Models 38 and 39, which have Prest-O-Lite tanks.

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Boys' Sweater Coats	50c. to 2.00
Men's Umbrellas	50c. to 5.00
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Cuff Links and Pin to Match	75c. and 1.00
Gloves of all kinds	25c. to 5.00
Handkerchiefs, all kinds, Plain and Initial	5c. to 50c.

Men's Slippers	50c. to \$2.00
Ladies' Felt Slippers	\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50
Neckwear	25c., 50c., 1.00
Cuff Links	25c., 50c., 1.00
Mufflers	50c., 1.00
Fancy Arm Bands	25c., 50c.
Suspenders in fancy boxes	25c., 50c.

These are only a few suggestions, we are unable to catalogue the whole stock. COME IN AND SEE THEM.

**Fletcher Bros., Opposite Depot, Ayer, Mass.**

The members of the St. Jean Baptiste society will hold their regular meeting next Sunday, when the election of officers for the year of 1911 will be elected.

**Well Attended.**  
The supper and entertainment at the Congregational church on Thursday evening was well attended. A bountiful supper was served at seven o'clock under the direction of the following committee—Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Harris, Miss Maggie Love, Miss Inez McMurray, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Snell and Miss Grace Adams. The entertainment under the direction of the Misses Flora Shepherd, Eleanor Miner and Arline Wilbur was much enjoyed and appreciated. The special feature was the farce, "Up to Freddie," the cast consisting of Flora Shepherd, Arline Wilbur, Eleanor Miner, Blanche Wells, Grace Adams, Elsie Knowles, Leonard Hooper, Stanley Wells and Russell Miner. A piano trio was then given by Gladys Phelps, Gladys Annis and Sarah Stevenson. The entertainment concluded with a mandolin solo by Gladys Love, accompanied with piano by Bertha Love.

#### LITTLETON.

**News Items.**  
Mrs. Minna Tenny Peck gave her lecture on "Home life in Oberammergau and the Passion Play of 1910," at an afternoon service in a Natck church recently before an audience of 1,100 people. On Christmas day she will deliver the same lecture in Dr. Cummings', formerly Dr. Hale's church, in Boston.

Mrs. McElligott of Nashobah district is very sick.

At the annual business meeting of the Grange last Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Richard Barrows, master; James Neagle, overseer; Mrs. Fannie Barrows, sec.; Joseph McParson, stew.; Cornelius E. Dalley, ass. stew.; Mrs. Grace Cash, chap.; E. B. Bigelow, treas.; Miss Augusta Smith, sec.; Fred Reed, gate keeper; Ethel Whittier, Pomona; Idella Stone, Flora; Dorothy Roberts, Ceres; Mary Callahan, lady ass. stew.; Mrs. Susie Smith, pianist.

About thirteen members of Littleton Grange attended the election of officers of the Worcester-Middlesex Pomona Grange at Pepperell on Wednesday. Henry Robbins of Pingreyville was re-elected assistant steward. The next meeting of this Grange will be a Christmas entertainment.

An important meeting of the Improvement society will be held at J. M. Hartwell's on next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The Studevant family, now living in George Yapp's tenement house, is soon to move into the Henry Ramsdell house.

The Sunday evening preaching services at the Baptist church are well attended. The Alexander hymn books have been adopted for use in these services.

H. J. Couper's father and sister, who have spent several weeks in town, returned on Tuesday to their home in New York.

Rev. H. B. Drew went with the Newton male quartet to Colby academy, New London, N. H., where they gave a concert last Monday night. Mr. Drew also delivered a lecture there.

John Hutchinson is improving very slowly. He walks very little. Harvey Brown remains much the same as at the first of the week. Mrs. Janet Jacobs gains a little.

The C. E. officers elected at a recent meeting of the Baptist society are as follows: John Hutchinson, pres.; Emma E. Tenny, vice pres.; Ruth Robinson, sec.; Vera Libby, treas.

The Farther Lights' meeting was held with Olive Flagg on Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' circle of the Baptist church will meet next Wednesday afternoon at the parsonage.

The King's Daughters report a full meeting last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Mary Robbins gave an interesting account of her recent trip to Bermuda. Two dollars was voted to the Sailors' Haven. Next month the circle will hold the annual business meeting at Mrs. William Davis' home.

George B. Turner & Son of Ayer, have a fine assortment of goods, just what you want to purchase for Christmas.

#### New Advertisements.

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Our stock of goods suitable for Christmas Gifts is most complete. Here are suggestions for gifts that are sure to please and be appreciated. You will find something for everybody in our varied stock. Many of the articles for Holiday Gifts come enclosed in handsome Christmas Boxes.

#### Handkerchiefs for Christmas Gifts

Men's Linen Hem-stitched, 15c., 25c. and 50c.
Men's Japanotte, soft finished, 5c., 10c. and 15c.
Men's Japanotte Initial 10c. and 12c. each
Men's Linen Initial 25c. and 50c. each
Men's Linen finish Initial 15c. each
Men's Silk Initial 25c. and 50c.
Men's Linen, 6 handkerchiefs in a handsome Christmas box, \$1.50 to \$2.50 per box
Men's Japanotte handkerchiefs, 6 in a handsome Christmas box 75c. and \$1.00 per box
Men's Fancy Colored Silk 25c. and 50c.
Men's and Boys' Fancy Bordered, 5c. and 10c.
Ladies' Embroidered Silk, fancy, 25c. and 50c.

#### Gloves for Christmas Gifts

Men's Cape Gloves, unlined for street wear \$1.00 to \$2.00
Men's Cape Gloves, lined, for street wear \$1.00 to \$2.00
Men's Mocha Gloves in fleece-lined, 50c., and \$1.00
Men's Mocha Gloves, silk and wool-lined, \$1.50
Men's Mocha Gloves, with squirrel lined, \$3.00 to \$5.00
Men's Mocha Gloves, with lamb's wool lined \$2.50 and \$3.00
Men's Working Gloves, lined or unlined, 50c. and \$1.00
Men's Woolen Gloves and Mittens, 25c. and 50c.
Men's Fur Gloves, Gauntlets, \$3.50 to \$5.00
Boys' Wool Gloves and Mittens, 25c. and 50c.
Boys' Lined Gloves, for dress wear, 50c. to \$1.00
Boys' Leather Gauntlets, lined or unlined, 50c.
Children's Plush Mittens, in a pretty box, 50c.

#### Suggestions from Our Men's Furnishing Department

<b>NECKWEAR.</b> The very latest styles and colorings in Four-in-Hands. Some beautiful patterns 25c. and 50c. Boys' Ties in Bows, some in pretty boxes, 10c. to 25c.
<b>SUSPENDERS.</b> A great variety of styles. Each pair in a handsome Xmas box, 25c. and 50c.
<b>DRESS SHIRT PROTECTORS.</b> Black Silk, white lined, \$1.00 to \$2.00
<b>BATH ROBES.</b> An elegant thing for a Xmas gift. Made of Double Faced Eider-down \$5.00 to \$7.00

<b>HOSIERY.</b> In plain and fancy colors. 15c. to 50c. pair
Some come put up 4 or 6 pair in a handsome Xmas box. \$1.00 to \$1.50 box
Silk Hose 50c. pair
<b>NIGHT ROBES.</b> Made of fine Cotton and Domet Flannels, 50c., 75c., and \$1.00
<b>MUFFLERS.</b> Every kind of Mufflers, including the Way and Phoenix styles in all colors 25c. and 50c.

#### Caps and Toques

Caps of every kind for Men and Boys. Toques of all kinds for Men and Boys and Children.
Men's Cloth Caps, 50c. to \$1.00
Men's Fur Trimmed Caps, \$1.00 to \$2.50
Men's Fur Caps, 2.00 to 5.50
Boys' Cloth Caps, 25c. and 50c.
Boys' Toques, 25c. and 50c.
Misses and Children's Toques, 25c. and 50c.

#### Jewelry.

An excellent assortment of Cuff Buttons and Scarf Pin, each in a handsome Xmas box.
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Scarf Pins 25c. to 1.50
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Nickel Watches for Boys, \$1.00

#### Bags and Suit Cases

A practical and useful gift. Suit Cases made of Imitation Leather \$1.25 to \$1.98
Suit Cases made of Leather, 5.00 to 7.00
Suit Cases made of Japanese Matting 1.25 to 3.00
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#### Umbrellas

Always an acceptable gift. We have them for Men, Women and Children.
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Children's Umbrellas 50c. and 75c.

#### Sweaters

A most acceptable gift. We have sweaters for every member of the family.
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Boys' Coat Sweaters 79c. to 2.00
Ladies' Coat Sweaters \$2.00 to \$6.00
Misses' Coat Sweaters \$1.50 and \$2.00
Children's Coat Sweaters 50c. to 1.50

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<b>CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS FOR MEN.</b> In a great variety of styles, in leather and warm felt goods, 50c., 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.50
<b>Christmas Slippers for Boys,</b> 50c. and \$1.00

<b>CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS FOR WOMEN.</b> In warm Felt goods; also, in Kid and Patent Leather 50c. to \$2.00
<b>Christmas Slippers for Girls.</b> In Patent Leathers and warm Felt goods, 75c. to \$1.25



#### SHIRLEY.

**Centre.**  
Fred Carkin and family have moved into the Johnson house, left vacant by the Chevrettes.

Mrs. Bideman is staying at Rev. Howard Bridgman's for the winter.

The house which Howard Fuller is having erected on the Flske place is nearing completion. All that remains to be done now, is the inside finishing. The house is built after the style of the old brick schoolhouse which used to stand there, only somewhat smaller.

Ralph Evans shot a fine eight-point buck deer last week, while it was busy eating his young fruit trees. The head was a beauty, and he had it taken to Fitchburg to be mounted.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardie Adams, who have been caring for the Mary Anna home during Sidney Carter's absence, have returned home.

Harold and Madoline Kemp spent a few days recently with the Burnhams at Revere.

L. J. Farnsworth is having steam heat installed in his house.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton spent Sunday at their summer home.

Dr. Ellen Schenck, who has been very sick, is getting better.

Communion service will be held in Trinity chapel on Sunday, December 10, at 10:30 a. m. Regular Sunday school classes at 3:15 p. m.

L. F. J. Carpenter is making extensive repairs to his house.

Henry Farrar is sick with pneumonia.

Mr. Watling and daughter of Fitchburg are spending the winter with Wallace Farnsworth.

Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth and Mrs. LeForest Carpenter spent last Saturday with friends in Lowell.

Ralph Thompson and Edward Farnsworth each caught a black mink last week.

Mrs. Reuben Colburn is very sick.

Edward Farnsworth has entered the employ of Louis J. Farnsworth.

Henry Farnsworth is moving into the White place which he recently bought.

Miss Marian Moulton won a hundred dollar prize recently by solving a puzzle in the Boston Post. The only conditions are that she must use this amount toward the purchase of a piano by the company who give the prize. Miss Moulton is but twelve years old.

The Bean Lumber Company of Rindge, N. H., who purchased the Baker lot of L. J. Farnsworth a short time ago, have had to give up cutting it now, because of the scarcity of water. They have also sold their woodlot in the east part of Shirley, to Worcester parties.

Irving Thompson is very ill.

The basket shop at Woods Village, which has been idle for about two years, is soon to be started up, under the direction of Henry Farnsworth. He has already received enough orders to keep the shop busy for two months.

N. Otis Colburn is working at West Groton, papering and painting for Harry Kemp.

Wallace Farnsworth got five fox skins last week. He caught the foxes when they were small and has been keeping them until they were large enough to kill.

Miss Gibbs, who has been teaching the Centre grammar school for the past three months, has accepted a position in Medfield. Miss Clark of Fitchburg has been obtained to fill the vacancy.

Captain Blair, at the east, is very sick.

The Charles Holden place, situated in the north part of Shirley, has been purchased by Mr. Blanchard of Acton.

Herbert Holden is suffering from a severe attack of the grippe.

Miss Bessie Ross, who has been staying at Rev. Howard Bridgman's, has entered the employ of Edward Adams of Boston.

Miss May Frary is visiting her grandfather at Chelsea and Miss Elsie Kirby at Boston.

Mrs. J. W. Evans and daughters Margaret and Olive started on Wednesday for Irwin, Pa., for a two-weeks' visit.

It is reported that the Worcester place has changed hands.

Miss Clark, the new grammar school teacher, is boarding at H. F. Grout's.

George B. Turner & Son of Ayer, have a fine assortment of goods, just what you want to purchase for Christmas.

**Grange.**

Shirley grange held election of officers on Tuesday evening. This was an important business meeting and was well attended. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Ardie A. Adams, master; Geo. H. Farmer, overseer; Mrs. Georgie Mason, lec.; N. Otis Colburn, stew.; John H. Farrar, ass. stew.; Alice E. Cummings, chap.; Edward Farnsworth, treas.; Robert Evans, sec.; William Thompson, gate keeper; Elsie M. Holden, lady ass. stew.; Ira Holden, Ceres; Margaret Evans, Pomona; Ruth Graves, Flora; Ralph Evans, executive committee for three years. Those who held the same offices during the past year, and were re-elected are Ardie A. Adams, Alice E. Cummings, Margaret Evans and Elsie M. Holden. At the next meeting, Tuesday evening, December 20, each member is requested to bring a small package to be given away as a Christmas present.

**News Items.**

About a dozen from here attended the lecture given by Jacob Rilis of New York under the auspices of the Fitchburg high school on Wednesday evening at Fitchburg.

Harold Landry, who has been working in Norwalk, Conn., for the past three months, has returned to town to remain.

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# NOW FOR CHRISTMAS

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Our display of Useful and Fancy Christmas Goods is ready. Let us help you in selecting your gifts from our splendid Christmas shopping menu set forth on this page. You will find gifts for every member of the family.

