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## BOXBOROUGH.

**News Items.**  
Miss Elizabeth Hager of Clinton visited her grandmother, Mrs. S. P. Dodge on Monday.  
Willis Gooche has gone to Maine on a business trip, during his absence his wife and daughter will visit Mrs. Lithgoe in Newton.  
Miss Susie Littlefield spent Sunday at the Littlefield farm.  
Mrs. R. Y. Nelson went to Silver Hill Tuesday to visit her daughter.  
Telephones were recently installed at Lewis Richardson's and Syndicate farm.  
Miss Gale, teacher of No. 1 school, was called to her home in Gloucester on Monday by the serious illness of her father.  
Three cases of scarlet fever have appeared in the Fleurra family. On this account No. 4 school is closed. No. 2 also closed, as the teacher, Miss Annie Sherry, is sick with pneumonia. Last Thursday night the men were

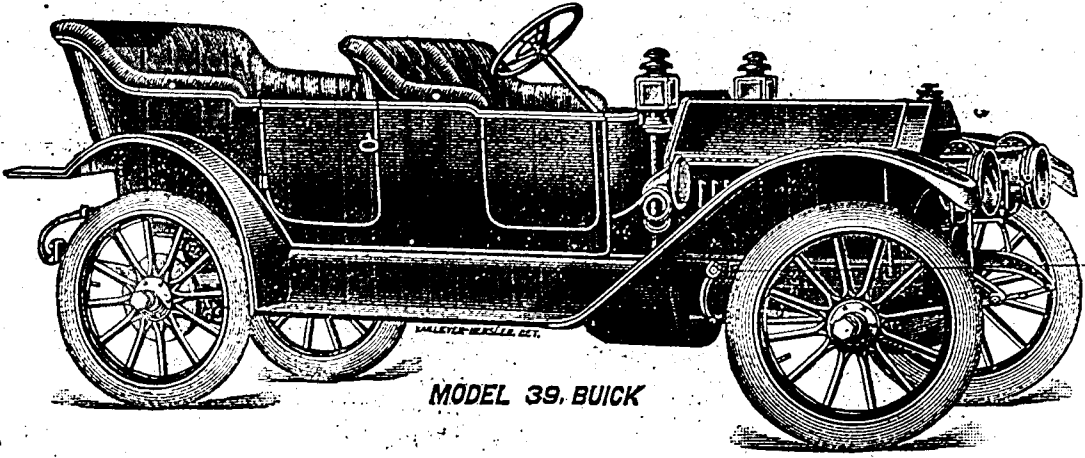
called out to fight another fire, which originated in Mrs. Page's woodlot on the State road. While working there Ira Whitcomb fell and dislocated his elbow. This will give him quite a vacation from his moth duties.  
John Whitcomb, Arthur Wetherbee, George Wetherbee, Willie and Eddie Braman took an outing in Boston on Wednesday. It is not known whether they enjoyed "The world in Boston," of the wild west show.  
Mrs. Clara Waldron and two daughters were guests at Walnut farm on Sunday. Mrs. Abbie Raymond, with her son as chauffeur, brought them from Somerville in her automobile, and after leaving them spent the day with her brother, Arthur Wetherbee.  
We are glad to report that all the members of the Steele family are on the road to recovery and out of doors.  
C. H. Bradford has bought the Walter Mead place in West Acton and took possession last Tuesday. We regret losing such a pleasant family from our town where they have been a great addition to our social life.

## Spring & Summer Clothing

Young men who are first in the field when it comes to clothes, should see the new Spring Styles we are offering. The Shape-Maker Model in Suits; the Liveliest, Smartest Style ever offered to men of exacting tastes in clothes.  
Hart, Schaffner & Marx designed it, and they are the exclusive makers of it. The Shapemaker and the Varsity are two of the best styles.

Look at the New Models in our windows and then come and let us put you into some of them. Suits, \$10 to \$24. Top and Rain Coats, \$10 to \$20.  
We also have a Complete Line of Furnishings, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes.

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MODEL 39, BUICK

## Facts Don't Lie

In last week's ad. in this paper, of another Car, you will notice the following: "E-M-F '30' parts cost 25 per cent. less than those of any other car." I have a bill of parts purchased of the E-M-F Co. last week, which you will find given here, and also the price of the Buick parts for same articles.

Buick	E-M-F
Outer Roller Bearing Sleeve, .85	Outer Roller Bearing Sleeve, \$1.50
Rear Axle Shaft, \$2.70	Rear Axle Shaft, 5.00
Roller Bearings with cage, 1.90	Roller Bearings with cage, 3.00
Outside Front Wheel Cones, .45	Outside Front Wheel Cones, 1.00
Ball Cups, .50	Ball Cups, .50
Retainer Rings, .05	Retainer Rings, .10

The Buick Axle is one-quarter of an inch larger than the E-M-F, which I have compared. The Roller Bearings on the Buick are also a little larger. The bearings are the same make and style.

These prices are on a Model 21 Buick.

These are facts. You can draw your own conclusions.

## Second Hand Cars

One 1908 four-cylinder Corbin with magneto, top, wind shield, Prest-o-Lite tank, two extra tires, one new tire, all the rest are good tires, \$500.00.

One small 2-cylinder Maxwell, '09. One 1910 2-cylinder Reo.

One 1911 Buick Roadster, Model 16, good as new, with top, speedometer and extra tire.

## E. O. PROCTOR, Ayer, Mass.

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Finds Us in Stock on the Following Goods

Swift's Animal Fertilizers  
Chemicals and Land Limes  
Lima and Sulphur Solution for Spraying  
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Myer's Barrel Spray Pumps

Chick Feeds, Water Founts, Mash Hoppers and Lullaby Brooders,  
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A full line of White Mountain Seeds, 99 percent purity, especially White Mountain Seed Oats, 97 percent germination, guaranteed the cheapest and best Oats to sow for a crop.

Also, a full line of Grain, Flour, Feed Stuffs, Hay and Straw.

Don't Forget the Price of Coal Went Down April 1

A. E. LAWRENCE & SON  
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## HARVARD.

**News Items.**  
Visited in town over last Saturday and Sunday, Nelson Blanpied and Mrs. Tyler Rogers of Saxtonville.  
Dr. H. B. Royal, Ellery Royal, Miss Mildred Fairbank and Miss Mildred Carmen attended the interscholastic meet at Worcester on Saturday last. Kent Royal, who is a student at Worcester academy, won third place in the low hurdles.  
Abel Willard, who has had a well-driving machine on his place several weeks, boring for water, has at last succeeded in getting a fine supply at a depth of 212 feet.  
Dr. Paul Thorndike has opened his summer home "High Hills," here for the summer season.  
E. P. Cleaves is building a house on Oak Hill, near the old schoolhouse, for Mr. Chamberlain of Belmont, a relative of Alfred C. Fuller.  
The cottage house of Miss Emma Willard has been rented to Mrs. Norwell of Cambridge, who is now occupying the place for the summer.  
Franklin Lawton of Ayer is digging a cellar for a new large hay and stock barn for Albert A. Pollard, to be covered in by haying time.  
Leon Dadmun and family expect to open their cottage on Lovers' Lane for the season about June first.  
Cyrus Whitney of Wilton, N. H., has found an oak leaf which he thinks would be hard to beat for size. The leaf measures 8 1/2 by 12 inches.

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## Distinctive Clothing For Men



In ready-to-wear apparel for Men and Youths, this store is always among the leaders. We are offering to Men of discrimination and taste a splendid stock of correct up-to-date Clothing. Clothing of character, made of honest fabrics, cut in the correct styles and finished with all the care and appearance of custom tailoring.

We have the exclusive sale in this section of the well-known and reliable clothing made by A. Shuman & Co., of Boston.

We have special lines of clothing for the young men cut in the very latest styles and made by some of the leading makers of good clothing in the country.

We have a most complete line of plain Blue Serges and also Blues with fancy stripes which are so popular just now.

We give you splendid values with every suit. Every suit guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Men's Suits, \$8.47, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20, \$22

Young Men's Suits, \$8.47, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20

Blue Serge Suits, \$10, \$13.50, \$15, \$18, \$20

### The Newest Styles in MEN'S LOW SHOES

**Men's Gun-Metal Oxfords**—Made in blucher cut and in several lasts with different styles of toes. We have such well-known makes of good shoes as O'Donnell, Douglas, Barry and Curtis, all good reliable makes.  
Prices: \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00

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Every kind of hose for Men and Boys, in plain and fancy styles and in heavy, light and gauze weight. You will find here the well-known Shawknit, Interwoven and Everwear line of Hosiery. None better made in the country.  
Prices: Plain Tans and Blacks, 9c., 15c., and 25c. Fancy Colors, 15c., 25c. and 50c.

### FINE NECKWEAR

Our assortment of new and exclusive effects in summer neckwear is unequalled in this section. All the new colorings and new shapes.  
Prices: 25c. and 50c.

### FINE SHIRTS

Our assortment of fine shirts is the largest in this section and our makes are among the very best in the country. You will find here the well-known Monarch, Stag and Hathaway makes, all thoroughly reliable. The styles include the new things for this coming season.  
Prices: 50c., \$1.00 and \$1.50

You will find here the very latest thing in shirts,—the negligee shirt with French cuffs, and the new soft collar to match same.

### Correct Styles in MEN'S FINE HATS

**New Spring Derbies**—We are showing an extensive line of all the latest shapes for spring, including the well-known Lamson & Hubbard Hats for men.  
Prices: \$1.98, \$2.50 and \$3.00

**New Soft Hats**—Our assortment of soft hats is very complete and comprises all the correct styles in shape and colors.  
Prices: \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$1.98

**New Golf Caps**—A splendid variety of Golf Caps in the new full shapes and made in the most popular colors. The new full crown, which will appeal to the young men is here.  
Prices: Men's—25c., 50c. and \$1.00  
Boys—25c. and 50c.

### FINE UNDERWEAR

**Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers**—Made of fine Egyptian Cotton: shirts made with long or short sleeves; and drawers made in regular cut and stout cut.  
Prices: Men's—25c. and 50c. Boys—25c. per garment

**Porosknit Underwear**—Shirts made short sleeves, and the drawers made in ankle or knee length; also, the Union Suit, made in ankle or knee lengths.  
Prices: Boys—25c. per garment  
Men's—50c. per garment  
Boys' Union Suits, 50c. per suit  
Men's Union Suits, \$1.00 per suit

**B. V. D. Athletes' Underwear**—Made of nainsook. Shirts are sleeveless and drawers are cut knee lengths; also, Union Suits.  
Prices: Men's—50c. per garment  
Men's Union Suits—\$1.00 per suit

**Union Suits**—We have a full-line of Derby Ribbed Union Suits for men and boys. You will find here such reliable makes as Cooper's, Carter's and Price's, all first-class makers. They come in regular cut and also in stout cut.  
Prices: Men's Union Suits, 69c., \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75  
Boys' Union Suits 50c. and 75c.



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### WESTFORD.

**Center.**  
Mrs. Andrew S. Wright has returned to her Westford home for the summer and her niece, Mrs. Thornton Lewis, is staying with her. Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright and family, who have been occupying Mrs. Wright's house, have moved to the picturesque log cabin on Prospect hill.

Mrs. Mary E. Mitchell of Cambridge, who has had so serious a time with a broken ankle for many weeks, has recovered sufficiently to get about on crutches. Mrs. Mitchell is Mrs. Homer M. Seavey's mother, and has many interested friends here.

Mrs. Joseph E. Knight entertained the teachers at her home last Thursday with a supper party, followed by a pleasant social evening. Those present were Misses Norris, Lawrence, Fisher, Burnham, Grant and Crocker; also, the teacher from the Parkerville school.

Mr. Lindsey, who has been foreman at the Brigham farm, removed his goods and family last week. The household goods were taken over the road in a very large auto truck. The new man who assumed charge at the farm is a Mr. Green, who has been at work for the past two weeks.

Mrs. G. W. Tarleton and little son from Ohio are visiting at the Congregational parsonage. Mrs. Tarleton and Mrs. Wallace are sisters.

Miss Grace Lambert is in Lowell, Miss Mary Moran in Littleton, and Mrs. Alice Lambert in Graniteville, all busy with their helpful mission as nurses.

Mrs. Ida M. Gould and Mrs. Daisy Colburn have been spending a few days this week at South Framingham and Boston.

Miss Lucy Raddin, one of our former popular teachers, spends this week-end with her old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Knight.

One of the trying features of the prolonged drought, is the effect on the extensive and valuable shrubbery and young trees that have been placed in the park and which no amount of artificial wetting down can take the place of the good rains, so much needed.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney and Miss Emily F. Fletcher, formerly calling on Roy B. Wheeler, formerly of Westford, while in Denver on their recent western trip.

The Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans met at the Cavalry Association building on Monday evening and made further arrangements for Memorial day, full notice of plans of which will appear next week.

Miss Edith Lawrence of the academy teachers, has been enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. G. C. Lawrence of Campbell this week. Mrs. Lawrence was a guest at the Tadmuck club on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Alec McDougall is at the Lowell General hospital where she underwent an operation for appendicitis on Thursday of this week.

Miss Emily F. Fletcher, who returned recently from an extensive western trip, has placed in the library an illustrated book of San Diego, Cal., issued by the San Diego fire department. This is of interest from the fact that George R. Harrison is the president of the Board of Fire Commissioners of that place, and a fine picture of him is in the book. Mr. Harrison was a Westford boy, who went west when young and has made good. He visited his home town last summer and took great interest in our beautiful library and many other improvements.

Mrs. Charles Hinton of Philadelphia, Pa., who has been spending a two-weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Ralph Bridgford, left town last Saturday to join her husband in Coboes, N. Y.

Warren E. Carken has been appointed inspector of faucets and pipes by the directors of the Westford Water Company, and will visit every water taker in town.

The new officers for Westford Athletic association for this season are Alfred W. Hartford, manager, and Edward S. Hamlin assistant manager. The season will start on Memorial day and extend to September 15.

The inscription has been placed on the boulder at Whitney park this week. The lettering is cut into the rock and follows the circular outline of the top of the boulder. The inscription is significant in its simplicity and reads: Whitney Playground, 1910.

**Burro Here.**  
A rather unusual little visitor arrived at Westford station one day last week. This was a little western burro who had been sent all the way from Manitou, Col., by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, which they acquired during their recent trip. Word was sent when he got to Ayer that he had got as far as that and had kicked his crate to pieces enroute. This was repaired and he was transferred to the Stony Brook train for the last lap of the journey and no doubt this little Rock Mountain canary was just as tired and homesick as many a human traveler after a long trip. He is now getting rested and acclimated at the Whitney summer home. An unfortunate and amusing circumstance is the decided dislike horses seem to have for him and the caretaker sees to it that they are kept a safe distance apart.

**Tadmuck Club.**  
The last event in the Tadmuck calendar was the final social which took

place on Tuesday evening at the Unitarian parlors. This was a guest night and as most of the members who could, invited their husbands, it was rather gentlemen's night. There were about one hundred and twenty-five present, the beautiful spring evening making it easy for all to come. The rooms were prettily and simply decorated with spring flowers. Miss Sarah W. Loker, the president, presided, and concert program was given by Misses Gertrude and Julia Fletcher with their fine quality Victor machine, and Miss Leah A. DeMerritt of Lowell entertained with a group of readings.

