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## HARVARD.

### New Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barry of Schenectady, N. Y., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Barry. They returned on Friday of this week. Miss Mildred Fairbank goes with them to visit for a few weeks.

Mrs. H. H. Gale is away on a two-weeks' visit with friends in the west. On Tuesday last, a girl-baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNiff.

Owing to an accident to his horse, our popular fishman, Jesse Davenport, was unable to serve his routes this week, but hopes to be on duty next. All of the school teachers attended the convention at Townsend on Wednesday of this week.

Miss Etta Kittredge of Portland, Me., visited this week with her grandmother, Mrs. Beane, at Rocky Nook.

Sunday, October 22, at the Unitarian church, Miss Mildred Saunders of Ayer, will sing during the regular morning service. Miss Saunders has a very rich voice and it will be a pleasure to hear her sing.

Mrs. James A. Barry and Mrs. Goldsmith have been spending a few days with their cousin, Mrs. Austin P. Cristy, at Worcester.

E. N. Hildreth of Whitman, a former resident here for many years, visited this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Barry.

Carpenters are remodeling the house of Mrs. Abbie Sawyer, putting on a large two-story bay window on the east corner. It is a decided improvement both in and out.

Miss Josephine Spaine of Dorchester and Miss Helen Dunn of Roxbury were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Griffin.

Charles Russell is visiting with his sister at Millbury this week.

Mrs. E. G. Morse of Southboro is visiting this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. King.

The ladies of the Unitarian church held their annual sale on Thursday of this week. The affair was well patronized and the ladies are very much pleased with the result of their work. There were tables of various assortments to meet the wants of both young and old. Light refreshments were served.

### Grange.

Notwithstanding the very disagreeable day on Wednesday, about seventy members of the Worcester East Pomona met with Harvard grange in an all-day session. The morning session was devoted to routine work. Dinner was served in the lower hall—a regular grange dinner—plenty of meat, beans, coffee, cakes and pastry. At 1.30, the afternoon session opened with an address by Hon. William N. Howard of North Easton on the subject, "The influence of the grange in the legislature." Mr. Howard is a very interesting speaker. An excellent talk on canning and preserves by Mrs. L. E. Starr of Pepperell, was next on the program. Mrs. Starr herself canned last year, 3000 cans of fruits and vegetables and made 1000 glasses of jelly. She spoke as one having authority. Music by A. T. West and Grace Morse, violin, and Edith Dudley, piano, concluded the program.

### Special Town Meeting.

At the town meeting held on Thursday evening, W. H. Fairbank was chosen moderator and the following articles acted upon:

Article 2. It was voted that the trustees of the Bromfield school be allowed to connect with the water supply at the Center school, in regard to securing a supply of water for the Bromfield school, the expense of such work to be borne by the Bromfield trustees, the contract to be given by the school committee.

Art. 3. The motion to secure a watering trough to be located at the school grounds was defeated.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars to meet the needs of the overseers of the poor at the town farm for the current year.

Art. 5. It was voted to sustain the selectmen in their suit with M. F. McMahon in regard to damage claimed by said McMahon for injuries sustained to a horse resulting from a defective railing on the highway. The meeting adjourned at 9.45.

### Wedding.

On Tuesday evening, October 17, at the winter home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dadmun, Somerville, occurred the marriage of Miss Alice Leonore Dadmun and Jens Henry Rohnstock. Friends from Harvard attended. Among these were Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Fairbank and daughter Emeline, who was one of the ribbon girls. An auto party consisting of Wm. Kerley,

R. A. Reed, A. D. Murchie, Henry Dickson and S. H. Waters attended the reception in the evening. Both Mr. and Mrs. Rohnstock are well-known here, spending their summers at Mr. Dadmun's cottage on Love lane.

The rooms were decorated with laurel and white pinks and hydrangeas with mantelpiece banked in asparagus fern and pinks and gas jets the same. The arbor for receiving the party was banked with palms. At 7.30 a string quartet in the suit room played Lohengrin's wedding march. Then came the bridal procession—first came the two little ribbon girls who carried the white satin ribbons to form the aisle for the procession. They were little Emeline D. Fairbank of Harvard and Doris Clark of Somerville. They were in white with white shoes and stockings and carried beautiful little baskets of flowers with pink ribbons. Next came the matron of honor, Mrs. C. E. Aldrich, a girl chum of the bride, and the bridesmaid, Miss Blanche B. Dadmun, sister of the bride. The matron's gown was lavender crepe de chaine with bolero of lace cut en traine and carried violets.

The bridesmaid's gown was buttercup. Yellow satin crepe meteor over same shade messaline with bolero of point Venise cut en traine and carried one long stem of American beauty roses. Next came the ring bearer, little Donald Aldrich, son of Mrs. C. E. Aldrich. He was dressed entirely in white and carried a white satin pillow with the rings and was held back in line by white satin ribbons held by Mr. Dadmun. Next came the bride on the arm of her father. Her gown was Frances satin over messaline and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and wore a veil caught up with the same flowers.

The bride's gift to her little flower girls were gold rings, set with turquoise. Her gift to her ring bearer, a signet ring, to her bridesmaid and matron of honor was gold and pearl pendant. The groom's gift to his ushers were gold and pearl scarf pins.

The ushers were William Herley of Roxbury, Harry Dadmun, cousin of the bride, of Arlington, Frank Andrews of Cambridge and C. E. Aldrich of Arlington Heights. The best man was Carl Rohnstock, brother of the groom. The groom's gift to the best man was a watch.

Only the two families and intimate friends were present at the ceremony. About one hundred and fifty were present at the reception and coming from Boston, Arlington, Cambridge and Harvard and other cities.

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Those who assisted in receiving with the bridal party were Mr. and Mrs. August Rohnstock, parents of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dadmun, parents of the bride.

The happy couple were the recipients of an abundance of cut glass, silver, china, pictures, clocks, linen and furniture. The caterers were Nay & Taylor of Somerville.

For the reception the bride's apartments were also used, as her home is all furnished and is in the other half of her parents' home. The double ring service was used.

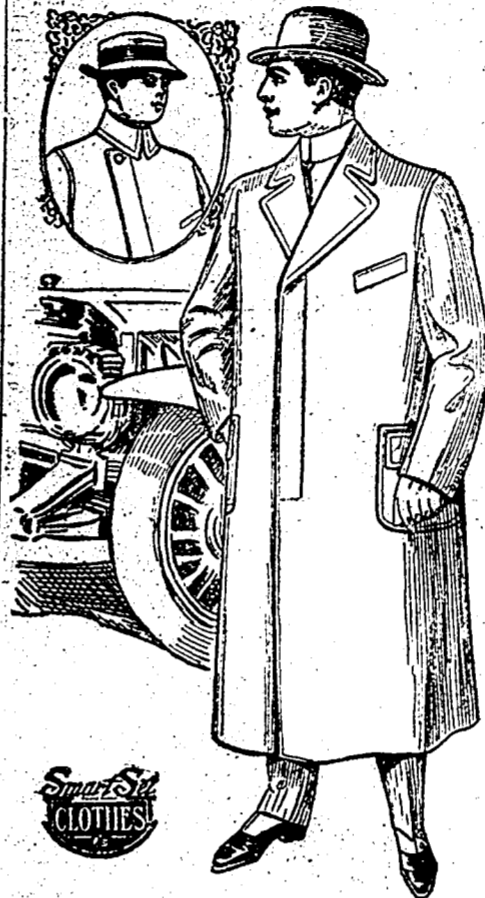
### Still River.

Lawrence Goding Bigelow was one year old on Wednesday and the day was celebrated by a small party in honor of the day. Edwin Vaughn Haskell, Hope H. Willard and Rowland P. Willard and their mothers were present. Refreshments were served and the little guests had pieces of the birthday cake to take home.

It is expected that the double track of the Boston and Maine railroad will be cut in at Harvard on Sunday and the register book moved from Still River to that station, in which case, the express trains will no longer stop at Still River as they have been doing for the past month to the great convenience of the public, who have thus been enabled to take any train they wished, day or night.

A carload of lumber arrived at the station on Thursday for Wendell B. Willard's new house to replace the one that was burned last Thanksgiving night.

Last Saturday three carloads of apples were shipped from Still River for Liverpool, England, and Thursday of this week another went forward.



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### WESTFORD.

#### Center.

Mrs. M. Elizabeth Whitney and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Prescott Wright of Brookline and Westford call this Saturday from New York city for an extensive around-the-world cruise, called the Cleveland cruise. The steamer Cleveland is a splendidly appointed boat. Some of the principal stopping places of the party will be Madeira, Gibraltar, Port Said, Suez, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Manila, Hong Kong and Honolulu. They will arrive in San Francisco early in February. Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Whitney were at Westford for over last Sunday. Their many Westford friends extend to them very sincerely "bon voyage."

John M. Farrell, auctioneer, is to sell by public auction, the personal property at the late Mary E. Brigham farm on Depot street, Westford, on Tuesday, October 24. The electric cars, which pass the door, are to run hourly from North Chelmsford all day. The sale will commence at ten o'clock in the morning.

The life of the little daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cutter recently was of short duration and full of suffering for the little stranger. Apparently well for the first few days, a serious abscess developed, which complicated with pneumonia, brought death after fourteen days of life. The child had been named Florence A. Cutter. The body was taken to Ayer and buried there beside the body of a baby brother. Mr. and Mrs. Cutter have the sincere sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

Mrs. Thomas Lindsey of Somerville has been the guest for several days this week of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Whitney.

Last Saturday evening, those who visited the store and postoffice of Wright & Fletcher felt as if the town was right in line with the march of progress with its latest improvement of new electric lights. The store made a well-lighted and cheerful appearance. The same evening the residence of Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher was lighted with its new electric equipment for the first time and since then the different houses that have been wired the workmen have been busy getting the lights ready to turn on.

Misses Sarah, Lillian and May Atwood have this next week to spend the winter months in California. They expect to go by the Canadian Pacific route and to visit Rev. E. H. Roper and family at Seattle on the way.

Fred A. Shorey is at his home, laid up with an injured foot. He received the injury from a heavily laden dray falling on it. One of the bones of the foot was broken and it will be some time before Mr. Shorey can be about again.

The Boy Scouts, under the direction of Dexter Cogshall, have arranged for a field day at Whitney park this Saturday afternoon at 2.30. A good list of sports have been arranged.

The regular meeting of Middlesex North Pomona grange will be held on Friday, November 3, at grange hall, Dracut.

#### Obituary.

Augustus Bunce died at his home on Tuesday afternoon of this week. Mr. Bunce had been in poor health for some time, but at the last the end came suddenly, he having been confined to his bed but a few days. Mr. Bunce was born in Westford on September 7, 1832, making his age a little more than seventy-nine years. Aside from a short period in young manhood, all his life had been spent in his native town where he has been a successful farmer upon his own ancestral acres.

In 1870, he was united in marriage with Miss Emily White Loker of Acton, who died a few years ago. The deceased is survived by two children, Henry A. Bunce, living in North Chelmsford, and Miss Mary A. Bunce, our town librarian, who lives at home and has given her father a daughter's faithful and loving care. He is also survived by one brother, William Bunce, of Worcester, and two sisters, Misses Carrie and Maria Bunce, of Lowell.

In September, 1858, Mr. Bunce united with the Union Congregational church and has always been devoted to its best interests and welfare, and a constant attendant at its services while health permitted. A few years ago an excellent historical sketch of this church appeared in these columns written by Mr. Bunce. He was always a discriminating reader and consequently well informed on all subjects of interest, and was also a close student of Nature, the secrets of plants, flowers, trees, birds and stars were as an open book to him through the study and observation of many years.

Mr. Bunce needs no eulogy. He would be the last one to desire it. His long, upright life, faithful to all its duties, the modesty and dignity of his character bear eloquent testimony of his worth in the hearts of all who knew him.

#### About Town.

The registrars of voters will meet at Healy's hall, Graniteville on Monday evening, October 23, from 7.30 to nine o'clock, and at Abbot hall, Forge Village, Wednesday evening, October 25, from 7.30 to nine o'clock, and the last opportunity to qualify for the November election will be held at the town hall on Saturday, October 28, from noon until ten p. m.

Mrs. John Perkins is making preparations to vacate the Bean cottage at Westford Center and move into the John Decatur house on the Lowell road.

Charles W. Whitney is enlarging his poultry profits by enlarging the housing capacity. It will be a two-story affair.

Oliver Desjardins of Pigeon Hill, Westford, was before his honor, Judge Atwood of Ayer, last Saturday on the charge of something other than milk being sold for the Lowell market. The case was continued until today, by request of his counsel, John M. Maloney of Ayer. The prosecutors were William E. Ashworth, selling agent for the milk, and Melvin Marssters, milk inspector of Lowell, and William R. Taylor of Westford.

The school teachers of the town went to Townsend on Wednesday for educational invigoration in attending the teachers' institute.

Superintendent Ogley of the Brookside mill is keeping part of the machinery active on a water wheel revolution.

#### Banquet.

The village church at West Chelmsford, which includes in the parish, Westford Corner, Brookside and our own beautiful, busy Oak Hill, held a banquet last week Friday evening in the church vestry, under the management of Mrs. Herbert E. Fletcher. Supper, social, literary, all received its management from the serenely balanced management that governs Oak Hill.

The supper was clearly up to meet all the tastes of modern acquirements. Rev. William H. C. Mae of North Chelmsford asked the blessing, and after this example of gratitude, everybody was in harmony with the supper. After all had partaken of their fill, Rev. Frank Hargrave, minister of the church, in a few remarks of thankfulness to all who had contributed towards the evening, introduced Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher as the man of the hour, who proved to be ready, wise and witty in dealing with the literary aspects of the evening.

Rev. Havermale of Graniteville was the first to start the after supper spirit, choosing for his subject "Is the church a beggar?" His anecdotes were helpful for digestion and good for finance. Prof. Bond of Lowell entertained with song, receiving an encore for more. Mrs. A. F. Edwards was accompanist.

Rev. Sarah A. Dixon proved enough for all the many jokes that had preceded and proved an original team in reply and with her subject "Church going." Miangus Pihl of Lowell, an expert story and anecdote teller, followed and certainly entertained those present. The last on the program, a talk on "Prison life and punishment in the past and present," by Probation Officer Ramsey of Lowell, who has recently returned from Europe, was true to life, but sad. What he saw in Europe convinced him against the policy of disarmament and old time punishments for crime.

Among those who assisted in making the evening as pleasant as possible were Mrs. A. Frank Edwards, Mrs. Josiah Smith, Mrs. James Peck, Miss Janet Brown and Miss Margaret Reed.

