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## LITTLETON.

### Wedding.

One of the prettiest weddings ever seen in Littleton was celebrated on Tuesday afternoon, September 26, at Mr. and Mrs. Peter Corning Edwards' ideal summer home, the Ledges, when their daughter, Ruth Davis Gilman, became the bride of Ralph Waldo Conant.

Although the sun peeped out from behind the clouds rather tantalizingly throughout the early part of the day, with the approach of the nuptial hour it burst forth with unstinted assurance and poured its radiance over one of the most romantic scenes on nature's canvas.

Among the massive boulders west of the Edwards cottage is a charming retreat, ordained, it would seem, for the very purpose it served on this occasion. On each side are gentle slopes with fragrant hemlocks, graceful white birches, and lowering maples, whose upper branches interlace and form a canopy of delicately tinted yellow—suggesting, the color scheme adopted for the afternoon. At one end is the entrance overlooking a pretty valley, and opposite is a fern-tufted incline at the foot of which one fancies an altar in this temple of nature.

It was to this sacred place that Rev. A. St. John Chambré, rector of St. Anne's Episcopal church in Lowell, was escorted by Paul B. Gilman, head usher, and only brother of the bride. Not far distant on each side stood the parents of bride and groom, and a little removed were the guests—about one hundred.

Shortly after the stringed orchestra from the summer house among the rocks, sounded the first chords of Lohegrin's wedding march, and the bridegroom in white serge sack suit, with his best man, Harold W. Conant, a brother, in blue sack coat and white flannel trousers entered from one side.

At the same time Miss Margaret Conant, bridesmaid, and only sister of the groom, led the bridal procession over the carpeted aisle and between the festoons of the ribbon girls, Misses Blanche Hunkins, Virginia Hyde and Margaret Thacher on one side, and the ushers, Paul B. Gilman, Richard and Stanley Conant, on the opposite side. The bridesmaid wore a dainty dress of white mailette over yellow, and carried a bouquet of Marguerites. Then followed the maid of honor, Miss Helen Gilman, sister of the bride, in gown of maye yellow chiffon, carrying yellow chrysanthemums and then the bride with her father. She was indeed beautiful in an exquisite trained gown of French lace over liberty satin with pearl trimmings. She wore a tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses, lily of the valley and maiden hair ferns.

The ring service was used and the entire ceremony was most impressive.

At the close of the benediction the venerable rector extended his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Conant, who were assisted in receiving their friends by the other members of the bridal party, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Conant. Mrs. Edwards wore a princess gown of champagne silk and Mrs. Conant was dressed in light green silk.

At the east side of the Ledges the guests were served by D. L. Page, caterer, of Lowell. The orchestra had now changed its position and played from the piazza facing the street.

Within the pleasant home was displayed a collection of choice gifts, silver, cut glass, embroidery and percolators predominating. A substantial sum of money, books, pictures and a piano were among presents received.

Bride and groom left early in the

evening, well showered with confetti, for a short wedding trip. Next week they leave the east for their new home in Chicago.

Littleton is proud to send forth two of its best and most talented young people, and her richest blessings attend them in their wedded life.

### Contracts Awarded.

The committee on public water and electric lights has organized with Hon. F. A. Patch as chairman and C. F. Johnson as clerk.

Thomas Bruno, who has done similar work in Lexington, Bedford and other towns, has taken the contract for digging the earth and laying the pipe.

The New England Iron Works of South Boston, the lowest of four bids, has been given the contract for the standpipe erected on Oak hill, at a cost of \$3938. This has a capacity of 288,000 gallons.

R. D. Woods & Company of Philadelphia has the hydrant contract at \$1175; and the Donaldson Iron Company of Emaus, Pa., has the contract for the iron pipe delivered here, at an average of \$22.30 a ton.

### News Items.

Daniel B. Stetson starts on Monday for Mansfield, Ohio, to take charge of the rubber department at the suspender factory in that town.

Employees at the wadding factory are still busy working Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights until nine p. m., and on Saturday afternoons until 5.30.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Howard on Thursday, September 28.

Malcolm Priest and his room-mate are living at Mr. Priest's home on Foster street, going daily to Boston for recitations and other work connected with their studies.

Miss Maria Fletcher spent last Sunday at her home in Newtown.

Mrs. Maria Shaw returned on Wednesday from Belmont, where she has spent a week. During her vacation Mrs. Helen Blanchard of Gardner has kept house for B. S. Hager.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell went to Wachusett in their auto on Sunday.

Hayward Canney has been at home sick with muscular rheumatism.

There will be a social the third Wednesday evening in October at the Baptist vestry.

### About Town.

Mrs. C. A. Hosmer has spent part of the past week with relatives in Somerville.

The King's Daughters will hold its October meeting on Tuesday afternoon of next week at the home of Mrs. E. M. Davis.

Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb is entertaining her friend, Miss Chase, of Lynn, whose niece is a room-mate of Miss Florence Whitcomb at Mt. Holyoke.

Miss Mabel Pickard, from Boston, was with her mother here over Sunday.

The topic of the Guild meeting will be "Reading for daily profit." The leader will be Mrs. John Hardy.

Last Saturday evening a naval wedding took place in the old First Parish church, Concord, when Rev. Mr. Macdonald united in marriage Miss Antoinette A., only daughter of Frank D. Barker, to Ensign Joseph W. Jewell of New York city. The bride is a cousin of G. H. Barker, who, with his family, was in attendance. His son, Ensign George H. Barker, was one of the ushers. A reception followed in the church parlors.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patch were in Lexington over Sunday.

Mrs. A. F. Hopkins was a week-end and over Sunday visitor with relatives in Wakefield.

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### Dedictory Verses.

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**Our Old Homes.**  
We hail once more our natal day,  
Still in our tenements of clay,  
With many favors blest,  
And, He who placed these structures here,  
Can prop them up another year,  
If He should think it best.

Long have they stood through snow and rain,  
And braved life's fearful hurricane,  
While many stronger fell,  
The reason why, we cannot see,  
But what to us, seems mystery,  
The Builder knows full well.

But now they are weather-worn and old,  
The summer heat and winter's cold,  
Pierce through the walls and roof,  
They are like a garment, so worn out,  
To mend, it seems no whereabouts,  
Lo gone is warp and woof.

The tottering pillars all are weak,  
The poor, old, rusty hinges creak,  
The windows too are dim,  
Those slight discomforts will let pass,  
For looking darkly, through a glass,  
We catch a hopeful gleam.

Nature and reason, tell us all  
Those shattered homes, ere long must fall,  
When, where, or how, is all unknown,  
We'll leave that to the Architect,  
And trust His wisdom, to direct  
The taking of them down.

And, when they come to prostrate lie,  
Let not a tear bedim the eye,  
The tenants will not be here,  
Poor, just beyond time's little space,  
They'll find some quiet, resting place,  
No more to date their years.

And though on earth, they'll walk no more,  
The world will move just as before,  
To meet it should be so,  
Let each their home in order set,  
That they may leave without regret,  
Whenever called to go.

S. E. WHITCOMB.

### DUNSTABLE.

### News Items.

Among the ladies who attended the missionary meeting in Ayer were Miss Anna Kendall, Mrs. Putnam, Mrs. A. W. Swallow and Mrs. W. P. Proctor.

Miss Francis Brow has entered the Anna Jacques hospital in Newburyport, intending to train for a nurse. Miss Alice Menut has returned to the same place after an enforced vacation. Miss Menut has been very successful thus far in this line of work, showing much ability.

Quite a number in town attended the Hollis fair on Tuesday.

Miss Dena Butterfield has returned from a trip to Portsmouth.

### New Advertisements.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of ANN McMADE late of Harvard in the County of Worcester, deceased, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

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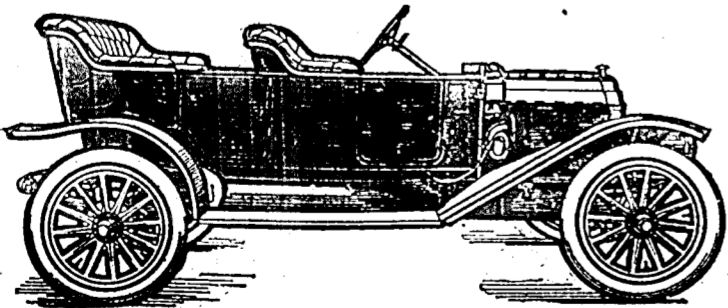
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**WESTFORD.**

**Center.**

Charles L. Hildreth has bought of Miss Ella F. Hildreth the pleasant home occupied by himself and family for the last three years.

At the Congregational church last Sunday, Rev. David Wallace presented two timely subjects in an interesting way. At the morning service he spoke on "The men and religion movement," and in the evening on "The right use of time." At the morning service Mrs. C. A. Blaney's offertory solo, "Just for today," was especially appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heywood are planning to go to housekeeping where the Ralph Bridgefords moved out.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Atwood return the first of next week to their home in Daytona, Fla., after spending the summer with northern relatives and friends. While Dr. Atwood has been in Westford he has cultivated pedestrianism, taking long walks in our own town and to the surrounding towns and villages.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Goode are removing their furniture from the Fred A. Hildreth cottage which they have rented for a number of years. For more than twenty years they have maintained a residence in Westford village where they have lived for part of the year and their friends here regret this change.

The Charles W. Robinson family, who have lived for some time on the Barton place on Providence road are moving to the house occupied for many years by Willey M. Wright and family.

Ralph Bridgeford and family move to the Barton place which Mr. Bridgeford has recently bought.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Hildreth were over Sunday guests at H. V. Hildreth's.

Miss Elizabeth Hildreth of New York is making her annual visit with her cousin, Miss Ella F. Hildreth.

John P. Wright has men busy putting in steam heat in the house recently bought by him of G. E. Gould. Mr. Gould and Mr. Blodgett and family are still occupying the premises.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Green on Wednesday of this week. This is the sixth in a family of four girls and one boy.

The Westford Board of Trade will hold a meeting at the town hall on Wednesday evening, October 4, at eight o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired.

Members will bear in mind that the opening meeting of the season of the Tadnuck club is Tuesday afternoon, October 10. Further notice of the committee's plans for this meeting will be given in next week's issue.

The Italian band of workmen employed by Mr. Carver on the Brigham farm got into a lively mixup at their quarters one night last week. The trouble arose over a game of cards and those concerned started in to settle their differences with their characteristic methods of force exemplified with knives and clubs. One of their number ran for help and Constables Feeney and Boynton with some other townsmen went and settled the disturbance. No arrests were made, but four of the band were discharged and left town.

Commencing on Monday, October 2, the afternoon train on the Nashua and Acton railroad will leave at four p. m., instead of 4.07.

**Grange.**

The regular meeting of the grange took place last week Thursday evening at the town hall with a good attendance. A class of nine candidates will be received at the October initiation. These will be balloted for at the next meeting, October 5, and a special meeting will be held one week from this date, October 12, conferring first and second degrees and the third and fourth degrees will be conferred at the next regular meeting, October 19. The third degree will be in charge of the ladies' degree staff.

The program for Thursday evening's meeting was in charge of the ladies' degree staff. A unique and enjoyable feature was a Japanese drill and orchestra. The Japanese costumes were particularly good and some of the selections had to be given a second time. Those who took part were Mrs. Snow, Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Colburn and Misses Norris, Lawrence and Crocker. Miss Grace Lambert was the pianist. There were also vocal solos by Miss Burnham, Mrs. Blaney and Miss Rachael Wall, and a piano solo by Miss Ruth Furbush.

After the entertainment Mrs. Josie Prescott treated the company to peaches and this generosity was much appreciated.

**Accident.**

Charles D. Colburn met with a very serious accident to his left hand while at work with his ensilage cutter at Charles H. Wright's last Saturday. While clearing the knives from an obstruction his hand was drawn into the machine and the fingers and palm of his hand was badly torn and lacerated. The thumb and index finger were badly crushed and the tendons of the fingers cut. The injured man was taken to Dr. Wells and put under either Dr. Wells, assisted by Dr. Sherman, dressed the injury.

Mr. Colburn has suffered very greatly, but at this writing, five days later, the hand is doing as well as can possibly be expected, and Mr. Colburn feels even if he does have

a big farm, a large dairy, a little family and an aged father to look after, he was fortunate to escape losing his hand. As a member of the board of assessors and an industrious farmer, Mr. Colburn is well-known and his many friends extend their sincere sympathy for his serious accident.

**Fair.**

The annual agricultural fair and sale which has taken place for many consecutive years under the auspices of the Congregational church was held last week Friday afternoon and evening and proved very successful. The success was due to good weather, a generous patronage, for which those in charge are grateful, an attractive entertainment, a good supper and last, but by no means least, faithful and efficient work among all the committees.

In spite of the season of extremes as to drought, heat and early frosts, the exhibit was pronounced one of the best in years. The apples were particularly handsome in quality and variety. Elliot F. Humiston was the decorator, and under his skillful touch, the hall presented a beautiful appearance. The stage was banked with hydrangeas and ferns.

There were contributions of fruit and vegetables, or both, from the farms of G. A. Kimball, John and Arthur Wilson, A. H. Burnham, A. A. Bunch, H. G. Osgood, Charles D. Colburn, Joseph E. Knight, J. W. Fletcher, Samuel Taylor, William R. Taylor, C. R. Decatur and the Cold Spring farm. The Misses Atwood had a table of fruit, flowers and vegetables of their own cultivation arranged with excellent taste. L. W. Wheeler also had an entire table with a fine variety of produce of garden, orchard and dairy.

There were also tables for aprons, fancy articles, candy, food, and a post-office for the children. The tables were all prettily trimmed and had a good assortment of their respective wares and received a good patronage. The supper from six to eight o'clock in the lower hall proved an attractive feature and was well attended, in several instances the members of an entire household coming in a group.

The entertainer of the evening was Harrill, the musical magician, and he proved a whole host in himself, entertaining both young and old. His skill with the Swiss bells, saxophone and musical glasses was much enjoyed. Miss Grace Lambert accompanied him at the piano. The many tricks of magic and attendant witty speech were followed with close attention. At the close of the evening, S. L. Taylor acted most acceptably as auctioneer for the fruit and vegetables.