After the program, ice cream and cake was served, and a social hour enjoyed. Among out-of-town guests were Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, president of the Littleton Woman's club, with Miss Emma Tenney, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Conant, Mrs. Florence B. Wilcox, Mrs. Grace Lawrence, Miss Mary Hager, Dr. Christie and Harold Conant. The last seven came in a group in the Conant automobile. Also present were Dr. Underwood of Groton, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Fisher of Lowell. The efficient committee in charge were Mrs. Edward Fisher, Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, Mrs. S. L. Taylor and Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth.

### Tennis.

The new tennis court at the Whitney park is making its object of beautiful recreation and enjoyment very evident these pleasant days. Every afternoon finds a group of players and some pretty skillful games and some of more amateur fashion are engaged in. A pretty addition to the Frost school building is seven flourishing window boxes attached along the southerly side. It is an interesting sight to see the children of the schools practising for their dedicatory festival which will take place on Saturday, May 27, or if this day should prove very stormy, the plans will be carried out on Monday following, May 29. This will be better than postponing one week, provided postponement is necessary, for many are expected in town for the occasion. This is to be an event of much interest. There will be sports in the morning—tennis, baseball, etc., and the dedicatory celebration in the afternoon, with many interesting features. A cordial welcome is extended to all interested parents and friends to be present.

### New Books Added to the Library.

Dunne, F. P. Mr. Dooley says 817 D5  
Farmer, F. M. Boston cooking school cook book 641 F  
Fraser, Mrs. M. F. Diplomat's life in many lands BF542  
Keller, H. World I live in 152 K  
McCook, H. C. Ant' communities 635 M1  
Maeterlinck, M. Bluebird 842 M  
Marden, O. S. Be good to yourself 170 M  
Randall, J. H. and Smith, J. G. Unity of religions 230 R1  
Robinson, J. H. Poultry craft 636 R1  
Steiner, E. A. Against the current 632  
Stern, R. B. Neighborhood entertainments 790 S  
Stevens, F. L. Diseases of economic plants 251 S

### About Town.

The peach orchard of Eben Prescott on Francis Hill has made affidavit that it will pay its debts this summer.

The academy high school will give a dance on Friday evening, May 26, for the benefit of a good time. The Colonial orchestra of Lowell will furnish the music for the hoppers to hop by.

Some one has committed assault and battery on the stone arch bridge on the Stony Brook road and thrown some of the stone curbing into the brook and they have sunk to the bottom.

All of the stone and part of the lumber is on the ground for the new house for Edward B. Whitney on the Lowell road, west of Brookside corner.

The next meeting of the Fortnightly club is due next Friday evening. The programs are always taking, so come and be taken.

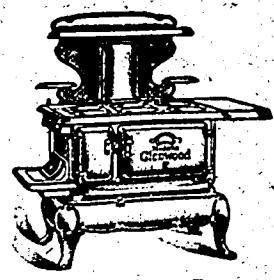
Pantry thieves as well as milk thieves are carrying on a business of midnight help yourself. For a bill of particulars for the pantry dare and do affair inquire along the easterly terminal of Main street from Fairview cn. They left no trace of their race.

The fire last week Thursday was in the timber lands of "Texas," the prairie region of Westford, near the boundary town lines of Acton, Littleton, Carlisle and Westford. The fire started about noon, and although Acton and Westford responded with liberal help, it was not subdued until morning. It is supposed to have started from an engine on the Nashua and Acton railroad. The continued drought and continued fires have led the selectmen to apply the emergency brake, forbidding any fires being set in the open.

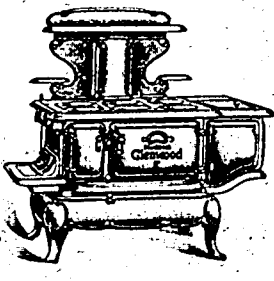
**First Dance.**  
The members of Stony Brook circle, West Chelmsford, held their first dance last week Friday evening at Marshall's hall, Westford corner, Lowell, North Chelmsford, Brookside, Westford, Graniteville, Forge Village, Littleton and the surrounding towns were right there in the hall when "Gilmore's orchestra of Lowell prevented anything like cold feet. For management, first, Miss Catherine Dunn, who was not outdone; second, Miss Eva Carlson; floor patrol, Miss Bertha Coburn; assistant, Miss Mary Flynn; chief of staff with rank of private, Miss Esther Johnson. This management kept everybody on the whirl of a stirring good time. This is the first of, more.

**Forge Village.**  
Percy Wilson, who has been out ill for a week, has now resumed work again.  
Fred Tonsignant has been suffering for the past two weeks with a lacerated hand.  
Miss Emily Catchpole and her sister, Mrs. Joseph Mason of Lowell, spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Blodgett of Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett and Miss Della Drake spent the week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Blodgett of Groton.



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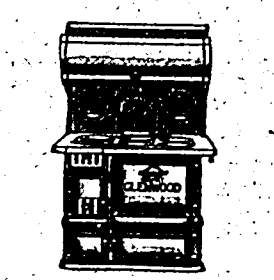


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Mrs. Joseph Mason and children of Lowell are visiting with her father, Henry Catchpole.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Morton. Among the out-of-town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. John Morton and Mr. Northrup of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. William French of Nashua, N. H., Miss Hattie Northrup of Pepperell, Mrs. Estabrook of Lowell and Miss Vaughan of North Billerica. The merry party broke up at a late hour with the hope that another pleasant reunion will be held in the near future.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met in Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon.

The annual church fair of St. Andrew's mission will be held in Recreation hall on Saturday afternoon and evening, May 20. The Ladies' Sewing circle and Girls' Friendly society are busy getting their tables ready. Fruit, candy, groceries, flowers, aprons and also plain and fancy sewing articles will be displayed for sale, together with the well-known "grab" table. It is hoped that a large number will take advantage of the fair which promises to be well worth attending.

Mrs. Miles Collins has returned from the Lowell General hospital, where she underwent a most successful operation three weeks ago.

Bernard Smith is visiting with relatives in Manchester, N. H.

### L. O. O. F., M. U.

Loyal Self-Help lodge, L. O. O. F., M. U., held its regular meeting last Monday night. Nomination of officers for the coming term took place which resulted as follows: Fred Davis, n. g.; Charles Flanagan, v. g.; Percy Wilson, elec. sec.; William Baker, per. sec.; John E. Burnett, lec. m. and chap.; William Burnett, treas.; William DeRothen, warden.

The first Sunday in June has been set apart as memorial Sunday and services will be held in St. Andrew's mission. All members and friends are earnestly invited to attend.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Dr. C. A. Blaney, the lodge physician, who was married recently, was presented with a solid brass mantel clock, Roman finish, Francis Loucher making the presentation speech in behalf of the order. Although taken completely by surprise, Dr. Blaney responded in his usual sincere and heartfelt manner and extended his thanks to the lodge generously.

### Graniteville.

The Graniteville baseball team met the Pawtucket Blues on the home grounds here last Saturday and defeated them by a score of 11 to 7. Dick Spinner, Gaudette and Stanley, batted well for the home team, while Jack Spinner brought the crowd to its feet when he lined out for a timely three bagger. Jack and Dick Spinner did the battery work for the home team, while Van Zant and Gamon were in the points for the Pawtucket Blues.

At the nine o'clock mass celebrated in Healy's hall on Sunday morning, Rev. M. E. Doherty preached an elegant sermon on the teachings of the Catholic church. His remarks were followed with deep interest by the large congregation present.

Mrs. Charles Eaton, a former resident here, but now located in Canada, has been renewing old acquaintances in the village where she has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Welsh.

Those who took part in the "Old folks concert," at the M. E. church on last Friday evening, are receiving the warm congratulations from their many friends on their success and there is some talk of having the concert repeated in some of the nearby towns in the near future.

Miss Engla Mattron and Miss Stella Shattuck are now visiting in Boston for a few days.

Edward Defoe is attending the convention of the Foresters of America, which is being held at Holyoke. Miss Florence Sullivan, clerk at Henry Healy's store, is also attending the convention.

Miss Fanny McCarty has been elected a delegate to the M. C. O. G. convention, which will be held in Worcester on Wednesday, May 24.

### HARVARD.

Reserved Its Decision.

The superior court, sitting in Newburyport, has heard evidence and arguments in the case of Newburyport Co-operative bank against the estate of Dr. Henry N. Stone, who was murdered in Harvard, for which Raymond Plouffe is serving a life sentence in State prison, having been sentenced after a jury adjudged him guilty in the superior court at Worcester in March, 1910, and the court reserved its decision. Dr. Stone, who was a

dentist, left a large estate, including shares in the co-operative bank, made out in the name of Frank W. Allen, and which the bank officials understood, they say, was personal property of Dr. Stone. They were claimed by the administrator of the estate and Allen, so the bank brought the suit to determine the ownership of the shares.

### To the Editor:

Economic exigencies over which, like so many of our people, I have only a limited control, make it necessary for me to say goodbye to your beautiful old town of Harvard this morning. I cannot go without at least saying that I do so with the firm determination to come back and I mean to sing the glory of this wonderful old part of Uncle Sam's domain wherever I go.

I have travelled all over the world and have for twenty years as a newspaper reporter literally combed the United States as I carried commissions for great New York and Boston newspapers. In that time I have slept wrapped in a Navajo blanket under the open sky in the southwest, lived with the "other half" in city slums; and enjoyed the antithesis of that experience at summer capitals with presidents of the United States; wintered at the Waldorf-Astoria of this country.

And were it possible for me to do so and the choice were mine to make untrammelled by any consideration I would say: "Give me Harvard and its glorious hills, its magnificent, invigorating climate, its Killarney lakes and dells, its kindly, cheerful, considerate people, both the old Yankee stock and the Americanized grafts of other peoples which flourish in it."

I bought the old Ellis Wetherbee farm now known as Orioland farm, in August, 1909, for \$6,000. I paid \$1,000 cash on the transaction. Before I had been four months on the farm I had sold \$948 worth of apples, \$150 in potatoes, and had over \$700 worth of the finest quality of English hay.

My second year saw an apple crop which I sold low because of my frequent absences from the farm on city business, but it brought me \$1,365; and I had \$900 in hay; \$100 in potatoes and of course the usual horn of plenty in small fruits one gains on these glorious, kindly old acres.

I have been exactly twenty-two months on the farm; in that time I have paid in all but \$3,000 on it and have taken in the larger crops the total of \$4,163; and concluding, I have sold the place (to my extreme sorrow and regret to leave it) for \$6,500. And it took just five days to find not one, but three men eager to buy at that price as Joseph Breck & Sons will testify.

There may be other places in the United States where one can buy such a farm with a thousand dollars in cash and gain such returns, but widely as I have travelled I have not found them.

May I just say one or two words in conclusion. To my neighbors, Thomas McNiff and his splendid family; to E. B. Brown; to Michael McNiff; to the proprietors of the splendid Harvard store, Messrs. Gale and Dickson; to Mr. Bigelow, the meat man; the mail carrier; to my friends Messrs. Thacher & Ireland and Mr. Kimball, of Conant & Company; to Mr. Hunt, the station agent at Littleton, and his most courteous and efficient lady attendants and Mr. Halpin; to Mr. Smith, the harness man; to the village blacksmith and fine old philosopher, Hugh McDonald; to all men and women who came in such a hearty, generous way to my auction, with their cheerful patronage and heartfelt and genuine God-speed; in fact to everybody I have had the privilege of meeting during these two happy years—I leave you with tears this morning. You have a little Paradise in Harvard and the adjacent towns, a place where values must rise rapidly and I hope to live to that rapidly approaching day when you will find your farms selling at many times their present value.

I may be pardoned if I confide the ambition to come back to this good old part of Massachusetts as a millionaire prepared to pay what one of these grand old estates is intrinsically worth and there shall I spend the rest of my days content.

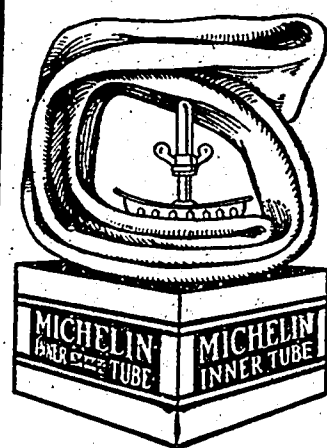
Tolstol, the immortal, wrote in one of his inspiring messages to men that God made the country; men the towns. Ah yes, my good friends of Harvard and your sister communities, God did make the country and nowhere in his limitless handicraft is there more convincing proof than right around where your good fortune places you.

With profound gratitude for the privilege of having had even a few months with you, I am sincerely yours,  
Geo. H. Gordon.

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### LITTLETON.

#### News Items.

Littleton people have attended "The world in Boston," in large numbers this week. Wednesday there were some eighteen or twenty who went from here to Boston for that purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer B. Canney and baby Ruth of Boston arrive at George Canney's today, and will spend two weeks. Mr. Canney will go back and forth daily between Littleton and Boston.

As a result of the visit of the lecturer on "Boy problems," J. Adams Puffer, at the high school on Tuesday afternoon, at least the patrol of Boy Scouts is likely to be formed in Littleton though they may not join the national organization for the present. One group of boys has been ready for a scout master for some time.

In the serious freight wreck near White River Junction last Sunday morning, the first name among those instantly killed was R. I. Webber of Ware, who was well known to a number of people in Littleton from his having been connected with the canning factory for a year. Rev. O. J. Fairfield, his former pastor, was called to Lexington where he was buried, to officiate at the grave.

Next Sunday will be observed as apple blossom Sunday at the Unitarian church with decorations in apple blossoms, and each person was requested to bring or wear a sprig of the blossoms. The sermon will be on "The lesson of the blooming life," and at its close there will be the admission of new members into the church. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The subject for the Guild next Sunday evening is the third name in the series on "A Unitarian hall of fame," "Thomas Jefferson," and the leader is Carlton Needham.

Saturday morning the alarm for fire startled our busy people, who had entered upon the duties of the day, but the call for help at P. M. Harwood's met with quick and willing response. Upon their arrival at Mr. Harwood's, however, the men found that the buildings which had been reported ablaze were as yet unharmed, but that a brush fire had spread beyond control of those who were tending it, and was rapidly approaching the henhouse. With the good force at his service, Mr. Harwood succeeded in conquering the fire in short time, but he was nearly exhausted from work and anxiety. Many who started for the scene of danger met those who had helped in the rescue on their return, and all were soon in their place of business again.

James Nixon, sr., and J. H. Whitcomb have a new automobile. William Healy is also the possessor of a new touring car.

Miss Margaret Thacher has recently entertained two Lassell friends at her home.

### LITTLETON.

Littleton people are sorry to learn that they are to lose two trains on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad. Beginning next Monday, the 5:57 a. m. train, going east, and the 9:15 p. m. train, going west, will be taken off. This will cause much inconvenience to Littleton people who go in large numbers to Ayer on the early trains to do their shopping and return on the 9:15 to Littleton, and most of those who have made use of the latter train are people whose business admits of their going to Ayer at no other time. Let us hope that the new time schedule may not always continue in use.

