

TURNER'S PUBLIC SPIRIT.

Forty-Third Year

Ayer, Mass., Saturday, May 27, 1911.

No. 37. Price Four Cents

LITTLETON.

News Items.

The milk shed at North Littleton was turned and the shape injured by the shute on the train loaded with Buffalo Bill's animals. It appears that the shute was left out far enough to cause this trouble, and had it not been for decayed posts that supported the shed, the latter would have resisted the pressure and Littleton, instead of Brookside, would have had the distinction of a wreck.

William Griffiths, the green grocer, has been forced to a vacation by an attack of pleurisy.

Mrs. John A. Kimball passed her eighty-third birthday on Thursday very pleasantly surrounded by children, grandchildren and others who left many very delightful remembrances and tokens of love and esteem.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell returned on Monday from their two weeks' vacation which included a visit of one week with their son

Chester and family in Detroit, three days at George M. Lovejoy's in Cincinnati, and three days at Edward F. Chamberlain's in Orange, N. J.

George Smith, youngest son of James Smith, was taken by his father and Dr. Hopkins to the Elliot hospital in Boston on Tuesday evening, where he was immediately operated on for appendicitis. The case was considered very serious as indicated by the prompt action. The operation proved successful and George is doing well.

William, eldest son of George Yapp, passed away on Wednesday morning after a long, hard fight against typhoid pneumonia.

Gladys Kimball of Tilton academy is at home for a few days.

Mrs. Mildred Parker of Somerville has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, this week.

William Handley is moving his family to Malone, N. Y., where he has been for several weeks past.

Mrs. Nellie Johnson returned from Leominster on Monday.

Spring and 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.

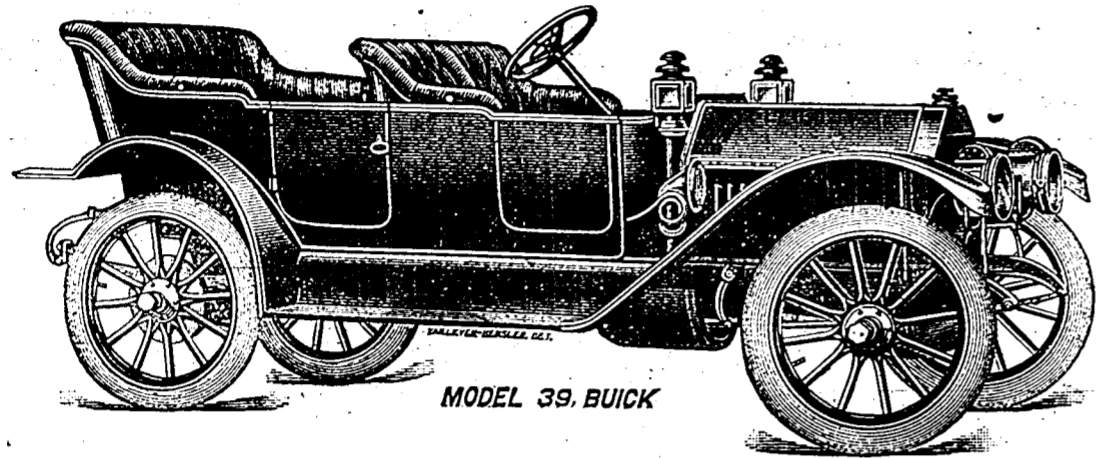
Hart, Schaffner & Marx designed it, and they are the exclusive makers of it. The Shapemaker and the Varsity are two of the best styles.

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.

Fletcher Bros.

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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.

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Swift's Animal Fertilizers
Chemicals and Land Limes
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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

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LITTLETON.

News Items.

Mrs. Ethel Taylor Smith and baby of Hillsboro Bridge, N. H., have been the guests of Mrs. Smith's parents this week.

Capt. William Sawyer attended the funeral of his cousin, Mrs. Ellen Bancroft, at her late home in Lowell on Friday.

Mrs. Butler of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Goldsmith Conant.

Dr. Christie entertained his family and two fellow physicians at his home at Littleton Common last Sunday.

Malcolm Priest, because of his honorable record at M. I. T., has been elected one of a hundred students to take a trip abroad for special study this summer. He sails from Boston on the Ivernia, June 12, and plans to be absent throughout the summer, taking in addition to the party trip, an independent tour through Scotland.

The Misses Junjata and Priscilla Fairfield united with the Unitarian church last Sunday.

Mrs. Alta Hollis will not open her home at the Common this summer.

Mrs. Annie Smith left home last Friday, accompanied by friends, for Lake Lawlor in Ossipee, N. H., where they will enjoy an outing of several weeks at Camp Never In.

The circulation of the Public Spirit in town is ten times that of any other paper circulating through the post-office here.

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

Men's Russia Calf Oxfords—Made in blucher cut style on several different shapes and styles of toes. Such reliable makes as O'Donnell, Douglas, Barry and Curtis will be found on our counters. All superior values.

Prices: \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00

Special—Just received a line of shoes made expressly for Boy Scouts. A practical shoe for tramping, climbing and all out-of-door sports. Sizes 1 to 6.

Price: \$2.00

FINE HOSIERY

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.
 A combined gathering of the prayer meeting and the Ladies' Missionary society was held at the Congregational vestry on Wednesday afternoon with echoes from "The world in Boston" for the program. Those who attended this event from this church were Rev. David Wallace, Misses Sarah, Lillian and May Atwood, H. G. Osgood, Miss Sarah W. Loker and Mrs. Ida M. Gould. The customary memorial service will be held this year with the Graniteville M. E. church, with sermon by Rev. L. H. Havermale. Therefore there will be no service at this church on Sunday morning, but there will be the usual services in the evening, young people's meeting at seven, and preaching service at 7.30 o'clock.
 Miss Ida E. Leighton is having her house and barn painted; also, some minor repairs with the result when finished of having the set of buildings in first-class repair. George E. Gould has charge of the work.
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lindsey of Somerville were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emory J. Whitney.
 Miss Hattie Buckminster returned to her home in North Reading on Monday, after a pleasant visit with the Misses Atwood.
 A good many residents made trips to Brookside on Wednesday to visit the scene of the train accident and watch the work of the repair men getting things to rights again.
 Miss Lila C. Fisher sails on June 15, with a party of friends for a European summer vacation.
 Herman Wells and son Irving of Somerville were over Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. V. Wells.

Memorial Day.

Plans for a suitable observance of Memorial day, next Tuesday, are being made. The Nashua Military band, which has served so acceptably on former occasions will be in attendance during the day. The veterans, sons of veterans, and members of Troop F Cavalry, accompanied by the band will form at the Cavalry Association building in time for the exercises at the soldiers' monument, which will take place at 10.30. At eleven o'clock the exercises at the hall will take place. Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher will preside and give the address of welcome. Rev. David Wallace will offer prayer and Rev. James M. Craig of Lowell will give the address. The quartets of the Grace Memorial church and the band will be the musical features of the program.
 Dinner will be served at noon by the Sons and Daughters of Veterans to the veterans and their guests for the day. In the afternoon there will be a concert on the common by the band from 1.30 to 3.30, after which a ball game will take place at Whitney park between Westford and Nashua teams.
 The veterans will visit the cemeteries on Sunday afternoon and decorate their comrades' graves with flag and flowers. The ritual service will be used and friends are kindly invited.

Dedication Exercises.

Sunny skies are the prime requisite now for the successful carrying out by the school children for their dedicatory service to show their gratitude and appreciation for the park and playground just completed for them. These exercises will take place this Saturday, or if too stormy will be postponed until next Monday.
 In the morning a tennis tournament is planned from 8.30 to ten, and after that a ball game between Westford academy and the Littleton high school boys. Much enthusiasm is aroused over these games and it will be the real dedication of the tennis court and the baseball diamond for the pleasant sports for which they are planned. At noon the academy teachers and pupils will serve a luncheon to the Littleton high school guests.
 In the afternoon at two o'clock promptly, the exercises by the school children, under the direction of Miss Fisher, principal of the Frost school, will take place. A march by all the children, exercises by the sunbonnet babies, Mother Goose drill, Highland Fling, crowning of the May queen and the May pole dance, are the pretty features to be carried out. Music by a Lowell orchestra will accompany these exercises. All friends are most cordially invited. Workmen have been busy putting final touches to the park to have it in readiness for this event. The latest acquisition is six new cement settees that have been placed about the grounds.

Grange.

At the regular meeting for the grange last week Thursday evening, Hon. Merriek A. Morse of Belcher-town was the speaker of the evening and gave his hearers an excellent address. Keen, witty and original under the general subjects of the grange and the public good he treated various topics of timely interest in an intelligent and common sense way that fully merited the close attention of his audience. A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Morse at the close of his address. The grange orchestra furnished some good music during the evening. Next meeting on June first, will be children's night. A good program is being arranged and ice cream and cake will be served. The ladies are requested to kindly bring cake without personal solicitation.

About Town.

Thieves are still around and about. Some time during Friday night of last week, Westford station was entered

by some other way than the way, but they got away with five dollars, some telephone money and tobacco. They evidently were not connected either by wireless or otherwise with the reciprocity system of exchange last week, whereby pork taken from one neighbor was exchanged for milk taken from another. This was not the doings of fishermen as reported last week, but of some one less actively inclined. Lying down in sleep beside the goods to be taken is the latest go-enzy style of night work yet attempted.

The seniors of Westford academy will give a social dance at the town hall on Saturday evening, May 27. Music by the Colonial singing orchestra of Lowell. This is a correction from last week which gave the date as Friday evening.

The Unitarian church will be closed next Sunday for union memorial service at the village church at Graniteville. It was for the Unitarian church to respond to its turn in the circuit of memorial exercises in the churches of the town, but a variety of causes made Rev. B. H. Bailey feel unequal to the task this year, and Rev. Havermale of the Graniteville church volunteered to assume the charge.

Rev. Seth Walker gave a bible reading to neighbors and friends at the old open Walker homestead on Monday evening. He was clear, logical, fluent and tolerant. If there is not a unity of agreement, it was pretty close because disagreement are more essential to final truth than the spirit of self-surrendering unity without investigation.

Some one reported last week of having peas two inches high, and for dry weather conditions, it seemed vigorous. Now come to the "Old Oaken Bucket" farm and see the peas in blossom.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkins of New York have been gathering the harvest of rural life for a week with her aunt, Mrs. Frank W. Banister. Mr. Wilkins is connected with the Keith circuit of theatres and has traveled to nearly all parts of the theatre-going world, and can speak all languages that come his way.

Wild West Goes Wild.

Buffalo Bill's wild west show and Pawnee Bill's far east gave a free and involuntary street parade at Brookside about three o'clock on Wednesday morning. Several cars of the last show train that left Fitchburg for Lowell were derailed at the junction of the H. E. Fletcher stone quarry track at Brookside. Several cars independently dashed up the Fletcher track only to find that it was not the road to Lowell. The first car, after proceeding a little way on the Fletcher track, left the rails and shot across towards the main track again plowing into the sand several feet, and cross-ways of the Fletcher track. The next car to follow, tried to do the same trick and landed nearly bottom side up. Out of these two cars came elephants, Indians, cowboys, donkeys, dromedaries, mules and Buffalo Bill himself.

Owing to the fact that these two cars were steel, the damage to life and property escaped the serious. Three men were injured sufficiently to send to the hospital, but nothing serious is expected. Two of the trained donkeys bid farewell to Buffalo Bill's last appearance and more certainly final than the owner of the show. The animals were herded into a nearby woodland pasture, where the elephants were fed on hay, their trainer fearing a stampede. Without breakfast and a stampede might mean a circus with their trunks and humans for playthings. After having they with the other animals were driven on the highway to West Chelmsford and reloaded for Lowell.

Several other cars were derailed which were loaded with circus wagons and settees. The balance of the train not derailed was backed to the Westford station and side-tracked. A wrecking train from Lowell and Ayer were quickly summoned and cleared enough to allow passenger trains to pass on the side-track. All freight was delayed until late afternoon. The fact that it was Buffalo Bill's circus that was derailed gathered a large crowd, people coming from Lowell, Littleton, Westford, Chelmsford, Graniteville and Forge Village.

The Indians, cowboys and wild tame animals made quite a derailed exhibit for the school children and others who once were such, while Buffalo Bill was more eyed and spied than all else. While the cause of the accident is not quite certain, there is evidence to show that the heavy oak skid that is used to load the elephants and is carried under the car worked loose and protruded out far enough to strike the switch standard, breaking it down and turning it set for the Fletcher track, but there is evidence to show that at the bridge spanning the Stony Brook highway something commenced to bump and cut in on the ties and continued to the accident. Late reports seem to indicate that one of the men injured by the animals falling and stepping on him will not recover.

Forge Village.

The evening service in St. Andrew's mission were held at the usual hour on Sunday afternoon, Rev. A. L. Bumpus having charge and preaching very eloquently.

Rev. Edmund T. Schofield of North Chelmsford officiated at the morning services in Abbot hall on Sunday.

Mrs. George Moore of Amherst visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Prescott.

Many people from this village journeyed to Graniteville last Saturday to "take in" the ball game between the Crescents of Lowell and the Graniteville team.

The annual fair of St. Andrew's mission was held on Saturday afternoon in Recreation hall and proved to be a thorough success. The tables looked extremely pretty in their decorations this year and did a fine business. The candy, ice cream and grab bag tables were in charge of the Girls' Friendly society, while the fancy table and the plain sewing table were presided over by the Ladies' Sewing circle. The proceeds of the fair will be used for the benefit of the mission.