Following are the committees who had the affair in charge:

Arrangements—Rev. David Wallace, L. W. Wheeler, Miss B. Atwood. Fancy table—Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, Mrs. H. G. Osgood, Mrs. G. W. Goode, Mrs. E. F. Humiston, Mrs. A. A. Hildreth, Mrs. C. L. Hildreth, Mrs. Etta Lang, Mrs. Etta Lewis, Mrs. C. D. Colburn, Mrs. A. E. Day, Miss M. G. Luce, Mrs. O. V. Wells, Misses Burnham, Norris, Lawrence, Grant, Pyne, Lambert and Wright. Entertainment—Mrs. David Wallace, Miss May Atwood and John P. Wright. Display—Mrs. Alice Lambert, Miss May Boynton, Miss Ida Walkden and Miss Althea Symmes. Candy table—Mrs. G. Boynton, Mrs. Arthur Wilson, Miss Florence Wilson and Miss Mattie Wheeler. Apron table—Mrs. Winthrop Wheeler, Mrs. J. B. Fletcher, Mrs. Mary E. Fletcher, Mrs. Jennie Fife, Mrs. J. W. Day, Mrs. William Sutherland, Mrs. W. M. Wright, Mrs. E. J. Whitney, Mrs. A. S. Wright, Mrs. C. W. Hildreth, Mrs. A. H. Burnham, Mrs. James Pyne, Mrs. Nathan Prescott, Mrs. Ralph Bridgeford, Miss A. Walker, Miss S. W. Loker, Mrs. Lillian Lambert, Mrs. Susan Prescott, Oscar Anderson, Supper—Mrs. S. L. Taylor, Mrs. J. E. Knight, Mrs. Charles Wright, Mrs. D. L. Greig, Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. C. A. Blaney, Mrs. Hugh Ferguson, Mrs. Fred Shore, Mrs. Frank Bannister and Miss Ida Leighton. Mother Goose booth—Mrs. Ida M. Gould, Mrs. J. H. Colburn, Misses Ida Frank, Elizabeth Kimball, Mabel Prescott, Pauline and Rachael Wallace and Edna Day. Loyalty club table—Mrs. Lillian Lambert, assisted by the club members. Solicitors of fruits and vegetables—H. G. Osgood, W. R. Taylor, G. A. Kimball, Seth Bannister, Orlis Day and George Symmes. Ticketator—Elliot Humiston. Ticket seller—Otis Day.

**About Town.**

The next meeting of Middlesex North Pomona grange will be held at North Reading on Friday, October 6, with the North Reading grange. A program full of the spirit of differences of opinion is being prepared by the lecturer and it is expected that all five wires will make an incessant charge on each other on the debatable part of the program.

The H. E. Fletcher Granite Company on Oak hill have a large contract for building a sea wall in New York city, an infirmary building in Boston and a large private residence in Andover, this last to be of Deer Island granite from Maine.

Eben Prescott has been successful in raising peaches on Francis hill that would do credit to Hale of Connecticut, the celebrated peach grower. The writer has tasted them with his eyes in the distance and a satisfied closeby distance. Since tasting them in that way and distance he has been successful in a nearer and more satisfactory taste than by a mere passing-by curiosity look. They have got the real Francis hill flavor to them.

Rev. James Danforth of Tyngsboro conducted the services at the Unitarian church on Sunday in place of Rev. N. H. Hoagland, who fell from an apple tree, receiving injuries that incapacitated him from keeping his exchange with Rev. B. H. Bailey.

Mrs. Claude Travis of Natick and daughter Ruth are well entertained guests at the old-time hospitality Walker homestead on Main street.

The town hall had ample spare room for the joint caucus on Tuesday evening, only about 115 votes being cast out of a total of 450 registered voters. The vote rounded up thus: Governor, Frothingham 75; Walker 12, White 8, Foss 18; register of deeds, Bacon 66, Hibbard 23; Thompson 8, Burns 2, Purcell 13; representative, Fisher 24, Taylor 79. The following were appointed by the selectmen as guardians of the peace, safety and honesty of the caucus voting: Frank A. Healy, T. Arthur, E. Wilson, John M. Fletcher, Walter J. Merritt.

The selectmen have drawn Ernest H. Dane and Warren P. Sweetser to serve on the jury.

**Suicide.**

Dr. John Scott Mason, a dentist, of Saco, Me., ended his life on last week Friday morning in the University club, Beacon street, Boston, by swallowing cyanide of potassium. Death was almost instantaneous.

Dr. Mason, who was a Harvard graduate, was fifty years of age. He was a non-resident member of the club where he ended his life.

After the body was discovered Medical Examiner Magrath was notified. The report of the suicide was suppressed from the police until noon, when the medical examiner notified headquarters of the death. The body was claimed by relatives.

Dr. Mason was the son of the late Dr. Jeremiah Mason, a noted dentist of Saco. As a young man he received a good education, graduating from the Harvard Dental school. He practised near Boston for a time, then removing to the Old Saco Ferry, where he purchased "Ferry Farm." Later this place was sold and Dr. Mason bought a house at Beach and Winter streets, in Saco, selling this in turn and removing to Kittery Point, where he built a bungalow. His winter home was at Westford.

Dr. Mason was a man of private means. He had not practised for some years. On Thursday, Frank C. Deering, a friend in Saco, received a letter from Dr. Mason. It was cheerful and expressed thanks for past favors. The letter also referred to plans at Westford. There was reason to believe that the writer was happy.

Dr. Mason is survived by one sister, Mrs. Lucy Hight, of Andover, a cousin in Saco and several nephews and nieces.

**Graniteville.**

The members of Court Graniteville, F. of A., held a largely attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on last week Thursday evening. It was decided to hold the annual ball in the town hall, Westford, Friday, October 13. A committee was appointed and the hall and music have already been engaged.

Rev. M. E. Doherty celebrated both masses in St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning and delivered an eloquent sermon from the subject "What profiteth a man if he gain the whole world and loses his own soul?" Rev. Doherty's remarks were followed with keen interest and made a deep impression on the large congregation that was present.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wall attended the debate given under the direction of the Chelmsford grange in Chelmsford Center on Thursday night, the trip being made in Mr. Nelson's automobile. They report a very pleasant evening.

The local baseball season is over for 1911, and Graniteville wins the pennant in the Stony Brook league for the second time in the last three years, with a record of thirteen victories and only one defeat. The Pawtucket Blues of Lowell, who took second money in the league race, were the only club in the league able to win a game from Graniteville.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. McLenna of Harrisville, N. H., on Thursday of last week. Mr. McLenna was a former resident of this village and is now employed as telegraph operator in the above-named town.

Many people of this town attended the Groton fair, which was held in Groton on Thursday.

Miss Annette Cantara of Nashua, N. H., has been visiting friends in this village the past week.

Mrs. Wesley O. Hawkes, with her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Hartford, of Westford, are visiting relatives in Deerfield at present.

Mrs. Lillian McLenna is visiting at the home of her son, Clarence McLenna, of Harrisville, N. H.

John Boyd is spending his vacation with relatives in Malone, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Sherman of Damariscotta, Me., who have been spending a few days with Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Sherman, have returned to their home.

Bert DeRohan of Lowell, formerly of this village, was a visitor in town over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Riney of Lowell visited with friends here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Roach of Haverhill were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. John Healy's over Sunday.

Mrs. Sylvester McEnnany, with her daughter of Chelmsford, spent the last two weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Shattuck.

The electric lights that are being installed in this village are about in readiness and expect to have them lighted on Sunday night, October 1, for the first time.

The electric car tracks at Greig's Corner has been torn up and the curve in the track at that place being straightened, people will be able to retain their seats now, instead of being thrown out of them when the car has been going pretty fast.

**Force Village.**

Until further notice, services will be held at St. Andrew's mission on Sunday evenings at 7.30 o'clock, beginning tomorrow. Sunday school will be held at the usual hour.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett entertained at their home on Tuesday. Mrs. Chester, Charles and William Blodgett children, as also Mrs. Johnson and daughter of Lowell. Mrs. Johnson is camping at Knopp's pond, Groton, and returns to Lowell with her husband after the hunting season is at end.

The storm on Monday afternoon played havoc with electric wires here, the village being in total darkness, except for a few glimmers from kerosene lamps.

Many people from this village are planning to attend the formal opening of St. Catherine's church, West Graniteville, on Sunday evening, October 1. The services will commence at 4.30 p. m.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle held their regular meeting in Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. A. L. Bumpus was their guest.

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Stephen Keefe, his sister, Miss Anna V. Keefe, and Miss Dorothy Barnes were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael on Sunday.

John Foster and daughter of Worcester were entertained at the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole.

Mrs. Harriet E. Randall entertained a number of friends on Saturday and Sunday at her home. Among the visitors were Walter Brooks of Brockton, Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett and family of Worcester, Andrew Cavanaugh and Miss Roxie Bennett, also of Worcester, and Miss Clara Hammond of Somerville. Miss Hammond formerly taught at Cameron school and is to be married in the near future to Mr. Roberts of Somerville.

John Bowker of Arlington Heights visited at William Burnett's home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett attended the Groton fair on Thursday.

Mrs. E. Oldham held a party on Saturday evening in honor of D. Craven of Keighley, England. Mr. Craven, who is an accomplished musician, being a graduate of the Victoria college of music in London, Eng., is in this country on a business trip. Besides several selections rendered by Mr. Craven, there were piano solos by Miss Mary F. Hanley and vocal selections by Miss Rachael H. Cherry and James Byrnes.

Archie S. Bennett, manager of the National Arts Company of Boston, spent Saturday and Sunday at the

home of his grandfather, Alvin S. Bennett.

Miss Ruth Crain of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith.

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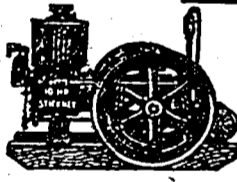
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**News Items.**  
There were forty-seven of the elderly people who attended the reception given by the King's Daughters last week, fourteen more than the number in attendance a year ago. The cards and the carnations presented to the guests were the gift of one of the older members of the Forget-Not circle and not as stated in last week's column.

Marten Jankewitz of Littleton, and Annie Kazlawski of Boston, were married at South-Boston by Rev. James Todd on Sunday, September 24. Mr. Jankewitz is employed on the D. G. Houghton farm, and will live in the new house on Goldsmith street recently erected by Mr. Houghton.

Many of the Littleton farmers have filled their silos with the frost-nipped corn this last week.

Richard Conant returned on Wednesday to the Lowell Textile school. Carl A. Dodge of Gloucester City, N. J., is at D. G. Houghton's.

Malcolm Priest entertained his Tech room-mate at his home on Foster street over Sunday.

Miss Chase and Larkin of Lynn spent Sunday at Nahum H. Whitcomb's.

Mrs. Albert Moore and young son, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Clarence Jackson, for many weeks, have gone to California.

Miss Bertha McKinley and her sister, Mrs. Fowler, of Woburn, have gone to Nova Scotia.

George W. Whitcomb has recently taken a short vacation which he spent at the shore. He reports a pleasant and successful fishing excursion.

Free ride day on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad always attracts a large number of stockholders, and on Wednesday, September 27, was no exception.

Hon. and Mrs. Frank Patch spent Sunday in Lexington, making the trip by automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Reed were recent visitors in town.

Sunday guests at J. T. Warren's on Foster street were his daughter, Miss Cora Warren, and Miss Mabel Pickard, both of Boston.

Sunday must have been automobile day for the number of motor cars passing through our streets on that day far surpassed that of other times, many speeding along late in the night and early Monday morning.

S. Z. Cleaves and family from West Rindge, N. H., and Dr. Augustus Cleaves and family from Gardner were auto guests at J. H. Kimball's.

The regular Friday evening prayer meeting of the Congregational society was held at John McKinlay's in Newton last evening.

Mrs. Patrick Dorsey has moved into the house owned by the Haloin heirs on New Estate road.

Charles A. Hartwell lost the better one of his span of valuable gray work horses last Saturday. Death was due to tetanus.

Miss Lucinda Jeffrey was a recent visitor at her grandparents in Nashobah district.

Hugh McDonald's buildings on Harvard avenue are undergoing extensive repairs.

Miss Harriet Wheeler of Nashua, a former resident of Littleton, fell last week Friday and fractured her hip. She is well along in the eighties and her recovery is doubtful.

Mrs. Austin Kimball, Mrs. George H. Kimball and Miss Martha Kimball were guests of Mrs. William A. Lawrence in Groton last week Friday. In the afternoon they joined the number of friends who called on their aunt, Miss Martha A. Kimball, of Groton, to help celebrate the latter's eighty-third birthday. John H. Kimball and family were also among her many callers.

Open meeting at the Alliance at the Unitarian vestry on Friday afternoon, October 6, at 2:30 o'clock.

Harry Ireland and John Pingrey have been drawn as jurors to the superior court at Lowell, opening on Monday, October 2.

Ensign George Barker returned to San Francisco on Monday. The South Dakota, with other ships of the Pacific squadron will be present at the ceremonies attending the breaking of ground for the Panama exposition to be held in San Francisco on October 15.

Miss Lucy Houghton has taken up the study of music with a teacher in Boston.

On Tuesday, September 26, a son, John Steeper, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chester M. Hartwell of Detroit, Mich.

Miss Eleanor Hill spent the weekend and Sunday with a friend at Norwood. Her place at the West end postoffice was taken by Miss Cora Davis.

The Barker brothers have gone into the apple business and will introduce western methods in packing, etc.

Mrs. C. M. Erskine of Lowell, with her daughters Edith and Alice, recently visited Mrs. G. H. Barker.

A reception was given to the members of the cradle roll of the Unitarian Sunday school, with their mothers and a few of the younger children at the vestry on Tuesday afternoon, September 26. An entertainment of singing and speaking was given by the children and refreshments were served.

The new time table for the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad has the following changes that go into effect on October 2: Going west, trains leave Littleton at 5:47 a. m., instead of 5:57; 3:25 p. m., instead of 3:23; Sundays, 10:17 a. m., instead of 10:21. Going east, trains leave Littleton at 7:07 a. m., instead of 7:08; 3:50 p. m., instead of 3:47; Sundays, 4:49 p. m., instead of 4:23. All the other accommodation trains remain unchanged.

The vote of the primaries held on Tuesday evening was as follows: Governor, Frothingham 26, Walker 9, White 1; Post 10, Hignon 1; secretary of state, Donaghue 10, Kotton 1; Lang-ley 31, Wood 2; attorney general, Anderson 6, Leonard 4; auditor, White 28, Burr 6.

The George M. Lovejoys left for their home in Cincinnati this week.

The first meeting of the United Workers will be held at Mrs. Waldo E. Conant's on Wednesday afternoon, October 4, at three o'clock. Mrs. Vaites of Boston will speak on "Immigration," the general subject of the American club for the season.

A pleasant evening was spent at the grange last week Wednesday. The entertainment was in charge of Ceres and Pomona, and consisted of music and reading. A sum of money was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius E. Dailey, Rev. H. L. Packard making the presentation speech, October 4. The presentation will be given by the visiting granges.

James Rivette's little daughter, who was taken to the hospital a month ago, returns this week. In spite of immediate and skillful care she has lost the eye injured by the stone that struck her during her play.

### Showered.

Last week Thursday evening, about thirty of Miss Ruth Gilman's friends gave her a very pleasant surprise in the form of a shower. The hostess and her friend, Miss Hyde, having accepted an invitation to Mrs. W. E. Conant's for the afternoon, made the approach and entrance to the Ledges comparatively easy for the guests, who assembled at J. P. Thacher's and proceeded unobserved to the scene of festivities.

