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HARVARD.

News Items.

Mrs. Fiske Warren, her daughter, Miss Rachel Warren, who was one of the leading winter debutantes of the winter, and Master Hamilton Warren were among those who sailed on the Ivernia which left its Boston dock on Tuesday of last week.

G. H. Bullock, optician, of East Pepperell, will open an office in the bank building, Ayer, Tuesday, May 2. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m., every Tuesday.

On Wednesday, May 3, at one o'clock p. m., sharp, George M. Crawford, auctioneer, will sell by public auction, the personal property at the home of the late A. B. Davis, Harvard, consisting of household goods, farming tools, wagons, etc.

Still River.

The American Bridge Co. of New York city, who have the contract to put in the new railroad bridge here, have a crew of twenty men on the job now and are getting in readiness for the steel structure which is expected to arrive on May 1. It is to

be a double track truss bridge, and it will be put in place without interfering with traffic at all on the present track. As the new bridge is to be nearly three feet higher than the present grade, workmen and gravel trains have been at work for some time raising the track each side of the bridge, and it is expected that Sunday a large force of men will come and raise the track on the old bridge to the desired height, and fill in the approaches.

Mrs. Jennie Willard attended the funeral of an aunt in Southboro on Tuesday. This aunt was the last of a large family on Mrs. Willard's father's side.

Mrs. E. E. Harris and daughter Ruth of Buxton Center, Me., left Still River after a week's visit on Tuesday.

Mrs. S. B. Haynes was called to Old Mill on Monday on account of the sickness of an aunt, Miss Sarah Sprague, and has been there most of the week.

Isaac H. Marshall went to Windham, N. H., Thursday for a visit.

Spring and Summer Clothing

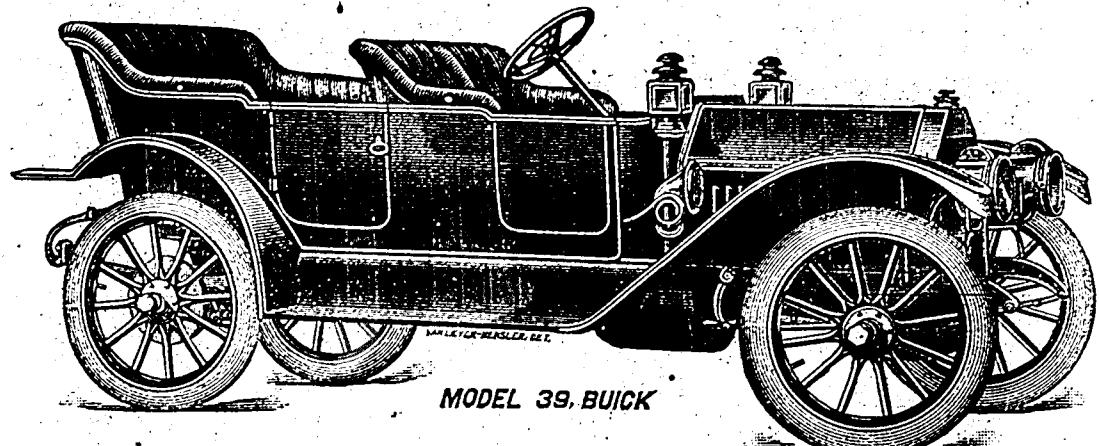
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LITTLETON.

News Items.

The primary department of the Baptist Sunday school will give a May party in the vestry on Monday afternoon and evening, May 1. Afternoon sale will begin at three o'clock.

John Ewing is improving his house by the addition of a piazza across the front and one end.

Mrs. Clara Carson of Somerville, a former nurse in town, visited friends here last week Friday.

Eightieth Birthday.

Mrs. Thomas Moore was very pleasantly surprised at her home on Wednesday afternoon by the presence of her children and grandchildren and other relatives, some thirty or more in all, who came to celebrate her eightieth birthday. Elaborate preparations were made while Mrs. Moore was making a visit to her son, Marshall Brown, the first of the week. A fine banquet was one of the pleasant features of the occasion. The dining room was handsomely decorated, red being the prevailing color, and beautiful red roses having a prominent place in the decorations.

Mrs. Moore was the recipient of numerous gifts and other delightful tokens of love and friendship. The occasion will stand out in Mrs. Moore's memory as one of the happiest, and we hope that length of years and strength of body and mind will make possible the celebrations of many more happy birthdays.



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WESTFORD.

About Town.

The next meeting of the Fortnightly club will be held at the Wright school house on Friday evening, May 5. By invitation of the club, Delacey Corkum of Billerica and S. L. Taylor of Westford will debate the following question: Resolved, "That reciprocity with Canada will be a benefit to the New England farmer." Mr. Corkum, in accepting the invitation, writes: "I will give you a debate in favor of reciprocity that you have not heard for a quarter of a century." Something doing on that side of the question surely. The little fellow on the other side admits already that he begins to feel a good deal as Goliath felt after he got a rap on the head from David. Come everybody. Mr. Corkum's terms are "Just give me a crowd."

Word has reached town of the death of Frank D. O'Brien in Oregon. About a year ago his father, John M. O'Brien, died and the farm located on the Tadmuck road was sold to Berley A. Wright and the son-in-law, John Goode, removed to Oregon. Frank was a quiet young man, liked by everyone and a veteran of the Spanish-American war. Bright's disease was assigned as the cause of his death. He was about thirty-five years old. Burial was in Oregon.

Saturday, Henry O. Keyes, while driving down Stony Brook road with many wheeled vehicles following each other by a common bond of rope fastenings in the order hereinafter named—a load of hay, a democrat wagon, a horse hayrake and a cow—he suddenly collided with the temporary supports at the railroad bridge, which spilled his hay, upset the democrat, broke the shafts of the hayrake and choked the cow so she was anxious to know when the breathing was going to begin again. A wide horse rake, a narrow bridge and a sharp curve are three incompatible come together.

The Brookside mill owners are busy installing a new engine and making other repairs which makes it necessary for the mill pond to recede to the channel of the brook.

William R. Taylor has received from the State a number of trout and is preparing to stock several of the trout streams of the town.

Mrs. Berley Wright is quite seriously ill with appendicitis at her home on the Tadmuck road. Dr. Wells is in attendance.

Rev. Seth Walker, who adds so much to the life of the old Walker homestead when in town, is at present attending a ministers' institute in Philadelphia. There are three hundred Advent ministers in attendance and the institute will continue for three weeks.

Seth Banister, who has been ill with the grippe and other undesirable sensations connected with it, has with the aid of Dr. Wells been able to unclasp the grippe clinch.

The next meeting of Middlesex North Pomona grange will be held at Carlisle on Friday, May 5. This is under the new departure plan of meeting with the local granges, expecting an increased attendance.

Amos Polley has just finished planting his fortieth bushel of potatoes. Much inquiring is being asked for Daniel H. Sheehan, who was listed to plant fifty acres of potatoes, but up to date he has to get a catch on the plow.

Bridge Hearings.

The hearing on the proposed alterations on the railroad bridge that spans the Stony Brook highway was held at the Brookside station on Monday before the county commissioners. The petition for a hearing was by the Boston and Maine railroad and was read by Mr. Gould, chairman of the county commissioners, who called upon the petitioners to state their case. The attorney for the road stated that the bridge was to be rebuilt, that the new bridge would be modern in material and construction, that they desired to widen the abutments for the bridge on the north side, enough to double track the road, that they are now running engines that weigh over one hundred tons, hence the temporary propping in the highway of the present bridge and necessitates a new and more modern one.

The confirmation of the need of a new bridge, while the commissioners were viewing the premises, a heavy freight train passing over the bridge sagged it quite perceptibly, the heavy trains having settled the temporary supports so they did not support the bridge.

The town was represented by the selectmen to look after its rights. They made a formal remonstrance against the proposed changes involving the highway—in fact none ought to be made, as it is an unavoidable business proposition. All interested were agreed that the space from the traveled road to the overhead bridge was insufficient, and the problem that perplexes is how to heighten it. The railroad is in the air already, and the highway is in the mud, and there you are with both horns of the dilemma. By law the final adjustment and award of the cost of the proposed changes will go before a special commission to be appointed by the supreme court.

Center.

Rev. David Wallace, Mrs. Alice Lambert, Misses Lillian and May Atwood and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler attended the spring meeting of the association of Congregational churches held with the church in Harvard on Wednesday. Mr. Wallace was one

of the speakers of the day, giving an address on "The art of hearing." Last Sunday morning at his own church, Mr. Wallace based his sermon on lessons from the wholesome philosophy of Sam Walter Foss, as exemplified in some of the poems of this gentle songwriter. Mr. Wallace attended the C. E. convention at Leominster on Patriot's day, where Dr. Francis E. Clark was one of the speakers of the day.

The Westford academy baseball team was defeated by the Groton high school by the score of 10 to 5, at the Whitney park last Saturday afternoon. Perhaps the cold, unseasonable weather of the day and the fact that the Westford team was short one or two of its best players accounted somewhat for their defeat.

At this writing Dr. Blaney and his bride are still absent on their wedding trip.

Miss Alice Howard, librarian at Co-tuit, has been spending a few days at home with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Harmon are spending a few weeks at Chelmsford Center, where they have bought land, setting out small fruits and making other improvements. Later they plan to build a bungalow.

Representative and Mrs. Edward Fisher attended the reception at the state house Monday evening, given by Gov. Foss to the members of the legislature and officers of the national guard and on Wednesday evening were among those present at the dinner of the judiciary committee followed by a theatre party.

Miss Pauline Wallace has been detained from school this week and last suffering from a seriously threatened case of appendicitis. At this writing, while confined to her bed, she is much more comfortable.

Mrs. L. W. Wheeler was an invited guest at the Middlesex Woman's club on Monday and enjoyed Mrs. Marion Craig Wentworth's readings from Maeterlinck's "Bluebird."

T. Arthur E. Wilson and Miss Augusta E. Blaisdell were united in marriage Tuesday. Owing to the serious illness of the bridegroom's mother, the wedding was a very quiet one, the ceremony being performed by Rev. David Wallace at his residence.

One of the pleasant events in preparation is what might be called a sort of dedicatory festival by the school children to show their appreciation of Mrs. Whitney's gift of the park and playground. This will take place May 27, or possibly not until June 3. Plans for the program are somewhat in the preliminary stages, but there will be sports by the academy pupils, baseball and tennis and drills by the younger children, and it promises to be a memorable affair for children, parents and friends, and notice of plans will be given as they develop further.

Members of the Tadmuck club are reminded of the special business meeting called by the president for next Tuesday afternoon at Library hall, at three o'clock. Business of importance consisting of radical changes in the constitution are to be brought up to be acted upon and plans arranged for the annual social.

Grange.

