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HARVARD.

News Items.

Herbert M. Dickson, who went from here two weeks ago for treatment at the Faulkner hospital, Jamaica Plain, underwent an operation on his leg on Monday last. It was found necessary to amputate just above the knee. Mr. Dickson is comfortable and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Prof. Leonard, who has taken the Ford agency here, is out with a smart looking car. This car is equipped with two sixteen-candle electric search lights operated from the battery in the car.

Mrs. Annie Roach of Waltham is visiting for a few days with her mother, Mrs. Annie Craggon, at Harvard depot.

It is expected that the double track will be completed on the Harvard division this week and that the first train will be run over on Sunday, November 12.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. West and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Fletcher at Groton.

Miss Mary Davis, who has been visiting relatives in Vermont, is now at her aunt's at Littleton, N. H. She expects to return home in a week or so.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Desmond were visited by a serenading party on last Saturday evening. There were young people from Harvard, Hudson, Clinton and Boston. The visitors carried with them as a present to the bride and bridegroom, a solid oak dining-room set. All enjoyed the evening very much. A string quartet furnished music. There were also several vocal selections. Mr. and Mrs. Desmond seemed pleased to receive the informal visitors and accorded each and all a hearty welcome.

Several of our local grangers visited Shirley grange on Tuesday night, the special event being the working on a class of five the third and fourth degrees. Supper was served by the home grange. Those who went up from here were Edward McLaughlin, A. T. West, William B. Willard and Miss Viola Parker. All had an excellent time.

The vote cast at Harvard for the state ticket was the largest for many years, 161 votes being cast. Following is the result:

Governor, Foss 53, Frothingham 104; Lieut. gov., Wash 54, Luce 98; sec., Donahue 44, Langtry 104; treasurer, Thorndike 41, Stevens 109; senator, Carmody 39, Dewey 102.

J. J. McRae has closed his farm house in old mill for the winter and moved his family to the city, where he is engaged in his trade as carpenter. We hope he will find it in his way to keep his residence among us, if only for the summer.

C. Leroy Lyon opens a studio for vocal culture this week at the home of A. T. West. For the present he will make a weekly visit here for Friday afternoons.

Miss Emily Whitney is visiting for a few weeks with relatives in Somerville.

Herbert L. Bosquet, who a few years ago was warden at the town farm here, has accepted a position as superintendent and general manager of a large private estate in Connecticut.

Mrs. Gertrude Turner of Ayer spent the day last Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Carmen.

Mrs. D. W. Ellis and her daughter, Miss Georgia Ellis, who have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Maynard for the past season, are at the Cheshire house, Keene, N. H., where they will spend a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Pollard, who since their marriage have made their home with A. A. Pollard, have opened a home of their own at Ayer in the house owned by Mr. Pollard. Mr. Pollard, who is a traveling salesman for the Parmenter & Poseley Company, and on the road about ten months in the year, finds Ayer a more convenient location for his home. Mr. and Mrs. Pollard will be truly missed from the town and church circles where they were engaged in active duties.

On Thursday afternoon and evening, the ladies of the Congregational church held their annual supper, fair and entertainment at the town hall. The supper, which by the way was No. 1, was in charge of N. A. Dill, with his corps of able assistants, and a supper worthy of the effort was spread. The sales from the various tables were also very gratifying, the ladies being very well pleased with the net proceeds. At eight o'clock, Rev. Ernest A. Thompson of Boston, gave a lecture on "The humorous side of a preacher's life."

The Harvard chemical company have their tickets out for their annual ball and concert on Thanksgiving night. If you desire to help your fire boys, and at the same time attend the best concert and ball to be given here this season, just mention the fact to any of the firemen.

Haynes-Piper Company, Ayer, will continue to take wagon apples until November 18, at twelve o'clock noon. See advertisement on first page.

Still River.

Last Sunday morning at the Baptist church, a letter of appreciation and thanks to Charles E. Sprague, for his recent gift to the church of nearly \$1200, was read and adopted, and it was voted to have this placed as a permanent fund, the income to be used for the expenses of the church. This was a timely gift and will greatly help in paying the pastor's salary, which was increased at the last annual meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, who have lived in A. W. Robinson's south tenement for the past two years, on Wednesday moved to Ayer. Mr. Smith is working for C. H. Hardy of Ayer, as a carpenter.

A. A. Hutcherson attended the corn show at Springfield on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Spencer came from New Britain, Conn., on Wednesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hutcherson.

Mrs. Haynes is making rapid recovery at the Worcester Memorial hospital, and it is hoped she will come home next week.

Mrs. Alfred McClintock has had a sister and niece from Fitchburg visiting her this week.

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TOWNSEND.

Center.

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The Monday club will meet this coming week at Mrs. Wilbur Bruce's, Mrs. Bruce and Mrs. Clara Farrar hostesses. Miss Ellen Haynes will read a paper.

Monday night will be competition night at the grange. The ladies and the gentlemen are each to give a separate entertainment of forty-five minutes each, and there will be judges to decide which is the best entertainment.

Mrs. Ella Pingry of Littleton was at W. L. Bruce's the past week.

A. W. Stickney has been quite ill with heart trouble at his home on Brookline street.

Miss Lolo Sherman of Ayer was a guest at Al Richard's last week, where she visited her former schoolmate, Mrs. Clara M. Farrar.

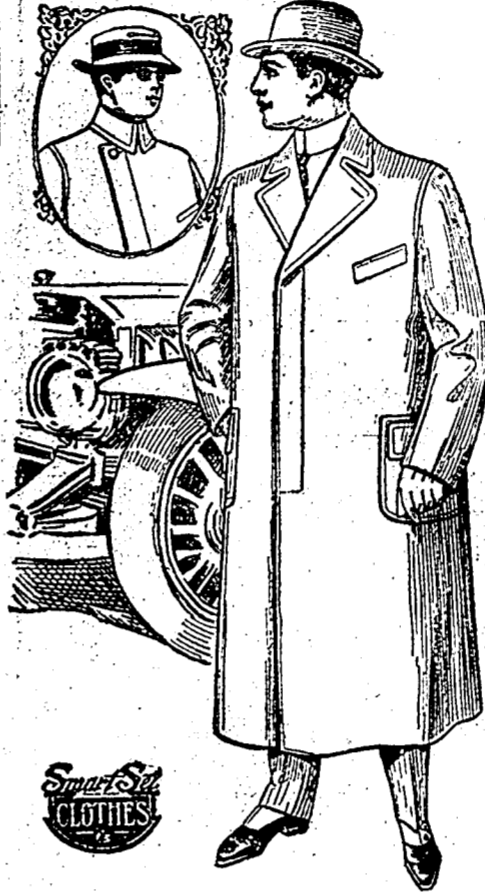
D. of V. Fair.

The fair, supper and entertainment given last week Friday night by the Phebe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., was well attended. There was a fine display of fancy articles, arrous, candy and a booth containing a cabbage patch where little cabbages could be pulled up with a prize attached to each one. There was also an ice cream table. A salad and bean supper was in charge of Mrs. Ellen Richards and assistants. The drama in the evening was well received by a large audience and went off without a hitch and the parts were all well learned.

Edwin Sanders in the title role of Captain Rackett kept things stirred up for the rest of the players. F. B. Higgins and Wilbur Scales added to the merriment by their ludicrous performances, but after many explanations to the ladies everything turned out all right.

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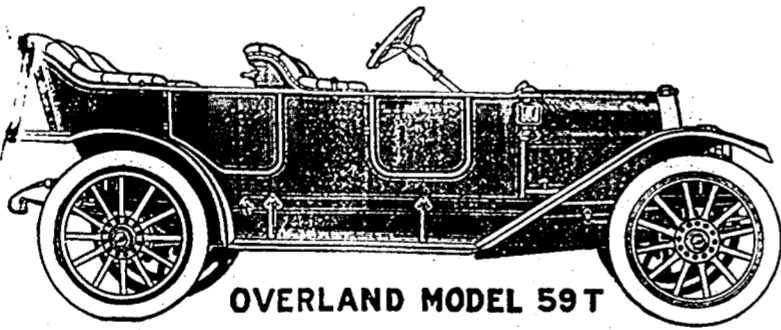
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WESTFORD.