Shortly after the doors of the hospitable home were thrown open, the Conant automobile arrived and Mrs. Conant accompanied her guests of the afternoon to the pleasant summer home, the Ledges. As Miss Gilman entered the music-room, the light of many candles revealed the beaming faces of neighbors and other friends. She was for a moment mystified, but presently her mother, in happy manner, explained the situation which the bride-elect gracefully accepted.

After the exchange of greetings the hostess was presented with a basketful of useful gifts for her new home. Some of these were accompanied with clever messages—not a few in the form of poetry. Miss Gilman received these substantial expressions of affection with unfeigned gratitude.

The rest of the evening was spent socially, Mrs. Edwards contributing much to the spirit of the occasion by brilliant piano selections. Miss Helen Gilman and assistants served refreshments.

Before one could realize it, the evening had passed, and the guests were homeward bound, leaving and taking pleasant memories of this happy introduction to the nuptials soon to follow.

### Wedding.

A wedding which many Littleton people are interested, took place at Holliston, Thursday evening, September 21. Wallace Parker Watts and Mildred Louise Bullard were united in marriage by Rev. T. P. Evans in the Baptist church, which was handsomely decorated for the occasion with golden rods, ferns and hydrangeas, the bride and groom standing under an arch of golden rods and ferns.

Mrs. Ralph J. Watts of Amherst played the Lohengrin wedding march and previous to the ceremony, Mrs. E. T. Potter, the bride's mother, rendered "O promise me." The bridesmaid was a sister of the bride and the best man was Ralph J. Watts, brother of the groom.

The bride was dressed in white silk mull over white silk and her veil was fastened with maiden hair fern and white sweet peas. She wore a necklace set with pearls, the gift of the groom, and carried a bouquet of white asters. A reception was held in the church vestry which was elaborately decorated. Many relatives and other friends were present. Wedding gifts were numerous and choice.

Mr. and Mrs. Watts went to New Hampshire on their wedding trip. He is connected with the Dennison Company in South Framingham, in or near which city the newly-wedded pair will make their home.

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## TOWNSEND.

### West Townsend.

Alexander Crosby has returned from Providence and reentered the employ of C. T. McDormond.

George McElligott has been spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Louise McElligott, assisting her in preparing to move to Somerville, where the family will spend the winter. George being employed in Boston, and Miss Inez McElligott will attend the kindergarten school in that city.

James Thompson, from Cambridge, a former resident, has been spending a few days the past week with relatives in town.

Miss Lizzie McAllie of New York is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Roebuck.

Georgie Michaels from Quincy has been spending a few days with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin.

Frank Adams, from Boston, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carter at the Adams farm on Bayberry hill.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt went on Saturday for a brief visit to her son's home in Leominster, where she was to meet her son Albert from New York.

Mrs. Frank Hardy has closed her tenement in Mrs. I. B. Richards' house and is visiting friends in Waltham and vicinity.

Carl B. Willard spent Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. S. W. Tyler, of Clinton.

Mrs. Ralph Streeter of Nashua, N. H., is visiting Mrs. Mary Streeter of Josselynville.

Alden Sherwin has been on the sick list for a few days, but has resumed his duties at the Brick store.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Craig has returned from Troy, N. Y., where they accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Whyte, who have spent the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Adams celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage by a very quiet family gathering at their home on Main street last Monday, their children, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brayton and Albert Adams of Providence, R. I., and Miss Emma Adams of this village being the only number, but they received calls from a number of their friends and neighbors in the village and cards and letters of congratulations from a host of friends out-of-town. They were also recipients of several beautiful and useful gifts as a reminder of the occasion and a tribute of love from their friends.

Mrs. Martha Lawrence will entertain the Ladies' Literary and Social Circle at their first meeting of the season, either at her home on Elm street or at the club rooms, and a very pleasant afternoon is anticipated next Friday at this gathering.

The first meeting for the season of the Woman's club will be held at the reading-room at seven o'clock Monday evening and a good attendance is desired. All intending to enter the club for the winter work are requested to be present at the first meeting if possible. The Men's club also commences their fall season at the reading-room on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. A. P. Stickney returned to her home on Main street on Wednesday evening after a month's visit to friends and relatives in South Kensington, N. H.

Mrs. Duncan Rusk is entertaining her sister, Miss Lawrence, of Albany, N. Y., at her home.

Harry Morse of Boston has been a recent guest of Mrs. Charles Patch and other relatives in town.

Rev. S. D. Ringrose will occupy his pulpit at the Baptist church on Sunday. His morning topic will be "Distant fields," and his evening topic "Gaining by losing." The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold their regular meeting in the vestry at six o'clock and the service will be followed by the semi-annual business meeting. Also a free-will offering will be taken at that service for the work of the state association.

Owing to the pastor's duties at the Boston university during the week the regular weekly prayer meeting has been changed from Thursday to Friday evening in the vestry at 7:30.

Benjamin Lawrence returned on Tuesday from a two-weeks' vacation spent with friends in Boston and vicinity, and has resumed his duties at the White store.

F. H. Ormsby of Boston has been in town this week installing a twenty horsepower gasoline engine at the Belgrade rug factory.

Sumner Lawrence of Concord, N. H., spent Wednesday with his mother, Mrs. Oren Lawrence.

Dr. Lawrence from Boston was a guest of Miss Clara Warren this week.

### Successful Supper.

One of the most successful suppers given here was held in the Baptist vestry last week Friday evening, when the Y. P. S. C. E. gave a harvest supper, at which about one hundred partook of a bountiful supply of corned beef, vegetables, Indian puddings, with the usual accompaniment of pies, coffee and cheese. The affair was in charge of the social committee, assisted by the Misses Ruth and Agnes Wilson, Grace, Mabel and Lena Thompson, Inez McElligott and Bertha Boynton.

At the close of the supper, which was served from six until eight o'clock, a brief program was enjoyed, consisting of a piano solo by Miss Adams; readings, "He worried about it" and "The busy man" by Mrs. Fred Patch and Miss Alice Seaver, and two piano selections by Miss Helen Smith from Waltham, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Taylor, who is an accomplished musician and who kindly consented to fill a vacancy in the program caused by the absence of one of the performers, and whose brilliant performance won a hearty encore.

After the entertainment the remainder of the evening was enjoyed by a selling bee under the direction of Walter Wilder, which caused much merriment. On Saturday evening a vegetable hash supper was held in the vestry and the two evenings brought about fifteen dollars into the treasury of the Y. P. S. C. E.

## HOLLIS, N. H.

### News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Phenix C. Baker welcomed a daughter, born on Wednesday evening, September 20.

Mr. and T. E. McKenzie, with their young daughter of Meriden, Conn., are visiting Mrs. McKenzie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Powers.

Charles E. Hardy attended the Greenfield fair at Greenfield, Mass., last week Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrick Pierce left home last week Thursday for a trip to Canada. They were to stop a few days with Mrs. Pierce's brother in Lakeport, thence on to Coaticut, Canada, where Mrs. Pierce formerly resided. Mr. Pierce is eighty years old, and Mrs. Pierce an invalid. This shows they are possessed of courage to undertake such a journey.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Davis returned last week from a two-weeks' visit among the White Mountains. They had a delightful time. Mr. Davis occupied his pulpit on Sunday.

The committee appointed by the Y. P. S. C. E. to select the piano which they are to purchase for the vestry are Rev. C. H. Davis, Mrs. Florence Ladd and Miss Addie Eastman.

Miss S. Alice Worcester returned to Cambridge, Mass., last week, after spending the summer in Hollis. W. T. McMaster and family will occupy her tenement in the Worcester home-stand during the winter.

News has been received in Hollis of the marriage of George N. Bartemus to Myra M. Pendergast, both of Concord. Mr. Bartemus is a native of Hollis, and lived in town until he was quite a young man. He was clerk in our village store after he left school, afterwards removing to Concord and engaged in business for himself. Fred Hills, the son of Albert Hills,

gave his aunt and cousins a surprise last Sunday afternoon by suddenly walking in on them. Mr. Hills lived several years in Hollis while he grew from a boy to a young man, in the home of his uncle, the late James E. Hills. He left town nine years ago, and after attending college for two years, he engaged in electrical engineering. Since then he has lived in the middle west, then going to the extreme west, Oregon and Washington, but the past two years has lived in Alaska, engaged in his profession in mines. He expects to remain east for awhile.

### Grange Fair.

Hollis grange held its fair on Tuesday, September 26. The early morning was so stormy it was rather discouraging, until about ten o'clock, and the people did not arrive as early as usual. When the sun came out things began to stir, and the fair was as usual a most successful one. Hollis always does itself credit at her fairs. The display in the hall was of unusual merit, vegetables and fruit, if possible, better than ever, poultry not to be beaten, colts and cows. The sports were highly entertaining. The Hollis A. A. had a game of baseball with Millford, the home team winning by the score of 9 to 0. The day finished with a concert and ball in the evening. Nashua Second Regiment band giving fine music throughout the day. A band concert was given from two to four p. m.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all others interested in the estate of JOHN L. FARNSWORTH late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas CHARLES F. WORCES-TER administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at public auction, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution, in separate lots as described 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 ninth day of October A. D. 1911, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, at least, before the expiration of fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one cannot be so found, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's English Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

312 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of MRS. LINE E. TAFT late of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond as the law directs.

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**GROTON.**

**News Items.**

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Stewart of Clinton spent Sunday with Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huebner.

A vote of eighty-five was cast at the primaries here Tuesday night. They didn't get through the new departure until eleven o'clock. The vote was as follows: For governor, republican, Frothingham 45, Walker 10, White 16; democratic, Foss 12, Higgen 2.

Warren H. Whitehill returned Tuesday to his studies at Lowell Textile school. This is his last year there.

Daniel Needham went Thursday of this week to continue his studies at Harvard, entering his sophomore year.

Archibald Messinger has been spending a vacation at the parental home. He has been professionally engaged at Atlantic City through the summer. In about two weeks the Henry W. Savage Co., in which he plays the French horn, starts on a grand opera tour giving, "The girl of the golden west," covering the United States, Mexico and Canada. Nine first-class singers from Europe are coming to join this company; one of them a great tenor, counted second only to Caruso. Mr. Messinger is one of the fifty picked musicians in this country, being a sort of specialist, as not many play the French horn. His pay is to be even better than it has been heretofore.

Lewis M. Knapp was taken ill on Wednesday, requiring a physician, but was much better in a day or two.

Miss Annie L. Gilson is going to stay with a friend, Miss Martha E. Davis of the McDowell school of millinery and dressmaking, located in Boston, but whose home is in West Somerville. Miss Davis has recently been bereaved of her sister, and being lonely, was much pleased to have Miss Gilson take a room in her house at West Somerville.

Homer Jones of Minneapolis, Minn., is visiting his relative, Myron P. Swallow. Mr. Jones was born in Ashburnham, but went west in early life. He has not visited eastern friends before for forty-six years.

The following will interest those who were acquainted with the family when their home was here in Groton: Rev. and Mrs. William Brewster Oleson announce the marriage of their daughter, Rachel Brewster, to John Chatham Ewing, Monday, September 4, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The public schools, as has always been the custom, were given a holiday Thursday to attend the Groton fair. The stores too took the day off, closing at an early hour of the forenoon.

Fred G. Carpenter, station agent, had a three days leave of absence to his old home in Maine, and has returned accompanied by his mother.

Deacon Darwin P. Keyes and family have moved from Willow Dale street to house formerly occupied by the late Mrs. C. E. Greenwood.

Charles Howard Patterson has returned from Algonquin park, Ontario, Canada, where he spent the summer and also the summer of last year.

The apple crop in Groton, like other New England towns, is much smaller than last year. The picking of the late varieties is hardy on yet and the orchardists can only estimate the yield. The early apples gave a quite full crop. Arthur C. Tuttle thinks he will have five or six hundred barrels. The quality of his Baldwins is superior to any before raised. M. P. Palmer estimates a crop of one thousand barrels of late apples. F. D. Lewis has a large yield, but not so large as last year and the same is true of the Raddin and Nutting orchards.

Albert B. Farwell and family were in town for the day last Saturday.

Mrs. George H. Cook from Nashua was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Reginald Foster and son are coming next week Tuesday as guests at Groton Inn.

Groton stockholders quit generally took the free ride to Boston on Wednesday.

A special meeting of the W. R. C. was held Tuesday afternoon, concluding their preparations for inspection, which comes next week Tuesday afternoon. Miss Ella Boss of Fitchburg is the inspecting officer.

Perlie P. Fallon has returned to his studies at the Columbia law school, New York city.

H. L. Farnsworth of Shirley brought very ill to Groton hospital this week, died there after being a patient for a few days, on Thursday morning.

Miss Mary W. Condon took the examinations at the New England conservatory of music, last week, and passed in every particular.

William F. Gleason and family, moving their household goods from Gardner, arrived in town Tuesday. They will live in Chicopee row, where Mr. Gleason is to carry on Dr. F. E. Gilson's farm. Many readers will locate this farm as the old Freeman Torrey place.

Rush work with quite a large force of men, laying track, graveling, etc., has been the order of things this week on the railroad running north towards Pepperell, as the double tracking is to be all finished and ready for use by October 2.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the Baptist church met in the church parlor on Tuesday afternoon. After devotional exercises there was mission study of the work among the foreigners. It was also decided to pack a missionary barrel. The president, Mrs. Alice Peabody, treated those attending with grapes and cake.

The Wachuset Baptist association, of which the local Baptist church is a member, will hold its sixty-ninth annual meeting with the Baptist church in Hudson on next Tuesday with morning, afternoon and evening sessions, for which an attractive program has been prepared. Rev. H. A. Cornell of this town is clerk of the

association, and the delegates from the local church are William A. Parkhurst, Mrs. Albert F. Parkhurst and Mrs. Alice D. Peabody.

Solomon Fletcher, an old resident of this town, died of heart trouble at his home on Pleasant street, Thursday afternoon. He has been ill for a long time. Funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon at one o'clock at his late home.

Gen. Samuel C. Lawrence died on September 24, in Medford, where he was born on November 22, 1832. His father was Daniel Lawrence, a native of Tyngsboro, and a kinsman of the Groton Lawrences. Gen. Lawrence fitted for college at Lawrence academy, and graduated at Harvard in the class of 1855.

William A. Gardner of the Groton School has purchased the Charles H. Joy estate of eighty-five acres on Farmers' row.

The Boston Comedy Company will present "The Jolly mixup," in the Groton town hall next Tuesday evening. After the performance there will be dancing until twelve o'clock. Tickets 25c. Reserver seats 35c, including dance.