The regular meeting of Westford grange Thursday evening of last week was an occasion of interest to the members with conferring of third and fourth degrees, a supper and annual inspection by one of the state deputies and guests from other granges. The work of the third degree was done by the ladies' degree staff most efficiently with Mrs. Henry B. Read in the master's chair and W. M. Wright as director. The work of the fourth degree was by the regular officers. There were twenty candidates in the class. A bountiful supper was served in the lower hall in charge of J. Henry Colburn. Hon. Chester B. Williams of Cochrutuate grange was the inspecting deputy and discharged his duties with courteous efficiency. Mr. Williams, who is our Middlesex county commissioner, came from his home in Cochrutuate for the evening in his automobile and brought with him Sidney B. Loker, master of that grange, and Mrs. Loker, Warren Bishop, lecturer, and Mrs. George Bishop, secretary. There were also patrons present from Groton, Littleton and Chelmsford.

Graniteville.

Carroll Furbush of the U. S. S. Nebraska is now visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Furbush, for a few days.

The many friends of P. H. Harrington are glad to see him out again after his illness.

The Glee club of Graniteville held a very pleasant dancing party in Forge Village last Saturday evening that was well attended. The Colonial orchestra of Lowell furnished excellent music and at intermission refreshments were served. The committee in charge of the affair was Miss Catherine Rafferty, Miss Flora Stuart and Miss Mary C. Healey.

The Graniteville and the National A. C. club of Lowell played six innings here on last Saturday afternoon, the score standing 18 to 4 in favor of the home team.

Work on the renovating and repairing of St. Catherine's church is now progressing rapidly and P. H. Harrington, contractor, will push this work to completion.

Forest Fires.

Several woodland fires in this vicinity caused the forest warden, J. A. Healey, and his deputies considerable trouble on Monday. The first fire was along the electric car line, near the forest road, and after this was got under control another fire broke out near Whidden's corner. Both fires burned over several acres before they were put out. Sparks from a locomotive on the Nashua and Acton branch of the Boston and Maine started another fire the same afternoon, near the residence of John Hall in West Graniteville and burned over about an acre of woodland owned by F. E. Reed. The promptness of the men in responding for it was through their good work with the extinguisher that the fires were put out so quickly.

A stranger of foreign extraction was seen acting in a suspicious manner nearby, while the Wright fire was in progress, but before he could be questioned he took an electric car bound for Ayer. On the arrival of the car there, however, he was placed under arrest, and is now being held pending an investigation.

Forge Village.

Mrs. Miles Collins is ill at the Lowell General hospital, where she underwent an operation on Wednesday. Her daughter, Miss Violet, is in attendance.

Miss Gladys Daly of Leominster has been spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Daly, during the school vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Longbottom of Arlington.

A little daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hyde of Ayer, last Friday. Mrs. Hyde, before her marriage, was Mrs. Eva Leclerc of this village.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mason and family of Lowell spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met in Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon. After the meeting a dainty collation was served.

The Girls' Friendly society held their regular meeting on Wednesday evening, a large number being present. Members will be taken into the society on Sunday afternoon at St. Andrew's mission.

The cellar of a new house to be built by George E. Mountain, is being dug on Story street.

The O. M. and B. club held a character party in Abbot hall last week Friday evening, which was very successful. Many people attended from Groton, Lowell, Graniteville, Littleton and Westford.

LITTLETON.

About Town.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield will take as his sermon theme at the Unitarian church next Sunday morning the modern parable and play, "The passing of the third floor back."

William Yapp is very sick with typhoid pneumonia at his boarding place. The remains of Helen Maria Raymond, nearly eighty years old, were brought here last week Friday from Cambridge for burial.

Over Sunday guests at C. F. Flagg's were his son Burton and family from Andover, also, Miss Marion from her Newton school duties.

Mrs. Carr of Andover, N. H., who spoke so pleasingly before the Woman's club on Monday, was a guest at the Wilcox home, being connected with one of the family.

James Freeman Clarke will be the topic upon which Miss Ethel Smith will speak before the Guild meeting in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Sunday evening, April 30.

The King's Daughters' circle will hold its May meeting on Tuesday afternoon, May 2, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Davis.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Alliance will be held in the Unitarian vestry on Friday afternoon.

The meeting of the Outlook club will take place on Wednesday afternoon, May 3, at the home of Mrs. C. A. Kimball.

The next number of the Back Log calendar, given by the Westenders, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Proctor, will be a May party on Monday evening, May 5, in the town hall.

Rev. A. L. Bumpus and the St. Andrew's choir of Ayer will hold a service of Baptism and the holy communion at the Littleton town hall on Sunday, May 7, at 3.30 p. m.

G. H. Bullock, optician, of East Pepperell, will open an office in the bank building, Ayer, Tuesday, May 2, office hours from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m., every day.

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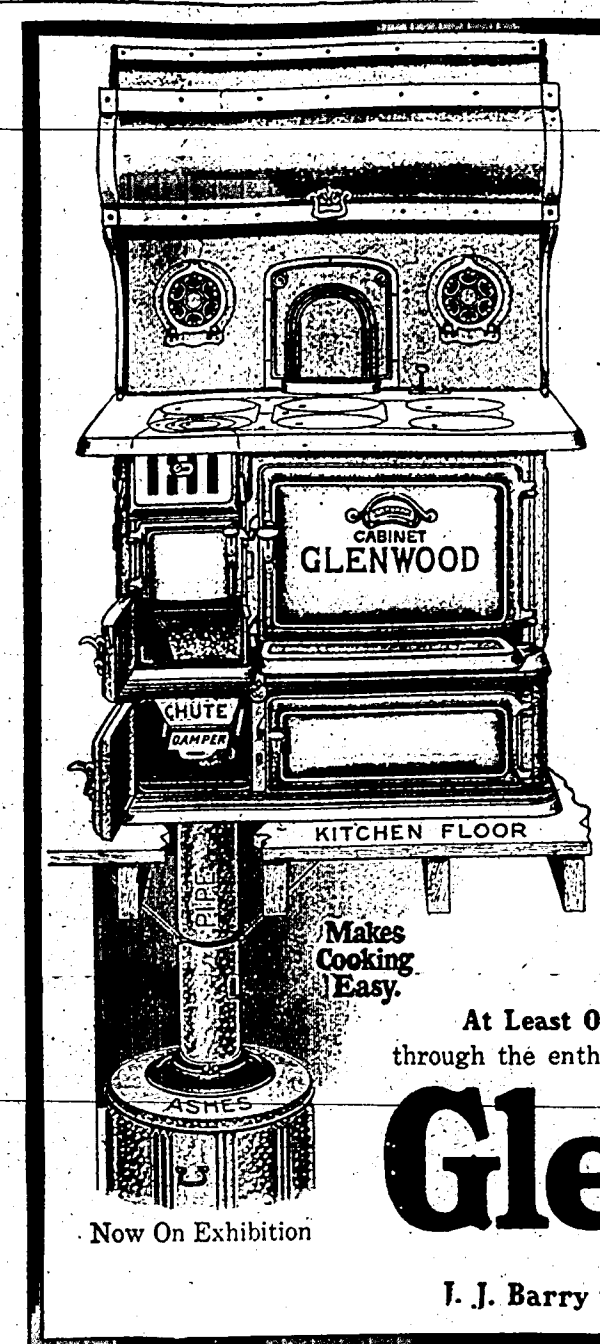
By virtue of and pursuant to the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Mary Harden and others to Fannie E. Potter, dated July 1, 1906, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 3217, page 561, and for breach of the conditions therein contained, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction on the premises hereinafter described, on Saturday, May 20, 1911, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage deed, viz:—

A certain tract or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in the center of the Town of Groton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, upon the Northerly side of a certain public street known as Willow Dale Street, and which is more particularly described and bounded as follows, to wit:—

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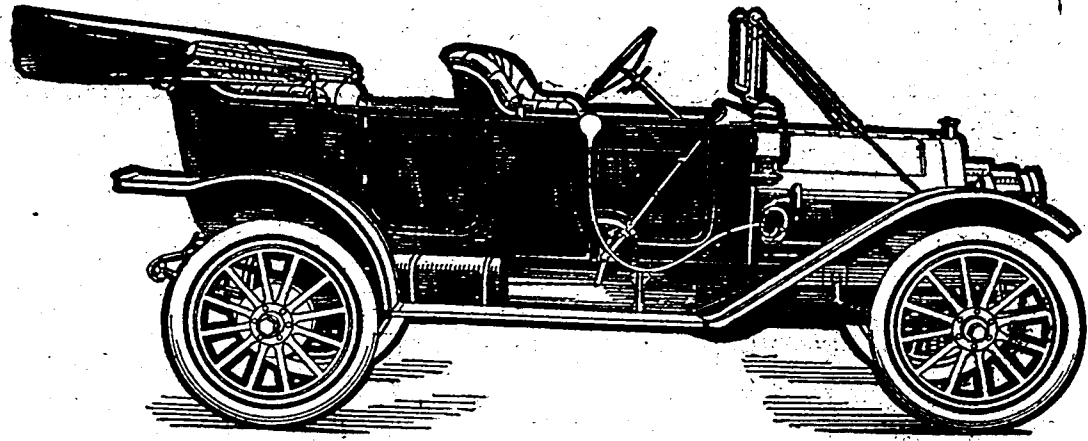
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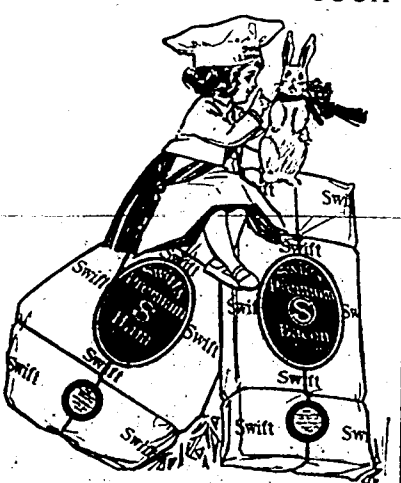
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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Dr. Hulkeley of Ayer is substituting at the Industrial school for boys during Dr. Lilly's illness.

The Industrial school baseball team played the Middlets of Fitchburg here last Saturday afternoon and were defeated, the Middlets winning by a score of 10 to 8.

Isesley H. Beach, who returned recently from the Carney hospital at Boston, seems to be improving. Mrs. Beach commenced to work at the suspender works while her husband is caring for the house and the baby.

Services were not held at the Universalist church last Sunday morning, as the clergyman who was to preach in the place of Mr. Knickerbocker failed to put in an appearance.

Clifford Felch, in company with his friend, Miss Marion Pierce of Gardner, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Felch.

The high school cleared about thirty-five dollars from the drama recently given by them.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. A. A. Bronsdon on Tuesday evening at the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rich have moved into the cottage house next to the residence of Harry Barnard on Harvard road.

Miss Helen Battles of Fitchburg was a guest of Miss Madeline Logue over Sunday.

The Shirley high school ball team played a match game with a team from the Pepperell high on last Saturday afternoon on the grounds here and won by a score of 7 to 4.

Mrs. John Glendening of Everett, with daughter Helen and friend, Mrs. Restall, visited over Sunday at the home of her sister, Miss Inez McMurray.