Center.
Communications from the New York offices of the Hamburg-American line's cruise around the world state that they have received cable messages from the S. S. Cevaland from Madeira, Gibraltar and Villefranche telling of the arrival and departure from those places as per schedule. All well on board and the trip proving delightful. This will interest the many Westford friends of Mrs. M. Elizabeth Whitney and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, who are passengers on this cruise.

Mrs. Will R. Carver and baby daughter, who have been spending the summer and fall in Westford, returned to their home in Somerville the first of November.

Miss Miranda Luce's long time friend, Mrs. Stockdale of Mansfield, has been spending several days with her this week.

Mrs. A. S. Wright's niece and companion, Mrs. Etta Lewis, is absent at the home of her son, Harry Lewis, where she has welcomed another little grandchild.

Mrs. W. M. Wright has been entertaining her father, Cyrus Hosmer of Wakefield this week.

Miss Sarah W. Loker, after presiding at the Tadmuck club Tuesday afternoon, went the next morning for the remainder of the week to visit a friend in Keene, N. H.

Mrs. H. V. Hildreth's many friends are glad she is making a good convalescence from the operation on her throat that she underwent recently at the Lowell General hospital.

The electricians completed their work and the new electric lights were turned on for the first time Wednesday evening for lighting the streets. Those who had their houses wired have had them lighted for some time. The bright moonlight competed for honors somewhat Wednesday evening, but came dark nights with our tree-lined main streets this latest improvement will be thoroughly appreciated.

Workmen have been busy this past week getting Whitney park in order for the winter. Shrubs have been set to replace those that did not withstand the severe drouth earlier in the season and the remainder of the substantial cement and wooden seats have been permanently placed.

Friends of the Misses Atwood have received postals, etc., from them en route to the Pacific coast, telling of a pleasant trip thus far.

Owing to the fact that thirty-three Westford patrons attended neighbors' night by special invitation the previous evening and twelve others went to Littleton the same evening the attendance was somewhat small at the grange last Thursday evening. But those present had a pleasant time. Mrs. Josie A. Prescott had charge of the lecturer's hour and had special singing arranged and a Thanksgiving quotation contest, which was well carried out.

About a dozen members of Westford grange attended the meeting of North Middlesex Pomona grange at Brauc last week Friday.

The communion service was observed at the Congregational church Sunday morning at the close of the regular preaching service with a large percentage of the members present. Miss Grace Lambert has been presiding at the organ most acceptably in the absence of Miss May Atwood, the regular organist.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held their regular monthly meeting at their headquarters on Boston road Wednesday evening. The first supper of the season was served. J. Herbert Fletcher, Wm. E. Wright and Robert E. Prescott were appointed a committee of three to arrange for the annual fireman's ball. Wm. L. Woods, Wm. E. Wright and Robert Prescott were appointed as a committee to confer with the selectmen and board of fire engineers and to act with full power in relation to electric lighting of the hose house.

The genial junior partner at Wright & Fletcher's store has been enjoying a vacation from store duties and been absent from town the greater part of this week.

Club Meeting.

The fine weather Tuesday was an incentive to an excellent attendance at the Tadmuck club at Library hall. Charles O. Prescott had charge of the program and gave the first paper in the season's special topic for study of South America. The special subject for this meeting was the dramatic story of the "Conquest of Peru." The paper was carefully prepared and full of interest and instruction and promises well for the success of the perusal of the season's study. Mr. Prescott illustrated his talk with a large map of the country. Roll call was responded to with quotations, etc., suitable to autumn and was well sustained. The club's recent action to enlarge the membership from seventy-five to one hundred, has admitted the following new members: Mrs. David L. Greig, Mrs. W. M. Wright, Mrs. W. J. Merritt, Mrs. Deter Cogshall, Mrs. Ella Langley, Mrs. Arthur Wilson and Mrs. Edward Prescott.

An Interesting Address.

At the Congregational church Sunday evening Supt. of schools Frank H. Hill of Littleton was the special guest and speaker of the evening. Mr. Hill gave a most excellent address, particularly to the young people, but of interest to all who heard him. There was a large number present to hear Mr. Hill. Some points particularly well elucidated were the relation of scholars to their parents, that the

spiritual side of a child's nature should not be neglected, and that the best mental development could not be attained without attention to the physical, moral and ethical training. Also, the mutual relations of the school and home. The dominant impression conveyed by Mr. Hill in all that he said was a very genuine, intelligent and sympathetic interest in school children individually and collectively. Many took the opportunity to express their appreciation to Mr. Hill at the close of the meeting for his gracious service.

Mr. Osgood conducted the song service and there was special singing by Miss Althea Symmes.

About Town.

A small brook that is tossed about among the rocks on the northerly slopes of Francis hill, near the Fletcher farm at Brookside has been cleared of the gathered debris of years, enabling transportation by the way of water to Stony Brook and thence to the sea to be more modernly rapid. Part of the way this water way is the dividing line between the Fletcher farm and the home place of John O. Sunber. A new farmer's wire fence is being erected on the line, leaving the brook on the Fletcher farm. Augustus Fletcher Whidden is in charge of improvements. In addition a new telephone line will soon connect at Brookside.

The John Perkins family have got cosily settled in the John H. Decatur house on the Lowell road, having moved from the Bean cottage at Westford Center.

A carload of stone at the H. E. Fletcher stone quarry on Oak hill got started on down grade last week, running at a high rate of speed to Brookside, where the car jumped the track, making it necessary to unload the stone as the car did not jump right enough to unload.

The electric lighting apparatus at Brookside is all ready for unveiling.

Thomas Bartlett, one of the substantial of Brookside, has moved his personality to Vermont. All other valuable, including a wife and seven children still keep guard over the industrial life of Brookside.

C. R. P. Decatur is ill at his home on the Lowell road, being confined to the house. Heart trouble, and rheumatism of long standing are the chief contestants for control, and Dr. Wells is the referee.

J. Willard Fletcher is lowering his well on the Plain road near Westford station. J. H. Crockett of North Chelmsford is the detective who is in search of the missing water with steam drill accompaniment.

To the Editor:

And "We are theirs." So saith the election returns and the defeated candidate is not sitting among the mourners and several causes were contributory. A strong man and a good record on non-partisan lines. Carlisle sulked, Acton fell into a vinegar vat, and Westford whipped in on the Ellis milk bill and other bygone grievances and where the defeated candidate was not involved, a clear case of "If we can't get at the right party for redress, we will get at their pet candidate." Much obliged gentlemen, you have had the opportunity of "gnashing your teeth," without the compensation of having dealt any punishment whatever to the defeated candidate. Next time don't load up with "blank" ammunition for the real "kind to kill" has not made even a scar.

In contrast to the correct picture of the above towns was the increase of loyalty from last year, and unexpected in its fullness, in the towns of Ayer, Chelmsford and Littleton. Who clung to the rigging and encouragingly shouted "Go it, old boy and see if you can't land it." You have voted me into the thankful and appreciative realm and I ought to say a word more appreciative than bare "thanks," but until I can dig up some more expressive word it will have to stand at that.

The campaign at all times was on the ground floor and it had neither attic, cellar kitchen or private entrance and all visitors were carefully asked to brush their feet lest they track in "mud." The defeat carries with it the best: good will towards all who voted for him and to those who voted against him, and has no vials of wrath stored up for future use, but is one of the happy men in the eleventh district, both in the result in the district, and in that larger happiness in the inheritance of congenial home and rural life with its far reaching influence and rewards.

The vote in the district as reported in the papers is:

Ayer	Fisher	Taylor
232	139	231
232	196	196
59	35	35
349	249	249
88	87	87
220	159	159
1078	1065	

The following is the vote in the district last year:

Ayer	Fisher	Wilkins
105	165	228
219	165	165
345	258	258
103	71	71
24	81	81
249	129	129
1076	932	

S. L. TAYLOR.

Force Village.