**Lawrence Academy Notes.**

School opened on September 21. There are several changes in the faculty: Charles H. Greene from Bowdoin college has charge of the scientific department and he will also coach the athletic teams; James E. Turnbull, Harvard, 1911, has charge of the English department, and Miss Alice Maida Perry, Vassar, 1911, is in charge of the modern language department. Pupils are registered from Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and Vermont, and one boy comes from Brazil.

As many of the strong athletes that have been at Lawrence for the past two years finished their work last year, it cannot be expected that Lawrence will have as strong teams this year as last, but Coach Greene is working with the football squad and expects to turn out a good team. The first game scheduled is on October 7, with Clinton high school.

On the opening morning of the school year, Rev. G. H. Howe, secretary of the board of trustees, was present and addressed the boys. Principal Clough also made remarks, giving an outline of what he hoped to accomplish. There have been many improvements in the buildings—showers and baths have been installed at Bigelow hall and a recreation room has been finished off and furnished in mission furniture. The prospects of the school are good. Most able teachers and a good equipment it is to be hoped the boys in the vicinity of Groton will want to avail themselves of its privileges. The train service is good for boys who want to attend the academy and board at home.

**Groton Fair.**

The annual fair given under the direction of the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club was held at Hazel park on Thursday. There was a very good attendance and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. There were a few accidents at the trotting park, several of the drivers having their sukkies broken. The usual features were in evidence, the horse trot as usual attracting the most attention. There was a good exhibit of fruit and vegetables.

The usual number and variety of fairs were present as well as the various refreshment booths which did a good business. A dinner was served in the large dining hall at twelve o'clock. A full account of the prize winners and the exhibits will be given next week.

**NOTICE**—As is our custom from October first to April first, our store will be closed every evening, except Saturday evening, at six o'clock. Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

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**West Groton.**

Miss Ruth Lawrence is soon to return to the position of governess in Shirley which she occupied two years ago. Miss Lawrence prefers this work to that of the public school.

It is understood that the house owned by the late A. P. Blood has been purchased by Mrs. J. T. Shepley, and is to be occupied within a few days.

It is reported that Miss Esther Jarvis is to enter Fitchburg Normal school next Monday.

Mrs. George H. Bixby was taken by automobile on Wednesday to her daughter's home in Winchester. She endured the journey quite well and it is hoped the change will be beneficial.

Miss Hazel Thompson of Waltham hospital arrived at her father's home on Thursday for a week's vacation.

Frank Brown of Sheldon, N. H., arrived in town several days ago, and is visiting his sister, Mrs. Charles Parkhurst.

D. M. Shepley, with his chauffeur, passed through town on Thursday of last week en route to Boston. Returning to his home in Sheldon, Vt., on Saturday, he made a short call on his father, J. T. Shepley, of this village. The journey of two hundred and seventy-five miles was made in one day.

G. S. Webber acted as best man at the wedding of his brother, Charles Webber, in Ayer, on Thursday morning. He was accompanied by Mrs. Webber.

Harry Wright, long employed by the West Groton blacksmith, is taking charge of the blacksmith shop in Townsend Harbor during the absence of its owner, Frank Knight, who was recently drawn as jurymen.

Mrs. Charles Parkhurst returned on Wednesday from a visit with friends in Pepperell.

The wells for the West Groton water supply, eight or nine in number, have been drilled on land above the paper mill owned by W. V. Bixby. A small pumping station was built last week by H. Spaulding, and the supply is being tested with it, it is understood, very satisfactory results.

The school children enjoyed a holiday on Thursday, many of them attending the Groton fair.

The Magazine club will hold its annual meeting on Monday evening, October 2, at the home of the president, Mrs. H. Spaulding. A full attendance

is desired. Any wishing to enter the club are invited to be present.

A chicken supper will be given by the Ladies' Aid society on Wednesday evening, October 4, at the usual time and place. Mrs. A. W. Adams is chairman of the supper committee. A short entertainment and social without admittance fee will follow in the upper hall. Everybody is welcome.

**SHIRLEY.**

**News Items.**

George J. L. Colby, music teacher, has left his summer residence in Mitchellville and returned to Boston to remain during the winter.

Edmund D. Winterbottom is confined to his home with bronchitis.

Amos L. Parker has sold the so-called red house near his residence to a Mr. Craig of Nashua, N. H. This house was recently vacated by the Chesborough family.

Charles H. Wear, jr., will arrive in town today from Manchester, N. H., where he has been attending a meeting of the New England Association of Cotton Manufacturers since Wednesday.

Henry L. Farnsworth of the North, aged forty-five years, died at eight o'clock on Thursday morning at the Groton hospital from the effects of blood-poisoning. Mr. Farnsworth was taken to the hospital on Tuesday, but has been gradually failing in health for the past year. He was a native of Shirley and was married three years ago to Miss Elizabeth McDowell of Ayer. The survivors are a father, one brother and two sisters.

**TOWNSEND.**

**Center.**

The Monday club will meet this coming week with Mrs. John J. Piper. Roll-call will be answered with some reading or clipping of "Woman and her work."

Mrs. Christie Brown has returned from a nine-weeks' visit to her former home at Nova Scotia.

A lawn party was held on "The Knoll," Thursday in honor of Miss Frances I. McGuire and her mother. Relatives were present from Boston, Lynn, Fitchburg and town.

Archie Hughy, who formerly drove the Fessenden grain team, is back in town working for the same company.

Mrs. Herbert Finnegan of North Rochester, N. H., has been a guest at John Finnegan's.

Roy Wright has got through at Samuel Wood's grocery store and Harry Spear is taking his place.

The members of the Monday club enjoyed a delightful trip by auto to Rutland on Monday, where they were the guests of Mrs. B. W. Potter at her summer home. The party went in three autos and soon after arriving had lunch in the spacious dining-room and a merry time was enjoyed. After dinner the ladies enjoyed a social time and were shown about the beautiful grounds. On the return trip they went to Worcester, which is Mrs. Potter's winter home, and then came back from there. Except for running, into the heavy shower of that afternoon, the trip was made without a mishap and all were appreciative of Mrs. Potter's kind hospitality.

Robert Teehan has finished his summer's work here and has taken the examinations for the Westworth Trade school at Boston.

Frank Woods has sold his farm at South row and has bought the John Graves place.

John Dobson was surprised and very much pleased this week Wednesday by an unexpected visit from his mother, who lives in Chicago, and is about eighty-seven years of age. She made the trip apparently without much effort. She was accompanied by one of her granddaughters and by her son George, who had written he was coming, but did not mention bringing his mother, hence the pleasant surprise.

The Phoebe Weston Farmer Tent, D. of V., have announced a fair and entertainment for October 25. Particulars will be given later.

Mrs. Laura Richards has been called to Newfield, N. H., by the death of her father, who has been very ill for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Flarity have returned from a pleasant trip to Niagara Falls and Thousand Islands.

Frank Jeffs has been enjoying a fifteen-days' leave of absence from his duties as rural mail carrier, and Albert Powell has been taking his place. Mrs. Louis Streeter and little son Norman have been at T. E. Flarity's the past week.

The result of the vote at the primaries on Tuesday is as follows:

Republican—Governor, Frothingham 28, Walker 21, White 12; Lieutenant governor, Luce; secretary of the state, Langtry 56; Wood 12; treasury, Stearns; auditor, Burr 23, White 28; attorney general, Swift; counselor, Fletcher; senator, Killpatrick 36, Stevens 12; Best 10; Barlow 4; representative, Wright 43, Sherburne 15; county commissioner, Gould 10, Atkins 18; register of deeds, Childs; clerk of courts, Dillingham; member state committee, Jas. McDowell; delegates to state convention, Wm. Lawrence 62, J. J. Piper 48; town committee, F. B. Higgins, E. J. Knight, William Lawrence, F. J. Piper, John J. Piper, E. A. Craig, George A. Wilder.

Democrat—Governor, Foss 19; Lieutenant governor, Walsh; attorney general, Anderson 13, Leonard 4; senator, Draper; representative, Reed; town committee, George H. Tenney, H. L. Stickey, H. B. Boynton, Alexander Reed, John M. Coffey.

**Death.**

Mrs. Minerva King died at her home on Depot street last week Friday morning after a long period of ill health and of severe sickness since the hot spell this summer. She was eighty-three years old and has for most of the last year been confined to her bed with cancer of the stomach. She was born in Mason, N. H., and after coming to Townsend she lived for many years in the little house where she died, and which she loved. She was a member of the M. E. church. The funeral was held at the house on Monday, Rev. S. P. Robertson officiating. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, with whom she has made her home and who has tenderly cared for her during her falling years. Many beautiful flowers were sent in.

**Baseball.**

The Townsend A. A. team wound up the season's baseball work with a glorious finish Saturday, beating the T. R. & T. team of Billerica in a frazzle. They had to change pitchers early in the game and the locals soon had the next one at their mercy. In fact everybody seemed to hit him and veteran Captain Whitcomb made the longest hit of the season, getting a home run off of it. It went way out by the chestnut tree in center field. This game made the twentieth played, and the home team has won sixteen of them. Knight pitched a dandy game and after it was over Manager Fessenden presented him with a handsome traveling bag from his friends among the Townsend team as a mark of appreciation for what he has done for them this summer.

The summary:

TOWNSEND A. A.		T. R. & T.	
ab	rb	tb	po
Keefe, ss.	5	1	2
Lancey, 2b.	5	1	2
Bartlett, c.	5	3	5
Eastman, 3b.	5	4	8
Teehan, cf.	5	0	1
Desmond, 1b.	4	1	0
E. Swicker, rf.	5	2	3
V. Swicker, rf.	0	0	0
Parker, 1b.	3	0	0
Knight, p.	1	1	0
Totals	40	13	19

T. R. & T.		TOWNSEND A. A.	
ab	rb	tb	po
Linehan, 3b.	4	1	2
Bull, ss.	4	0	1
Manning, c.	4	0	1
P. Condon, 2b.	3	0	0
McSweeney, if.	3	0	0
Desmond, 1b.	2	0	0
Boland, rf.	2	0	0
Bradley, 1b.	1	0	0
Cowdrey, 2b.	2	0	0
J. Condon, p.	2	0	0
Totals	28	2	3

Innings—1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
 Townsend 12 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
 T. R. & T. 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 2  
 Home run—Whitcomb. Three-base hits—Eastman 2, Bartlett. Two-base hits—Teehan, Swicker. Hits—Off J. Condon 7 in 2 innings. P. Condon hit in 6 innings. Double plays—Parker to Lancey, Cowdrey to Bull. Bases on balls—By Knight 2. Struck out—By Knight 2. J. Condon 1. P. Condon 4. Stolen bases—Lancey, Eastman, E. Swicker, Linehan 2, Manning, McSweeney. Sacrifice hits—Bartlett, Wild pitches—Knight, J. Condon. Hit by pitched ball—Parker, J. Condon. Umpire—McGrail. Time—1hr. 55m.

**Jock Trial.**

Since last week's announcement of the coming big mock court trial, which is to be held at Memorial hall, Friday evening, October 6, under the auspices of the Townsend grange, there has been great curiosity to know "who 'tis," so that the secret will be let out so that the public can begin to look forward to the merry event. No wonder there is deep interest when so important a question is at stake as to whether the affections of a fair woman shall be trifled with, her tender heart rent asunder and her future blighted, with no redress whatever.

That this mock trial will be no light affair will be clearly seen. The following are the participants:

His Honor, the judge, Dr. A. J. Atwood  
 Clerk—George A. Wilder  
 Court officer—Roy M. Cogdrey  
 Court reporter—Frank B. Higgins  
 Plaintiff's attorney—Col. A. V. Newton of Worcester  
 Defendant's attorney—Rev. S. P. Robertson  
 Broken-hearted plaintiff—Margaret B. Higgins  
 Lockless defendant—Timothy E. Flarity  
 Witnesses—Mrs. Hattie Misner, Mrs. Minnie Knight, George L. Whitecomb, John J. Morse and Gaten Proctor.

The jury to be empanelled, if the lawyers do not kill each other before the trial begins, is as follows:

F. J. Knight, foreman, Wilbur H. Scates, William W. Opeand, Edwar E. Campbell, Vernal Barber, Frederick J. Piper, James A. Dixon, Albert H. Wilson, Ellis R. Cook, Albert G. Seavey, Alfred N. Fessenden and Henry B. Hildreth.

A game rooster flew to the top of one of the passenger coaches of a train on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Brownsville, Md., and stayed on the roof of the car until the train reached Waverton. Here the rooster was chased off the car roof by the trainmen, but it immediately flew back and was carried back to Brownsville on the top of the car, it is said.

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News Items.

At the meeting of the board of registrars of voters last Saturday evening the following names were added to the voting list: George A. Felch, William W. Colton, Charles Joseph Day, Herbert G. Whitney, Burton H. Allen.

William W. Colton of this town, who was appointed city forester of Fitchburg a short time ago, was recently appointed superintendent of parks by the park department of that city and will handle both positions. Mr. Colton was formerly district moth superintendent under the state department with headquarters here. He intends to move with his family to Fitchburg soon.

The first meeting of the Ayer Woman's club for 1911-12, will be held in the vestry of the Congregational church at three o'clock on Wednesday, October 4.

Mrs. Franklin Lawton will entertain the members of the Alliance at her home on East Main street, October 5, in place of Mrs. Duncklee, as previously reported at the last meeting.

Miss Elsie Houghton of Harvard is visiting Miss Amy Lougee this week. L. W. Phelps purchased this week Tuesday the Adolphus Holden farm of 180 acres, lately known as the Bishop place, and on it is a heavy growth of pine timber.

W. U. Sherwin, W. A. Wright and E. A. Richardson have purchased of the heirs of Edward O. Harlow, their interest in the property lately owned by them in common with the grantees, on the easterly side of Columbia street, occupied by John J. Fallon. Mrs. Mary L. Harlow takes title to a cottage house on the south of Cambridge street, occupied by Elwin H. Longley.

Charles Rigney, who suffered a shock in the railroad yard here on September 17, died at his home in Nashua last week Friday afternoon. He leaves two sons and two daughters.

There was a large gathering of the Y. P. R. U. on Sunday. Miss Doris Fletcher was leader. The program included a paper by Mrs. H. A. Bixby, and a piano solo by Miss Bertha Phelps. Miss Etta Green was pianist. The leader next Sunday is Miss Pauline Sherwin.

E. A. Richardson has sold two lots of land on Central avenue from Wheeler's blacksmith shop to the cross street to Chas. H. Hardy, carpenter and builder. The lots are 60x115 feet. The building is to be one story with basement. Mr. Hardy will have a business office, a carpenter and paint shop and the basement and a corner room on the first floor that will be fitted up to let.

A special convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will be opened at Masonic hall, Tuesday evening, October 3. Right Excellent Charles W. Godfrey, district deputy grand high priest, will make an official visitation. R. E. Charles W. Godfrey will install the officers. Banquet at 8.30 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Turner and maid returned Tuesday from Beachwood, Me., where they have spent the summer.