There will be an entertainment, supper and sale at the vestry of the Congregational church, Wednesday evening, May 2, under the auspices of the Ladies' Circle. Supper served at 6.30 and seven. Aprons, candy and flowers will be on sale during the evening.

There will be an illustrated missionary talk on Alaska in the vestry of the Congregational church, under the auspices of the missionary committee, Sunday evening, April 29, at seven o'clock.

Two boys about fifteen years of age were caught in the act of stealing candy from the glass show case in railroad station on Wednesday morning. Forest Hooper, Jr., the freight clerk, happened to observe them in the act and they started on the run, and he after them and caught them both, and were given into the custody of Constable Hooper, who took them to Ayer and on examination by Judge Atwood were released.

The members of the Shirley chapter, D. A. R., entertained the members of the Altrurian club in the Universalist church on Wednesday evening. An entertainment was given and refreshments were served.

Marion Jubb, eight years of age, daughter of Arthur H. Jubb, is confined to her home with a mild form of scarlet fever.

The fire department was called out on Wednesday, shortly after the noon hour, to fight a brush fire in Mitchellville, on the land owned by John Farnsworth. A few acres of brush was burned over and about six cords of cut wood was consumed.

The bazaar of St. Anthony's parish, which was to be held in May, will not take place until late in the summer.

Misses Eugene and Emma Gionet have left the employ of the Samson cordage works, and have left town for Athol, where they have secured positions in a shoeshop of that town.

A sewing machine has been installed in the schoolroom of the seventh and eighth grades for practical instruction in sewing.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., holds its dancing party in Odd Fellows' hall on this Saturday evening. Music, Johnson's orchestra of Leominster. Late cars will run to Ayer, Leominster and Fitchburg.

Miss Mabel Miner is still confined to the hospital in Keene, N. H., with only a slight change for the better in her condition.

G. H. Bullock, optician, of East Pepperell, will open an office in the bank building, Ayer, Tuesday, May 2, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m., every Tuesday.

Social Event.

The children's May ball, to be given in Odd Fellows' hall on Friday evening, May 5, will be the most beautiful and imposing social event the townspeople have been privileged to enjoy.

The children, ranging from four years old upwards, with their pretty costumes and fairy dances of various kinds will be the special features. The matrons are Mrs. George O. Evans, Mrs. John G. Conant and Mrs. F. E. Merriman. The ushers are George O. Evans and Frank H. Wheeler. The ushers for the children are Arline Wilbur, Elsie Knowles, Gertrude Day, Ethel Chesbrough, Madeline Logue, Jessie Love, Amanda Beaudette and Gertrude Provost.

Lougee's orchestra of Ayer will furnish music. The Altrurian club, under whose auspices this May festival is being held, are all working to make it a grand social success.

Death.

Mrs. Augusta Parsons Hunter, who died on Friday, April 21, was born in Alfred, Me., June 14, 1821, the daughter of John and Lorey Parsons, both of Maine. She was the last survivor of a family of twelve children and was a direct descendant of Cornet Joseph Parsons, who came from England in 1635, and settled in Springfield.

Mrs. Hunter was educated in Alfred, and in Cambridge and for several years was a successful teacher.

After her marriage to Thomas Hunter of Bristol, Me., she resided in Charlestown, until the family moved to Shirley in 1891.

She was a patient invalid for many years, never having fully recovered from an attack of pneumonia in 1895. The funeral was held on Monday at her late home, Rev. A. A. Bronsdon officiating. He paid a high tribute to her life and character. Burial was in the village cemetery, beside her

husband and daughter, and is survived by two daughters—Martha J., and Annie B. Hunter.

Mrs. Hunter was a most noble and lovable woman. An old-time friend characterized her as "a stately and beautiful gentlewoman."

Suddenly Stricken.

Dr. Thomas E. Lilly was suddenly stricken in his office last week Friday morning while using his telephone. He fell from his chair to the floor and the noise from the fall attracted the attention of his wife who entered his office and found him lying on the floor unconscious.

Dr. Hulkeley of Ayer was sent for and upon his arrival made a thorough examination and suggested that a specialist be sent for. Dr. Cabot of Boston was notified by telephone and arrived at the Lilly homestead early in the evening. He pronounced it meningitis, but said in all probability Dr. Lilly would recover in course of time. However, Dr. Lilly seemed to get no better for a few days and a male trained nurse was sent for, who is caring for him. There are indications that he has slightly improved.

This sudden illness came upon him without a moment's warning. He was in his usual good health up to the time he was stricken, consequently it gave his family and friends quite a shock. Sympathy on every hand is being expressed for the genial doctor and his family.

Hen Thieves About.

The henhouse belonging to Mr. Ebar, who resides in the cottage house next to the residence of Kate E. Hazen, was broken into last week Thursday night and four fowls were stolen. Of this number there was one setting hen and the eggs under her were also taken. This makes the third time this henhouse has been broken into. The first time was on the night of March 26, when just one chicken was taken. The next night the thieves made a second visit and stole three. At the last break they smashed the door completely down and carried off the remaining four in the house. The fowls belonged to Joseph Pevential, who boards with the Ebar family.

Will Leave Town.

West F. Lowe and family leave Shirley the first of next week for Concord, where Mr. Lowe will superintend the construction of a preparatory school on the outskirts of Concord. They will reside in a large farmhouse equipped with about twenty rooms, and will board the thirty men employed in various ways in the building of the school which will take nearly a year to complete. The Lowe family came to Shirley from Everett over a year ago, and have made a host of friends who regret their leaving, as they have been actively identified in the church life of the town, the family being connected with the Congregational church, Miss Gladys the secretary, and Miss Bertha, pianist of the Sunday school, where their services will be greatly missed.

Center.

At the meeting of the grange on Tuesday evening, May 2, the lecturer's hour will be devoted to an "Education" program. Each lady is requested to bring a box lunch, which will be put up at auction and sold to the highest bidder.

Mrs. Edward Mellich of West Groton is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melzer Farnsworth.

Daniel Andrews is confined to his home with a severe illness.

L. J. Farnsworth started up his mill on Monday after several months of idleness on account of lack of water caused by a frozen feed-pipe.

Mrs. Berger, who with her son, Raymond has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Farnsworth, was called back to Fitchburg on account of the death of her brother-in-law.

The Matrons' Aid met with Mrs. John W. Evans on Tuesday afternoon, April 25. The next meeting will be held with Miss Etta Holden.

W. Herman Schenk returned home from a trip to Maine this week. Dr. Ellen Schenk is entertaining her sister this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer P. Holden, together with Mrs. Charles Haywood and Miss Elsie Robinson, were called back to Fitchburg on account of the death of her brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore and daughter Edith of Littleton, and Mrs. Farnell spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. George Holden.

Mrs. Mary Prescott, teacher at the primary school, spent Wednesday at Groton with Miss Alma Dowdy. Mrs. Prescott is entertaining her sister from Haverhill this week.

Miss Hazel Cummings of Fitchburg school spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. Sidney Peabody and two children of Lunenburg are visiting Mrs. Peabody's sister, Mrs. A. A. Adams.

Miss Nant, who is being treated for typhoid poisoning at the Groton hospital, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton of Littleton spent Wednesday at their home on the road to supervise the planting of shrubs and plants.

Henry Farnsworth, superintendent of highways, has had three catch basins installed along the county road, in the vicinity of the common.

Mrs. Almon Wing and son, Forrest of Roxbury spent the week-end in town.

Norman Barton of Barre has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Fred Carlin for the past two weeks. Miss May Frary of Lynn spent a short vacation with her parents at Woodsville last week. Miss Ruby Gibson of Groton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Miller.

Chester Going of Townsend spent Saturday with his father, Eliab Going, at Charles Longley's.

The Girls' Sewing Guild met last Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Clinton Lovell at W. E. Barnard's. The next meeting is on May 6, and will be held with Mrs. William E. Barnard.

Miss Alison Winslow of Cambridge spent Saturday at S. A. Carter's.

Regular meeting at Trinity chapel on Sunday at 3.15. Address by Rev. Malbourne Birchhead. Sunday school classes will meet after the services.

Homer P. Holden has converted the little cottage which was moved last week to a location near his home, into a garage.

A picture of Miss Hazel MacKaye, formerly of this town, was noted in Saturday's issue of the Boston Journal. Miss MacKaye is assistant platform director of the great "Fountain of Darkness and Light" which is given daily at the "World in Boston" exposition at Mechanics' hall.

C. C. Lane, publishing agent at Harvard, together with his wife and family, are spending a few days at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams and Miss Mary Adams arrived at their home in Roxbury, Sunday, for the summer.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Bonney, who have been spending the winter at the little cot-

tage on Henry Farrar's farm, are to move into the house recently left vacant by the Robinson family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown observed their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary last week. They were married in Lunenburg soon after their marriage, and lived for nearly fifty years in a house in Groton, which they moved to North Shirley, where they have lived since then.

Harlan Burnell of Lunenburg spent Friday with Harry N. Brown. Mr. Burnell has won several prizes in motor-cycle endurance contests and is planning to start soon on a motor-cycle trip across the continent.

Four young ladies from Boston spent the week-end at W. E. Barnard's.

Howard Fuller's mother arrived on Monday at his new house to live.

Mrs. Annie Ward has been confined to the house for more than a week with a serious illness and has been under the care of Dr. Pierce and a specialist.

The Mitchell house, now occupied by Mr. Sinclair has been sold to parties in Leominster, who will occupy about the first of next month.

John Brown, at the North, is suffering from a sprained ankle.

Mr. Stacey of Lunenburg spent several days last week at S. A. Carter's.

William R. Neat died at the Groton hospital on last week Friday morning from the effects of blood poisoning. He was born January 16, 1832, in Watertown. His parents were William Neat and Mrs. William Neat (Coxsey) of that town. Mr. Neat spent the greater part of his life at North Shirley in the old Neat house, and worked for many years in the leatherboard mill at West Groton, until his retirement several years ago. He enlisted in the civil war toward the last part and when the war was over received an honorable discharge. Mr. Neat was never married, but lived alone with his brother, John Neat. He was a member of George Boutwell post, No. 1, and was greatly liked among the comrades. He is survived by his brother and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held on Sunday, Rev. J. T. Trowbridge, of West Groton, officiating. The services were in charge of the G. A. R. and the body was placed in the old Neat lot in the Center cemetery.

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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate now already administered of said deceased WILLIAM PARK of Shirley in the County of Middlesex without requiring a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of May A. D. 1911, 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.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of EMY WALLACE late of Ayer in said County of Middlesex.

Whereas NOAH WALLACE and HOWARD B. WHITE the trustees under the will of said deceased, have presented for allowance, the third account of their trust under said will.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County on the fifth day of May A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said trustees are 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 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-first day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

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GROTON.

News Items.
 Rev. Endicott Peabody of the Groton School, who has been abroad for some time, recently joined Mrs. Peabody in Paris. Dr. Peabody was recently in Egypt. They will not return home until autumn.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence have recently arrived in Paris, and they intend to leave in ample time to take in the coronation holidays in London. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have been stopping at the Hotel de Crillon.