It is none too early to buy now and there is no better place than

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### HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR MEN

Neckwear in Xmas Boxes	25c. and 50c.
Umbrellas	\$1.00 to \$2.98
Silk Initial Handkerchiefs	50c.
Linen Initial Handkerchiefs	25c.
Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs	12½c. and 25c.
Suspenders in Fancy Boxes	25c. and 50c.
Travelling Bags	\$5.25 and \$7.50
Kid Gloves in Xmas Boxes	\$1.00 and \$1.50
Fine Sweaters	45c. to \$3.50

Bradley Mufflers, all colors	50c.
Fine Percale Shirts	50c., 95c. and \$1.25
Cuff Links	25c., 50c. and \$1.00
Arm Bands in Xmas Boxes	25c. and 50c.
Fine Mercerized Hosiery, 4 pairs in fancy box	\$1.00
Wool and Cashmere Hosiery	25c. and 50c.
Bow Ties, 2 in fancy box	25c.
Collar Bags	\$1.00 and \$1.25
Working Gloves	25c., 50c. and 98c.

Scotch Wool Gloves	25c. and 50c.
Shaving Pads	25c.
Ash Trays	25c.
Underwear	50c., 75c. and \$1.00
Night Shirts	50c., 75c. and \$1.00
Union Suits	\$1.00 and \$1.50
Travelling Cases	\$1.50 to \$2.50
Whisk Broom Holders	25c.
Desk Sets	\$5.00

Wisdom and economy both combine in the affairs of early shoppers.

### HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Shirt Waist in Xmas Boxes	\$1.50 to \$3.25
Silk Petticoats in Xmas Boxes	\$4.50
Silk Waists, Black, in Xmas Boxes	\$2.98 and \$3.50
Umbrellas	\$1.00 to \$3.50
Waist Patterns in Xmas Boxes	98c. and \$1.85
Dress Patterns in Xmas Boxes	\$1.35 to \$6.00
Silk Hose Supporters in Xmas Boxes	25c. and 50c.
Fancy Belts in Xmas Boxes	50c.
Tea Aprons	25c., 50c. and 75c.
Fancy Large Aprons	50c. and 75c.
Imported Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs	12½c., 15c., 25c. and 50c.

Silvereine Embroidered Handkerchiefs	50c.
Mederia Embroidered Handkerchiefs	50c.
Linen Initial Handkerchiefs	25c.
Portfolio Handkerchiefs ½ and ¼ dozen	50c. and \$1.50
Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs	25c. and 50c.
Coat Sweaters, fine assortment	\$2.25 to \$3.50
Needle Cases	39c. to \$1.98
Automobile Veils in Xmas Boxes	\$1.00
Square Veils in Xmas Boxes	89c. and \$1.25
Fancy Silk Scarfs in Xmas Boxes	\$1.00 and \$1.25
Hand Bags	\$1.00 to \$3.98
Envelope Purses	50c. to \$1.50

Sterling Silver Thimbles	25c.
Brooch Pins in boxes	25c., 50c. and 75c.
Beauty Pins in boxes	25c., 50c. and 75c.
Belt Buckles	25c. and 50c.
Side and Back Combs	25c. and 50c.
Hat Pin Holders	25c.
Ward's Stationery in fancy boxes	25c. to \$3.00
Blankets	69c. to \$6.50
Fine Mercerized Hosiery, fancy colors, 4 pairs in box	\$1.00
Silk Hosiery, 1 pair in fancy box	\$1.00

Do part, if not all of your Xmas shopping at THE BOSTON STORE.

### HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

Ward's Stationery in fancy boxes	10c. to 50c.
Novelty Purses	25c.
Mesh Bags	50c.
Small Hand Bags, fancy leathers	50c.
Sweaters	89c. and \$1.00
Silk Hose Supporters in fancy boxes	25c.

Golf Gloves	25c. and 50c.
Kid Gloves	\$1.00
Jersey Leggings	50c. and \$1.00
Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes	
Stocking Caps	25c. and 50c.
Hair Ribbons	5c. to 39c. per yd.

Mittens	10c. to 25c.
Silk Covered Coat Hangers	50c.
White and Colored Tam-o'-shanters	50c. and 75c.
Green Cloth Bags	25c. and 50c.
Beauty Pins in boxes	25c. and 50c.
Embroidery Scissors in boxes	50c.

Sorry we cannot tell you more now. Come and see our Xmas display. Our store will be open every evening, the week before Christmas.

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Saturday, December 10, 1910.

#### WESTFORD.

Centre.  
Since school was resumed after the short Thanksgiving recess the pupils at the Frost school, who live at a distance and stay through the noon hour, are having their luncheon supplemented with the serving of hot soup or cocoa each day. As heretofore this is supplied through the generosity of Mrs. John C. Abbot.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company had their regular monthly meeting at their headquarters on Boston road on Tuesday evening. There was a full attendance present. An appetizing supper in charge of Fred A. Smith was served, to which full justice was done. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the annual dance to take place some time in January.

J. Herbert Fletcher and Robert Prescott went to Ludlow Vt., last week, being gone the greater part of the week on a hunting trip, and have been kept busy recounting the results to their friends, since their return.

The memorial window at the Unitarian church was put in place on Tuesday and Wednesday preparatory to the dedication for Sunday.

Mrs. Lillian Lumbert has three of her little grandchildren from Oxford staying with her, and Miss Annie Blodgett is assisting in caring for them.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the Congregational church held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday afternoon in the vestry of the church, held in conjunction with the weekly

prayer meeting. A good program from the program "Missions in Central America" was carried out.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fisher's many friends are glad for them that their little daughter Esther is much better. She has had bronchitis with threatened pneumonia, and under the care of Dr. Wells and a special nurse.

The basketball game which took place in the academy gymnasium between the Lowell Commercial college team and the Westford team on last Friday afternoon, resulted in very much of a defeat for the latter with a score of 34 to 7. The Westford team has good material, but lack training and Mr. Jordan of the Commercial college team is to give them some special coaching, preparatory to the schedule of games that Principal Dexter Coggsball has arranged for the season. The students are also busy preparing for a minstrel show to be given later in the season.

At the Middlesex North Pomona held last Friday in Lowell, the annual election of officers took place. Westford grange has two representatives on its official staff, Mrs. L. W. Wheeler as Flora, and A. H. Sutherland as gate keeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory J. Whitney spent several days this week with friends in Lowell.

The Donald M. Camerons have closed their Westford home and gone to Lowell for the remainder of the winter.

Word has been received this week of the rounding up and arresting by the state police of five horse thieves and our town officials have reason to think at least part of this gang had to do with the series of horse thefts that took place here not long ago.

The band stand has been removed from the common this week and stored in winter quarters.

Every effort is being made by those in charge to have the annual banquet at the Congregational church as successful as its predecessors. Genial John Wright is coming up from Lowell to act as toastmaster and a good list of speakers is being arranged for; also, music and a good supper.

#### Grange.

The annual election of officers was the business of the evening at the

last meeting of the grange. The following list of officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Frank C. Wright, master; Mrs. David L. Greig, overseer; Miss Martha L. Grant, sec.; J. Henry Colburn, stew.; Fred Clement, ass. stew.; Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, chap.; L. W. Wheeler, treas.; Mrs. Frank C. Wright, sec.; Mrs. Fred L. Snow, lady ass. stew.; Mrs. Ruth Beneaut, Pomona; Mrs. J. Henry Colburn, Ceres; Miss Addie Day, Flora; Alonzo H. Sutherland, gate keeper; William R. Taylor, executive committee for three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright were chosen delegates to represent this grange at the sessions of the state grange to be held next week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at Worcester. Mrs. Josie A. Prescott was chosen as alternate and Miss Martha Grant was chosen to represent our grange at the lecturers' conference.

At the next meeting the entertainment will be in charge of the ladies' degree staff. This is to offset the one given by the brothers earlier in the year, when they gave the third degree in burlesque. A full attendance is desired for there will surely be something doing.

#### Temperance Meeting.

A union temperance service between the Graniteville Methodist church and the Unitarian Congregational was held on Sunday evening at the latter church. It was very much of a success in the excellence of the service, and the attendance, which was over one hundred and seventy-five. The men's quartet of the Graniteville church furnished several fine selections and the choir of the entertaining church sustained its part in the musical program with solo by Mrs. Charles D. Colburn. The men's choir of Graniteville, consists of Horace Conant, Henry Smith, Rev. Mr. Havermale and Alvin Nelson.

Rev. Mr. Wallace read the scripture lesson and offered prayer, and Rev. Mr. Havermale gave the address of the evening, which was a forceful and consistent presentation of the subject, and held the close attention of his hearers.

At the close of the meeting the audience endorsed a resolve which was forwarded to the senator and representative-elect of this district en-

dorsing the bar and bottle bill, and going on record as opposed to its repeal.

A meeting of like character is to be arranged later at the Graniteville church.

#### About Town.

Amos Polley has just finished building a two-story corn barn. He drew the design and Matthew Smith of Brookside was carpenter executor.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelse Nelson observed Thanksgiving, the day before the Governor's proclamation called for it. It is a girl baby, all kinds now, two boys for previous joys.

John O. Sundberg of West Chelmsford has moved into his new house on the Lowell road at Brookside. This is the house built by Henry Harrington and adds credit to builder.

Aunt Sarah Richardson, at the old Fletcher homestead at Brookside, has been ill since Thanksgiving with what seems to be cholera infantum, or would be if she were only ninety-one years younger. Dr. Wells is in attendance and the infantum is departing. Miss Richardson is the oldest person in town and is likely to remain so. The furniture of her constitution is old New England endurance.

Brookside mills are running on water time. As there isn't much water running there isn't much mill running. Cheaper living you know just in sight, but it has shut off the steam whistle, morn, noon and night.

Col. Edwin D. Metcalf of Auburn, N. Y., has been elected president of the National Implement and Vehicle association of the United States, with a combined capital of \$700,000,000.

The unrestricted wide-open gun in the shooting of deer, hath given us these tender memories: 199 deer were reported killed, 97 were reported shot, but not killed, 6 dead in the woods which the hunters wounded, but did not kill, 3 too badly wounded to stand up, and how much undiscovered suffering lies hidden in the thicket and glen may never be known. But these tender memories are ours, of Massachusetts with its Societies for the Prevention of Cruelties to Animals.

Judge Harris, who has been holding equity court in Lowell, granted a divorce in the case of George E.

Gould from Ida M. Gould, both of Westford, for cause of desertion. The case came up for hearing on December first.

F. N. Chase has moved onto the Dage farm on the Tenny road, just north of Keyes pond. At present he is looking after the interests of the moths of all kinds of personality that loiter on the public road, and who have no visible means of support, that is not contrary to law.

The Fortnightly club held a business meeting at the Wright school-house building on Friday evening. This means Christmas for the winter startoff.

#### Death.

Prof. Charles Otis Whitman died in Chicago on Wednesday of pneumonia, aged sixty-eight years. He will be remembered by Westford people and friends of Westford academy, where he was preceptor from 1868 to 1872. He had a genial and thoughtful personality and at all times an ardent inquirer after truth, but truth that had an inherent self-defense. For this he labored and accumulated as evidence of his pioneer service for truth. He was appointed head of the department of zoology and curator of the zoological museum at the University of Chicago, which position he had held since the opening of the institution in 1892. He was widely known as a zoologist. He is survived by a widow and two sons, Frank, a student at Harvard university, and Carroll at Cornell university.

#### Memorial Window Service.

The much-written about and postponed-about memorial window for the Unitarian church will come to finals Sunday afternoon, December 11. Services will commence at 2:15 with an organ recital by George R. Smith of Lowell, organist of the church. Rev. Benjamin H. Bailey, minister of the church, will on this occasion be prime minister of ceremonies. Rev. Edward A. Horton of Boston will give the address. He is a never-to-be-forgotten favorite with Westford people in the old palm days of Westford academy. Special music by the choir, assisted by Albert E. Prescott of Boston, a native and favorite of Westford. Col. Edwin D. Metcalf of Auburn, N. Y., also of the old Westford academy training and donor of the memorial

window in memory of his mother, will also be present. The time is so close by the founding of this old First Parish church, that it is expected a large gathering will be present in this old historic edifice with its spire architecture towards the skies.

#### At Home.

Edward E. Decatur is home at the old revolutionary Peletiah Fletcher-Decatur homestead on the Lowell road. He has been with the American bridge building company for several years. Has seen California with its earthquakes and Utah with its irrigation and irritation. Of late his headquarters have been at Ogden, Utah, forty miles north of polygamy and the tabernacle. He is the owner of a rising piece of real estate in Utah, for which he paid ten cents an acre. On the homeward trip he stopped at several important centers of interest. After leaving the snow-capped mountains of Utah he saw no more snow caps until close to the snow-capped Stony Brook valley and "Little Tadmuck" hill, which fronts the residential home of his birthplace. He started on Wednesday with his mother, Mrs. C. R. P. Decatur, for New Brunswick, to visit relatives.

#### HOLLIS, N. H.

#### News Items.

Mrs. Hunt who succeeded Mrs. Helen Leighton as teacher of the grammar school last term, has accepted a position in California. The vacancy has been filled by Mrs. Jessie Kennedy of Nashua, who has been substituting in the Nashua schools during the autumn.

Mrs. S. A. Worcester, who suffered an attack of pneumonia a few weeks ago, is recovering.

F. A. Lovejoy has a valuable horse very ill with pneumonia, and requires constant care.

Mrs. Sophia White of Schenectady, N. Y., suffered a severe attack of bronchitis last week. Mrs. White came to Hollis a few weeks ago on a visit to her nephew and niece, Lester J. and Miss Hattie B. Hayden.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marvell are rejoicing at the birth of a son last Monday.