Campfire for the boys of St. Andrew's church and choir at the vicarage on Saturday at seven p. m. Stories and games.

A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will be opened at Masonic hall, Tuesday evening, October 17. Work—Mark Master Mason degree. Lunch served after the work.

The moving picture show this Saturday evening is to be featured with "Madam Rex," and "The sheriff and the man." Lyman Palmer is to sing "I'll wait for you till the cows come home," and "You remind me of someone I won't forget," and will be illustrated with up-to-date slides.

The ministers of the North Middlesex Unitarian association will be the guests of Rev. Dr. Fisk at the church parlors on Tuesday, October 3. Rev. H. H. Mott of Nashua, will read a sermon. Rev. P. H. Cressey of Groton will read an essay on "The use of scripture in public worship," and Rev. C. T. Billings of Lowell will review a recent book, "The soul of the bible."

The Y. P. R. U. meeting last Sunday evening was well attended and interesting under the leadership of Miss Doris Fletcher. Miss Green presided at the piano and Miss Bertha Phelps played a piano solo. Mrs. H. A. Bixby gave a very interesting and instructive address on "The religious education of the young," and Dr. Fisk spoke on "Loyalty to the church and how most effectively to aid the minister to increase its prosperity and influence."

Franklin S. Allen and wife of Palo Alto, Cal., who are making an extended tour of Canada and the United States, spent the week-end with Mr. Allen's brother, Harry S. Allen, whom he had not seen for ten years.

The First National bank has been made the depository of the funds of the new postal savings bank which will open next Saturday. Information concerning the new bank will be furnished to anyone desiring it, by postmaster Robinson.

Nine quart bottles of whiskey were stolen at the Boston and Maine transfer shed on Saturday afternoon. The police are working on the case, but as yet have found no tangible clue.

Letters remaining at the Ayer post-office for the week ending September 25: William Jackson, William O'Dell, Mrs. C. S. Saunders.

Series of Entertainments.

Have you purchased your season ticket for the series of entertainments to be given by the Middlesex Country club? On October 17, Peter MacQueen gives a lecture on "Travel and sport in Africa," illustrated by colored lantern slides. On November 21, The Players entertain with two comedy sketches, impersonations, etc., and on December 12, the Hayden Concert Company gives a musical entertainment.

The tickets for the course of three, including reserved seats are one dol-

lar, and may be procured from any of the following: T. W. Barry, H. M. Beverly, L. K. Clark, Holden Harlow, Dr. B. H. Hopkins, G. L. Osgood, G. H. B. Turner or Henry C. Turner. The tickets are selling fast and you would be well to make sure of getting yours.

A. O. H.

The quarterly meeting of the Middlesex County board of the A. O. H. was held in the hall of the local division of the order on West Main street last Sunday. These meetings are held every quarter in different parts of the county and are composed of the presidents of the various divisions, the attendance at this meeting being forty.

After the transaction of business lunch was served to the gathering by the members of the local division, followed by an informal time. Remarks were made by County president Harold of Waltham, Ex-county president Donnelly of Cambridge, County vice-president McLaughlin of Worcester, and Rev. P. J. Sheehy, the chaplain of Division 7 of this town.

Missing Girl Caught.

Miss Gertrude G. Walsh of Boston was detained by Chief Beatty on Wednesday afternoon, she being wanted at the State Industrial school for girls at Lancaster. She was kept here in the selectmen's room until Mrs. Dewson, a state official, came and took her back to the institution on the 6.14 train that evening.

The arrest of the missing girl was the result of clever work of the local police and the advice agent of the state board. Wednesday morning, Chief Beatty received a telephone message from the state officers at Boston that the girl's folks in that city had received a letter from her in which she said she would be in Ayer between two and four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. In the letter she asked her folks to send her money.

With this information Chief Beatty enlisted the services of Officer J. H. O'Connell, deputy sheriff A. A. Fillebrown, D. W. Mason, ticket agent at the Union station and the agent of the state board, who arrived on the 1.30 p. m. train from Boston to assist in the identification of the missing girl. The agent, Officer O'Connell and Mr. Mason kept an eye on the trains at the depot and Chief Beatty and deputy sheriff Fillebrown watched the electric cars and the postoffice.

Chief Beatty received word that a girl answering the description of the fugitive had taken a letter out of the postoffice at 5.15, during his temporary and unavoidable absence. Upon being apprised of this the chief started in the direction she had gone and overtook her at the car barn of the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway company on Central avenue. An automobile was procured by deputy sheriff Fillebrown and she was held till her departure for Lancaster.

This girl has caused the police and the officers of the institution much annoyance. She was sent out from the school, as is the custom, to work in families, the school authorities always keeping in touch with her as far as possible. According to the story given the officers here she had been in town off and on for three weeks under the name of Gertrude O'Brien, but had kept out of the police. Chief Beatty and Officer W. J. Mullin were on the watch for her, but so well did she keep her identity secret, that the officers failed to get her until Wednesday.

After her arrest she said she would not go back to Lancaster because she was not used right there, and that if she was forced to go there she would escape as soon as she could, even threatening self-destruction if she failed to escape.

Changes in Time Table.

The next change of time of the trains of the Boston and Maine railroad will take place on Monday, October 2. There are only few changes that effect this town. The two Bar Harbor trains, which were put on the schedule for the summer, will be taken off, one next Monday, and the other the week following. The other changes are:

Fitchburg division, east bound—Train 8, which now leaves here at 1.57 p. m. will leave at 1.42; train 7, which now leaves at 3.39 p. m. will leave at 3.12; train 76, now leaving at 4.52 p. m. will be cancelled between Fitchburg and South Acton. West bound—Train 25, known as the newspaper train, now leaving at 6.07 a. m. will leave at 6.11; train 37, now leaving at 8.56 a. m. runs only from Boston to South Acton; train 518, which now leaves at 3.40 p. m. will leave at 4.12; train 93, which now leaves at 10.55 p. m. will leave at 11.02.

The train leaving here at 12.03 p. m., daily except Sunday, will leave at the same time on Sundays making it an every-day train.

The Greenville branch, the train leaving here at 2.22 p. m. will leave at 6.15. The train numbered 37, now leaving for Nashua at 7.10 p. m. will leave at 7.34.

The train leaving here for Lowell at 4.55 a. m. will leave at 4.53, and the one leaving here for the same city at 8.19 a. m. will leave at 8.16.

Wedding.

Charles H. Webber and Miss Isabelle V. Curran were married by Rev. P. J. Sheehy at the parsonage on Thursday morning at ten o'clock. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Matilda G. Curran, and George Webber, a brother of the groom, was groomsmen. After the ceremony the wedded couple left on the 10.26 express train on their wedding journey for Albany, Saratoga and New York. On their return they will make their home in town.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Webber are well-known. He has been for years in the employ of the Boston and Maine railroad as brakeman, and Mrs. Webber was, until a short time ago, employed in the restaurant at the Union station.

District Court.

The case of James Shaughnessy, who was cited in the district court a short time ago for doing an illegal liquor business at the Taylor house, came up on an appeal in the superior court at Cambridge on Thursday, where he was fined fifty dollars.

The case of Mary Lynch of Shirley, charged with being a neglected child, came up in the juvenile session of the

court on Thursday morning. The case was continued until November 2.

Edward McGrath of Groton was in court last Saturday, charged with drunkenness and disturbing the peace. On the charge of disturbing the peace he was found not guilty, and on the drunkenness charge he was found guilty and placed on probation for six months.

Charles Mansur of Groton, charged with the same offenses, was in court the same day and was found not guilty of both complaints and discharged.

The appearance in court of Mansur and McGrath was the result of an alleged fight which they had a week previous to the trial. The trouble started at Pepperell and upon their arrival at Groton was, according to the testimony, renewed.

The case of Stephen Caffero of Ayer, for assault and battery, was continued till October 23.

Irving Durant of Groton, charged with disturbing the peace, was found not guilty last Saturday and discharged.

Grange Organized.

A very enthusiastic meeting of those interested in the formation of a grange was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Winslow on Tuesday evening. The meeting was addressed by the master of the state grange, Charles M. Gardner, of Westford, who spoke interestingly of the objects and aims of the organization and other matters concerning it and the benefits to be derived from membership. At the close of his talk twenty of those present signed the charter roll, and it is expected that at least twice this number will be ready for the formal institution of the new grange at its first meeting on Thursday evening, October 5, at Eagles' hall, West Main street.

After the meeting the state master stated that he was greatly pleased with the good spirit shown and could see no reason why Ayer should not have a flourishing grange.

It was voted to invite the officers of Groton grange to assist in the institution of the new organization. It was also voted to send an invitation to Samuel L. Taylor of Westford. The officers chosen were: Henry W. Robbins, master; Walter C. Winslow, overseer; Chester P. Perrin, sec.; Mrs. Margaret Rand, lecturer; Chas. E. Stone, steward.

It was voted that the secretary also serve as temporary treasurer to receive initiation fees and other funds, pending the election of a permanent treasurer.

The following committees were chosen:

Supper—Mrs. Charles E. Stone, Mrs. Walter C. Winslow, Mrs. Henry W. Robbins, Alfred Oklie, Miss Martha Wilson and George H. B. Turner; hall—Charles E. Stone, Alfred Oklie; committee on organization—Henry W. Robbins, Chas. E. Stone, Chas. E. Stone, Martha Wilson, Leroy Smith, Alfred Oklie, Miss Ethel K. Bruce.

Primaries.

The joint primary for the direct nomination of candidates to be voted for at the coming November election, in pursuance of a law passed by this year's legislature, was held in the town hall on Tuesday evening. The meeting was somewhat of a novelty as the voters of the different political parties voted together. There were three kinds of ballots, democratic, democratic progressive and republican, all of different colors and each bearing the names of the particular party candidates.

The voter was required to state openly in the meeting the party ballot he wished, and after so doing was enrolled in that party by the town clerk, such enrollment to hold for a term of five years, unless changed according to the provisions of law in the meantime.

The meeting was called to order by Elisha D. Stone, chairman of the board of selectmen. On motion of selectman Maloney the reading of the warrant was dispensed with. These election officers were on duty: J. H. O'Brien, C. E. Sherwin, ballot clerks; E. H. Bigelow, ballot box; P. H. Hooley, J. J. McGuane, H. G. Turner, W. L. Preble, counters.

The total vote was light, only 100 voters expressing their choice. Frothingham received a small plurality of three votes in the three-cornered fight for the gubernatorial nomination. He also received a vote on a democratic ballot. There were no votes cast on the democratic progressive ticket. Foss easily defeated Higen for the democratic nomination for the head of the ticket.

The nominations follow, the vote being given only where there was a contest.

Democrat—Governor, Foss 35; Higen 1; Frothingham 1; lieutenant governor, W. L. Preble 1; state treasurer, Hugh 26; Skelton 9; treasurer, Thorne 2; auditor, Strecker; attorney general, Anderson 18; Leonard 7; senator seventh Middlesex district, Kirby, representative eleventh Middlesex district, Fisher; county commissioner, Barton; register of deeds, Shea; clerk of courts, Kearny; delegate to state convention, John D. Carney; town committee, W. J. Donlon, P. B. Murphy, Martin Sculliam, J. M. Markham, C. A. McCarthy, D. E. Barrett.

Republican—Governor, Frothingham 29; Walker 26; White 14; lieutenant governor, Luce; secretary of state, Langtry 46; Wood 17; treasurer, Stevens; auditor, Burr 21; White 38; attorney general, Swift; councillor sixth district, Fletcher; senator sixth Middlesex district, Bennett; representative eleventh Middlesex district, Taylor; county commissioner, Atkins 29; Gould 31; register of deeds, Childs; clerk of courts, Dillingham; member of the state committee, James Wilson; Grimes of Reading; delegates to the state convention, Elisha D. Stone and John M. Maloney; Iowa committee, W. L. Cotton, H. P. Fletcher, J. M. Maloney, O. K. Pierce, E. A. Richardson, R. D. Stone, H. S. Turner.

Drunkenness Defined.

The old and much debated question as to what constitutes drunkenness has taken up the attention of many jurists, was brought to the fore in court one day last week, when a citizen of one of our neighboring towns was on trial on two complaints, one of which was drunkenness.

One of the witnesses, in giving his testimony, said that the defendant was not drunk on the day of the offense was alleged to have been committed. Judge Atwood asked the witness to define in his own way the state of drunkenness, to which the party addressed

said that he thought the definition given by Judge Dewey of Boston was a good one.

Judge Atwood afterward gave out his definition of drunkenness, which follows: Drunkenness is that effect produced upon the mind passions or body by intoxicating liquor voluntarily taken into the system, which so far changes the normal condition, as to materially distort and impair the capacity for healthy, rational action and conduct, which causes abnormal results, or such as would not ensue in the absence of intoxicants.

Drunkenness has been defined as a physical state which results from the voluntary use of excessive quantities of intoxicating liquor. It has also been defined as follows: "One is drunk or intoxicated when by the voluntary use of intoxicating liquor, the faculties are so affected as to cause him to lose self control."

Blackstone classifies the crime of drunkenness under the head of offenses against God and religion. In this commonwealth we inherited among other things, applicable to our institutions, the English statute against drunkenness, and re-enacted substantially the provisions of the English statute in the acts of this commonwealth in 1692, which has been curiously continued in substantially the same words down to the present time, making it a punishable offense for any person to be "guilty of the crime of drunkenness by the voluntary use of intoxicating liquor."

By the ancient common law, drunkenness was no offense or crime. It was first made a crime or misdemeanor in the year 1606, under the reign of James I. The preamble to that statute is as follows: "The loathsome and odious sin of drunkenness is of late grown into common use within this realm, being the root and foundation of many other enormous sins, bloodshed, stabbing, swearing, fornication, adultery and such like to the great dishonor of God and dishonor of our nation, the overthrow of many good arts and manual trades, the disabling of divers workmen and the general impoverishing of many good subjects, abnormally wasting the good creatures of God."

Another definition of drunkenness: "The question of whether one is drunk by the voluntary use of intoxicating liquor, is a question of fact and not a question of law." Many definitions have been given as to what constitutes drunkenness. It has been passed upon by courts of last resort, mainly in cases where it is intended to invalidate collaterally like divorce and insurance cases and a few cases where the party is charged with being a common drunkard.

Death.

Mrs. Emily M. (Ripley) Cotton died at her home on Washington street on Monday morning after a long illness of spinal disease. Mrs. Cotton was born in Lowell on October 27, 1848, and lived there until 1884, when the family moved to Chelmsford. After spending sixteen years in that town, they moved to Ayer in 1900, where they have lived since. She married Warren B. Cotton at Lowell on January 6, 1876.