LITTLETON.

News Items.
 The cement concrete sidewalk provided for by the substantial contribution from W. E. Conant, the \$400 voted for the purpose at the March town meeting, and additional sums from the abutters, is fast assuming definite form and promises well in its contribution to the neatness of the village from Union schoolhouse to the park opposite Osman Needham's residence.

E. H. Priest has provided running water for his houses at the south end.

Mrs. Frank Hibbard and baby of Winchester are spending two weeks at her parental home, and Mr. Hibbard joined them for over Sunday. The entire Ireland family and a few invited guests spent Sunday in camp at Forge pond. Mr. Hibbard has given up his position in Winchester, and will work in Boston after spending a brief vacation in Littleton.

The Junior Endeavorers of the Congregational society and a few friends planned for a picnic in Wilcox grove last Friday afternoon. The shower made it necessary to change the place of meeting to the Wilcox buildings, where the children enjoyed games in the barn and a basket lunch in the house.

Mr. and Mrs. John Backus, Misses Mitchell and Jackson, and several high school pupils attended the play given in Groton last week Friday night.

Misses Annie and Esther Dodge of Cambridge were over Sunday guests of their uncles, Frank and Joseph Dodge.

Charles Edwards of Haverstraw, N. Y., formerly of Lowell, was a guest of his cousin, Austin T. Kimball, last week.

Rev. William C. Brown and family will remain in Littleton this summer, the first time in several years.

F. C. Hartwell and F. B. Priest have bought the Charles Watts farm, formerly owned by Deacon Sparhawk Tuttle.

The following Memorial day observance by E. S. Clark post in Littleton will interest all readers of the Guide:
 1.30 p. m.—Band concert by Ted's military band of Boston at town hall park.
 2.15, procession to Westlawn cemetery, decorating of graves and return to town hall.
 3.15, exercises in town hall: selection, band; "To thee, oh dear, dear country," school chorus; exercises by E. S. Clark post; "The red, white and blue," school chorus; selection, band; address, Hon. John J. Mitchell of Marlboro; "The star spangled banner," school chorus; "America," school chorus and audience, accompanied by band.
 B. Frank Jacobs, marshal.

Last week Friday night, North Littleton station was broken into and entered. A revolver was taken, the ticket box was broken, and tickets were freely scattered outside as well as inside the station. The Graniteville and Westford stations were entered on the same or the following evening.

An adjourned meeting of the Improvement society will be held on Saturday evening, May 27, in the selectmen's room at 7.30. Business of importance will be transacted and a full attendance is desired.

"A missionary journey around the world and missions in Japan and Korea," is the subject of the C. E. meetings tomorrow evening.

"Christian socialism," is the topic for discussion at the next meeting of the Lincoln class.

The Lincoln class wishes to remind the public of the strawberry festival and entertainment to take place in the Baptist vestry on Tuesday evening, May 30.

Miss Elizabeth Robinson of Concord, N. H., spent last Sunday at her home and Ralph Hill was at his home.

Miss Gladys Warren, daughter of George H. Warren of South Acton, is visiting at E. N. Robinson's and other relatives at the common.

F. C. Hartwell and daughter Edna called on Mrs. Hartwell at the hospital on Sunday. The latest reports of Mrs. Hartwell's condition are favorable. She is making satisfactory improvement, and if present indications can be relied upon she will be able to return home in less than two weeks.

Special Town Meeting.

A special town meeting has been called for Wednesday evening, May 31, at 7.30 o'clock, to be held at the town hall. After a moderator has been chosen the following articles are to be acted upon:
 Art. 2. To hear and act upon the report of the water and electric light committee authorized by the town under article 29 of the warrant at the annual town meeting of March 27.
 Art. 3. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the use of the water and electric light committee.

We Do Celebrate.

The meeting on Monday evening to consider the matter of a Fourth of July celebration was fairly well attended, though there was not as large a representation of leading citizens as was desired. Those present were strongly in favor of celebrating and an organization was effected. V. T. Esten was chosen chairman; B. F. Jacobs, sec. and treas.; Ed. Barreau, Hugh Foley, Richard Conant, ex. com. The meeting then adjourned to Monday evening, May 29.

In the meantime the executive committee will meet and map out as far as possible, a program to be submitted to the meeting on Monday night.

It is hoped to improve on the program of last year and we earnestly request all who are interested to make an effort to be present on Monday evening and help out with suggestions. The success of the undertaking depends very largely on the strength of the next meeting and a good attendance will give those who are to do the work courage to go ahead and do their best. V. T. E.

About Town.

Miss Mabel Sargent will lead the Guild on the topic, "Horace Mann as an educator," next Sunday evening.
 Mrs. D. G. Houghton is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Child of Woburn.

Here's Something New

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DUNSTABLE.

News Items.
 Rev. William J. Batt of Concord Junction will occupy the pulpit on Sunday.

On Monday, the usual exercises will be held in the town hall. It is reported that Rev. B. H. Weston has been invited to be present and give an address.

Mr. Savill, having been appointed superintendent of moth work, is attending to spraying. Some of the magnificent elms on ancestral estates are victims of the elm tree beetle.

Mrs. James Davis suffered a severe sprained ankle last Saturday.

HARVARD.

News Items.
 Arthur F. Smith of Waltham is visiting with his daughter, Miss Gertrude Smith. He expects to spend the summer months with Mrs. Ellen Mongovin.

The Berkeley club will hold the first of a series of dancing parties at town hall on Monday evening, May 29. Music by the Clintonian orchestra.

Memorial day will be observed in the usual way on Tuesday, May 30. Post 48, G. A. R. of Ayer is expected to arrive at Harvard about 11.30 a. m. After services at the monument and the cemeteries the post will take dinner at High Hills, guests of Mrs. Paul Thorndike. The S. of V. and the W. R. C. will take dinner at the hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nickerson of Brookline, and the two sisters of Mr. Nickerson, opened the summer home of Mrs. S. M. Sawyer on Oak hill for over Sunday and a part of the week.

Leon Dammun of Somerville spent Sunday last at his cottage on Lovers' Lane, getting things in readiness for the coming of Mrs. Dammun and Misses Blanche and Alice Dammun who expect to be here for the summer season about June 3. Mr. Dammun started on Tuesday last for Mexico. He goes as a photographer in the interest of a moving picture concern, and expects to be present during the glorification following the declaration of peace. He will be in Harvard later in the season.

Monday, the thermometer registered 92° in the shade, and 120° in the sun.

Mrs. Ann Coyne McDade, aged seventy-five years, died on Friday, May 19, at the home of her son, John McDade, who has recently moved with his family to the farm sold him by H. Goding in West Bare hill. The funeral services were at the home and the body was taken to Lancaster, N. H., for burial last Saturday, where the deceased has relatives. R. M. Lindley had charge of the arrangements. The deceased was a very estimable lady and her loss will be felt in the house-

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CARD OF THANKS.

We are desirous of expressing our gratitude to all who so kindly rendered assistance in any way in our recent bereavement in the death of our dear mother and grandmother. To Rev. A. A. Bronson for his words of comfort and encouragement. For the generous bestowal of flowers from friends, relatives and neighbors.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. L. Crockett Shirley, Mass., May 24, 1911.

Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Co. TIME TABLE.

Cars leave Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell—6.05 a. m. and hourly at 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.05 p. m. An early car leaves the Ayer carhouse at 5.15 a. m.
 Sundays—First car leaves Ayer at 7.05 a. m., then same as week days. Running time to North Chelmsford, 40 minutes. Running time to Lowell, 1 hour and 10 minutes.
 Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer—6.20 a. m. and 20 minutes past the hour up to and including 11.20 p. m.
 Sundays—8.20 a. m., then same as week days.
 Cars connect at Ayer up to 10 p. m. for Fitchburg and Leominster. Until 9 p. m. for Worcester.
 Cars leave Forge Village for North Chelmsford and Lowell—24 minutes past the hour.
 Cars leave Forge Village for Ayer—40 minutes past the hour.
 Cars leave North Chelmsford for Brookside—5.50 a. m. and 50 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.50 p. m.
 Sundays—First car at 7.50 a. m., then same as week days.
 Leave North Chelmsford for Westford—6.50, 7.50, 8.50, 11.50 a. m., 12.50, 2.50, 3.50, 4.50, 5.50 p. m.
 Sundays—7.50, 8.50, 9.50, 10.50 a. m., 12.50, 1.50, 2.50, 3.50, 4.50, 5.50 p. m.
 Leave Westford for Lowell—6.55, 7.40, 8.40, 11.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.
 Sundays—7.40, 8.40, 9.40, 10.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.
 All schedules subject to change without notice.
 L. H. CUSHING, Superintendent.

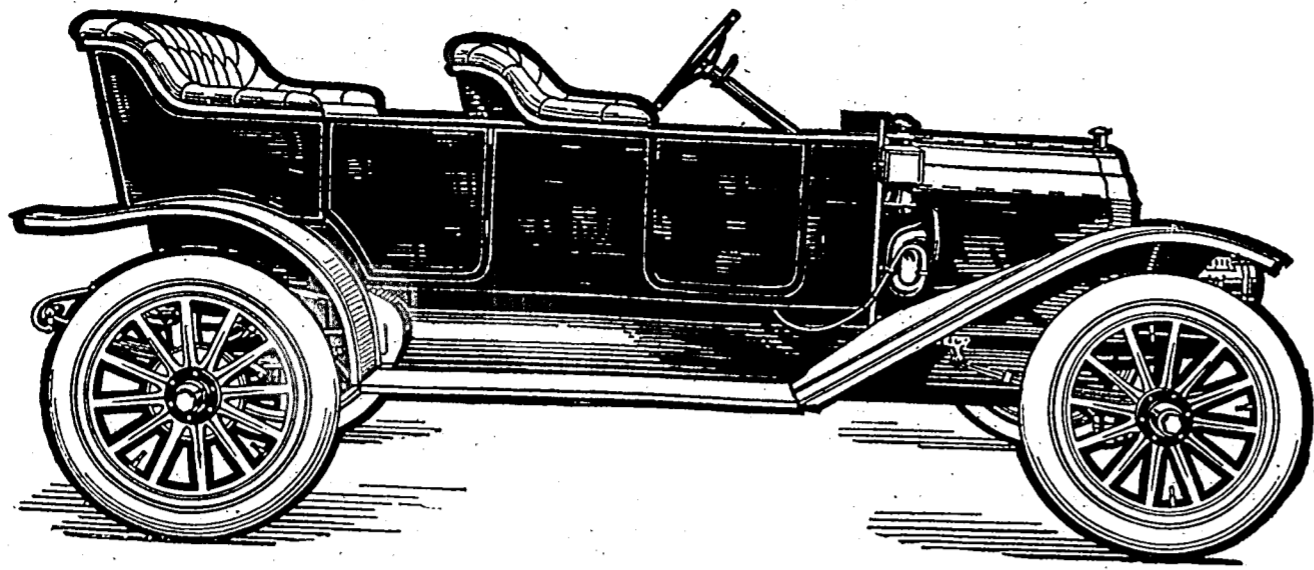
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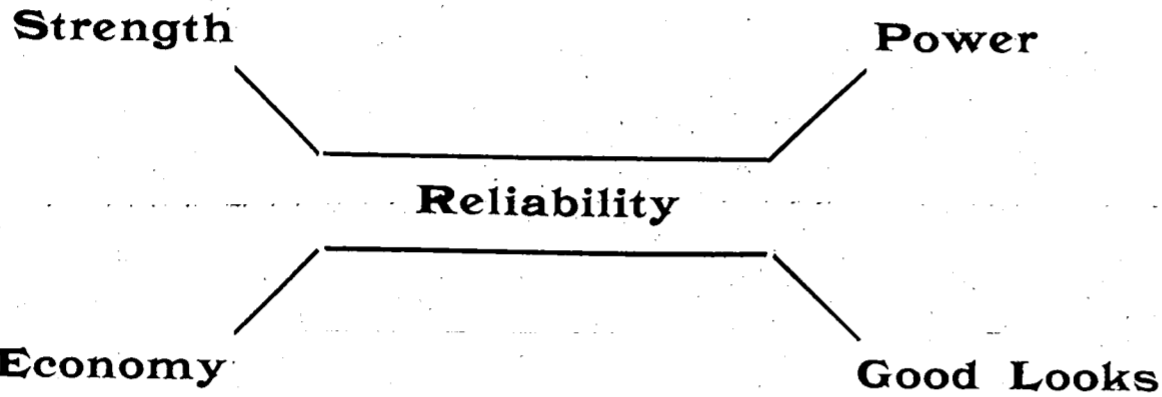
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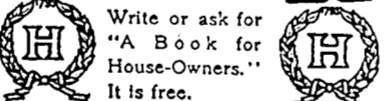
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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Mrs. Charles Ford is confined to her home with sickness and under the care of the family physician.

Roland Hocquard and family, who left Shirley for Spokane, Wash., a couple of months ago, are planning to return to Shirley as they do not like that part of the country.

Miss Anna Ryder of Brownville, Me., a former well-known resident of this town, is at the home of Miss Martha Hunter, where she will remain for some time.

Mrs. Simon Guerin, who is at the Nashua hospital, being treated for blood poisoning, is a little better.