The teachers have been reappointed with the exception of Miss Katherine Schneider, who declined a reappointment because of her plans to change her profession.

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George F. Stiles and A. A. Filibrown, auctioneers, will sell by public auction on Saturday, May 27, at nine o'clock a. m., a large and valuable lot of personal property at the residence of the late Arthur H. Hoxford, Idlewild, Dunstable. Don't miss this sale as it is the most valuable and greatest variety of personal property ever offered by public auction for years.

### New Advertisements.

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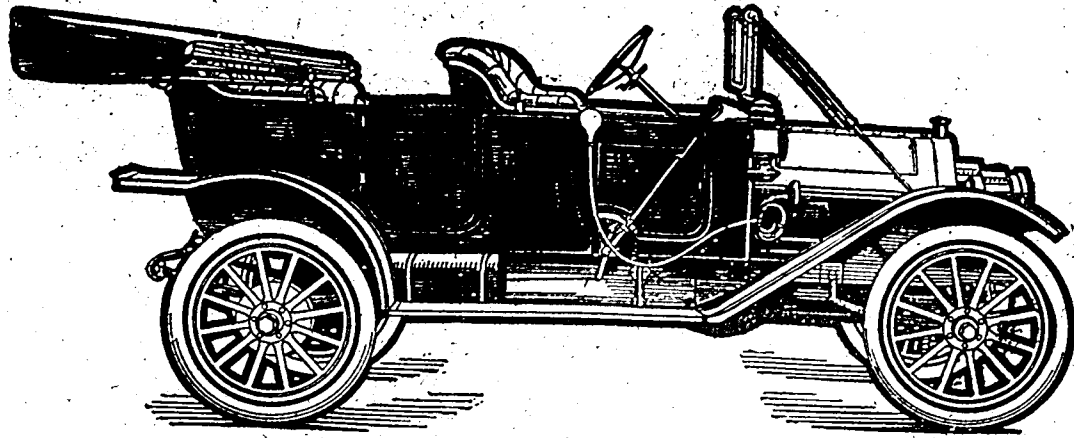
I ought to paint this year, and Devoe is up 50c., oil is up 60c., may be brushes are up and painters want more wages. Why not put it off? I know "cheap" paint costs more and wears less. There's only half-enough oil in the country, with tariff on flaxseed 25c. a bushel. Guess I won't wait for paint to come-down; might take too-long; fresh paint looks nice besides. I wonder how much the extra cost is.

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**SHIRLEY.**

Center. David Marsh is very sick with a hard attack of pneumonia.

Miss Etta Holden spent the latter part of last week with friends in Leominster.

Ralph Graves has been home from school for several days with a light attack of tonsillitis.

A large delegation from the Centre primary and grammar schools attended the reception given to the school children by the Altrurian club on Saturday afternoon at the Village.

W. Herman Schenk, while driving to the Village by way of the Benjamin road last Saturday morning, discovered the whole top of the hill on the Benjamin farm to be afire. He immediately went for the Shirley fire department, who extinguished it. It caught from a large tree which was struck by lightning during the thunder storm on Friday evening, and which had smoldered during the night.

Alice Gould and Alfred Gould of Lunenburg were guests of their cousins, Ruby and Merle Crockett last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor of Lunenburg spent Monday at Norman R. Graves.

"Longley homestead," nearly lost one of their horses on Sunday. It broke through the stable floor and could not get up, but had to be pulled up by pulleys and tackle. Fortunately the horse, "Black Beauty," received no serious injury, but will not be fit for use for several weeks.

Miss Elsie Bohanon of Hudson spent the first part of this week with Mr. and Mrs. Homer P. Holden.

The Girls' Sewing guild will hold their next meeting on Saturday afternoon, May 20, at the home of Mrs. Henry F. Grout.

A son was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harris, who recently moved into the Merriman farm.

Miss Hazel Cummings of Fitchburg high school spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Cummings.

Mrs. Eva Holden will entertain the Matrons' Aid at their next meeting on Tuesday afternoon, May 23.

Mrs. Wiksell of Roslindale spent Thursday of last week in town, to look after the storing of the furniture owned by her two sons, Hamilton and Philip, who are not to spend the summer here as usual, as there is no empty house available.

Rev. Howard A. Bridgman and family are moving this week to Brookline to spend the summer and autumn there with relatives. W. B. Ford and family of Cambridge have hired the

Bridgman house for the next few months. Mr. Ford is brother to Paul Leicester Ford, the famous author.

Charles P. Longley of Millbury spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Longley.

Mrs. Clinton Lovell of Henniker, N. H., is a guest at W. E. Barnard's for a few days.

Montgomery Harte of Cambridge spent several days at Helen M. Winslow's last week.

At the communion service at Trinity chapel on Sunday morning, May 14, Rev. Howard A. Bridgman delivered the address. Tomorrow the regular service will be held at 3.15 in the afternoon.

Mr. Stacey spent the week-end at Sidney A. Carter's.

Edward Adams of Worcester spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams, in order to attend the dance on Saturday evening.

Helen M. Winslow has had a telephone installed. The call number is 9-22.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Eray and daughters, Elsie and Beatrice of Brookline, spent the week-end in town.

The social dance which was held in the town hall on Saturday evening, under the management of Mrs. H. F. Grout, Myrma Carter and Harriet Winslow was a decided success. Music was furnished by Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell and ice cream and cake were served during the evening. Guests were present from Pepperell, West Groton, Shirley Village, Cambridge and Ayer. Another dance has been announced for Saturday evening, May 27, with the same music.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Ardie A. Adams, Ruth Graves and Margaret Evans attended the inspection of the Pepperell grange on Friday evening.

Mrs. Grace Winslow and Miss Elsie Kirby of Lynn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Herman Schenk.

Superintendent of highways, Henry Farnsworth, with a party of six men, is tearing down the old receiving tomb in the Centre cemetery this week. This tomb, which is very old, was done away with at the building of the new concrete tomb last autumn. The old engraved bronze door, which was a gift to the town from Mr. Whitney, and which is very valuable for its historic relations, has been preserved and set into one of the walls of the new tomb.

On Friday evening, May 26, one of those enjoyable Trinity chapel socials will be held in the town hall. The program, which will consist of music, dancing and singing, is under the management of Rev. Malbourne Birckhead of Groton School.

John Neat has returned home from Groton hospital where he has been suffering from a bad case of blood poisoning.

Charles Leavitt of Leominster is moving this week into the house recently vacated by the Sinclair family.

Mrs. Edward Farnsworth has been spending several days with friends in Fitchburg, and on Monday started on an automobile trip to Newport.

Miss Angeline Farnsworth of West Groton, who has just returned from a visit to Watertown, is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Melzer Farnsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Johnson of California, who until several years ago occupied the house now owned by Mr. Chevrette, are occupying the Willis house at the North. They intend to purchase a farm and settle here again.

William Thompson of Graniteville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Thompson.

Mrs. Adolphus Jenkins, who has been very ill with heart trouble, is slowly recovering.

George Farnsworth is still confined to the house with a hard attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Wallace Farnsworth at the East, has been added to the list of fire wardens.

**Forest Fires.**

On Sunday morning a forest fire started on both sides of the road, just beyond the house occupied by Mr. Jenkins, and raged for over two hours before it could be controlled. About ten acres of woodland containing some piles of wood were burned over. On one side the fire spread to the barn which stands near the bug-alow on the Almond Holden farm and for a few minutes things looked serious, but after hard work this was extinguished. A large number of men from the Centre, East, West Groton and the Bean lumber camp responded and were taken charge of by fire warden Buxton. Thanks are due Mr. Jenkins for the light lunch which he so kindly passed out among the fire-fighters. Sunday night the fire started up again and burned until morning when it was discovered by Mr. Jenkins, who immediately sent for help. The Shirley fire department responded and put it out after about one hundred acres or more of woodland had been burned over. The bugalow was again endangered, also the houses belonging to Mr. Jenkins and to Mrs. Hale. This is by far the largest fire that this section of the town has experienced for many years.

**Grange.**

Shirley grange held a very enjoyable and well-attended meeting on Tuesday evening, May 16. There were

visitors present from Groton, Hudson, Pepperell and Townsend, and part of the entertainment was furnished by the visitors. It was voted to have the next meeting, which is the children's day meeting, open to the public. An invitation was received from Harvard grange to visit their meeting on July 4. Mr. Jubb also extended an invitation to the grange to hold a picnic in his grove on July 4.

During the lecturer's hour, a long and interesting program was given as follows:

Song, arrange; address on "Community service," Mrs. L. E. Starr, master of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange; reading and encores, Fanny Howe; piano solo, Mrs. Atkinson; two readings, Miss Gillespie; song by all; solo, Shadrack Evans; piano solo, Ora E. Holden; reading, William Jubb; remarks for the good of the order, Mr. Proctor; Grange Journal, edited by George Farmer and Mrs. A. A. Adams; original poem, "Memories," Alice E. Cummings; vocal duet, Mrs. Homer P. Holden and Miss Elsie Bohanon; song, "Old Glory," by all. After the entertainment light refreshments of cookies and lemonade were served to all.

**DUNSTABLE.**

**News Items.**

Idlewilde, the fine estate of the late Arthur H. Hosford, is to be sold at auction on Saturday, May 20. It would make an ideal location for a sanatorium or hospital. The personal property of which there is a large and varied amount, will be sold on the following Saturday, May 27.

Mrs. Calvin Austin has returned to the summer home, "Calmore." Improvements still continue at this delightful place.

Several from town have been to "The world in Boston."

Rev. B. H. Weston and Dea. Kendall were chosen as delegates to the meeting in Haverhill this week.

Alice Chapman is reported to be quite ill with scarlet fever.

The Town Improvement association is arranging to give a drama during June, making use of the scenery recently purchased.

Large head galvanized nails are used for applying the Carpenter-Morton Brand Roofing. These nails make a neater and stronger fastening than the metal caps and wire nails usually furnished with most Roofings. Messrs. Conant & Co., Littleton will furnish free a booklet and samples of this Roofing.

**Telephone Changes.**

Ayer—Canney's Dining Room, 37-12; Austin Peters, 60; W. G. Lyon, changed to 132-2.  
Groton—Amos L. Ames, Jr., 61-11; Pepperell—Amos D. Mahony, 39-2; E. M. Comer, 14-13.  
Shirley—Helen Winslow, 9-22; Frederick Savage, Jr., 62-2.  
Harvard—H. W. Crooker, 47; John McDee, 32; Dr. Paul Thorndike, changed to 27.

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**CARD OF THANKS.**

The subscribers take this method of thanking all who rendered valuable assistance during the illness of our mother, Mrs. Mary Mullin, for their sympathy and for the beautiful flowers.

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GROTON.

News Items.

Rev. Sherrard Billings of Groton School officiated on May 15, at the marriage in Lenox of Mrs. Gwendolin Whistler Howell and Percy D. Haughton, head coach of the Harvard football eleven, who is a graduate of the Groton School.

Blanche Whitcomb Benedict was nine years old on Thursday, May 18, and had a nice little party of her playmates at her home that afternoon.

Rev. P. H. Cressy addressed the D. R.'s at their meeting on Thursday afternoon with W. A. Lawrence. His subject was "The sphinx," having given much time in thought and reading to investigation of this interesting subject. Mr. Cressy has arrived to the conclusion that the Sphinx was built 2800 B. C., by Chechren, the builder of the Second Pyramid, and that "The riddle of the sphinx" is solved.

The season of the ravages of the brown-tail moths here and a number in town are suffering from the rash or eruption which an application of sulpho-naphthol, in full strength or diluted, will greatly relieve.

The anniversary meetings of the Unitarian societies, and in which the Groton Unitarians are interested, will be held at Tremont Temple, Boston, May 22-26.

Horace H. Rockwood has bought of George W. Lewis, for a residence, the place now occupied by David E. Murphy and family.

F. F. Waters has bought an E-M-F "30" auto of the latest style and pattern. This will make six new automobiles bought this spring by Groton men.

George H. Cook and family from Lee, N. H., made a short visit this week at Charles Woolley's, Mrs. Cook's father.

Erasus Williamson of Hyde Park, who formerly was a prominent republican of this State, was recently asked by the Boston Globe for a description of the personal appearance of Gen. Grant at the time of the civil war. While he said he was not able to give that, he told of a meeting and conversation with Gen. Grant in November, 1882, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel in New York city. It was an unexpected meeting and when Gen. Grant learned that he was from Boston, he inquired particularly about Gov. Boutwell, formerly his secretary of the treasury.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Taylor and Miss Fanny Taylor enjoyed last week Thursday at "The world in Boston."

Ansel Shattuck's telephone number is 19-4.

It is reported that Dea. James Rowe has engaged board at Mrs. Elizabeth Ames' on Hollis street.

William Dupres has gone to Brookline, N. H., having work with his team there for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Graham bit town for their new home in Franklin, N. H., on Tuesday afternoon.

Robert Molson, the young son of George L. Molson, who has pneumonia, was operated on for empyema by Dr. Goodwin of Clinton, assisted by Dr. Priest last Sunday afternoon. A complete recovery may now be expected in three or four weeks.

Miss Helen M. Moore went last week for a visit to relatives in Princeton. Her niece, Miss Helen Belle Moore, joined her aunt this week Wednesday, and is also visiting for a few days in Princeton.

There was considerable excitement here on Tuesday night by the arrest of the four men—Charles Mansur, Paul Perrin, George Pierce and Faune Carkin. The arrest was made by Chief Riley and J. C. Shattuck, policeman. The offenders were placed in the lockup, but were bailed out and taken to Ayer court for trial on Wednesday morning. The details of the case will be found under the district court news, Ayer.

There has been as yet no positive sale of the John Gilson place up to this date, Wednesday, May 17, notwithstanding the widely circulated reports to the contrary.

Miss Jeannie Brown, the faithful and efficient, as well as genial cook at the Groton hospital, is soon to take a vacation. As she is a Highland lassie, Miss Brown plans to visit her old home in Scotland.

Mrs. E. J. Fletcher and family, who have been occupying the Dr. Gobie house through the winter and spring, will leave the first of June. They plan to occupy the Conroy cottage belonging to Lawrence academy for a few weeks until schools close.

Mrs. Charles Williams is suffering from a return of her former trouble and is a patient at Groton hospital.

R. M. Erving visited the new railway passenger station for the first time a few days ago, and took a picture of the building.

William Boynton has been for a few days driving around with James Dunphy on the American Express wagon, and may later take the position of driver.

The Art club pictures on exhibition at the public library until June 5, are "Days near Rome." These pictures follow the text of "Days near Rome," by Augustus J. C. Hare.

There was a regular meeting of the W. R. C. on Tuesday afternoon. Arrangements for the memorial season were talked over. Sunday, May 28, is memorial Sunday, when the corps are invited to attend services in West Groton. The Sunday following will be the memorial exercises at the cemetery for deceased members of the corps.

The C. E. society and mid-week meeting of the Congregational church had union services on Wednesday evening. H. W. Taylor was the leader.

Charles H. Gerrish and family went into camp at Baddacook on Thursday.

Mrs. Harriman, widow of E. H. Harriman the railroad magnate, with her

maid and chauffeur, were guests at Groton Inn for a couple of days this week.