Mrs. Cotton was the youngest daughter of Thomas and Salome (Dobinson) Ripley, who were among the first settlers of Westford street at Lowell. She was a lineal descendant on her father's side of the Bellows family of Vermont and New Hampshire, her ancestor, Col. Benjamin Bellows, being the founder of Bellows Falls, Vt., and Walpole, N. H. Rev. Henry W. Bellows, the celebrated Unitarian divine of New York city was her cousin. On her maternal side she was a descendant of the Claffin family of Massachusetts, and Ex-Gov. Claffin of this state was a near relative.

Mrs. Cotton possessed a beautiful and lovable disposition and left a large circle of friends who will be pained to hear of her death. She leaves her husband, Warren B. Cotton; two sons, Stanley L. Cotton of Ayer, Arthur W. Cotton, formerly of Lowell, two sisters, Mrs. Louise J. Titus of Ayer and Mrs. Ella S. McAlpine of Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Cotton was actively identified with the Unitarian church and always took great interest in its affairs. She was a member of the Unitarian Woman's Alliance, Woman's Relief Corps, Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S. and of the Ayer Woman's club. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the Unitarian church at two o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. Richmond Fisk, assisted by Rev. Edward H. Brown of Ware, a personal friend of Mrs. Cotton and a former pastor of the Unitarian church, who spoke highly of her christian character and her kindly disposition.

A quartet composed of Mrs. Clara L. Burns, Mrs. Carrie Bigelow, Mrs. Ruth Sherwin and Mrs. Daisy Beckford, sang "One" sweetly solemn thought and "Come to our hearts and abide." There were many floral pieces sent by friends, among which were fine contributions from the employees of the Ayer Tanning company and by local friends.

The bearers were Arthur W. and Stanley L. Cotton, sons of the deceased, George R. Clark, a nephew of Dorchester, and Arthur W. Sherman of Lowell, a brother-in-law. The funeral was in charge of W. Wright & Son. The interment was at Woodland cemetery.

O. E. S. Visitation.

The eighty-second regular meeting of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., was held in Masonic hall, Wednesday evening, September 27. The meeting was of unusual interest as there occurred in connection with it the official visitation of Mrs. Iva E. Brown, grand matron of the grand chapter of Massachusetts, who was accompanied by the grand patron, Geo. F. Bradstreet, and assisted by grand marshal, Mrs. Edith R. Avery.

The evening opened with a reception at six o'clock. In the receiving line were Miss Fannie E. Woods, w. m.; Frank S. Pierce, w. p.; of Ida McKinley chapter; Mrs. Iva E. Brown, Geo. F. Bradstreet and Mrs. Edith R. Avery of the grand chapter; Mrs. C. F. Johnson, deputy grand matron and

Mrs. Helen C. Reynolds, deputy grand marshal, of Ida McKinley chapter. The ushers were the star points, Mrs. Alma L. Brown, Miss Esther Stone and Mrs. Margaret K. Cushing of Ayer and Mrs. Alice F. Bigelow and Miss Helen Dickson of Harvard. Mrs. Male A. Carley and Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence received the guests at the door.

The reception was followed by a banquet served in charge of Mrs. Elson H. Bigelow. The regular work of the chapter followed. One candidate was initiated. The grand officers complimented the members highly for the fine manner in which the work was done.

The official visitors were accompanied by a large suite, which included Iola F. Fisk, p. m., of Arcana chapter, Greenfield, and p. g. m. of grand chapter; Chas. J. Fisk, p. p. of Arcana; Ethel E. Cleveland, p. m. of Cradle Rock chapter, Barre; Annie E. Greenwood, p. m. of Lady Emma chapter, Fitchburg; Walter A. Atwood, p. p. of Lady Emma chapter and p. g. p. of grand chapter; Harriette H. Simpson, p. m. and Hattie A. Longley, p. m. of Mizpah chapter, Marlboro.

Guests of the evening were the officers from Lady Emma chapter, Fitchburg; Temple chapter, Leominster, Puritan chapter of Lowell. Masonic hall was decorated in purple with hydrangeas and asters for the occasion.

Church Services.

There will be a morning service at 10.45 o'clock. Sunday school at 10.45 and evening service at seven o'clock at the M. E. church tomorrow. Unitarian church service at 10.45. Sermon by the minister, Sunday school at twelve. Y. P. R. U. at seven p. m. Services at St. Andrew's church tomorrow: Holy communion and sermon at 10.15 a. m. Sunday school at twelve. St. Andrew's Guild will meet Tuesday at three o'clock at the vicarage. Important business.

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News Items.

Advertised letters at the postoffice: George Sanford, Miss Ida Forcier. Programs of the Warner lecture course are now out and any who have not received one may have one by calling at the postoffice. The committee endeavors to see that every family in town receive one, and if omissions occur will be very glad to stand corrected. The first lecture will be given on November 10.

The King's Daughters will hold an all-day sewing meeting at the Congregational church vestry on Thursday, October 5. Basket lunch. Mrs. Rebecca Haywood Houghton, widow of the late Quincy Adams Houghton, died at her home in Bolton on September 27. She had been an invalid for nearly ten years, the result of a broken hip. The direct cause of her death was bronchial pneumonia which set in about ten days ago. She leaves a daughter Sarah and a son, Daniel W. She was born on the farm now owned by Frank Sprague, the daughter of Rebecca (Whitney) and Joel Bowers. The funeral was held on Saturday, September 30, interment being in the West cemetery, Bolton. R. M. Lindley had charge of arrangements.

The party of grangers who hired an auto to take them to Bolton on Monday evening held an irregular meeting on the library steps. Reuben Reed was the moderator, and after listening to the various versions of the proposed trip, ordered the meeting dissolved.

Harvard grange will hold a special meeting on Friday evening, October 13. This will be neighbors' night and Shirley grange is to neighbor with Harvard and furnish the entertainment. Supper is to be furnished by the home grange. Mrs. Spencer Beane is visiting with her son, Herman Skillings, in Hanover, Me.

Mrs. William Hanna and Miss Julia Leard are both on the sick list. About thirty from here took advantage of the free ride given stockholders on Wednesday last to make the trip to Boston and return. Edwin Houghton thinks he has the blue ribbon orchard in apples this year. He certainly has a fine display of McIntosh Reds, about four hundred barrels in all. He has sold them at a very fancy price.

Mock Trial.

The mock court trial to be given under the auspices of the Unitarian Ladies' Circle in Harvard town hall on Wednesday evening, October 4, promises to be an event of unusual interest. Judging from newspaper reports of similar entertainments conducted by the present management, it would seem to be one of the most attractive things now before the public.

It will be in the first place an exact reproduction of a court scene in methods and procedure, a real object lesson, and on this account will possess the charm of novelty to ladies and others who have never attended a real trial. Best of all will be the refined fun of the whole affair. With Warren H. Fairbank acting as judge, Albert Ripley appearing as the complainant, the one who lost the rooster, A. H. Turner as the alleged guilty party, E. V. Newton, esq., of Worcester, prosecuting the case, and Col. A. V. Newton of Worcester, defending the accused, to say nothing of the brilliant array of court officers, witnesses and jurors. It is pretty certain we shall have all the comedy and reality of a court scene and enough wholesome fun to last for many months.

Indeed, it is predicted by those in position to know, that from the opening of the court until the close of the case, the audience will be kept keyed up to the point of convulsions by the unique proceedings. Wit, wisdom, eloquence, laughable local hits and vagaries will be drawn upon without stint or hindrance to keep up the current of merriment. As an entertainment of innocent fun, conducted with mock dignity and

without the shade of offense to refined tastes the mock court trial will be as mentioned above an event of unusual interest.

The following are the rest of the participants: James L. Whitney, clerk; William Hanna, court officer; Philip Watson, crier; George C. Maynard, Rev. George Jones, H. B. Stone, Prof. F. Leonard, O. A. Fairbank, witnesses; Bryant, A. H. Bigelow, G. E. Hardy, H. Brown, W. F. Maynard, R. L. Fillebrown, V. F. Dickson, F. O. Dickson, H. H. Gale, G. T. Gale, W. T. Fairwell, A. C. Dennison, jurors.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell on Friday, October 6, at nine o'clock, a lot of cows, horses and hens, wagons, carts, sleds, sleighs, etc., the property of Miss Carrie L. Hunt, Sudbury.

A Distinction Number. Always of unvarying interest, the Saturday, October 7, edition of the Boston Evening Transcript will be read by thousands of persons with gratification and benefit because of the many specially written articles on a variety of interesting subjects which will be printed. Anyone who has city, suburban, country or seashore real estate, houses or farms anywhere in New England to dispose of will find it advantageous to advertise in this issue of the Boston Transcript, as it will have an exceedingly wide distribution. Many people who are not regular readers always look in the Transcript when they need a house, apartment, board or room, for they know that the largest lists of the better offerings are printed there as well as "want" advertisements of specially capable business assistants and good servants.

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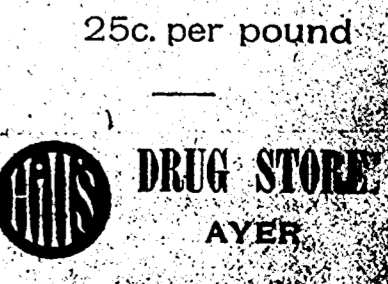
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### SHIRLEY.

Center.

Charles Killpatrick, republican candidate for senator, was in town last week for political purposes.

Mrs. Chany and daughter, Miss Rebecca Chany, have returned to William E. Barnard's after spending a week at Annisquam.

N. Otis Colburn is giving Trinity chapel a new coat of paint this week. The Girls' Sewing Guild voted at their last meeting to pay for the entire work and Mr. Dexter, of whom the paint was purchased, gave a liberal discount to help out the good work.

Miss Nellie Wetherbee of Leominster was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams last week.

The Misses Whitcomb, who moved from Littleton about four months ago into the house owned by John Stickney, are moving this week into a house at the village owned by Mr. Wells. They have an extra large amount of furniture which Mr. Wells has been moving in his two-horse vans for over a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Perkins of Ayer were at their cottage on Horsepond road last week.

Percy E. Lydon preached the sermon at the First Parish church on Sunday morning.

Rae Carpenter spent last week in Boston, taking examinations at Boston university. While there she visited Mrs. Earl Benson at Malden. Mrs. Benson was formerly Miss Mildred Daniels, assistant teacher at Shirley high school.

Mrs. Melzer V. Farnsworth, at the North, visited her daughter, Mrs. Edward Mellish, at West Groton last week.

Mrs. Alice Bill, Jr., of New York, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Grout the latter part of last week, coming from Magnolia, where she has been making a short visit.

Stanwood Bolton of Brookline spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton.

Henry Farrar, at the North, has returned home after a week spent in Philadelphia with his daughter, Mrs. Albert Bennett. Mrs. Bennett spent part of the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Farrar.

Hazel Cummings of Fitchburg high school, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Cummings. She was accompanied by her grandmother, Mrs. Chase, and her aunt, Mrs. Woodworth, both of Fitchburg.

The house which Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilkins are having erected at the North, near the home of George Adams, is nearly completed and will soon be ready to be occupied.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer of Vermont were guests of Miss Helen M. Winslow over Sunday.

W. H. Smith of Gardner spent Sunday with Mrs. Emma Dodge.

The Girls' Sewing Guild held their regular meeting on Saturday afternoon, September 23, at the home of Ruth M. Graves.

Chester Going of Townsend visited his father, Eliah Going, at Charles Longley's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilder and daughter Helen, and son Raymond, of Leominster were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hubbard on Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Smith of Gardner is making a visit with her sister, Mrs. Emma Dodge, coming from Lexington, where she spent the first part of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Casey of Fitchburg visited friends in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gideon C. West have started for Kentville, Nova Scotia, to make a visit with relatives there.

Mrs. Sara Hobbs of Princeton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hubbard.

A social dance will be held in the town hall on Saturday evening under the management of the young people of the grange, who conducted the dances which proved so popular last spring. The music will be furnished by a local orchestra composed of the following: Ora E. Holden, piano; Edward Adams, clarinet; Raymond Sleeper, drum; Ralph Jenkins of Ayer, violin. Refreshments will be served.

Henry Farnsworth, at the East, is again on the sick list and was removed on Tuesday to the Groton hospital for an operation.

Harry N. Brown and Elmer E. Wilkins took an excursion through the Hoosac tunnel to North Adams last week, taking also a side trip through the Hoosac Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Burnham and Rufus Hardon of Revere are spending a few days at the Burnham house at the East.

Robert Evans left on Saturday for Brunswick, Me., to enter the freshman class at Bowdoin college.

The Misses Moulton, who have been visiting Bessie Farnsworth at the East, have returned to their home in Jamaica Plain.

Ruby Crockett of Fitchburg Business college spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William A. L. Crockett, at the North.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cutler received a visit from Mr. Cutler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cutler, of Lancaster last week.

L. J. Farnsworth, at the North, is having another large shed erected for the storing of wood and lumber.

Mr. Bartlett of Jamaica Plain was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth over Sunday.

Etta M. Holden of Leominster spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer P. Holden and Mr. and Mrs. Ardle A. Adams spent Sunday in Nashua.

Little Florence Wilkins, at the East, who has been unable to attend school for several years on account of trouble with her eyes, has begun school again at the advice of specialists at the Massachusetts General hospital, who have had charge of her case.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lane have returned to their home in Cambridge

after spending several weeks at their summer home here.

Mrs. Grace Bradshaw of Ayer is caring for Mrs. Cynthia Lynch during the absence of her niece, Miss Minnie Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton and son Geoffrey expect to return to their winter home in Brookline on Monday of next week.

The regular meeting of the Matrons' Aid was held with Mrs. Homer P. Holden on Tuesday afternoon, September 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardle A. Adams and son Edward, and Mrs. Mabel Graves attended the meeting of Lunenburg grange on Wednesday of last week.

Emily and Cremona Ford and Bird C. Hazelton, together with the three servants, returned on Monday to their home in Cambridge. They have been spending the summer at the Rev. Howard A. Bridgman house with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Worthington Ford, who left about two weeks ago.

Henry Crowe, at the East, returned home last week from Boston, where he has been undergoing an operation on his throat, and resumed his studies at Shirley high school.

Robert H. J. Holden left Wednesday afternoon for Cambridge, where he registered on Thursday morning as a member of the entering class at Harvard university.

The following new names were added to the voting list at the meeting of the board of registrars of voters on Saturday: Herman E. Willis, Henry A. Welton, Herbert Dickson, Roderick E. Cassavoy, Amandy Montville, Jr., Arthur Dunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hubbard and family, and John W. Farrar attended Sterling fair on Thursday of last week.

Ralph Cutler is ill this week and under the care of Dr. T. E. Lilly.

Henry F. Grout has gone to Nebraska for a two-weeks' stay.

Harry Ware is very sick and is being cared for by a trained nurse.

Hazel MacKaye returned on Wednesday to spend a week with her mother, Mrs. Steele MacKaye, before closing up the house for the winter.