The King's Daughters will hold a supper and sale on Wednesday evening, December 14.



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**Forge Village.**  
Mrs. Lowther, one of the oldest and most highly respected residents, celebrated the seventy-sixth anniversary of her natal day on Wednesday, November 30, at her home on Bradford street. She received many callers during the day and accepted their congratulations. In the evening a dainty supper was served in her honor, and to her great surprise she received some valuable gifts in remembrance of the occasion. Her many friends extend the wish that she may continue in her present good health and live to enjoy many happy birthdays in the future.

The choir of St. Catherine's church, West Granville, held its weekly rehearsal at the home of its director, Miss Mary F. Hanley, on Central street on Wednesday evening instead of at the church as usual. The service and anthems to be rendered on Christmas morning at St. Catherine's were sung, and with a few more rehearsals, the choir will be in excellent condition to give an unusually fine program this year.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met on Wednesday afternoon, November 30, at the usual hour, and after the regular work was completed, a light luncheon and social time were enjoyed.

A gang of roofers are at work repairing the roofs of the mill belonging to the Abbot Worsted Company.

The cellars for the new cottages to be built by the Abbot Worsted Company on Union street are being dug, and in spite of the very cold weather, if the work continues as rapidly as it has started, it will not be very long before the frames are finished.

The cellar of the new house to be built by Amidee Canton is well on the way to completion.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Pigeon will be pleased to learn of the complete recovery of their little daughter from her illness of last week.

Mrs. George Cougle, who has been confined to her home by illness is reported to be much better.

Edward T. Hanley is having his house, which he recently purchased from Mr. Parsons, remodelled, and a new tenement will soon be ready for occupancy.

Communion services will be held in St. Andrew's mission next Sunday morning at 8.45. The evening service will take place at the usual hour, 4.15 o'clock.

**A New Society.**

Through the efforts of Rev. A. L. Bumpus, pastor of St. Andrew's mission, a society has been formed of young ladies, to be known as the Girls' Friendly society, another link in the great chain of Girl Friendly's in America. This society is not only open to the young ladies of St. Andrew's mission, but to all young ladies, no matter of what religion, so long as she is of a good moral character.

At the first meeting held last week, Miss Edith Precious was chosen and duly elected as secretary. Mr. Bumpus has written to secure the services of a speaker to be present at the next meeting of the society in Recreation hall on Wednesday evening, December 14, who will thoroughly explain the benefits and privileges of the Girl Friendly's.

There are at present twenty-five names on the membership roll, and it is to be hoped that a goodly number will be added at the next meeting. All young ladies interested are cordially invited to attend.

**An Enjoyable Supper.**

The Ladies' Sewing circle held another of their enjoyable suppers on Wednesday evening, December 7, in the form of an English tea party in Recreation hall. The tables, in their immaculate whiteness, were laden with the usual good things, for which these suppers are famous, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Supper was served from six to eight o'clock, and the following ladies were kept busy in charge of the affair: Mrs. R. D. Prescott, Mrs. Nelson Prescott, Mrs. Hugh Ferguson, Mrs. Fernald, Mrs. Bert Comer, Mrs. Geo. Sanborn, Mrs. Harry Catchpole, Mrs. Lord and Mrs. J. Carmichael.

After supper the floor was cleared and dancing, under the direction of the younger ladies of the mission, was enjoyed until a late hour. Music for dancing was furnished by the Precious orchestra of this village.

On account of this English tea party, the Ladies' Sewing circle postponed their regular meeting until next week.

**Christmas Tree Exercises.**

The children of St. Andrew's Sunday school, under the direction of Miss Theresa Lowther, its treasurer, and Miss Sarah Precious, the organist, are rehearsing for the annual Christmas tree exercises to be held by the Groton school boys in Recreation

hall, Monday evening, December 19, at 7.30 o'clock. This is the principle event of the year for the little tots, who are anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus.

This year, on account of the difficulty he found coming down the chimney in the hall last year, Santa will descend the large chimney by the fireplace in the boys' recreation room. Arrangements have been made to have the fire grate removed in the fireplace and this will give Santa plenty of room this year.

E. H. Hilliard and his assistant, Mr. Gardner of Groton school, will impersonate Santa Claus, and will be at the mission on the afternoon of December 19 to decorate the tree.

A passing word might be said in regard to the gift of the Christmas tree to Forge mission. This work of charity was started over fifteen years ago, when the first Christmas tree was given to the children through the kindness and generosity of the Groton school boys, who contributed the presents for each child and distributed them from the tree the week before Christmas. This worthy cause has still been maintained every year and how many a little heart has been made glad by this annual visit of Santa Claus, none will ever know. The boys at Groton school not only support the Christmas tree at Forge Village, but also the annual trees at Shirley and Ashland, N. H.

**Graniteville.**

At the next meeting of Court Graniteville, F. of A., Thursday, December 15, the election of officers will take place.

**Obituary.**

Mrs. Ida M. Wright, wife of postmaster Walter C. Wright of this village, died at her home here on Thursday night, after an illness of a few days' duration, aged forty-five years. She leaves a husband, a father, A. J. Sargent, and brother, Elbert A. Sargent of Lewis, N. Y., and three sisters.

Mrs. Walter Holcomb of Lewis, N. Y., Mrs. William Baker of Moriah Centre, N. Y. and Mrs. Harry N. Fletcher of Graniteville. The deceased was well and favorably known and beloved by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. She had not enjoyed the best of health for several months, but never complaining and attending to her duties at all times.

It was only during her illness of the past few days that any serious results were anticipated, and her death followed so quickly that it proved to be a shock to the entire community.

Mrs. Wright was a member of the Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church and for a long time acted as its secretary. She was always active in all charitable and social work connected with the church and the village and many are the deeds of kindness done by this noble woman that only those who have been benefited by her kindly hand will know. Whatever she did, she did well. Always quietly and without ostentation she smoothed the way over the rough places for a great many and always continued to be smiling and cheerful. Her's was a beautiful character and a person could not help but feel better for having known her. Her passing away and the absence of her familiar figure from our streets; her smiling face missed from the post-office, where she assisted her husband in such an able manner, and the vacant chair at the church suppers, where she was always a central figure, will be a sad reminder of her pleasing personality and usefulness in the village and it will be a long time before her many friends can begin to realize that Mrs. Wright is gone. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved husband, the aged father and the loving brother and sisters in the loss of a kind and loving wife, a dutiful daughter, and a true and loyal sister.

The funeral of Mrs. Wright was held at her home on Main street, Graniteville, on Monday morning and was very largely attended, many being present from out-of-town. At eleven o'clock services were held at the home and were conducted by Rev. Lewis F. Havermale, pastor of the M. E. church, who spoke very feelingly of the life of the departed, his words being a great consolation to the bereaved husband, father, brother and sisters of the deceased. There was no singing, just a simple service with the kind consoling words of her pastor seemed to conform as nearly as possible to the wishes of the deceased. It seemed fitting at this time to relate a remark that the late Mrs. Wright made while speaking to a member of the Ladies' Aid society. She said "I love everybody in Graniteville" and it can be truly said that everyone in Graniteville loved Mrs. Wright.

After the services the funeral party took the 1.05 train for Lowell, where the last sad rites were performed at the grave by Rev. L. F. Havermale. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery. There was an unusually large display of beautiful floral offerings that bore mute testimony to the high es-

teem in which the deceased was held. The ushers at the house were C. G. Sargent, J. B. Carmichael. The bearers were John B. Carmichael, Fred Reed, Andrew J. Johnson and Charles Blodgett.

**LUNENBURG.**

**News Items.**

Mr. Freeman of Nova Scotia, visited his sister, Mrs. A. T. Kempton last week, returning on Tuesday of this week. In the services in the Congregational church last Sunday, he was first tenor in the male quartet, G. C. Jewett, second tenor; E. S. Francis, first bass; Warren Lewis, second bass. Their singing was very much enjoyed by all.

Frank E. Richards of Montana, visited his father, Joseph Richards, and sister, Miss Cora Richards, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Moulton celebrated their golden wedding on Saturday night and Sunday. It was entirely a family party, with eight children, their husbands, wives and children, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild, and a brother and sister of Mrs. Moulton made up the party, most of whom remain over Sunday to continue their visit. Mr. and Mrs. Moulton are very worthy people and the best wishes of a host of friends and neighbors attend them, hoping that their present happiness may continue for many years to come.

The entertainment by the senior class of the high school, last week Friday evening, "The witch of Bender," was well patronized and much enjoyed by the large audience. There were three acts in the play and some of the situations were exceedingly funny, and well presented by the eight characters, everyone of which was remarkably well taken. The net proceeds, about thirty dollars, will be added to the fund for defraying the traveling expenses of the graduates on a trip to Washington next summer.

Irvin Thompson of Flat hill, died of consumption on Tuesday afternoon, December 6. He had been failing in health for about a year and confined to the house for six weeks. He was born at East Bolton, Quebec, February 13, 1841, and had lived in Lunenburg for about eighteen years. He is survived by his wife and four children—two sons, and two daughters. The funeral was held at his late home on Thursday afternoon, and interment was in the South cemetery.

**BROOKLINE, N. H.**

**News Items.**

Notwithstanding that forty-six hunters' licenses have been issued this year, and that many of the local hunters have been on the alert ever since December first, only two of the sportsmen have brought in a doe, and Frank Austin brought one in on Saturday.

Earl Dodge and Forace Hall have captured a large hedgehog, one of the rare animals in this vicinity.

Frank W. Jenness is at home after an absence of several weeks at Boston and vicinity. While at Boston he assisted in gilding the State House dome.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Morton Klein, who has been seriously ill at the home at Fitchburg, is improving.

Master George L. Perin, Jr., of Brookline, Mass., is the guest of Mrs. L. S. Powers.

The Loyal Workers will serve a supper at the residence of Mrs. Cora Boutenhouse on Monday evening, December 12, from six to eight o'clock.

Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson and son James, have spent the past two weeks at Pepperell, Dedham, Wollaston, Newton and Roxbury, Mass.

Miss Mary Bosworth of Waltham is the guest of Miss Belle Lancy.

Miss Minnie Blair of South Brookline is ill with pneumonia.

Bertha and Brooks Carter have returned to Oak Bluffs with their father. The annual election of officers of the local grange will occur on Wednesday, December 14.

Miss Belle Lancy had a narrow escape from a serious accident last week. While going from the house to the R. F. D. mail box, she stepped on an icy stone and fell, and was unable to arise. It was nearly two hours ere she got back to the house.

Among the recent improvements made at the summer home of Edward Hadley is the enlarging of the living room, and the addition of a large attractive fireplace.

Miss Whitney of Nova Scotia sister of the late Mrs. Angie Whitney Porter, is at the home of Delbert Porter, caring for the family of little people.

**Entertained.**

Miss Blanche W. Hall celebrated her birthday on Friday, December 7, by entertaining the Sunbonnet club in a most delightful manner. Dinner was served at 1.30, covers being laid for twelve. The menu was an extensive one and the table was a charming picture with the tempting viands, tiny gold and green, and gold and pink baskets, butterflies, so true to life, we

anticipated that they would take a sudden flight, and holly-decked napkins. Witty conundrums relating to the members, suggested by Mrs. Helen M. Hall and Mrs. Emma Valdege, added a bit of spice and mirth. Later a social hour was enjoyed. Mrs. Clara Russell related the story of the "Sunbonnets' trip to Cambridge," and readings were given by Mrs. Alice Parker, Mrs. Hattie Pierce, Mrs. Emma Valdege, Miss Blanche W. Hall, Mrs. Ella W. Tucker. Mrs. Della Hall sang a quaint little ditty. Graphophone selections added to the pleasure of the afternoon.

All of the members were in attendance except Mrs. Lottie Rockwood and a box of delicious Malaga grapes were sweet reminders of her. Tempting home-made confections were served by the hostess. At sunset the Sunbonnets reluctantly took their departure. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the hostess and Mrs. Belle C. Hall for a day so replete with happiness.

**Entertainment.**

The young people of the Methodist society repeated the three-act comedy, "Brother Josiah," at Tarbell's hall on Monday evening. A large and appreciative audience was in attendance. All of the characters were ably sustained. Prof. Albert Seaver of Townsend finely rendered piano selections; whistling solos by Andrew Anderson of Pepperell, Miss Clara Anderson, accompanist, won merited applause. Mrs. Jenni Boutelle sweetly sang, "When the evening breeze is sighing," "Home, sweet home." Musical selections by Mrs. Cora Boutenhouse, piano, and Frank Jenness, violin, added to the program. Promenading kept all in a merry mood.

**New Advertisements.**

**MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

In Groton, Mass.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Frederick A. Sherwin and Bessie E. A. Sherwin to Caleb Richardson dated March 23rd, 1908, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Middlesex So. Dist., libro 3359, folio 515, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, on Wednesday the twenty-eighth day of December 1910, at ten o'clock in the forenoon for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed namely:

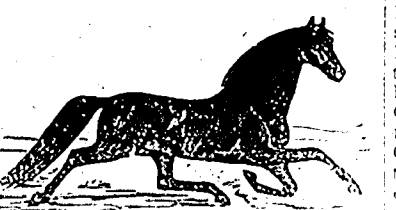
"A certain parcel of land with the buildings hereon situated in Groton Centre in said County on the northern side of Station Avenue and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone bound at said Avenue, and at land of the Worcester and Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company; thence Northeasterly by said Avenue sixty-two feet to a stake and stones; thence Northwesterly by land of Mary W. Shattuck one hundred and thirty-five feet to land of William A. Lawrence; thence Southwesterly by said Lawrence land sixty-two feet to land of said Railroad Company; thence Southeasterly by land of said Railroad Company one hundred and thirty-seven feet to point of beginning and being the same premises conveyed to the said Bessie E. A. Sherwin by deed of Henry M. Adams dated June 13, 1905, and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Registry of Deeds, Book 3174, page 50, and conveyed subject to the conditions contained in a deed from Mary W. Shattuck to Henry M. Adams and recorded with said Deeds Book 2354, page 524, and to a prior mortgage for \$2500."