Miss Alice Flynn, who has been confined to her home with bronchitis, is improving.

Edmund B. Winterbottom, who has been confined to his home with sickness, is better.

Guy Cook has rented part of the Kate E. Fernald house, and Mrs. Fernald will still make her home there.

Henry C. Dow, who has been on the sick list for some time past, left on Wednesday for the home of his aunt in Franklin, N. H., to remain for the summer.

Mrs. Sarah Holt of Harvard road was confined to her home this week with sickness, requiring the services of her physician.

The Roland Hocquard family have rented the house vacated by the Dana Sanderson family and will occupy it upon their return from Spokane, Wash.

The children of Cameron school will hold their annual Memorial day exercises in Abbot hall on Monday afternoon. The exercises will commence at 1.30 o'clock, and the public is cordially invited. It is hoped that the hall will be well filled, as the children have been earnestly working to make the affair a success and as a result have a most interesting program.

A concert and dance will be given in Abbot hall on Saturday evening under the auspices of Loyal Self-Help lodge, I. O. O. F. M. U. A varied and musical program has been arranged composed of competent talent, after which the one-act comedy-drama "That rascal Pat," will be run off, which will keep the audience in roars of laughter for about one hour. At the conclusion of the concert the floor will be cleared for dancing.

The Ladies' Sewing circle held their regular meeting in Recreation hall on Wednesday.

Mrs. John R. Hosmer from "The Hosmer," Blossom street, Fitchburg, is spending a few weeks with her sister at the Hume's homestead, Shirley Center road.

Death.

The funeral of Mrs. Johanna F. O'Neill took place on Tuesday morning from her late home. High mass of requiem was celebrated in St. Anthony's church, Rev. J. H. Cote officiating. The pall bearers were her six nephews—William, Jeremiah, John and P. J. Flynn, and Edmund and Leo O'Neill. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery, Ayer. At the close of the service at the church Mrs. Lillian Moore of Ayer rendered "Face to face."

Mrs. O'Neill died from heart disease last week Saturday afternoon. She was found dead at her sewing machine by her nephew, William Flynn, where she was making herself a dress and the scissors and thread were found in her hand. She had a severe attack of the grippe this past winter and never fully recovered, leaving her heart in a weakened condition. Her sudden death gave her family and friends a severe shock. She was held in the highest esteem by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

Mrs. O'Neill was about sixty-five years of age and had been a resident of this town for the past fifty-six years, moving here when a child. She was the widow of Michael O'Neill, a veteran of the civil war, who died on February 3, 1873. Since that time she had resided with her sisters. She is survived by her sons, Jeremiah O'Neill, and two sisters, Mrs. Katherine O'Neill and Miss Mary Flynn, all of Shirley.

Baseball.

A meeting of the newly-organized baseball association was held in the engine hall on Tuesday evening, when the following officers were elected:

Charles R. White, pres.; Fred J. Woods, man.; John M. Leopold, sec. and Treas.; Fred S. Brown, Frank Wheeler, John M. Leopold, Jr., com.; Harry O. Bates, Russell Miner and Stanley Wells, adv. com.

A discussion took place regarding the seating capacity on the ball field, the general opinion being that more seats were needed. It was voted that this matter be left in the hands of the finance committee. It was also voted to name the baseball club the Shirley Athletic association.

The newly-organized baseball team play its first game on Saturday afternoon, May 27, on the new ball grounds with the Nashua A. A. team. Game called at three o'clock. This will be a good game and every one should be present to encourage the home team as this is its first game.

Appropriate Services.

Members of Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., and the members of Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge, will observe Memorial day on Sunday morning May 28, with appropriate services at the Universalist church, commencing at eleven o'clock. The pastor, Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker, will deliver the address. Special music will be rendered by the choir. Members of both lodges will meet at I. O. O. F. hall at 10.30 and march to the church. At the close of the services the members of both lodges will proceed to the village cemetery and decorate the graves of deceased members. Members of other lodges and the public are invited to attend the church service and participate in the decorating of graves.

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Center.

The Rebekahs had a fifteen-cent supper before their regular meeting this week which is a new feature with them. It was well patronized.

There was a free social and supper for the L. B. A.'s and families at the vestry of the Congregational church, Wednesday evening, and a good time was enjoyed by all present.

Memorial Exercises.

The usual memorial exercises of the public schools will be held at Memorial hall on Monday afternoon. The schools will march in line and salute the flag as they pass into the hall.

The following program will be given: "Nation glides," chorus; recitation, "Nineteenth of April," intermediate A; exercise, "One country, one flag," West grammar; chorus, "Our flag," grades 1-4; recitation, "To arms," Esther Bagley; exercise, "The north and south," West primary; duet, "The Lord is my shepherd," Stella Farrar and Alice Welch; recitation, "A story of Fredericksburg," Blanche Wakefield; exercise, "Flag medley," North end; chorus, "March of the men of Columbia," grades 5-8; exercise, "Our home," intermediate B; address by junior vice commander, A. T. Hamlet, post 19, Fitchburg; chorus, "Union and liberty," high school.

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Lawrence—6.15, 6.45, 6.40 a. m. and every 30 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—7.55, 8.05 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 10.33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5.30, 5.55, 6.30, 6.57, 7.18 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m. then 11.48 p. m. Sundays—8.03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11.03 p. m.

Nashua—6.45 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10.45 p. m. Saturdays every 30 mins. Return—Leave Nashua—5.20, 6.10, 6.50 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 1.35 p. m. until 10.35 p. m.) Sundays—7.35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m.

Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—5.18, 6.00, 6.55, 7.18 a. m. and every 30 mins. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—5.40, 6.20, 6.57, 7.23 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 11.03 p. m. Sundays—9.05 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.53 p. m.

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GROTON.

News Items.

The Groton hospital being full, Dr. Kilbourn took a patient, sick with pneumonia, to Mrs. Jennie Hemenway's last week Saturday. He is an Italian employed in the work on the railroad, and was living with the other Italians in the old schoolhouse in the mill neighborhood. He was very sick, but is now improving. Mrs. Hemenway has been his nurse under Dr. Kilbourn.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard returned from Brooklyn last week Thursday, having sold her house in that city and completed all necessary details in the removal to Groton as a permanent residence.

Mr. Charlton, telegraph operator at the station here, has hired of Herbert C. Rockwood the house on Champey street vacated by Mr. Graham, and will move in the first of June.

Delegates from the First Parish Unitarian church of this town, attending the anniversary meetings in Boston, are the pastor, Rev. P. H. Cressey, Mrs. Ellen M. Needham, Mrs. Frank Lawrence Blood, Mrs. F. A. Sherwin and Mrs. F. F. Woods.

Rev. Robert Leavens of Fitchburg, who preaches at the First Parish Unitarian church in exchange with Rev. P. H. Cressey, Sunday, May 28, will speak to the students at the academy at five o'clock in the afternoon.

E. S. Clark post has invited the W. R. C. to go with them to the services at West Groton on Memorial Sunday, May 28, and asks them to meet in front of G. A. R. hall in Palmer's block at 9.30 on that morning.

Charles Woolley reached his eighty-third birthday on Wednesday, May 24. Mr. Woolley's health remains about the same as during several months past.

Raymond Dunphy, from North Brookfield, a junior at Clark college, was here and attended the high school play last week Friday evening. Mr. Dunphy is a cousin of Miss Kathleen Dunphy, who was a character in the play.

Daniel Needham of Harvard college attended the Groton high school play.

Miss Margaret Cleary came from Wheelwright, where she is teaching, to attend the high school play, returning again for school on Monday morning.

William Boynton is now the driver on the American Express wagon, taking James Dunphy's place, who left to take the position of baggagemaster at the station.

Rev. G. M. Howe preached last Sunday in exchange with Rev. A. T. Kempton of Lunenburg. Mr. Kempton read the first chapter of Genesis and preached from the text, "And God created man in his own image." It was an excellent discourse and held the closest attention of his audience.

On Monday, May 22, Groton was in the torrid zone with the thermometer up to ninety-eight degrees.

Mrs. Jane Clark was called to Charles Duren's by telephone and left for their home in Boxborough on Tuesday morning.

Born on Sunday, May 21, a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dugas. The little boy is named Charles Edward. Mother and child are doing well.

The June festival in the town hall on Thursday evening, June 8, at eight o'clock, is for the benefit of the Catholic church in Groton, and will consist of concert, dancing and supper. Music will be furnished by Thayer's orchestra.

It will interest the many Groton friends of Miss C. A. Hammond, who fell on the town hall stairs some months ago and broke her hip, to know that she has so far recovered as to be able to take long auto rides, attend church and go up and down stairs without the aid of crutches. Miss Hammond was visiting her cousin, Mrs. Emma P. Shumway, at the time of her accident, and was taken to the Kilbourn sanatorium where she was a patient for a number of weeks.

William A. Lawrence returned home on Wednesday night from a fishing trip at Averill, Vt., where he went in company with Huntley N. Spaulding.

Mrs. E. M. F. Hartwell attended the Unitarian anniversary meetings in Boston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Lawrence, with their niece, Miss Madeline Porter of Leominster, spent last Sunday with their son, Carl A. P. Lawrence, at Dartmouth college.

Frank Lawrence Blood is away on a business trip in Maine.
Invitations are out to the wedding of Dr. E. B. Branigan and Miss Mabelle G. Mansfield at Wakefield, on June 12. The house, the late Dr. Miles Spaulding place, recently purchased by Dr. Branigan, is being wired for electric lights, and otherwise made ready for occupancy. Dr. Branigan will remove his dental rooms to his new residence.

Miss Caroline Vance of Worcester and Miss Marion Dale of Roxbury, classmates at Framingham of Miss Mildred Brown, came home with her last week and attended the high school play on Friday evening.

A letter from Herbert W. Mason, received on May 22, was written on the U. S. S. Idaho at Vicksburg, Miss., on May 19. He says: "We anchored here yesterday at four o'clock p. m., coming directly up the river without stopping at any intermediate point,

other than to anchor at some favorable place over night. Our pilot is the best one on the river, and he said it would not be very safe to run at night as the current is swift and the channel very tortuous. We are going to stop at several places on the way down—two or three days each at Natchez, Bayou Sara, Baton Rouge, Plaquemine, Donaldville to New Orleans, arriving there June 3. Tomorrow afternoon I plan to make a tour of Vicksburg and look up the battlefields, etc."

There was a change of fifty degrees from the heat of Monday, May 22, to the cool weather of the following Tuesday night.

There will be a supper and entertainment at the Baptist church on Thursday evening, June 1. This will be held under the auspices of the young people. Home-made candy will be for sale during the evening.

Mrs. Isabelle Hawkes returned on Wednesday night from a two weeks' visit to friends in Boston and vicinity.

All Groton welcomed the showers of Wednesday, the first rain of any consequence which has fallen here for many weeks.

Relatives of Dr. Herbert F. Williams of Brooklyn, N. Y., have received invitations from him to the marriage of his eldest daughter, Miss Isabel Lathrop Williams, and John Northrup Thurlow on the evening of Saturday, June 10, at eight o'clock at the Classon Avenue Presbyterian church, Brooklyn. A reception follows at the residence of Dr. Williams on Grand avenue.

The Brown Loaf club met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Collier at J. B. Raddin's. The usual routine of social intercourse was observed.

The members decided that on Wednesday, June 21, they would go to Mt. Wachusett, holding there a basket lunch picnic instead of meeting that day at some of the members' homes.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church hold their food sale at their church parlor on the afternoon of June 8. There will be an entertainment in the evening, when a Japanese wedding, with everything as Japanese as possible, will be carried out. More about it next week.

Benjamin Holmes of Pleasant street is not so well, and for the last few days has seemed to be in a critical condition.

It seems as though the caterpillars of all kinds were never more plenty than this year. All along the sides of the roads the old-fashioned caterpillars have their big tents spread on every tree and shrub, with tenants galore.

Memorial Day.

E. S. Clark post, G. A. R., will decorate the graves of their fallen comrades on Memorial day, commencing in town at nine o'clock in the morning, and at Littleton at two o'clock in the afternoon.

At nine o'clock in the morning, a procession will be formed on Main street, in front of town hall, and march under the escort of the Groton School battalion to the cemetery, where appropriate ceremonies will be conducted by the members of the post, assisted by the children of the public schools. At 10.30, an address will be given in the town hall by Rev. H. A. Cornell of this town. Music will be by the Groton Cornet band.

Farewell Reception.

A very pleasant and attractive farewell reception was tendered Rev. Charles E. Ames at Quincy on the evening of Friday, May 12. The chapel was very prettily decorated and a very nice supper was served. After the receiving was over one of the ladies in behalf of the societies of the church and of some of the parish presented Mr. Ames with a purse. It was arranged in a nest of twelve boxes, one inside the other, and contained \$150 in gold, and a fifty dollar bill.

Rev. C. E. Ames has resigned his position as assistant pastor at the First church in Quincy, sometimes called "The Presidents' church," and while at present supplying in other churches will begin to candidate next month.

During a recent visit to Groton, his native town, Mr. Ames was entertained at the home of his former schoolmates, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Taylor.

Alliance Meeting.