Mrs. Trott, mother of Mrs. Mary Gould, has gone for a visit to her son at Monmouth, Me.

Mrs. Robert Forbes was called to Boston last week by the death of her oldest sister, Mrs. Henrietta E. Bourne, who passed away at her home in Auburndale on Wednesday, May 10.

Miss Hurd of Wollaston, a sister of Mrs. Estelle Collier, visited her at J. B. Raddin's last week.

Mrs. Samuel Raddin left last Saturday as planned, for North Waterboro, Me., where she will spend the summer.

Italian laborers on the railroad are at work now digging away the banks between the bridges on Pleasant and West streets, and there are some indications of work beginning on the bridges.

Mrs. Alice Peabody and Mrs. Carrie Norwill of the Ayer road, enjoyed a visit to "The world in Boston," on last week Friday.

The next meeting of Groton grange on Tuesday evening, May 23, will be in charge of William A. Woods. There will be "A question box."

Miss Ina Cobb, teacher at Melrose, will be a guest for a day or two of Mrs. Arthur A. Wood, coming Friday night, to attend the Groton high school play. Miss Blanche Perry of Concord, N. H., a sister of Mrs. Arthur Wood, will also be her guest, coming this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Parker and sister have hired Mrs. Mary E. Eaton's house on Hollis street.

It is reported that Mrs. Mary Eaton will leave Groton and go to Sherborn to live.

Marriage Anniversary.

The fortieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Smith was pleasantly observed at their home in North Groton on Saturday evening, May 13. The family gathered at the old home and besides these there were somewhere around fifty or more of Groton grange who were there to offer congratulations and best wishes. They were entertained most delightfully, enjoying music, whist and social intercourse, and refreshments of cake, delicious ice cream of different flavors and fruit. A large and elegant easy chair was a testimonial from the brothers and sisters of Groton grange, the presentation being very happily made by Mrs. L. E. Starr. The gathering broke up a little before twelve o'clock, and in coming and going had a delightful moonlight drive.

Accident.

Last Sunday, a lad some twelve or thirteen years old, a son of Frank Woods of Townsend, figured in a collision with an auto belonging in Medford, which was touring this way. The boy, who was riding a bicycle, attempted to pass before the coming auto, but was impeded by the sandy road, was struck and thrown, the front wheel of the auto passing over him. The boy was taken into Dr. Priest's office, who after examination found no bones broken. He suffered, however, a nervous shock, and was taken home in the auto by the owners, accompanied by Dr. Priest. The bicycle was badly wrecked.

The accident occurred on the road between Pepperell and Groton, near Mr. Hayes' place.

Death.

Henry A. Mansfield, a native of Groton, born on December 4, 1833, died at Waltham on Saturday night, May 13. His last illness was sudden, following a period of ill health. He lived here during his early life, being educated at the public schools and Lawrence academy. Mr. Mansfield was a grandson of old Dr. Mansfield, years ago a famous physician of this town. He was the only surviving brother of Mrs. Emma Mansfield Rankin, now of Arlington, children of the late Joseph Mansfield. Mr. Mansfield had a number of other relatives in Groton, among whom is Mrs. C. H. Bickford, a sister-in-law, who attended his funeral on Tuesday, May 16. The interment was in the family lot at Lowell. He is survived by a widow; three, two sons and one daughter, all three children being married.

West Groton.

Miss Kate O'Mealey of Leominster was a recent visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin O'Mealey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lamb are entertaining Mrs. Lamb's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bixby and daughter Dorothy spent the week-end and over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Bixby.

Elmer Small has lately returned from Florida, where he spent the winter. He is at present in care of his physician.

Frank Brown, who returned from the south at the same time, was expected here by relatives. He chose a different route, however, visiting his son in Providence, his family in Manchester, then going directly to Sheldon, Vt., where he is to be employed during the summer.

Going Wednesday morning Rev. and Mrs. Trowbridge and Charles Bixby spent that day and the following in Haverhill in attendance at a meeting of the Ministers' association.

It is reported that Miss Esther Jarvis has returned home after a long absence caused by the illness of the sister in Attleboro and lately by the presence of scarlet fever at her home. Miss Edna Bowles and Miss Hazel Thompson have exchanged visits this week, attending a dance in West Groton on Wednesday evening and the high school play and dance in Groton on Friday evening.

Lafayette Thompson is reported as needing his physician's care this week though not confined to the house.

Angelo Blood continues to be quite comfortable at Groton hospital. His friends are hoping for more decided improvement as a result of surgical treatment, which he is to undergo on Saturday of this week. Mrs. Blood has obtained board for a short time near the hospital.

Mr. Smith, father of Ellis Smith, is in his physician's care.

The Misses Nellie and Lillian Harrington attended a tin shower given Miss Gertrude Harrington of Ayer last Monday evening.

A new portable Estey organ, costing thirty-two dollars, has been bought by subscription and placed in the chapel. It was used for the first time on Tuesday evening at the mid-week prayer meeting in the vestry.

All soldiers and mariners of the civil war and their families or descendants are cordially invited to meet with the members of the local G. A. R. post and W. R. C. on Memorial Sunday, May 28, when at 10.45 a. m., religious services in honor of the nation's dead will be held in the Christian Union church in charge of Rev. J. P. Trowbridge.

More than sixty cards of invitation were issued this week to the little ones of the village for a cradle-roll party at the hall on Friday afternoon.

Considerable excitement was caused in North Shirley last Sunday by a fire on the place lately owned by Mr. Buckminster, better known, perhaps, as the Almond Holden farm. An alarm was sounded in West Groton and firemen and others responded. An hour or more of hard work checked the flames. The bungalow and garage still owned by Mr. Buckminster's son were saved, an outbuilding only being burned. Several acres were burned over. On Monday morning the flames were again in evidence and a large force of men were sent from Shirley, who were unable to subdue the fire before additional acres. It is understood, were burned over.

Mr. and Mrs. Delwin M. Shepley of Sheldon, Vt., with their little son Robert arrived in town on Friday of last week and have been guests at Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shepley. D. M. Shepley visited Boston and returned in a new Winton touring car.

The committee on the West Groton water supply called a meeting of the citizens last Tuesday evening. It was then learned that it will be impossible to obtain water from the Groton reservoir as the company, after considerable deliberation, have reached an unfavorable decision. The same committee was again chosen to consider and investigate other ways and means for the supply of water, which, in some way, West Groton must have.

On Thursday afternoon, May 25, the ladies of the L. A. society will extend a cordial welcome to all visitors at their sale in Squannacook hall. On the various tables will be displayed aprons, novelties, cut flowers and potted plants, candy and food. In the evening at eight o'clock there will be an entertainment in charge of the literary committee, consisting of songs, tableaux, reading and a short play entitled, "A change of color." On Friday evening supper will be served in the lower hall at 6.45, followed by a social and continuation sale.

SHIRLEY.

News Item.

At the business meeting of the Brotherhood of the Congregational church held on Wednesday evening in the church vestry, no business was transacted owing to the fact that a quorum was not present.

Elmer H. Allen started on Monday night on a business trip of a few days to New York city.

Emery Montville, who was operated upon at the Clinton hospital last week Friday for appendicitis, is recovering from the operation.

Mrs. Simon Guerin, who has been suffering with blood poisoning in her right arm, was taken Monday night to the Nashua hospital, as her condition became suddenly worse. The physicians are in doubt of her recovery.

A meeting of baseball enthusiasts was held in the casino hall on Monday evening to discuss plans for organizing an association. Michael Day, Harry Collier, Fred S. Brown and Frank Wheeler were appointed a committee to solicit for members. It was also voted to send a committee to Clinton on Wednesday evening where a meeting was held to take action on the forming of a baseball league which will include Leominster, Shirley, Clinton, Marlboro, Westford and possibly Fitchburg.

The Alliance met last week Thursday with Mrs. Agnes M. Holden. A good number of members and several visitors were in attendance. The topic for the afternoon was "Favorite poems," and nearly every one contributed something of interest. After adjournment the hostess furnished refreshments and the social hour was much enjoyed. Miss Holden has been chosen delegate to attend the National Alliance convention in Boston this month. The Alliance will meet with Mrs. Warren Wilson on June 8, at which time reports of delegates will be given.

During the thunder storm of Friday night of last week, a large tree on the Edgerton and Hyde farm was struck by lightning. It smoldered all night and the fire ate its way down the trunk of the tree and broke out in a blaze early Saturday morning. Help was summoned from the village and John M. Stevenson and others from the C. A. Edgerton Co., put the fire out. The tree was totally destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. James McMillan of Lowell were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah O'Neill over Sunday.

Memorial day patriotic exercises will be held at the schools at the Center on Thursday afternoon, May 25, at one o'clock. At the high and grammar schools in the village, Friday morning, May 26, at nine o'clock. At the Church street school, in the village, Friday morning, May 26, at ten o'clock. Representatives at these exercises will be present from the members of the G. A. R., S. of V., W. R. C., and the D. A. R. The public are cordially invited to all these exercises.

Comrades of George S. Boutwell post will decorate the graves at the village cemetery at 7.30 o'clock on Memorial day, and will arrive at the Center cemetery about nine o'clock. Dinner will be served the comrades this year at Harvard by Gen. Sherman's daughter, Mrs. Dr. Thorndike, at one o'clock.

At the session of the high school assembly held last Friday afternoon, the following program was rendered:

Piano duet, Eleanor Miner and Gladys Phelps; school paper by the editors, Alvina Wheeler and Elsie Holden; piano solo, Ora Holden; reading of a chapter of the story written by the class of 1912, the reporter.

Mrs. Ernest Harris went to Washington last Saturday, to spend a week or more with her daughter, Mrs. Shipley W. Ricker.

Frank Balcom of Baldwinville spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver W. Balcom.

Mrs. Charles McNally of Granville, N. Y., is spending a vacation in town with her daughter, Miss Gertrude McNally.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., holds its regular meeting on Monday evening, May 22.

D. Chester Parsons has been re-appointed to the position of advisory counsel of the grand lodge of the A. O. U. W., of New England.

Mrs. Kate E. Fernald has arrived at her home in Shirley from Riverdale, N. Y.

Louis Martin, employed at the C. A. Edgerton Co., has left town for his home in Richelieu, P. Q.

Phileas Bulger is confined to his home with a severe attack of the grippe.

Mrs. John G. Conant left Shirley on Tuesday for the remainder of the week to visit her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Peavey of Swampscott.

Walter Manning of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant first of the week, returning home on Monday with his two sons, Gordon and Conant, who have been spending a vacation with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant.

Rev. Mr. Freeman, a former pastor of the Baptist church, who has been engaged in missionary work in India for the past five years, has returned for a brief vacation, and on Monday evening an informal reception was tendered him in the Baptist church.

Dr. and Mrs. Percival Miller of Harwich were visiting relatives and friends in town last Sunday, making the trip in their auto.

Baseball.

An interesting game of baseball was played on the new baseball field last Saturday afternoon, a team from the young men of the suspender shop and a team from the young men of the Samson Cordage Works, the cordage team winning by a score of 9 to 3.

The baseball team of the Fitchburg Business college came to Shirley last Saturday afternoon and played a match game with the boys of the State Industrial school. The game was a very close one, the team from the business college winning the game by a score of 13 to 12.

Children's Day.

The Altrurian club observed children's day last Saturday afternoon, when two hundred or more of the children of the town assembled in Odd Fellows' hall and were entertained by the club ladies. The children were gowned in their prettiest and presented a picture that was imposing and inspiring. This event has become an annual affair and the children look forward to it with pleasurable anticipation and the ladies of the club spare no pains nor expense to have at least one day in the year when all the children of the town can meet together and be their guests.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Hattie W. Evans, the General Banks' Junior orchestra of Waltham furnished the music.

The exercises opened with F. O. Harrell of Waltham, the magician, who amused the children with sleight-of-hand performances, followed by a violin solo by Edgerton Polly, leader of the Banks' orchestra, who gave a selection from Il Trovatore.

Dancing commenced with a grand march and about one hundred children were in line. This part of the program was followed by exhibition dancing by the children under the direction of Mrs. C. R. White, which added to the enjoyment of the children and older ones.

Ice cream and cake was served and children's day came to an end with all of its festive significance to the children of the town in a very pleasing manner, reflecting credit on the ladies of the club for bringing so much gladness and sunshine into their lives.

Those in charge of children's day were Mrs. T. E. Lilly, Miss Lura White and Mrs. C. W. Wolff, entertainment committee, and Mrs. H. W. Brockelman, Mrs. G. S. Wells and Miss Gertrude Conant, hospitality committee.

Will Beautify the Town.

Through the courtesy and generosity of C. F. Edgerton, improvements are now being made which will beautify the town to a marked extent. In fact all the conspicuous grass plots in the town have been ploughed, cultivated and hedged plants. Men in the employ of Mr. Edgerton have been engaged in this work for the past two weeks. Mr. Edgerton has assigned one of his foremen, John M. Stevenson, to supervise this work. Mr. Edgerton has also purchased and given to the Altrurian club, twenty fine young maple trees which have been planted on Harvard road by E. Thornton Clark, head farmer at the Boys' Industrial school, who with the assistance of a number of his boys from the school, very graciously gave his services for this work. Mrs. Martha Conant and Mrs. Lydia R. Binney were the committee from the club who had the supervision of this work.

Birthday Observed.

William H. Cram of Center road attained on Monday the seventy-fifth milestone in life's journey and, in view of this fact, a reception was tendered him at his home that evening by a number of his neighbors and friends. The affair was very informal in character. Miss Blood, housekeeper for Mr. Cram, assisted in receiving. Mr. Cram was the recipient of hearty greetings and congratulations. Refreshments were served during the evening and many expressions of good will were voiced by those who have known the man during his long residence in town.

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Mr. Cram, who is a veteran of the civil war and a member of George S. Boutwell post, was born in Sharon, N. H., and has been a resident of Shirley for fifty-two years. During this half-century of residence he has held many town offices, including that of highway surveyor and constable, and at the present time is tax collector, and is also agent of the societies for the prevention of cruelty to children and of cruelty to animals, and has always conducted himself in a manner to command the esteem and respect of his fellow townsmen.

Mr. Cram has been married twice, but both of his life partners have passed on to the Great Beyond. He has one son and two grandchildren living. He has practically retired from active service and just attends to his duties as tax collector and other little affairs that requires no hard or strenuous effort.

Investigating Experts Report.

That extravagant plans for improvements at the State Industrial school for boys at Shirley, the industrial school for girls at Lancaster, and the Lyman school for boys at Westboro have been made by the commissions in charge of those institutions is the deduction drawn by Governor Foss from the reports which his investigating experts have made. The governor sent a special message to the legislature on Monday, covering his investigations into those institutions, and of the Shirley school he says:

"Taking up first the request for special appropriations for the industrial school for boys, amounting to \$124,285, I find that \$37,000 of this is for a central power, light and heating plant and it appears that this is only a part of a projected scheme of development, which, according to plan, would exceed a quarter of a million dollars. A central plant would require skilled engineers and necessitate considerable loss in transmitting heat to the individual cottages. At present these cottages are heated by furnaces, which are taken care of by the masters of the cottages themselves and by the boys. There is therefore, no excessive cost of attendance in the present plan and the running of the industrial education part of the boys' industrial school. Moreover, this question of a central heating plant was most carefully considered in New York state in 1909, in regard to the New York state training school for boys, by a commission, which reported in favor of heating the separate buildings individually. In Harnham's report concurs with that of the New York investigators.