Said premises will be sold subject to said prior mortgage and all prior incumbrances of record and all unpaid taxes. \$200 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, other terms made known at time and place of sale.

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To Henry E. Warner, Esq., Referee In Bankruptcy:

And now comes J. Duke Smith, Trustee of said bankrupt, and says that the assets of the said bankrupt consist of real estate, machinery, stock in trade, both finished and in the process of manufacture, fixtures, book accounts, etc.; that it may be advisable to sell the whole or any part of the said assets at public or private sale.

Wherefore he prays that he may be authorized to sell the whole or any part of the said assets at public or private sale.

J. DUKE SMITH, Trustee.

The foregoing petition having been duly filed and having come on for hearing before me, of which hearing ten days' notice was given by mail to creditors of said bankrupt, now, after due hearing, no adverse interest being represented thereat, it is ordered that the said trustee be authorized to sell the bankrupt's estate specified in the foregoing petition at public or private sale, keeping an accurate account of each article sold and the price received therefor and to whom sold; which said account he shall file at once with the referee.

Witness my hand this 22nd day of September A. D. 1910.

HENRY E. WARNER, Referee in Bankruptcy.

Under and pursuant to the authority and direction of the foregoing order and subject to the conditions therein set forth the Trustees, will sell at public auction on December 13th, 1910, at two o'clock P. M., upon the premises of the bankrupt company in the City of Ayer, Massachusetts, all the real estate of the New England Paper & Stationery Company and the buildings thereon situated.

The real estate to be sold comprises all the right, title and interest of the New England Paper & Stationery Company and of said Smith as Trustee as aforesaid in and to the parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated, bounded and described as follows:

As shown on a plan filed in the Land Registration Office a copy of which is filed in the Registry of Deeds for the South Registry District of Middlesex County in Registration Book 2172 (2) with certificate number 442. Bounded Southwesterly on the North-easterly line of Groton Street by two lines measuring together one hundred fifty-five and 5-10 (155.8) feet. Southeasterly on land of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad six hundred twenty-two and 2-10 (622.2) feet; Northerly on land now or formerly of John G. Park two hundred seventy-three and 65-100 (273.65) feet; Northwesterly on land now or formerly of Bridget E. Toohy sixty (60) feet; Northerly again on the same by two lines measuring together one hundred and fifty-four (154) feet; Westerly on land which was formerly the easterly line of an old County Road thirty (30) feet; Southerly on land now or formerly of Thomas F. McDonald one hundred twenty and 5-10 (120.5) feet; and Westerly on said McDonald land, land now or formerly of Michael Kellither and land now or formerly of Annie Farwell by two lines measuring together three hundred ninety-five and 22-100 (395.22) feet; being the same premises the title to which is registered in the name of the New England Paper & Stationery Company as shown by Certificate numbered 467 issued under decree of Court of Land Registration at Cambridge, said County of Middlesex dated the twenty-first day of July 1902.

Said premises are subject to two mortgages: one for three thousand dollars (\$3000) to the North Essex Savings Bank, being document No. 2338 registered November 18, 1905, as shown by Certificate numbered 467 in Registration Book No. 4, Page 169, issued under decree of Court of Land Registration at Cambridge as above; the second for thirty-nine hundred dollars (\$3900) to the Merrimac Paper Company, being document No. 3748, registered April 9, 1908, as shown by Certificate numbered 467 in Registration Book No. 4, Page 169, issued under decree of Court of Land Registration at Cambridge, as above. Said premises will be sold subject to said mortgages and the interest due thereon and to all other incumbrances.

Six hundred dollars (\$600) will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, the balance to be paid when papers are passed. The sale is to be made subject to confirmation by the Court.

J. DUKE SMITH,

Trustee New England Paper & Stationery Company,

4110 Boston, Massachusetts.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ABY M. FLIMPON late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by CAROLINE E. KELLOGG 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-first day of December 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 of three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said date, and by mailing post-paid, 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-first day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten.

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**MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Melvin A. Childs to A. W. Wetherbee, dated January 1, 1909, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 3416, Page 593, for breach of the condition of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction on the premises on Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of December, 1910, at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, viz.:

A certain lot of land with the buildings thereon, situated in Ayer, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on westerly side of Maple Street, formerly called Cross Street and described as follows, viz.: beginning at a northeast corner of premises at a stone bound at intersection of said Maple Street with a proposed street called Third Street; thence southerly by said Maple Street 132 feet; thence turning at right angles with said Maple Street westerly 66 feet; thence in a line parallel with the first described line, northerly 132 feet to a stone bound at said Third Street; thence easterly by said Third street 66 feet to the point of beginning, containing about 8712 square feet, more or less.

Said premises will be sold subject to unpaid taxes and assessments thereon if any there be.

\$100 to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. Other terms at time and place of sale.

A. W. WETHERBEE, Mortgagee.

Boxboro, Mass., Dec. 1, 1910. 3112

**MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Mary I. Stenstream to Frank H. Ward, dated February 23, 1909 and recorded in the Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 3426, Page 67, which mortgage has been assigned to Moses P. Palmer, for breach of conditions contained in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing said mortgage, will be sold at public auction on the premises on Tuesday the 27th day of December, A. D. 1910, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Pepperell on the northerly side of Main Street leading from Centre Village in said Pepperell to the Depot on the Worcester and Nashua railroad in the easterly part of said Pepperell, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of the premises at said Main Street and at Cross Street; thence northerly by said Cross Street sixty-one and 9-10 feet (61 9-10) to a corner; thence easterly by land now or formerly of Julia C. Dunn, sixty-one and one-third (61 1-3) feet to a stake and stones at land late of George Winch; thence southerly by land late of said Winch seventy-two (72) feet to said Main Street; thence westerly by said Main Street fifty-one (51) feet to the point of beginning. Together with a right to take water from the well of premises of said Julia C. Dunn through pipes now laid, also the right to repair such pipes or lay new pipes as may be needed from time to time.

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MOSES P. PALMER,

3112 Assignee of Mortgage.

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Saturday, December 10, 1910.

### GROTON.

#### News Items.

Mrs. William B. Robinson is ill with pneumonia.

James R. Hawkes and C. Frank Patterson have planned to attend the session of the State grange to be held in Worcester next week. There will be a three-days' session, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. There are likely to be others from Groton attending.

A Christmas festival will be held at the Congregational church on Saturday evening, December 24. The committee on entertainment consists of Miss Marguerite Leonard, Miss Doris Peabody and Miss Marion Greene. Miss Clarissa Coburn will be the pianist. The committee on the tree is Mrs. H. W. Whiting, Mrs. Bradford Harrington, Miss Fannie Taylor, Miss Margaret Bruce, Miss Clarissa Coburn and Guy W. Swallow. A special collection to help on Christmas festival expenses will be taken at the church services this next Sunday morning.

It is reported that the William Lawrence place on Farmers' row is to be occupied this winter.

L. H. Clark and men have not yet, we understand, finished their work on repairs and changes at the Howe mansion at Riverdale farm, formerly Miss C. E. Sears' place.

Miss Helen Belle Moore, one of the many sufferers in town from the prevailing epidemic of severe colds, has been so ill that she has been confined in bed, but is now much better.

Mrs. Lizzie Short fell about five o'clock on Wednesday afternoon as she was going to her home on Willow Dale street, and broke the two bones of her right leg between the ankle and knee. Dr. Priest was called to the case.

Mrs. Sarah Wood, mother of Arthur A. Wood and Mrs. E. A. Shattuck, is at the home of her son, Henry Sanderson, at Westfield, where she plans to spend the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson came to the family Thanksgiving gathering at A. A. Wood's, and on returning home, Mrs. Wood, their mother, went back with them to Westfield.

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Jessie Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Green, underwent an operation for an ear trouble at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, on Thursday of this week.

Miss Margaret T. Cleary left last Sunday afternoon to begin duties, the next day, as teacher in school at Wheelwright.

Mrs. Lindstrom, wife of the coachman for S. W. Sturges, Groton school, was operated on for appendicitis at Groton hospital last Saturday.

At the W. R. C. meeting on Tuesday, Mrs. Effie Harrington was chosen president for the ensuing year. A full list of officers will be given later.

The young people in town donned their skates and have been enjoying the good skating afforded by the recent cold snap. We hope they all belong in spirit if not by name to "The Thin Ice club," such as has been organized among the schools of Boston and vicinity.

George Scott is still at the Groton hospital. He has been more comfortable since the removal of his injured eye, but is very low.

George LeBell from Westminster, came to Groton hospital for appendicitis operation which he underwent there on Monday.

At a meeting of E. S. Clark post on last Saturday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: David R. Steere, com.; Charles H. Berry, s. v.; Henry P. Shattuck, J. v.; Charles H. Torres, adj.; Thomas Gilson, officer of the day; Samuel A. Green, M. D., s. r.; James F. Moore, chap.; Warner H. Souther, officer of the guard; Moses P. Palmer, quartermaster; Charles H. Berry, delegate to state encampment; Moses P. Palmer, alt.

Wheeler Ames has moved his shop to Station avenue.

The Ladies' Alliance fair of the Unitarian church last week Thursday did not have as large an attendance as was expected, and yet the total sum realized from sales and entertainment makes a sum approximating \$230. The results from the different tables are not yet all handed in. The entertainment was very good.

Miss Lucy Young of Winchester, daughter of the late Joshua Young, D. D., former pastor of First Parish Unitarian church, Groton, came up to attend the church fair last Thursday. Mrs. Effie Needham Hartwell of Fitchburg and Miss Madeline Porter of Leominster were also out-of-town residents attending the fair.

You will easily recognize the picture of Daniel Needham in the group of the Harvard Soccer football team, printed in the Boston Post of Friday, December 2. This team defeated the Middlesex school in game played at Concord on Thursday, December first. The score was 2 to 1.

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Barbee A. Miller and Mrs. Henry Nutting heard by telegram on Monday night, of the death of their sister, Mrs. Stanley Hurt at Burkeville, Va. Mrs. Hurt was taken ill last August

with typhoid fever, this was followed by pleurisy and at the last probably by pneumonia. Mrs. Hurt was mother of Miss Kate Hurt, who visited her aunt, Mrs. Nutting, here in Groton some three or four years ago.

George H. Jones of Townsend is to wire the town house for electric lighting.

Word of the death of Mrs. Merton Gowing of Springfield, Vt., is heard here with sincere and widespread regret. Mrs. Gowing was Miss Maud Evans, living in Groton up to the time of her marriage to Mr. Gowing, who also was formerly of this town. Mr. and Mrs. Gowing had many acquaintances here and every summer have made auto trips to Groton and vicinity. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Gowing, now left with four young motherless children.

Edwin A. Shattuck and some other jurors serving at the Lowell court were excused from duty for the day on last Saturday. As some had never attended the criminal court they went to Cambridge and took in the famous Hattie LeBlanc trial, which they found of exciting interest.

Friends here have received word of a pleasant voyage and a safe arrival at Palatkin, Fla., from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tuttle and party.

Rev. H. A. Cornell attended the ministers' meeting at Fitchburg on Monday, going from there to Lowell and returning home on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Wallace A. Brown, who has been staying with her father, who has been ill at his home in West Acton, was home for part of the day on Tuesday. She reports her father as improving.

Rev. G. M. Howe of the Congregational church and Rev. H. A. Cornell of the Baptist church will exchange on Sunday morning, December 11.

Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Everett Williams' mother, is going to Zachariah Fitch's as housekeeper for at least through the winter. B. A. Miller and family will therefore remain at their own home.

Tuesday morning the thermometer registered four degrees above zero in several places in town. It was cold December 5 and 6.

#### Grange Gathering.

Thirty-two members of Groton Grange went over to the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona, which met with Peppereil grange on Wednesday, December 7. Dame Nature did all in her power to make the occasion enjoyable by supplying exceptionally pleasant winter weather, instead of the raging blizzard confidently prophesied the day before. The program, carried out as arranged, proved interesting and entertaining. The local Grange gave a hospitable welcome and the good dinner was appreciated. Groton was quite prominent by reason of its having the largest representation of any of the visiting Granges and by having six of its members elected officers of the Pomona. They are: Mrs. Lizzie E. Starr, master; Millard S. Sawyer, overseer; Walter Winslow, steward; Mrs. Edith Kierstead, lady ass't. stew.; Miss Isabelle Woods, Flora; Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer, pianist. The remaining officers were chosen from other Granges.

Rev. H. A. Cornell, a member of Groton Grange, was a special speaker of the afternoon, the subject of his well-handled address being, "The condition of the south before and after the civil war."

The installation of Pomona officers is to be held in Fitchburg. This gathering in Peppereil Wednesday closes the meetings of Middlesex-Worcester Pomona for 1910.

The Entertainment.  
About fifty ladies of the town went over to the entertainment given at Mr. Gardner's home, Groton school, Wednesday afternoon, December 7. This generous response is very pleasing to the ladies of the District Nurse association, who feel grateful for the interest shown. This benefit entertainment yielded \$125, which goes into the treasury of the association. It was a very successful and every way pleasing affair. The program follows: Music; "Touching the moon," a play in two acts, Agatha, Miss Edith Sturges; witch, Miss Harriet Lawrence; the moon, Master S. H. Sturges; violin solo, Miss Marjery Peabody; minuet and song, the Misses Sturges; violin duet, Miss Marjery Peabody and Miss Geraldine Lawrence; "The mad tea-party," an act from Alice in Wonderland, the March hare, Miss Dorothy Peabody; the hatter, Miss Susan Sturges; the dormouse, Master S. H. Sturges; Alice, Miss Edith Sturges.