Miss Josephine Sweeney has been visiting her friend, Mrs. D. Graham, the past week. Miss Sweeney is from Everett, and will return home on Monday in time for school, being a member of the Everett high school, '12.

Mrs. Barr, whose home is with her sister, Mrs. Mary May, of Willow Dale street, is very sick with erysipelas.

The blasting of the ledge by railroad bridge near Mrs. E. A. Barrows' was done last Monday.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the Baptist church held their regular meeting on Thursday afternoon. The topic for consideration was "Home Missions on the frontier." Leader, Mrs. Isabelle Hawkes.

During last week, Mrs. Mary W. Shattuck entertained her three granddaughters, the Misses Alice E. Shattuck, Marion Pierce and Mabelle H. Armstrong. Mrs. Shattuck's daughter, Mrs. E. A. Armstrong, with her son Paul, were others of the home party, which as a matter of course, where so many young people come together, was a jolly gathering.

53-12 is now Rev. H. A. Cornell's telephone call at the Baptist parsonage.

Lewis G. Woods has given up his position as baggagemaster at the station and is going to and from Boston attending Burdett's Commercial college.

The subject of Rev. H. A. Cornell's discourse on Sunday morning will be "The history of the English bible." This subject is chosen in observance of the three hundredth anniversary of the revised edition of the bible, which occurs this spring. This anniversary of King James' version is being widely observed at this time by many pastors in different churches.

Mrs. Francis M. Boutwell returned to her home here on Friday of last week. Her mother, Mrs. Taylor, of New Haven, accompanied Mrs. Boutwell and will remain with her in Groton.

Mr. Fisher, who has been crossing tender near the station, has taken the position as baggagemaster recently vacated by Lewis Woods, and George Chase takes the place vacated by Mr. Fisher.

Rev. and Mrs. Olson have charge of the entire Hawaiian department in "The world in Boston" exhibition now being held in that city. Rev. and Mrs. Olson and family lived in Groton a few years ago, but left to return to Honolulu, where they have since been living.

Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Howe attended the wedding of their son, G. Allan Howe, at South Framingham last Saturday.

Dea. Darwin P. Keyes, Ansel Shattuck and family, Mrs. C. E. Bigelow, Miss Charlotte Robbins, Mrs. Mary Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Swallow, Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Howe and Miss Florence Folkins attended the Congregational Association of churches at Harvard on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. R. Hawkes is back again at her rooms in the Baptist parsonage. Mr. Hawkes is still at Monument Beach with his patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck went on Thursday to Boston, to attend "The world in Boston," the great missionary exposition now being held there.

Harold Hamlett Woods and his cousin, Harold Bigelow Woods, returned to their respective colleges, Dartmouth and Worcester Polytechnic, last week.

Miss Elsie E. Shattuck took Wednesday as teachers' visiting day, visiting schools in Harvard.

Mrs. Minnie E. Moore has gone to Acworth, N. H., to be with her mother who is sick.

James R. Hawkes has sold his road horse to George A. Gardner of Boston.

Mrs. Eda J. H. Jones of Lancaster, has had very good success the past season with her dancing class. A closing party, which proved very enjoyable, was held in the town hall here on Friday evening, April 21.

An item of news sent in is, that George H. Woods, having a large amount of work on hand, is going to buy an auto, and that Samuel Blodgett is also going to purchase one.

Edward H. Torrey was the chauffeur who came with the newly-married couple, Mr. and Mrs. William Crowe, to Groton Inn last week.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard has sold her house in Brooklyn, N. Y. It was on business, closing out her affairs there, that she went out last week. The Southards will hereafter have their home in Groton permanently.

The Brown Loaf club met with Mrs. Nesbit L. Woods on Wednesday afternoon. All present had their usual good time, closing with a lunch.

Miss Ysabella Waters returned to New York last week Thursday, having

been an Easter guest at the home of her brother, F. F. Waters. Other guests, making six in all, were entertained at Easter time, the last of these who were friends of Miss Edith Waters, returned to their homes in Boston this week Wednesday. Easter Sunday, April 16, was Mr. Waters' birthday and was very pleasantly observed.

Miss Clara Robinson has had a class in dancing this last season, composed of children of the Groton School families. Miss Robinson on closing her class this spring, was invited to open another class for the same children next fall.

"The family album" was shown at the Congregational church last week Thursday evening, much to the entertainment of all spectators. Some additional pictures had been placed since the last opening of the album. E. B. Gerrish added to the enjoyment of the evening by singing, and Margaret Benedict by rendering a piano solo. The supper was excellent. The net proceeds for the treasury of the Ladies' Benevolent society is \$19.55.

R. M. Erving took the pictures one day this week of F. O. Dutton, who bought the Gilson woodlot, and on another day the pictures of the men chopping there and the shack in which they are living.

Miss Mildred Brown returned on Tuesday to her studies at Framingham normal school, after a fortnight's vacation.

F. K. Harrington of West Groton is a new telephone subscriber. Call 18-4.

Hollingsworth & Vose Co., West Groton, call is changed from 104-11, to 18-3.

Born on April 22, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. H. Frazee.

Mrs. E. F. Tolles has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. N. C. Anderson, for the past two weeks, but will soon go to housekeeping in the newly-repaired house on Champey street, owned by Herbert Folkins. Mrs. Tolles' goods are already moved into the house.

James W. Wilson, who has moved recently to tenement in Mrs. E. P. Shumway's house, has the same telephone number as he had on Hollis street, 61-2.

Next week Thursday evening, there will be the church social with supper and entertainment at the Unitarian church. Supper at the usual hour, followed at eight o'clock, by the entertainment which will consist of a short play, "The bargain counter," musical selections and a reading.

Dr. D. R. Steere has moved from his place on Pleasant street, recently sold to Miss Vickery, and gone into his place—the old Dea. Cragin place—corner of Chicopee row and Pepperell road.

Reciprocity with Canada was debated at the grange on Tuesday night. On the affirmative were George S. Knapp, E. O. Collier and Rev. H. A. Cornell. On the negative were William A. Woods, Mrs. L. E. Starr and Walter Winslow. The question was decided in the negative. The debate was preceded by singing by Mrs. Ella P. Woolley and Miss Annie L. Gilson, reading by Mrs. Woolley and a vocal solo by Miss Dora Bailey.

Mrs. Francis Boutwell has returned from a visit to her brother's home, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Russell of New Haven, Conn. She has also been a guest of Mr. Boutwell's relatives in Boston.

Last week Thursday afternoon, the D. R.'s met with Mrs. Frank Lawrence Blood. A paper was read by Mrs. Gobie on "Colonial taverns." A vocal solo was rendered by Miss Hazel Gibson, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Lowe. After the exercises, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. It was a very pleasant social occasion, enjoyed by a large number of members. A few guests were also present.

On Monday afternoon the fire company responded to a call for fire on field of Montague Chamberlain on the old Ayer road. It was at first a set bonfire, but got away from them and run over quite a large piece of land and also ran over a little on to Arthur C. Tuttle's. That same afternoon and after the above brush fire, the locomotive sparks set fire to A. C. Tuttle's field, set out to five hundred pine trees, and about half of them were burned. The fire also ran into and burned an acre woodlot. This last fire was put out by Mr. Tuttle with the help of the railroad workmen.

Mrs. Ingeborg Jansen (Anderson) Olsen died at Corey hill, Brookline on Wednesday, April 26. She was a niece of Pedar Anderson of Lowell, who married Rebekah Butler, daughter of Caleb Butler of Groton. She was a Swede by birth, and attended school at Lawrence academy in 1845.

The game played on Wednesday between Allen school of West Newton and Lawrence academy proved to be one of the poorest showing that the Allen school has made this year. The game was stopped in the seventh inning on account of the large score that had already been made by the Lawrence academy team, 14 runs to Allen school's none.

G. H. Bullock, optician, of East Pepperell, will open an office in the bank building, Ayer, Tuesday, May 2. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m., every Tuesday.

Robbery.

Mrs. Z. E. Southard notified Officer John Riley last Sunday of a robbery at her home of articles to the value of several hundred dollars. The property taken consisted of a fur coat valued at \$200, over \$200 in money, a diamond ring and a valuable necklace. Suspicion is strongly attached to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robins, who have been in charge of the house for the past few months, and who disappeared a few days before the discovery of the theft. According to the story given the police, Mrs. Southard left Groton for New York city on Monday, April 17, leaving the supposed trustworthily couple in charge of the house. Robins placed a man in charge, as he said for a day or two, saying that he would return at the end of that time. When he failed to put in an appearance the suspicions of his substitute became aroused and word was sent to

Mrs. Southard in New York. She returned and promptly notified Officer Riley, who lost no time working up the case.

From the investigations that Officer Rife made he found that Robins had hired a team at Johnson's stable last week Tuesday night, and drove to Ayer with two trunks and a dress suit case, which supposedly contains the missing articles. From Ayer the officer traced the baggage to Boston, and after hard work finally found the hackman who drove the fugitives and the baggage to the Cunard steamship line dock in East Boston. From a description of the missing couple given, the officer had not the least doubt but that Robins and his wife sailed on the steamship Devonian at the Cunard line last week Wednesday, and no doubt they are traveling under assumed names.

Robins has had a varied career. He was a life-saver at Manhattan Beach, N. Y., a bell boy at the Knickerbocker club, New York city, a teacher at St. Nicholas rink, N. Y., and was a parachute jumper at the Buffalo Exposition several years ago. He is an American by birth and his wife is a Swede.

They left many of their own clothes behind them, but not the new twenty-dollar spring hat which the cook had just purchased.

Robins is described as a man thirty-four years of age, five feet and six inches in height, sandy complexion and sandy hair, three front teeth missing, and home in Uxbridge. Of late he has been employed as a butler.

Owing to the great expense which would be incurred in bringing the missing couple back to this country, all efforts in that direction have been given up.

Gone South.

Mrs. F. L. Howes of Brookline, who has been in ill health for the past two months, has gone to Old Point Comfort, Va., accompanied by her nurse, for rest and recuperation. On her way south Mrs. Howes stopped over in New York for a couple of days, leaving there last Sunday for Baltimore, where she made a short stay before going on to Old Point Comfort for an indefinite visit. On her return home Mrs. Howes will superintend the furnishing of the country estate at Groton, formerly the Sears place, which Mr. Howes has recently purchased for a summer home. The estate comprises 150 acres and, besides a large residence, has a garage, stable and other buildings.

Enjoyable Visit.

Her Groton friends hear with continued interest, many incidents in the social life of Miss Clara Robinson at Concord. Last Monday in company with eleven of the Concord young people, Miss Robinson visited the Charleston navy yard where so many of the big battleships are now anchored, and because of her acquaintance with a lieutenant on the North Dakota, the party was welcomed on that star ship of the United States navy. Through his courtesy they afterwards visited two other members of the battleship fleet, and on one, the Virginia, Miss Robinson played a number of popular airs on their piano, and so inspired the middies that they all went to dancing. The whole visit was a very enjoyable one.