"As to the present power and lighting plant, this is operated by one man with the help of the boys. I cannot approve of building a new central plant until it can be proved that it would be justified. This whole proposition appears to me to lack good business judgment.

"Furthermore, this school requests \$22,000 for a new cottage to accommodate thirty boys, and I consider the price extravagant for the purpose. It amounts to over \$730 per inmate.

"The balance of this special appropriation for the industrial school for boys is mainly on behalf of shop machinery and shop equipment and I approve this to the extent of \$10,000, with the understanding that the trustees must be held to a rigid accounting for the efficient use of this money in purchasing machinery and equipment that is positively needed, and that they must secure the regular maintenance appropriation of \$48,150."

Altrurian. The Altrurian club held the last meeting of the season at their club room on Thursday afternoon. Reports of all committees were given and much business transacted. The newly elected president, Mrs. Mary M. Nickless, was installed in office and the retiring president, Mrs. Mary W. Hazen, made a brief address, thanking the members for their co-operation and courtesy through the two years in office and referred to the pleasure she had experienced as president of the club. Mrs. Hazen also announced that her husband, Thomas L. Hazen, would donate a lot of land back of the library for the location of a club home.

After the meeting adjourned, Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman invited the ladies to visit with her and who kindly served a bountiful and dainty lunch. Mrs. Mary M. Nickless and Mrs. Mary W. Hazen poured. The afternoon was a very enjoyable one. L. R. B.

### New Advertisements.

#### ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a license of the Probate Court for the County of Middlesex, dated the 10th day of May, 1911, granted to Sarah A. Shattuck, Administratrix of the Estate of Sarah E. Kemp, late of Pepperell, the following described parcels of real estate will be sold at Public Auction, upon the respective premises, at 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock, on Saturday, June 17, 1911, to wit:

No. 1, at 2 o'clock. A certain parcel of land situate in the Paper Mill Village in said Pepperell on the west side of the street leading south past the house of Sarah A. Shattuck, containing 1/2 acre, more or less, and bounded: Beginning at the southeast corner thereof at land of said Shattuck; thence north by the aforesaid street to land of Leonard Elliott; thence west by said Elliott's land to land of Daniel Butterfield; thence south by said Butterfield's land to land of said Shattuck; thence east by said Shattuck's land to place of beginning.

No. 2, at 3 o'clock. A certain parcel of land situate in the eastern part of said Pepperell near the Stone Paper Mill containing about 1/2 acre, more or less, with the buildings thereon, and bounded: Beginning at the southeasterly corner thereof on Nashua St., so-called, at land of B. N. Stearns; thence northerly by said Stearns' land and land of F. H. Behrens as the fence now is, to land of Sarah E. Rowell; thence westerly by said Rowell's land to land of Moses Titus; thence southerly by said Titus' land to said Nashua St.; thence easterly by said Nashua St. to the place of beginning.

Terms will be announced at the time and place of sale.  
SARAH A. SHATTUCK,  
Administratrix.  
Pepperell, Mass., May 18, 1911. 3136



AYER.

News Items.

George Robarge, a freight conductor on the Fitchburg division, while attempting to get aboard the caboose of his train near Flanigan's crossing last Saturday evening, came forcibly in contact with a switch stand. He was taken to Dr. Sullivan's office where he received medical treatment. He went to Fitchburg, which is his home, on the 8.20 train. It is feared that he was injured internally. The injuries were confined to the upper part of the body.

The Captain George V. Barrett Sons of Veterans life and drum corps will play at the memorial exercises at Brookline, N. H., on Saturday afternoon, May 27.

Rev. J. W. Thomas and wife attended "The world in Boston," last week. Frank S. Bennett purchased of Miss Hattie A. Austin of Fitchburg, on Monday, the residence on Nashua street, occupied by C. H. Scripture. Mr. Bennett bought the property as an investment, and Mr. Scripture will continue to occupy it.

Mr. Phelps has recently bought of George Wadsworth of Lawrence, formerly a resident of this town, and son of the late Harvey S. Wadsworth, a woodlot in Mitchellville of forty acres, with a heavy growth of wood. It is situated on the hill north of the railroad tracks of the Fitchburg division. Some of the trees on the lot are one hundred years old.

Last Sunday afternoon, Mrs. J. A. McDonald was taken to the hospital at Groton and on Monday was operated on for appendicitis, and the surgeons found other serious and alarming conditions. Mrs. McDonald is in a feeble condition and at one time her life was despaired of, but the latest from the hospital is that she is holding her own and there is a chance for her recovery, unless something new sets in. Her husband is a blacksmith, and is in the employ of Frederick Whitney. The family a year ago came from Spring Hill, Nova Scotia.

By invitation, George S. Boutwell post, with W. R. C. and S. of V. will attend services, Memorial Sunday, May 28, at the Episcopal church at 10.45 a. m. All are requested to meet at G. A. R. hall at 10.30 a. m.

L. W. Phelps, the oldest long resident in town, observed his ninetieth birthday, Saturday, May 6, and during the day a number of his relatives, some from out of town, called upon him and congratulated him on reaching his ninetieth milestone. He enjoyed an auto ride that day.

Thursday evening, May 18, four were made members of Geo. S. Boutwell post—Henry Leavitt, H. H. Phillips, new members, and H. S. Clark and W. C. Norris, reinstated. All are residents of this town.

Mrs. Hanson M. Savage of Wollaston, a former resident of Ayer, who was Miss Bessie Kellogg, was a guest of Mrs. M. L. Savage, coming Thursday and returning to her home Friday.

Mrs. Geo. H. B. Turner is recovering nicely from the operation she underwent last week at the Woman's Charity Club hospital at Roxbury, and is expected to be able to return home in three or four weeks.

"The cattleman's daughter," and "A bad man's downfall," are to be the leading pictures at the moving picture show on Saturday night. Three of the latest illustrated songs will be sung by Al Caproni, a baritone singer of Boston.

A forest fire burned over a large territory between the Martell place on the Sandy pond and Balch's pond on Wednesday. An attempt was made to ring in the fire alarm from box 23, at the corner of East Main street and the Sandy Pond road, but the alarm did not sound properly. Through an apparent misunderstanding there have been no tests of the fire alarm service since the retirement of former chief, A. A. Fillebrown on May 1, and consequently the condition of the system was not apparent till it was tried on this occasion.

The doors on the town hall are being reset so as to comply with the State law, which requires all doors in public halls to swing outward.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a supper consisting of strawberry short cake with whipped cream, salads, baked beans, pickles, rolls and coffee, from six to eight o'clock, in town hall on Monday evening, May 22.

The high school team defeated Pepperell high in that town on Wednesday afternoon by a score of 12 to 5. The battery for Ayer was Donabue and Griffin, and for Pepperell, Sullivan and Chinn. The features of the game was catches by Brown and Fillebrown of the Ayer team.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker had as guest Thursday and Friday, her niece, Mrs. Clarence W. Wilson of Syracuse, N. Y.

The fruit store run by Harry Schwartz on Merchants row, and owned by his brother, Morris Schwartz of Lowell, was placed in the hands of a keeper by Deputy Sheriff Fillebrown on Tuesday in order to satisfy a Lowell creditor. The matter was settled on Wednesday, and the keeper removed.

In regard to the article in the warrant for the special town meeting on next Thursday evening, regarding provisions for laying the dust on the public streets, it may be authoritatively stated that unless some action is taken in that respect at the meeting, the streets will be drier than for several years, as the present street watering will be entirely discontinued.

Edward F. Kendall, who was killed in the wreck on the Central Vermont railroad, near White River Junction, Vt., last Sunday, was a nephew of John A. Kendall of this town. Mr. Kendall lived in Brattleboro, Vt., and was employed as a brakeman when the accident happened.

The dance given under the auspices of Ayer council, Knights of Columbus, in Page hall on Thursday evening, was largely attended and a pleasant time was enjoyed. Light refreshments were served.

Warren L. Preble has resigned as a member of the board of fire officers.

Mrs. William L. Deiming of Somerville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Cahoon.

James F. Ready of Worcester, a native of this town, and a son of the late John Ready, called on us Thursday. We had not seen him for forty-one years. When a lad he was employed in the printing office here in 1865. With his mother and other members of the family, he moved to Worcester in 1870, where he has since resided. He came to town on Wednesday and is visiting with William Galvin and his sisters—Miss Nellie and Alice Galvin, and expects to return to Worcester on Monday. While in town he has visited many of his old schoolmates.

A surprise party was given Miss Gertrude Harrington by twenty of her friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kinney last Monday evening. The occasion was a tin shower and many presents appropriate to the occasion were given. Refreshments were served, followed by a social evening spent in playing whist.

The condition of Mrs. W. N. Cowles, who is at the Elliot hospital in Boston, is much better and the improvement is very satisfactory.

Michael Hackett, formerly of Ayer, died at his home in Manchester, N. H., last week Thursday, where he had lived for the past eighteen years. He was a veteran of the civil war and was sixty-eight years of age. He was a brother of Mrs. Martin Carrigan of this town.

Wilfred Marion received a severe injury to his left foot last Saturday, caused by a railroad tie that he was carrying, falling on the limb. He is employed by the Boston Ice Company at Sandy pond. Dr. Sullivan attended him.

The W. R. C. will hold a rehearsal in town hall on Tuesday evening, May 23, at 7.30 o'clock.

A surprise party was given to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pillman by the members of Easter lodge, N. E. O. P., on Tuesday evening. John Washburn, in behalf of the lodge, presented Mr. and Mrs. Pillman with a punch bowl, glasses and a silver card receiver. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening spent.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Reardon are still at the Charlesgate hospital, Cambridge, where they are recovering from operations performed three weeks ago.

The first of the week, George J. Burns went to New York city to attend the National Machine Tool Building association, and is expected home on Saturday, May 20.

A special convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will be held on Tuesday evening, May 23. Work—Royal Arch degree. Lunch after the work.

Letters remaining uncalled for at the Ayer postoffice for the week ending May 18, J. G. Brown, W. H. Hopkins, Henry Taylor.

Baseball.

A game of baseball, which was supposed to be the rubber between Lancaster high and Ayer teams was played at the town park last Saturday. Each team had won a game and this was to be the deciding contest. The game had progressed five innings when it was discovered that the visiting team was using one, if not more, outside players, known in baseball parlance as "ringers."

Captain Felch of the local high team made known his suspicions to Principal Whitman, who immediately started an investigation. He asked the captain of the Lancaster team if it was true that he was using players other than those attending the high school, and the captain made no reply. Mr. Whitman persisted, however, and told the captain that he would take means to find out the truth of the matter from the principal of the Lancaster high school. The silence of the leader of the visiting team was evidence that the team was not a school nine. Finally he said that if the Ayer team wished, they could put Kidder in to pitch to match their man. This was done and after that young man began to pitch there were no more scores for Lancaster high. The final score was 8 to 6 in favor of the visiting team.

If the Ayer high had played a straight school team, there is no doubt but that they would have won, as even with the handicap of older players with their opponents, the local school boys came near winning.

The members of our high school team and Principal Whitman were justly indignant that the captain of the Lancaster high nine should resort to such unfair methods to win, and it is very improbable if any more games will be played between the teams.

The local high school, in all its games, whether baseball or football, have played fair and never has used anyone except regular school boys in its teams, and the players naturally object to their opponents doing otherwise. A strong suspicion exists that the Lancaster team also used outside players in the other games with the Ayer high.

Death.

Mrs. Mary Jane (Healey) Walsh died at her home on Grove street early last Saturday morning of cerebral hemorrhage. She had been unwell for some time past and finally was obliged to give up work, and was confined to bed for three weeks before her death. She was a native of Belfast, Ireland, where she was born on September 3, 1857. She came to this town nearly twenty-eight years ago, where she has since lived. She married David Walsh of this town on April 21, 1889, Mr. Walsh dying eleven years ago.

Mrs. Walsh was a most worthy woman and was beloved by all who knew her. Many words of sincere sorrow were expressed when the news of her death became known, and widespread sympathy is extended to the children in their loss. Mrs. Walsh is survived by four children, two sons—David H. and Thomas Walsh, and two daughters—Misses Margaret A. and Bertha Walsh, all of Ayer.

The funeral was held from her late home on Monday morning. A high mass of requiem was said at St.

Mary's church by Rev. P. J. Sheedy, the pastor, which was followed by the usual prayers for the dead. The bearers were P. H. Rynn and John O'Connor of this town, Jeremiah Crowley of Fitchburg, and David Roach of Leominster. There was a fine display of flowers. The committal service at St. Mary's cemetery, where the interment took place, was performed by Rev. P. J. Sheedy. The funeral was in charge of W. Wright & Son, undertakers.

Special Town Meeting.

A special meeting will be held in the town hall on Thursday evening, May 18, at 7.30 o'clock, to act on the following articles after choosing a moderator:

Art. 2. To appropriate the additional sum of \$226.24, for the support of the poor, being the unexpended balance of last year's appropriation for the support of the poor.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to water its public streets or to sprinkle or spread upon them water or any liquid or material suitable for laying or preventing dust and preserving the surface thereof, and for the purpose of providing for the money therefor; to provide that the assessors may assess upon the estates abutting on the streets so watered, sprinkled or spread the whole or any portion of the cost thereof; or take any action thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to borrow, under the provisions of Chapter 152 of the Acts of 1887, as amended by Chapter 424 of the Acts of 1906, an additional sum or sums of money for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred in carrying out the proposed improvements for increasing and extending its water supply under the provisions of said Acts, or take any action thereon.

Ordained.

We had a call from Dr. Martin Lovering on Thursday, who years ago was a resident of Shaboken, the home of his parents, Jonas and Rebecca H. Lovering, and was a frequent visitor in town. He was a student at Law Academy in 1873, attending there for two terms, and afterwards went to Appleton academy, New Ipswich, graduating after being two years there. From there and before entering college, he attended Phillips-Andover for one year, and then studied for four years at Yale college and graduated in 1882, taking his degree of B. A. After graduating from Yale he taught in schools and colleges for seventeen years, five years of that time being teacher of Latin at Talladega college, Ala., and from there he returned to his home in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Last September he was licensed at the Woburn conference of Congregational ministers, who met at the Crawford house, Boston, to preach, passing a very satisfactory examination. He received a call from the Congregational church at Holland, this State, and also from the Congregational church at Dumbarton, N. H. He has been preaching at Holland since the first of the year, and on May 11, was ordained pastor of the Holland church by the council of Congregational ministers of the Brookfield association.

Mr. Lovering has a brother, James B. Lovering, whose home is the old homestead in Shaboken, and another brother Franklin Lovering of Carlisle. Rev. Martin Lovering is the youngest of the eight children living.

Specialist Sent.