Miss Rachael Cherry entertained about twenty-three young guests at her home on Hallowe'en. A most enjoyable evening was spent with the usual appropriate games. Many of the young people were dressed as ghosts. The merry party broke up at midnight, each receiving a souvenir of the occasion.

The electric lights which have recently been placed in position in the different streets were turned on for the first time on Wednesday evening and will certainly be appreciated, not only by the village people, but also by non-residents as well, who may have occasion to traverse the village.

Mr. Northern and Willis Holt of Lowell spent Wednesday fishing in Forge pond.

George H. Weaver, who has recently accepted the position of manager of Mr. Priest's large poultry farm at North Littleton, intends to move his family there shortly.

Miss Sadie Smith has recently joined the choral society of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bennett are rejoicing over the arrival of a little daughter at their home last week Thursday.

The Ladies' Sewing circle met at Recreation hall on Wednesday afternoon at the usual hour. A dainty collation was served after the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Naylor are occupying the cottage on Pine hill, formerly occupied by Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. John Jones of Worcester was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett on Saturday and Sunday.

The Misses Mary and Agnes Moran of Lowell visited at the home of Miss Nellie Brynes over Sunday.

Edmund J. Hunt and family recently moved into one of the new houses on Orchard street.

Loyal Self Help lodge, I. O. O. F. M. U. C. held their regular meeting in Abbot hall on Monday evening. A large attendance was present.

John Brown, who has recently been working in Ayer, has accepted a position in Manchester, N. H.

Gerald Daly has returned to Fitchburg, after his illness of the past couple of weeks.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the power to sell contained in a certain mortgage given by Floretta Vining to John W. Alden dated November 3rd, 1908; and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 3405, page 484, for the breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction on the premises on Tuesday, November 21st, 1911, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, all and singly the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, and hereinafter described as follows:

A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon situated in Groton, Massachusetts, and bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land containing about 59 acres bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at an elm tree on the road leading from Groton Meeting House to Harvard; thence running Westerly by land of Ass. Lawrence, Jr., and land of Amos Davis as the fence now stands and the ditch made thence Southerly by land of said Davis and land of Samuel Hopkins as the fence now stands; thence Easterly by land of Joseph Sawtell, Jr., as the fence now stands to said road; thence Northerly by said road to the bound first mentioned.

Also another parcel containing 3 acres 20 rods more or less and bounded: Beginning at a stake and stones in the wall on said road to Harvard on Gardner Dold's land; thence running 28 rods 7 links on said road to a stake and stones; thence Easterly by land of Moore 17 rods 20 links to a stake and stones; thence Southwesterly about 32 rods by said Moore's land to said Dold's land; thence Northwesterly by said Dold's land 16 rods 3 links to the bound first mentioned; the above described being the same premises conveyed to Sylvester Jacobs by deed of Abram Moore dated July 1st, 1812, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 204, Page 474.

Also, another parcel about one mile Southerly of the village of Groton Centre, containing 44 acres, 35 sq. rods, according to a survey by Josiah K. Bennett dated May 13, 1872, and bounded: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of said parcel at a post on the Easterly side of the road leading from said Groton Centre to Ayer and at land now or late of the heirs of Jerimiah Kilbourne and running thence Easterly by said last mentioned land about 53.2 rods to an apple tree at land now or late of William Peabody; thence Southerly by said land of Peabody about 12.24 rods to a white oak tree; thence Southerly, more Easterly by said land of Peabody about 24.44 rods to a point in the fence; thence Southerly more Easterly by said land of Peabody about 3.44 rods to a point in the fence; thence Southerly less Easterly than before by land of Peabody about 63.92 rods to a post at land now or late of Joseph Moors; thence Southwesterly by said land of Moors about 30.62 rods to a point in the fence; thence Southwesterly but less Westerly by said land of Moors about 8.84 rods to the road leading from the first mentioned road to the dwelling house of said Joseph Moors; thence Westerly by said last described road about 11.8 rods to a point near an elm tree; thence still Westerly by said last described road about 3.72 rods to a post at the Southwesterly corner of the orchard lot now or late of John G. Parks; thence Northerly in a straight line about 48.2 rods to a post at the Northeasterly corner of said Orchard lot; thence Westerly in a

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straight line about 16.8 rods to a post at the Northwesterly corner of said Orchard lot at land now or late of Charles Jacobs et al; thence Westerly by said last mentioned land about 19.08 rods to the first mentioned road; thence Northerly by said road about 49.84 rods to a point at land late of Penjamin Dix, near an elm tree; thence Easterly by said Dix land about 11.44 rods to a post at the Southeasterly corner thereof; thence Northerly by said Dix land to a post, being about 9.84 rods; thence in the same direction 4 rods by land late of said Dix which is to be kept open as a passage-way; thence Westerly by said land late of Dix which is to be kept open as a passage-way about 12 rods to the first named road, the last described line being parallel to the Northerly side of the Old Tannery building on said Dix land and four rods Northerly of the same; thence Northerly by the road first named about 8.4 rods to the point of beginning, being the same premises described in a deed from James Lawrence to Charles Jacobs et al dated January 14, 1884, and recorded with said Deeds, Book 1655, page 16, together with and subject to the rights, reservations and exceptions therein set forth or referred to.

Also, a certain other parcel of land containing 24 acres, 134 square rods more or less, on the Southerly side of the road leading from the house of John McGillison across the Worcester & Nashua Railroad to the Episcopal School and bounded: Beginning at the Northeasterly corner of the premises at a corner of land formerly of Alfred Pellard at said road; thence South 6 degrees East about 260 feet to a stake; thence South 1 degree East about 250 feet; thence South 22 1/2 degrees West 88 feet more or less to a stake; thence South 61 1/2 degrees East about 280 feet to a corner at land of the Worcester & Nashua Railroad Co., thence South 20 1/2 degrees West by land of said Railroad Co., about 780 feet to a corner; thence North 76 degrees West about 484 feet to a stake by land of Charles and Elizabeth Jacobs; thence North 26 degrees West about 256 feet; thence North 20 degrees West about 832 feet to said road; thence Easterly by said road about 992 feet to the point of beginning, being the same premises described in a deed from Abel L. Lawton to Jacobs et al dated June 2, 1886, recorded with said Deeds, Book 1750, Page 399.

Said grantor derives title under the will of Elizabeth Jacobs, late of said Groton. Excepting however, from the operation of this mortgage that portion of the foregoing premises conveyed by me to the Boston and Maine Railroad Company by deed dated February 10, 1908, recorded with said deeds, Books 3352, Page 64, viz:


A certain parcel of land in said Groton beginning at the location of the Boston & Maine Railroad at land of Groton School; thence running N. 75° 56' W. by said School land 20.23 feet to other land of Vining; thence turning and running S. 59 degrees 15' E. partly by said land of Gerrish and partly by land of said Railroad Co. 20.2 feet to said location; thence turning and running S. 22 degrees 45' W. by said location 1452.15 feet to the point of beginning, said parcel containing 29101.9 square feet of land.

The above premises will be sold subject to a prior mortgage of \$5000.00 and all unpaid interest, taxes and assessments. Terms \$500.00 at time and place of sale and balance within five (5) days.

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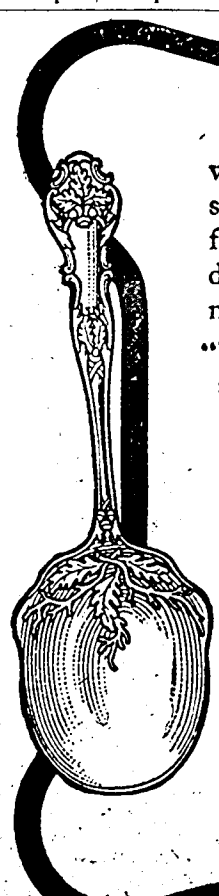
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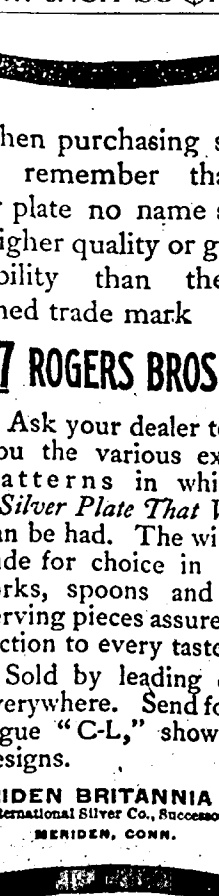
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News Item.