#### Temperance Conference.

The semi-annual meeting of the Middlesex Northwest Temperance Union met at the Congregational church in Westford on Columbus day. More than the usual number were in attendance on account of the day being a holiday. The meeting opened at 9.45 with devotional service by Rev. David Wallace of Westford. "The vote in Maine and its bearing on the temperance cause at large," was discussed by Rev. Silas N. Adams of Concord Junction, and Rev. George M. Howe of Groton. Both spoke in a manner "to provoke unto good works," but regretted the close decision in Maine. Rev. Herbert S. Johnson gave the principal address of the forenoon on the subject, "The Anti-saloon league and its work." He has done much to reorganize the league onto a business basis and led the fight against the repeal of the "bar and bottle bill." He gave an eloquent address on the inside tactics of that struggle. He advocated a greater union of forces and more horse sense in procedure.

At the noon hour the Westford W. C. T. U. provided the dinner and a dinner that visitors reported one of the best the union ever had, many shades of opinion, religious and secular, contributing to the popularity of the dinner.

The address of the afternoon was given by Rev. George F. Kengott of Lowell on "Temperance." He was eloquent with facts and hope. Appropriate music was provided by Mrs. Cyril Blaney. Mrs. Conant of South Acton, Miss Althea Symmes and five girls, Florence Wilson, Rachel Wallace, Eleanor Colburn, Francis Wright and Alice Wright, Mrs. Cyril Blaney and Miss Grace Lambert acted as accompanists.

The next meeting will be the fiftieth anniversary of the organization, and the committee in charge reported that the anniversary meeting would be held in the Unitarian church at Ayer, about the middle of June, the date to be definitely fixed later. A national speaker will be engaged.

#### Forge Village.

James Sullivan, Fred A. Sweatt, John Carmichael, Elmer E. Nutting and Edward T. Hanley returned on Saturday night from Essex Island, where they had been the guests of a few days of Julian Cameron.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met in Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon. Final arrangements were made for a supper, concert and dance to be held in the hall shortly.

Miss Della Drake visited at the home of the Misses Martha and Erma Gaspar of Lowell on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Longbottom of Arlington Heights was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett on Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. H. E. Randall has received a marriage announcement of Miss Clara L. Hammond to William H. Roberts of Somerville. The happy couple will be

at home to friends on Wednesdays after November 15, at 62 Chandler street, Somerville. Miss Hammond. It will be remembered, formerly taught at Cameron school and was very well-known here.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Richards was christened Regina Loraine Rosamorie on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mignault of Putnam, Conn., acted as sponsors.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Reeves of Danielson, Conn., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Richards on Sunday. They made the trip here in their automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Amidee Canton are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Graves of Reading were guests last Sunday of Mrs. Mary I. Drake.

Miss Catherine Brown has returned home after a visit to Miss Sarah Hunt of Gilbertville.

Miss Abbie Spaine is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Rose, of Belmont, for a couple of weeks.

Miss Clara E. Gutschow of Henrietta, N. Y., Archie Bennett of Boston and Walter Bennett of Townsend spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. H. E. Randall.

Mrs. Mary Ward and family here moved into their new home on Orchard street. The home is one built by the Abbot Worsted Co., and contains all modern improvements. Edmund T. Hunt and family expect to move into their house the end of this week.

The Misses Grace and Mabel Delmege of North Billerica were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Collins last Sunday.

A parish meeting will be held on Monday, October 23, at Groton, at which it is expected quite a number from the Episcopal mission from here will attend. Barges will meet electrically at Ayer for Groton.

Mr. Hindle of North Chelmsford was a visitor at the mill of Abbot Worsted Co., during the week.

Mrs. William Burnett was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Chester Blodgett of the Groton Ridges on Tuesday and Wednesday.

William Burnett spent a couple of days in Worcester on a business trip this week.

A budget of news follows which will be of interest to the readers of this village: On Saturday, October 21, at three o'clock, p. m., the fall meeting of the Merrimack branch, Sunday School Union will be held at St. Andrew's church, Ayer. The schools of Ayer, Forge Village and Shirley will be represented and Rev. A. L. Bumpus has kindly offered the hospitality of his church and people for the meeting. It certainly should prove a most pleasant occasion for all and the co-operation of everyone is asked to make it a thorough success.

D. Craven and Percy Hargraves of Beverly were guests at the week-end of Mrs. Eliza Oldham.

Cameron school was closed on Wednesday to enable the teachers to attend the nineteenth annual convention of the Northwest Middlesex teachers' convention at Memorial hall, Townsend.

#### Graniteville.

There was no sessions of the school held here Wednesday, for on that day the teachers attended the North Middlesex teachers' convention that was held in Townsend.

Samuel Willis is now ill at his home in this village.

The members of the E. L. B. E. club have now in preparation an entertainment that will be presented in the near future, the proceeds of which will be given to charity.

Mrs. A. R. Wall is now ill in the Lowell General hospital. An operation was performed on Thursday, October 12, by Dr. A. R. Gardner, assisted by Dr. W. H. Sherman, and the patient is now progressing finely.

On Sunday, in St. Catherine's church, both masses were celebrated by the pastor, Rev. E. T. Schofield. Rev. Schofield also announced that first communion would be held in the church on the first Sunday in November.

#### Concert and Ball.

The eleventh annual concert and ball given under the direction of Court Graniteville, Foresters of America, was held in town hall, Westford, Friday evening, October 12, and was a great success, the affair being well attended. Graniteville and Forge Village were well represented and many were present from Lowell, Chelmsford, Littleton and surrounding towns.

Promptly at eight o'clock the Colonial orchestra of Lowell began the concert program, and for an hour were heard in pleasing selections that made a hit from the start. At nine o'clock the dancing commenced and an enjoyable order of eighteen numbers with extras continued until one o'clock with an intermission at eleven o'clock, during which an excellent oyster supper with hot rolls, coffee, cake and fruit was served in the lower hall. Mrs. Arthur Blodgett was the caterer.

The whole affair was very enjoyable and considered one of the prettiest dancing parties of the season. The committee in charge is to be commended for the excellent entertainment provided, and the Foresters' eleventh annual concert and ball will long be remembered as the "best ever."

#### Rally Day.

Sunday was rally day in the M. E. church and the services were unusually largely attended. The church was prettily decorated with autumn foliage for the occasion and the services particularly interesting for the large number in attendance. The souvenirs for the day were also very artistic as well as instructive. The program was arranged to portray "The call to youth," and was as follows:

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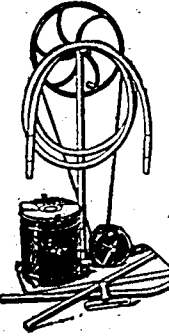
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One 7 year old team mare, weighing about 1175 lb., an extra good general purpose horse; one 6 year old gray mare, weighing about 1250 lb., one of the best, single or double; one white horse weighing about 1275 lb., good anywhere; 2 sets of heavy double harness, one set of light driving harness, one nearly new express harness, one carry-all harness, 2 good express harnesses, 2 driving harnesses, collars, hames, halters, bits, whips, fly nets, feed bags, surcingles, stable blankets, curry combs and brushes, lady's side saddle and bridle, one black fur robe, one light fur robe, one plush robe, number of light summer robes, one extra front axle and pole, one horse express wagon, one horse farm wagon with hay rigging and stakes, one 2 horse dump cart nearly new, one 2 horse platform wagon with sideboards, one 2 horse double runner sled with sideboards, one 1 horse double runner pung, one 2 horse manure spreader, good condition; one extension top 2 seated carry-all, one 2 seated Beverly wagon paneled sides, one Moyer runabout, one road cart, one Goddard Buggy, one single sleigh, one 2 seated sleigh, one extension light pole and yoke, one 7 year old large grade Ayrshire, calved June 18, due in the spring, has given 18 quarts of milk; extra family cow, one 5 year old Jersey about to calve, extra quality milk; 40 R. I. R. and P. R. roosters, 20 P. R. yearling pullets, 12 R. I. R. yearling pullets, 2 vases, tree pruners, berry pruners, axes, shovels, picks, bars, chains, hoes, scythes, snaths, hammers, saws, whiffletrees, neck yokes, eveners, heel chains, plows, lawn mowers, seed sowers, seed planters, plumber's torch, extra good water filterer, gasoline tank and cooling tank used with engine, 1 horse hay rake, 2 tedders, 2 wheelbarrows, one 2 horse Buckley mowing machine, spring tooth harrow, one smoothing harrow; one cultivator, body chamber set, one black walnut bed, one oak bed, pictures, vases, crockery and china, 100 lightning preserve jars, lot of oil lamps, one counter for store, one modern 7 drawer Singer sewing machine, drop head; marble top tables, springs and mattresses, a number of bristle brooms, chests, clocks, bureau and commode, one mahogany 2 draw sewing table, antique; kitchen utensils, baby carriage, bicycle, hanging lamps, curtains and poles, oil stove, violin and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Furniture—One old-fashioned mahogany dining table, one antique maple bedstead, (extra good condition); one antique Chippendale table, legs inlaid; blue platters, platters and plates, 40 vases, novels, etc., one black walnut extension table, large and extra good, one cherry folding bed, one square piano, a solid rosewood case elegant grain, good condition; one music rack, one ash chamber set, one black walnut bed, one oak bed, pictures, vases, crockery and china, 100 lightning preserve jars, lot of oil lamps, one counter for store, one modern 7 drawer Singer sewing machine, drop head; marble top tables, springs and mattresses, a number of bristle brooms, chests, clocks, bureau and commode, one mahogany 2 draw sewing table, antique; kitchen utensils, baby carriage, bicycle, hanging lamps, curtains and poles, oil stove, violin and many other articles too numerous to mention.

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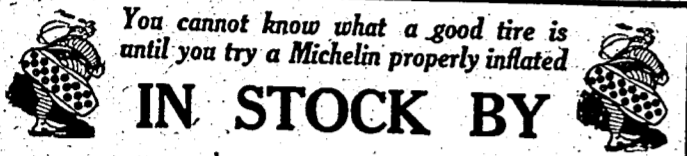
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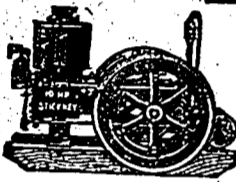


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The subscribers, having been appointed by the Probate Court for said County, commissioners to receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Eugene F. Nutting, hereby give notice that six months from the Fourth day of October, A. D. 1911, are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that they will meet to examine the claims of creditors at the office of Charles F. Worcester in Ayer in said County, on the sixth day of November next, and the third day of April next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

Frederic A. Fisher, Lowell, Mass.

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The operatives on the Company's machines in shoe factories are much more regularly employed and receive higher wages than operatives received under the conditions which prevailed before the formation of the Company.

At the New England fair in the Mechanics Building, Boston, you will see a complete shoe-making plant, with the machines of the Company in actual operation making Goodyear Welt Shoes.

Sixty different machines out of the 300 manufactured by the Company are shown at work there, each needed in the manufacture of a high-grade Goodyear Welt Shoe.

Some of these machines are sold; some are leased; some are sold or leased as the shoe manufacturer may prefer. Most shoe manufacturers had rather lease than buy.

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TOWNSEND.

Center.

The E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge entertained the Nemosee Rebekah lodge from Ashby at Odd Fellows' hall last week Friday evening. Quite a few drove down, the evening being pleasant. The Ashby lodge furnished the entertainment. A supper was served in the banquet hall and all enjoyed a social evening.

Charles T. Haynes, Dr. Chandler and Mrs. L. C. Jeffs were chosen as delegates to attend the Middlesex Union Association of Congregational churches at Leominster this Wednesday. Each church could send three delegates besides the pastor, clerk and Sunday school superintendent.

A. L. Dow has been entertaining his brother from Vermont. His brother bought the Milo Spaulding house this spring and while here on a visit the past few weeks, he has had the house re-shingled and a new shed built.

H. J. Miller has been making repairs upon his piazza the past week.

Miss Hodge, assistant high school teacher, was agreeably surprised on Tuesday by finding two of the other teachers had been invited to take tea with her at Miss Nellie Weston's, the occasion being her birthday.

Miss Annie Pegg of Leominster has been the guest of Dr. and Mrs. L. G. Chandler the past week.

Miles Wyeth has shipped his household goods to Bradenton, Fla., where the family will be this winter.

The fair, supper and drama which was to have been given soon by the Daughters of Veterans has been postponed until Friday, November 3, to allow more time for preparing the drama.

Everett Kemp and family, who have been living for some years in the state of Kansas are at Warren Kemp's for the present.

Miss Lillian Hildreth of the Waltham postoffice is enjoying a two-weeks' vacation at H. B. Hildreth's.

Miss Lillian Hildreth entertained friends from Waltham on Sunday, the party coming by auto.

Interesting Address.

The vestries of the Congregational church were filled to overflowing on Monday evening, when Rev. B. A. Wilcott of Lowell, formerly pastor here, addressed the public on the social conditions in England, what led up to them and how they affect the people. The address was given under the auspices of the Monday club and the townspeople were invited. Mr. Wilcott, who was born in England and left for this country some twenty years ago, with his occasional visits back to his home country, was well equipped to give a sketch of the situation, both from an American and English point of view.

For the benefit of the young people he gave a fine account of how the houses of the lords and commons first originated and what those bodies are today and what they stand for. He then told how the democratic spirit had been gradually getting hold of the people, until the recent conflict resulted. He made very plain how trouble started from new tax bills or budgets being sent back and forth between the houses because they could not be agreed upon. These were taxes on royalties and on unimproved park property which were recently taxed to get money for two large dreadnaughts, after the money could be got no other way. The lords fought this bill, but the commons finally won out.

He also gave a brief account of the industrial insurance scheme, which is now being tried in England, and also described the old age pension laws. The large attendance was appreciated by Mr. Wilcott, who was glad to see so many familiar faces. A large barge load came down from the West village.

Largely Attended.

The auction of the personal property of Miles Wyeth was largely attended, nearly two hundred made the old farm look like a circus ground.

The property sold well, and on some articles there was lively bidding as the auctioneer, William De Land, of Winchendon, didn't let the grass grow under his feet or anybody else. We think Mr. Bennett must have had a course of lightning calculation to keep up with Mr. Kemp's uncle, Mr. Kemp himself making people get around and hustle (with their money).

The lunch at noon was highly appreciated. It consisted of fine hot coffee, cheese, crackers and doughnuts to whose innner nature (leaving out the hole), told the story that Mrs. Wyeth was "some cook." She also received the congratulations on having the courage of making all the doughnuts, nearly three hundred.

Teachers' Convention.

The Northwest Middlesex convention of teachers was held at Townsend on Wednesday and in spite of the rainstorm there was a large attendance of teachers, school superintendents and school committees, and also those of the public who were interested in the program.

The meeting in the morning was opened by devotional exercises in charge of Rev. Sylvester P. Robertson of the M. E. church, Supt. E. L. Haynes and Abbie W. Green, secretary of the association were also upon the platform and remarks were made by Mr. Haynes relative to the day's program. The following committees were also given out by him:

Supt. J. H. Manning, Groton; Mrs. H. Gardner, Acton; Mrs. Clara Shattuck, Pepperell, nom. com.