Last week Thursday, Dr. Dwight, a specialist of Boston, who was sent by order of the Boston and Maine railroad to examine Arthur E. Sargent, the milkman whose milk team was run into and smashed, killing the horse and seriously injuring Mr. Sargent at Flanagan's crossing on September 13, 1910, in consultation with Dr. Hopkins, had Mr. Sargent placed in a plaster cast, as his back is in a very serious condition, narrowly escaping from having his back broken at the time of the accident. He will have to remain in the plaster cast for two months or more, when it will be removed and he will then be placed in a leather jacket, that he will have to wear for a year, if not longer. He has been since the accident a sufferer and in considerable pain a greater part of the time. In the plaster cast he is now resting more comfortably.

Visited in Town.

Mrs. Rufus L. Savage of Westmount, a suburb of Montreal, Canada, with her friend, Mrs. Helen Kinghorn, also of that city, and a native of Lindsay, Province Ontario, arrived here Tuesday on a visit with Mrs. M. L. Savage, and from here Mrs. Savage and Mrs. Kinghorn go to Lowell on a visit for a few days with relatives of Mrs. Savage. Saturday, May 27, Mrs. Savage and Mrs. Kinghorn return to Montreal. Fifteen years ago Mrs. Savage made a visit here with Mrs. Helen M. Turner, and before her marriage was Miss Gertrude Shaw of Saco, Me.

Mrs. Kinghorn, on her mother's side, is the great granddaughter of John Quincy Adams, the sixth president of the United States, who was the son of John Adams, the second president. Mrs. Kinghorn has traveled extensively, visiting the noted places and prominent cities of Europe.

An Instructive Trip.

Selectman Frank S. Pierce, who is also superintendent of streets, attended a meeting of the State highway association, of which he is a member, at Springfield last week Thursday. The members attending the meeting were met at Worcester by representatives of the Worcester and Springfield Automobile clubs, who furnished automobiles for the trip to Springfield. Over thirty automobiles were used to transport the party of 150. The ride between Worcester and Springfield was a most delightful one and was made over the State highway, which runs the entire distance, except through the centers of the towns through which the party passed.

On the way over the party made stops to examine the highway. On arriving at Springfield the party had a banquet prepared for them in the Kimball hotel, to which the mayor and aldermen of that city were invited.

After the banquet, Messrs. Parker and McMillintock of the State highway commission discussed the question of the building of highways and their preservation. The members were then driven in automobiles about the principal parts of the city. Some of the

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party returned to their homes by train and others by automobile. The principal feature of the trip was a demonstration of oil distributors on the streets of Palmer. These annual gatherings are arranged by the State Highway Commission for the benefit of the members of the association in the care and making of highways.

Memorial Day.

Post 48, G. A. R., will meet at the electric car at seven a. m. on Memorial day, May 30, and with the S. of V. and drum corps will take that car for Shirley, decorating the graves there, where barges will meet them and proceed to Shirley Center, arriving there about nine a. m. and leave for St. Mary's cemetery, Ayer, at 9.45. After decorating the graves they will proceed to headquarters where they will form and with the W. R. C. and S. of V., escorted by the State Industrial school band of Shirley and the S. of V. drum corps, march to Woodlawn cemetery and decorate the graves of their comrades there, leaving at 11.15 for Harvard, where they will decorate the graves of comrades in both cemeteries. From there they will march to the residence of Mrs. Thorndike for dinner and entertainment at one p. m. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Thorndike and Post 48 of the G. A. R., the citizens of Harvard, Ayer and Shirley are invited to her grounds at two p. m. to attend the memorial exercises.

The number of graves decorated in the six cemeteries, two each in the towns of Ayer, Shirley and Harvard, are 139—St. Mary's 24; Woodlawn, 31; Village cemetery, Shirley, 27; Center cemetery, Shirley, 24; Harvard old cemetery, 30; Bellevue, 3. The number of deaths in the post this year are two. Only one charter member living, Capt. George V. Barrett. The oldest member, Stephen N. Lougee, aged seventy-seven years.

Verdict for Plaintiffs.

Another illustration of the wisdom of the provisions of the business corporation law of Massachusetts which makes stockholders in such corporations liable for the wages of employees for services rendered, within six months before demand made upon the corporation and its neglect or refusal to make payment, was furnished by the settlement of a bill in equity in the superior court in Boston last week, which was brought in behalf of employees of the American Canned Products Company of Littleton, against the stockholders of the company.

When the company ceased business about a year ago, it owed its help about \$125, which its officers refused to pay. John M. Maloney and Lyman K. Clark of this town were retained by the operatives, most of whom were living here, and they caused demand to be made upon the corporation for the wages due, and when no attention was paid to the demand, brought suit in the local court against the company, which was defaulted and judgment entered against it and execution issued. Demand was then made upon the company upon the executions without success.

Messrs. Maloney and Clark then brought a bill of equity in the superior court against the stockholders to the number of nearly seventy, who were represented by fifteen lawyers. Some of the stockholders then sent an agent around who paid the minor plaintiffs the amount of their wages, hoping thus to escape the payment of costs on the executions and on the bill in equity. In this they were entirely unsuccessful and last week the matter was settled by the payment of the entire sum, which was raised by passing the hat among the stockholders who gave up in all over \$300, besides paying their numerous counsel.

Club Meeting.

The executive board of the Woman's club held the first meeting of the year with the newly-elected officers on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Carrie Bigelow, the president. It was a busy evening with the election of committees for the coming year. The resignation of Mrs. Sarah B. Barry as director was received and the election of Mrs. Stella Farnsworth to fill the vacancy came first. Chairmen of committees elected were: Mrs. Carrie B. Bigelow, program; Mrs. Mary Le Hutchins, curios; Mrs. Susan M. Barker, education; Mrs. Nina M. H. Beverly, forestry; Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy, health; Mrs. Almira M. Sargent, household economics; Mrs. Clara Hill, literature; Mrs. H. A. Bixby, ushers; Miss Clara E. Blood, visiting.

District Court.

M. Sood of Lowell, charged with peddling without a license at Pepperell, was found guilty in court Monday morning and fined twenty dollars, which he paid.

Arthur Carkin, Charles Mansur, George Pierce, all of Groton, charged with assault and battery and disturbing the peace at Groton and Paul Perrin of Groton and Frank Pelkey of Pepperell charged with assault and battery, appeared in court on Wednesday morning. Carkin, Mansur and Pierce were each fined ten dollars for disturbing the peace. The remainder were discharged. Complaints were also made against the quintet for breaking glass, but these were dismissed. The arrest of these men

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was the result of a carousal at Groton with plenty of hard cider and whiskey as the impelling force.

The continued case of Orlando A. Foster of Westford charged with having watered milk with intent to sell, came up for disposal Monday morning. He was found not guilty and discharged. The principal witness for the state was Charles E. Marsh, examiner for the state board of health, but the skillful cross examination of Lyman K. Clark, who appeared for the defendant, brought out such information that there was nothing for the court to do but order a discharge of his client. State Inspector Horace Davis, who made the complaint, was taken ill with heart trouble before the opening of court and was not able to appear.

The case of Irving A. Seaver of Townsend, charged with wilfully obstructing and resisting W. W. Colton of Ayer in legally discharging his duties as moth superintendent of such Townsend, was placed on file upon the payment of expenses.

Schedule Unchanged.

The reported changes in the passenger train service of the Fitchburg division, whereby it was announced that the Boston and Maine railroad company were to cancel trains 25 and 10, failed to materialize. In response to protests of people and Boards of Trades along the line, as well as those of the postoffice officials, Frank Barr, general manager, has announced these trains will be continued. Train No. 25 leaves Boston at five a. m. and runs to Troy. It carries the early mail and newspapers from Boston. Train No. 10 is also a mail train, and is due to leave this station for Boston at 9.07 p. m. The continuance of these trains will be a great benefit to the traveling public as well as for those who use it for mail service. The company contemplate cutting off other trains in its system in the near future on the ground that they do not pay.

Church Services.

Rev. Dr. Fisk will repeat by request the discourse on the Unitarian outlook, given last Sunday, at 10.45 a. m. tomorrow. Sunday school at twelve. Y. P. R. U. at seven p. m. Miss Helen Hince, leader. Dr. Fisk, speaker. Services at the Baptist church tomorrow will consist of preaching by the pastor at 10.45. Sunday school at twelve. Praise service and short address by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Thomas, at seven p. m.

At St. Andrew's church at the 10.45 service on Sunday, the vicar will preach on "A great victory." Holy communion at ten o'clock as usual, and Sunday school at twelve o'clock. At next Thursday is Ascension day, there will be a celebration of the holy communion at St. Andrew's church at 9.30 a. m. At the Congregational church the

pastor will speak at the morning service on "Covering our transgressions." At the evening service on "Beneath the man whom God took."

A dinner at which the groups of guests will be seated nearly one hundred miles apart has been arranged by the Buffalo and Rochester Ad club. Each club will meet in its own city, but there will be only one program. At the plate of each guest will be a telephone receiver, enabling the Rochester guests to listen to the Buffalo speakers and singers, and vice versa.

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### TOWNSEND.

#### Center.

A delegation of the Sons of Veterans from here will assist Brookline, N. H., in her Memorial day exercises, which will be held on Saturday, May 27.

Word was received here last Sunday of the death of the father of Miss Amy Lane, who was formerly a high school teacher here. Mr. Lane had been pastor at North Hadley for thirty-three years and the Sunday before his death read his resignation.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Heseltun welcomed a little daughter into their home on Sunday evening, May 14.

The three-act farce entitled "The sweet girl graduates," was given at Memorial hall last week Friday evening by high school talent and was greatly enjoyed by a large audience. All the parts were excellently played.

The following high school students took part in the farce "The sweet girl graduates," last week Friday evening:

Esther Amsden as Miss Maude De Smythe, the sweet girl; Anite Keefe and Victor Swicker as Mr. and Mrs. DeSmythe; Edwin Sanders as Jack Hamilton; Ruth Wilson as Matilda Hoppenberg; Adelaide Well as Yvonne Reynolds; Mildred Hatfield as Madam Sateene; Alberta Barber as Madam Stanton; V. H. Wachs as Prof. Grindem; Clifford Lancy as Mr. Chinese Butcher; Ruth Hayden as Catherine, the maid. The proceeds went towards the graduation expenses of the senior class.

Rev. Albert Kilbourne, who has been in town since resigning his pastorate at Williamstown, has accepted a call to Enfield, N. H.

Mrs. Evelyn Warren visited her daughter, Mrs. Louis Shaul at Albany, N. Y., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woolley of East Boston came to their summer home here on Thursday.

T. E. Flarity and Mr. Waldo left for Hoboken, N. J., this week. Mr. Waldo will remain to assist in the office work of the Fessenden Cooperage Company at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Fessenden will join friends from California at New York city next week, and will sail on May 24, on the Oceanic for a six or eight weeks' trip abroad. They will visit Paris, London, Scotland and probably other places of interest before their return.

Mrs. Wilbur Bruce was called to Littleton last Saturday on account of the illness of her mother.

#### Death.

Charles Fuller died at his home very early Wednesday morning of heart disease. He has been in failing health for about a year, and the end came quickly at the last. He leaves only one brother who resides in Ashburnham, for near relatives, having buried his wife less than two years ago. Mr. Fuller was engaged in the painting and paper hanging trade until he was obliged to give it up on account of his health. He was a faithful member of North Star lodge, I. O. O. F., the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge and an associate member of the Memorial association. The funeral takes place this Saturday afternoon.

#### Accident.

Leland Woods had a narrow escape from serious injury by colliding with an auto on the Groton road recently. He was trying out a new bicycle, and a lady, accompanied by a gentleman, was driving the auto. They met suddenly and in some way both the auto and the wheel became unmanageable in the excitement of trying to escape a collision, with the result that Leland was thrown off his wheel and quite badly shaken up, while the wheel was smashed up. The people were very kind and rushed him to the doctor and back to his home and offered to do all they could to aid him. The doctor discovered there were no serious injuries and he will soon be all right. Leland is the young son of Frank Wood, who lives on the South Row road.

#### West.

Mrs. S. D. Ringrose and little son Roger have returned from a two weeks' visit to her former home in Troy, N. H.

E. R. Brayton of Providence, R. I., was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams for a short visit, and Mrs. Brayton, who had been spending a few days here, returned home with him. They were accompanied by Miss Emma Adams, who is enjoying a week's vacation with them.

Gadys Veno has been quite ill at her home, threatened with typhoid fever, but at this writing is much improved.

Mr. Carter and family have moved from the Charles Patch house on Main street to the Jane Adams farm on Bayberry hill.

Mrs. Sangster Troupe from Somerville has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Alden Sherwin.

Mrs. Fred A. Patch enjoyed a few days' vacation with relatives in Boston last week, visiting "The world in Boston," during her stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamilton of Webster have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Stevens, and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Hamilton.

Miss Blanche Sprague enjoyed an auto trip to Boston with a party of friends last Saturday, returning home on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Victor Wachs and little daughter from the Center were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ringrose over Sunday, and Mr. Wachs occupied the Baptist pulpit on Sunday morning and evening. They are soon to leave for Korea, where they will serve as missionaries under the Methodist Missionary society.

Mrs. Amos Martin and children are stopping at their former home in Shirley for the present.

Mrs. Marshall Livermore of Ashby, have been the guests of Mrs. Oren Lawrence on her return from her winter's visit to the south.

Among those who attended "The world in Boston," last week were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodgman and Mrs. R. S. Ely.

Mrs. Victor Wachs and little daughter Elrito, are guests at the home of K. E. Morgan this week.

Carl B. Willard spent Sunday with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Mabel Thompson has returned from a visit with friends in Boston and Somerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Shapleigh from Cambridge spent Sunday with their relatives in town.

Warren Hadley of Charlestown spent Sunday as the guest of Mrs. Josephine Boynton.

Mrs. Stevens of Manchester, N. H., is visiting Mrs. Frank Hardy of Bridge street.

#### Fire.

A narrow escape from losing their home by fire was experienced by Eugene Robbins' family, who occupy the King cottage on the back road to the Center, last Wednesday evening. Children playing with matches set a fire in the grass which spread very rapidly, owing to the high wind prevailing, and had it not been for the prompt work of Harvey Hodgman and Justin Hodgman, who were employed for the day at the place the building would have gone. While his father went to the nearest phone to summon the fire department, Harvey fought the flames and succeeded in keeping them from the house though they burned to within a few feet of the piazza. Both the Center and this village responded and the flames were extinguished with little damage.

### LUNENBURG.

#### Memorial Day.

The program for Memorial exercises will be practically the same as last year. On Sunday, May 28, union services will be held in the Methodist church, with sermon by the pastor, Rev. G. R. Moody, with special music in charge of L. H. Brown. Veterans of the civil war, Sons and Daughters of Veterans, Ladies' Relief corps and families of deceased soldiers; also, veterans of the Spanish war, are specially invited, and will take seats in the body of the house, reserved for them.

On Tuesday, May 30, the procession will start from the Center at eight o'clock, headed by the Military band and proceed to the South cemetery, decorate the graves there then return to the Center for more flowers and march to the North cemetery. Returning from there, the public will assemble in the town hall where there will be selection by the band, singing by the school children, decoration of tablets for non-returning by the Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans, prayer by Rev. G. R. Moody, music by the band and singing by the children, then the address of the day by Rev. L. W. Walker of the Highland Baptist church, Fitchburg, followed by singing of America by the audience.