A solid mahogany card table has been given the Groton Historical Society by the heirs of the G. E. H. Abbot estate and is now at the historical rooms. This table is given as a memorial of Miss Lucy Abbot, who was custodian of the historical rooms for fourteen years. She was a sister of G. E. H. Abbot. There are nine heirs in all to the G. E. H. Abbot estate, seven on the Bancroft and two on the Abbot side.

The entire lot of silver sold at the Abbot auction, together with other pieces sold at private sale, brought \$1550.00. The contents of the house, including furniture, silver, china, books, pictures, etc., will, it is thought, amount to about \$5500.00. There will be another auction of the kitchenware, kerosene lamps, kitchen range, stoves, contents of barn, etc., at a date to be announced later.

William Boynton is assisting in the drug store of W. H. Bruce during the absence of his son, Harry L. Bruce, at Lakewood, N. J.

Miss Corinne Fallon commenced a course at Burdett Business college last week, and is boarding in the city.

Forrest Emerton Knights is the name of the little boy who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Knights of North Groton on Sunday, October 29. His little neighbor of North Groton, the little boy who came to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith, also on Sunday, October 29, has not yet been named.

The minutes of the late annual meeting of the Wachuset association held at Hudson on October 3, were prepared by the clerk, Rev. H. A. Cornell, of Groton, printed and distributed to the churches within two weeks of the association meeting, almost, if not quite a record, in prompt work. It is a very neat pamphlet of twenty-four pages octavo, including three pages of statistical tables.

At the regular meeting of the E. S. Clark W. R. C., Tuesday afternoon, four new candidates were favorably voted on for membership. They are Mrs. Mary Messinger, Mrs. Maria Fernald, Mrs. Samuel Blodgett, Mrs. Chester Blodgett, and will be initiated probably at the next meeting of the corps.

Rev. S. B. Nobbs, formerly pastor of the Baptist church here, is reported to have accepted a call to the pastorate of the Unitarian church in Rockland, after having acted as pulpit supply there for several months.

The Idaho was in her place and Groton was therefore represented in the great seven-mile naval demonstration recently held in New York harbor, when over one hundred war vessels were in the review line. It is said that this naval display was a sight that could be produced by no other country or any where else in this country. One who stood on shore writes: "At one glance I viewed twenty-four battleships aggregating in cost over \$100,000,000. The illuminations were simply beautiful and made the ships look like jeweled visitors from another world."

Under the will of Mrs. Rosanna D. Stevens, lately of this village, the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary society, with headquarters in Boston, will receive two hundred dollars, the income only to be used for children of missionaries.

The stone work on the Pleasant street bridge will be completed this week, if nothing unforeseen happens to prevent. It is hoped that the finishing of the bridge will soon follow. The closing of it for so long a time has been a great inconvenience to the public.

The shanty occupied by the Italians near the Pleasant street bridge was blown over and wrecked by the sale of Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Tuttle left home on Thursday afternoon for their annual winter stay in Florida. They went to Worcester, thence to New London, and there took a boat for New York, their itinerary being by rail all the way except from New London to New York. Mr. Tuttle bought land at San Mateo last year on which he will build a bungalow for their winter home.

Mrs. Juliet Stone has returned to her home at her daughter's, Mrs. Dudley Moors, in Charlestown.

Mrs. A. A. Wood is entertaining as guests this week, her mother, Mrs. Perry, her aunt, Mrs. Bastion, both of Clinton; also, her brother, Ralph Perry, of Newport, R. I.

The Groton grange food sale is to be held on Tuesday afternoon, November 14, in lower town hall, commencing at 2.30 o'clock. Mrs. Jane Clark is chairman of the committee, and also is on the cake table. There will be other tables with the usual variety of food offered at such sales. A number of young ladies will preside at the candy table. Speaking of good cooks! Why, let the public just try the grange ladies' cooking and see for themselves how finely they acquire themselves in that line, and how well they will serve you. They are not going to be high in their prices either.

The remains of Marshall Skilton, a brother of Mrs. E. F. Harrington of West Groton, were brought on Wednesday from Chelsea to Groton cemetery for burial in the Skilton lot. The deceased was forty-two years old.

Mrs. Martha Wright, who at one time lived with her husband the late Henry Wright, in the easterly part of Groton, recently visited her cousin, Mrs. Maria C. Sawyer, on Chamney street. The former schoolmates of their son, Herman Wright, will be interested to learn that he has a fine position as teacher in New York city, is married, and has a pleasant home in Long Island. Miss Leola Wright, their daughter, is a successful teacher at Northampton.

Attention has been called to a row, or rumpus, on Station avenue on Wednesday forenoon. The affair, as it has been described, is so very disagree-

able that little mention of it is preferable. Suffice it to say that Chief Riley was called as the quarrel grew acute and it is expected that it not already settled amicably, that it will be soon, for the sake of the participants and everybody else. Life is too short and uncertain to keep up a quarrel or cherish a feud.

Views of Ireland will be on exhibition at the public library until November 27.

Herbert Boquet, at one time employed at the Groton town farm, has accepted a good position in Connecticut, where he is superintendent of a large estate. He commenced his duties on November 1.

Claypit hill, near the residence of Harry E. Nutting, is being dug down about a foot, the dirt being carted off for use on the road not far from Thomas Gilson's.

When the late B. F. Parker, "the molasses king," and veteran of the old Massachusetts 26th regiment, was here in the summer of 1910, he noticed the row of beautiful maples along the roadside on North Main street and remarked that he set or helped set them out. He probably worked at that time for Dea. Livermore or Mr. Gilson, of that street, which would make the trees somewhere between fifty and sixty years old. Trees have often quite a history if we could only find it out.

Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck went on Tuesday morning for a two-days' visit to her sister, Mrs. Rand, of Roxbury. Cardinal O'Connell's pastoral letter was read at the catholic church here last Sunday, as in other churches of the diocese.

Dr. Samuel A. Green is inclined, as a historian, to question the statement made that Archbishop W. H. O'Connell is the first New England cardinal. Dr. Green recalls that Bishop Cheverus, the pioneer catholic prelate in Boston, was also elevated to the college of cardinals. He received the red hat in France in his last days, but it was chiefly won by his labors in the diocese of Boston.

Rev. John Doane, Wells' died in Cambridge on November 6. He was the eldest child of the late Rev. George W. Wells, who was settled over the Unitarian society at Groton more than seventy years ago. Many of the older citizens of this town will remember the minister and his interesting family. The son always spoke of the town with affection and respect.

Miss Irene Bixby of West Groton, coming on Saturday, was an over Sunday guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Mason.

The food sale held by Middlesex Rebekah lodge in the lower town hall on the afternoon of November 3, realized something over forty-one dollars. The ladies in charge of the different tables were Mrs. W. H. Fernald, Mrs. W. A. Gobie, Mrs. H. W. Whittey, Mrs. W. H. Whitehill, Mrs. E. C. Leonard, Mrs. B. A. Miller.

Mrs. Henry Fitzgerald and Miss Kathleen Dunphy, going last Saturday, visited at A. J. Musgrave's in Cambridge over Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. P. J. Benedict, Mrs. G. L. Boynton, Mrs. E. O. Collier, Mrs. S. R. Dodge, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Miss Gibson and Mrs. S. Whitney of the E. S. Clark W. R. C., were the ladies who attended the Edwin V. Sumner Corps in Fitchburg last week Thursday. They enjoyed the work at the inspection very much, but were obliged to leave before all the exercises of the afternoon were completed.

Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody of Groton School was one of the officiating clergymen at the marriage of Miss Harriette Appleton Woods and Norman Romney Sturgis at St. Paul's church, Tremont street, Boston, at four o'clock on Monday afternoon. The bridegroom is from Colorado Springs, and is a senior at Harvard.

Miss Ada Bradley, who was at home for a day's visit last week, is at the Massachusetts General hospital, continuing her work in training as a nurse. Miss Bradley completed the course she took at Simmons college last June.

Miss Mary L. Hutchins has been sick in bed for the past week.

Harry L. Bruce is visiting relatives in New Jersey.

Michaelangelo Buanarato, an Italian, with a fractured skull, was brought to the Groton hospital from Ayer on Tuesday evening. He died during the night.

Sunday, November 12, will be observed as Temperance Sunday at the Congregational Sunday school. Special exercises will be given by the intermediate and primary departments of the Sunday school during the usual hour. A large attendance is desired.

The Groton Improvement society will meet on Monday, November 13, at 3.30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Needham.

Wednesday afternoon, a deer went along between R. M. Erving's house and shop on Chamney street, crossed the road, went past Miss Webster's and Mr. Blood's, and so off out of sight of those who were watching him go apparently fearless and knowing the way.

The W. R. C., having had some additional money come in since the report of their sale in the lower town hall on October 20, makes the total realized \$47.63.

Mrs. Margaret T. Cleary was home for Saturday and Sunday from Gilbertville, where she teaches.

Miss Mary E. Parmenter was with her class in the Baptist Sunday school last Sunday once more after an absence of several months from illness.

Mrs. E. H. Harriman, widow of the late railroad multi-millionaire, arrived at the Groton Inn on Thursday to stay over Sunday.

Haynes-Piper Company, Ayer, will continue to take wagon orders until November 15, at twelve o'clock noon. See advertisement on first page.

Pomona Grange Meeting.

The Middlesex Worcester Pomona grange held an all-day and evening session at Groton. The morning was taken up with a discussion on "Should farmers invest money in commercial stock or improve their land?" Past Master Johnson of Wachuset grange opened the subject, followed by Henry Hill of Fitchburg, Robbins of Ayer, Sawyer of Groton, and Gifford of Sut-

ton. "The why of divorce," was discussed by Mrs. Harmon of Stow, Rev. H. A. Cornell and Mrs. L. E. Starr. Mrs. Georgiana Kimball was called upon to give an account of the Littleton trip.

After dinner the lecturer introduced Earl H. Farnsworth, who gave a very interesting talk and demonstration of the advanced methods of testing milk. Mr. Farnsworth, who was until recently the butter maker at the Bird farms in Norwood, and assistant steward of Norwood grange, used a Babcock tester, which was loaned by the Vermont Machine Company for the occasion. The milk tested was from the dairy of Past Master George Smith, and showed a variation of over twenty-five percent in butter contents of the several cans tested. As this was the first time any of the large audience had seen a test of this kind, it excited a good deal of interest among the dairymen, many of whom were present.

The Groton string orchestra favored the audience with music during the test.

William Atkinson of Pepperell gave a clear talk on the most economic way of putting nitrogen into the land, and the value of growing red clover, and he was very instructive. From the stage the grange noetess, Mrs. E. A. Barrows, read an original poem on "The house beyond." Mrs. Hannah Whitehill gave a valuable paper on "Repairs," followed by a song by Miss Dora Bailey and a reading by Mrs. Kimball. John E. Gifford of Sutton, lectured on "From Vermont to North Carolina in a freight car," who took a carload of prize winning Devon cattle in condition and the incidents of the trip. Miss Annie Riley's, "The best way or the Golden Rule versus the rule of gold," was a masterly paper. More music closed the afternoon work of Wednesday.

The evening began with the new floor work "The crowning of Pomona," a fitting prelude to the Pomona degree, and the work was done by young ladies under the leadership of Mrs. Minnie E. Green of Prescott grange, and Miss Bertha M. Farnsworth of Groton grange. The new grange music for marching, known as the "Pansy march," was used and the garlands for the selection of Pomona were beautiful. Forty-nine new members took the fifth degree and Miss Susie Andrews of Prescott grange entertained all with a reading and encore, followed by a well enacted monologue by Miss Bertha M. Farnsworth of Pepperell. About 150 were present in the evening.

Wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kimball in Pepperell on Wednesday afternoon, November 8, at two o'clock, when their daughter, Elsie Diamond, was given in marriage by her father, to Walter Henry Dodge of Groton, Rev. Mr. Rice of Boylston officiating. The bride was very daintily attired in white messaline and wore a veil caught up with orange blossoms, and carried bride roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Loraine E. Baldwin, of Nashua, N. H., was attired in white crepe de chene, and carried pink carnations. The maid of honor, Miss Bernice K. Sanders, of Nashua, was attired in pale pink chine silk, and carried pink carnations. Amos Mahony of Pepperell was best man, Nettie Kimball, Amelia Mahony, Maudena Graham and Madeline Murray were ribbon girls.

The house was prettily decorated in pink and white, and the ceremony was performed under a large green bower. There were about seventy guests present, and the bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful gifts.

A very unusual and interesting feature was the ring. It was the wedding ring of Mr. Dodge's grandmother and mother, and is now the bride of the new Mrs. Dodge. The bride's presents to the bridesmaid and maid of honor were two tiny gold monogram pins. The groom's present to the best man was a monogram stick-pin.

After a short wedding trip taken in their automobile, Mr. and Mrs. Dodge will be at home to their friends after December 15, at their new home in Chicopee row, Groton.

Accident.

R. E. Learned, a Boston lawyer, while viewing the Pleasant street bridge, in company with Lawyer Maloney of Ayer, last Saturday forenoon, came near having a fatal accident. He was standing on an abutment, and upon stepping down to a lower position he trod on a pebble which rolled under his foot throwing him down twenty feet to the roadbed below. He fell limp and on his side which was in his favor. As he found himself falling he resisted the impulse to seize Maloney's thought like a flash coming to him that it would mean two to fall instead of one. His head lay close to the rails and help rushed to get him out of the way of a train soon due. He was assisted by two or three men to walk to an auto nearby, and taken to the Groton hospital. Dr. Kilbourn not being in, he was taken to Frank Lawrence Blood's residence on Main street, where he has been attended by Dr. Kilbourn and is now resting comfortably.

Mr. Learned has a law office in the same place as F. L. Blood's in Boston, but is not his law partner as has been said.

Election.

Town meeting was held here in the town hall on Tuesday, November 7, as appointed, the polls opening at 7.30 a. m. The voting for state officers continued until into the afternoon, about four o'clock, when the polls were closed. The articles in the town warrant relating to town affairs were voted on at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Henry W. Whiting was chosen moderator.

Article 2. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to petition the fish and game commission to restock Baddock pond, so the pond may be closed for ice fishing, was decided by votes in the negative.

Art. 3. To see if the town will accept gift of \$200 from Mrs. Gilman Blood for use in old cemetery was voted for in the affirmative.

The Groton vote for state officers was as follows:

Governor, Frothingham 177, Foss 106; Lieut. gov., Luce 134, Walsh 99;

Sec., Langtry 188, Donahue 79; Treas., Stevens 186, Thorndike 80; Auditor, White 180, Breoker 84; Attorney-gen., Swift 184, Anderson 79; Rep., Wright 148, Reed 107; Senator, Barlow 175, Draper 86; County com., Gould 151, Bartlett 82; Justice of courts, Dillingham 138, Kearns 82; Register of deeds, Childs 195, Shea 70.

St. Marks the Winner.

The annual football game between St. Marks and Groton School, played on St. Marks' grounds at Southboro on Wednesday, resulted in a victory for St. Marks by a score of 5 to 0. This victory on the gridiron between these two schools is said to be St. Marks' second in twelve years. Groton won last year, but this year the team is said to be not up to its usual standard. Several boys had met with injuries in practice games. Cant. Bidle of Groton was forced to leave the game on Wednesday on account of injury to a knee hurt in a previous game. Wilcox of Groton was also used up and out of the game. The stars for St. Marks were McKinlock, Wayne, Taylor, Graham, Harriman and Landon, while for Groton, Duncan, Duryea Amory and Low are mentioned.