Pardoned.

Governor Foss, on Thursday, issued a pardon to Stearns Kendall Abbott, who has been under life sentence in the State prison for the murder of Mrs. Crue in Groton in 1880.

Several efforts have been made to secure for him a pardon, and some of the governors before whom his case has come have refused to lay the case before the pardon committee of the council. Governor Foss gave it to that committee for consideration, and a favorable report was made on Thursday. Lieut. Gov. Frothingham, a member of the committee, opposed the pardon in committee and later when it came before the full board and was supported by Councillor Glidden.

Immediately after the pardon was signed, E. S. McSweeney, who has been very active in the case, took the paper and hurried to the State prison to give it to the warden.

High School Play.

"At the end of the rainbow" is the bright, catchy title of a play to be given by the senior class of the Groton high school on Friday, May 19. The experience and success of Miss Fannie Woods in coaching for plays speaks unmistakably for success in the presentation of this one. Following is the list of characters:

- Robert Preston, lawyer.
- Douglas Brown, a football player.
- Dick Preston, the groom.
- Stanley Palmer, "Hawking" the butler.
- Ted Whitney, captain of the varsity team.
- Ralph Koehler, football coach.
- Jack Austin, Preston's secretary.
- Marion Dayton, a ward of Preston.
- Nellie Preston, a bride.
- Louise Ross, known as Miss Grayson.
- Phyllis Lane, a football enthusiast.
- Kathleen Knox, chairman of the rushing committee.
- The Imp, a freshman.
- Emily Elliott, with a conscience.
- Mollie Bruce.
- Jane, a maid with a taste for life.
- Mrs. Brown, step-mother of Douglas.
- Brown.
- Dolly Price, Elsie's friend.
- Marie Swift, Mollie's friend.
- The Theta Phi.
- Football players.
- Juniors.

LITTLETON.

News Items.

Mrs. Emma Farwell is visiting at J. H. Whitcomb's. She plans to go west on June first, to spend the summer.

The annual meeting of the Alliance for election of officers will be held at the Unitarian vestry on next Friday afternoon. There will be reports of the N. E. Alliance and reports of this society.

The regular monthly meeting of the King's Daughters will be held on next Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. William H. Davis'.

The American club of the Congregational society will meet with Mrs. Charles A. Kimball on Wednesday afternoon, May 3. Mrs. Fred S. Kimball and Mrs. H. L. Packard will speak respectively on "Romanism in the Antilles," and "Protestant missions in the Antilles." An open question to be discussed is "What are the special advantages of co-operation among various denominations?"

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Priest and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb attended the "Tech" show at Shubert theatre last week Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Rowell of Marlboro has been staying with Mrs. Calvin Howard a few weeks, and an old schoolmate, Miss Belle Marshall of Hudson has enjoyed Mrs. Howard's hospitality a few days recently.

Malcolm Priest, M. I. T. '12, and Herbert H. Whitcomb, M. I. T. '14, attended the Tech ball at Hotel Somerset on Friday evening, April 21. Miss Louise Whitney was an invited guest at the same ball.

Monday evening, May 1, the Improvement society will meet in the selectmen's room, lower town hall, at 7:45 o'clock.

There will be a meeting of the Lyceum committee at the home of Rev. O. J. Fairfield on Tuesday evening, May 2, at eight o'clock.

The subject for consideration by the Lincoln class tomorrow is "Causes of unemployment and methods of relief." The general subject for the month of May is "Socialism."

The subject of the Guild tomorrow evening is James Freeman Clarke. Leader, Miss Ethel Smith. The C. E. topic is "Lessons from great lives."

At the spring meeting of the Middlesex Union Association of Congregational churches held in Harvard on Wednesday, Rev. H. L. Packard spoke on the "Lost art of prayer." Others present from the Littleton church were Mrs. Frank Dodge and Miss Alice Wright, delegates; Harry E. Humphreys, clerk; N. B. Conant, Mrs. Elmer Fletcher, Mrs. W. E. Conant, Miss Merriam, Mrs. Packard, Mrs. Charles A. Kimball, Mrs. A. M. Parker and Miss M. H. Kimball. An excellent program was followed out, and the guests were royally entertained by the Harvard church.

A threatening forest fire in the south part of the town on Wednesday called out a large force of men who fought desperately, and after several hours of hard work succeeded in extinguishing the flames. The fire spread over many acres of land belonging to John H. Hardy, Everett Kimball, Edwin H. Priest and others, and as usual did much damage and placed in peril some buildings that were saved only by presence of mind and quick action.

Mrs. Adeline Frances Filtz, present general D. R., was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Grace Lawrence on Wednesday. Her venerable father, David Slade, who has just passed his ninety-second birthday, accompanied Mrs. Filtz in her automobile, and Mrs. Lawrence returned with them to Wakefield.

Littleton people have attended "The world in Boston," and report it as a grand exhibition, even greater in some respects than has been advertised. It is expected that many from this town will avail themselves of the opportunity to come into a realization of the work in missions and make an acquaintance with many who labored in their interest. Mr. and Mrs. Webber and Miss Beulah Sanford are among the stewards who have an active part, and Mrs. Webber sings in the chorus. Rev. Paul G. Favor was one of the speakers this last week.

James Smith, section foreman of the Fitchburg division, injured his side by lifting a keg of spikes last Saturday.

Delegates chosen to represent the Congregational church at the fiftieth anniversary of the Congregational church in Ayer are Dea. John W. Thacher and Miss Elizabeth Houghton.

Mr. and Mrs. Castells of Wollaston are expected today at one of the Cox cabins, where they plan to reside through the summer.

Miss Clara Staples of New Bedford, sister of the late Rev. James C. Staples, has been this week the guest of Mrs. Waldo E. Conant.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Flagg, Saturday, April 22, a daughter, Miss Dorothy Priest of Kindergarten Training school in Boston, has been having a short vacation.

Mrs. William Channing has recently undergone an operation for removal of the tonsils and is making good progress.

Miss Grace Needham, bookkeeper at Conant & Co.'s Common store, is much missed from her accustomed place. She has had a severe attack of tonsillitis and is now suffering from an abscess in the throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith H. Conant have moved to their new home in Parker village.

Mrs. N. B. Conant is sick with throat ulceration, while others in town are having a mild form of throat trouble.

The body of Ellen M. Raymond, who died at the Old People's Home in Cambridge, was brought to town for burial last week Friday.

Club Meeting.

The Woman's club met on Monday afternoon in the Baptist vestry. The subject of a penny savings bank in public schools was brought up for discussion, and it was voted to leave the matter till next year, as the club season is nearly completed.

The nominating committee will report their decision at the next meeting. Instead of the Arts and Crafts' program, previously scheduled, the was carried out. Mrs. Walter Scott, Carr of Andover, N. H., ably presented the subject of "Some old superstitions." Miss Julia S. Conant reviewed the notes of her audience, and Mrs. Cora Hager sang in excellent voice, a beautiful solo. Mrs. Gertrude F. Houghton accompanied her at the piano. As a very pleasant surprise, Mrs.

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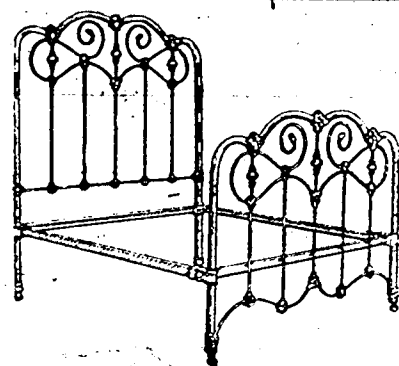
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K. D. Conference.

From the report of the Forget-Not Circle of K. D., given by Mrs. A. W. Knowlton at the conference lately held at Woburn, we glean a few interesting facts.

This society has contributed this last year to Gordon Rest, a home supported wholly by the King's Daughters of Middlesex county, to the Morgan Memorial, to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, to the Edward Everett Hale statue fund, to the Salvation Army, to the Sailors' Haven, and to the Floating hospital.

Our people are pretty well acquainted with the work done in town. Wherever there has been sickness the K. D. circle has sent flowers and conveniences for caring for the sick, birthday remembrances have been sent to the elderly people, flowers sent to twelve shut-ins at Easter time, and financial aid has been given where it was needed. The pleasant reception given to those over seventy-five years of age, is still fresh in our memory and many other expressions of good will and charity.

At the conference in Woburn the first steps in organizing a Middlesex County King's Daughters' society were taken. A president, secretary, treasurer and three directors were

chosen. It is with no little pride that we learn of Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's election to the office of county secretary.

Wedding.

The Littleton relatives and other friends are much interested in the recent marriage of Miss Katherine Mussey Sewall of Worcester, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John L. Sewall, and granddaughter of the late Shattuck Hartwell, to Roswell M. Austin of St. Albans, Vt.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride, and Rev. John Sewall, assisted by Rev. Clifton H. Mix, pastor of Pilgrim church, performed the ceremony in the presence of numerous relatives and college friends. The double wedding ring service was used. Miss Sewall was attended by her sister, Miss Mary B. Sewall, as maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Cora Burwell of Pasadena, Cal., and Miss Edith Gill of Chattanooga, Tenn., college chums of the bride, and Caroline T. and Helen H. Sewall, sisters of the bride. Warren F. Austin was best man. Prof. Henry Dyke Sleeper of Smith college played the wedding march.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin will make their home in St. Albans, Vt., where they will be at home to their friends after June first. The groom is employed in the law office of his father, C. G. Austin. He is a graduate of Yale college, 1910. The bride is a graduate of Smith college, class of 1909.

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Center.
Mrs. Tisdale is ill with pneumonia at her sister's, Mrs. Lizzie Hildreth. Frank Felch has moved his family into the Holland place, where Elbridge Adams resides. Both families will live there.
Mr. and Mrs. James Woolley and Charles Woolley of East Boston came by auto on Saturday and enjoyed Sunday at their summer home here.

Roland Haynes, son of Charles T. Haynes, who has been ill in a southern hospital, arrived at his father's home the latter part of last week and will stay for awhile until his strength is regained.

A union service was held at the Congregational church last Sunday evening. Rev. S. P. Robertson, the new pastor, occupied the M. E. church at the morning service.

Miles Wyeth and family have returned north which they have much regretted because of the cold climate they found on arriving in Boston. They have had a delightful sojourn, and being so well pleased with beautiful Bradentown, Fla., intend making their home in the near future.

The Lunenburg high school team came over here last Saturday for the first baseball game of the season and were defeated by the home team by the score of 15 to 1.

William Whitcomb and family of Newtonville were the guests of Walter F. Rockwood over Sunday, coming by auto.

Miss Amy Whitcomb was installed as lady assistant steward at the grange on Monday evening by Deputy T. E. Flarity, assisted by Mrs. Hattie Misner.

G. P. Estes moved into Mrs. Harlan Green's tenement this week.

Joe Arlin and Will O'Brien had great success Monday and Tuesday of this week spearing suckers. The first string caught numbered sixteen and they averaged four pounds apiece. The second string caught numbered seventeen.