Miss Brown of Boston is spending a few days with Miss Elsie Pray.

Misses Helen and Beatrice Pray have returned to Brookline for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Holden spent the latter part of last week with their son, Frederick Holden, at Shrewsbury.

The next meeting of the Matrons' Aid will be held with Mrs. Annie Ward on October 10.

At the next meeting of the Shirley grange, October 3, balloting for candidates will take place. E. E. Chapman of Ludlow, overseer of the Massachusetts state grange, is expected to speak.

Rev. A. L. Bumpus will have charge of the services at Trinity chapel, beginning tomorrow. Mr. Grant's carriage will leave the station on Sundays at 2:10 throughout the winter. All accommodations may be secured of him.

### Interesting Sermon.

The services at Trinity chapel were conducted by S. Warren Sturgis of Groton School last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Sturgis gave a very interesting sermon on the "Parable of the tares." The Sunday school classes were re-opened also, and Mr. Sturgis read to them the letter received from Remsen B. Ogilby, formerly pastor of the chapel. Mr. Ogilby has charge of a school in the Philippines for the children of American citizens. He described this in his letter; also, the natives and some of their customs, and gave a very interesting account of the trip he took through the country. The letter was accompanied by photographs of the natives and parts of the country. Mr. Ogilby expects to return to the United States next year.

**Primaries.**

There was but a small attendance at the direct primaries on Tuesday evening, only seventy-five ballots being cast. There were fifty-four republican and twenty-one democratic ballots cast and no democratic progressive. The election officers were: Mr. McCormick, Elmer Hubbard, Harry Lynch, Edmund E. O'Neill, George Holden, A. A. Adams. The vote was as follows, the vote being given only where there was a contest for the office:

Democrat—Governor, Foss 15; Lieutenant Governor, Walsh 16; Secretary of State, Donoghue 16; State Treasurer, Thorndike; Auditor, Strecker; Attorney General, Anderson 12; Lieutenant Senator eighth Middlesex district, Draper; representative twelfth Middlesex district, Reed; county commissioner, Barton; register of deeds, Shea; clerk of courts, Kearns; delegate to state convention, Burritt; town committee, J. H. Flynn, J. H. Logue, M. F. Day, C. E. White, E. J. Stevens.

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### BROOKLINE, N. H.

**New Items.**

Mrs. Minnie Andrews, Mrs. Blanche Tryry and children of Hyde Park are guests at John Porter's.

George H. Kendall returned from St. Joseph's hospital at Nashua, last week.

Mrs. Ethel Wheeler, Miss Mary Hammond, Calvin Greenwood, Miss Maude Greenwood of Nashua were guests at Innercroft on Friday, September 22.

Mrs. Walter Parker has entertained Mrs. Anna T. Coffey of Lowell at Four Pines.

Mrs. Julia Lawrence of Pepperell has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Cory.

Mrs. Clinton D. Gilson and son James spent Sunday at Townsend.

Interior improvements are being made at the residence of Mrs. Cora Boutenhouse.

Water pipes are being laid in the village to supply the residences of Mrs. Cora Boutenhouse, Miss Ellen Sawtelle and Walter Parker with running water. Bathrooms are also to be added.

Miss Edith A. Hobart is attending Pratt Institute, New York.

Percy Betterley spent Sunday at home from Worcester.

Rev. J. N. Seaver has resumed his studies at the Boston university.

Harold Hadley and Donald Perin have entered the Institute of Technology, Boston.

Mrs. Frances Cox Evans spent Sunday at home from Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swett were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Needham at Milford on Wednesday, September 20.

Mrs. Frank Gilman is at home from Pepperell.

Rev. Warren L. Noyes was able to occupy the pulpit at the Congregational church on Sunday morning, having been detained at home for several weeks from the results of a carriage accident. He preached an excellent sermon and his parishioners were glad to welcome him back.

Mrs. Alexander Ross of Cambridge gave an interesting paper on "The world's pageant at Boston," at the union meeting at the Methodist church on Sunday evening.

Misses Bertha and Florence Sargent of Putnam, Conn., spent the week-end in town.

Mrs. Joseph Dodge has been ill with tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chase of New Ipswich have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alpha A. Hall.

Mrs. Gillis has been seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of Mrs. William French. Mrs. Mary E. Smith has been assisting in caring for her.

Mrs. Hattie Stiles and Miss Josephine Seaver are visiting relatives at Nashua.

Harry Smith and family of Newton spent Sunday at their farm.

Mrs. Whittier of Stoneham is the guest of Mrs. Edward Hadley.

Misses Nita Colyshaw, Madeline Nash, Harriett Wood of Cambridge, Mabel Jonas of Hyde Park, Ralph Hadley, Judson Hannigan, George Kelley and Clifford Farrington of Cambridge have been enjoying a house party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hadley, guests of Harold Hadley. Mrs. May Hadley chaperoned the party. The days were merry ones.

As Miss Mabel Jonas and Judson Harrigan were riding up a steep hill on the Mason road on Sunday morning in a large touring car, one of the wheels suddenly broke, but fortunately they were not thrown out. Friends went in search of them and found them stranded. The car was towed to town by horses from the ice-house and shipped to Boston on Monday morning.

Mrs. Edward E. Parker entertained the Sunbonnet club at Innercroft on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Valdege are to move to Rockland, Mass. They have made many friends during their two-years' sojourn in town and will be much missed, especially at the Congregational church, where Mrs. Valdege, who is a talented musician, has filled the position of organist, and Mr. Valdege ably assisted the choir. They have been interested in all that pertains to the upbuilding of the town and the social events.

Freeman E. Wright had a narrow escape from a serious accident on Saturday evening while driving on Millford street with his niece, Miss Alice Whitcomb. The wheel suddenly came off and Miss Whitcomb jumped out and only sustained slight injuries. Miss Whitcomb has just recovered from a nervous shock caused by a carriage accident.

**Struck by Lightning.**

During the heavy thunder shower on Monday afternoon the barn at Freeman E. Wright's was struck by lightning and in a short time the house and barn were burned to the ground. The family horse, a cow, two pigs, sheep, a large amount of hay, forty bushels of potatoes and of the farming tools and a large part of the harvesting was entirely consumed. There is a partial insurance in the grange. Mr. Wright is Brookline's most progressive farmer and he and his wife have the sympathy of the entire community in their misfortune. Most of the household goods were saved except the kitchen furnishings. Mr. Wright heard the crash and stepping to the door found the barn in flames.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES E. GREEN late of Ashby in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant letters of administration on the estate of said deceased to FRED H. GREEN of Ashby in the County of Worcester without giving a surety on his bond, and you are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the nineteenth day of October, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

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

212 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of NATHANIEL P. SMITH late of Groton in said County, deceased.

Whereas ALTHUR F. POOLIE, the trustee under the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the second and third accounts of his trust under said will.

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

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

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### News Items.

Mrs. Charles Wilson entertained her Sunday school class at her home on Leominster road last Saturday afternoon. Outdoor sports of all kinds with refreshments were the features of entertainment. The children entered into the spirit of the affair most heartily and enjoyed themselves to their heart's content. Those present were:

Kathleen Miner, Ruth Hooper, Ethel Knowles, Ruth Eisner, Ada Eisner, Edith Eisner, Helen Badman, Hazel Dinsmore, Myrtle Cole, Alice Cole, Omer Wolf, Hazel Loomer, Edna Loomer, Betty Goodwin, Mildred Goodwin, Arnold Hocquard and Doris Knowles.

Mrs. F. E. Merriman of Shirley and Miss Justine Howland of Worcester, were recent guests at the home of Miss Mary C. Smith of Fitchburg, sister of Mrs. Merriman.

Robert Holden enrolled as a student of Harvard college this week.

Edward C. Tolman of Newton was a week-end guest of Earl C. Merriman. Mr. Tolman entered as a student of Harvard college this week.

Albert McMurray of Lake George, N. B., is visiting his sister, Miss Inez McMurray.

Mrs. Sarah Crossman has gone to Manchester, N. H., to care for her sister, who is very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Euchariste Lozeau of Haverhill were entertained last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. Heroux, parents of Mrs. Lozeau.

M. Fred Bourgeois of Leominster was a visitor in Shirley last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. White, in company with daughter Doris, spent last Sunday with their son Stanley in Worcester.

Mrs. Ellen M. Russell of Westfield has returned home after spending a vacation of three weeks at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Merriman.

Edwin Smith of Marion, N. J., a former resident, was a week-end visitor in town.

Willie Connors of Boston spent the week-end at home with his mother.

Richard Weeks of Littleton spent the week-end at home.

Rev. A. A. Bronsden preached a sermon last Sunday morning on the laymen's movement just inaugurated, drawing many fine illustrations which emphasized the importance of his subject and made it of special interest to his audience.

Howard Willoughby, gardener for Charles W. Marshall, spent last Sunday at his home in Pepperell.

Warren Whitcomb and wife, in company with son Clifford and wife, all of Princeton, were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Mary Hastings and Mrs. Sarah Holt of Harvard road.

Rev. J. H. Cote left town on Monday morning for Salem, to assist Rev. G. A. Rainville with the forty-hour devotion.

The Société l'Assomption will hold their regular meeting on Sunday, October 1, at the usual hour.

Miss Libertha Kolowrath of Littleton was a week-end guest of Miss Emma Knowles.

Miss Lena Gately spent last Sunday in Worcester.

Prosper Gionet of Royalston was a visitor in town last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gionet have arrived home from a four-months' visit in Caraquez, N. B., their native place.

F. Provost, cook on the U. S. S. Newark, and three other shipmates have gone on a fifteen days' leave of absence to Havana, Cuba; also, taking in Santiago de Cuba and Guantanamo City. They will visit the Maine when in Havana, which was sank in 1898.

The following names have been added to the voting list: Herbert Dickson, Herman E. Willis, Amanda Montville, Jr., Henry A. Welton, Arthur Dunn, Roderick Cassavoy.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold their monthly supper and entertainment on Wednesday evening, October 4, at seven o'clock. Entertainment will commence at eight o'clock, a cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Universalist church will reopen for services next Sunday with the pastor, Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker, occupying the pulpit. Sunday school will follow the services.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church will hold their harvest sale and supper on Wednesday evening, October 11. More particulars will be given next week.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lewis are moving this week to Franconstown, N. H.

### Daily Outings.

A new and novel scheme and one which has been watched with a good deal of interest, is the daily outings last week of the boys from the State Industrial school. Commencing last week Wednesday, sixteen boys each day were taken to Fort pond, where they camped out, cooking their own food, being given all the freedom they wanted and indulging in the amusements at the pond the same as other visitors at this well-known summer resort. The boys were attended by Mr. Reynolds, one of the cottage masters, and Mr. Whitcomb, the nurse, and the daily delegations were given the use of Mr. Wheeler's cottage. They were also very kindly and liberally used by Frank W. Snell, whose grounds and café are the most popular at the pond.

Last Sunday ended the outing for the boys and a large delegation; also, the boys' band from the school, were the guests of Mr. Snell at his grove. Mr. Snell entertained the boys with the freedom of his grounds, giving them the use of his boats, bathing houses, etc., and served a very fine dinner. The band added much to the enjoyment of the day.

This plan was the idea of Supt. G. P. Campbell and was a pronounced success, as no attempts were made by any of the boys to run away, and their behavior, Mr. Snell says, was excellent in every respect. The trustees were somewhat opposed to the idea, but the results were such as to

commend these outings and get the future endorsement of the full board of trustees.

These outings, with other privileges accorded the boys at the school, will have a tendency to create a good, wholesome feeling between the boys and the school management and will also lead the boys by persuasive and kindly treatment to a clearer view of the higher and nobler ideas in life, which the management is continually striving to show them.

### The True Facts.

Residents of Shirley have been treated to a little sensation in connection with the State Industrial school for boys regarding a runaway boy and his capture by four trusty boys from the school, and the subsequent payment of the sum of twenty-five dollars to Frederick W. Savage, Jr., and ten dollars to Chief of police Goodwin.

In view of the many stories in circulation, the Oracle correspondent called upon Supt. George P. Campbell of the school and obtained from him the facts in the case.

Mr. Campbell said that last week Friday evening one of the boys ran away. It was discovered at once and four trusties caught the boy in the vicinity of G. M. Ballou's mill and were taking him back when Frederick W. Savage, Jr., engineer at Ballou's mill, saw the boys and took them all to the engine house and telephoned Mr. Campbell who went in a team after the boys and took the four trusties and the runaway back to the school.

However, before Mr. Campbell had been notified of the capture, seven more trusties were sent out to aid in the capture. They scattered in different directions and Chief Goodwin found two and took them back to the school.

Saturday morning early, Mr. Savage appeared at the school and very authoritatively demanded the sum of twenty-five dollars from Mr. Campbell, this being the usual reward of five dollars per boy offered by the management of the school for the return of runaway boys. Mr. Campbell endeavored to explain that four of these boys were trusties, but Mr. Savage insisted very emphatically on the twenty-five dollars, stating that a business man and also Chief Goodwin had told him to go to Supt. Campbell and demand the full amount.

Mr. Campbell finding that all reasonable argument was useless made out the check for that sum and handed it to Mr. Savage at the same time informing him in plain language what he thought about him as a man. Mr. Campbell also told Mr. Savage that if Chief Goodwin felt that way about the matter his check for the sum of ten dollars would also be sent by mail at once. Mr. Campbell further stated that he did not care so much about the matter from a financial point of view but he thought he was not being used right and he was sorry to see men in the community who did not seem willing to act with a spirit of fairness.

Mr. Campbell cited many similar cases. One in particular when a short time ago two trusties were detained at the Fitchburg police station, being found by an officer and taken to the station. The police at Fitchburg notified him and upon his explaining the matter they were released at once and no demand of any sort was made upon him for reward.

The question will naturally arise how are the citizens to distinguish trusties from runaways. Generally speaking there is no way, as citizens of this or any other place are not in touch with the boys and taking their word is out of the question, but trusties will always return to the school willingly, but in the case of runaways a struggle generally ensues before he is willing to return with an officer or citizen. Consequently reason and the application of the "golden rule" will materially assist in the settlement of these cases.

Mr. Campbell wants the cooperation of the citizens in cases like these and is doing fine work in a difficult position, but is somewhat disturbed and very naturally so when he finds attempts as these being made at the expense of the school and the state. The general sentiment of the community is with him.

### I. O. O. F.

Francis E. Merriman, esq., grand representative to the sovereign grand lodge, I. O. O. F., has received notice of the proceedings, and action taken at the Indianapolis session just ended. The most important is the fact that hereafter no gambler or rumrunner is entitled to membership in the order; also to become a member, the applicant must believe in a supreme being, the maker, ruler and preserver of the universe and be of good moral character, the religious belief of the candidate not inquired into. He must give references and be engaged in some occupation for his support. A negro is not eligible to the American I. O. O. F., but is in the Manchester Unity Order.