Supt. Frank Hill, Littleton; A. R. Paul, Pepperell; Supt. Frank Johnson, Ayer; Francis Brick, Maynard, committee on resolutions.

After these names were read, all those interested in the lower grade work left for the high school building where they were addressed upon subjects according to the program: Grades 1 to 4, "Language," Flora E. Kendall; State Normal school, Fitchburg; Grades 5 to 8, "Projects in geography," teaching in the country, W. C. Cushing; State Normal school, Salem; Second period, grades 1 to 4, "History," by Blanche E. Cheaney; State Normal school, Lowell; grades 5 to 8, "Language," Flora E. Kendall.

Those interested in high school work remained in Memorial hall, where, after a few opening remarks by Supt. F. C. Johnson of Ayer, an address upon "Practical work in small high schools," was given by Henry C. Morrison, state superintendent of New Hampshire, who advocated putting into the schools, mechanic arts and the study of agriculture for boys, and domestic arts and household economy for the girls, and thus educate the boys and girls up to a practical country view of life.

After a bountiful dinner served by Townsend grange in the banquet hall, as per program, in the afternoon there was music by the high school in charge of Miss Southwick, which was greatly appreciated. Then came the business meeting and the following officers were elected after the treasurer's report was read and report of the resolution committee:

Supt. Frank Hill, Littleton, pres.; Supt. F. C. Johnson, Ayer, vice pres.; Miss Abbie Green, Harvard, sec. and treas.; D. E. Coggeshall, Westford; Fannie E. Woods, Groton; C. R. Bryant, Pepperell, ex. com.

Supt. F. F. Williams of West Stockbridge gave an excellent account of the industrial work done in his school district and had in the selectmen's rooms a very fine display of raffia work, garments, preserves and all kinds of interesting things which were made entirely by scholars of from six to fourteen years of age.

The next address was somewhat upon the same line of work and took in the subject of indoor school gardens. This was by Clarence Week of the Lowell State Normal school, and presented some fine ideas. Those who stayed until the last were well repaid by hearing a fine talk upon "Modern tendencies in education," by Dr. David Snedden, state commissioner of education. He compared the tendencies of the past methods of teaching with those of the present. He spoke of the efficiency of teaching and how in modern teaching interest was the main thing they worked upon; to keep the students interested. He said that was where the value of all these new studies which are being introduced into the school will come in and that in the future Massachusetts hoped to furnish her boys and girls, besides a general education, also a vocational one, which will in a great measure fit them for life's responsibilities.

The convention was one of the most successful of any held.

West Townsend.

Mrs. A. F. Stickney has been confined to her home for the past week with illness, suffering from a severe cold.

Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence has returned from Ashby, where she has been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Sherwin's parents in Quincy.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard, who have been at their daughter's home in Clinton for the past few weeks, have returned to their home, and C. B. Willard, who has been boarding at the Center during their absence, has returned also.

Miss Ruth Hayden of the Fitchburg Normal school spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. A. D. Winship.

Grace Thompson, a student of Simmons college, was at the home of her mother, Mrs. Charles Patch, over Sunday.

Edward Patch of Boston and his fellow workman, James Raymond, visited Mr. Patch's home in Josselynville on Sunday.

Charles R. Morgan and wife have been entertaining two nephews from South Boston at their home the past week.

Miss Nancy Reed, from Cushing academy, Ashburnham, has been in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reed, for a few days owing to illness, and has also been entertaining a friend, Mr. Dwinell, from Vermont.

Mrs. George Ball, from Concord, has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wood.

A very merry party of twenty-five of the fellow-workmen of James Dodds of the West Townsend Granite Syndicate, serenaded him and his young bride at their rooms at A. J. Manchester's in Josselynville last week Wednesday evening. They were invited in and entertained with music and refreshments were served. The young couple were presented with a set of silver knives and forks, a nice Morris chair and a parlor clock, Warren Elliott acting as spokesman and expressing the congratulations and good wishes of the company.

Harold Munroe, who has been spending a week's vacation with his sister, Mrs. S. D. Ringrose, has returned to his duties in Providence, R. I.

An unusually interesting Y. P. S. C. E. meeting on the topic "Why I love my bible," was conducted by Mervin Wares at the vestry last Sunday evening. The meeting tomorrow evening will be led by Mrs. S. D. Ringrose.

On Monday evening a load of twenty-two of the members of the various clubs in the village were taken to the center in Boynton's barge to attend the lecture at the open meeting of the Congregational church, delivered by Rev. Benjamin Willmott of Lowell.

Mrs. Ford Reed and automobile party were at their cottage Saturday.

Perry W. Sawtelle has been assisting in L. P. Sherwin's store during the past week, as Maynard Carter, who has been employed there during the winter, has left.

Harvey Hodgman spent last Sunday with friends in Quincy.

It is expected that Rev. S. D. Ringrose will occupy his pulpit tomorrow morning and evening. Preparations are under way for the celebration of the annual roll-call of the congregation on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, October 26, the roll-call of the members being held in the afternoon.

Miss Margretta Bell is still quite ill, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Johnson, and is under the care of Mrs. Ely of this village and Dr. L. P. Fitchburg.



GROTON.

Church Fair.

All who worked for or were interested in the success of the Congregational church fair held in the town hall last week Thursday must feel well satisfied with results. Pleasant weather, a good attendance was given, and purchasers were many. The hall presented a pretty and lively scene with the several booths having tables covered with goods for sale, and the decorations in red, white and blue in commemoration of the holiday. The supper served in the evening was bountiful and well patronized and the entertainment consisting of a play and musical selections was well received. The several tables yielded as follows:

Candy, \$12.46; domestic, \$45.35; white, \$21.10; children, \$40.25; ice cream, \$35.25; fancy, \$61.80; gift, \$68.29; supper and entertainment, \$59.00, which makes a total of \$353.51.

As will be seen, the gift was the banner table of the fair, yielding \$6.49 more than any other. The three ladies comprising the committee sent out letters far and near with request in a rhyming jingle, that the women should each send back a handkerchief with her card attached, and that the men should each return the little silk sock, which was sent them, filled with pennies in number the size of their footwear, or more, if so inclined. Seventy handkerchiefs and about two hundred little socks were sent out and responses came from nearly all, arriving from the twelve different states of Massachusetts, Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Maryland, Illinois, Colorado and Louisiana.

One of the responses came from a young man in the United States navy. He sent a pure silk tie, such as men in the navy wear on their blouses, and a cap band with the name of his ship, "Idaho." The silk tie was knotted in regulation sailor style, and as was also the band, was entirely new. Both were sold from the gift table.

An Old Resident.

John H. Cleary, a business man of Lowell, was one of the callers at the town hall on Columbus day. He went in quest of a lady once his teacher, Mrs. Sarah J. Patch Whiting, who taught the Winthrop school years ago when he was a boy, his father being employed in the Hollingsworth paper-mill. Mrs. Whiting failed to recognize the fine looking stranger, but he soon made himself known when he took the book which his teacher, Miss Patch, had given him as a reward for punctuality.

The incident was a pleasing one and the meeting evidently enjoyable to both former teacher and pupil.

As Mr. Cleary stood by the table he noticed the many little stockings and inquired what was their use? On being told he very quietly took one up and thrust in a dollar bill, which was very nice and generous of him.

Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Rosanna Dix (Parmenter), widow of Thomas K. Stevens, was held from her late home on Court street, Monday afternoon, October 16, Rev. H. A. Cornell officiating. The hymn, "Some day the silver cord will break," was sung by a nephew, Herbert E. Parmenter of Wayland. There were many very beautiful floral tributes. The interment was in Groton cemetery.

Mrs. Stevens was born in Wayland April 4, 1837, the daughter of Moses and Lavina Dunn Parmenter. When thirteen she became converted and was baptized and when sixteen years old became a teacher in the Sunday school, which work was continued as long as she was able. When Mrs. Stevens came to make her home in Groton about thirty years ago she united with the Baptist church here and was a faithful church and Sunday school worker. She also belonged to the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Stevens was a woman of estimable character, faithful in all her relations in life. Her health had been impaired for a long time, but for about three weeks she had been worse, so that her death from heart failure on the morning of Friday, October 13, was not wholly unexpected.

She leaves a sister, Miss Hannah Parmenter, who has lived with her for many years, a brother J. W. Parmenter of Wayland, a step-son, George T. Stevens of this town, besides nephews and nieces.

Congregational.  
Rev. George M. Howe, Mrs. Herbert Folkins, Mrs. Mary Herbert, Miss Fannie Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Swallow, Dea. Darwin P. Kayes, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Whiting, Dea. H. Gay, Jr. and Mrs. Ansel W. Shattuck and Myron P. Swallow of the Groton Congregational church attended the eighty-first annual meeting of the Middlesex association of Congregational churches, held at Leominster on Wednesday. They report an enjoyable and profitable meeting, well attended notwithstanding the down-pouring rain.

Among some of the interesting events was the singing by a double quartet of jubilee singers who had come to the meeting with the pastor of a colored church in Springfield. These, with others of their race, are brought from the south and are being trained at Springfield to occupy places of industrial usefulness. A collection was taken for them. The soloist, Miss Wellington, a lady of Leominster, rendered several selections which were greatly enjoyed.

The next meeting will be in April with the North Leominster church and in the following October with the church in Pepperell. Henry W. Whiting was chosen moderator for these meetings in 1912.

Not Many Left.

It is fifty years ago since the formation of the 26th Mass. regt., and fifty years ago this week Wednesday, since many of the Groton Co. B of that regi-

ment were mustered into service. Not many are left and the only one of that company now living in Groton is R. M. Erving. Another of the company from Groton, B. W. Parker, not now living, called on Comrade Erving about a year ago. His death took place in December, 1910. He had lived to attain considerable notoriety and amass a fortune. He was called, "The molasses king," and his will disposing of some \$500,000, caused a litigation, which we believe has not yet been settled. It was this same, B. W. Parker, who after the death from wounds of Maj. E. E. Clark, took charge of the remains and in the face of difficulties had them embalmed and sent home.

The 26th regt. spent Thanksgiving fifty years ago on board the old ship Constitution, but the following December found them at Ship Island, off the coast of Louisiana. It took part in the battles of Winchester, Cedar Creek and Fisher's hill.

Items of News.

Arthur A. Wood is working for W. P. Wharton on the house near Badcock, once owned by W. W. Ames. It is to be made ready for occupancy by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perrin, who will move there from town. Mr. Perrin works for Mr. Wharton.

Mrs. P. J. Benedict entertained her niece, Miss Irene Whitcomb, from Pepperell, over Sunday.

Mrs. Perry, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Janet Wood, for two weeks, returned last week to her home in Clinton. Mrs. Mary Taylor from Clinton was a guest of Mrs. Wood for two or three days, taking in the church fair on Columbus day.

Supt. J. H. Manning of the high school and all the Groton public school teachers attended the teachers' association in Townsend Wednesday.

David J. Donahue of this town, a recently graduated lawyer, while continuing his work with the law firm on State street, Boston, is also working professionally for David I. Walsh, the democratic candidate for lieutenant-governor.

There are many readers of this column who will regret to hear of the serious illness of Hon. Charles W. Stone at his home in Warren, Pa. Great alarm is felt by his family about his condition. A specialist from Buffalo has been called to consult with the local physician. The latest news, October 17, is that there is no improvement in his case. Mr. Stone lived in Groton through his youth and early manhood. He has been on occasional visits here, where he has many relatives and friends. He is a prominent citizen of that state.

Perlie P. Fallon student at Columbia law school, is working nights in the New York public library.

Mrs. Charles Hart of Roxbury, mother of the teacher, Miss Marion Hart, came out to spend the day with her daughter last week Thursday.

John H. Sargent has been on the sick list, confined to the house with rheumatism.

There were 122 took dinner at Groton Inn on Columbus day and 129 the following Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Lawrence of Brookline was a guest this week of Mrs. P. J. Benedict and called on other friends in town.

Three families from Pepperell and P. J. Benedict's family spent Sunday at The Meadows and enjoyed a chicken dinner.

Lawrence academy goes to Lawrence this Saturday to play Lawrence high and next week Wednesday Lawrence academy plays Groton School.

Miss Alice Bradley, from Dorchester, was a guest of the Dunphy family on Columbus day. Miss Bradley reported her aunt, Miss Frances Ready, as continuing very poorly. She is at home, but goes to the hospital for treatment.

Miss Luella Behee of Graniteville, coming tomorrow night, is to be night operator at the central telephone station, taking the place vacated by Mrs. Anna Gilson Shattuck.

Last Saturday afternoon Groton School won over Volkman school by a score of 12 to 0. Lawrence academy won over Concord high by a score of 23 to 0.

Mrs. Lucy E. Johnston, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mosely Gilson, returned to her home in Troy, N. Y., Tuesday. Her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Owen, came last Saturday and accompanied her mother on their return home to Troy.

Mrs. Caroline R. Bancroft went last week to make her home with her relatives, the Charles H. Gerrish family on Powder House road. Her niece, Mrs. George Francis Bancroft, with her young daughter, who attends the Butler grammar school, is occupying Mrs. Caroline Bancroft's house on Main street.

James A. Dunphy called recently on his daughter, Miss Mary Dunphy, a teacher at North Attleboro, and found her pleasantly situated.

The twenty-fourth meeting of the Unitarian National conference is to be held at Washington, D. C., from October 23 to 26. Mrs. C. H. Bickford, Mrs. T. G. Smith and Mrs. E. F. Nutting are planning to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Ebert were over Sunday visitors at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gerrish, Mrs. Ebert remaining until Tuesday morning.

Sidney F. Davis and his nieces, Miss Helen Bell Moore and Miss Robinson returned on Tuesday night from their visit and attendance at the Ackworth, N. H., wedding, having had a most enjoyable time.

Miss Helen Bell Moore went this Friday as the week-end guest of Miss Marion Hart at her home in Roxbury. Miss Hart is teacher of the commercial course in the Butler high school.

Francis W. K. Smith, a son of Theophilus G. Smith, who, since his graduation some three years ago, has traveled widely and successfully as civil engineer, decided to change his profession and this fall entered the Harvard law school.

Sixteen ladies of the old Ayer road

and near vicinity have formed a neighborhood club for fortnightly meetings. At their first gathering, last week Thursday, they had not fully decided upon a name.

Mrs. John H. Trayne underwent an operation at the Groton hospital last week Thursday, the operation being performed by Dr. Bottomly of Boston, with Dr. Kilbourn and Dr. Priest assisting. The operation was for a kidney trouble and removal of appendix.

Mrs. James Harrington was called to Acton on Monday by the serious illness of her father.

Mrs. Elizabeth Totten of Reading, Mrs. John Shaw and sister, Miss M. F. Torrey, of Ayer, and several other ladies from Ayer, were visitors at the Congregational fair last week.