Lecture Course.

The first lecture of the Luther Blood free course will be given in the town hall on the evening of Friday, November 17. The lecturer is D. B. MacMillan, who will tell of experiences beyond the Arctic circle, when he was with Lieut. Peary in his dash for the north pole. Following is the list of the course:

November 17—Illustrated lecture by Donald B. MacMillan, whose subject is "Beyond the Arctic circle." Mr. MacMillan accompanied Peary on his dash for the pole.

December 9—Sidney Landon, character artist.

January 20—Musical, the Weber Singers quartet.

February 9—Lecture by Byron Pratt, subject, "The man against the man."

West Groton.

Mrs. G. S. Webber, with her son Edward, spent the week-end with her parents in Groton.

Mrs. Lewis Tatman visited friends in Groton several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Flewelling were in town over Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Thompson.

Burton Flewelling of Clifton, N. B., has obtained employment in the leatherboard mill for a time. He is boarding with his cousin, Talmage Kierstead.

Severe colds and croup have afflicted several children this week. Two victims who were quite ill were Myra Thompson and Edward Webber, now convalescent.

Provost Thompson, who was quite ill last week, is again attending to his school duties.

Irving Moore has so far recovered from the severe shock he experienced some weeks ago, that he is able to talk quite well and to walk from one room to another. Through the efforts of George Wolaver, foreman of the department in which Mr. Moore was employed, one hundred dollars has been raised for his assistance.

Mrs. Emma Hill has returned from her stay in Fitchburg, and is to remain for an indefinite time with her son, Chester Hill.

Mrs. Patrick Healey is visiting out-of-town friends.

Miss Kathleen McGowan, going on Tuesday, is spending the week in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. M. F. McGowan expect to join her on Sunday, going by automobile with Lawrence Strand as chauffeur. Miss McGowan will accompany her parents on their return trip.

Mrs. Francis Hayes, who has been ill for a number of weeks, is convalescent and able to ride out.

Mrs. J. T. Shepley spent a day this week with friends in Gardner.

The Ladies' Aid society will hold its next meeting on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. L. Harrington. At the last meeting, the entertainment, in charge of Mrs. J. T. Trowbridge, consisted of songs by Miss Susie Hill and readings by Mrs. Mabel Wiggin and Mrs. C. T. Spaulding.

The no Sunday work regulation went into effect this week at the Hollingsworth & Vose mills.

Mrs. C. R. Dudley recently visited out-of-town friends.

Going on Saturday, Mrs. E. P. Shores will spend Sunday with relatives in Lynn.

Mrs. F. E. Harrington was called away on Monday by the very sudden death of her brother, Marshall Skilton, of Chelsea. The body was brought to Groton on Wednesday for interment.

Several West Groton people attended the meeting of the Pomona grange at Groton on Wednesday. Those taking the degree were Mrs. J. L. Nutting, Mrs. Isabel Wiggin and Mrs. C. T. Spaulding. Fifty candidates were initiated.

Mrs. A. W. Lamb spent Wednesday in Boston.

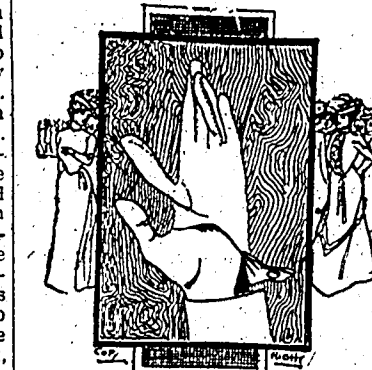
A card received recently from Henry Kittredge locates him in Weed, Cal. He wrote that though enjoying that location he intended going farther south.

The second of the series of entertainments and dances to be given by Squannacook lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., will be held in Squannacook hall on Friday evening, November 17. Music, Thayer's orchestra. Entertainer, C. Everett Wallace of the Eastern Yecum bureau, Boston. Mr. Wallace is highly recommended as an exceedingly clever and versatile impersonator, whose monologues, character sketches, comic stories, songs, ventriloquism and banjo playing prove vastly entertaining. The entertainment will be followed by dancing. Ice cream and cake will be on sale in the lower hall. No pains will be spared to make the evening enjoyable.

E. R. Newell, contractor for the work of the West Groton water supply, was taken ill on Thursday and becoming rapidly worse was removed by Dr. Kilbourn to Groton hospital, where it is understood, an operation for appendicitis was immediately performed. Further particulars have not been learned.

Warren Seems has been obliged, owing to ill health, to leave the paper-mill and expects to move to Leomin-

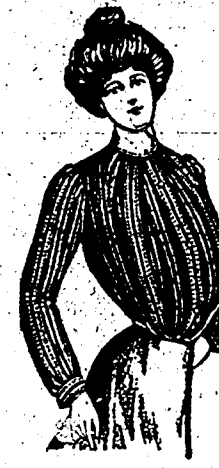
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ster on Saturday. He, with his wife and children, has been staying for some days with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Blood. Mr. Seem's illness is caused by a throat trouble, aggravated by the dust of the mill.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary.
Residents of West Groton, who remember Miss Carrie Tarbell in her girlhood, and Frank Humiston, as a student at Lawrence academy, and a resident of North Shirley, will, we feel sure, be interested to learn of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Humiston in East Jaffrey, N. H., on Friday of last week.

This first quarter century of their married life has been passed wholly in Jaffrey and on this anniversary day the people whom the doctor has so long served with skill and sympathy and untrifling devotion, met, five hundred strong, to honor him to whom honor was justly due. Not only as a physician, but as a man and citizen.

The reception, which came as a partial surprise to Dr. and Mrs. Humiston, was held in Union hall, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion with small evergreen trees, ferns and elder berries. The master of ceremonies was Rev. Mr. Howie, pastor of the church of which the doctor and his wife are members. The musical program was furnished by an orchestra, a Scotch soloist and a male quartet. Speeches were made by Al-

bert Aunette for the town; Rev. Mr. Howie for the Congregational church; Fr. Bernardine for the Catholic population and others.
All the speakers paid earnest heartfelt tribute to the sympathetic, unselfish lives of the couple whom they felt it a privilege to honor. Large bouquets of carnations and chrysanthemums were presented to Mrs. Humiston, while the doctor was the recipient of the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars, bestowed in token of the gratitude, esteem and love of the givers.
In addition to the townspeople, there were present friends from Rindge, Keene, Leominster and Boston and congratulatory letters and telegrams were received from many unable to be present. Miss Alice Humiston, the eldest daughter, librarian at Dartmouth college, came home for the occasion; also, Frank, the elder son, from his school in Brookline. The youngest children, John and Frieda, were also present. The Misses Ruth and Helen, students at Bates college, were unable to join the family group. Miss Kate Tarbell, sister of Mrs. Humiston, was present from West Groton.

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AYER.

News Items.

The Unitarian Social Gathering will hold a business meeting on Tuesday afternoon, November 14, at four o'clock in the vestry of the church. Supper will be served at six o'clock.

The next meeting of Ayer Grange will be held in Grand Army hall on Thursday evening, November 16.

The friends of Samuel L. Taylor of Westford, who was apparently defeated by a majority of thirteen votes by Representative Edward Fisher of the same town, at the election last Tuesday, have asked for a recount of the votes throughout the district.

The Ayer high school football team was defeated by the Shirley Industrial school eleven in that town last Saturday by a score of 10 to 0. The Ayer boys played a pluck game, but were out-classed by their opponents, who were much the heavier team.

The meeting of the Y. P. R. U. last Sunday evening was led by Miss Mona Steadman. The music was a piano duet by Miss Etta Green and Miss Steadman, and hymns by the audience. Mrs. Ruth C. Sherwin accompanied. The address was a paper on Mrs. Mary A. Livermore by Mrs. E. B. Butterfield. The meetings this year have been of unusual interest, and there are more good ones to come. The meeting on Sunday evening will be addressed by the secretary of the Anti-Saloon league, and promises to be of special interest.