In 1843, the Independent or American branch withdrew from the English branch, declaring itself for various reasons independent of the mother organization and prospered thereafter, until now the I. O. O. F. membership numbers over 1,583,169, and gained during 1910, 49,083. The Rebeah branch has now a membership of 225,975, gaining in 1910, 22,227.

The order paid out for relief in 1910, \$5,711,049, and the receipts were \$17,304,771, the invested funds amount to \$57,743,272. The Odd Fellows have established homes for the poor and indigent members, the present value of which is \$4,200,412, with number of inmates admitted to date of 8,500.

The order is now established in Australia, Denmark, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Hawaii, Mexico, Cuba, Argentine Republic, France, Japan, Newfoundland, Panama, Philippine Islands, Porto Rico and every state and territory of the United States of America.

### BOXBOROUGH.

#### About Town.

Charles Adams has been quite sick with the shingles. Dr. Tasker is in attendance.

On Monday evening, R. Y. Nelson

and family attended the wedding reception of Mr. Nelson's niece, Miss Lillian Gertrude Yapp, who married Frederick James Wright of Boston, at the home of Miss Yapp in Allston.

The program for the last grand meeting was very enjoyable and well carried out. Rev. F. S. Viets spoke on "Much needed reforms in our own town." Albert Littlefield on "State reform" and Mrs. William Smiley on "Social reforms." After the regular speakers the subjects were further discussed by various members. Mrs. C. B. Robbins gave a piano solo. Box lunches prepared by the ladies were then auctioned off and from this sale over ten dollars was added to the piano fund. A complete surprise was then given by W. J. Smiley, who treated all to a generous supply of ice cream.

Eben Mead, wife and daughter were at Edgar Mead's this week.

Arthur Nelson is taking William Kinsley of Acton Center in his automobile, twice a week, to the Massachusetts General hospital, where Mr. Kinsley is having his foot treated.

The result of the primary election on Tuesday was as follows: Governor, Foss 22, Frothingham 11, White 6, Walker 2, Higgen 1; representative, Charles Sherry 22, Tucker 1, a total of fifty-four votes being cast.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Munroe of Wollaston spent Sunday with their cousin, S. D. Salmon.

Mrs. Ada Durkee will give a concert on Saturday evening in Library hall for the benefit of the town library.

Mrs. Willis H. Gooch entertained a number of her friends on Tuesday afternoon in honor of the first birthday anniversary of her daughter Helen.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Montgomery and their son Stowell of Providence, R. I., visited Mrs. Shattuck last week. Miss Mary Hager sprained her ankle last week Thursday so that instead of making her intended visit in Westford she has been confined to the house with Mrs. Lambert as nurse.

Married, by Rev. F. H. Viets, at the parsonage on Thursday, September 21, Walter McNulty and Miss Alice Melanson of South Acton.

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### Current Events.

H. C. Thurston has bought the Butterfield home, so-called, on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Waterhouse, who have been living in Mrs. Nellie Wright's house on Main street, have moved to West Groton, where Mr. Waterhouse is employed in the paper mill.

Russell Davis has been employed in a hotel in Magnolia during the summer months. Last week he returned to his home with Mrs. S. E. P. Tucker in this town and will attend a business college in Boston soon.

Frank Small of Fitchburg was a week-end and over Sunday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Johnson.

The L. A. S. of the Methodist church were very pleasantly entertained at the home of their president, Mrs. I. J. Rowell, on Wednesday of this week. There was a large number present and ice cream and cake were served.

Quite a number of the friends of Mrs. S. E. P. Tucker called on her September 24, to congratulate her on having attained her seventieth birthday. Mrs. Tucker cut a decorated birthday cake and served refreshments to all who called.

Mrs. John Frossard and Mrs. Adda Upon enjoyed an outing to Boston this week.

The food sale by the L. S. C. of the Unitarian church at the home of Mrs. Marion Bartlett on Thursday was largely attended and was quite a financial success.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jenks are enjoying a visit from Mr. Jenks' father.

Fred Parker has moved into the house on Mill street recently occupied by Bert Morrow.

Mr. Gilman, superintendent of the Larkin shoe shop, who has been living in Brookline, N. H., is to move into Mrs. Caroline Conant's house on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Tarbell have been spending the week, coming on Saturday last, with Mrs. Tarbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin. Irving Church has resigned his position in Mansfield's drug store and will soon go to Lynn, where he is to be a student in the works of the General Electric Company.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nash have been recent visitors in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donnelly are entertaining Mrs. Donnelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Annis, from Maine.

Mrs. Edward Richardson returned home on Friday, September 22, from a visit in Marblehead.

Miss Clara Brown, a former resident of this town, is still at Rutland. Her many friends will be sorry to know that she is not so well, and just now is confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parker returned recently from a trip to Concord and Littleton.

Miss Bertha Johnson, who has been employed during the summer months as stenographer by the Falulah Paper Company of Fitchburg, has finished her work there and is at home for a short vacation previous to returning to the Fitchburg Business college.

Mr. and Mrs. George Herrig of Somerville spent Sunday in town with Mr. and Mrs. George Pierce.

Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson and infant child returned on Wednesday from a hospital in Nashua.

Fred Sheppard is to leave the employ of the Nashua River Paper Corporation and return to Erie.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waite and family, living in Dr. Qua's house are soon to move into the Bradley Varnum house on Hollis street.

Miss Susie Andrews is at work in the office of the Larkin shoe shop.

James Mahony of the East village has returned from the St. Joseph hospital in Nashua, where he has been treated for a broken arm.

Mrs. Ada Simmons is the guest of Mrs. Alvin Wright of Brookline street.

Patrick Sullivan has bought the Chase place on Nashua street occupied by Daniel Green.

Martin Carboy has an auction on Saturday of his household goods. He, with his daughter Mary, is to leave town soon for Michigan. His son James will remain here for the present and board with Mrs. Hopkins of Mill street.

Thursday evening, October 5, there will be a cottage meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah Patch on Nashua street.

### Baby Show.

The food sale and baby show held at the Methodist church on Thursday of last week was well attended and pleasing to all present. The babies were all so pretty that the judges concluded to award the prizes as follows: To the youngest, the oldest under four years of age, and the fattest. The youngest was two and one-half months old, Bernice L., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Blood. The oldest, Lois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messer. The fattest, Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Pike. After interesting and entertaining remarks by the president of the L. A. S., Mrs. I. J. Rowell, and Mrs. Millicent Richards, one of the judges, refreshments were served. The ladies of the society wish to express their thanks to the mothers who made the afternoon the success it was by coming and bringing their babies with them.

### House Party.

On Tuesday of this week there was a very pleasant house party at the summer home on Shattuck street in this town. Rev. George F. Durgin, pastor of the Bromfield Methodist church of Boston. The following ministers and their wives were present: Rev. and Mrs. George Moody of Lunenburg, Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Robertson of Townsend, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Healy of Fitchburg, Rev. and Mrs. Jerome Wood of West Fitchburg, Rev. and Mrs. James Sutherland of East Pepperell; also, Dr. George Spencer of Cambridge, district superintendent. A bountiful dinner was served.

There were post-prandial speeches, and later rambles out-of-doors and a good social time was enjoyed throughout the day. The fires in the old-fashioned fire places were conducive to sociability. Thanks were expressed by all present to Rev. and Mrs. Durgin for a very enjoyable day.

### Items of News.

Mrs. Appleton has attended the committee meeting in Boston for the State, D. A. R. bazaar to be held in December in Tremont Temple, Boston. Mrs. E. R. Richardson is chairman of the chapter committee and Mrs. Appleton chairman for the group of five chapters of which Prudence Wright chapter will be connected.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be announced from the pulpit of the churches, as the town fair will be held on Thursday, October 5, the day of the regular meeting.

At the annual tournament of the M. V. C. C. at Lawrence, Saturday, September 23, E. L. Tarbell won two prizes.

Robbins' orchestra played for the Hollis fair on Tuesday.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will hold their next regular meeting on October 19, at 2:30 p. m. This change of date is on account of the town fair on October 5.

An entertainment will be given in Prescott hall on Monday evening, October 9, by Miss Marion Wilson, consisting of character sketches in costume, under the auspices of the L. B. S. of the Congregational church.

Harry Hobart and wife and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Weston took an auto ride on Sunday to Mt. Monadnock, returning on Sunday evening.

A large number from Pepperell attended the Hollis fair and report a fine exhibition of fruits and vegetables.

Pepperell Woman's club will hold their first meeting of the year in Saunders' banquet hall on Tuesday afternoon, October 3, Program, "Cuba and her people," by Mrs. H. Josephine Hayward. Board meeting at 2:15, and regular meeting at 2:45.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lawrence are spending a few days in town.

Mrs. P. J. Kemp is enjoying a visit from her brother, Preston Woods, of San Francisco, Cal., who is a retired expert mining engineer. He has been a resident of California for forty-four years and is now renewing his boyhood acquaintances and will visit relatives and friends in Boston, New York and Philadelphia before returning to the Pacific coast again.

Winnifred Boynton left on Monday to continue his studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston.

Miss Edna Starr of Richfield Springs, N. Y., who attended the high school in 1907, is expected early in October.

A goodly number of attended the Groton fair from this town on Thursday.

It is reported that S. F. Parker is finding the laundry business a little more trying than he thought for and has several who are desirous of buying the business.

Frank Mahony went to Nashua to be operated on for abscesses in the head under the care of Dr. Kittredge on Tuesday, and his friends fear more serious complications.

Letters remaining at the East Pepperell postoffice for the week ending September 25: Edward Bailey, Mrs. W. Britton, Romelus Stuart, John C. Sadove.

### Grange.

Last week Friday night at Prescott grange was demonstrated a fact of how few know the common garden seeds unless labelled. Among the other features of the lecturer's hour was a contest to see how many would correctly name on sight ten common vegetable seeds. A sheet of white paper had five squares on each side and the seeds were glued onto the squares and each one loaned a pencil to write their own name on the paper and name of the seeds. Seven was the highest and it was a tie between Mrs. Willie Richards and Lloyd Bancroft. This was followed by a "B" party. The small number enjoyed the well arranged program and many missed a pleasant evening.

### D. A. R.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held an executive board and chapter meeting at the chapter house on September 23. Mrs. Anna Merrill read a short sketch on John Paul Jones. Mrs. Stickney of Medford entertained the chapter with a paper on "Old silhouettes," and a short monologue. Miss Laura Roby Herrig, whose papers are in Washington for admission to the D. A. R., gave several of her pleasing selections on the violin, accompanied by Mrs. Bennett, organist. Mrs. Anna Merrill was chairman of the hostesses. Mrs. Adelia Carter and Mrs. Merritt Phelps, hostesses, served refreshments and a social afternoon was passed. Several strangers were entertained by Miss Josephine Lawrence previous to the meeting, as our old brick schoolhouse, the home of the chapter, has many interesting relics and albums to display.

### Weddings.

Again the joy bells are supposed to ring for another wedding where the most interested parties were from out-of-town, this one was at J. W. Hingley's on Tuesday, September 26.

Miss Daisy Clark of Nashua, N. H., and James Allen Burgess of the same city were married at her sister's home by Rev. A. M. Rice of Royalston and Mr. Hingley gave the bride away. Miss Elsie Vignault of Haverhill was bridesmaid and Fred Bassett of Worcester was the best man. The ring bearer was the little niece of the bride, Irene Hingley, who led the march, bearing a large white rose on whose leaves was concealed the wedding ring. Miss Susie Dickinson of Dunstable played Lohengrin's wedding march. Miss Lorraine Baldwin of Nashua, N. H., was maid of honor and George Burgess was usher.

The wedding took place under an arch of hemlock and asters and a white wedding bell. The bride was gowned in white organdie and carried bride roses. The bridesmaid wore white organdie over yellow and carried yellow chrysanthemums. The maid of honor was dressed in pink crepe de chene. Mendelssohn's wedding march was played during the reception.

The following were some of the guests: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burgess, Nashua; Mr. and Mrs. William Clark, Dunstable; the bride's parents, Miss Erma Clark and Harold and Chester Clark of the bride's family; Mr. and Mrs. George Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knowlton, Mr. and Mrs. Cotterell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baldwin and Mrs. Mattie Leach, all of Nashua, N. H.; Mr. and Mrs. John Paine, Mr. and Mrs. John Upton, Dunstable; Mrs. Mattie Burlingame, Worcester; David Jones and daughter Bertha, Merrimack, N. H.; G. E. Leach, Manchester; Miss Abby Fuller, Lowell; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur House and Mrs. Louise Vigenault of Haverhill.

Many costly presents and pretty tokens were left for the happy couple who in days to come will look back to the auspicious time.

After November 1, Mr. and Mrs. Burgess will be at home at 75 Vine street, Nashua, N. H.

On Wednesday, September 27, at four o'clock, at the pretty old home of the late Abel Winn, Oak Hill, Mrs. Stella Mention welcomed the approaching nuptials of her son Earl to her beloved neighbor, Miss Florence Shattuck, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge performing the ceremony. The rooms were prettily decorated with autumn leaves. Miss Gertrude Willey was the bridesmaid and the best man was Jesse Shattuck, the bride's brother. The bride carried beautiful roses. Mr. and Mrs. Mention were taken in an automobile to the 5:20 train at Townsend Harbor, en route for New York city, Hudson river, Niagara Falls and back through Canada to their new home in Fitchburg.

### Death.

Daniel Scott of Oak Hill passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lyman Blood, on Saturday evening, September 23. He was born in what is now North Andover, October 24, 1830, and moved to Pepperell in April of 1879. He moved into the house where Harry Hobart lives and afterwards built the house where Daniel Dunbar lives, but later on moved into the house opposite of Lyman Blood's to be near his daughter, and about five years ago, when his wife died, he went to his only daughter's home to spend his remaining days.

Mr. Scott had six children, but only two survive him, his only son, Arthur Scott, living at Mont Vernon, N. H. Mr. Scott was a genial man and industrious, and belonged to the Congregational church of this town.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, September 25, with Rev. R. W. Drawbridge as the officiating clergyman. Mr. and Mrs. Drawbridge sang a duet. The burial was in Woodland cemetery. The young child of Rupert Blood was Mr. Scott's great-grandchild.

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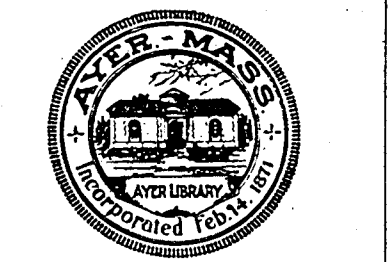
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Saturday, September 23, 1911, from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

Saturday, October 14, 1911, from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

Saturday, October 28, 1911, from 12 m. to 10 p. m.

Registration will close at 10 p. m., Saturday, October 28, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registration, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the collector of taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1911. Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization.

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