The meeting of the Ladies' Alliance was held in the Unitarian church parlor on Thursday afternoon with a current events program. Among those who took part were Mrs. Mary W. Shattuck, who read a very interesting paper on "A quaint old lady," the same being Mrs. Elizabeth M. Bruce of Malden. Although eighty years of age, and confined to her bed since last February with a broken hip, Mrs. Bruce still writes and receives those who come to hear her. Before her accident she held vespers every afternoon in the chapel which joins onto her house. The building of this chapel was done by herself—the work of her own hands. Inside are beautiful embroideries and paintings also of her own skillful workmanship. This chapel, where people went in and out every afternoon to hear her preach, is closed since February. The whole story of this "Quaint old lady" is well worth hearing or reading.

Grange.

The regular meeting of Groton Grange on Tuesday evening was a pleasant one, though not so fully attended as some have been. Many of the questions in the "question box" were conundrum-like and humorous, while others more serious were calculated to arouse thought and give information. There were readings by M. S. Sawyer, Mrs. L. E. Starr and Miss Farnsworth, vocal solos by Mrs. Woolley and a piano solo by Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer. Mrs. Starr introduced what might be called an observation game, which was this way: After some act performed, to call on different ones to tell what they saw done. This showed how differently different people look at things, and in a way brought out the unreliability as a general thing of circumstantial evidence.

Fine Presentation.

The town hall was closely seated Friday evening, May 19. The waiting audience expected that the senior class of the high school would entertain them with a fine presentation of the college comedy, "At the end of the rainbow." The audience was not disappointed. It would be very easy to name here two or three prominent in the play who excelled, but as all took their parts admirably and the minor parts well acted go to make up a perfect whole, praise and congratulations must be awarded to all.

The class would not have reached this degree of success were it not for the untiring drill under Miss Fannie E. Woods, who wisely allotted the parts, attended to the costuming and all the necessary details.

The literary construction, artistic and natural stage settings and arrangements with the many school and college flags, and the excellent acting made this more than an ordinary play and placed it in the front rank of those ever given in the high school classes.

Lewis M. Knapp, who had a prominent part in the comedy, also rendered selections on the piano in an extremely pleasing manner.

These boys and girls have not only furnished their friends a pleasant evening's entertainment, but have laid up a store of pleasant recollections for themselves and have gained in self-control and self-forgetfulness, and had a good memorizing drill besides.

A dance followed the play with music by J. Percy Coleman of Fitchburg. The proceeds of the evening have not been ascertained as yet.

Lawrence Academy Notes.

Lawrence has had its certificate privilege renewed for three years by the Worcester Polytechnic institute and also by the New England college certificate board.

Commencement exercises will take place on Wednesday, June 21, at the Unitarian church. The speakers selected by the faculty are the following: Leonard C. Fisher of Norwood, Langdon Prouty of Littleton, Henry Douglas of Lowell, LeRoy Parcher of Brookline, Reginald Friebus of Washington, D. C.

A reception will be given to the members of the senior class and their friends by Principal and Mrs. Clough in the evening of June 21.

The baccalaureate sermon will be given Sunday, June 18, in the school chapel by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge of Pepperell.

Sunday, Rev. Robert Leavens will be the speaker at the vesper service.

The Lawrence baseball team defeated the Groton School team, May 24, by a score of 10 to 5.

Baseball.

Lawrence academy will play two great games of ball on Memorial day. The first will be with the Dartmouth freshmen at two p. m., and the second with Harvard Alerts, immediately at the close of the first game. This will be an unusual opportunity for lovers of baseball in this section to see two good games. These games will cost the academy baseball association a large sum of money and the management hopes that the people will be ready to help them with a liberal response. On an enclosed field the admission for such games would be at least fifty cents. The field is open and everybody will be welcome, but don't forget taking your pocketbooks. The management needs your assistance. Be ready to show your appreciation for such good games by liberal contributions. The academy has a strong team and will without doubt make the college boys work hard. On Wednesday, Lawrence defeated Groton School, 10 to 5, and today play Worcester South high.

Remember the games on Shumway field, May 30. It is expected that music will be furnished for the occasion by the Groton Cornet band.

Obituary.

Mrs. Henrietta E. Bourne, oldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Blood of Groton, and wife of George W. Bourne of Auburndale, passed away on Wednesday morning, May 10, at her late home, 34 Woodbine street, Auburndale. She was born in Fitchburg, March 15, 1847, and lived there until she was about three years old, then she came with her parents to Groton, where she spent her childhood and youth. She was educated at the public schools and at Lawrence academy.

In 1870, she was married to George W. Bourne of Auburndale, at the Old Bourne homestead on Auburn street. They lived there about eight years, then they built a house on the Bourne estate on Woodbine street. A few years later, selling that house, they built another on land adjoining, and there she spent the rest of her life. It is eight years since she lost her health, growing more of an invalid each year, until the services of a nurse were required, having the same one for two years and eight months, which made it very pleasant for her, as they became very much attached to each other.

The funeral was on Saturday afternoon, May 13, at her late home. Rev. Alfred Wright, D. D., of Cambridge, and Rev. Charles E. Spaulding of Auburndale officiated. The Mendelssohn male quartet of Boston sang "Nearer my God to thee," "Rock of ages," and "Face to face." There was a profusion of beautiful flowers, among them a standing wreath of white roses, pinks and lilies-of-the-valley, four feet in diameter, with Easter lilies at the base, from men employed at the Boston and Maine freight department; also, a set-piece from the Methodist church of which the deceased was a member, and set-piece from an order to which she belonged, and pillows, wreaths and sprays from the family, neighbors and friends, making some over thirty.

Mrs. Bourne is survived by her husband, who is general foreman of the Boston and Maine freight department, and has been in the employ of that department for nearly fifty years; a daughter, Florence G., wife of Westley Wright of Roxbury, son of Rev. Alfred Wright, D. D.; two sons—Henry C., a boat builder at Riverside, who has always resided at the home of his parents, and E. Howard

Bourne, civil engineer, city of Worcester; also, three sisters—Mrs. Caroline Whitcomb of Sharon, Mrs. Helen P. Whitcomb of Aliston and Mrs. Fannie M. Forbes of Groton. Her sister, Mary H. Parkhurst, who came next to her, passed away five years ago last August.

Mrs. Bourne was laid to rest in the beautiful Newton cemetery, beside her infant daughter, who died on October 22, 1879. The unusually happy home is made desolate by the loss of their loving wife and mother, for she was a true home-lover.

Oh the sleep of just a moment,
When the spirit sinks away!
Then the waking, blissful waking
In a world of endless day.

A Letter.

The many readers of the Landmark who perused with interest and pleasure a former letter from Rev. J. K. Nutting of Auburndale, Fla., will read with continued enjoyment a second letter from him:

Auburndale, Fla., May Day, 1911.
Dear Miss Jewett: I seem to be enjoying the rest of my vacation. Almost at the time I wrote you before, I received a letter and "community" pamphlet from Mr. Richardson, author of the "Wakened" many early memories and were of very great interest. I replied to him, and possibly you may have seen the reply. I am almost afraid the present generation of Groton of which Ayer is still to me a part may even have been secured with it in print—since that is the fate of a great many of my letters written without a thought of publication. I suppose it is because the paper matters which have interest for quite a number of readers.

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But usually he was an earlier pirate, and the more dreadful because he was a Spaniard. Only Satan himself could in those times be imagined worse than a Spaniard. In time this Spaniard got a yet more awful shade, by being reported as a black man. Whether a negro (simon pure) or a Moor, in the case of course an "infidel" who had pretended conversion) who had been a pirate, I had not heard of before, but he was all that was dreadful, and a pirate.

I never thought to inquire (when I had as to be this) whether such a thing happened to get caught, convicted and hanged, at such a distance from the coast with the wind blowing in his thinking to bury it more safely in such a distant place.

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start the mill as soon as he could see; and that morning he had found his porridge weaker than ever. Arriving at the mill in no pleasant mood, he found the water so high that he went along the flume to examine things. He found a small hole where the water was pouring down alongside the flume. He understood the danger, but also knew that if the mill got ruined, his worst task would be stopped. He stood looking at the hole, which he could have stopped with the tattered wool that he wore—but he stood stupidly grazing at the sand-porridge going into the hole under the flume—and a bright thought occurred: "I'll give the porridge 'em all the breakfast'—guess I'll give 'em all the porridge they want."

"In a few minutes he had hard work to avoid 'zoom' with it. Flume, saw mill, grist mill—all were presently 'zoom'. A gulf was torn out thirty feet or more deep, and the lake was lowered to its level in my time, more than a century later. Immense quantities of fish were stranded or caught in shallow pools, and the farmers came from all sides and took away wagon loads.

I have heard that sometime in the '60's a company took hold of things, rebuilt and secured the embankment and restored the lake to its old extent and pre-eminence; but I should be very glad of particulars, present appearance, etc.

JOHN K. NUTTING.

HARVARD.

News Items.

Members of the W. R. C. wish to invite all who are interested to bring flowers to the town hall before ten o'clock on Tuesday morning, May 30, to be used in decorating the graves of soldiers and sailors whose deeds are commemorated that day.

Parents and all interested are cordially invited to attend the exercises to be given by the pupils of the Center school, assisted by members of the G. A. R., to be held at 1.30 o'clock, Monday afternoon, May 29, at the school building.

W. F. Dickson, with his father, A. J. Atwood, attended the dedication of the new Masonic home at Charlton, on Thursday.

Miss Katherine Dickson is reported as getting along slowly, but steadily. It is now expected that she will be able to be back in Harvard in about two weeks.

Ex-Gov. Curtis Guild is to be one of the speakers at "High Hills" on May 30, when Mr. Thorndike entertains the G. A. R., and guests. Comrade Jubb of Shirley is also expected to speak as one of the men who was with General Sherman on his famous march to the sea.

Still River.

Last Sunday, the American Bridge Company were given a clear track from 8.15 in the morning until 3.49 o'clock in the afternoon, to take up the tracks on the bridge so as to get in the floor system of the new steel bridge. They worked fast and got the work done, so that the 3.49 train for Worcester passed over the new bridge, this being the first train to pass over the bridge, on the new work, not being upheld by the old piling. There is yet some riveting to be done, but on Saturday night will see the bridge practically completed, and the builders expect to load their outfit on Wed-

nesday to go to Rochester, N. Y., to put in a bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Haynes attended "The world in Boston" last Saturday.

Miss Lucy Lowell, who has been housekeeper for H. W. Hersey for several years, has gone to Harvard, where she is helping out at William Savage's.

Everyone was glad to see the showers on Wednesday and Thursday, for it was getting very dry, the springs in the pasture that supply the water for the standpipe at the railroad station are lower than ever known, so that there was not enough water running to supply the locomotives with water, and notice had to be given that until further notice, no water could be taken at the standpipe.

There will be no services at the Still River church Sunday, on account of the union memorial services at the Unitarian church in Harvard.

George H. Chase, one of Still River's benevolent men, has recently given ten thousand dollars to the Clinton hospital for a needed addition. Mr. Chase certainly did a good thing in this and will receive the hearty approbation of all in his generous gift.

Miss Alice Lincoln of Somerville was the guest of her friend, Mrs. Frank Sprague, last week.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

Arthur Nelson went to Weston last week to visit friends and heard Mr. Grenfall, missionary from Labrador, give his interesting lecture.

Warren Duren has returned from the hospital and although he requires the attendance of a physician twice a day is doing well.

Miss Florence Moore of Maplewood was a week-end guest at R. Y. Nelson's.

Several grangers from here went to Acton Center Tuesday evening to see the third and fourth degrees conferred on a large class and pronounced the field work the best they ever witnessed.

No. 2 school reopened Monday with Miss Farnsworth as teacher and for the remainder of the term the pupils of No. 3 will be taken up to No. 2. Miss Gale, who left for her home in Gloucester last week, found her father dead on his arrival there. She returned and opened school Thursday. Miss Bradford's school will reopen Monday, as there are no new cases of scarlet fever.

Annie Sherry is improving but we are sorry to have to add Mrs. A. E. Lawrence to the sick list. She is always first to aid in caring for the sick and untiring in her efforts to help in time of trouble. Her friends hope for her a speedy recovery.

Arthur Wetherbee's family left for their new home in West Acton on Friday and we lose another good neighbor and townsman. The new owner will take possession at once.

Mrs. Waldo Braman is visiting Mrs. James Braman this week.

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Saturday, May 27, 1911.

AYER.

News Items.

Will the school children please gather flowers for Memorial day and leave them in lower town hall on Monday, May 29.

Members of W. R. C. will meet in G. A. R. hall on Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, to attend memorial service in St. Andrew's Episcopal church.

Eugene Barry, Theodore Barry, Dr. Wiley, George L. Osgood and George H. Hill start on Tuesday evening of next week for Shin ponds, in the northern part of Maine, on a fishing trip for trout and salmon, and will be gone about ten days.

Charles Ball, who has been with L. Sherwin & Co. as clerk in their store for some time past, gets through June 10, and June 18 he leaves his home at Brookline for New York city to join a musical company.

Through a misunderstanding regarding the law bearing on the subject, the patriotic exercises in honor of Memorial day will be given by the pupils of the schools next Monday afternoon at two o'clock, instead of Friday, May 26, which was the original date given us and printed two weeks ago. The law says that such exercises shall be annually held on the last school day before the holiday and consequently the date was changed to next Monday.

Archie Messenger, who was in town the first of the week, and Charles W. Milliken played at the testimonial of G. A. Patz, the well-known Fitchburg musician at Whalom last Sunday.