Clipping.

The following was taken from the Boston Journal of October 18:

Governor Foss has picked Hugh Bancroft, the son of President Bancroft of the Boston Elevated railway, a practicing lawyer and editor of the Boston News Bureau, to head the Boston Dock Commission at \$15,000 a year.

Hugh Bancroft is a Harvard man, class of 1907. He later went to the law school and was graduated and admitted to the bar. Like his father, he won honors in rowing at Cambridge. He joined the militia and rose to be brigadier general. He was appointed assistant district attorney in Middlesex county by George A. Sanderson, now a justice of the superior court. In December, 1906, he married the daughter of Clarence Barron, publisher of the News Bureau, and when he decided to give part of his time to that office, he soon mastered the field, and he has been noted for some of the most vigorous writing which has appeared in that publication. He is a forceful and attractive speaker and has a good business standing.

West Groton.

Mrs. A. W. Lamb was pleasantly surprised by an over Sunday visit from her brother, George Vedder, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams have entertained during the past week Mr. and Mrs. Champlin of Worcester.

Miss Beatrice Harrington of Ayer spent Monday with relatives here.

Frank Humiston of Jaffrey, N. H., spent the night recently at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Tarbell.

Richard Pierce of Worcester gave his cousin, Mrs. H. Spaulding, a surprise on Saturday evening, spending the night only at her home. He left on the early train Sunday morning.

Mrs. E. W. Harrington and her daughter, Mrs. Percy Briggs, spent Wednesday in Lowell.

The Misses Ethel and Lida Bliss, accompanied by their brother Robert, visited their aunt, Mrs. A. J. Bartlett, of Malden, on Wednesday of last week, and during their stay enjoyed a three-days' auto trip in Maine with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bartlett.

Going on Thursday of last week, Mrs. Charles Bixby and daughter Ruth spent the week-end with relatives in Wellesley and were joined for over Sunday by Mr. Bixby.

The children enjoyed a holiday on Wednesday while their teachers, Mrs. Wiggins and Mrs. Bixby, attended the teachers' convention in Townsend.

Mrs. Collins of Belfast, Me., left on Thursday for a visit with friends in Dorchester, after a week's stay with her sister-in-law, Mrs. M. F. McGowan.

Irving Moore, who has lain in an unconscious condition since his sudden shock some weeks ago, was visited on Thursday, it is understood, by a specialist. Results of the consultation have not been learned.

R. H. Burgess of Bar Mills, Me., arrived in town on Saturday. He called on old friends and neighbors and visited his granddaughter, Miss Elsie Tarbell; also, his daughters in Lowell before his return to Maine on Tuesday.

Mrs. G. H. Bixby has returned from her visit with her daughter in Winchester somewhat improved in health. Mrs. Clifford Bixby and daughter Dorothy are with her and remain for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby have rented their pleasant house in Waltham, and after their stay here, Mrs. Bixby and daughter will join Mr. Bixby in Philadelphia, where he has accepted a more lucrative position.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge and Charles Bixby attended the church conference in Leominster on Wednesday. Other delegates were prevented from attendance by the unfavorable weather.

An entertainment and dance will be held in Squannacook hall, West Groton, Friday evening, October 27. For music will be by Thayer's orchestra.

Death.

The death of Mrs. Lesure of Fitchburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jarvis, occurred on Thursday morning after two weeks of suffering, alleviated by all means that love and skill could devise. She was the eighth of nine sisters, and the youngest but one of ten children. Her death and that of her tiny babe, mark the first break including both children and grandchildren in this unusual family.

As high school and normal student, and later as successful teacher, Mrs. Lesure has passed her vacations at her home here and was claimed as one of our young people until her marriage two years ago. The sympathy of the community is extended to the surviving family in their bereavement.

LITTLETON.

Instantly Killed.

James McNiff of Mill street, employed as a taxman at Priest's crossing on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad, was struck and instantly killed by an east-bound train while standing on the track crossing a west-bound train early Wednesday morning. He was advanced in years, being about seventy-five, and had not the best of eyesight

or hearing. These conditions and the fact that the morning was somewhat foggy and dark may account for the accident. Of one thing there is absolute proof, he was at his post faithfully protecting the lives of others when he lost his own.

It is but few years since Mr. McNiff's predecessor met a similar fate not far from the same place. Members of the immediate family left to mourn the death of this good-hearted and kindly gentleman are his sisters, Mary, at home; Bridget, in Marlboro, and Kate, in South Framingham; and brothers, Patrick, the Littleton gate-tender, and William, of Marlboro.

Funeral services were held on Friday morning at the St. Mary's church, Ayer, and burial was in St. Mary's cemetery.

Entertainment.

The opening entertainment in the lyceum course was well attended for so dark and stormy a night. Some sixty or more persons were present, and tickets to the amount of sixteen dollars were sold at the door. The piano lecture recital by Mrs. Carrie Gilman Edwards of New York and Littleton was received very enthusiastically. As lecturer and pianist Mrs. Edwards added new lustre to her brilliant reputation in her chosen art.

Miss Gladys Nichols Bodge, reader, gave an excellent variety of wisely chosen selections, and immediately won the confidence of the audience in her ability as a professional reader and power to adapt herself to those whom she so acceptably entertained. She fully sustained her reputation and proved herself worthy of the high recommendation that preceded her first appearance on the lyceum platform.

All who braved the elements speak in highest terms of the entire program, but the rapt attention and the hearty applause given to both Mrs. Edwards and Miss Bodge are more eloquent than words.

Weddings.

Another of our most estimable young men has joined the increasing ranks of benefactors. Alexander H. McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDonald, and Miss Margaret M. O'Connell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connell of Concord, were married Wednesday, October 18, in St. Bernard's church, Concord, by Rev. M. Flaherty. They were attended by Miss Margaret O'Neil, cousin of the bride, as maid of honor, and William McDonald of Westford, cousin of the groom, as best man.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McDonald received their friends at the bride's home, where a wedding breakfast was served. Later in the day they left for a wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside on Harwood avenue. The bride, who enjoys well merited popularity among a large circle of friends, is a graduate of the Fitchburg normal school, and has taught in the public schools of her hometown. The groom is a native of Littleton, a graduate of the high school and Burdett's business college. He is the junior member of the prosperous firm known as McDonald & Son, engaged in carriage and automobile business in town.

William Francis Conant of Arlington Heights and Miss Edith Maria Patten, daughter of Mrs. Thomas O. Patten of Sterling, were married at the home of the bride, Wednesday afternoon, October 11, by Rev. Frank B. Haggard, pastor of the Baptist church. The wedding march from Lohengrin was played by Mrs. Douglas Forristall, Malden. Paul and Wayne Sibley of Worcester, nephews of the bride, were ribbon bearers, and Dorothy and Esther Conant were flower girls, carrying baskets of pink and white roses, while Lloyd Sibley was ring bearer. The bride and groom were attended by her sister, Mrs. Henry M. Dix of Montreal, and his brother, Benjamin Conant of Harvard college. The bride was given away by her brother, James Patten.

Miss Patten and Mr. Conant stood beneath a white bell, before a bank of laurel and prettily tinted maple leaves. Other decorations of the attractive room were autumn foliage and asters. The bride wore white crepe de chene over white messaline silk with princess lace and pearl ornaments, and a seed pearl brooch. Her white tulle veil was caught up with white roses, and she carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Conant, assisted by their parents, Mrs. Thomas O. Patten of Sterling, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Conant of Littleton, received the guests. The ushers were H. A. Brock, Cambridge, Joseph A. Harwood Littleton, Rodney E. Monk, Pratt's Junction, and Chas. W. Patten, brother of the bride.

Refreshments were served in charge of Mrs. James M. Patten, Mrs. Harry M. Dix and Mrs. Charles H. Sibley. Miss Marion Chamberlain, Ossining, N. Y., Miss Bertha Chamberlain, Worcester, Miss Alice Nourse, Bolton, Miss Miriam Conant, Littleton, Miss Eva D. Mann, Springfield, Miss Adeline Newhall and Miss Gertrude Patten assisted. Guests were present from New York, Providence, Hartford, Boston, Hopkinton, Littleton, Shirley, Worcester, Clinton, Leominster, Malden, Westford, Fitchburg, Montreal and Marblehead.

The couple received a large and various assortment of presents, including cut glass, silverware, linen, books, pictures, souvenirs and money. Saturday night previous to the wedding the bride was given a tin shower in the vestry of the Baptist church by the Young People's association to which she belonged.

Mr. and Mrs. Conant left Sterling at four o'clock for their wedding trip. They will make their home at Arlington Heights, where they receive friends after December 1.

Mr. Conant, a member of one of Littleton's first families, is a graduate of our high school and Harvard college. He holds at present a responsible position in the P. F. Bonney Sons' store in Boston.

News Items.

Supt. Frank H. Hill and thirty-six of his teachers attended the annual convention of the Northwest Middlesex teachers' association in Townsend on Wednesday.

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  - Forest Mills Wool Union Suits at \$1.50
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- CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR
- We carry only the most popular styles
  - Cream-ribbed Shirts and Pants at 25¢
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  - Boys' and Girls' Union Suits at 75¢ and 98¢

Miss Ethel K. Bruce  
Has a Splendid Display of  
FALL MILLINERY  
At her Rooms in  
Phelps' Block, Ayer, Mass.

Auction  
The football team at L. H. S. has organized with Irving Feyler captain and Herbert Crane manager.  
Miss Jessie Dinsmore, Miss Herriott and Miss Phemington, teachers from Medford, were the guests of Mrs. Paul L. Brown on Saturday.  
Mrs. Mary J. Kimball returned home last week from a long visit with her brother, Melbourn Hutchinson, in Boston.  
Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence returned on Tuesday from England, where she has spent the last three months with her nephew, John Allen, and family.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN TOWNSEND, MASS.  
By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by John Dix of Townsend, in the County of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Thirza A. Fessenden of said Townsend, dated August 24th, A. D. 1897, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in book 2589, page 410, will be sold by public auction upon the premises below described on Monday, the thirteenth day of November next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows:  
"A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Townsend and bounded north and east by land of Eugene R. Kilbourn, now or formerly; South by land formerly of Charles S. S. Lennox and land formerly of Daniel Dix; West by the road leading from the Mullikin Place, so called, to the house formerly of Eugene R. Kilbourn, being the road formerly from Townsend, to Brookline, N. H., containing six acres, more or less."  
Terms made known at time and place of sale.  
THIRZA A. FESSENDEN, Mortgagee.  
Townsend, Mass. October 20th, A. D. 1911.

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Bay Horse, nine years old weight 1075. Sound, in not afraid of autos or steam cars. Absolutely safe for a lady to drive. Will work single or double. Inquire of JAMES A. BARRY, Harvard, Mass. 414  
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FOR SALE—Black Mare, weighs a little over 1100 lb., a strong and willing worker and afraid of nothing. Price \$55.00. H. A. THAYER, Harvard, Mass. 414  
TO LET—Two Good Tenements on Maple Street, Ayer. Inquire of M. P. PALMER, Groton, Mass. 116  
HORSE FOR SALE—Black Mare, 8 years old, weight 1200 pounds. An excellent worker, single or double. Good driver. Splendid chance to mate with one of her class. Ideal type for breeding purposes. LUNENBURG TOWN, N. H. A. W. Rockwood, Supt. 216  
EVERGREEN PULPERS WANTED—In Brookline and vicinity. Those desiring profitable and pleasant employment should not overlook this. Very good pay to workers. RALPH T. BARNY, Canaan, N. H. 114



AYER.

A. W. C. Ayer Woman's club met as usual in the vestry of the Congregational church on Wednesday afternoon, October 18, at three o'clock. At the business meeting it was voted to contribute twenty-five dollars to the endowment fund of general federation of Women's clubs.

District Court. The case of Jasper Desjardins of Westford, who was charged with violation of the milk law which was set for trial last Saturday morning, was continued until this morning.

Charles Goss of Lowell, charged with violation of the Lord's day, was in court on Monday and was found guilty. The case was placed on file upon the payment of expenses amounting to five dollars.

Chief of police Beatty, accompanied by officers D. C. Smith, J. H. O'Connell, deputy sheriff A. A. Filibrown and W. J. Mullin, all of Ayer, and officer J. H. Logue of Shirley, raided the place occupied by David Baker on Merchants' row for intoxicating liquors last Saturday evening.

James O'Donnell of Manchester, N. H., charged with breaking and entering and larceny at the house of S. W. Sturgis at Groton School last July, was in court Thursday. He pleaded guilty to entering and larceny and was sentenced to the house of correction at East Cambridge for eighteen months.

Wedding. The wedding of George B. Sprins, formerly of Ayer, now of Leominster, and Miss Marion Hazel Morse of Wellesley Hills took place in the Congregational church in that town on Wednesday evening, Rev. Parris Farwell performing the ceremony, the double ring service being used.

Mr. Spring is superintendent of the plants of the Ayer Electric Light and Power Co., the Leominster Gas Light Co., and the Clinton Gas Light Co.

Death. Atwood B. Keyes, a former well-known resident of Ayer died at his home in Henniker, N. H., last Saturday of cancer after a long illness, aged 60 years, 11 mos. 10 days.

Mr. Keyes, in company with Clinton Lovell, carried on a business as manufacturers of wood rims for bicycles in the place known as the shoe shop building, which was later occupied by the Haynes-Piper Company until it was destroyed by fire nearly two years ago.

Mr. Keyes was highly esteemed by all who knew him and was a man who was very well informed upon different subjects. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Ella Keyes, a son, John Keyes, and a daughter, Miss Jennie Keyes, all of Henniker, a brother, Chester D. Keyes, of Harvard, and two sisters, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Parker of Oakdale.

News Items. The work on the outer part of the new house of Frank S. Bennett, that is being built by Mr. Hardy, will be completed in another week. The plastering it is expected will be finished by the latter part of next week.

The cellar wall for the new building on Central avenue is about completed and work on the erection of the building will be commenced before long.

The standpipe has reached a height of thirty feet and twenty more is to be added, making a total height of

fty feet. The workmen engaged in erecting the standpipe say that another week will complete it. The iron plates now being riveted on weigh in the vicinity of a thousand pounds and the lower plates to the extent of three tiers weigh a ton each.

At the funeral of James McNiff, the flagman who was killed at the Priest crossing at Littleton on Wednesday morning, there were nearly thirty carriages in the procession as they passed through the town to St. Mary's church and from there to St. Mary's cemetery for burial.

Ruel P. Lougee, manager of the Haynes-Piper Co.'s works here, has in his employ from sixty to sixty-five men and business is rushing and the apples are rushing in.

E. O. Proctor has recently sold three Buicks—two model 43 touring cars, one for a party in Townsend and the other to a party in Harvard, and also a runabout to a party in Shirley.