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Last Monday, Mrs. Eugene Collier, in behalf of the committee of Groton grange called on Mrs. Verena Dugas, who left the Groton hospital last week Saturday. Mrs. Dugas went from the hospital to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams of Elm street. Mrs. Collier called to present the handsome table cloth and napkins which the grange are giving this year to the members of the grange, recently become brides.

Five new applicants for admission to the grange were favorably voted on at the last meeting and one other name proposed to be voted on. The first and second degrees will be worked on the new class at the next meeting, which is on Tuesday evening, December 20.

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Lawrence Academy Notes.  
For the best kept memory book of last year, the trophy skin contributed by the Memory Book Company, was awarded to R. I. Friebus.

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The Ladies' Study club held a most interesting meeting in the reading-room on Monday evening, the topic being, "Critical friends of our history," under the charge of Mrs. L. O. Barker. A very well written and much appreciated paper was delivered by Miss Inez McElligott on the topic, "The reconstruction," and letters were brought and read by Mrs. Alexander Reed, written from Vera Cruz in 18



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Saturday, December 10, 1910.

### AYER.

#### News Items.

Application has been made to Public Service Commission of New York by Fitchburg Railway Company for permission to issue \$400,000 additional preferred stock. The proceeds are to be used to pay the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for improvements made on the Fitchburg road and for the purchase of \$10,000 in bonds of the Conway electric street railway of Conway. The Massachusetts Railroad Commission has approved the application.

Alfred Tatro, who for the past year has been employed by Eugene Rousseau, has purchased a barber shop in Shirley and will take possession next Monday.

At the regular meeting of Division 7, A. O. H., last Tuesday night, the following officers were elected: Chas. A. McCarthy, pres.; William Walsh, vice pres.; Joseph McGuane, fin. sec.; Frank B. Sullivan, rec. sec.; M. J. Carey, treas.; Daniel Burke, sen.; James J. Horan, sergeant-at-arms.

Look this paper all over carefully, and read all of the new and interesting advertisements—P. Donlon & Co., on the sixth page; George B. Turner & Son, on the second page; Berton Williams, on the fourth page; George H. Brown, and Fletcher Bros., on the first page. Never before have these stores been stocked with such excellent goods suitable for Christmas gifts. The jewelers have a fine assortment and the drug stores and Sherwin's store have a heap to select from.

If you cannot get what you want for Christmas, come right to Ayer. There the stores have a large assortment of beautiful and useful Christmas goods, and some of them are stocked with toys without number, that will be the delight of the children and others of the younger folks.

Charles A. Nourse, who is employed in Waltham, has stored his household goods here, and he and his wife are residing there for the present.

George Scott, who attempted suicide in Littleton, Sunday evening, October 30, and who was taken to the hospital at Groton, where he has been ever since, for treatment, was not expected to live through Friday of this week. He had his eye removed where one of the bullets entered and is out of his mind. The ball that lodged in his brain has not been located. The cause of the attempted suicide was that he was in love and could not bear up in his disappointment.

At the annual meeting of Ayer Junction Aerie 1610, F. O. E., on Thursday night, December 8, the following officers were chosen for the year ensuing: William J. Donlon, worthy pres.; Martin Scallane, worthy vice pres.; Joseph Foley, worthy chap.; Charles McCarthy, worthy sec.; Patrick Chesty, worthy treas.; Leo D. Sullivan, worthy phy.

Caleb Butler lodge, F. and A. M., will hold its regular communication in Masonic hall on Monday evening, December 12, at 7.30 o'clock. This meeting is the annual communication and election of officers will take place. An associate member of the board of Masonic relief will also be elected.

The large awning at the railway station on the side where the Boston passenger train stop, came down with a crash last Sunday afternoon, that was heard for a distance and the roof rested on the track near the stone curbing. It was overhauled not long ago. The cause of the tumble was owing to the bottom of the posts being rotten. It was very fortunate that it happened when it did and not when the trains were coming into the station for Boston. Had it fallen then it is likely many would have been seriously if not fatally injured.

Last week Tuesday, Rebecca Pierce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Pierce, fell at the postoffice steps, straining the cords in her knee that was operated upon a year ago last summer, and rheumatism has set in and she is at home from school.

A special meeting of the Eastern Star was held on Wednesday evening, and there were two initiations. A collation was served. There were quite a number present.

Occupants are moving into the upper stories of Mr. Phelps' building on West street, and the rooms are being finished as fast as there are engaged. It may not be long before all will be let. The two front rooms of the second story are occupied by Cora A. Burnham, a dressmaker. There are sixteen doors in the second story and twenty-three in the third story.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a baked bean supper and home social at the home of Mrs. William W. Wentworth on Lawton street, Tuesday evening, December 13. Supper at six o'clock.

The report that Raymond H. Miller, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Miller of Pleasant street, is very sick with infantile paralysis, is incorrect, and without foundation, he being confined to his home with facial paralysis in a very mild form and attended by Dr. Hopkins.

The men of the Unitarian church will serve a supper at 6.30, on Tuesday evening, December 13, in the church vestry. A clam chowder will be served and the menu will also include beans, spaghetti and other appetizing viands. Harry Fisher will furnish an orchestra, which will play during the supper hour.

The Unitarian Social Gathering will meet with Mrs. W. B. Cotton on Tuesday afternoon, December 13, at three o'clock. As this is the annual meeting it is hoped that a large number will be present.

Whenever there is a snowstorm, get out your shovels and shovel the snow from the concrete sidewalks.

After the last snowstorm there was considerable shovel activity. If you fail to comply to this additional by-law of the town that was adopted at the annual town meeting, April 4, and approved by the attorney general, on October 21, this year, you are liable, whether you are tenant, occupant or owner—"you shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars." Fall not, for if you do, Chief Beatty will be after you.

The regular meeting of Easter lodge, N. E. O. P., is to be held at seven o'clock on Tuesday evening, December 13. There is to be nomination of officers and all members are requested to be present. There is to be a large initiation, held with Watatic lodge of Fitchburg, after the lodge meeting. A grand lodge officer will be present.

Ernest R. Palmer, who received injuries some time ago by falling off a freight car in the upper yard by the pulling off of the brake handle, was examined here last Monday at his brother's residence, Freeman F. Palmer, by Dr. Phillip C. Knapp of Boston and Dr. Hopkins. On Tuesday Ernest Palmer went to Lowell and at the superior court, where his case may come up for adjudication, he was examined by Drs. Wright and Baldwin of Boston, experts for the Boston and Maine railroad. His injuries are in the back and the spine, and he is unable to move about, only by the aid of crutches.

Representative John J. Mitchell of the fourth district has been very well used for a new man in congress, for Speaker Cannon has given him a place on the judiciary committee, which is a big honor for a young member. The late Mr. Tirrell, whose seat Congressman Mitchell is filling, held a place on that committee, and it is understood that Congressman Weeks strongly urged Speaker Cannon to name him to the vacancy.

#### An Enterprising Worker.

E. O. Proctor has his eight horse Olds gasoline engine set up and ready to run. The three front rooms in the second story are finished in attractive style, the partition being covered with steel sheathing. The centre room is for his counting room; the room to the right of office is a reception room for ladies, and the other room is for chauffeurs who have their machines in the garage. He has set up two large steam heaters—one for heating the carriage and the other for heating the machine shop. The basement floor to the machine shop is to be of cement and preparation is being made to have it done right away.

The machine shop is well lighted, having thirty windows, and the basement under the machine shop, twenty. There is a large stock room convenient to machine shop and garage, and that is also well lighted.

He will electric light his whole building, and will have an eighty-light dynamo.

He has an excellent contrivance for his coal. The coal team will back into his garage and the door between the garage and machine shop is so constructed that it can be raised and the coal dumped in the coal bin by raising the trap door.

The garage building is 45 feet wide and 130 feet long, the garage part of the building being two stories with basement. It is a question whether there is a town in the state that has such a large garage connected with so large a machine shop.

Since Mr. Proctor located here he has built up a large machine business, and in his new quarters will have much larger force employed than in his old place of business.

#### A Popular Clergyman.

The new Congregational parsonage at Hudson, N. H., was formerly accepted on Thursday evening of last week, and the church people gave their pastor, Rev. Lewis E. Perry, and family, a reception. It was a great success numerically as well as socially, and Mr. Perry and his family received from eight to nine o'clock in the audience room of the church. After the reception a short program, consisting of selections on the organ, readings and remarks by the pastor of the M. E. church were carried out. Looking back over the work accomplished in that parish, Mr. Perry considers the building of the parsonage one of the greatest achievements of his ministry. He looks ahead and can see future success for this church as it now has a first-class and modern home for its ministry. He believes that Hudson is to grow rapidly.

Mr. Perry's ministry is a very pleasant one here. The church and congregation have grown. Seventeen new members have been received into the church since Mr. Perry assumed the pastorate, and the prospects are bright for the future.

#### Club Meeting.

The Ayer Current Events club spent a very enjoyable evening with Mrs. Carley on Monday, December 5. The current events, following the opening exercises, were "Fire protection for our forests," presented by Miss S. T. Tuten; "Rebellious Mexico," by Mrs. Sanderson, and "Mary Baker Eddy," by Mrs. Pierce, with general discussion of each topic by members of the club.

An exceptionally fine paper on Julia Ward Howe was given by Mrs. Graves, supplemented by selected readings by Mrs. Kittredge. Mrs. Graves' paper deserves more than a passing notice and was warmly applauded.

The club is indebted to Miss Rachael Osgood for the music which added so much enjoyment of the evening.

#### Returned.

Rev. Wayland Spaulding has returned from his recent tour in Europe and is again in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding must have seen much of the continent from Scotland to Rome. They were interested to note how many things have been Americanized in Europe within a few years. The shopmen are very quick to see and meet the wants of travelers, and find "money in it."

Mr. Spaulding wishes Italy might pull up her vines and plant wheat, and so get richer. They visited the Brussels exposition, heard Dr. Campbell preach in London, and a great deal more. Mr. Spaulding was a former pastor of the Congregational church in Ayer, and one of the ablest preachers filling that pulpit.

#### Gymnasium.

The Ayer Civic club gymnasium will open for the winter season on Monday, December 12, with William M. Forbes of Fitchburg, as physical director. The gymnasium committee hope to have three large classes—a senior and junior boys' classes and a girls' class.

The senior class with instructor on Monday and Thursday evenings at 7.30, and Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons from three to four, without instructor.

The junior class on Monday and Saturday afternoons at 4.30 with instructor, and Tuesday and Friday afternoons at 4.30 without instructor.

#### A. W. C.

Interesting alike to young and old, will be Dr. Charles A. Eastman's lecture in costume on "The real Indian," Wednesday evening, December 14, at eight o'clock in Page hall. Dr. Eastman, or Chiyee, as he is known among his own people, is a full-blooded Sioux Indian. His boyhood was spent on the plains in the wild life of his tribe, yet from this, he has progressed to a point of culture probably exceeding that of the average man of the white race. He has for some time been employed by the United States government on important commissions to his people. His wit, sincerity and forceful personality have won him widespread fame, both as an author and a lecturer.

#### Monster Engines.

Four of the largest locomotives ever used in New England, and having a weight of 276 tons each, have been built at the locomotive works in Schenectady, N. Y., for the Boston and Maine road, having been ordered for service in the Hoosac tunnel and equipped for burning oil. They are of the type known as Mallet compounds, there being the running gear, valves and cylinders for two complete engines, each having four pairs of coupled driving wheels, under one immensely long and large boiler. The rear engine is the high pressure engine, and it exhausts into the forward engine, which is low pressure, with the usual emergency connection to admit live steam if necessary in starting, etc.

The engines were doubtless ordered before President Mellen took the reins of the Boston and Maine, and decided to electrify the tunnel. They will not be needed when this is done, and whether they will be used in the mean time or not is not known. Similar engines are used on the Pacific coast where oil is the principal locomotive fuel.

#### Will Not Contest.

Announcement was made in Marlboro on Tuesday, that Congressman John J. Mitchell has notified friends in that city by letter that he will not contest the election of William H. Wilder of Gardner to congress for the term beginning March 1. He says in the letter that he intended to make this announcement before leaving Marlboro for Washington, but that in the hurry of getting his business into shape so that he could leave, forgot to make it.

Congressman Mitchell also says that if his party desires him to be their candidate for congress two years from now, he will be at their disposal. The result of the recount of votes in the fourth congressional district gave Mr. Wilder a lead of 134 votes over that of Mitchell and there were a lot of counted ballots protested by friends of both candidates and talk was rife that the election would be protested and carried before the election committee of the next house.

#### Wedding.

Hiram Kelly of this town was married to Miss Florence Mellor, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Mellor in Lawrence, by Rev. Webster H. Powell of Dorchester, a former pastor here of the M. E. church, performing the double ring service on Wednesday evening, December 7. It was a very quiet wedding, there being present only the relatives of the married couple, and a few intimate friends. There were present from here, Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Proble and children, and Mr. and Mrs. William C. Parsons. On their return from their wedding trip they will reside in Dorchester, and will be home after February first.

Mr. Kelly is a very popular young man. Mrs. Kelly is a lady of refinement, who filled for some time the position of stenographer at the office of the Chandler Planer Company.

#### Death.

P. J. Lawlor, who has been in the employ of Huntley S. Turner for the past two years, was taken ill on Wednesday night, November 30, and Dr. Hopkins was called and on examination found he had pneumonia and that he was a very sick man. He died on Monday morning, December 5. He is survived by a son, who resides in Malden, and a daughter, whose home is in Los Angeles, Cal. The body is at the undertaking rooms of W. Wright & Son, awaiting the arrival of the daughter, who is expected here next Monday. He was about fifty-eight years of age, a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and was a man of very quiet demeanor.