An enjoyable social was given by Easter lodge, N. E. O. P., after its meeting Tuesday evening. There was a violin solo by Myle V. James, vocal duet by Misses Hortense Sawyer and Mildred Bales; vocal solo, Miss Agnes King; recitation, Miss Gertrude Carrigan, and the "Yankee Doodle kitchen," a musical sketch. Light refreshments were served.

Thirty of the young friends of Ruth Beatrice Huntington gave her a surprise when they gathered at her home on Washington street last Tuesday in honor of her ninth birthday. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in playing games and other forms of entertainment. Some older guests, including Rev. A. L. Bumpus of St. Andrew's church, attended and their presence added to the pleasure of the occasion. The young hostess in whose honor the party was given received many presents from her young friends. Light refreshments were served.

The members of Post 48, G. A. R., Capt. Geo. V. Barrett camp, S. of V., and W. R. C. will attend memorial exercises at St. Andrew's church Sunday.

Archie Messenger, who formerly lived here, arrived in town last Sunday. He leaves for Atlantic City next month where he is to play during the summer with a Chicago band. Mr. Messenger has been playing with "The merry widow" company, which toured the country. Next October he will begin a musical engagement with "The girl of the golden west" company.

Lewis Papineau, formerly of Shabokin and Clifton F. Winchester are having two new cottages built on the Shirley road beyond the West Main street crossing.

The game between the Ayer high and Townsend high baseball teams in Townsend last Saturday proved very unsatisfactory. The Townsend management refused to allow the Ayer boys to have an umpire and the official chosen by the Townsend team to officiate gave the Ayer team the worst of every decision. Patience ceased to be a virtue in the ninth inning when the Ayer high players, justly protested against the umpire's decision, whereupon that official called the game. The score was 14 to 2 in favor of Townsend.

The members of Robert Burns lodge, I. O. O. F., will attend memorial exercises of Fredonian lodge of Shirley on Sunday, May 28.

Margaret, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Curran of West Main street, died Tuesday afternoon of tubercular meningitis, aged 1 year, 1 mo. and 19 days. The interment was at St. Mary's cemetery Thursday.

Ayer Aerie, F. O. E., have accepted an invitation to attend a class initiation in Maynard, May 30, at two o'clock p. m. and will leave here on the noon train.

George C. Peterson and Daniel Dalley were drawn as traverse Jurors on Thursday evening for duty at the term of the superior court at Cambridge, beginning Monday, June 5.

The contract for the new standpipe has been awarded to the Hodge boiler works of Boston. The pipe will be ready for service by September 1. The amount of the contract was \$6,950, exclusive of the cost of the foundation. It will be fifty feet high, instead of forty-five as originally planned and will hold fifty thousand gallons more.

F. T. Auld, who operates the lino-type machine at this office, will play with the Shirley A. A. baseball team in its game with the Nashua A. A. nine at Shirley Saturday afternoon. He will also play with the Westford team on Memorial day against Nashua A. A. Mr. Auld is highly recommended and has played with some of the best semi-professional teams in the vicinity of Boston.

The case of Silas N. Stone, charged with maintaining a common nuisance, is set for trial Saturday. Frank J. Maloney is counsel for the town and William A. Hogan of Lowell for the defendant.

Chief of Police Beatty searched the house on the Groton road, occupied by Alonzo Hosley, for stolen goods, said to be concealed there on Thursday morning. As the missing articles were not found, it is improbable that any further action will be taken concerning the recovery of the goods. The complainant was Melissa Hosley, sister of the defendant.

The Wachusett Valley association of Baptist ministers will have its next meeting at Whalom next Monday, which will be the last meeting until the fall. The ministers and wives are invited to attend. Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Thomas of this town expect to attend the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kinney attended the dedication of the new home for aged and infirm Masons at Charlton on Thursday. Free Masons were present from all parts of the State.

The Congregational ministers of the Ayer district held a meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church last Tuesday afternoon. It was the regular quarterly meeting.

Services at the Baptist church on Sunday will consist of preaching by the pastor at 10:45. Sunday school at twelve; Praise service and short address by the pastor at seven p. m.

The feature pictures at the moving picture show on Saturday night are "Saved by telegraphy," "A Pathé," "The spy," a Selig. Lyman Palmer will sing "Summer days" and "Kelley's gone to kingdom come," which will be illustrated with up-to-date slides.

The Unitarian church has been represented at the anniversary meetings held in Boston this week by the pastor of the Unitarian church, Rev. Richmond Fisk, Mrs. E. B. Butterfield, Mrs. Albert C. Perkins, a delegate, Miss Emma Butterfield and Mrs. Susan M. Barker. The representatives of the Y. P. R. U., who attended the annual meeting of that organization on Thursday were Natalie Bigelow, Evelyn Sanderson and Pauline Sherwin.

Town Meeting.

The special town meeting on Thursday evening in the town hall was called to order by town clerk, Guy B. Remick. After the reading of the warrant by the clerk, Lyman K. Clark was chosen moderator. There was a small attendance. The article regarding the watering or oiling the streets, or spreading any other substance upon them to do away with the dust nuisance, and for sanitary purposes, was thoroughly discussed from all points of view.

Selectmen and superintendent of streets, Frank S. Pierce, gave figures showing the approximate cost of watering or oiling the streets, which proved a basis for the long discussion of the subject that followed. Under article 2, it was voted to appropriate from the treasury the sum of \$226.24 for the support of the poor, said sum being the unexpended balance of last year's appropriation for the support of the poor.

After many motions and amendments, it was finally voted, under article 3, that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150 to water Main street, from the east approach of the overhead bridge, to the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division tracks, one-half to be paid by the estates of the abutting owners.

Voted, that the town borrow under the provisions of Chapter 152, of the Acts of 1887, as amended by Chapter 424, of the Acts of 1906, such additional sum or sums of money, not to exceed \$25,000, as may be required to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred in improving, increasing and extending its water supply; and that the town treasurer be, and hereby is directed and authorized to issue from time to time, when requested by the water commissioners, bonds or notes of the town to the amount of \$25,000, signed by him and countersigned by the water commissioners, payable at such times, not exceeding thirty years from their respective dates of issue, and bearing such rates of interest, not to exceed four percent per annum, payable semi-annually, as the water commissioners and treasurer shall determine. Each of said bonds or notes shall bear on its face the words "Ayer water loan," and a statement that it is exempt from taxation in Massachusetts. Each note so issued shall also be countersigned and approved by a majority of the selectmen and certified by the town clerk, as provided by Chapter 616, of the Acts of 1910. The town shall annually contribute to the sinking fund established under the provisions of Chapter 152, of the Acts of 1887, a sum sufficient with the accumulations thereof to pay the principle of said loan at maturity.

Old Landmark Gone. There was considerable excitement on Tuesday morning when the two giant forks of the large elm tree in front of the bank building on Main street fell. The first one fell about 9:30 o'clock, over the roof of the subway entrance and across the side tracks of the Boston and Maine railroad, carrying the telegraph wires with it. The roof was somewhat damaged and the building covering the Main street entrance to the subway was knocked out of plumb by the force of the blow. The roof of the center subway entrance was also somewhat damaged. The second fork of the tree fell a few minutes later with a loud crash that could be heard for quite a distance, diagonally across Main street, carrying with it the trolley wire of the Lowell and Fitchburg Street Railway Company and the connecting wires.

Superintendents Frank S. Pierce of the street department and L. H. Cushing of the street railway company combined their forces with the telephone, telegraph and Boston and Maine employees, and although the combined force worked hard it was nearly six o'clock when the street was entirely cleared. The accident tangled up the telephone, telegraph, fire alarm and trolley wires badly and it required a good deal of effort and time to get things in their normal condition.

The Lowell and Fitchburg Street Railway Company made the town hall their temporary terminus, beginning at ten o'clock and lasting until the

street was cleared, after which the cars arrived and departed from their usual place.

As a precaution against another such occurrence, the remaining fork of the tree was cut down and carried away during the afternoon. The passing of this tree removed one of the oldest landmarks in town. Its age cannot be exactly determined, but it is estimated to be at least 125 years old. Others set the time that the tree has been standing at 150 years.

The tree was planted on what was then the land of Stewart Nutting, who owned a large tract of land in that section of the town.

During the great fire of 1872, which burned all the buildings on Main street, the tree was badly burned on one side. About thirty years ago a fork of the tree fell. The rest of the great elm remained standing until Tuesday. The lower portion of the tree was badly decayed and this condition together with the weight of the branches and the wind was responsible for their fall.

The accident happened at a particularly good time, as there were very few teams or people passing at the time. This portion of Main street is more or less crowded during the day and in view of these facts it is fortunate that no greater damage resulted. Quite a number of people viewed the scene of the accident and the work of clearing up the debris during the day.

To the Editor:

The statement made in the issue of your paper of last week by the G. A. R. post that Capt. George V. Barrett was the only surviving charter member of that post is not so, as I am one of the charter members and am quite alive yet. Benjamin M. Spaulding.

To the Editor:

About seventy-five years ago there was born in the fence by the roadside in front of schoolhouse of District No. 12 in South Groton, an elm tree, with in sight and almost beneath the shade of which has transpired every event of our local history worthy of recording. Men who were boys in the early '40's have told me that by climbing onto the fence they could reach up into the branches and pull the tree over, as boys of my generation did with the elm tree in front of the library on East Main street.

Prior to the railroads our Main street, which was then the Lunenburg and Littleton highway, the authentic record of which antedates the Revolution, passed on the south side of the tree. If you will stand in the center of West Main street crossing your line of vision will be the original line of the highway. When the Fitchburg railroad was built the highway was deflected so as to cross the railroad nearer at right angles, and to pass on the north side of the tree. At the foot of the tree in the schoolhouse yard was the school well, which later became our "town pump," serving not only man and beast but the supplying of water in case of fire. This well was pumped dry early that awful night in April, 1872, when our inadequate fire-fighting facilities attempted in vain to check the great fire. Later in the night the "Colonel Needham" stood at Main street crossing with its squirrel tail in locomotive tanks, fighting against hopeless odds.

When our elm tree was born the little, square, hip-roofed brick schoolhouse that stood on the site of the Bank block was the only public building in this vicinity. The nearest store and postoffice were at Groton, four miles away. The tree witnessed the building of the railroads, their consolidation and marvelous development. It saw the birth and the growth of our village. Every citizen who has resided here has passed its waving branches. It reviewed the Lincoln wide-awakes, heard the voice of Stephen A. Douglas, saw the parade of our boys as they marched to the front and witnessed the sad military pageantry of those whose mortal clay was brought home to rest in our soil.

In its great storm of 1878 it lost one of its principal branches, but its death wound was the scorching of the fire of 1872, and while we anxiously watched its convalescence we were aware that it had received a mortal hurt, the fatality of which was made more certain as the weight of its branches became disproportionate to its strength. Its taking off last Tuesday forenoon was duly dramatic and impressive. At its mandate the steam and electric traffic stood still until its dismembered remains could be removed from the path of commerce, the most important era of which its life spanned. George J. Burns.

Deaths.

Gardner P. Muzzey, a resident here about twelve years ago, and who was engineer of the freight running to Greenville, N. H., and returning at night, died in Greenville on Thursday morning, May 25, after a long illness. He resided here for about three years, and occupied the upper tenement of the Dr. Fox house on East Main street. He was thirty-nine years of age, and leaves a wife and three children—Dorothy, Dana and Robert, and a sister, who has resided with him for some time past.

Mr. Muzzey lived in Fitchburg after leaving here until 1907, and from there he moved to Waltham, where he had lived until more than a year ago, when ill health compelled him to give up work, and since then he has lived in Greenville, N. H.

The funeral will be at the residence of Gleason Wood, 87 Maple street, Waltham, Sunday afternoon, May 28, at three o'clock. The wife of Mr. Wood, who was Miss Lena Foster, is a sister of Mrs. Muzzey.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Harkins) Griffin died at her home last week Friday night of arterio sclerosis, aged sixty-one years.

Mrs. Griffin was a native of the County Leitrim, Ireland, and came to this country when sixteen years of age. She first lived at Littleton, and later moved to Shirley in which town the greater part of her married life was spent. Her husband, Alonzo F. Griffin, died about four years ago. She leaves one sister, Mrs. Patrick McNiff of Littleton, and two sons and two daughters—Joseph P. Griffin of Providence, William H. Griffin of Ayer,

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Mrs. Ella L. Cobb of York Beach, Me., and Mrs. Mary Williams of Ayer. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon. Services were performed at St. Mary's church by Rev. P. J. Sheedy. The interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah Merrill, widow of Major George S. Merrill, died at her summer home in Methuen on Thursday night from an attack of acute indigestion, aged about seventy years. Mrs. Merrill was a frequent visitor in town and when here was a guest of the late Mrs. S. J. Bennett, who died just a year ago. Mrs. Merrill was a Miss Weston and her mother and the mother of Mrs. Bennett were sisters. She had many relatives in town on the Felch side of the family. Mrs. Merrill leaves an only daughter, Mrs. Frank A. Magee of Wenhams. Burial in Lawrence on Saturday afternoon.

Convention.