Wednesday of this week there was handled in the upper railroad yard 1500 cars, Thursday 1200. The daily average is from 1350 to 1400 cars.

A cement sidewalk on Newton street has been continued from the concrete walk in front of the Methodist church to Washington street and the work was done by E. H. Longley.

The ladies of the Baptist church will serve a chicken-pie supper in lower town hall Tuesday evening, November 7, from six to eight o'clock.

The republican town committee has made arrangements for a smoke talk in the lower town hall next Thursday evening at eight o'clock, to which all republican voters are invited.

The East Main street commercial circuit was temporarily cut off from electric light by the blowing out of a fuse on Wednesday evening.

At the regular meeting of the board of registrars of voters last Saturday evening, but one name was added, that of T. Henry Donahue.

Rev. George E. Littlefield, a former pastor of the Unitarian church, and for years identified with the socialistic movement, and the founder of the Westwood colony to give practical demonstrations of the benefits to be derived from the organization, has left for the west with the intention of starting fellowship farms along the same ideas as that of Westwood.

The quarters for the new postoffice in Carley's block are practically ready for occupancy and the office will probably be moved within the next week.

Owen Keegan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Keegan, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Clinton hospital last Monday afternoon.

A public entertainment will be given under the direction of the Ayer Woman's club on Wednesday evening, November 1, by Mrs. Christabel Kidder, who will give "Candida."

The members of Ayer Council, Knights of Columbus have arranged for a social and lecture in the council rooms on next Tuesday evening.

The features of the moving pictures tonight are "Mary's stratagem," "The thoroughbred," and "Bobby, the coward." There will be an extra reel of pictures shown tonight, making six in all.

Vesta Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F. received an official visitation on Wednesday evening from Mrs. Melvina E. Glazier, district deputy grand master, who was accompanied by Mrs. Ella K. Boss, deputy grand marshal of Fitchburg.

The regular meeting of Ayer grange was held on Wednesday evening. A large amount of business was attended to followed by a short program during the lecturer's hour.

Clark A. Batchelder, associate justice of the police court at Fitchburg, is the new president of the Fitchburg

Bar association, having been unanimously elected at the annual meeting. Mr. Batchelder has been a member of the Fitchburg Bar association for several years, going to that city from Ayer, where he practiced for some time.

Dr. Sullivan expects to move into his new house on Pleasant street next week that has been completed by P. H. Harrington, the builder, of Grantville.

The Y. P. R. U. had as leader on Sunday evening, Miss Margaret Hume. A report of the visit to Littleton was given by Miss Evelyn Sanderson.

The Sandy Pond School association will hold a harvest supper at Sandy Pond schoolhouse on Thursday evening, October 26. Supper from 6.30 to eight. All are cordially invited.

The leader in the Y. P. R. U. on Sunday evening will be Miss Evelyn Sanderson. Miss Nettie Roe will read a paper on Savonarola, and there will be music by Mrs. Grayden.

Rev. L. E. Perry of Hudson, N. H., a former pastor of this town, was the speaker on Sunday afternoon at the public meeting of the Fitchburg Reform club.

There will be a special communication of Caleb Butler lodge on Monday evening, October 23. Work—E. A. degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Mason returned from Center Harbor, N. H., where they occupied their cottage for the summer.

Mrs. J. E. Bulkeley took first prize for fancy work, and second prize for oil painting at the Fitchburg fair last week Thursday. Mrs. Bulkeley was the only exhibitor from this town.

Mrs. Frank W. Balcorn of this town and her three children are on a visit for a few days with her husband's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Balcorn, of Milford, N. H.

The W. R. C. will hold a sale of aprons, food and candy in the lower town hall on October 31.

Charles H. Normond, cashier of the Ayer National bank, is having a vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Normond left New York city on Wednesday morning, on the steamer to Bermuda on a ten-days' round trip.

The Unitarian society was represented on Thursday at the North Middlesex conference of Unitarian churches in Westford by Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Richmond Fisk, Mrs. E. B. Butterfield, Mrs. S. M. Barker, Mrs. A. A. Day, Miss Addie Harlow, Stephen Lougee, Mrs. A. C. Perkins, Mrs. L. J. Spaulding, Miss Hattie Whitcomb.

Letters remaining uncalled for at the Ayer postoffice for the week ending October 18: Joseph Atkins, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Mary E. O'Brien.

Republican Meeting. A meeting of the members of the republican town committees in the towns comprising the eleventh Middlesex representative district was held in the lower town hall last Saturday afternoon.

The following members were present: James A. Grimes, Acton; Howard P. Fletcher, John M. Maloney, Oliver K. Pierce, Huntley S. Turner, Ayer; Charles Kimball, Littleton; T. Dennis, Herbert E. Fletcher, A. H. Gardner, A. Johnson, A. Nelson, H. Nesmith, S. L. Taylor, C. Trull, W. Whidden, Westford.

Lecture. A large, interested and intelligent audience of the best people in town filled Page hall on Tuesday evening and listened with very great pleasure to the lecture given by Peter MacQueen on Africa. It was very realistic as given by this prince of speakers.

St. Andrew's Notes. The Lowell Archdeaconry held a large and inspiring meeting at Groton School last Tuesday. After the celebration of the holy communion in the chapel, Bishop Lawrence made a splendid address on "The relation of the cathedral to the parish church."

Golden Wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Emery Whitcomb celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their in West Acton on Tuesday. An informal reception during the afternoon was attended by more than one hundred relatives and friends, and they received a number of gifts.

Saturday, October 21, St. Andrew's church entertains the Merrimack branch of the Sunday School union, consisting of the schools in this north-

ern part of Middlesex-county. The exercises will be opened with a service of evening prayer and an address by Rev. Arthur W. Moulton, rector of Grace church, Lawrence, to be followed by a conference on "The Sunday school hour," and "The best method of Sunday school finance."

At the 10.45 service at St. Andrew's church on Sunday, October 22, Rev. Sherrard Billings will be the preacher. Sunday school at twelve.

The Junior Auxillary will meet on Monday afternoon after school. Annual meeting of St. Andrew's parish at Groton on Monday evening at 7.30. Carriages at the Ayer depot at seven o'clock.

News Items. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson Oddy on Monday night. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNiff on Monday. As Fred Reed was attempting to get on top of a load of hay in his barn last Saturday, he slipped and fell heavily upon the threshold, injuring his back considerably and fracturing some of his ribs.

Robert Harwood is attending the Concord high school. Fifteen members of the Littleton society attended the eighty-first annual meeting of the Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches in Leominster on Wednesday, in spite of the threatening clouds and forecast for rain.

The republicans of Littleton will have a smoke talk next Monday evening in lower town hall. Hon. Frank P. Bennett, jr., senator from this district, Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher, councillor from the sixth district, and Samuel L. Taylor, candidate for representative from this district, will be present and talk on the issues of the present campaign.

Mrs. Everett Kimball has been to New Bedford, where she placed her daughter in the training school for nurses, and has also visited friends in Providence, R. I. Miss Mazy Parry of Dorchester has been visiting her former schoolmate, Miss Florence Bartlett.

Harvest Supper. The harvest supper at the Congregational vestry last week Thursday evening brought out about one hundred people, not so many as were expected or provided for.

The list of officers installed is as follows: Daniel W. Mason, Ayer, m.; Lawrence Morgan, Townsend, s. w.; Timothy E. Flarity, Townsend, j. w.; Charles B. Bly, West Groton, treas.; Henry H. H. Dreih, Townsend, sec.; Rev. George M. Howe, Groton, chap.; Luther G. Robbins, Peppasall, marshal; Jacob G. Willey, Peppasall, s. d.; John W. Hutchinson, Littleton, j. d.; Ivers P. Sherwin, Townsend, s. s.; Frank B. Higgins, Townsend, j. s.; Walter H. Drury, Peppasall, j. s.; Arthur G. Kibourn, Groton, organist; G. A. Wilder, Townsend, tyler.

News Items. The last meeting of the grange was Columbus night. The story of Columbus was given by Miss Alice Cobleigh, followed by anecdotes and stories of the same by various members.

George Hager and family of Clinton were at the Hager homestead over Sunday. Mr. Brick, superintendent of schools, entertained twenty-one teachers from Maynard at his Boxborough home on Hollyhook farm, on Thursday of last week.

Mr. Warren, of the State Board of Education, held a conference with Supt. Brick and the school committee on Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy Robbins are spending a week in Provincetown. Mrs. Ada Durkee is keeping house for them in their absence.

Miss Laura Brown, president of the West Acton Woman's club, read a paper on basketry, and Mrs. Bertha Shattuck read one on hand-weaving before the Marlboro Woman's club on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Donovan, teacher at No. 3 school, spent the holiday and the balance of the week at her home in North Adams. Mr. Brick substituted for her on Friday morning.

Mrs. Williams of Assinipee is visiting her brother, Willis H. Gooch. Frank N. Bancroft has returned to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., after a six-weeks' visit with his sister, Mrs. Shattuck.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Albee, Amos D. Albee, Miss Wiggins and Mr. Chambers, all of Boston, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poland.

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LITTLETON.

News Items. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson Oddy on Monday night.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNiff on Monday.

As Fred Reed was attempting to get on top of a load of hay in his barn last Saturday, he slipped and fell heavily upon the threshold, injuring his back considerably and fracturing some of his ribs.

Robert Harwood is attending the Concord high school.

Fifteen members of the Littleton society attended the eighty-first annual meeting of the Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches in Leominster on Wednesday, in spite of the threatening clouds and forecast for rain.

The republicans of Littleton will have a smoke talk next Monday evening in lower town hall. Hon. Frank P. Bennett, jr., senator from this district, Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher, councillor from the sixth district, and Samuel L. Taylor, candidate for representative from this district, will be present and talk on the issues of the present campaign.

Mrs. Everett Kimball has been to New Bedford, where she placed her daughter in the training school for nurses, and has also visited friends in Providence, R. I. Miss Mazy Parry of Dorchester has been visiting her former schoolmate, Miss Florence Bartlett.

Harvest Supper. The harvest supper at the Congregational vestry last week Thursday evening brought out about one hundred people, not so many as were expected or provided for.

The list of officers installed is as follows: Daniel W. Mason, Ayer, m.; Lawrence Morgan, Townsend, s. w.; Timothy E. Flarity, Townsend, j. w.; Charles B. Bly, West Groton, treas.; Henry H. H. Dreih, Townsend, sec.; Rev. George M. Howe, Groton, chap.; Luther G. Robbins, Peppasall, marshal; Jacob G. Willey, Peppasall, s. d.; John W. Hutchinson, Littleton, j. d.; Ivers P. Sherwin, Townsend, s. s.; Frank B. Higgins, Townsend, j. s.; Walter H. Drury, Peppasall, j. s.; Arthur G. Kibourn, Groton, organist; G. A. Wilder, Townsend, tyler.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items. The last meeting of the grange was Columbus night. The story of Columbus was given by Miss Alice Cobleigh, followed by anecdotes and stories of the same by various members.

George Hager and family of Clinton were at the Hager homestead over Sunday.

Mr. Brick, superintendent of schools, entertained twenty-one teachers from Maynard at his Boxborough home on Hollyhook farm, on Thursday of last week.

Mr. Warren, of the State Board of Education, held a conference with Supt. Brick and the school committee on Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy Robbins are spending a week in Provincetown. Mrs. Ada Durkee is keeping house for them in their absence.

Miss Laura Brown, president of the West Acton Woman's club, read a paper on basketry, and Mrs. Bertha Shattuck read one on hand-weaving before the Marlboro Woman's club on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Donovan, teacher at No. 3 school, spent the holiday and the balance of the week at her home in North Adams. Mr. Brick substituted for her on Friday morning.

Mrs. Williams of Assinipee is visiting her brother, Willis H. Gooch. Frank N. Bancroft has returned to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., after a six-weeks' visit with his sister, Mrs. Shattuck.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Albee, Amos D. Albee, Miss Wiggins and Mr. Chambers, all of Boston, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poland.

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SHIRLEY.

Center. Mrs. Charles K. Bolton of Brookline was at her summer home on Center road on Saturday of last week. Mrs. Wilkins and son Harold, who have lived for several years in the Spaulding house at the North, are to move soon to West Groton to the house left vacant by Earle Sleeper. Mrs. Markham and little son John of Townsend were at Charles Longley's the latter part of last week. The young people of Shirley grange will hold the second of a series of social dances in the town hall on Saturday evening, October 21. Music will be furnished by the local orchestra which proved to be so popular before. All are assured of a good time. Refreshments will be served during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray of Brookline were at their house on Thursday of last week. Christine G. Longley of Quincy mansion school spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. M. W. Longley, returning to Wollaston on Monday morning. Hazel Cummings of Fitchburg high school spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Cummings. Miss Woodhead, Miss Costern and Miss Chilton Winslow took a trip to Wachusett Mountain last Sunday. Seventeen members of Shirley grange attended the meeting of Harvard grange on Friday evening of last week. The Shirley members furnished the entertainment, which consisted of a clarinet solo by Edward Adams, songs, and the farce, "An interrupted proposal." The farce was given with about the same cast as appeared in it here, earlier in the year. After the entertainment all enjoyed a box lunch. The meeting of the Matrons' Aid on Tuesday afternoon, October 24, will be held with Mrs. Luther Holden at 1.30 o'clock. Rev. William Ware Locke of Boston, a prominent settlement worker, conducted the services at the First Parish church on Sunday morning. A book has been added to the Trinity chapel Sunday school library from Rev. R. B. Ogilby. It was sent by him together with the letter from the Philippines, which was read in the Sunday school about two weeks ago. The book is about the life of a boy in the Philippines and will be of interest to all. Dr. Fuller of Boston was a guest of his brother, Howard Fuller, over Sunday. The next regular meeting of the Girls' Sewing Guild will be held with Miss Margaret Evans on Saturday afternoon, October 21. Lottie M. Croft, who has been at W. E. Barnard's for several weeks, returned to her home in Ayer on Monday. Almira Levitt has obtained a position with Mrs. Henry Dodge. Henry F. Groat and son John attended the Harvard-Williams football game at the Harvard stadium on Saturday afternoon of last week. Ruby T. Crockett of Fitchburg Business college spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William A. L. Crockett at North Shirley. Miss Helen M. Winslow and her adopted daughter Alison are staying in Boston at present at Symphony Chambers. Russell Blood, at the East, is still in Boston at the hospital. His illness, however, upon examination, proved not to be appendicitis and no operation is necessary. Mrs. Chandler at Herman S. Hazen's is very ill with heart trouble. She is attended by Dr. T. E. Lilly of the village. Mr. and Mrs. Wildman are having a large piazza built on the John Stickney house, before moving in. Mrs. Wildman's cousin from England is staying with her at present. Frank Kemp is having repairs made to his home at Woodsville. Reuben Colburn is doing the work. The Burnhams of Revere opened their house at Woodsville over Saturday and Sunday. Robert Holden was home from Harvard college with his mother, Mrs. Hattie P. Holden, over Saturday and Sunday. L. J. Farnsworth has a large pine log in his mill yard which scales 740 feet. Miss Alma Bowles, teacher of the Center grammar school, and Miss Margaret Walsh, teacher of the Center primary school attended the teachers' convention on Wednesday at Townsend. Dr. Saunders spent last Sunday at his home at Woodsville, formerly owned by the late Adolphus Jenkins. John H. Farrar is confined to his home at the North with tonsillitis. Grange. At the meeting of Shirley grange on Tuesday evening, the first and second degrees were worked on the following candidates: Walter Wood, Mrs. Hill, Earl Graves, Louise Chevrete. The first degree was worked by the regular officers. The second degree was worked by the men's degree team, made up as follows: Carl Thompson, m.; Ardie A. Adams, o.; William Hubbard, l.; Amos Farrar, treas.; Lester Johnson, sec.; William Thompson, stew.; Edward Adams, asst. stew.; J. Edward Adams, l. asst. stew.; Arthur R. Cummings, Geres; Norman R. Graves, Flora; George Farmer, Pomona. The work was well done, the floor work being omitted. The attendance was small on account of the rain. The literary hour was also omitted. Guests were present from Lunenburg and Fitchburg. At the next meeting the third and fourth degrees will take place, the third being worked by the ladies' degree team, and the fourth by the regular officers. The supper committee is Etta M. Holden, Margaret Evans and Ruth M. Graves. A special feature of the next meeting will be the Grange Journal, edited by Ruth M. Graves, Margaret Evans, Elsie M. Holden and Ora E. Holden.