At the grange on Monday night, the following question was discussed: Resolved, "That life insurance is the best insurance in the world; affirmative, George L. Whitcomb; negative, Dr. A. J. Atwood. Among other speakers was Mr. Snow of the Mutual Life of Worcester, who gave a very interesting and instructive talk upon insurance. Mrs. Abbie Barber read two of Sam Walter Foss' poems. There was a piano solo by Prof. A. C. Seaver and a cute original poem by H. Warren Seaver.

Eben Estes, who has been at Waltham several weeks with his daughter, Mrs. Fannie Streeter, returned home on Tuesday night, accompanied by Harry Streeter.

Our high school baseball team was again victorious on Monday afternoon at Groton against the Groton academy second nine. The score was 9 to 2.

Mrs. Agnes Caton of Greenville visited her mother, Mrs. M. O'Brien, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McNear, who reside on the Lithgow place, celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on Tuesday evening by entertaining their neighbors and friends at their home. The evening was spent in a social way with a short literary and musical entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. McNear were presented with a sum of money as a gift from the neighborhood. Refreshments were served during the evening.

T. E. Flarity inspected the Winchendon grange on Wednesday evening of this week.

Invitations are out for a club union entertainment and banquet to be given at Memorial hall on Wednesday evening, May 3.

Parke Struthers, who has been ill with scarlet fever and unable to return from the Mt. Hermon school in vacation time, arrived here on Wednesday, at Rev. A. L. Struthers.

The concert by the Imperial quartet of Worcester, which was given at Memorial hall on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Club Union, was one of the best given here for some time.

Mrs. Sarah Howard of Watertown was at Mrs. Lizzie Hildreth's this week.

Miss Bessie Eastman attended the Tech show at Malden on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. George Betterly of Brookline, N. H., visited at Mrs. Al Richards' this week.

Mrs. Victor Miller and friend of Quincy were the guests of Mrs. A. D. Fessenden this week.

The fire department sent in several calls for help on Wednesday morning and afternoon, to fight a stubborn brush fire on Bayberry hill, near the old Ball place. West Townsend also was called out.

West.
A very pleasant meeting of the Sans Souci club was held at the home of Miss Mabel Thompson's last Thursday afternoon and evening, with a full attendance of the members. A dainty lunch was served and a social evening enjoyed.

Invitations are out for the meeting of the Club Union at Memorial hall at the Center on Wednesday evening, May 3. It is expected that Boynton's barge will convey the members from this village, and a very pleasant evening is anticipated.

At the Baptist church last Sunday, a very pleasing part of the services was the rendering of a solo "Just as I am," by Mildred Sanders, a talented young singer from Ayer, who was visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Elbridge Sanders, and whose contribution to the service was heartily appreciated.

Miss Blanche Sprague spent Saturday and Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Victor Wachs at the Center.
Mrs. Franklin Adams and her brother, Herbert Dickinson from Hopkinton, were in town on Tuesday.
Mrs. S. W. Upton of Josselynville entertained a party of her friends to afternoon tea at her home in Josselynville on Monday and a very enjoyable time is reported.

Fred Smith of Josselynville is recovering from quite an attack of illness which confined him to his home for several days.

Mrs. Lucy Lawrence is spending a few days with her brother, Daniel Taylor of Ashby.

The body of Franklin Adams of Hopkinton, a former resident here and an old soldier, who died several weeks ago, after only five days' illness of pneumonia, was brought here for burial by the widow and brother, in the family lot on Tuesday afternoon. The body was escorted to the grave by George Adams, William Tenney, Lewis K. Blair and Thomas Welch, former comrades in the G. A. R.

Mrs. Mary Tucker made a brief visit to town the first of the week. She is at present caring for Miss Alice Spaulding at the Center.

Mrs. S. D. Ringrose and her little son Roger are spending a few days at her former home in Troy, N. H.

Mrs. Sturdevant of Cambridge and her daughter, Miss Ida Vaughn from Pensacola, Fla., visited the Squannacook a few days ago. Miss Vaughn was the granddaughter of Mrs. Kendall, a former keeper of this hotel.

Mrs. K. E. Nutting, who recently moved from the Blood farm on Bayberry hill, writes from Hudson, where she recently moved, that she likes her new home very much.

Edward Tumber is quite ill with pleurisy at his home on the Fitchburg road.

A very bad brush fire was started on Wednesday morning on Bayberry hill, caused by the bonfire built by one of the farmers there, and getting beyond his control, spreading into the timbers, threatening several times the farmhouse owned by Joseph Thompson. Three alarms were sounded and the efforts of nearly one hundred men from the fire departments of both villages were required to subdue it.

Miss Florence L. Austin from Cambridge, is a guest of Mrs. Alexander Reed.

George M. Frye is to move from his tenement in the Bruce house to rooms in R. McElligott's tenement.

Charles Russell is quite sick at his home in Josselynville and Mr. King of the Center is taking his place on the team.

Miss Hazel Burgess of the Center is assisting at the home of William Thorpe, and Mrs. Sarah Lawrence has returned from a brief visit to her granddaughter, Mrs. Leroy Shapleigh of Cambridge.

Joseph Thompson has been obliged to have one of his white team horses killed on account of its suffering from rheumatism.

About twenty took advantage of Boynton's barge to enjoy the concert given in Memorial hall on Wednesday evening by the Imperial quartet of Worcester.

Mrs. Elbridge Hapgood has been spending a few days with relatives in Fitchburg.

Newly Wedded.
A rousing wedding reception was given to the newly-wedded couple, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Veno, who returned from their wedding trip on Monday evening and repaired to Seminary hall, where a party of about seventy-five gathered to greet them and extend their congratulations. Among the guests were parties from Greenville, N. H., Fitchburg and the Center. A very enjoyable evening ensued and music was furnished by Robbins' orchestra of Pepperell, while ice cream and cake were served. The youthful couple will, for the present, occupy rooms in the house in Josselynville now occupied by Mrs. Fred Smith.

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News Items.
The Monday club met with Mrs. Ralph O. Greeley on Friday afternoon, April 21. The members present were Mrs. Perley L. Pierce, Mrs. F. B. Maynard, Mrs. E. H. Taylor, Mrs. W. E. Boutelle, Miss Ethel Taylor. A vocal quart was sung by Mrs. F. B. Maynard and Mrs. W. E. Boutelle, and a reading was given by Mrs. Perley L. Pierce. Refreshments were served. It was one of the happy events of the week.

Mrs. Burdick of Peppercell has been a recent guest at Mrs. W. E. Boutelle's. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Nye and Mr. and Mrs. Huntington of Sandown, and Arthur Nye of Nashua were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Nye over Sunday.

Mrs. Adella Whitcomb, Mrs. Hattie Pierce, Mrs. Etta Hill, Mrs. Melle Gillson, Mrs. Laura Barnaby, Mrs. Myra Standley will have charge of the dinner at the Sunday school convention.

Rev. F. D. Sargent of Putnam, Conn., was in town over Monday night. Mrs. May Hadley and friends are at the Hadley cottage.

Mr. Shuman of Wollaston has leased the Elbert L. Baldwin farm for three years. Mr. Baldwin contemplates a western trip.

Mrs. Adelaide Bean and Miss Helen Cairns of Methuen are guests of Mrs. Cora Boultonhouse.

The residence of Mrs. Fannie Popple is being improved by the addition of a bay window.

Mrs. Julia Lawrence and son James of Peppercell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Corey over Sunday.

It is expected that Mrs. Samuel Swett will be able to return from St. Joseph's hospital on Tuesday, May 2.

Mrs. Sarah Winsor and son Albert are at the Powers' homestead.

The Ladies' Aid met at the parsonage on Tuesday afternoon.

The Loyal Workers met with Mrs. F. B. Maynard on Wednesday.

Representative Edward C. Tucker is still confined to his room.

A large audience was in attendance at Tarbell's hall on Tuesday evening, April 18, when the four-act drama, "Down in Dixie," was ably presented by the young people. Vocal solos by Robert Copeland and selections by the orchestra added to the pleasure of the evening. A guess cake and a whip were attractions. About \$23.65 was added to the piano fund.

The Hillside County Sunday School association will hold a convention at Brookline on Wednesday, May 3. The following is the program:
Morning session—Devotional and prayer service. Rev. James N. Seaver; welcome. Rev. Warren L. Noyes; response; address, "The child for Christ." Rev. Charles Ernest White, Amherst; music; business; appointment of committees; address, "How to meet the needs of the small school." Rev. Edward M. Fuller, State secretary; discussion; adjournment and dinner.
Afternoon—Conferences; praise service; children's hour, conducted by Mr. Fuller and Mrs. Hendrick; music and offering; address, "Common sense methods in Sunday school work," Mrs. C. W. Hendrick, State elementary secretary; discussion; address, "The boy problem," Sunday school as an educator," Rev. C. W. R. Hicks, Nashua; address, "The Sunday school as an educator," Rev. C. H. Davis, Hollis; reports of committees; adjournment.

the fruit store of Lappes & Bezakis Co., of Nashua, found just before he reached the house of Andrew Jewett, that his wagon was afire. He unhitched his horse, unloaded his fruit which set fire to the brush and trees where he placed it. He did not call for help, so before Mr. Jewett saw it, the fire had gained quite a headway. However, the two men succeeded in getting it quelled after a season of active work with some help from the house. For a few moments things looked pretty smoky. His blanket and coat were entirely consumed, only a small part of the fruit was injured. It was just opposite a fine white pine woodlot of Mr. Jewett's and had it got into the lot it would have swept over a large territory. The driver said the cause of the fire was some matches he had on the seat which probably fell into the light papers which covered the fruit.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, and all other persons interested in the estate of SARAH E. KEMP late of Peppercell in said County, deceased.
Whereas, SARAH A. SHATTUCK, administratrix of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court her petition for license to sell at public auction or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of May A. D. 1911, 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 all persons interested who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days at least, before said Court, and if any one cannot be found by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day at least, before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To all persons interested in the estate of ORSAMUS W. ANDREWS late of Shirley in said County, deceased.
Whereas, HERMAN H. CLAZEN, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the last 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 eighth day of May A. D. 1911, 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 all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, and 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 one day at least before said Court, and by delivering a copy of said citation to the said Tax Commissioner of said Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.
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North Billerica via Middlesex Square—5:00, 6:00, 6:50, 7:30 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11:33 p. m. Sundays—7:33, 8:03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 10:33 p. m. Return—Leave North Billerica—5:00, 6:00, 6:50, 7:18 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11:03 p. m. and every 15 mins. until 11:03 p. m.
Nashua—6:45 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10:45 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. until 10:15 p. m.) Sundays—7:15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:15 p. m. Return—Leave Nashua—6:45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:30 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 1:35 p. m. until 10:35 p. m.) Sundays—7:35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:35 p. m.
Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—5:18, 6:00, 6:55, 7:18 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9:48 p. m. then 10:48 p. m. Sundays—5:18, 6:00, 6:55, 7:33 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—5:40, 6:20, 6:55, 7:33 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m. then 11:33 p. m. Sundays—5:03 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m. THOMAS LEES, Supt.