Owing to the accident to a freight train above West Fitchburg, blocking the track early Wednesday morning, the trains to and from Ayer were sent around the track from Gardner to Worcester and back onto the Fitchburg division again by way of Ayer, which caused a delay of several hours to all the trains until the tracks were cleared.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bradley of Littleton leave for Wamecet, their future home on Monday, November 13, and their many friends here and in Littleton are arranging to give them a grand send-off of a well-fare or fare-well party on Saturday evening, November 11. Those from here to be present on this occasion are Elizabeth McCarran, Charles McCarran, Rose Wheeler, Frank Wheeler, John Fredericks, Margaret Brady, John A. McDonald and brother, Stella and Lottie Fulton.

Kendall V. Pierce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Pierce, celebrated his thirteenth birthday on Friday evening, November 3, and there were seven of his playmates present to assist him in observing it—Allen MacDonnell, Harold Pillman, Earl Pillman, William Drew, Ralph Brown, Harold Cushing, Llewellyn Savage. The evening was spent in the playing of games and light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Canning, who has successfully carried on the restaurant in Day's building on Merchants' row for about three years, has rented the Taylor house and expects to occupy it a week from this Saturday. Her husband, Leonard Canning, who is a car inspector at the railway station, will give up his position with the Boston and Maine and with his wife will manage the Taylor house.

There was a large number out at the dancing party of the Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., on Thursday evening in Page hall, with music by Johnson's orchestra of Leonminster. All had a very enjoyable time and the music was excellent.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Andrew's church have secured rooms in Dickinson's building on Washington street and are fitting them up to hold their meetings there.

Through the courtesy of the Woman's Education association, an exhibition of pictures of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado may be seen during the month of November in the Ayer public library.

Owen Keegan, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Keegan, returned home on Saturday, November 4, after undergoing a successful operation for appendicitis and rupture at the Clinton hospital, and will return to high school in a few weeks.

Miss Amy Lougee, daughter of Walter S. Lougee, started on Wednesday morning doing office work at the suspender factory of the C. A. Edgarton Company of Shirley, for a month or more.

The deed in which the Nashua, Worcester and Rochester railroad was conveyed to the Boston and Maine railroad was received for registration at the office of the register of deeds at Nashua on Wednesday. It had been previously recorded at Cambridge, following the vote of the shareholders to sell to the Boston and Maine.

The Woman's Alliance connected with the Unitarian church will hold a sock social and entertainment in the church vestry on Thursday evening, November 23. A more extended notice later.

Postmaster Robinson has received a circular from the postmaster general giving information concerning the postal savings bonds to be issued on January 1, 1912. Depositors of the postal savings bank may exchange the whole or a part of their deposits on the first of January for these bonds. Applications for the conversion of deposits into bonds must be received before December 15, by the postmaster at the depository office. Further information may be obtained by calling on Mr. Robinson.

A regular communication of Caleb Butler lodge will be held on Monday evening. No work.

An automobile containing the body of a dead bear which had been shot by the owner of the machine, was held up by a freight train at the Worcester and Nashua crossing on Main street on Tuesday forenoon. During the wait the curiosity was viewed by many people.

The Civic gymnasium opened for the winter season on last Monday evening. The classes were in charge of Mr. Forbes of Fitchburg, the physical instructor. A large class of benefactors made its appearance which was very encouraging to the management. There is still room for more, how-

ever, and those who desire to join are welcome to do so. The junior class is not so large, but it is thought that its membership will be materially increased in the near future.

Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will give a military whist party at 'Page hall' on Thursday evening, November 16. Those desiring to participate should secure their tickets early, as the schedule closes on Tuesday, November 14.

Robert Fulton and Lorne Fulton, sons of James Fulton who came here from Littleton soon after the destruction by fire of the Avery Laetart buildings, have gone to work for the same company now located at Wamecet. Robert, who worked in the transfer yard here, gave up his position last Saturday and left on Wednesday, and his brother Lorne left for Wamecet on last Monday.

Senator Bennett desires us to thank the people of Ayer for his gratifying vote in this town on Tuesday last. That he should have carried the town at all he regards as evidence that his friends here are numerous, and he is anxious to have them know how extremely grateful he is.

The Hon. Levi S. Gould, chairman of the county commissioners, says: "I am re-elected by a vote of 10,500 majority. A splendid victory. I return thanks to the voters for their renewed confidence."

John A. MacDonald, blacksmith at the carriage factory of Frederick Whitney, has at his home in a large frame, twenty different kinds of horse shoes, that he took first prize at the Dominion exhibition at Halifax in 1906, and at the Dominion exhibition at Charlottetown, P. E. I., first prize diploma. They are a curiosity and well worth seeing. Mr. MacDonald is one of the most skillful blacksmiths in the state.

The twins, a boy and a girl, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Morrison of Lacomia, N. H., were here with their parents for a week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Phelps of Pleasant street, returning to their home on Thursday of this week. The twins are about a year old and are as handsome as a picture. Their grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Morrison, former residents here, and well may they be proud of them.

At the moving picture show this week there will be three features: "In the days of '49," "The prodigal," "Saved by the pony express." Songs by a Boston singer. On Wednesday evening, November 22, a special show will be given by the management, having obtained the pictures of the World's Series for 1911.

About ten of Capt. Geo. V. Barrett camp, S. of V., accompanied Edward E. Sawyer, who was inspection officer, to Leonminster on Thursday night to inspect E. A. Bennett camp, S. of V. The Ayer camp is to be inspected on Thursday evening, November 23, by Past Commander Smith of Leonminster.

Last Saturday, Howard Downing, son of Arthur G. Downing, while chopping wood, caught the axe in the clothesline and on bounding back struck him on the forehead, cutting quite a gash, the severe wound bleeding freely. The blow almost knocked him senseless. Dr. Bulkeley was called and dressed the wound. It was several days before he was able to return to his work at the engine house in the upper yard. It was a very narrow escape from instant death.

Walteron's glass blowers will give an exhibition of their glass work at eight p. m., December 5 and 6; also, a matinee for school children on December 6, at four p. m.

St. Andrew's Guild will hold a food sale at the lower town hall on Saturday afternoon.

Services at St. Andrew's church: 10:45 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; Sunday school at twelve.

St. Andrew's Junior Auxiliary meets next Monday with Mrs. G. A. Sanders.

Fire.

The barn in the rear of the residence of T. Frank Mullin was destroyed by fire between three and four o'clock on Sunday morning, and the rear part of his residence, which is about thirty feet from the barn, was considerably scorched and there was only a stream from a garden hose and the passing of water in buckets by neighbors from an upper window to keep it under control until the arrival of the fire department, and with their help the house was saved.

The barn, which was built about three years ago, and the contents was a total loss, with but \$600 insurance on the barn, and none on the contents. The barn was well constructed and nicely finished inside.

The most lamentable part of the disaster was the loss of his valuable horse, which he attempted to save as soon as he discovered the barn was on fire, but failed in the attempt. Besides the horse there was a large lot of personal property in the barn—two tons of hay, grain, harnesses, an old-fashioned sleigh, over 150 years' old, carriages, household furniture, two chests of carpenter tools and other property of value. Mr. Mullin estimates his loss over insurance somewhere in the vicinity of \$300 or \$1,000.

Mr. Mullin had many anxious moments when the rear part of his house was threatened with destruction, as it was some twenty minutes before the fire department reached the scene of the fire, which was in part owing to the giving of the fire alarm and the tugging of the fire apparatus up steep Washington street over with the aid of a horse, and when the fire apparatus had arrived, the force of the stream of water, owing to the slight pressure so high up that it was difficult to get a stream of any height to be available.

Lucky there was no wind, if there had been it would have been utterly impossible to save the house and the adjoining property in all probability. Under the condition of affairs it has been suggested that there is very much needed in the locality of the square, at the head of Washington street, a hose cart with hose and other appliances for putting out a fire, so as to have it handy to use at a fire quickly, before the fire department gets there, which takes some time, being up hill.