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To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Hattie L. Everett of Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, that she was lawfully married to George T. Everett now of Stamford, in the State of Connecticut, at Providence, in the State of Rhode Island on March 19th, A. D. 1899, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said George T. Everett lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Boston, Brookline, Brockton, Leominster and Springfield, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said George T. Everett being wholly regardless of the same, at Springfield, in the County of Hampden, on January 1, 1908, utterly deserted her and has continued said desertion from that day to the date hereof, being more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said George T. Everett.

Dated this second day of September A. D. 1911.

316 HATTIE L. EVERETT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, October 13, A. D. 1911.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of December next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in Turner's Public Spirit a newspaper published in Ayer in the County of Middlesex once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon. Attest,

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

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 HENRY L. FARNSWORTH, late of Shirley in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to SUSAN BIRD BEYER, widow of said FARNSWORTH in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the sixth day of November, 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 on the first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

316 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF Real Estate in Shirley and Ayer

By virtue of a license granted to the subscriber as administrator of the estate of John L. Farnsworth, late of Shirley, deceased, by the Probate Court for the County of Middlesex, on the Tenth day of October A. D. 1911, the real estate hereafter described will be sold by Public Auction on Tuesday the Thirtieth day of October A. D. 1911. The sale will commence at nine o'clock A. M., on said day, at the dwelling-house formerly occupied by said John L. Farnsworth on the road leading from Ayer to the house formerly of E. L. White to Lunenburg, known as the "Great Road." The real estate will be sold in thirteen separate lots as described below, namely:

No. 1. A certain tract of land situated in the northerly part of said Shirley near North Shirley and a short distance northwesterly from the road leading to West Groton: Beginning at the most southerly corner at the end of a stone wall; thence N. 42° 15' E. 556 feet by land of Edward Thompson to a stake and stones; thence N. 28° 25' E. 925 feet by land of Louis Farnsworth to an oak stump with stones on it; thence S. 83° 45' W. 949 feet by land of said Louis to a stake and stones; thence S. 85° 47' W. 265 feet to a stone post; thence S. 39° 45' W. 584 1/10 feet by land formerly of Amos Day and said to be now of one Comstock; thence by last named land S. 45° E. 950.4 feet to the point of beginning, containing 22 28/100 acres and known as the Brattle lot.

No. 2. A certain tract of land situated in Northeasterly part of said Shirley on westerly side of road from Woods Village to West Groton, bounded: Beginning at the southeast corner at a big white oak tree, thence S. 75° 25' W. 222 feet by land of Levi W. Phelps to the corner of a stone wall at the corner of land of Mrs. Charles Dodge; thence N. 14° 40' W. 668 feet by land of Levi W. Phelps to a stake in a wall; oak tree at side of road leading from West Groton to Woods Village; thence by said road 692 feet to the point of beginning containing about 3 1/2 acres.

No. 3. A certain tract of land situated in the easterly part of said Shirley on the easterly side of road from Woods Village past the house corner at a stake and stones on the east side of the old road from West Groton to Ayer; thence southerly by said old road 2533 feet to a fence post at a corner of land formerly of one Henry Balcome; thence easterly by said Balcome land to a heap of stones; thence S. 68° 10' W. 1114 feet by land of the heirs of James Kemp to a pitch pine tree; thence N. 31° 30' E. 225 feet by land of owner unknown to a big oak tree; thence N. 6° 22' E. 610 feet by land of owner unknown to a big oak tree; thence N. 31° 10' W. 1625 feet to a big oak tree; thence N. 85° W. 786 feet by land of owner unknown to the point of beginning, containing about 94 3/4 acres and known as the Fuller lot.

No. 4. A certain tract of land with buildings, situated in Easterly part of said Shirley, bounded as follows: Beginning at the southerly side of the Great Road, so called, at land of North Middlesex Savings Bank, being the Edwin L. White place; thence S. 30° 10' E. 561 feet to a boulder in the north bank of Mulpus Brook; thence down said Brook S. 20° 40' E. 162 feet; thence S. 8° 10' E. 220 feet to a stake and stones on a stump; thence S. 66° 20' W. 343 feet by land of L. J. Farnsworth to a stake and stones; thence N. 34° 50' W. 750 feet by the upper mill lot to a big oak tree; thence by last named land N. 18° 10' E. 136.8 feet to a stone post; thence continuing in the same direction to said road; thence by said road about 360 feet to the point of beginning containing about 9 3/8 acres.

No. 5. A certain tract of land with buildings, situated in Easterly part of said Shirley and bounded as follows: Beginning at the north-west corner at a stone post on the southerly side of the Great Road, so called, at land formerly of one Mansfield; thence by last named land S. 2° 30' E. 623 feet to a heap of stones; thence N. 81° 05' E. 299 feet by land of John Farmer to a stone post; thence N. 83° 15' E. 370 feet by last named land to a stake and stones at land of L. J. Farnsworth; thence N. 34° 50' W. 750 feet by the "Lower Mill Lot" to a big oak tree; thence N. 18° 10' E. 136.8 feet by last named land to a stone post; thence continuing in the same direction to the said Great Road; thence westerly by said Great Road about 1075 feet to the place of beginning, together with the water privilege and all flowage rights connected therewith, containing about 20 1/8 acres and known as the upper mill lot and water privilege. Also a certain tract of land situated in Easterly part of said Shirley: Beginning at the corner of the Great Road, so called, and the road from Woods Village to West Groton; thence westerly by first mentioned road about 300 feet to a boulder; thence northerly to Mulpus Brook; thence westerly by brook to the upper dam so called; thence northerly by dam to a stake and stones on a hickory stump at end of dam; thence easterly to the road to West Groton; thence southerly 3 rods to the point of beginning containing about 3/4 acre.

No. 6. A certain tract of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Shirley, bounded: Beginning at a stake and stones on the westerly side of an old discontinued road leading to road past Chas. Dodge place; thence southerly by said road 30 rods to a stake and stones; thence westerly 49 rods and 3 links by land formerly of H. L. Harris and Jonas Holden to white pine stump with stones; thence N. 9 1/2° E. 39 rods by land of Louis Farnsworth to a stake and stones; thence easterly 50 rods by land formerly of Thomas Whitney to the point of beginning.

No. 7. A certain tract of land situated in Northeasterly part of said Shirley bounded: Beginning at a white pine tree on the southwest side of the road from Shirley Center to Ayer; thence S. 24° W. 690 feet by land of Jennie Byram to a stone bound; thence S. 61° E. 1292 feet by land of Annie E. Ward to a stake; thence S. 65° 16' W. 65 feet by last named land to a stake and stones; thence S. 27° 18' W. 500 feet by land of F. E. Merriman to an old pine stump; thence S. 67° 40' E. 282 feet to a stake; thence N. 33° 45' E. 470 feet by land of Capt. Holden to a stone bound at said road; thence northwesterly by said road 1864 feet to the point of beginning, containing about 13 1/2 acres and known as the Boynton and Eaton Lot.

No. 8. Two certain tracts of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Shirley on both sides of a cart-path leading from the house of George Adams to the road from Shirley Center to Mitchellville, first tract bounded: Beginning at a stone post on the easterly side of road from Shirley Village to Woods Village at the junction with a cart path; thence by first mentioned road S. 31° 15' E. 416 feet to a stone post; thence S. 66° 35' E. 554 feet by land formerly of one James to a flat stone on the northerly side of a cart path; thence N. 74° 45' E. 163.6 feet to a flat stone; thence N. 2° 38' E. 602 feet by land of Longley to a stone post; thence S. 76° 35' W. 135 feet by land of Francis Merriman to the end of an old wall; thence N. 88° W. 441 feet by last named land to the point of beginning, containing about 7 2/3 acres. The second tract bounded: Beginning at the southerly side of a cart path at a stone post at a corner of land of one Bruce; thence by said cart path to a stake and stones N. 73° 40' E. 412 feet from last named point; thence S. 5° 08' E. 398 feet by land of Eugene Griffin to a stake and stones; thence S. 5° 30' E. 80 feet by land of Waldo Mellis to a stake and stones; thence N. 87° 30' W. 616 feet by land of Eugene Griffin to a heap of stones; thence N. 25° E. 90 feet by land of George Adams to a stone post; thence N. 28° 45' E. 200 feet by land of George Adams to a stone post; thence N. 30° 12' E. 86 feet by said land of one Bruce to the point of beginning, containing about 4 5/8 acres.

No. 9. A certain tract of land situated in Southerly part of Ayer in said County, bounded: Beginning at the northwest corner at a pitch pine tree; thence S. 18° W. 107 rods 3 1/2 links by land of the heirs of James Kemp and land now or formerly of Nathaniel Hartwell to a slate stone; thence N. 85° E. 10 1/2 rods by land now or formerly of one Bishop to a split stone; thence N. 18° E. 100 rods 3 1/2 links by land of Butler and Abbott to a split stone; thence N. 74 1/2° W. 10 rods by the land of Henry Farnsworth to the point of beginning. The above description is from a plan by Elijah Whiton surveyed in 1842 and 1846, in the possession of Henry Farnsworth, containing about 6 45/100 acres and known as the Jacob Pollard lot.

No. 10. Two certain tracts of land situated in the easterly part of said Shirley and known as the Reed lots; the first lot containing 29 acres and 115 square rods more or less; the second lot containing 10 acres and 61 square rods more or less. Said real estate being situated near the Eaton place, so called, and being the same real estate conveyed by Isaiah Reed to Calvin L. Farnsworth by deed dated September 19th A. D. 1863 and recorded with Middlesex So. Dist. Deeds in book 947, page 432, to which deed or record reference may be had for a more particular description.

No. 11. A certain tract of land situated in the southerly part of Ayer, in said County, containing about 38 acres and being all and the same real estate conveyed by Abel Prescott, executor of the will of John Rogers to Calvin L. Farnsworth by deed dated May 8th 1865 and recorded with Middlesex County, South District Deeds in book 947, page 429, to which deed or record reference may be had, said real estate being in that part of said Ayer which was formerly a part of the Town of Shirley.

No. 12. A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon situated in Ayer, in said County, on the northerly side of the Old Road leading from Ayer to Shirley Village, bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on said Old Road at land of Stephen Barrett; thence running westerly on said Barrett land about 63 feet to a stake and stones at land formerly of William P. Mills; thence northerly on said Mills' land about 46 feet to a stake and stones at land formerly of Henry Sanderson; thence easterly on last named land about 68 feet to said road; thence southerly on said road about 46 feet to the point of beginning; also the right and privilege to maintain a line of water-pipe to connect with the water-main on West Main Street through the land of Patrick Markham, as conveyed to John L. Farnsworth by deed dated July 3d, 1902 and recorded with Middlesex County South District Deeds in book 2988, page 72.

No. 13. A certain tract of land and dwelling house thereon situated in the easterly part of said Shirley, bounded: Beginning at the most easterly corner of the premises at the junction of the road from Ayer to Harvard with the road from Woods Village to the house of Herbert Holden; thence N. 21° 10' W. 217 feet by the southerly side of Lunenburg road to a stone; thence south 71° 20' W. 221.4 feet by land of Mrs. Henry Holden to a stone; thence S. 21° 50' E. 216.2 feet by land formerly of Joseph Farnsworth to a stone at the westerly side of the road to Harvard; thence north 68° 20' E. 217.2 feet by last named road to the point of beginning, containing 1 1/2 acres, excepting and reserving the westerly half of the house and land connected therewith by Samuel F. Farnsworth and others.

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CHARLES F. WORCESTER, Administrator of Estate of John L. Farnsworth. Ayer, Mass., October 13th, 1911. 315

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**SHIRLEY.**

**News Items.**  
Miss Mabel Beach has left town for her home in Nova Scotia, to remain during the winter.

Mrs. Will Love spent this week in Livermore Falls, Me.

Mrs. Arthur E. Felch, in company with her young son Alfred, spent the week-end with her husband at Barre.

Frederick W. Holden started last Saturday for Bermuda, where he will remain for about a month.

Miss Allie Howe, superintendent of the home department of the Congregational church, led the meeting last Sunday evening and gave a fine report of the Sunday school convention held last week at New Bedford. Miss Howe was the delegate from the Sunday school.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting next Monday evening.

Ray Lancy has returned to his home in Lunenburg after spending a week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brown.

Mrs. Colby and Mrs. Bray of Bingham, Me., were recent visitors at the home of their brother, Mr. and Mrs. George Dinsmore.

Miss Arline Wilbur of Cushing academy spent the week-end at home.

Russell Miner of Allston spent this week at his home in Shirley.

Mrs. Knox, with daughter Mildred are planning to take up their residence in Ayer with Mrs. Knox's sister, Mrs. Wentworth. Mrs. Knox recently lost her husband through death. Mrs. Knox and daughter Mildred will continue their work at the C. A. Edgerton Mfg. Co., however.

One of the Whitcomb sisters, who have recently come to the village to live is now taking care of Mrs. Isley Beach, who seems to be slowly recovering. Mr. Beach is also at home sick, having been taken with a fainting spell while at work on Wednesday. He is going to the hospital as soon as he is able to have his diseased leg amputated.