#### Sons of Veterans Election.

The regular meeting of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S. of V., was held in G. A. R. hall on Thursday evening, December 8, at 7.30. It being inspection night, Commander Harvey of Camp 82 of Townsend, was present as inspector. A delegation from Townsend camp had been expected, but owing to the bad traveling and cold weather, it was thought best by them to postpone the visit till some more favorable time.

After the regular business meeting of the regular annual election of officers of the camp was held at which time the following officers were elected: Edward E. Sawyer, com.; Walker Ward s. v.; J. C. Davenport, j. v.; A. A. Bronson, George Cobb, Leon Downing, camp council; Lyman K. Clark, A. A. Bronson, delegates to state conventions; Ellis B. Harlow, J. N. Dolloff, alt. The following staff was appointed by Commander Sawyer: H. E. Evans, sec.; H. C. Harlow, treas.; A. L. West, patriotic instructor; E. E. Harlow, chap.; W. N. Scruton guide; J. N. Dolloff, color bearer.

H. S. Nutting, inner guard; G. P. Beverly, outer guard; Walter S. Lougee, musician.

After the election refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed by all. There will be a joint installation of officers by the G. A. R., W. R. C., and S. of V., at a later date.

#### Ayer is Booming.

C. H. Hardy has commenced in the erection of a building on Central avenue for George L. Osgood, that is to be one story with basement, and the rear of the new building will face the railroad tracks of the Lowell yard. It will be when completed, 34 feet by 126 feet. For power he will have a ten or fifteen horse power gasoline engine. The building will be heated and electric lighted. It is to be rushed as he expects he will have to move out where he is now located by the first of January.

For some time Mr. Osgood has had in contemplation of having a building of his own for the manufacture of his leather and other goods for which he has an increasing demand for them. The location is a good one and it may be, that when he has his building up, others may follow in that direction. Mr. Osgood throughout the year gives employment to a number of girls.

#### Church Services.

Unitarian church services at 10.45, sermon by Dr. Fish. Sunday school at twelve m. Y. P. R. U. at seven p. m. Leader, Miss Marjorie W. Armstrong. Speaker, Dr. Fish.

At the First Congregational church the morning sermon will consider the hopeful signs of the present time for the Kingdom of God. At the short evening service, 6.30, the subject will be the message of the Prophet of Tears. Miss Rachael Osgood will lead the young people's service, 5.45, the subject being "How must a Christian be different from others?"

#### Items of Interest.

Elbert Hubbard, who never loses a chance to "put over" on the doctor, tells the following story. A man by the name of Evans died and went to Heaven. When he arrived at the pearly gates he said to St. Peter: "Well, I'm here." St. Peter asked his name. "John Evans," was the reply. St. Peter looked through the book and shook his head. "You don't belong here," he said. "But I'm sure I belong here," said the man. "Wait a minute," said St. Peter. He looked again and in the back part of the book found the name. "Sure," said the guardian of the gate, "you belong here, but you weren't expected for twenty years. Who was your doctor?"

Robert Young, ironmonger of Edinburgh, Scotland, who passed away recently, was known far and wide as a collector of horseshoes. Row upon rows on the walls of his shop, hung shes dating from the time of the Roman occupation (these having been found in Monmouthshire) down to the present day. Among the latter were included shoes worn on the day of the race by such famous Derby winners as Lord Roseberry's Ladas and Sir James Miller's Rock Sand. Every country in the world, from China to Peru, had been laid under tribute.

Three of the stained glass windows in the Hall of the Butcher Guild, London, contain the portraits of Cardinal Wolsey, William Shakespeare and Daniel Defoe in recognition of their connection with the meat trade. The cardinal was the son of a "respectable" butcher at Ipswich in Suffolk and "The immortal bard" assisted while a youngster at Stratford-on-Avon. Defoe, nowadays known as the author of "Robinson Crusoe," but in his day an adventurer and secret agent of his government, was the son of a butcher in Fore street and a member of the guild.

The circulation of the Public Spirit in town is ten times that of any other paper circulating through the post office here, those sold at Sherwin's store and at the publication office.

#### New Advertisements.

#### NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Ayer, Mass., on Monday, January 9, 1911, at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of acting upon the following business:

To choose a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

HOBART E. MEAD, Cashier.  
Ayer, Mass., Dec. 9, 1910.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of HENRY C. COFFEY, deceased, Groton, in said County, deceased: Whereas, JOHN L. ROYNTON, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said court his petition praying the Court to determine the amount of money which he may pay out of the perpetual care of the lot in which the body of said deceased is buried, and to whom the same shall be paid in addition to the amount heretofore determined for such purpose the latter amount having been found insufficient.

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December, 1910, at ten o'clock a. m. one thousand nine hundred and ten.

3113 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

#### NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Townsend National Bank will be held at their Banking Rooms on Monday, January 2, 1911, at ten o'clock a. m., to choose a Board of Directors for the year ensuing, and act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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Townsend, Mass., Dec. 6, 1910. 4113

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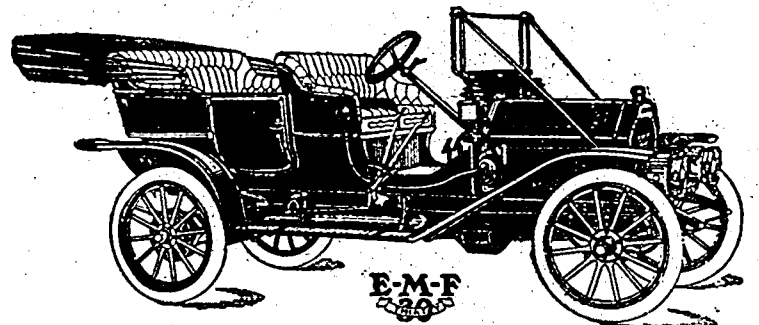
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**TOWNSEND.**  
**West.**  
 Mrs. Frank Kelley of Josselynville is on the sick list, and Augustus Stevens is very ill with an attack of grippe at his home on Stevens' hill.  
 Clarence E. Streeter has closed his house on Elm street and is stopping for the present with his son in Waltham.  
 George Welsh and family have moved from their home at Mrs. Morris Welsh's to Greenville, N. H.  
 Mrs. Susan Aldrich of Ayer is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Seaborn of Josselynville.  
 Mrs. Lois Vose of Ashburnham is spending a few days with her brother, Clarence Stiekney.  
 Ralph H. Willard of Boston spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard.  
 Albert Adams of Providence, R. I., enjoyed a brief visit to his home here on Monday.  
 Miss Mary Park of Pepperell, has been a recent guest of Miss M. Elinor Tower.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fegan have moved from their cottage on Elm street, and are now occupying their new home in the McElligott house on lower Main street.  
 The total number of library books distributed from the reading-room for the month of November was 216.  
 The Ladies' Whist club held a business meeting to make plans for the coming season, at the reading-room, after the closing of the library, on Saturday evening.

**Obituary.**  
 In the passing away of Oren Lawrence, who died at his home on Elm street, Wednesday, November 30, of pneumonia, aged 78 yrs., 8 mos., 4 days, another of the old and well-known residents has been removed from the village. His illness was very brief and sudden and the death was a severe shock to the relatives and friends.  
 Besides a widow, he leaves six children, Herman, William and Benjamin, Mrs. Susie Patch and Mrs. Harriet Stiekney of this village, and Sumner Lawrence of Concord, N. H., and two sisters, Mrs. Clara Livermore of Ashby, and Mrs. H. H. Morse of Somerville, and a brother, Levi Lawrence of Dunstable, who with Mrs. Livermore, is wintering in the south.  
 Oren Lawrence was a native of Ashby, being the son of Horace and Hannah Sheldon Lawrence, two of the oldest residents of that town.  
 When a young man, with his two brothers, S. and G. A. Lawrence, he learned the trade of brick layer in Fitchburg, and was widely employed in all the towns in the vicinity. With the exception of one and a half years, living in Rindge, N. H., fifty years of his life have been spent in this village, and his home was in Josselynville, until about fifteen years ago, when he

purchased the Milton Bruce house on Elm street, which the family have occupied ever since. He married Fannie A. White, the daughter of A. M. White, and for some time was interested in the tub and pail business conducted by the White Bros., at the factory now occupied by the Belgrade rug factory in Josselynville.  
 He was a man of integrity and sterling character, quiet in disposition, and loyal to his family and friends, and kept up his interest in the affairs of the day and village life, and was about among his friends up to a few days before his death.  
 Mr. Lawrence was a kindly man, with always a word of greeting to his friends, and he will be greatly missed among his friends and neighbors, and deeply mourned by his sorrowing family, who have the sympathy of the community in their grief.  
 Last Saturday afternoon the last services were held at his late residence under the charge of Undertaker Wilson, and a large gathering of friends and neighbors were present to pay their last respects. Two selections, "Abide with me," and "Rock of Ages," were rendered by a ladies' quartet, composed of Mrs. E. J. Lees, Mrs. Alexander Keed, Mrs. C. Harker, and Miss Emma H. Adams.  
 A fitting eulogy from the text, "One generation passeth away, and another cometh," was given by the Rev. S. D. Ringrose of the Baptist church, closing with the verses of Mrs. Heman's beautiful poem, "Come to the sunset tree," which was always a favorite and has been recited many times by the deceased.  
 The bearers were Thomas Welch, John Campbell, Joseph Thompson and Frank Parsons, and the burial was in the West Townsend cemetery, and the casket was surrounded and covered with a wealth of most beautiful blossoms.  
 Those attending from out-of-town were Sumner H. Lawrence from Concord, N. H.; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Morse of Somerville; Prof. Horace Morse of the Mt. Hermon school, Northfield; Mrs. G. A. Lawrence, Mrs. S. S. Lawrence, Nelson Lawrence and Mrs. Frank O. Hardy of Fitchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Livermore of Greenville, N. H.; Abram S. White of Rindge, N. H.; Eugene White of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. White of Ayer; Mrs. Susan White, Mrs. Henry Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sheldon, Julius Gates and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Taylor of Ashby, and Mrs. George West of Lewiston, Me.

**Centre.**  
 A little daughter arrived at the home of Judge and Mrs. C. F. Worcester on Monday, December 5.  
 The following officers were elected at the S. of V. meeting on Monday evening: Melvin Davis, com.; Charles B. Shaw, s. v. c.; Leon Watkins, j. v. c.; J. W. French, Wilbur L. Bruce, Harold Parker, c. c.; Carl B. Willard, trans.; T. J. Harvey, sec.; Frank Jeffs, T. J. Harvey, del.; Fred Davis, Ralph Willard, alt.

**SHIRLEY.**  
**Kindly Cared For.**  
 George Eastman, about twenty-five years of age, a resident of Springfield, was the victim of an epileptic fit last Saturday afternoon on Chapel street, opposite the residence of George Devarney. He was taken to the office of Dr. Lilly in C. R. White's grocery team, where he was treated and soon recovered. The doctor then gave him his supper, which he seemed to need and enjoy. He was then escorted to Fitchburg by Constable Forest Hooper, boarding the 5.15 electric car.  
 It appears from the story of Mr. Eastman that he had just returned from Maine where he had been a patient for the past thirteen months at the Maine General Hospital in Portland, for a fracture of the skull. He arrived at Ayer, which was the limit of his ticket, and not having money sufficient to ride farther, he started to walk and had reached Shirley, when he was stricken with an epileptic fit, which Eastman claims was the result of his fracture of the skull, he never having had fits before the accident to his head.  
 Officer Hooper left the man in Fitchburg as he claimed to have a residence there. He had another fit in Fitchburg on Saturday evening and was attended by the city physician and given shelter in the police station over night, and on Sunday was sent by train to Springfield.

**News Items.**  
 A surprise party was tendered Miss Bertha Weeks at her home last week Friday evening, by about fifty of her friends, including some from Ayer and Littleton. Miss Weeks was presented with a pretty gold bracelet, the gift from all present. The evening was pleasantly spent with music and games, refreshments also being served.  
 At the meeting of the high school assembly held last week Friday afternoon, the following pleasing program was given: Piano solo, Lena Allen; school paper editors, Eleanor Miner and Stanley Wells; discussion to current events by school; song, "Clang of the Forge," by school. The school paper was read by Stanley Wells and was very much enjoyed.  
 The Altruists will hold their next meeting on Thursday afternoon, December 15, at 2.30, in the Congregational vestry. Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead will address the members and friends on the subject, "National dangers and national defence."  
 Tuesday of this week, the feast of the Immaculate Conception was observed at St. Anthony's church, Masses were celebrated at 5.30 and 7.30 a. m., with a vesper service at 7.30 in the evening. During the vesper service a reception was tendered to the Children of Mary.  
 Mrs. Augustus B. Cram has been confined to the house on account of lameness received from a fall on the platform of the Boston and Maine station.