The North Middlesex convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion was held in South Acton on Saturday, May 20. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. Helen G. Rice, state superintendent of the legion. A business meeting was held in the forenoon. In the afternoon there was an oratorical contest for a gold medal, the contestants being members of the West Acton legion. All other legions took part in the entertainment of the afternoon. Elliott Preble was elected president of the convention for 1912. Those present from Ayer were: Mrs. Otis Kirkredge, Zella Reynolds, Mrs. John Corkum, Bertha Scruton, Cassie Corkum, Jane Briggs, Grace Farrar, Ruth Powers, Etta Corkum, Charles Washburn, Elliott Preble, Everett Fowler, Percy Fowler, Leon Parker, Frank Parker, Stanley Chaffin, Harold Philman, Nell Reynolds, Howard Preble.

Overchurching Again.

I have read with interest the communication in the Public Spirit overchurching Ayer. Much, if not all that it says on the broad scope of the church's mission, I heartily endorse. Your Number Seven church would eat up, or absorb the other six. If its principles were wrought into the life of the people, the burden of your plea is really for one church, or a community of good people seeking first of all the Kingdom of God. For some such solution of the competition of sectarianism, let us devoutly pray. But your remedy is too simple for so deeply rooted a condition. The church as an organization, formed and fashioned, and administered in the interest of sectarian preferences, in not a few cases, will not respond to the broader appeal of the present. Of course, by and by, the good sense of practicable people will lessen the number of sectarian churches. A religious organization we must have—an efficient organization—in order to give effectiveness to the effort to christianize the world.

No movement worth while can become a power without a body. Truths, like life in a tree, need expression. In the individual lives, but in the social group wise, organization is a great word in the Kingdom of God, no less than in the Industrial Kingdom. But a multiplicity of organizations for the same thing is questionable.

Of course, many churches, for instance, awaken activity, but in an overchurched town it is the activity of competition—which tends to promote the evils clinging to religion, like barnacles to a ship, or infecting the religious life with a dangerous microbe.

Know a town of 1,500 people, five hundred of whom are not open to an invitation of a church on the ground—and yet for 1,000 people—there are three churches, with three ministers, and the expense of caring for each plant. One church could meet the needs of the whole community, and its minister could be decently supported. Yet the sectarian spirit forbids it and the competitive spirit has free course and is glorified.

Now I believe in the church—in one church for a town—of large size as Ayer and the other place referred to—and if there are good people who can't be followed by their hospitable roof, let them say their prayers in their closets, or under a tree.

You see, I say hospitable roof—for there can never be one church for the people founded on our differences, but on our agreements. Its bond should be a simple but comprehensive covenant—not creedal, not Confessional, not a condition means segregation of groups, for no large number of thinking people will ever agree on doctrinal statements. But enough. Go on feeding some of us from our swaddling bands.

JOHN G. TAYLOR, Arlington, May 19, 1911.

Church Services. Unitarian church services: at 10:45, sermon by Rev. Dr. Fisk, Sunday school at twelve, at seven p. m., the Y. P. R. U. will hold its annual meeting. Miss Evelyn Sanderson will lead in the service, followed by reports and the election of officers for 1911-12. Dr. Fisk will close the service as speaker. This will be the closing service for the season.

At the Congregational church, the services for Sunday will be taken by Rev. Lawrence Sommers of Harvard University.

St. Andrew's church on Sunday at 10:45 a. m., Mr. E. H. Higley, pastor, address the G. A. R., W. R. C., and S. of V. Holy communion at ten o'clock. Sunday school at twelve m.

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Items of Interest.

The Pacific ocean covers 68,000,000 miles, the Atlantic 30,000,000 and the Indian, Arctic and Antarctic 42,000,000. To stow away the contents of the Pacific it would be necessary to fill a tank one mile long, one mile wide, and one mile deep every day for 440 years. Put in figures the Pacific holds in weight 948,000,000,000,000,000 tons. The Atlantic averages a depth of not quite three miles. Its water weighs 325,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and a tank to contain it would have each of its sides 430 miles long. The figures of the other oceans are in the same startling proportions. It would take all the sea water in the world 2,000,000 years to flow over Niagara.

"Mail order houses" are not so called because they send out goods by mail, but because they receive orders by mail instead of personal calls from customers. The goods sold through mail orders, as a matter of fact, generally are shipped by express. This explanation has been given in view of a discussion as to the benefits of the parcels post system.

The home of J. M. White, who lives near Pack, Mo., is somewhat of a curiosity shop. He has a purse which is 104 years old, a chest 104 years old, and a bedspread 88 years old. The bedstead on which he sleeps is 90 years old. He has a razor, mug and walking cane that are 60 years old, and one of the lamps that he uses he bought in 1857.

The hobble skirt is causing trouble for the Syracuse, N. Y., rapid transit company and the public service corporation will give a hearing on the subject. The council of women's clubs, since the hobble skirt has come into style, has decided that steps six inches from the ground are not low enough, and has asked that lower steps be ordered.

The "Danish" government recently found it necessary to grant heads of families the privilege of changing their names if they feel so disposed without incurring any legal costs. This is a necessary piece of legislation for the population of Denmark is divided into three great clans—the Hansens, the Petersens and the Sorensens. In one town of 25,000 inhabitants over four-fifths bore one or the other of these names. Many of these have taken advantage of the new law and assumed more distinctive names.

A. J. Newton, an eighty-year-old elevator man in Walla Walla, Wash., plucked a pair of new shoes, but they thinned his feet so he had to throw them aside. He tried on several styles of shoes at a shoe store, but not finding any that he could wear comfortably he went home and dug out an old

pair he had tossed into his garret nearly forty years ago. He oiled and polished them and when he had them on he said he felt like dancing a jig. Mr. Newton bought the shoes in Elk, Nev., in 1870, and paid eighteen dollars for them.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. William Foster of Pepperell have been guests of Mrs. J. A. Hall.

Mrs. Frank Maynard has a handsome petunia with seventy-two blossoms in it.

Miss Ethel Taylor is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barker on Townsend hill.

The Sunbonnet club enjoyed a happy call at the home of Mrs. Bertha Brown on Friday afternoon, May 19, reminding her that it was her birthday and presenting her with a Sunbonnet pitcher. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess and Mrs. Della Hall, Mrs. Grace Dodge and Mrs. Emma Valedge.

Miss Blanche W. Hall is filling the position of librarian at the Brookline public library.

Mrs. L. M. Cochrane of Wollaston and Harris L. Gilson of Wakefield are visitors in town.

A brush fire near the Moses Duffy farm at North Brookline caused an alarm to be rung in Sunday noon.

Rev. Warren L. Noyes attended the State meeting of Congregational churches at Claremont last week.

Winifred, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Hall is ill with bronchitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Nichols and daughter Maxine of Brookline, Mass., also Mr. and Mrs. Stevens of Roxbury, were recent guests at John Porter's.

Mrs. Hartwell and family moved to the M. M. Smith cottage.

The Loyal Workers met with Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson on Wednesday afternoon, May 24.

The members of Mrs. George Beterley's Sunday school class were entertained at the Seaver homestead on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Adella Whitcomb is spending a week with her daughter Grace at Roxbury, Mass.

Mrs. Julia Lawrence and son James of Pepperell are guests at Walter E. Corey's.

Memorial services will be held at the Methodist church on Sunday, May 28.

Rev. Warren L. Noyes will take for his subject at the Congregational church on Sunday, May 28, "The arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain as a step towards universal peace."

The Millford fife and drum corps will assist in the memorial exercises on Saturday, May 27, instead of the Ayer fife and drum corps.

Rev. J. N. Seaver will deliver the memorial address on decoration day.

The summary of the annual invoice of the town's total valuation is \$390,444; total tax, \$6,247.10; rate of taxation, \$1.60; 110 horses; 79 cows; 14 neat stock; 13 sheep.

Mrs. J. R. Smith is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Smith at Providence, R. I.

Mrs. W. D. Osgood, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Crankshaw, at Dorchester, returned to town the past week and will occupy the cottage which has been occupied by Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Woods.

Rev. Victor H. Wachs occupied the pulpit at the Congregational church Sunday morning in response to an invitation from the pastor to preach a farewell sermon, as he expects to leave Townsend after the close of the school year, and in the fall Mr. and Mrs. Wachs will leave for Korea, entering the missionary field.

TOWNSEND.

The flower committee for Memorial day would like to have all flowers brought to Memorial hall soon after nine a. m., Tuesday morning, or as early as possible.

The Ayer high school played our high school on the home grounds last Saturday afternoon, the Townsend boys winning by a score of 14 to 2. With this score in the ninth inning and with two men out and two strikes on the third man from Ayer, one of the Ayer boys refused to abide by the decision of the umpire and the result was nearly a riot. The game which was all but ended, was called. Owing to the scrappy talk afterwards and the trouble during the game, the return game at Ayer will be cancelled.

The funeral of Charles Fuller, an account of whose illness and death was given last week, was held at the Methodist church last Saturday morning at 10.30 a. m. The new pastor, Rev. S. P. Robertson, and also Mr. Fuller's pastor, Rev. V. H. Wachs, officiated at the services. Mrs. Wachs sang two selections. A goodly number of the Memorial association were present. The body was taken to Leominster for burial. Mr. Fuller was a member of the M. E. church.

J. J. Flynn of Worcester has accepted a position with the B. & A. Fessenden Co.

A reception was given to Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Robertson at the M. E. church on Tuesday evening and a very enjoyable time was held. There were over fifty present and a fine musical and literary entertainment was given during the evening. Rev. V. H. Wachs, the retiring pastor, made the address of welcome, and remarks were made by Rev. Samuel Ringrose and by Rev. A. L. Struthers of the Baptist and Congregational churches. A very friendly spirit was manifested among the different denominations present and the new minister and wife received a hearty welcome.

Mrs. Louis Streeter and son of Waltham are at T. E. Flarity's for over Memorial time.

A pleasant evening was enjoyed at the grange on Monday in having patriotic exercises suitable for memorial time. The topic of the evening was "Army nurses," and Mrs. T. J. Tenney, Mrs. Hattie Misner and Mrs. Vernal Barber gave interesting papers upon the same. There were songs by the grange and by Mrs. Mabel Brackett and Mrs. Greenleaf. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Debate.

A large delegation from Lunenburg attended the debate between Lunenburg high school and our high school at Memorial hall last Friday night. The question was: Resolved, "That the right of suffrage should be extended to the women of the United States." Our school had the affirmative side and the speakers were Miss Esther Amson, Claude Hartford and Edna Hayes. Lunenburg on the negative side had Miss Lucy McGovern, Miss Emma Burrage and Clarence Proctor. The judges were Rev. J. M. Sutherland of Pepperell, Carl P. Sisson, principal of Pepperell high school and A. R. Paull, superintendent of schools of the same town. They were nearly three-quarters of an hour deciding who was to be the winner, but in considering all points, the decision was unanimous for Lunenburg.

Memorial Day Exercises.

Memorial Sunday will be observed in Memorial hall, Sunday evening, May 28, at seven o'clock, with the following exercises: Music, prayer, "Welcome Grand Army men," Ideal quartet; scripture reading, Rev. S. P. Ringrose; prayer, Rev. V. H. Wachs; selection, "Our flag," quartet; address, Rev. A. L. Struthers; selection, "America," audience joining in the singing; and benediction by Rev. S. P. Ringrose.

Comrades will appear in uniform and assemble at headquarters in the association room at 6.30 o'clock.

Memorial day, the Townsend Memorial association, assisted by members of Post 19, G. A. R., will attend the exercises at 10 o'clock at the cemetery at West Townsend at 10.30 a. m., also exercises at the bridge. Comrades will report to Commandant, J. J. Harvey, at headquarters, Memorial hall at nine a. m., leaving by train for West Townsend at 9.38 o'clock. Escort, Anson D. Fessenden camp, S. of V., Melvin Davis, commander, and Townsend Brass Band, R. A. Lantry, leader. On returning from West Townsend, dinner will be served in the banquet hall by the Sons and Daughters of Veterans to the association and invited guests at 12.30 o'clock. Flowers are solicited and may be placed in the hands of the school children or cordially invited to assist in the exercises of decoration in cemeteries and at 1.30 at the bridge.

The program for the afternoon in the hall at two o'clock is: Grand selection, "War and Peace," by the G. A. R. Chorus; Columbia, beloved high school chorus; prayer, Rev. S. P. Ringrose; selection, "The bugle," high school chorus; Lincoln's Gettysburg address; Miss Edna Hayes; address, Comrade John L. Parker, past department commander of Massachusetts; selection, high school chorus; "America," audience joining in singing, followed by exercises in decoration in the cemetery. The Grand Army and its auxiliaries return to headquarters and be dismissed. A cordial invitation is extended by the Memorial association to members of the Grand Army and its auxiliaries and soldiers of the Spanish war, also the sons and daughters of veterans and all eligible to their organizations to assist in the exercises of the day.

In the evening in the hall the four act drama, "Down in Dixie," will be presented by the Brookline Dramatic club, under the auspices of the Sons and Daughters of Veterans of Townsend.

A cordial invitation is extended by the Memorial association to members of the Grand Army and its auxiliaries and soldiers of the Spanish war, also the sons and daughters of veterans and all eligible to their organizations to assist in the exercises of the day.

The following is taken from the Hudson News-Enterprise, May 5, and is published by the permission of the publisher, J. C. Cushing & Co., New York.

In the death of Wilbert Arthur Page, which occurred on Sunday noon, Hudson has lost another of its most estimable citizens. The death of this man was received with profound grief wherever he was known, expressions of sorrow over his untimely end being general.