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Cars leave Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell—6:05 a. m. and hourly at 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10:35 p. m. An early car leaves the Ayer carhouse at 5:15 a. m. Sundays—First car leaves Ayer at 7:05 a. m. then same as week days. Running time to North Chelmsford 10 minutes. Running time to Lowell 10 hours and 10 minutes.
Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer—6:20 a. m. and 20 minutes past the hour up to and including 11:20 p. m. Sundays—8:20 a. m. then same as week days. Cars connect at Ayer up to 10 p. m. for Fitchburg and Leominster. Until 9 p. m. for Worcester.
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Cars leave Forge Village for Ayer—40 minutes past the hour.
Cars leave North Chelmsford for Brookside—6:50 a. m. and 50 minutes past the hour up to and including 10:50 p. m.
Sundays—First car at 7:50 a. m. then same as week days.
Leave Brookside for North Chelmsford, Lowell and Ayer—6:05 a. m. and 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 11:05 p. m.
Sundays—First car at 8:05 a. m. then same as week days.
Leave North Chelmsford for Westford—6:50, 7:50, 8:50, 11:50 a. m., 12:50, 1:50, 2:50, 3:50, 4:50, 5:50 p. m.
Sundays—7:50, 8:50, 9:50, 10:50 a. m., 12:50, 1:50, 2:50, 3:50, 4:50, 5:50 p. m.
Leave Westford for Lowell—6:55, 7:40, 8:40, 11:40 a. m., 12:40, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40, 5:40 p. m.
Sundays—7:40, 8:40, 9:40, 10:40 a. m., 12:40, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40, 5:40 p. m.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To all persons interested in the estate of JOHN COSTELLO late of Kibaska in the County of Clark, Ireland, deceased, in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the Tax Commissioner of said Commonwealth.
Whereas, PATRICK COSTELLO, senior, appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased, by the High Court of Justice in Ireland, King Bench Division (Probate) the District Registry at Limerick has presented to said Court his petition representing that as such administrator he is entitled to certain personal property situated in said Commonwealth, to wit: Money in hands of Joseph P. Mullin of Ayer in said County of Middlesex, amounting to \$720.75, and praying that he may be licensed to receive or to sell by public or private sale on such terms and to such person or persons as he shall think fit—or otherwise to dispose of, and to transfer and convey such shares and estate.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the second day of May A. D. 1911, 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 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 one day at least before said Court, and by delivering a copy of said citation to the said Tax Commissioner of said Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.
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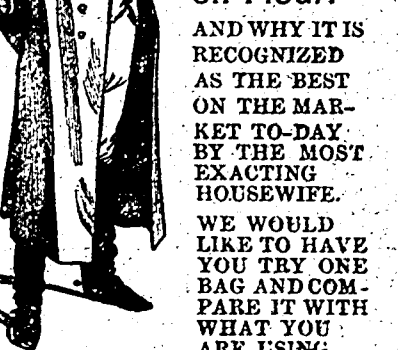
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of LYDIA A. HESLTON late of Townsend in said County, deceased, intestate.
Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to THOMAS T. BOWEN of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the second day of May A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing 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 one day at least, before said Court.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To all persons interested in the estate of SILAS F. MORGAN late of Ayer, in said County of Middlesex, deceased.
Whereas, JOSEPHINE E. MORGAN, as she is administratrix of said estate has presented to said Court her petition praying that she may be authorized to continue the business of said deceased for the benefit of his estate.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the first day of May A. D. 1911, 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 publishing the same twice in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day at least, before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.
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To all persons interested in the estate of JOHN COSTELLO late of Kibaska in the County of Clark, Ireland, deceased, in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the Tax Commissioner of said Commonwealth.
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Saturday, April 29, 1911.

PEPPERELL.

East.
George V. Herrig of this town has been appointed American Express agent at West Somerville.

There will be a test fire alarm from box 32 at 12:30 on Saturday. There will be other tests made on the following Saturdays at the same time.

Mrs. C. S. Burkinshaw of New Britain, Conn., formerly of this town, has had a front porch put on her house here which adds very much to the appearance of the place.

John S. McCormack of West Fitchburg was a week-end guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McCormack.

Mrs. W. R. McCormack is slowly improving from a serious eye trouble from which she has been suffering.

Miss Helen McCormack is confined to her home suffering with sciatica rheumatism.

The May meeting of the W. C. T. U. has been postponed subject to the call of the president.

Mrs. Edward Corcoran of Cohasset, a former resident of this town, visited friends here last week.

Box 26 was pulled in on Wednesday afternoon for a forest fire on the northeast part of Nissituit hill. The fire started from a fuse that was laid to a charge of dynamite in charge of Joe Detolo, who was blasting rock. After the fuse was lighted it set fire to the leaves about it and Mr. Detolo could not put it out until the dynamite exploded which was too late. The fire department soon arrived and with the aid of chemicals put it out.

About ten different brush fires were started by sparks from a passing locomotive on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad. Tuesday some of the local firemen were kept busy most of the day putting them out. The fire extinguishers have proven to be very valuable in fighting forest fires.

Harry Landers, clerk at the office of the Nashua River Paper Corporation, attended the funeral of his father at Newport last week. Mr. Landers was a man of sterling qualities and was spoken very highly of in the Newport paper, which devoted a column and one-half to his obituary.

Eben Phillips of Swampscott is stopping at the New Prescott.

Daniel Fahey of Nashua spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murty Fahey.

Edward P. McCord, local manager of the baseball team, expects to have a game for every Saturday at the playgrounds.

Thomas Graham and Michael Sullivan were both granted a retail license at \$2,500 each this year. William Mansfield and Lyman Canney were each granted a druggist license.

George Fahey of Concord Junction, who has been laid up with the grippe, is able to be out.

Death.

Mrs. John Tierney died at her home in Hudson on April 19, at the age of seventy-seven years. She came to Pepperell from Ireland, where she was born, about fifty years ago, and resided here for thirty-seven years.

She is survived by Thomas, Peter and John Tierney, Mrs. Katherine Kosgrove and Mrs. Ellen Callahan of Hudson. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon, April 21, and the remains were brought here. Services were held at St. Joseph's church, Rev. T. I. Coghlan officiating, and interment was at St. Joseph's cemetery. The bearers were John Reagan, P. W. Flynn, Joseph Tierney, Patrick Whalen, P. J. Flynn and John Tierney, Jr., of Worcester. The floral gifts were many and beautiful.

Wedding.

Daniel Ford Crane and Bernice Louise Blake, both of this town, were married on Wednesday afternoon, April 26, by Rev. T. I. Coghlan at the parsonage. James Blake, brother of the bride, was best man, and Ella Lachapelle of Marlboro, formerly of this town, was the bridesmaid.

After the ceremony a reception was given to the friends of the bride and groom at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Katherine Blake. Both parties are well known and popular in town, being employed in the finishing room of the Nashua River Paper Corporation. They received numerous and beautiful presents from their many friends and relatives. The happy couple left on Wednesday afternoon for Erie, Pa., where they will reside.

Items of News.

Mrs. Lucy Leavitt (Nutting), widow of Caleb Leavitt, died on March 17, at her home in Mankato, Minn. She was born in East Pepperell in July, 1821.

The juniors of the high school have evolved the plan of taking a class trip to Washington, D. C., next March, and as the first step had a supper in Central hall on Thursday, April 27, which was well attended and netted a fair sum to start with. Russell Davy of the class presided at the table.

Richard White, formerly of this town, came for a visit to his aunt, Mrs. N. Shattuck, on Park street, for a few days.

Fredericks & Smith are building a garage for W. A. Kemp.

Charles Hills, son of Mrs. David Hills, who is serving on the U. S. battleship Michigan, met with an accident that dislocated his shoulder and he is at present in the hospital at Brooklyn, N. Y.

All of the fruit trees on the town land around the standpipe have been removed and the public road to it and fencing is next in line. It will be one of the sightly places when properly graded.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Gower, who have been in Greenville, N. H., for the past six months, have returned to town and are looking for a farm to permanently locate here.

Miss Bertha Farnsworth, florist of this town, made a short stay in Boston and vicinity, returning home last Saturday night.

Miss Gertrude Nokes made a ten days' visit to friends in South Boston. She saw "St. Elmo," but the play did not equal the book as she expressed it.

Mrs. Fred Burkinshaw is having her place on the corner of Heald and Sheffield streets painted, which will be a great improvement when completed.

Amos Mahoney has hired the store formerly occupied by Stenstrom & Deloid and is to open a meat and fish market there.

The knife shop is shut down for a couple of weeks.

Ask Fred Tarbell if the fishing was good last Saturday at West Groton.

Gardner Willey, one of our popular bachelors, is now serving on the jury.

Mrs. Martha Spaulding, who has been so ill at Townsend Harbor, was well enough to be moved Monday to her daughter's, Mrs. Lyman Fuller. Yet she is dangerously sick and it is rumored that her late sickness, pneumonia, has seriously weakened her lungs.

A. S. McNay is able to be on his work again after his severe accident of several weeks ago.

Henry Powers has sold two hundred tickets on the barrel of flour for the benefit of the reading-room and has turned over to the treasurer, Rev. Dudley Child, the sum of \$23.90.

Mrs. Frank Gilman and daughter of Brookline, N. H., have been at Mrs. Simmons this week.

Mrs. Bert Melindy went to see her sick sister at Westboro on Tuesday, April 25.

The bodies that were in the receiving tomb have all been placed in their last resting places this week.

Advertised letters remaining at the East Pepperell postoffice for the week ending April 27: Chester Bruce, Children's Vehicle Corp., Michael Collins, Miss Helen Johnson, Frank Lawrence, Miss Jennie Nutting, G. Peterson, Humphrey T. Sullivan, Edward Tarrin, Joseph Votom.

Wedding.

Some fifteen months ago a young man came from Erie, Pa., in the interest of a paper manufacturing firm of that city. As is Pepperell's custom this young man soon was making a circle of friends through the various secret orders to which he was affiliated with, and he met the young ladies of the village. The result was that on Wednesday afternoon, April 26, Ford Crane led to the altar, Miss Bernice Blake of this town. The marriage was performed by Rev. T. I. Coghlan at the parsonage and the wedding reception, Miss Blake was a popular young lady and the many valuable and useful presents attested to the fact. The young couple started that evening for Erie, where a furnished home awaits the coming of one of Pepperell's fairest brides, and a lonely home will welcome her.

Grange.

The thirteen members of Groton grange, living in town, are down on the grange program for the evening of May 9, and they held a committee meeting on Wednesday evening to decide on what to have. The committee thought that a shadow party would be the most fun, so every lady is asked to bring a May lunch for two and this includes every lady intending to come even as a visitor. The lady shadows are to be sold by auction by William Atchinson, who will auctioneer these shadows to the highest bidder. The proceeds of this sale will be placed in the linen fund.