A collation will be served in the lower hall, for which the usual contributions of doughnuts and sandwiches are solicited.

The committee request that the flowers be made up into bouquets, if possible, when contributed, as there is very little time to arrange them nicely. There are fifteen veterans, now resident in town: Charles H. Cunningham, Dana L. Fuller, Amos Goodnow, George C. Jewett, Thomas G. Lesure, George A. Litchfield, James A. Litchfield, Charles B. Longley, J. E. Lyons, Calvin C. Marden, Benjamin F. Marshall, George H. McIntire, George F. Moore, Benjamin F. Rines, Stillman Stone. Two have died since last May—John B. Proctor and George A. Lancy.

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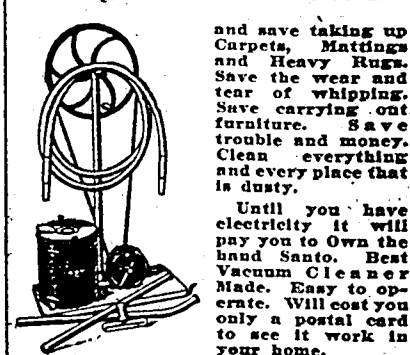
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Mrs. Cora Boultonhouse was called to Malden, Mass., Tuesday, by the illness of an aunt.  
Mrs. Alice Brown and Harry Gilson of Townsend; also, Miss Carrie Gutterston and Walter Derby of Leominster have been guests of Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson and son.  
Miss Ellen C. Sawtelle, Miss Martha Wright of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hobart and son Kenneth of Nashua, Miss Gertrude Willey of Peperell and Harry S. Powers have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Powers.  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nye of Nashua spent Sunday at the Nye homestead.  
The Sunbonnet club made an informal call upon Mrs. Edward C. Tucker on Thursday morning, May 11, and reminded her that she had reached another milestone. A dainty china pitcher will be a pleasant reminder of the occasion. It was also the fortieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Tucker. Beautiful flowers, postal cards with tender greetings and many loving remembrances filled the day with sunshine.  
Henry Hall of Somerville, Mass., was in town on Tuesday.  
Word was received on Saturday of the death of Mrs. Caroline Brooks Peterson, widow of the late Joseph Peterson, at the home of her son, Frederick Gerry, at Franklin. The burial took place at Townsend in the Gerry family lot.  
Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton, Mrs. Edgar W. Blake and Miss Emma Blake of Peperell, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Tucker on May 11.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Badger spent the week-end and Sunday at the Tucker homestead.  
Charles Needham of Milford was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett last Saturday.  
Madam Hadley, Miss Margaret Hadley, Harold Hadley and Ellen Guild of Cambridge, Mass., have been at the Hadley cottage. Little Miss Margaret has the whooping cough.  
Mrs. Emily Morris Beanson and Mr. Beanson of Marblehead, Mass., were in town on May 11, and have hired the Farley Wilkins cottage for the summer.  
Chestor Elliott, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Elliott, went to the Massachusetts General hospital at Boston last week for a surgical operation, but he remained only two days as it was not deemed advisable to perform the operation at present. Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Emma Valedge accompanied him.  
Several of the local grangers went to Hollis on Tuesday evening to participate in neighbors' night with Hollis grange.  
An alarm of fire was rung in on Wednesday, May 10, for a brush fire near the Peacock place. The shed ignited and the buildings would have been destroyed had it not been for the timely action of W. A. Hobart.  
The engine company was called to a brush fire Thursday on land formerly owned by I. M. Williams. Prompt response soon had it under control.  
Harry D. Smith and family were at their summer home over Sunday.  
An entertainment will be given at Tarbell's hall on Friday evening, May 26, under the auspices of the Memorial committee. The program will include songs and tableaux illustrating the long ago, under the direction of Albert C. Koch. The dramatic club will also present the popular drama, "Down in Dixie."  
Memorial exercises are to be held at Tarbell's hall on Saturday afternoon, May 27, at two o'clock. The Townsend S. of V., in uniform, accompanied by the Ayer drum and fife corps; also, members of the Hollis post will attend. Flowers and wreaths are solicited. There will be a receiving booth at Tarbell's hall, where they may be left.

**Death.**  
Harry Drew, a well-known resident, died at Reading, Mass., on Thursday night, May 11, after an illness of nine days with pneumonia, aged sixty-five years. The funeral took place at the Methodist church on Sunday morning, Rev. James N. Seaver officiating. The choir sang with effect, "Sometime we'll understand," and "Nearer my God to thee." The casket was covered with the flag and garlands of pinks. Mr. Drew having served in the civil war. The burial was in the family lot at the South cemetery. Herbert Corey, Walter Corey, Morton Klein and Albert Koch served as bearers. Capt. Alexander Taylor, Charles Gilson and Albert Koch served as the body guard. Mr. Drew was twice married, his first wife being Elizabeth Klein, and his second wife, Rebecca Dearing of Maine, by whom he is survived. Mrs. May Pingree and Morton Klein of Fitchburg, and John Klein of Leominster attended the funeral.

**Grange.**  
Wednesday evening, May 10, was neighbors' night at the local grange and the following program was excellently presented by Townsend grange:  
Sketch, "Taking the census," Mr. and Mrs. H. Warren Seaver; vocal solo, Mrs. George Brackett, who responded to an encore; piano solo, Prof. Albert Seaver; duet, Mrs. Frank Higgins, Sara Roy Cowdrey; song, "How he joined the grange," Mrs. Mabel Brackett; Mrs. Frank Higgins; T. J. Farley; reading, Mr. Farley; sketch, "Frank Higgins, Roy Cowdrey; farce, "A paper match," Mr. and Mrs. Frank Higgins; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cowdrey; original poem, Warren Seaver; reading, "Advice on courting," Warren Seaver, who responded to a hearty encore; piano duet, Prof. Seaver, Mrs. Roy Cowdrey.

Remarks were made by visiting patrons. About seventy-five were in attendance including guests from Townsend and Mason. An excellent supper was served under the supervision of Mrs. Lucy Marshall.

**HOLLIS, N. H.**

**News Items.**  
Miss Lena Ladd, who has been in Lynn, Mass., the past few months, has returned home for awhile. She is engaged at present at the central telephone office.

The church building has been painted recently; also, the transoms taken from the stained glass windows and sent to Boston for needed repairs.  
The chemical fire engine, which was ordered soon after the March town meeting, arrived last week. The company took it out for its first trial last week under the direction of Manager Hazard of Boston.  
James and Henry Leslie of Worcester, Mass., spent last Sunday with their brother and sister, Robert and Lottie Leslie, on their farm.  
Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis returned from their visit to "The World in Boston," Monday.  
Rev. Mr. Maynard of Newton, Mass., occupied the pulpit last Sunday forenoon and evening, during the absence of the pastor, Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis.

Mrs. Goodwin went from her visit to "The World in Boston," to visit her cousin, Miss Hartshorn, in Marlboro, Mass., returning to Hollis the last of this week.  
Mrs. Ruth D. Whicher and her niece, Miss Weeks, removed with their household effects to Warren of this State, Tuesday. Mrs. Whicher came to Hollis with her husband, the late Levi Whicher, more than thirty years ago. They came from Warren at that time.  
Miss Mary Childs of Mason is visitor sister, Mrs. E. F. Goodwin.

The W. C. T. U. met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Sarah E. Hills. It was a mothers' meeting, a paper on "Motherhood," being given by Mrs. L. R. Read. Delegates to the county convention to be held at Milford on June 2, were chosen; Mrs. A. P. Farley, Mrs. Ferna Lovejoy, Mrs. T. A. Greenleaf; alternates, Mrs. S. E. Hills, Mrs. L. R. Read, Mrs. Clara S. Waich. Voted that the next meeting should be in the department of mercy, in charge of Mrs. M. S. Hildreth.

Charles W. Hardy, who served as representative to legislature last winter, is quite seriously ill.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by FRANCES A. DAY who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.  
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Whereas, FRANK T. STOREY administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court, a petition for license to sell at private sale in accordance with the order named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.  
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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of SARAH MARTEL late of Ayer in said County, deceased.  
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by J. NARCISSE CORNELLIER who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, or some other suitable person, no executor being named in said will.  
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 June 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, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.  
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**PEPPERELL.**

**Items of News.**  
Mrs. Bertha Tucker Simmonds of Washington, D. C., with her little daughter, who have been on a five-weeks' visit to her mother, Mrs. Clarence Tucker on Heald street, left on Wednesday, May 17, for Washington.

The children of the grammar school are missing the cheery face of "Grandpa Shattuck," as they call him, for John R. Shattuck is very ill at his home on Main street.

Fred Nutting has accepted a position of chauffeur for Harry Legg, and will move his family back as soon as he can find a good tenement.

L. R. Moss of Boston was in town on Tuesday.

The ledge on Oak hill street, which has been such a bother for the last thirty years, just below Mr. Pelton's, is being dug down. It is lowered four feet already, mostly with a pick, being composed of rotten rock, getting ready for the water pipes.

Miss Mary Pond of Main street, started on Wednesday, May 17, for a week's visit to her sister, Mrs. Bessie McCarty.

Mrs. Ida Peckham of Boston, was in town Friday, May 12, on a visit to her mother, Mrs. William Kendall of Townsend street and returned to Boston Sunday, May 14.

Miss Cooper of the high school, who has been ill from nerve exhaustion for a month, returned to her duties Monday, May 15.

Several farmers report peas up two inches in spite of the dry weather.

There are several places of San Jose scale on the shrubs on the common in front of the Unitarian church. Charles Denham was the first man to notice them.

The tent caterpillars are out in full force along the side of the road.

The twenty-second anniversary exercises and installation of officers of the Epworth league was held at the M. E. church on Sunday evening, May 14.

The following officers were installed: Lizzie McNayr, pres.; Margaret E. Burns, Almira Burns, Mrs. J. W. Hingley, vice pres.; Carrie E. Sylvester, sec.; Helen M. Lawrence, treas.; Muriel Robinson, organist.

D. W. Hazen, who was operated on at the Emergency hospital, Nashua, N. H., Saturday, is reported as being very comfortable.

William P. Hally, a former resident, now a steeplejack located at Saxonville, visited his parents and friends in town the past week.

A social dance will be given in Prescott hall on Memorial day evening by the R. S. T. B. society of this town. Leo C. Thayer will act as floor director, assisted by Grover Robbins and Lloyd Bancroft. The music will be by Thayer's orchestra, four pieces.

Mrs. C. F. McCormack left on Monday for Madison, Me., to take care of her daughter, Mrs. William Oulton, who is sick.

Beatrice Hagar has gone to visit her mother, Mrs. Jackman, of Fitchburg.

D. S. Foster is making an extended visit to his daughter and sister in Leicester.

The assessors will be at their office at the town house the week of May 22 to 27, from eight a. m. to five p. m. to consult with the owners of taxable property. All parties who are entitled to exemption from taxation are requested to file their affidavits with the board at that time.

Rupert Blood and family have moved to the Nelson farm and Mr. Nelson and family have also come up for the season.

Miss Ann Jewell returned on Thursday night from "The world in Boston."

The reception to the new M. E. pastor took place on Thursday evening, May 18, introducing Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland.

A lady who had been approached by one of the two men selling gilt edged stock in town told her son of her investment and he advised her not to let the grass grow under her feet before she got rid of it, telling her not to believe that good stock was having to be urged today in this section of the country. It would be well to think.

**Town Meeting.**  
A special town meeting is to be held at the town hall on Monday evening, May 22, at eight o'clock, and after choosing a moderator will act on the following articles:

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for damage to abutters in the construction of a State highway on South street, beginning at the junction of Spring street with said street, and extending northwesterly to the junction of Shattuck street with said South street, or act anything thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the taking of land by said Commonwealth, of Ulysses G. Wilson, in straightening curve at the southwestern corner of said Wilson's land on the proposed State highway, as set forth in Article 2, or act anything thereon and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

**Memorial Day.**  
Thomas A. Parker post, G. A. R., have issued their regular post order for Memorial day, May 30. All civil war veterans are requested to join the post in the observance of Memorial day and its attending exercises. Any veteran who can visit a school will notify the post commander at once, and will be assigned. Comrades and veterans will report at headquarters on Sunday, May 28, at ten o'clock in the morning, to attend church services at the Unitarian church, in uniform or dark clothes and white gloves, no belts. The post will report at its headquarters on Tuesday, May 30, at nine o'clock for decoration service. The post and veterans will report at 12.45 for parade in uniform, gloves and belts, others as stated above. Supper at hall after parade, provided by the Epworth league of the M. E. church. The post desire to have every veteran in town join them in honoring the memory of those who have marched on.

**Baseball.**  
Hello, the old time sporting spirit is revived, and on Saturday afternoon, May 20, at three o'clock, on the playgrounds, will be a ball game to notice. Those attending will see a live game with the following line-up: Peppereil Center—E. L. Tarbell, 1st base; F. R. Bennett, 2d base; Leroy Shattuck, 3d base; H. Hutchinson, ss.; R. W. Drawbridge, l. f.; Joseph Wiley, c. f.; H. Foster, r. f.; H. Donnelly, c. f.; L. P. Shattuck, p. East Pepperell—F. G. Hayes, 1st base; A. G. Pike, 2d base; M. I. Gilchrist, ss.; E. Egan, 3d base; W. C. Shattuck, l. f.; Gardner Wiley, c. f.; John Tunc, r. f.; Ernest Bartlett, c.; Hale Jordan, p. A collection will be taken during the game, the proceeds to be used toward fixing up the grounds.

**Grange.**  
Prescott grange held its annual deputy inspection on Friday evening, May 12, with a class of sixteen members taking the third and fourth degrees. The third degree was conferred by a ladies' degree team, with Mrs. W. A. Dennen, master; the fourth degree being conferred by the regular officers. After a bountiful repast the meeting returned to the upper hall to hear the deputy's instructions. Seated at the left of the master, Walter Shattuck, were Millard Sawyer, master of Groton grange, A. A. Adams, master of Shirley grange, and J. Hall, master of Nashua grange. At the right was deputy Horace Wallis of Waltham, who complimented the work. There were sixteen from Groton, six from Shirley, four from Hollis, N. H., and two from Nashua, N. H.

**School Concert.**  
The concert held in Prescott hall on Tuesday, May 16, including about one hundred children in the graded schools was delightfully educational. The first part consisted of different groups by the schools, illustrating the excellent vocal instruction of Miss L. M. Maynard. It was very hard to decide which group excelled, but the Groton street school children, grade five, under Miss Crotty, won hearty commendation. Part two was a cantata, "Guests from various lands," in which the children were costumed to represent a country, sing a national air and carry its flag. A boy and girl together represented the different nations except that Guy Rouse alone depicted the Chinaman, and Irene Salter, a Japanese maiden, and each did "extra well." Charles Parker was noticeable at the first entertainer. Germany was represented by George Powers and Marion Capistran; Sweden by cousins, Meriam and Douglas DeWare. Mrs. Artridge assisted in teaching the dancing steps and the whole evening was satisfactory in every way.