C. H. Hardy of Ayer, has the contract to build an ell to the new house owned by Mrs. Ellen C. Lynch of the Centre. It will be 14x26, one and one half stories high of wood, with asbestos roof.  
 J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, December 12, when officers for the year of 1911 will be nominated.  
 L. L. Baker is making alterations and repairs on the building of Augustus Cram.  
 The sale and entertainment at the Baptist church on Monday evening was a very pleasant and successful affair. Turner's orchestra of Ayer furnished music, and a contribution of a literary and musical character were given by Leominster talent. It was well patronized, and about fifty dollars was netted.  
 Richard Lilly is confined at home with chicken pox.  
 There was no dance in Odd Fellows' hall last Saturday night, owing to the fact that Collins' orchestra of Marlboro, which was engaged to furnish music, telephoned at 6.15 that it would be unable to come to Shirley.  
 Charles Brusco has accepted the position as gate tender at Depot square crossing, made vacant by the resignation of Frank Parmenter.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Rugg attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Hattie Holman, in Lancaster on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Holman, who died in Cambridge, was eighty-eight years of age, and for many years resided in "Four Corners" Lancaster.  
 The ladies of the Universalist church will hold a social supper and entertainment in the church on Wednesday evening, December 14. The evening promises to be a most delightful one. Supper will be served at seven o'clock, followed by the entertainment, which will be under the direction of Mrs. George O. Evans and will consist of readings by Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker and Miss Nellie F. Cronin. There will also be music by a male quartet, Mrs. Bruce and others. This without doubt will be the star event of the week in Shirley, and the fact of Mr. Knickerbocker consenting to read will be a strong drawing card.  
 Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held a very interesting meeting with Mrs. Nellie W. Holbrook on Monday evening. The entertainment in charge of Mrs. Anna Cram and Mrs. Edward Edgerton opened with singing, "Massachusetts," followed by readings by Mrs. Edgerton, "When Aunt Jane was young" illustrated by tableaux, Miss Kathlene Miner, Miss Josephine Love, Miss Blanche Wells and Stanley Wells posing. Next came a reading, "The spinning wheel," illustrated in pantomime by Miss Blanche Wells and Stanley Wells. After a short business session a musical guessing contest was greatly enjoyed, followed by singing old-time songs, Miss Annie Holbrook, accompanist.

**Bowling.**  
 Last Saturday evening the Crescents and Stars played a match game at the local alleys. The Crescents won out, taking everything in sight, three straight games and the highest pinfall. M. Day was the best roller with a total of 274. The summary:

CRESCENTS.			
Pomfret	80	92	75-256
V. Wolf	79	78	69-226
J. Leopold	81	94	82-257
T. Burrill	77	84	97-258
M. Day	89	92	93-274
	413	410	419-1272
STARS.			
B. Bodah	86	79	79-244
H. Cormier	78	66	85-229
E. Tremblay	74	80	66-220
J. Gately	77	80	78-235
J. McGinnis	77	78	94-249
	392	383	412-1187

The Magics and Clovers played a match game at the local bowling alley on Monday evening. The Clovers won by capturing the last two games and registering the highest total pinfall. Sibley was high man of the evening with a score of 292, recording 116 on his last string. Morin, Cook and Burrill all made good scores. The summary:

MAGICS.			
Morin	102	92	82-276
Bastun	73	67	82-222
Carter	82	82	74-238
Gilmartin	77	71	96-264
Cook	79	101	93-273
	445	417	427-1289
CLOVERS.			
Gately	80	80	80-240
Burrill	87	79	116-272
Burrill	84	84	102-270
McGinnis	81	80	83-264
Day	83	92	91-266
	427	425	478-1256

The population of Liverpool has increased from 517,951 to 760,357 in the past fifteen years, that during that time 48,549 new houses have been built.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CAROLINE T. FAIRSWORTH late of Ayer, in said County, deceased. Whereas, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament and one codicil of said deceased have been presented to said Court for Probate, by ALFRED P. K. KNIGHT, SAMUEL F. FAIRSWORTH and JOHN BYRON PEABSON, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their 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-eighth day of December, 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 petitioners are 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-first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 813 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To E. ALONZO BLOOD of Townsend in said County, Commissioner appointed by said Court, March 10, A. D. 1910, to make partition of certain real estate among the tenants in common thereof, and to ALBERT M. RICHARDS of Clinton in our County of Worcester. Whereas, A. Z. GOODFELLOW of Fitchburg in said County of Worcester has presented to said Court his petition, praying said Court to authorize and direct said E. Alonzo Blood, Commissioner as aforesaid, to pay ten said shares, for reasons set forth in said petition, the sum of three hundred eleven and 25-100 dollars, said sum being represented to be the amount of the share of said Albert M. Richards of the proceeds of the sale of said real estate. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1910, to show cause, if any you have, against the same. And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each of you who may be found in said Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or if any of you shall not be so found, either by delivering a copy thereof to you wherever found or by leaving a copy thereof at your usual place of abode, or by mailing a copy thereof to you at your last known post-office address, fourteen days, at least, before said Court; and also, unless it shall be made to appear to the Court by affidavit that you all have had actual notice of the proceedings, by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be seven days, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 813 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of SARAH A. POWELL late of Townsend in said County, deceased. Whereas, E. ALONZO BLOOD the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the fourteenth day of December A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each of you seven days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3111 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court for Probate, by JOHN D. CARNEY 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 fourteenth day of December 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-second day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3111 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY CONWAY late of Pepperell 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 WILLIAM H. ANNIS who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving 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 thirteenth day of December 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 Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, 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 twenty-first day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3111 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of ZARA PATCH late of Groton in said County of Middlesex, deceased.

Whereas, JAMES T. BENNETT as administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court, his petition representing that a claim has been presented against said estate by Sarah J. Whiting of said Groton, and that he is in doubt as to the validity of said claim, and praying that he may be authorized to pay said debt or so much thereof as said Court may authorize.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-first day of December A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each of you seven days at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten. 3112 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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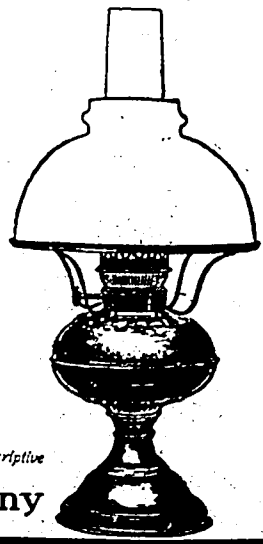
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A certain parcel of land situated in the Southern part of said Groton on the westerly side of the main road leading from said Groton to Ayer, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the premises at the Northeast corner of land formerly of Lewis, now owned by Sargent; thence Westerly by said Sargent land One Hundred Sixty (160) feet more or less to land of George Whitney; thence Northerly by said Whitney's land Two Hundred and Sixty-Six (266) feet more or less to land this day conveyed by Julia E. Hannis to Ellen Powell; thence Easterly to said Powell's land One Hundred Sixty-Six (166) feet more or less to said road; thence Southerly by said road about Two Hundred Sixty-Six (266) feet to the point of beginning.

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DELIA McRAY,

Assignee of said Mortgage.  
Ayer, Mass., Dec. 1st, 1910. 3112

## MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

IN AYER, MASS.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Clara C. Wentworth to John L. Farnsworth, dated April 24th, 1900, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Middlesex So. Dist., libro 2830, folio 321, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, on Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of December, 1910, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

A certain parcel of land situated in Ayer in said County of Middlesex on the Westerly side of the road leading from said Ayer to North Shirley containing about ten acres, more or less and bounded: Southerly by the Peterborough and Shirley Railroad, so called, Northerly by the County road leading from said Ayer to North Shirley, and southerly by the Davis Road, so called, excepting saving and reserving thirty six hundred square feet more or less formerly conveyed by said John L. Farnsworth and Sarah Farnsworth to one James.

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**Centre.**  
The first social evening of the Sunday school of First Parish, Pepperell, will be held in Central hall on Friday evening, December 16, at 7:30 o'clock. A short play will be presented by members of Class one, and will be followed by music and games. An admission will be charged.

The Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will hold its next meeting on Friday afternoon, December 16, at 2:45 o'clock, at the home of the vice-regent, Mrs. E. R. Richardson. A meeting of the executive board will be held at 2:30, before the chapter meeting.

Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury of Boston, field secretary of the A. M. A., will speak at the Congregational church on Sunday, December 11, both morning and evening. The evening lecture at seven o'clock will be illustrated with the stereopticon. Mrs. Woodbury portrays in an intensely interesting manner the character and conditions of the Mountain Whites and of the Negroes of the South.

Mrs. Walter E. Jewett passed her eighty-sixth birthday quietly at home on Sunday, December 4, in comfortable health and strength. Neighbors, friends and relatives, both near and distant, remembered it in ways that made her happy.

A large number of people met at the Unitarian church on Monday evening to gain a wider familiarity with church hymns. Under the lead of Miss Maynard and Mrs. Bennett, another meeting for this purpose will be held on Monday evening, December 12, at 7:30.

Members of the Babidge Guild and others interested, will meet at Mr. Child's house on Saturday evening to practise some of the old English Christmas songs.

Chicken pie supper for the week will be served on Thursday evening, December 15, in the Congregational vestry. Committee in charge: Mrs. R. Blood, Mrs. L. R. Qua, Mrs. L. A. S. Phelps, Mrs. E. Chapman, Mrs. E. L. Tarbell. Food and patronage solicited from all who are interested in maintaining a town clock.

Anyone who was at the East Pepperell reading-room must have been pleased to have seen the number of youths taking advantage of the cosy room and the pile of magazines on the table. The room is all newly-papered and painted, and is being well patronized. But it needs more chairs, seven or eight having to stand up, and more lights. Will not some one volunteer some plain hardwood chairs? Anyone having extra books that can be spared will find a good place for their use at the reading-room, care of Mrs. P. L. Flynn.

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**Officers Elected.**  
Middlesex-Worcester-Pemona grange held its annual election at Prescott grange hall on Wednesday, December 7. The following officers were elected: Mrs. L. E. Starr, Pepperell, m.; Millard S. Sawyer, Groton, v.; Mrs. Ann S. Greenleaf, Townsend, l.; Walter Winslow, Ayer, s.; Henry Robbins, Littleton, c.; Mrs. Mary A. Sprague, Townsend, chap.; Harry A. Hill, Littleton, treas.; Mrs. F. E. Knight, Townsend, sec.; Mrs. Q. E. Rimes, Littleton, g. l.; Mrs. Alice Cummings, Shirley, P. M.; Mrs. M. G. Millie, Richards, Pepperell, Ceres; Mrs. Isabelle Woods, Groton, Flora; Mrs. Edith L. Kearsland, Groton, l. a. s.

A bountiful dinner was prepared by Prescott grange for over one hundred persons. The election continued till almost two o'clock. All were pleased to hear a violin solo by Thomas Sullivan. A great deal of information was gathered from George S. Pierce, who had set 2,000 apple trees in stump land. He advocated the Winter Greening as the best tree to grow in all kinds of land. F. M. Boutelle took up the topic, "Which should a man choose, friendship and honor, or position?" Mrs. Charles Blood spoke on "Pleasant cooking." Rev. Henry A. Cornell of Groton, gave the address of the afternoon on the "South at the time of the civil war and now." Mrs. Edmund Blood of Pepperell charmed the listeners with her sweet songs and Mrs. George H. Brackett declaimed all with four vocal selections. It is supposed that the next meeting and installation will take place in Fitchburg, early in January. L. E. S.

**Birthday Observed.**  
On the afternoon of December 7, Mrs. Mary L. Shattuck received congratulations at her home on Park street. The occasion was her eighty-ninth birthday and a large number from among her wide circle of friends remembered the day with telephone messages, a postal shower, which fell at intervals during the day, and calls that filled the afternoon. The Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., expressed their regard for her senior

charter member in beautiful flowers. All the many friends she greets with good cheer as she passes another milestone on life's highway.

**News Items.**  
As per instructions from first assistant postmaster general, box rents will be advanced on January first, as follows: Call boxes from 20c. to 25c.; small lock boxes from 35c. to 45c.; large lock boxes from 45c. to 60c. per quarter.

Last week's item regarding the harvest concert should have included mention of a very generous gift by William Dale and H. L. Whipple to the Oak Hill Sunday school of new song books for the entire school and the recipients certainly expressed pleasure when the musical program was on.

James Starr has been engaged to drive an artesian well at the Dale place, recently purchased by Mr. Nelson of Malden.  
The matter of repairs to the roof of the pumping station has caused a round of gossip. On interviewing F. A. Conant, who superintended the building for the commissioners, he stated that it was certainly a first-class built building; also, that he recommended at the time that large girders be included, which would be of use at times of repairs to engines or other work which might need a strong anchor to lift by. These and top plates suggested would have most likely prevented any spreading. He does not comprehend how such a condition can possibly exist. There is no doubt the new board will be able to handle the proposition, as one of the members, C. H. Miller, is a builder and engineer of wide experience and success.

The Groton street school is to have a new piano and it is understood a play will be given by local talent in the near future to help pay for it. Mrs. Starr is to assist in the drill and instruction which will insure good results.

P. J. Kemp expects to be completely moved into his new house on Main street by next week.

Everyone who has occasion to travel through the Center, notices the usefulness of the church clock. There is to be a supper Thursday evening, December 15, in the vestry for the maintenance of this faithful help at all times and should be well patronized.

Fred A. Millan has left the employ of W. H. Mansfield and has accepted a position in the office of the Nashua river paper company. He will have charge of the laboratory and the chemist's work in addition to his other duties.

The sale and supper held on Thursday in Central hall by the ladies of the Unitarian church was a great success. The supper was well patronized and of usual choice and delightfully served.

Geo. H. Bullock, the jeweler, is preparing special attractions for the Yuletide. He has an unusual assortment of good values and has increased the attractiveness of his store by the addition of three new display show cases.

The Burkinshaw knit factory is running on full time completing the orders for Christmas trade.

The Pepperell high school, class of 1911, is rehearsing, making ready for the annual play.

The first coasting accident reported this season occurred on Wednesday on Oak Hill. While Clarence Keith was coasting the double runner struck a sandy spot and the sudden halt threw him on his head. He went to a barn nearby where he was found by S. W. Chinn and unable to give any account of what had happened. Dr. Lovejoy was called and it is expected he will be all right in a few days.

Raymond Maxwell went to Sackville, N. B., last week on account of the sudden death of his mother, Mrs. J. W. Maxwell.