Mrs. Mary Benjamin had the pleasure of a visit from three cousins this last week, Mrs. Kipling and Mrs. Streeter from Fitchburg, and Homer Jones of Minneapolis, Minn. A visit from the latter was of especial interest as she had not seen him for forty-six years.

An entertainment for the benefit of Isley Beach will be held in Odd Fellows' hall on Tuesday evening, October 31. A large number of tickets have already been sold, and the affair promises to be a gigantic financial success.

The Sunday school entertainment in the vestry of the Congregational church on Wednesday evening was well attended, despite the fact of the rain which prevailed during the evening. Ice cream and cake was placed on sale at the close of the entertainment and the five gallons on hand was quickly disposed of. The following program was rendered:

Vocal solos, William Flynn and Miss Nina Holbrook; piano solo, Miss May Wardsworth; drum and piano, Miss Mabel Miner, Charles H. Weare, Jr.; piano solo, Miss Margaret S. Hastings; vocal solo, Miss Ruby Fitch; piano solo, Miss Eleanor Miner; piano duo, Miss Doris White and Miss Sarah Stevenson.

Miss Annie Park Holbrook was the accompanist of the evening.

Mrs. Joseph Thomas, who has been a sufferer from the effects of rheumatism for many months past, left Shirley with the assistance of crutches last week Friday for Montreal, accompanied by her husband, for the purpose of receiving treatment from a specialist. Mrs. Thomas arrived back in Shirley on Monday evening, having left her crutches in Canada, being able to walk without them.

At the coming D. A. R. fair and bazaar to be held in Tremont Temple, Boston, Shirley chapter is in the district with Fitchburg, Leominster, Pepperell and Natick serving on the cushion and pillow table. The president of the district is Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton of Pepperell. Mrs. Minnie Allen of Shirley is secretary and Mrs. Martha J. Conant is treasurer. Mrs. Minnie Allen has been elected secretary of the new club, the Massachusetts D. A. R. Founders' society, held in Boston last week.

Mrs. John J. Chaisson visited in Lawrence last Saturday.

Mrs. Sandy Gionet is confined to her home with sickness.

The members of Court Delorme of the Union St. Jean will hold their regular meeting on Sunday, October 22, at the usual hour.

On Sunday, October 22, the parishioners of St. Anthony's church will march to their cemetery immediately after vespers in order to pay tribute to their departed friends.

Mrs. Minnie Allen has very kindly presented to the Ladies' Altruistic club of this town their programs of the year's work, 153, usually the club having seventy-five. The liberal allotment this year will give each member two apiece, besides extras. This splendid contribution to the club was very much appreciated as many kind-

**Silver Wedding.**  
Surrounded by a large number of friends, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Cousins, in the parlor of their home in Fitchburg, Tuesday night, observed their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary in the same room in which the parents of Mrs. Cousins had celebrated their golden wedding ten years ago last June. The silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Cousins was a most delightful occasion as a reception was tendered them from six to ten p. m., and they received numerous presents of silverware and silver money.

Mr. Cousins and Miss Lulu G. Farnsworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Farnsworth of Shirley, were married in Lowell by Rev. Mr. Ayers, twenty-five years ago Tuesday. Two years after their marriage they went to Fitchburg to live so that twenty-three of their twenty-five years of married life have been spent in that city.

Two years ago Mr. Cousins retired from the retail grocery business and

went into the real estate business. Their union has been blessed by two children, Avery B. and Miss L. Blanche Cousins.

**Tenth Anniversary.**  
The home of Chief of police Goodwin, Harvard road, was the center of a very charming social event on Tuesday evening, when the chief and his life partner were very agreeably surprised by a number of their Shirley friends, including the Congregational choir, together with relatives from nearby towns gathering at their home and reminding them that the tenth anniversary of their wedding day had arrived, and with the usual substantial tokens of tinware and gifts of flowers which added life's sweetest fragrance to this pretty event, whose memories grow fonder as the years roll by, extended hearty and sincere congratulations.

The host and hostess responded graciously to the many tokens of love and esteem so bountifully bestowed upon them and the evening was most delightfully spent in music, games and the serving of delicious refreshments. The evening proved to be a most delightful one, leaving in its wake memories that will not soon be forgotten.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Goodwin have resided in Shirley for the past six months, Mr. Goodwin coming here from Natick to assume the duties of chief of police. Mrs. Goodwin is a lady of many accomplishments, and has already delighted Shirley people by her splendid handling of the violin, which has attracted more than ordinary attention and is also generally considered a marked addition to Shirley's social set. Two little daughters, Mildred and Betty, are the remainder of the family and also the lights of the house.

**Lecture.**  
On Tuesday evening, October 24, at Odd Fellows' hall, A. T. Kempton will give his most popular lecture on Miles Standish with stereopticon views. Mr. Kempton's life-like and unique portrayal of this pretty picture story is interesting and decidedly fascinating. The stereopticon views comprise 150 beautifully colored pictures which are considered the best ever produced and has met the approval of the most critical audiences in the largest cities of the country, overflowing houses with continuous applause being the rule in the presenting of the new version of Miles Standish, and Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., under whose auspices Mr. Kempton appears, are to be congratulated in securing such an ideal and refined amusement for their first entertainment of the season, and without doubt should have the patronage of all our townspeople and give them the encouragement they justly deserve.

Old Shirley chapter started sometime ago to create a fund for a town flag pole of gigantic proportions which will be a lasting honor and ornament to the town of Shirley, besides stimulating a feeling of patriotism among our young people. Let each and all of our residents do their share and have a part in the unfurling of Old Glory skyward.

**Convention.**  
The missionary convention held at the Universalist church on Friday, October 13, was well attended. The meeting opened in the morning with singing of hymns, Miss Parker presiding at the piano. The exercises were conducted by Rev. E. B. Saunders of Fitchburg, president of the twelfth district conference. Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker read the scripture and offered prayer. Rev. Lucy Milton of Gardner gave reports of last meetings. Remarks were made by Rev. E. B. Saunders. Address was then given by Dr. Conklin. A business meeting was then held, followed by recess and box lunch in the vestry.

The afternoon session opened at two o'clock with the singing of hymns. Mrs. Wilkins of Salem, state president of the Woman's Missionary society, gave an interesting talk on her work. A solo was then rendered by Mrs. G. M. Ballou, the session closing with an address on missions by Dr. Conklin. The conference was a very interesting and profitable one.

**Pleasantly Surprised.**  
The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Albert Deardon on Harvard road was the scene of a very social event on Monday evening, when the members of the choir connected with the Congregational church, of which Mr. Deardon is a member, invaded his residence and with the assistance of the new piano recently installed in the house, the echoes of instrumental and vocal music pervaded the atmosphere of the occasion. Though a complete surprise to Mr. Deardon, he received his guests most cordially and was pleasantly reminded that the day was the thirty-fourth anniversary of his birth. In view of this fact his associate members of the choir presented him with a fine serviceable fountain pen.

Mr. Deardon, though somewhat embarrassed, in a few well-chosen words, thanked his guests for their substantial token of esteem and appreciation. The evening was spent in the singing of songs with games and instrumental music, and the serving of delicious refreshments. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Collyer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brockelman, Arthur H. Jubb, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. McCoy and the Misses Mary A. Park, Nina and Annie Holbrook and Mrs. Nellie W. Holbrook.

**HOLLIS, N. H.**

**News Items.**  
Rev. Mr. Noyes of Scituate, Mass., occupied the pulpit last Sunday forenoon and evening, in the absence of the pastor. Mr. Noyes is a very able preacher and held the close attention of the audience.

The piano which the Y. P. S. C. E. have worked so hard to raise funds for, arrived last week. It was first used at the Friday evening meeting on October 13. The piano is a handsome one and pronounced a fine one by competent judges. It is a Schubert and was procured at the Blake warehouse in Boston. The young people earned and solicited the amount in less than a year.

Miss Hattie Hayden served as the delegate for Hollis W. C. T. U. last

week at the state convention held in Claremont.

Miss Hazel Read is spending her vacation from her clerical duties at the Esterbrook, Anderson shoe factory in Nashua, at the paternal home.

Mrs. Sarah Tarbell and Miss Lucy Goodwin of Mason spent a few days last week with Mrs. E. Goodwin.

C. P. Brown left home last week and entered the hospital at Hanover where he underwent a serious operation, but very encouraging reports are received concerning his condition.

The W. C. T. U. met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Nellie L. Hardy. The unfinished business of the annual meeting was taken up, which was the election of officers. The ballot resulted as follows: Mrs. Lucy E. Brown, pres.; Mrs. Luella Read, vice pres.; Miss Hattie B. Hayden, cor. sec.; Mrs. Yerma M. Lovejoy, rec. sec.; Mrs. Emily K. Jewett, treas. A report of the state convention was given by Miss Hattie Hayden. The hostess served dainty refreshments at the close of the meeting.

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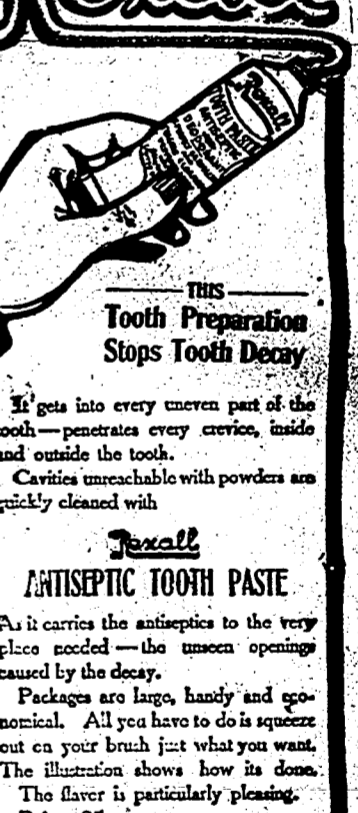
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## PEPPERELL.

### Items of News.

Mrs. Alice U. Spencer has returned to her home in Roxbury.

Mrs. Kate Dunlap, d. d. g. m. of E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge of Townsend and Miss Anna P. Sartell and Nellie M. Gutterson visited that lodge last week Friday evening and had a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. Nellie M. Gutterson has a telephone at her house, 21-11 will get her.

The next meeting of Acoma Rebekah lodge will be held on Tuesday evening, October 24. A reception will be given the past noble grands, which is in charge of the entertainment committee.

Pepperell Woman's club held a meeting on Tuesday afternoon, October 17. It was roll-call and vacation notes, and was in charge of Mrs. J. L. Boynton, and was particularly interesting to hear of the different places that the members had visited in the past summer. Mrs. Leon Richardson gave a very interesting talk on her trip in the early spring and Mrs. A. K. Merrill spoke also very interesting of her trip to Colon and Panama. All enjoyed the meeting very much and there was a large number of members present. Club tea was served.

The Pepperell Woman's club will give the drama, "For one night only," in Prescott hall on Monday evening, October 23. The cast: Prof. Martin Goldwinney.

Mrs. W. F. Bennett Charles Harkins, Mrs. A. P. Wright Jack Harkins, Mrs. M. L. Copp Spartan Spurgius Spottier.

Mrs. A. Woodward Mrs. Goldwinney, Mrs. H. N. Tower Mrs. Newman, her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Howe Paula, Mrs. F. H. Parker Rose, a maid servant, Mrs. W. J. House.

There will be a sale of home-made candy for the benefit of the civic committee at the entertainment. The sale of cake at Mrs. Brigham's cleared sixteen dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Annis returned on Wednesday after a four-weeks' visit with relatives in Norwich, Conn., and Providence. The aged couple—both over four score—are in the enjoyment of excellent health and it is hoped that they will have many years of happiness with us.

Americus Lawrence has the cellar foundation in and timbers for the first floor laid for a cottage house on High street. It is located in an excellent and very central part of East Pepperell. It is his intention, so it is said, that when the house is now building is completed, he will build another one on the same lot, and also another house in the rear of the two to be erected on that street. The last is for his occupation and the other two to rent.

Miss Emma Haynes, who went to a hospital in Boston for a surgical operation, is a very sick woman with little hope of her recovery.

Everett E. Tarbell, one of Pepperell's leading business men, was taken ill last week Thursday with an attack of erysipelas and for several days was a very sick man. His alarming symptoms took a turn on Thursday of this week for the better and unless something unseen should set in he will be about in a few days.

It is said that there is to be a republican political gathering near the East Pepperell railway station on Friday evening, October 27, and the speakers are to be Louis A. Frothingham, Joseph Walker and Elmer A. Stevens. It is expected that some of Pepperell's prominent men, politically, will also speak.

Miss Ednah Starr returned to Richfield Springs on Friday, October 20, accompanied by her uncle, James Starr.

Mrs. Susie Fuller Parker, formerly of Groton, who has been visiting her sister, Bessie Allen, of Elm street, started last Tuesday morning for her home in St. Louis.

Hallowe'en will be observed by the Oak Hill Improvement association in a wonderful way. When asked what they were going to do, the committee replied: "Buy a black cat and come and see the fun."

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman are to occupy the cottage house on Townsend street vacated by George Day.

Miss Iola Morse returned from Athol on Tuesday, October 17, where she had been on a visit with friends.

Prescott grange had a novel entertainment in the way of a grange birthday party and the articles were given to be used in the kitchen of the grange, or grange hall. Several dis-

towels, sugar bowls, vases, and a number of other things besides \$2.75 in money were contributed. A handsome grange cake was made by the lecturer, Miss S. E. Tucker, and it was cut so each had a piece. One of the charter members of the new Ayer grange was present.

Letters remaining uncalled for at the Post Office postoffice for the week ending October 16: Frank Burns, Patrick Downs, James Dean, Charles E. Gilpin, William Horan (heirs), George Lacey, Deagan Lynch, F. W. O'Connor, Humphrey T. Sullivan.

### Attended the Reception.

The following members of the Pepperell Woman's club attended the reception to the new officers of the Altrurian club of Shirley on Thursday, October 12: Mrs. E. L. Tarbell, Mrs. Drawbridge, Mrs. Nellie M. Gutterson, Mrs. Millie Richards, Mrs. D. E. Weston, Mrs. W. A. Kemp, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. C. H. Miller, Mrs. E. G. Chapman, Miss Mary Wood, Miss Clara Shattuck, Mrs. John Boynton, Mrs. H. P. Humes, Mrs. George Shattuck. The speaker was Mrs. Emmons Crocker of Fitchburg, vice president of the State Federation, who spoke very early and enthusiastically on "Conservation of our natural resources." It is the most urgent question before the country today. A dainty lunch was served.

### Sudden Death.

Eugene Nelson of Malden, who has a summer residence in Pepperell, died of heart disease last Monday at his home in Malden. Mr. Nelson was vice president of the Metropolitan Coal Co., and since he bought the Dane farm here two years ago he has made many friends among the people of this town. He was a native of Nantucket, where he was born fifty-four years ago. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Alice Bunting, of Brookline, and one son, Ernest E. Nelson, of Malden.