Mr. Page had been ailing a few days, but his condition was not regarded as serious. He was at his work up to 9.30 Saturday night, but he was feeling well on Friday, but the following day seemed to be all right, and in his usual manner he was taken ill Sunday morning, and although medical aid was summoned, it did not avail. Heart trouble was the cause of death.

Wilbert A. Page was born in Townsend, and was 50 yrs. 1 mo. 28 days old. He came to Hudson about twelve years ago, and assumed the management of the J. Cushing & Co.'s grain store, a place he held up to death. He was a son of Joshua and Lucy Ann (Gibson) Page of Townsend.

Few men in Hudson were held in higher esteem than Mr. Page. He was affable and courteous at all times, and his quiet ways and his sense of humor were a quiet but effective force in the company he represented. He was a firm and sound basis. In this respect he was regarded by the company as one of its most capable servants.

Mr. Page was a member of Doric Lodge, A. F. & M., Houghton Royal Arch chapter, and Trinity Commandery, T. M. He survived his wife and one daughter, Miss Doris Page.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at the home, Rev. Frederick C. Cutler, pastor of the Hudson Congregational church officiating, assisted by Rev. Albert F. Newton of North Leominster, Mrs. Hermon E. French and Mrs. Carrie E. Hancock sang.

All stores in town were closed from 10 o'clock until three o'clock. The services were also attended by delegates from the several organizations, with which Mr. Page was connected, and representatives and employees of J. Cushing & Co. were also present.

The display of flowers was large and many of the pieces were of elaborate design. The body was taken to Townsend on Wednesday morning, being accompanied to and placed on the train by Herbert A. Knight, Charles J. Sawyer, Charles S. Lamson, representing the Masons, and Rev. F. C. Cutler, the Congregational Brotherhood.

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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 easterly 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

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of THEODORE W. HANSTON, late of Littleton in said County, deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate by DANIEL G. HOUGHTON who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

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

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. 3135 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, and all other persons interested in the estate of MINNIE E. STOREY late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, FRANK W. STOREY, late administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the other 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 charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

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

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven. 3135 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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TOWNSEND.

West. Mrs. Amella Hellur and her daughter, Miss Isabelle Hellur of Nashua and Edwin Hellur of Lancaster have been for a few days at their cottage in Josselynville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dawes of Cambridge have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis.

Among those who spent Sunday in town were Ralph H. Willard of Boston at James Willard's; Miss Grace Sullivan of Reeds Ferry, N. H., with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Shattuck, and George McElligott of Boston with his mother, Louise McElligott.

David Damon of Ashby has taken the contract for the building of the new bridge in Josselynville.

John Mack of Boston has returned to his former position at the Belgrade rug factory.

Richard McElligott has been appointed administrator of the Maria Bruce estate. The body of Mrs. Bruce was brought from the tomb and buried in the family lot last Thursday, and was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Neale of Derry, N. H.

Miss Blanche Sprague and Miss M. Elinor Tower have received their re-appointments as teachers of the public schools in this village for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Mary Tucker has taken two children from a children's home in Boston to board for the summer and her daughter, Miss Stella Tucker, is at home for the present.

Charles B. Stickney has become the owner of a new Buick touring car and George Richardson has a Maxwell touring car.

Mrs. Alden Sherwin entertained the Ladies' Whist club at her new home last Thursday afternoon.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan, who have been in the south for the winter, are very glad to see that they are at their residence here for the summer.

The Ladies' Mission circle met at the home of Mrs. S. Ringrose for their monthly meeting on Wednesday afternoon. A very enjoyable feature was the reading of a paper on "The world in Boston," by Mrs. Fred A. Patch.

Leo Russell of Boston has been with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell of Josselynville. Miss Sarah Martin of Cheshire is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Craig, and Mrs. Williams of North Adams is visiting Mrs. Edwin Streeter of Josselynville.

Milton Wilder, who has been quite ill with relatives at the Center, has recovered.

A party of about twenty met at the Baptist church on Wednesday evening and cleaned house, giving the entire building a thorough cleaning. Dinner was served at the vestry at noon and hearty thanks were extended to all who assisted in the work.

Miss Inez McElligott has returned from a few days' visit to relatives in Boston and vicinity; Miss Emma Adams, who has spent the past fortnight at the home of her sister in Providence, R. I., has returned; Edward Walker has been spending a few days with his mother in Waltham.

The Memorial day program will be carried out as usual on Tuesday morning, consisting of the march to the cemetery of the G. A. R., Townsend band, Sons of Veterans, and the schools. The service at the bridge and the exercises at the Center will be in the afternoon and evening. Monday afternoon the schools will be conveyed to the Center for the usual exercises in Memorial hall.

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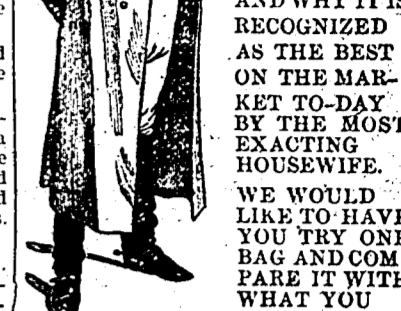
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Saturday, May 27, 1911. PEPPERELL.

News Items.

The baseball season promises to be of unusual interest this year. The high school series has attracted many. The unique game last Saturday by two teams of old-timers interested all, some of whom had not previously visited the new public playground. This Saturday's game is scheduled for two o'clock in the afternoon, between Pepperell and Ayer. Manager E. P. McCord of the local team can be depended on to get together a strong team, and announces two games on Tuesday, May 20. Hollis in the morning and Milford in the afternoon.

Last Monday, a pleasant evening was spent by the members of Circle 501, Companions of America in Lawrence hall. The program included musical specialties by the Misses O'Connell, Miss West and recitations by others. Delicious ices and other refreshments were also served.

Roger Robbins returned to Tufts college on Saturday morning, after a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace B. Robbins.

The O. H. I. S. held one of their successful dances at Oak Hill last Monday evening, although the weather was so very hot and unbearable, the usual cool, refreshing breezes were present at these grounds and all had a good time.

W. M. Blood, superintendent of streets, has almost completed the taking away of the hill on Oak Hill street, opposite the residence of Miss F. J. Bowser. This not only adds to the appearance of this pretty part of the town, but the splendid way the work has been done reflects much credit on the workman, as well as those in charge, and Mr. Blood's good judgment in such matters.

Miss F. J. Bowser and Mrs. S. E. Trueman returned to Oak Knoll, Friday, having spent the week with friends in Winchester, Stoneham and Wakefield.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips spent the week-end at the Ames farm, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Fisher.

The many friends of Rev. S. P. Hayward are glad to see him here from the Pacific coast, where he spent the winter.

H. F. Hobart returned from Boston on Monday with victory for those who were cheated in their weight of live fowl shipped to Boston last fall. After three decisions adverse to the defendant, the farmers are to have their rights. Full particulars of the cases next week's issue.

Dr. and Mrs. Percy Miller and child have returned to their home on Cape Cod, after a visit at his father's, Charles H. Miller.

There was considerable excitement at the Worcester, Nashua and Portland station on Thursday morning, and all day, as over fifty Italian laborers employed by the railroad, went on a strike. It is understood they wanted full time, if prevented from working by the weather. Their terms were not accepted and their house-keeping utensils they disposed of down the rail bank, and after the cars in which they had lived had been drawn away, they left town.

Run Into.

There was a serious accident last Sunday evening on the bridge over the Nashua river, opposite the mill, when a horse belonging to former chief of police A. A. Lawrence, became frightened of an automobile driven by Frank Salter. The horse shied into the picket fence near the "water-gate" house, and badly cut its head. At first it was feared the horse ought to be killed, but the quick ar-

ryval of the veterinary surgeon, Dr. F. A. Davis, the animal's wounds were sewed up. It is hoped they will heal, as it is a handsome, as well as a valuable horse. No blame has been heard as yet.

Town Meeting.

A special town meeting was held last Monday evening, and was attended by fifteen voters. Town clerk, J. Kemp, called the meeting to order and read the warrant. E. F. Harmon was chosen moderator. Art. 2. To see if the town would indemnify the State for damages incurred, etc., while fixing South street from Shirley to Shattuck streets. Voted. Art. 3. To see what sum would be voted to be paid Lucius Wilson, etc., for taking, etc. Voted not exceeding fifty dollars to be paid from balances in treasury.

Items of News.

An auto hearse, bearing the body of Miss Lucy Gage, arrived at the Pepperell cemetery at 2:30 on Thursday afternoon, accompanied by two large touring autos.

The famous ball game was played last Saturday, and the "Down Townites" beating the "Up Townites," and the old folks are talking of another game still more thrilling with the youngsters.

Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. William Wright for the loss of their only child, Donald Fletcher Wright, who was born in the Stanley house on Heald street, about ten years ago. His parents went to West Somerville about five years ago, and Donald died there last week Saturday, and the funeral was on Monday. He was a relative of Edmund and Lucy Blood of Oak Hill, who attended the funeral.

A. H. Harris, with his brother, L. E. Harris of Hampstead, N. H., is spending a week at Rangeley Lake, Me.

Miss Bell and Edith Kilburn of Reading were recent visitors at Mrs. L. E. Steves'.

E. J. Darling, who has been ill for the last two weeks, is again able to attend his work at the mill.

Mrs. Edwards of Brockton and Mrs. Lewis of Worcester spent a few days at the home of E. J. Darling.

The electric lights on High street, which have been out for a long time, are missed very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sibley of Fitchburg spent over Sunday at the home of E. J. Darling.

Mrs. Ann Davis of East Village is confined to the house with the prevailing distemper.

About the premises of Mrs. W. A. Page is a robin redbreast with the feathers on the back all white. White robins and white blackbirds are not very frequently seen, but a robin with a white back is a freak of nature, indeed.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a meeting with Mrs. E. F. Harmon at her home on Thursday afternoon, June 1, at three o'clock.

The elderly people's reception will be held in the Orthodox vestry on Thursday afternoon, June 8, from two until six o'clock. All are invited who are seventy years and upwards. Food and flowers are solicited from interested friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Green and little daughter Glenis went to Lowell on Monday for a week.

Parker J. Kemp has just completed the grading about his new house which has improved his delightful place very much.

Charles Foster is running an auto in connection with the Burkinshaw Knife Co.

John R. Shattuck is critically ill and no words of encouragement is given out.

Groton street school is to have a novel memorial service at the school on Monday, May 29.

Mrs. Georganna Kimball will spend Memorial day in Hollis, N. H., with relatives and friends.

Miss Mary Howland of Connecticut has been visiting Dr. William Merrill a few weeks, returning home on Thursday.

Miss Crotry has just purchased twenty-five more new books from the funds of the flour drawing and the balance will be used for running expenses of the reading-room.

Mrs. Mary Louise Blood has presented to the Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., a cannon ball which was brought from Bunker Hill by Col. William Prescott.

Walter Harriman is improving and will undertake a little farming when he has fully recovered from his late illness.

Miss B. M. Farnsworth returned home on Sunday evening, after a business trip to Boston and vicinity of ten days.

Miss Lucy Gage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gage, formerly of this town, passed away on Monday at Andover. She was thirty years of age and had never been very strong.

For quite a time a foundation for a watering trough has been in place on Elm street. When the private water supply became diminished, it was supposed that some arrangements would be made to tap the town supply as the pipes run within ten feet. The number of travelers it benefits cannot be over estimated and many citizens at the Center would like to see the watering trough.

The thermometer registered ninety-eight in the shade in many places on Main street on Monday.

Mrs. D. R. Child will lead the meeting of the Babbidge Guild on Sunday evening, May 28.

Members of the Thomas A. Parker post will attend the Sunday morning service of the Unitarian church.

The choir rehearsal of the Unitarian church will take place on Saturday evening in Central hall.

J. D. Larkin, president of the Larkin Co., here, sailed for Europe last Saturday to make a tour of the continent and be present at the coronation of King, George.

Serious Accident.

About eight o'clock on Sunday evening, A. A. Lawrence harnessed up his well-known horse for a drive up town, the horse going on a walk, and took the middle of the River bridge. Two or three toots of an auto warned Mr. Lawrence of its presence and he drew rein on the horse for the right side of the road, and before he could get clear was run into by Mr. Salter's auto, which pushed the buggy onto the bridge with a result that the horse fell down the embankment with his jaw badly cut and Mr. Lawrence jumped to save the horse and Dr. F. A. Davis, the veterinary surgeon, was called, who made the animal as comfortable as possible. Whether the picket fence or the shaft made the wound is not quite certain. Mr. Lawrence's horse, with his owner in holiday attire as chief marshal, have attended all of the town functions. The horse is a handsome black and was never known to misbehave on parade occasions. There is not another horse in town can take his place and all lovers of horse flesh are hoping for the horse's recovery.

"We Are Going to Boston."

At the railroad station Thursday morning, May 25, were the following well-known ladies smartly dressed: Mrs. N. S. Appleton, Mrs. William Heald, Mrs. Addison Woodard, Mrs. N. S. Shattuck, Mrs. William N. Mault, the Misses Ruth Rogers, Edith Bailey, Barbara Bancroft, attended by Rev. Dudley R. Child and Russell Davy. When asked "What's the attraction?" The reply was "We are going to Boston to attend the American Unitarian association, Unitarian Sunday School society, Young People's Religious Union, National Alliance of Unitarian Women, Unitarian Laymen's league, Berry Street Conference of Ministers, Unitarian Temperance society, Unitarian Historical society, Unitarian Fellowship for Social Justice, Unitarian Post Office Mission." Luckily the train came along, but all did not come back that night.

Wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Joseph's church on Thursday afternoon, May 18, the contracting parties being William Kuppender of Groton and Miss Bridget Sullivan of Pepperell. James O'Connell of Ayer acted as best man and Mrs. James Sullivan as matron of honor. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of James Sullivan of Brookline street, brother of the bride. Amid showers of rice the happy couple left in an automobile for Boston, where they were to take the boat to sail for Germany for the summer months. They will return to Groton in the early fall, as Mr. Kuppender has one of the nicest farms there.

D. A. R.

Prudence Wright chapter held the annual meeting on May 10, at the chapter house. Mrs. E. R. Richards was elected regent, Mrs. George V. Herrig, vice-regent; Miss Josephine Lawrence, rec. sec.; Mrs. Lucy Page, registrar; Miss Florence Sibley. The reports of all the officers and committees were interesting and show a record of fine accomplishments for the chapter. A social hour followed.

On Thursday, May 18, an executive board and chapter meeting was held at the chapter house when Mrs. Nelson Tower was elected chaplain, and Mrs. Nathaniel Walker Appleton re-elected historian. Mrs. Erbert Williams, Mrs. Edward L. Tarbell, Mrs. Fred Bancroft and Miss Angie Marjordan constitute the executive board of management. Much business was accomplished and the meeting, after pledging allegiance to the flag, adjourned to Saturday, June 17, at the chapter house.

The reception of an informal character given by past regent Miss Annetton Merrill, assisted by Mrs. Anna K. Merrill, Mrs. Louise H. Blood and Miss Josephine Lawrence, was very pleasant and the refreshments of excellent quality. Prudence Wright chapter closes her sixth regency with the retirement of Miss Merrill, who has served the chapter two years, with Mrs. E. R. Richardson as vice-regent.

On Tuesday, May 23, Mrs. E. R. Richardson, regent, and Mrs. Nathaniel W. Appleton, historian, represented Prudence Wright chapter at a State conference in Worcester. A most interesting session was held and the reports of the year's work show the sterling value of D. A. R. in Massachusetts. A delicious luncheon was served at the Bay State hotel, and Col. Timothy Bigelow chapter of Worcester gave a tea at the close of the conference.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., are requested to meet at Central hall on Sunday morning, May 28, at 10:30 o'clock, to be in readiness to accompany the G. A. R. to the Unitarian church at 10:45.

Accident.

Mrs. W. H. Annis of High street, went with quite a serious accident on Wednesday morning. She had been out calling on a friend on Pleasant street, and on returning home, when near David Weston's, she caught her foot in some wire fencing which caused her to fall. Her left shoulder was dislocated and she was also badly shaken up. Dr. Lovejoy was called by telephone and he took her to her home in his auto, where her injuries were attended to and she is resting comfortably at present. The district nurse is caring for her and it is thought that she will be about again before long.

East.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Gilson left town on Wednesday for Philadelphia.

Miss Morrow of Worcester was the guest of Dr. Nelson Wood on Tuesday.

Harry Sanders spent Sunday with his parents in Newport, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Nichols of Brookline were the guests of Mrs. Bessie Wright on Monday.

bishop announced an important change in the faculty of St. John's seminary at Brighton. One of the professors to be appointed is Rev. Leo O'Neill, curate at St. Joseph's church of this town. The change will go into effect at the beginning of the fall term. The parishioners, although pleased to hear of his appointment, feel that his going away will be a great loss to the parish where he was beloved by all.

The smaller grades of the Groton street grammar school closed earlier than usual on Monday, owing to the oppressive heat of the day. The thermometer reached nearly a hundred degrees in the shade.

Joseph Polowski had three fingers badly crushed in the calendaring machine at the Nashua River paper mill on Monday that will lay him off for a few days.

At the Opera House.

The Opera house has special attractions this week, Thursday evening. "The ways of the west" was played to a fair audience, certainly not as large as the play deserved. The acting between the acts vaudeville was of the best and the serpentine dance was pronounced by all, along with the entire auditorium. This is to be repeated Friday and Saturday evenings. Friday evening, "Dora Thorne" will be presented, and Saturday evening, "The hidden hand" Saturday afternoon matinee, "St. Elmo." This company has always played to crowded houses when here and certainly deserves full patronage, as their work is of the best and their entertainment of high order. Manager Tarbell certainly has done well to secure them.

GROTON.

West Groton.

Mrs. M. E. Williams is entertaining her sisters-in-law, Mrs. Thomas from Maine and Mrs. Baker with her little grandson from Lynn.

Mrs. Henry Stanley of Pawtucket, R. I., was a guest this week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Blood.

Mrs. Kendall Keyes and son of Fitchburg spent Sunday with Mrs. F. L. Blood, sister of Mrs. Keyes.

Mrs. C. L. Roy visited her parents in Westmoreland last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Kathleen McGowan is with her grandmother in Groton for a few days.

Miss Ethel Bliss visited friends in Malden recently.

Mrs. Josephine Bartonwell has been quite ill with a bronchial trouble. When taken ill she was housekeeping for Albert Cook of Lunenburg. Her sister, Mrs. Lucy White, who went to care for her, succumbed to a sudden attack of grippe. Both are convalescent. Mrs. Hartwell's daughters, Mrs. Frank Powell and Mrs. Ernest Hartwell, assisted in the care of the invalids.

Miss Helen MacChlerie was at home for the week-end.

Rev. Albert S. Kilbourn was a guest of his aunt, Mrs. H. Spaulding on Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Kilbourn has accepted a call to Enfield, N. H.

Mrs. C. R. Dudley spent the week-end over Sunday with friends in Worcester.

Mrs. Talmage Kierstead, also Mrs. Roscoe Ferden, visited out-of-town friends this week.

Rev. J. T. Trowbridge attended the ministers' meeting in Ayer on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shepley are entertaining Mrs. S. A. Kinsmore from Wilder, Vt.

Cradle Roll Party.

Weather conditions were unfavorable for the cradle roll party held at the hall on Friday afternoon of last week. Twenty-five babies were present, however, accompanied by thirteen mothers and a number of mother substitutes. The lower hall was arranged to look as homelike as possible with rugs, easy chairs and flowers; light refreshments were served; games were provided for the older tots, while the elders enjoyed the social hour. The affair was in charge of Mrs. C. R. Dudley, assisted by Mrs. E. P. Shores. Ten of the sixty whose names appear on the roll have been promoted. The following names have been added since June 1, 1910:

Florence M. Bacon, Beatrice Blood, Ralph L. Blood, Dorothy H. Blood, Harvey A. Bixby, Jean C. Baird, Joseph H. Child, Clarence E. Crafts, Dorothy E. Crafts, Elsworth R. Ferden, William H. Gill, Alfred H. Gill, Alice M. Parker, Evelyn E. Parker, Raymond S. Sawyer, Lou M. Smith, Henry A. Walton, Marjorie M. Wright, Edward H. Wright, George E. Bowen.

There has been but one death during the year, that of Edward Richard Wright.

Obituary.

Last Saturday forenoon, Angelo Blood, whose illness at Groton hospital was reported in this column last week, underwent the surgical treatment considered by his physicians as his one possible chance for life. His illness, however, proved to be of too serious a nature for surgical skill to relieve and he passed away at midnight.

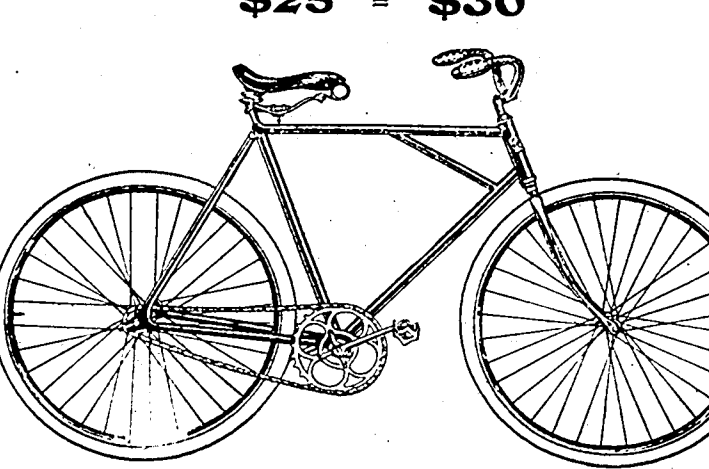
The operation was performed by Dr. Bottomly of Boston, assisted by Drs. Kilbourn and Priest. The body was taken to the house of Gardner Rockwood, undertaker, and to Lancaster on the following Tuesday.

Services were held at the cemetery at two o'clock on Tuesday, Rev. Mr. Scott officiating. By special request of the deceased, no flowers but those of the garden were placed upon the grave, it being his belief that the office of flowers is to give enjoyment and so-called to the living.

Angelo Parker Blood was born in Lancaster sixty-five years ago last December. In quite early life he was employed for a short time in the West Groton leather mill and later, during a continuous period of thirty years in Bradley's car shop in Worcester. He was a tinsmith and became a master workman. In 1877 he was married to Mrs. H. Maria Crockett, widow of William Crockett, who was killed in the battle of Lookout Mountain.

Their home was at Lakeview, Worcester, until their purchase, thirteen years ago of the cottage on Main street in which they have since lived. As a "handy man," always willing and always competent, Mr. Blood will be greatly missed by those who received the benefit of his services. Never robust, his health for some years has been gradually failing and at times his suffering has been intense. He was:

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man of simple, quiet tastes and kindly presence, and his life among us has spoken for itself and needs no eulogy. To his wife, who has been for years a semi-invalid, he was a most devoted husband.

Though a constant attendant at divine service, he had never severed his connection with the Laurel St. Methodist church of Worcester of which he had been for many years a member. Appropriate reference to Mr. Blood's decease was made by the West Groton pastor in the service of last Sunday morning.

Mr. Blood is survived by two brothers, William of Lancaster and Lucius of Springfield, also a sister, Mrs. Carrie Young, who was with him when he died.

Notwithstanding her physical weakness Mrs. Blood remained at her husband's side during his few conscious hours of life following the operation, but was too greatly prostrated to attend the funeral service. Her niece and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shepley and Harry Kemp of this place were present at the interment.

Mrs. Blood has the sympathy of the community, both in the great loss she has sustained and in her present physical suffering. Knowing her strong, religious faith we feel sure that, despite loneliness and sorrow, she is ready to echo the following beautiful thought of Mrs. Browning:

And friends, dear friends—when it shall be That this low breath is gone from And around my bier ye come to weep, Let one, most loving of you all, Say, "Not a tear must ever dim fall— He liveth! He belov'd sleep!"

TOWNSEND.

Harbor.

Mrs. Keenan has been very ill and is still receiving medical treatment.

Mrs. H. Bryant has returned from visiting friends in Boston and vicinity.

From eight hens, Mr. Christian records a hatch of one hundred chickens, ninety-seven of which are hale and hearty and well feathered out.

Jack Doherty's house, with its fresh coat of paint, is greatly improved. Will Spaulding had charge of the work.

Mrs. G. Jones on her return home from Everett, reports several fine auto trips.

Wallace Connors is captain and Louis Josselyn is manager of a juvenile baseball nine recently formed in this village. In the two games already played, the team has covered itself with glory and is ready for fresh victories.

A. D. Cooper, who has been in poor health for some time, last Tuesday had a shock and at time of writing his recovery is extremely doubtful.

Mrs. Orin Ball is on the sick list.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Hollis A. A. held a ball on Thursday evening, May 18, at the town hall. An orchestra from Milford dispensed the necessary music.

Hollis A. A. played against the Pepperell A. A. baseball team on the home grounds on Saturday afternoon, the home team winning by a score of 5 to 4. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jameson on Monday, May 22.

W. W. Pierce has been quite ill the past week. Irritation of the bronchial tubes, caused by the dust of this dry weather brought on a severe cough, which confined him to the house for some days.

Mrs. E. F. Goodwin returned home on Monday. She left home on Thursday, May 11, to visit "The world in Boston." She visited friends in Roxbury, Swampscott, Marlboro and Worcester, Mass., before she returned.

A fine improvement is being made in the village by making a new concrete walk. Beginning at the one in front of the library and passing front of the church, extending last, across the highway to the residence of G. W. Hardy, thence south, front of the town house, ending at the driveway in front of Warren Colburn's.

Items of Interest.

Canadian crop statistics show a good year for nearly all small field crops. Potatoes alone indicate partial failure, at 74,048,000 bushels. Beet sugar growing has increased and last year the crop was 155,000 tons from 16,000 acres. At average local prices the market value of potatoes is \$33,446,000, of hay and other roots \$21,444,000, of corn \$11,957,000 and of sugar beets \$887,000.

One day we hear of sawdust being transformed into alcohol, and the next we hear it is being utilized to make cloth, so that it will soon be difficult to tell where the clothes we wear come from. It is now stated that scientists have been able to make threads of cellulose extracted from spruce wood at a cost which will be lower than the price of cotton, and which can be dyed in any color and is non-inflammable.

Frank H. Barwise has just cut down on his property at Bangor a pine tree that measured three feet across the stump. Three 16-foot logs were cut from the tree before a limb was reached, then three 12-foot logs, leaving a top of sixteen feet. Every log was perfectly sound and the sixth log measured eight inches across at the smaller end.

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