**News Items.**  
The next meeting of Acoma Rebekah lodge will be held on Tuesday evening, May 23, when the Rebekah degree will be conferred on several candidates. The evening's entertainment will be in charge of Elsie D. Copp, Gladys Shattuck, Edna F. Bemis and B. J. Brooks.

The Rubber contest supper of the Epworth league of the M. E. church, which was to have been given on May 18, will be postponed until May 25. The committee in charge of the supper are Mrs. David Cuthbertson, Mrs. Jamie Andrews, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Fredricks, Miss H. L. Lawrence.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will have a supper and entertainment on Thursday evening, May 25. The committee in charge are Mrs. Ida B. Saunders, Mrs. Alice Hayes, Mrs. Grace Tower. Supper at 6.30 o'clock. Entertainment at eight o'clock will be a farce given by members of the Christian Endeavor society.

At the meeting of the Sunday school board of the M. E. church last Sunday, Mrs. J. T. Sutherland was elected superintendent of the Sunday school.

Rev. J. M. Sutherland will preach at the M. E. church on Sunday evening, May 18, introducing Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland.

A good-sized audience gathered in the M. E. church last Sunday evening. The service was in recognition of the twenty-second anniversary of the Epworth league. The church was decorated in red and white, the league colors. After the installation of officers the pastor, Rev. J. M. Sutherland, gave an address, taking as his subject, "The loyal Epworth leaguer." All the work of the church is progressing in a very encouraging way since the opening of this new year.

**East.**  
Miss Isabelle and Hattie Woods, and Miss Anna Patterson of Groton attended the grange here on Friday evening of last week.

Forrest Andrews attended the meeting of the Hollis grange at Hollis on Tuesday evening and had a very enjoyable time, and was very cordially received.

**Mr. Bresnahan at the New Prescott**  
spent Sunday with his family in Sausagus.

Miss Katherine Morrissey of Boston visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morrissey, over Sunday.

F. A. Milan, C. E. Gilson and Chas. Bartz caught a nice string of trout last Saturday.

P. W. Flynn and Edward Dewyn caught a large mess of pouts on Monday evening at one of the Groton ponds, and it was their first attempt of the season. They are disciples of Isaac Walton, the well-known famous fisherman.

Miss Agnes Crotty spent Sunday with her parents in Fitchburg.

The flying-horses, after a short stay, left town on Monday to the joy of some of the people and to the sorrow of others.

William Kemp, who was confined to his home with a severe attack of the grippe, the early part of the week, is again about in his usual good health.

Miss Marlon Errington of Fitchburg spent the week-end with her father, Fred Errington.

Mrs. Clarence Hemenway of Groton spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. West.

Miss Crowley of Groton was the guest of Miss Hannah Sheehan last Sunday and enjoyed their hospitality very much.

Maurice Gilchrist was the guest of Roger B. Taft in Boston on Wednesday.

Fred and Frank Bennett and John Nash returned on Monday from one of the New Hampshire lakes with a fine string of trout, the largest one weighing nine pounds.

The forest fire that started from a spark from a locomotive on the Boston and Maine railroad in Groton, that the Pepperell fire department were called upon to assist in extinguishing, burned over three hundred acres of pine and chestnut timber land. At one time the fire threatened the home of John Dupris, and he and his wife moved most of their household goods out-of-doors, but the railroad had put on an extra gang of men, totaling one hundred, who soon had it under control. In some places the fire jumped fifty feet. The work of the Pepperell department deserves praise for their fine work and quick response.

**Happenings.**  
The supper, which was to be given by the Epworth league of the M. E. church on May 18, is to come off on Thursday, May 25. The committee is as follows: Mrs. Cuthbertson, Mrs. Andrews, Miss Lawrence, Mrs. Fredricks and Mrs. Sutherland.

The officers of the Epworth league of the M. E. church for the following year are: Miss Lizzie McNayr, pres.; Miss Margaret Burns, Miss Bessie Farley, Miss Almira Burns, Mrs. Jas. Hingley, vice pres.; Carrie Sylvester, sec.; Miss Helen Lawrence, treas.; Miss Muriel Robinson, organist.

The Sunday evening service of the Epworth league of the M. E. church will be at six o'clock instead of 6.15, as heretofore.

Miss Louise Cooper, a teacher in the high school, who has been sick for the past three weeks, is expected to resume her studies on Monday.

The East Village Social club will meet with Mrs. Glassey on Wednesday afternoon, May 24. The subject will be "Memorial day."

The committee for May of the Ladies' circle of the Unitarian church will hold a May party at Central hall, Friday evening, May 19. Supper served at 6.30. Entertainment at eight, followed by a social. Miss Robbins will play for the dancing.

Miss Mahne of Boston is staying at the home of Rev. D. R. Child while the family are visiting in Boston this week.

Caroline A. Conant is closing out her spring and summer millinery, as she is going out of business. Her advertisement will be found in another column.

Mrs. Henry W. Allen, 67 yrs. 10 mos. 5 days, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Woodward of Park street. Prayers were at her home, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating. Interment was at Rural cemetery, Worcester.

L. S. C. branch of the Woman's Alliance held their meeting at the Ladies' room on Thursday, May 11. These officers were chosen: Mrs. N. S. Shattuck, pres.; Mrs. John Frosard, Mrs. D. R. Child, vice pres.; Mrs. Addison Woodward, rec. sec.; Mrs. N. Appleton, cor. sec.; Mrs. Harry Hobart, treas.; Mrs. William Manitt, col.; Mrs. Gilchrist, chairman; Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Mrs. Wardell Parker, Miss Ruth Colson, ex. com.

Isaac Parker, while at work on Tuesday at the papermill of the Nashua River Paper Corporation, had the thumb of his right hand injured so that it will interfere with his work for a few days.

Miss Madeline Graham visited in Brighton and vicinity last week.

Miss Almira Burns, who was ill with the grippe last week, was able to attend school on Monday.

An alumni meeting has been called by the president, John Hakerty, at Miss Bernice Lunt's home on Tuesday evening, May 23.

**LITTLETON.**

**News Items.**  
Mrs. James Cashby and baby Evelyn of Lawrence are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Michael Bradley for two weeks. Mrs. M. Bradley returned last Saturday from her vacation of two weeks spent in Lawrence and South Framingham.

E. P. Sheehan is preparing to build a tenement house near the elder mill, to be occupied by James McManus, his employe, who has been occupying the Patrick Dorsey house on Taylor street.

Mrs. Carrie Wheeler of Stowe was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Elmar A. Flagg, on Thursday.

Mrs. John Hardy's mother has been a guest of the Hardy farm for the last three weeks. She will leave soon for Oregon, there to remain with her son's family during his sojourn in California.

**Rev. Rideout, a student at Newton**  
Theological seminary, and pastor of a church in Newton Upper Falls, exchanged pulpits with Rev. H. B. Drew on Sunday morning. Mr. Drew preached to his own people in the evening.

The Lincoln class is planning for a strawberry festival with entertainment on the evening of May 30.

Judge Sanderson is adding a new piazza to his summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Conant, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Wilcox, Mrs. Grace Lawrence, Dr. Christie and Harold Conant went in the Conant auto last Tuesday night to Westford, where they enjoyed the evening as guests of the Tadnuck club. Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, president of the Littleton Woman's club, and Miss Emma Tenney were also guests of the Westford ladies on that evening.

The express train from Boston, arriving at Littleton at 1.20 p. m., will stop here on Memorial day to leave Teele's Military band of twenty pieces, engaged to play at the exercises in the afternoon. The program is not yet completed, but will be published next week.

Miss Nellie Van Slyke of New York, and Mrs. Helen Swift Morris of Chicago, have been guests of Miss Fannie Sanderson this last week.

Mrs. Fred C. Hartwell was operated on in Boston for the removal of tumor on Wednesday morning. The operation proved successful, and at time of writing the patient is resting comfortably, and prospects are favorable.

Next week is anniversary week in Boston.

Miss Etta Ewings returned on Tuesday from her Lexington home where she spent a week during which time she attended the annual May festival of King's Daughters.

Henry Cash, a young lad of Crescent City, Fla., is expected to first of June at his uncle's, George Cash, for a visit of several weeks.

The Odd Fellows will attend the Congregational church in a body a week from next Sunday and according to the annual custom will listen to a sermon for the occasion.

Fred Cook, who cut his foot two weeks ago, gets about very well with the aid of crutch.

Vincent Yapp of Allston and Miss Alice Stuart of Cambridge were over Sunday guests at Charles Yapp's.

Misses Marion Whitcomb, Ruth Thacher attended the Technology drill in Boston on Friday night.

Miss Margaret Thacher attends the Glee club concert at Lassell seminary tonight.

The following parts have been assigned in the Littleton high school class of 1911: Emily Robinson, valdicatorian; Edward Esten, salutatorian; Edith Fletcher, historian; Marion Flagg, prophet; Rachel Ireland, class will; Myrtle Fletcher to respond for L. H. S. 1911 at alumni banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Steinfeld have the sympathy of their friends in the loss of their little baby.

Mrs. Frank Pingrey is sick with the grippe. Her daughter, Mrs. Bruce, is caring for her, and assuming the responsibility of the home.

Miss Cora Brown visited "The world in Boston," on Monday and remained over Tuesday for a visit with friends in Watertown.

Miss Ella Peabody has returned from a visit to Fitchburg and her former home in Gardner.

Mrs. Horace Amsden visited her niece and a cousin in Lexington; also, a sister in Weston last week. She visited "The world in Boston," during her stay in suburban Boston.

Mrs. George Amsden left home last week to visit the family of Mr. Amsden's father, Frank Amsden, in Winchester, returning on Tuesday.

John Smith has a position with Swift Company in Boston.

E. H. Priest has moved his family into his farm house at the Southend for the summer. His present plans are to build in the fall.

Nahum H. Whitcomb and family went to Ashburnham in the F. B. Priest automobile last Saturday. His daughter Florence, who graduates from Cushing academy next month, accompanied the family home. Roger Priest, the chauffeur, took the party to Ashburnham, after making an auto trip to Boston with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hartwell in the forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Brown of Cambridge were in town last week Friday.

The names of Patrick Dorsey and Mrs. Andrea Iveson were called in the Catholic church at Ayer for the first time last Sunday.

Miss Etta Ewings, who has been staying with her father since last February, returned to her home in Lexington for a week, during which time she attended the May festival given by the King's Daughters, with which she is associated. She came back to Littleton on Tuesday evening.

"Growing into larger work," is the subject of the C. E. meetings for tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Nellie F. Bullard announces the engagement of her daughter, Mildred Louise, to Wallace Parker Watts, all of Holliston.

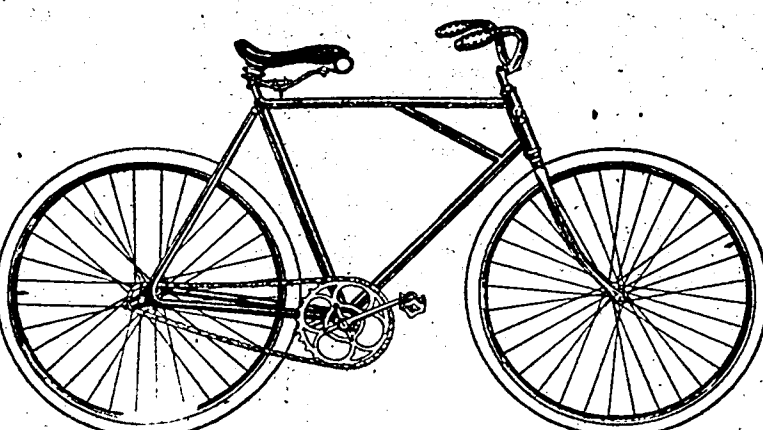
**Clipping.**  
From the Evening Standard, a New Bedford publication, we take the following: "The Y. M. C. A. announces the securing of H. B. Drew of Newton to fill the important position of secretary of its foreign work department. The general secretary has for some time been carefully looking up the records of men who were available, and believes he has found one possessing unusual qualities for this office, who is admirably adapted to local needs.

"Mr. Drew was born in Connecticut, in 1885, of an old and distinguished family, and educated at the Providence Manual Training school, Brown university, Ransom institute, Boston, and Newton Theological seminary. He has just resigned a pastorate at Littleton, Mass.; where he has been very successful, to accept the position offered him and will take up his duties in New Bedford about June 1.

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very successful in work among them. He has refused a number of flattering calls to accept the position here, the importance of which leads him to feel that with the great love he has for men and his special adaptability for work among them it offers wider field of usefulness. While in Providence he became intensely interested in the work of the Y. M. C. A., and soon after this resided in Fitch Bay, Quebec, where he had a large and varied experience among lumber men.

"The association officials believe that Mr. Drew's coming will bring to the city of New Bedford inspiration, and lead the citizens to feel a keen interest in the great undertaking of the association in behalf of our foreign speaking peoples."

**Grange.**  
One of the most interesting meetings of the grange this year was held last Wednesday evening. Julius Warren of the State Board of Education, gave an able and practical talk on the introduction of agriculture as a science into the public schools. "Agriculture is the coming occupation," he says. It holds a high place as a science today, and the farmer is no longer spoken of in the light sense of the past.

The introduction of agriculture as a science into our schools would benefit our youth, the families represented by them, and the community in which they live.

Supt. Hill and Rev. H. L. Packard spoke interestingly, also other members of the grange. The next meeting, which occurs on the first Wednesday in June, will be children's meeting, and the entertainment will be given by the boys and the girls.

**Shall We Celebrate?**  
Last year's celebration of the glorious Fourth was such a success that the executive committee have been requested to call a meeting to see if the success can be repeated.

In view of the fact that a substantial sum is in the hands of the selectmen as a starter, if the people take the same interest as last year, there seems to be no reason why we cannot beat last year's record.

A meeting to consider the matter will be held in the selectmen's room on Monday evening, May 22, at eight o'clock. All interested in having a jolly good time the Fourth are cordially invited to be present and bring suggestions. Ladies are particularly invited.

V. T. ESTEN, Chairman Ex. Com.

**BOXBOROUGH.**

**News Item.**  
Arthur Wetherbee has bought the home place of Lee Brown in West Acton, and bills are out for an auction sale next Wednesday.

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**TIME TABLE.**

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**WEEK DAY TIME.**

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Boston via North Billerica, Marlborough Centre, Burlington, Woburn, Winchester and Medford to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charles-town—6.25 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.25 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12.25 p. m. until 9.55 p. m.). Return—Leave Sullivan Square—6.25 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.25 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 11.32 a. m. until 9.32 p. m.). Sundays—7.32 a. m., and every 30 mins. until 9.37 p. m.

Lawrence—5.15, 6.15, 6.40 a. m. and every 20 mins. until 10.40 p. m. Sundays—7.10 a. m., then same as week days. Return—Leave Lawrence—5.20, 6.10, 6.50 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.50 p. m. Sundays—7.20 a. m., then same as week days.

North Chelmsford via Middlesex Street—5.18, 6.00, 6.30, 6.55, 7.03 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11.33 p. m. Sundays—7.35 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 10.33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5.30, 6.55, 6.30, 6.57, 7.18 a. m., and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m. Then 11.45 p. m. and every 30 mins. until 11.03 p. m.