Mr. Nelson was sitting up in bed when the end came. He had talked and joked with his family during the early evening, when suddenly he became very white and passed away at once. Within a half hour of his death he was telephoning orders to his farm at Pepperell.

Mr. Nelson was a member of the Malden and Kenwood clubs of Malden, the Tedesco club of Swampscott, the Belmont Country club, and the Algonquin club of Boston. He was also a member of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. He was prominently identified with the Masons.

### Current Events.

Don't miss the harvest supper at Central hall on Thursday evening, October 26, to be served by the Ladies' Social Union of the Unitarian church. The supper will be followed by an entertainment and social.

The Village Aid society will meet at Mrs. J. R. Boynton's on Friday afternoon, October 27, at three o'clock.

There will be a cottage meeting at Mrs. David Robinson's on the Nashua road on Thursday evening, October 26.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a food and apron sale at the home of Mrs. H. L. Thurston, Main street, on Friday afternoon, October 27, at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartlett spent a few days in Gardner last week with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Blood, parents of Mrs. Bartlett.

William Bailey, who has recently carried on the blacksmithing business in Brookline, N. H., at Paddledock, has rented the shop of Edgar Chase on Main street, so long occupied by the late N. L. Pike.

Mrs. H. A. Pike is visiting in Dorchester, going on Wednesday of last week.

Fred Bennett started for Burnt Island, Me., on Tuesday last.

Mrs. Helen Page and Mr. and Mrs. Will Page of Roxbury were recent guests of Mrs. Edwin Glow (Angie Parker) at Burkinshaw village.

John Haley of Woolwich, Me., has bought the building on Main street, formerly owned and occupied by the late Charles Sylvester, and expects to open a fish market there in about two weeks.

Rev. James Sutherland of the Methodist church visited his son in Westboro on Thursday of this week, going from there on Friday to Boston to attend the inauguration of Dr. Lemuel H. Murlin as president of Boston university.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis are to move from the Capello house, so-called, on Tucker street, to the house owned by Martin Carboy on the same street.

## BROOKLINE, N. H.

### News Items.

Miss Alma Barnaby is at home from Hull for a short vacation.

The house owned by Mrs. Hattie Stiles is being repainted by Llewellyn S. Powers, assisted by George Standley.

Mrs. Robert Nicholson of Clinton has been the guest of Mrs. Mary Cox.

Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker are at Innercroft and are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Wallace of Nashua.

Lester Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hill, is seriously ill with typhoid fever. Dr. Charles Heald of Pepperell was in consultation with Dr. Holcombe on Sunday.

Mrs. Edward C. Tucker and Mrs. George L. Badger spent the week-end and Sunday at Blakesmere, Pepperell, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton.

Mrs. Alice Gilson Brown; also, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gilson and little son of Townsend were guests of Mrs. Clinton L. Gilson and son over Sunday.

A very enjoyable meeting of the Congregational Brotherhood was held at the vestry on Friday evening, October 13. About thirty were in attendance. The ladies, Boys' club and the young misses of Mrs. Parley Pierce's Sunday school class were the guests. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn S. Powers. Charles Stickney, president of the Brotherhood, spoke on the good of the order. Rev. Warren L. Noyes spoke on the relation of the Brotherhood to the Boys' club, and Dr. Holcombe on the relation of the Brotherhood to the ladies. A social hour was enjoyed and refreshments served.

George M. Rockwood is to occupy the Shedd cottage on Millford street.

Walter B. Fessenden and family have moved to the Stickney mill cottage.

Napoleon Bean and family have moved to the Thayer cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence are at Boston and vicinity.

Rally Sunday was observed at the Congregational church on Sunday. Rev. Warren L. Noyes preached an excellent sermon to the young people, taking for his text, "Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt find it in after many days." Miss Grace Whitcomb presided at the organ. Special music was rendered by the choir who were ably assisted by the Boys' club. Rally Sunday was observed at the Sunday school. Recitations were given by Frances Farnsworth and Nina Braley and little Miss Mary Dodge sweetly sang a song.

The entertainment at the local grange on Wednesday evening, October 25, will be in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell.

## TOWNSEND.

### Townsend Harbor.

Miss Mary Maxwell of Vermont, niece of Mrs. Cooper, is visiting at Chestnut Ridge.

Mrs. Taylor of Fitchburg and her little son William are visiting Mrs. Lorenzo Doran at Dinglewood.

Miss Carrie Hager of Boston spent Columbus day with her parents.

Mrs. Taft returned home last Monday from Framingham, where she has been visiting relatives and friends.

LeRoy LaFontaine has been enrolled as a student at a convent in Leominster.

Owing to the illness of his wife, Clarence LaFontaine is home for a few days.

The members of the As You Like It club, who attended the reception given by the Monday club in honor of Rev. Willmott of Salem, report an unusually pleasant evening.

Early this week, A. Gray returned from his vacation. As a trophy of his hunting expedition he brought with him a fine string of ducks.

Miss Mildred Morgan has recently been enrolled at the New England Conservatory, where she is giving special attention to voice culture and the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan were among those who attended the public installation and dinner of the Masons at Ayer on Monday afternoon.

### An Unexpected Visitor.

One day recently the peace and quiet at Walnut Grove was rudely broken by an unusual commotion in the woodshed that adjoins the house. Upon investigation it was found that a stray cow had mounted the steps and walked along a narrow alley where there was grain. As no man was present, and as the cow was in such close quarters she could not turn about. The lady of the house with much difficulty succeeded in locking the visitor in a small apartment and immediately telephoned for assistance. It was not until some time later, after the bovine had been removed, that quiet and order once more reigned.

## HARVARD.

### Still River.

Mrs. Annie M. L. Clark of Lancaster is spending the week with her sister, Katherine L. Lawrence.

Miss Mabel Cook of Mattapan is the guest of her cousin, Edna Flanders.

Mrs. Frank Sprague and Miss Mary E. Cummings visited friends in Boston the first of the week.

Last Saturday evening Mrs. Morse gave a party at the parsonage to the young people of the village.

## SHIRLEY.

### Altrurian.

The Altrurian club will hold their regular meeting at the club-room on Thursday afternoon, October 27, at three o'clock. The program for the afternoon is in charge of Mrs. Martha J. Conant, Mrs. M. Louise Butler, Mrs. C. H. Miner, Mrs. Carrie E. Tilden, Mrs. Julia F. Kilburn, Mrs. Woodward of Fitchburg has been invited to

be present and will talk on Irish plays.

The calendars for the coming year have been issued and the directors have made it a very attractive book. The arrangement of the program is quite original and commends itself to all members. They were presented to the club through the generosity of Mrs. Minnie L. Allen, chairman of directors.

## LITTLETON.

### Grange Meeting and Wedding.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange met for an all-day and evening session in the Littleton town hall on Wednesday, October 11. Members of the order were present from Pepperell, Groton, Fitchburg, Leominster, Townsend, Ayer, Lunenburg, Westford, Acton, Newburyport and Hollis and Nashua, N. H.

Reports and other details of business received attention in the morning. Then followed a discussion of the question, "Should mothers be pensioned?" Those who spoke on the subject were William Jubb of Shirley, Rev. H. E. Starr of Pepperell, Rev. H. A. Cornell of Groton and Rev. H. L. Packard of Littleton.

The program planned for the afternoon was very disappointing because four of the speakers scheduled were unavoidably detained. However, the matron in charge made the best of the situation and presented for general discussion the subject, "Has the grange become a woman's club?" A dozen members discussed the question briefly, and the general opinion was in favor of the negative. One debator declared that it was not likely to degenerate into a woman's club, while a more charitably inclined member was confident that the grange would still be in safe hands should such an evolution take place.

William Jubb of Shirley spoke on the amount of land needed to make a living. This, he believes, depends more on the man than anything else. Other factors that enter into consideration are the character of the soil, location, distance from markets, etc. One man can get a living from a few acres of sand, and another can hardly draw subsistence from many of the most fertile acres.

Readings of an entertaining character were given by Mrs. Kimball of Hollis, N. H., and Mrs. Alice Cummings of Shirley. A half hour devoted to a quiz brought out practical questions and discussions. The audience joined in singing several of the grange songs and Miss Bertha Farnsworth of Pepperell, adopted daughter of Mrs. L. E. Starr, the master, read an original poem entitled, "A dream," which happily related to the event of the evening, the most unique affair in the history of the Pomona grange, the solemnizing of the wedding contract of Edwin P. Harmon and Pansy B. Howe, also adopted children of the grange master.

Miss Howe is well-known in this locality as an amateur reader and actress, and enjoys an enviable popularity among her many friends. Mr. Harmon is foreman of an artesian well drilling company and is widely known in this and surrounding towns. Naturally the hall was early crowded with welcome friends from far and near. The only invitation sent was to Miss Ednah Starr of New York.

The grange stands for many basic principals and holds in high regard such institutions as the family. It was therefore peculiarly fitting that the marriage of these loyal grange members should be solemnized before the large assembly of fellow members of the grange, and by the state grange chaplain, Rev. A. H. Wheelock, of Haverhill.

The hall was brilliantly lighted and the decorations, consisting chiefly of autumn foliage, gave a pronounced and pleasing effect of cheer and festivity. The bride and groom, accompanied by their father, James Starr, came from their home in Pepperell by automobile.

At the appointed hour the Groton grange orchestra sounded the first notes of "The pansy march," composed by Henry Adams for the occasion, and dedicated to the bride. Misses Bertha Kemp and Hattie Woods of Groton, and Misses Minnie Green and Bertha Farnsworth of Pepperell ribboned off an aisle. Presently the groom, escorted by assistant steward, Henry Robbins, and the bride, accompanied by Mrs. Robbins, entered the rear doors of the auditorium and approached the altar.

As the bridal couple stood beneath the pretty floral bell and white ribbon streamers bearing their given names and the date, Mrs. Annie Greenleaf rendered the beautiful solo, "Promise me." Miss Howe wore a gown of white satin de chene. Her veil was caught up on the left side with orange blossoms, maiden-hair ferns, and her diamond engagement ring, and on the right by rose buds and a ring of her birthstone. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies-of-the-valley; also, a basket of bride's roses.

The double ring service was used and the ceremony was very impressive. When the benediction had been pronounced, the company rose and sang in unison, "Be faithful, oh patrons," the bride at the same time showering the guests nearest her with roses from her basket.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmon received many gifts, among them a good sum of money from the grange. After enjoying the congratulations of their friends, they left for their new home in Stow.

### News Items.

Lawyer RAYSON of Boston was an over Sunday guest at Frank Farmer's.

Miss Morse, teacher in Chelsea, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George H. Kimball.

Roy Houghton of Chicago spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Houghton.

Hartwell and Hosmer lost a faithful old horse last week Thursday. As Mr. Hosmer was following his usual route through town, the horse's strength gave out and he fell without a struggle, and soon breathed his last at the age of twenty-eight years.

Mrs. E. P. Wilcox was the guest of friends in Cambridge part of last week.

A. E. Hopkins has joined the automobile ranks and bought a handsome new Oakland which arrived on last Saturday night.

Mrs. Eliza J. Hartwell, Mrs. Hayward Hartwell and son Nathan from Somerville, visited a few days with Mrs. Clayton Hartwell, N. H. Whitcomb and other relatives, returning home on Sunday.

Mrs. John Lemley, who has been the guest of her brother, Austin Kimball, for two weeks, went to Gardner on Monday for a brief visit with her brother, Alonzo H. Kimball, and from there went to Boston, where she plans to make her headquarters this winter.

Brooks Cook, fruit specialist, has been packing and putting fruit into cold storage for Frank H. Farmer.

George A. Kimball of Arlington, with Mrs. Kimball and son Ernest and his wife, were in town Saturday looking up the graves of their ancestors.

Mrs. D. G. Houghton, with her daughter, Mrs. Carl A. Dodge and infant daughter, started for Mrs. Dodge's home in Gloucester City, N. J., on Friday.

A. T. Kimball, F. S. Kimball, C. E. Jackson and A. E. Robbins enjoyed an auto ride to South Lincoln on Monday, where they attended a large auction sale of fine cattle.

Monday, October 23, the Woman's club will meet at the Unitarian vestry at 2.30 o'clock. Miss Caroline Cook of Boston will speak on "The laws of Massachusetts as they affect women in general." Music will be furnished by Miss Olive Flagg and the club quartet.

Rev. Harrison L. Packard and Deacon Waldo E. Conant have been chosen delegates to the Congress of Congregational churches to be held in Worcester on October 25 and 26.

Burton S. Flagg of Andover spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Flagg.

Judge Elihu Loomis of Bedford is recovering from his recent operation for appendicitis.

His many friends here will be sorry to learn that Prof. L. L. Conant, head of the Worcester Polytechnic institute, while picking apples last week Thursday at his home, in reaching for one, fell about ten feet, landing in such a way that he fractured his left wrist.

Mrs. George Hutchinson, Jr., of Paterson, N. J., has been visiting her husband's parents in town. Her pleasures were interrupted by an attack of appendicitis that required immediate attention, and she was taken to the Lowell general hospital and underwent an operation. She is now convalescent.

A utility shower was given to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peck at their new home in Brookline last Saturday evening. Mrs. Peck's mother, Mrs. W. H. Tenney and her sister, Miss E. E. Tenney, were among those who gave the pleasant surprise.

The boys of the primary class in the Baptist Sunday school cleared seven dollars at their baked bean supper on Wednesday. Pretty good for so rainy an evening.

Rev. H. B. Drew of New Bedford visited the W. H. Browns and other friends in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge enjoyed a brief visit with her sister, Mrs. Bell of Hollis, N. H., this week.

Thirty-five members of the Littleton society attended the Unitarian conference at Westford Thursday. A fine program and a good time generally were reported. Rev. O. J. Fairfield led the devotional exercises.

### Pingreyville.

Miss Cora Brown and her brother Francis attended the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Whitcomb at West Acton, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Whitcomb is a cousin of their mother.

Winslow Wetherbee attended the conference in Leominster Wednesday.

Miss Laura Amsden has entertained as her guest this week, Miss Vera Griffiths of Danby, Vt.

Mrs. George Yeager and son of Lexington were week-end guests of her aunt, Mrs. Horace Amsden.

Benjamin Peabody has erected an immense eight section henhouse and will engage extensively in the poultry business.

Mrs. James Nixon, sr., and Mrs. Jas. Nixon, jr., visited in Lowell Wednesday.

John L. Pingry went last Saturday to Hancock, N. H., and from there to Hillsboro and Munsonville. This week he has helped Harry Wilson of Munsonville with the large drove of cattle that arrived at the Hager farm from up country Thursday afternoon.

Alden Marble of Ashburnham has been a guest at John Wright's this week.

Mrs. F. S. Pingrey picked a violet and found blueberry blossoms in the Pingrey pasture October 8.

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## Registration of Voters



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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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