Groton grange for a year past has presented grange couples with a handsome all-linen table cloth and napkins to match, as one member was married April 12 and as cupid is getting busy, more funds are needed to carry on the "home degree."

A large number from out of town are expected to hear the male quartet. The balance of the program will consist of papers, readings, current events and music. Silas Nokes will act as joker of the evening. Let every member in Groton please extend the notice and all patrons from everywhere are invited.

Boy Missing.

Albert E. Norris, aged fifteen, disappeared from his home in this town last Saturday, and his parents have requested the aid of the police in an effort to find him. John J. Monteith, chief of police, has worked hard trying to find the boy, but without success. He has sent out circulars describing the youngster, in which town officials and the police are asked to watch for him and send him back to Pepperell if he is found.

Young Norris is large for his age, and weighs about 150 pounds, has light hair, is of light complexion, with a rather flat nose. He wore a

brown suit and a blue cap, and carried a blue sash in a bundle. His mother is distracted over his absence from home and her health is disturbed by fears for his safety.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.
Charles E. Bradford has sold his farm to the Pierce Brothers of Lexington.

No. 1 school has opened, having been closed a week because of diphtheria in that district.

Mrs. McGee and Mrs. Flagg of Westminster, Oscar Withington of Ashburnham, and Lilelet Tenney of Stow were the Sunday guests of J. R. Cobleigh.

Charles Knight moved from the Willie Braman house on the hill, to the Nelson Cobleigh tenement near Boxborough station.

On Tuesday a severe fire burnt over one hundred and fifty acres of woodland, some heavily timbered.

B. C. Steele's mother and sister from Greenwood, N. S., are with him for a short time.

The Neighborhood club will meet with Mrs. Irving Duren.

Rev. and Mrs. Viets, Deacon and Mrs. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Richardson and Mrs. Dodge attended the Congregational convention at Harvard on Wednesday, April 26.

Miss Mary Nelson leaves on Saturday for Philadelphia, where she will spend a few days with a classmate. From there she will go to Washington to spend the remainder of the week with Rev. Nathan Thompson's family. Mr. Thompson is a former pastor here.

George Keyes is home for a few days upon a forced vacation, being sick.

The joint meeting of the school committee of Stow, Maynard and Boxborough was held at Maynard last Saturday and Superintendent Francis Blich was unanimously elected for the following year.

The C. E. society held a travelers' supper in the church on Wednesday evening. The party after leaving Boxborough, took meals at Boston, Berlin, Jerusalem, Manila and arrived home at eleven o'clock, after a very enjoyable trip.

Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Burpee C. Steele and son Russell, was held at the church on Friday afternoon. Scarcely do we have as large a gathering as met there to show their sympathy for the bereaved family. Rev. F. H. Viets officiated and his remarks were deeply impressive. A quartet, composed of Arthur Nelson, Simon Hager, Mrs. F. H. Viets and Mrs. Edgar Mead rendered several selections.

Following is the list of floral tributes: Mrs. and son, B. C. Steele; piece, "At rest," Mr. Walker and family; spray of carnations, J. B. Priest and family; wreath, Mrs. Timpany and family; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Veazie; spray of carnations, Albert and Roy Veazie; pink carnations, E. E. society; tea roses, C. E. society; two sprays of sweet peas, P. of H.; Easter lilies, L. H. school; large wreath, senior class, L. H. school; piece, "Sweet children," dark carnations, C. T. Wetherbee and son; white pinks, George Bagster; spray of pinks, George Wilson; arbutus, Mrs. Emma Ireland; pinks, Knight family; Easter lilies, Mr. and Mrs. George Keyes and Mrs. Stoddard; spray of carnations, Jessie, Alice, Grace, piece, Adams; Mrs. W. F. Lane; Miss Hazel Thompson, Mrs. E. P. Shores, Mrs. J. L. Nutting, Miss Blanche Baldwin, Miss Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Josselyn, Miss Bertha Spaulding, Miss Ella Wilder, Miss Alice Welch, Miss Mary Moran, George Donahue, Stephen Keefe.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor.
Mrs. Bryant returned on Wednesday from Boston, where she has been visiting friends.

Henry Lund of Fitchburg is visiting his cousin, Walter Brown.

The As You Like It club, at its last meeting, was entertained at Fairview farm with Mrs. Lawrence Morgan as hostess.

Mrs. Warner's sister and little daughter from Manchester-by-the-Sea are guests at Charles Warner's.

Orin Ball's house is undergoing repairs and will soon be in the hands of the painter.

Miss Ellen Harvey, after a week's vacation at home, returned to Englewood last Sunday.

Miss Carrie Hager was home for the nineteenth and attended the drama and dance in the evening.

The heavier lumber gotten out by the Blanchard sawmill is now thoroughly seasoned and is being drawn to the Harbor ready for shipment.

Mrs. Lorenzo Doran, who has been sick for the past two weeks, is rapidly recovering. Her daughter Mary from Fitchburg is in attendance.

Mr. Lesure of the firm of Allen & Lesure, Fitchburg, with Mrs. Lesure, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Seales on Thursday.

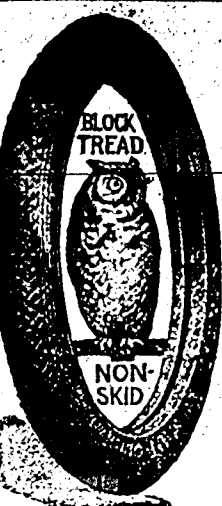
William Smart, with Mr. Hager as his assistant, has contracted for the teaming and loading on the cars of all the lumber gotten out by the Dubols sawmill.

Mr. Greenough and family, who for several months have been living in the Taylor house, moved on Wednesday into the Cyrus Lane cottage. Friends of Mrs. Baldwin from New York State will occupy the Taylor house for the summer.

Mrs. Charles Warner was recently called to Boston by the death of a younger brother. Before returning home her remaining brother, who attended the funeral with her, was taken suddenly ill and died of heart failure.

Mr. Sherman, with his family, is about to return to Westford as he expects to draw the last railroad ties from the Dutton lot this week.

On Saturday, Harold Locke of New York city, pleasantly surprised his friends at Pinehurst by unexpectedly arriving on the evening train. Mr. Locke remained till Monday noon, when he returned to his place of business by the way of Boston.



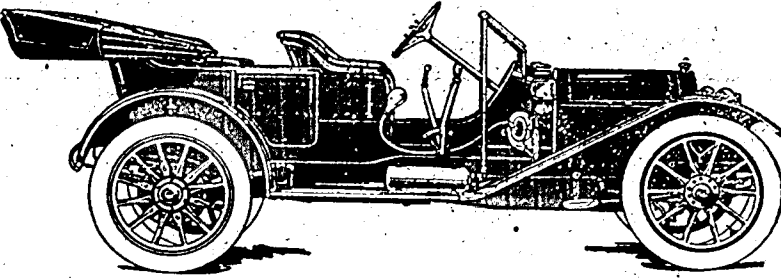
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On Wednesday, the Allen school of West Newton was shut out by Lawrence academy 14 to 0. Harry Knight of this village, who is a student at the latter school, pitched for the academy team. In the sixth inning the Groton team made seven runs. Owing to the big score by the Lawrence boys, but seven innings were played.

Final Meeting.

The final meeting of the C. C. Whist club for the season of 1910-11, was held at Cape Corner hall on Friday of last week, with Will Cooper and Lorenzo Doran as hosts. As very friendly relations have been sustained with the West Groton whist club, the suggestion was carried out that the members of that club be invited as guests with N. G. Proctor, who is also a member of the West Groton club, as assistant host, aided by Mr. and Mrs. George Jones. At 8:30 every seat at the fifteen tables was taken and the game continued till eleven, at which time refreshments were served. The reading of the tallies gave Mrs. E. P. Shores first place, with a score of 36. One less point made Mrs. Isabel Wiggin a close second. Of the men, George Bixby stood at the head with a score of 35. With A. W. Lamb and Lawrence Morgan honors were easy with a score of 34 each. Miss Hazel Thompson and Frank Cottrell made the least number of points during the evening—seven and fifteen respectively. At 11:30 a march-german opened the dancing which lasted till nearly two.

Invited guests other than the West Groton club were: Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bixby, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Adams, Mrs. W. F. Lane, Miss Hazel Thompson, Mrs. E. P. Shores, Mrs. J. L. Nutting, Miss Blanche Baldwin, Miss Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Josselyn, Miss Bertha Spaulding, Miss Ella Wilder, Miss Alice Welch, Miss Mary Moran, George Donahue, Stephen Keefe.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McGuire returned home Thursday after a visit of over two months at San Diego, Cal., and Seattle. They visited their son in the former place and a brother of Mr. McGuire at the latter. They report a delightful trip.

LITTLETON.

The Back Log club will give a May party at the town hall on Friday evening, May 5. There will be dancing in the upper hall from eight to two o'clock. Thayer's orchestra will play. Whist in the lower hall for those who do not care to trip the light fantastic. A small admission fee will be charged. Ice cream and cake will be on sale.

Unintentional omission was made last week of the proceeds netted at the King's Granddaughters' table at the K. D. Easter sale. Ten dollars was realized, and that sum will be given to the Floating hospital. Good work and good results for these enterprising young ladies scarcely in their teens.

The high school baseball team was defeated by the Ayer team last Saturday. The score was 12 to 6. The Littleton boys will play Pepperell high at Pepperell this afternoon.

SHIRLEY.

Altruism.
The Altruism club were most delightfully entertained on Wednesday evening by the Shirley chapter, D. A. R., at the Universalist vestry. The room was finely decorated with flags

and flowers. The reception committee, Mrs. Minnie L. Allen, regent; Mrs. Mary L. Hazen, vice regent; Mrs. Abbie J. Wells, sec.; Mrs. M. J. Harlow, registrar; with Mrs. Haskins, regent of Fitchburg chapter, were in line beneath the American flag and received their guests as introduced by the ushers, Mrs. E. E. Edgerton, Miss Mary A. Hobbs, Miss Mary Parks and Miss Gertrude Conant. The entertainment, in charge of Miss M. A. Hobbs, consisted of piano and vocal duets by Miss Green and Arline Wilbur, the Misses Hardy and Sanderson of Ayer, Miss Hobbs then introduced Mrs. Adeline Ferguson, a member of the John Hancock chapter and Matron of the Conservatory of Music in Boston, who gave a reading on the "Patronism of women." A social chat followed, while the members and daughters of the D. A. R. served a dainty lunch of ice cream and cake.

The ladies were all elegantly gowned, and happy faces reflected the enjoyment of the occasion. Many thanks are due the D. A. R's.

AUCTIONS.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell on Monday, May 8, at nine o'clock a.m., twenty-five cows, heifers, bulls, four horses, farming tools, wagons, etc., also a variety of household goods, belonging to Dexter Spinyne, North Acton.

A. A. Ell-brown, auctioneer, will sell by public auction on Saturday, May 6, at one p.m., the personal property of E. Merriman of Shirley. Sale positive, rain or shine.

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