Deer are very neighborly about Hovey's corner where they have endeavored to enter the barn at one place and also the hen-house.

Enclined letters in East Pepperell postoffice, Mrs. G. D. Ingraham, Joseph Lepp, Mrs. Francis Lyndon, Fred Livingston, Mrs. Annie M. Phelps, Mrs. Mary M. Mudgett, Mrs. W. C. Gray, Francis Smith, Michael M. V.

**The Census.**  
The rumors regarding the last census which gives Pepperell 2,932 population are interesting because of their inaccuracy. It has been stated that Keyes had not been included in the enumeration. This is an error, as Thomas Connelly, who was in charge of that district, says he canvassed that hill and he challenges anyone to show that he missed anyone or in anyway failed to carry out the instructions of his superiors. He was obliged to finish the work originally assigned to L. D. Rowan, who left town with his work only started. He also puts emphasis on the difficulty of taking this up with inaccurate directions as to how much territory had to be covered by Mr. Rowan. Certainly if our population has decreased, as stated, it is time to economize on town expenses and also to make more widely known the advantages of our town.

**Gleanings.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Richardson of High street spent his eighty-sixth birthday, November 30, with his daughter, Mrs. Cook of Nashua.

The last of the household goods of Frank Wright who recently sold his farm on Townsend str. et, were moved this week into his new home on Cross street.

Mrs. Georgiana Bates and family moved last week Friday to Natick. Her two daughters, Miss Florence and Miss Lillian are employed in Wellesley.

Mrs. Charles Card and Mrs. Alida Bikins are sick with the prevailing distemper.

E. E. Handley is much improved in health and able to walk out a little each day.

Miss Margarite Donnelly has entered a business college in Fitchburg, commencing on Monday last.

Russell Shattuck, a son of Alta Shattuck, who was a student last year at a business college in Fitchburg, has re-entered the college.

ers' corner last week Friday evening. Games and dancing were enjoyed and refreshments served.

**Tick-tock, Tick-tock.**  
Don't forget that I receive my friends on the evening of December 15, in the vestry to the Congregational church. Come everybody who gives me any attention during the year, and who is there who does not look into my face to find me true to time? You may always rely upon me for Edward L. Tarbell gives me personal attention so that I am always on duty. My working day is twenty-four hours, through 365 days of the year. Some of the ladies have planned a chicken pie supper for my guests, which will be served soon after I strike six.

**LITTLETON.**

**News Items.**  
Miss Ellen A. Kimball of Worcester, lectured on December 2, before the West Concord Woman's club on "Advantages and dangers of club life."

Sixty barrels of apples belonging to W. H. Decatur were frozen during the cold spell this week.

The Odd Fellows gave an entertainment in town hall on Thursday evening, December 15.

The webbing factory will begin next Monday to run on eight hour schedule. Work will begin at seven a. m. and close at twelve a. m., and in the afternoon the work will continue from one to four o'clock.

Mrs. George Conant of Mississippi, well-known in this community, is visiting relatives in town.

From the announcements by the State Board of its apple prizes, we learn that the Drew-Munson Fruit Company of Littleton was awarded first prize for the best yield of marketable fruit from an acre of apple orchard, trees in one solid block, for 227 barrels of Baldwin apples, selling for \$175.70, with a net profit of \$519.55, award fifty dollars. For best results from spraying, the same company received the second prize of twenty dollars.

Tuesday evening, December 13, Mrs. Minna Elliot Tenney Peck will deliver in the town hall, her illustrated lecture on "Home Life in Oberammergau" and the passion play of 1910. Mrs. Peck is well-known in this, her native town, and has maintained the best reputation as a lecturer here and elsewhere.

The Woman's club will hold an open meeting at the Orthodox vestry on Monday afternoon, December 12, beginning at two o'clock. Mrs. Alice M. Whitcomb has charge of the program. Mrs. Jeannette M. Tyler of Abington, will speak on "Food sanitation and national vigor."

In the item relating to the last meeting of the Woman's club, unintentionally, the name of Miss Edith Marion Sweet was omitted from the program. She gave to Mrs. Priest, the soloist of the occasion, most able support by her artistic and skillfully executed piano accompaniments.

"How must a christian be different from others?" is the subject of the C. E. meeting tomorrow evening. Leader at the Baptist society, Miss Elsie Decatur. "Character as power," Mrs. J. M. Hartwell is the leader.

Mrs. Harry J. Smith has been visiting relatives in Shirley this week, while Mr. Smith has been away on a long trip.

Fuller Bros. are erecting tank and windmill preparatory to putting in running water at their farm buildings in North Littleton.

Improvements continue at Littleton station. Coats of varnish or paint have been applied wherever needed on inside or out, which means that every square inch has been covered. Repairs have also been made on the railroad company's houses on Taylor street.

The three Hall boys, living one each at George Cash's, Austin Kimball's, and Alexander Gregory's, received word recently of their mother's death. She was Mrs. Henry Hall. Mr. Hall met his death several years ago on the railroad track.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Cash entertained a party at which in their home at Newtown last Saturday evening.

**An Enthusiastic Meeting.**  
The men's league of the Congregational church held a pleasant and enthusiastic meeting at the vestry on Thursday evening. An excellent oyster supper was served by Frank Gregory and Edgar Barreau. This was followed by toasts and the following speakers were introduced by Charles A. Kimball in his usual able manner. "What the men's league stand for," Rev. H. L. Packard; "Is there a place for a men's league in our church?" W. E. Conant; "What shall be the character of the meetings of the league this winter?" Frank Gregory; "The brotherhood of St. Andrew," George A. Cook; "The brotherhood movement in the Christian church," Nelson B. Conant; "What the men's league can accomplish for our church," J. W. Dods; "The outside look for a brighter day," V. T. Eaton.

The above list speaks for itself, a company of men belonging to the most progressive in our town, men of ideas and action, who have many valuable suggestions and presented them most acceptably.

The league looks forward to a prosperous season of 1910-11, and has the good wishes of all friends to upward and outward movements.

**About Town.**  
The sale and entertainment given by the ladies of the Baptist church, November 30, was well attended. The entertainment was enjoyed by all. The sale netted the sum of one hundred dollars, which was a fair amount, as this is the fourth sale held in town this year.

C. S. Robbins is adding two large dormer windows to his home, one for the new bathroom, the other for the guests' room.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patch enjoyed a visit last Sunday at Concord Junction, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wright. Mr. Wright is an officer at the reformatory.

During the past week, Capt. W. H. Sawyer has been in Boston in attendance at the Loyd Legion convention. Mrs. Ethel (Taylor) Smith, with her

daughter of Hillsboro, N. H., is visiting her father, N. A. Taylor.

Last Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. John Houghton of Gardner, visited his father, Charles Houghton.

Harry Brown of Pingreyville was stricken with paralysis of the left side last Sunday.

**Delightful Gathering.**  
Through the kind invitation of Mrs. S. E. Abbott, last week Friday, the Woman's Alliance enjoyed a most delightful gathering at her beautiful home, twenty-nine participating in the pleasure of sociability, till the president, Mrs. M. J. Priest, called to order and the regular business of the meeting gone through with. Following this, and during the noon hour, most appetizing delicious viands were daintily served by the hostess in a pleasing way, being assisted by efficient aids, and to which ample justice was done.

In the afternoon, Miss Wentworth of Exeter, N. H., daughter of the late Prof. Wentworth, gave an interesting talk on "St. Francis of Assisi and the Franciscans in Italy," where she, with Miss Hatch, spent last year. Mrs. Abbott's home is full of lovely plants, paintings and curios to entertain one. The arts and crafts room, with the loom work was quite a curiosity to many of them. Mrs. O. J. Fairfield read with excellent expression an interesting Christmas story.

**HARVARD.**

**News Items.**  
The regular election of officers was held at the grange on Tuesday evening of this week and with the following results: Henry Knights, m.; Henry Waters, o.; Miss Annie Reed, l.; Mrs. Etta Ripley, chap.; Harold Tooker, g. k.; Benjamin Keyes, stew.; Miss Mildred Tooker, l. a. s.; Reuben Reed, a. s.; Miss Ethel Knight, sec.; John Harlow, treas.; Mrs. Jessie Davenport, Flora; Miss Elsie Knight, Pomona; Miss Catherine Madigan, Ceres.

The work of installing the new furnace in the south end of the town hall is completed. There is still some cement work to be done about the entrance to the basement before the job will be complete.

Miss Annie Haskell is taking a short vacation from her duties at Miss Emily Hildreth's. She is visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Sinal, in Kenmore, N. Y.

Mrs. Kate Parsons has concluded her services as companion to Miss Emily Hildreth, a position she has so acceptably filled for several years, and contemplates spending the winter in California with her daughter Eunice. A Miss Carlisle is filling the position left by Mrs. Parsons for the present.

The Harvard chemical company held a special meeting on Wednesday evening. Officers of the company now are A. T. Ripley, foreman; Fred T. Whitney, first asst. foreman; A. F. Haskell, sec. asst. foreman; Erving E. Morse, clerk; A. T. West, steward; W. J. Kerley, treas., and a standing committee of three. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday evening January 4, 1911.

The next lecture on the Warner Free course is to be given on Tuesday evening, December 13, by Ex-Gov. J. Frank Hanley. Subject, "The patriotism of peace."

The 500 club are to give a dance in town hall on Monday night, December 26. Music by McNally's orchestra.

Mrs. R. M. Lindley is in William this week. She has not been well for some time and this trip is to meet the physicians at the Waltham hospital and decide in regard to an operation. Her friends hope that nothing of a serious nature may develop.

Roswell C. Davis left on Thursday morning for Plainfield, Vt., to visit his daughter, Mary Davis, who is able to travel, Miss Davis will return home with her father.

The contract for painting and decorating the new buildings of Harry Crooker on the Oak Hill farm, formerly owned by A. W. Cobleigh, has been given to Lee & Fairbanks of this town.

Mrs. Ralph Bailey of Hudson, formerly Miss Julia Sawyer of this town, is visiting for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shores.

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**A Surprise.**  
Miss Maude L. King surprised her friends very generally this week, by simultaneously resigning as teacher of the sixth and seventh grades and announcing her marriage to Elbridge G. Morse of Hudson. Intimate friends of the family were aware that the announcement was to be made, but to the majority it was a complete surprise.

Mr. Morse is well-known here. He is now employed in the Pullman Car service as a conductor. At present his headquarters are Chicago, and it is probable that the young couple may go there for the winter.

Mrs. Morse concludes her service with the public schools on Friday, December 23. Both of the young couple are popular in town and they have the best wishes of their friends, who wish them many happy days to come.

**Still Ill.**  
Misses Edna Robinson and Eleanor Haskell started for Rutherford, N. J., on Wednesday, to visit their friend Adelaide Fairchild, who with her parents spend their summers at their Still River home. They expect to be gone a week.

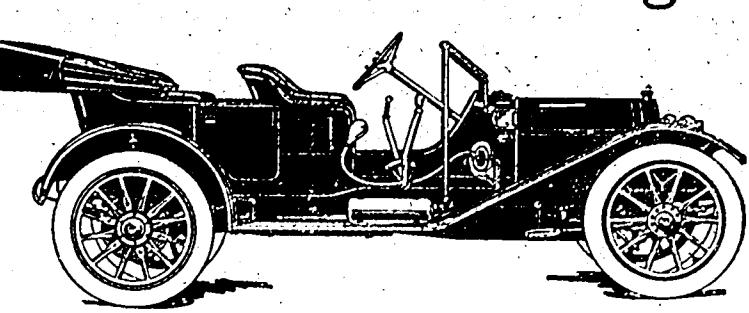
W. W. Viles had a horse drop dead on Wednesday. It was a horse he had owned but a short time. He does not know what was the matter with it.

Mrs. Adella Turner returned home from a visit with her brother in Holyoke on Tuesday.

Herbert Atherton is having his lower field, near the railroad station, improved by having the old orchard cut down and cleared away. The trees were old and did not bear much fruit, and were neither useful or ornamental.

Your correspondent wishes to correct a wrong impression of his notes in regard to the late fire, and failure

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of the Harvard chemical engine to arrive promptly. He did not wish to unjustly criticize the firemen, for they one and all did good work at the fire, as did everybody present, as the keeping of the fire to the first buildings is abundant proof, but he did criticize the failure of the engine's arrival, as at that time nearly everyone was feeling sore, as it was the second time that it had happened. But now we learn that it was not the fault of any of the firemen, but from some mis-understanding on the part of the one at the driver's house, who took the telephone message. We understand that the driver lives a considerable distance from the engine house, probably because of not being able to get a horse nearby to handle the engine, but it would seem that if it were possible to have a horse nearby in readiness for possible fire calls, it would be much better.

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### Items of Interest.

Great Britain granted 30,603 patents last year, the highest number for any year but one on record. Of the 1,500 applications from abroad 731 were from the United States and forty-two from Canada.

Roman catholics and socialists came into collision at Modena, Italy, last Sunday. A serious fight ensued and police detachments had difficulty in restoring order. Several persons were badly injured. Roman catholic delegates who were holding their national congress here, after adopting the resolution protesting against Mayor Nathan of Rome for his recent letter to the mayor of Montreal, formed a procession in which several thousand joined. The paraders were attacked by bands of socialists, crying, "Viva Forrier!" "Viva Nathan!" The Roman Catholics responded with cries of "Viva Italy!" "Viva Bruchoni!" (The archbishop of Montreal.)

There are forty bankers in the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kas., twelve of whom are looking forward to the November meeting of the board of parole in the hope that they will then be released on parole under an act of Congress approved last June. Parole may be granted at the discretion of the board to a prisoner who has served one-third of his sentence, provided he has observed the prison rules and is considered worthy of the privilege. Some of the bankers are not yet eligible to receive the benefits of the law.

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