The house and barn had just been painted, the painters getting through the Saturday afternoon before the fire, the origin of which is not known, but it is thought might have been set by rats and matches.

Mr. Mullin took a great deal of pride in his barn, it being so nicely finished inside. The last time he was in the barn was the Saturday night previous to the fire at about 6:30.

Mr. Mullin was awakened by the cry of the barn being on fire by Miss Lena Cote, a sister of Mrs. Mullin, and hurriedly dressing went to the barn, finding it full of smoke. Fearing the destruction of his house he rushed and ran in the fire alarm and on returning to the barn he found it all ablaze.

Accident.

Michaelangelo Buanarato, twenty-eight years of age, a section hand on the Stony Brook division of the Boston and Maine railroad, met with an accident on Tuesday afternoon that resulted in his death at the Groton hospital at 12:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

The accident happened at a point nearly opposite the Lowell and Fitchburg car barn. Buanarato and other section hands were operating a hand-car, when it left the track, throwing him backward and striking the back of his head with great force.

He was picked up and taken to the home of Frank Rebo on Shirley street, where he boarded. Dr. Sullivan was called to attend the injured man, and later called in Dr. Hopkins. The doctors saw the case was a serious one and had him removed to the Groton hospital, where the two local doctors were assisted in performing an operation by Dr. Kibbourn of Groton.

The operation showed that the skull was crushed, and a consequent injury to the brain. Everything possible was done to save the life of the unfortunate man, but he gradually failed till the end, which came at 12:30 on Wednesday morning.

The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon. Services were held at St. Mary's church by Rev. P. J. Sheedy. The interment was at St. Mary's cemetery, with L. B. Tuttle in charge.

Mr. Buanarato was a native of Italy and had been in this country about four years, and had lived in Ayer for two years. He worked most of the time on the railroad.

He leaves a mother, two brothers and several sisters, all of whom live in Italy, and whom he helped to support. He is spoken of highly by those who knew him and much sorrow was shown for his sad death.

Deaths.

Isadore Landry, aged eighty-three years, died in Prince Edward Island on October 26. Mr. Landry was a retired sea captain, having followed the sea since early youth. He sailed out of Boston for twenty-one years, and had visited all the foreign countries. He only retired when failing health compelled him to do so.

His last years were spent in his own cosy home, with his wife as his faithful companion. His last illness was of but five days' duration. Besides his wife, he leaves to mourn his loss, six children, four sons and two daughters, the latter being Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Chaffers of Cambridge, who often visited in Ayer. Two of the sons reside in Ayer, Alexander Landry at Mitchell's crossing, and William H. Landry of the Willows, who visited his father a few days ago and who was intending to have gone to see him this summer, but poor health prevented.

Mr. Landry was a "go-leman of the old school." His pleasing personality endeared him to all who came in contact with him, and his years of travel made him a most interesting talker. He retained his faculties to the end, and is sincerely mourned as a kind neighbor and an honored father.

Mrs. Mary G. Sargent, a resident of Littleton for the past forty-five years, and who has been a resident of this town for over two years, died on Monday morning, November 6, at her residence on Cambridge street. Her husband, Samuel Sargent, died in January of 1909. She leaves two sons—Albert J. Sargent, who resides in Mattapan, and who is chief probation officer of the municipal court of Boston; George A. Sargent, of Boston, who is a truant officer for the public schools of that city, and a daughter Lucy, who has made her home here with her mother. A son, Samuel P., died at Littleton about three years ago, at the age of twenty-three years, and another son died in infancy.

Funeral services were held at St. Mary's church on Wednesday morning, Nov. 8, by P. J. Sheedy officiating, and burial was at Hudson, N. H. Mrs. Sargent, after the death of her husband, came here to reside and bought the Bassett Dickerman house on Cambridge street.

Election Day.

The annual state election was held last Tuesday. The polls were opened here at 5:45 a. m. Ellisha D. Stone, chairman of the board of selectmen, called the meeting to order and the reading of the warrant was dispensed with by vote. The election officers on duty were:

C. E. Sherwin, J. H. O'Brien, ballot clerks; T. H. Clark, ballot box; M. J. Griffin, A. F. Richardson, check list; P. H. Hooley, W. E. Froche, J. McGuane and Henry G. Turner, counters and supervisors; J. H. O'Connell was the officer who had charge of the rail.

The total vote was 455, which was somewhat lower than in previous years. The vote in the early morning was quite heavy, but later in the day the voting fell off, although the members of the republican and democratic town committees tried hard to get the voters to the polls.

The features of the election were the votes given the democratic candidates for governor, lieutenant governor and representative, all of whom had majorities. Foss for governor had a majority of fourteen over Frothingham, the vote being 228 and 214 respectively. Walsh for lieutenant governor, had 219 votes and Lucé 205; a majority of fourteen for the former. Fisher, candidate for representative, had the highest majority of the three candidates, having received 232 votes to 196 for his opponent, Taylor, a majority of thirty-six for Fisher.

A close vote between Kiely and Bennett for senator, Bennett winning by only five votes. The total vote was Bennett 218, Kiely 213. The remainder of the ticket was carried for the republican candidates. The vote follows:

Governor, Foss 228; Frothingham 214; lieutenant gov., Walsh 219; Lucé 205; senator, Bennett 218, Kiely 213; representative, Kiely 218, Fisher 222; Taylor 196; county commissioner, Gould 222; Burton 191; clerk of courts, Dillingham 228; Kearns 179; register of deeds, Childs 224; Shea 165.

The three amendments were all passed by large majorities, the vote being first amendment yes 199, no 69; second, yes 188, no 74; third, yes 131, no 86.

Broken Into.

Burglars broke into the store of Charles E. Perrin on West street on Tuesday night and carried off a revolver, three dollars' worth of stamps and an Ingersoll watch. The appearance of the place shows that the burglars attempted to enter the store through the cellar window, which was open. On reaching the top of the stairs leading from the cellar to the store they found the door locked. They then went outside and after cutting away a part of the sash on a window leading directly to the store, they broke the window, pushed back the catch and entered and stole the above property. They also attempted to open the small safe by trying to pry off the hinges, but failed. It seems evident that it was the work of novices. No clue has been found.

To the Editor:

The fire last Sunday morning in the barn of Mr. Mullin in the opinion of the writer ought to set the dwellers on the hill to thinking about the lack of protection from fire they have. Both those companies are down on Main street, and it is well known that the road is far longer up hill than down, as the first hose company did not arrive until twenty minutes after the alarm was rung. What is the remedy? Locate one of the hose companies on the hill where about one-half of the firemen live. Then you protect the higher level, and they can quickly get down town if only one-half of the firemen get to the house house.

District Court.

John Portania of Shirley was in court last Monday morning, charged with three complaints of assault and battery and one complaint for drunkenness. He was found guilty of one complaint of assault and battery and was discharged upon the payment of expenses. On the other two charges of assault he was found not guilty. On the complaint of drunkenness he was found guilty and the case was placed on file. The trial was the result of a Polish christening celebration at Shirley, which lasted from eight o'clock last Saturday night until two o'clock the following morning.

The evidence showed that several of the invited guests got into a mixup, following the consumption of nine kegs of beer and two gallons of whiskey. As a result of the fracas chief of police Goodwin of Shirley was summoned and arrested the defendant. A large number of witnesses were summoned and the services of two interpreters were required to get the evidence before the court. John M. Maloney was counsel for the defendant, and Frank J. Maloney for the government.

Democratic Rally.

The democratic rally held in the town hall last week Friday evening was largely attended and considerable enthusiasm shown. The speakers were Major Thomas Walsh of Clinton, George W. Anderson of Boston, candidate for attorney-general; Phillip A. Kiely of Lynn, candidate for senator for this district; Edward Fisher of Westford, representative, who is running for a second term, and Charles W. Bartlett of Boston, the famous lawyer and former candidate for governor.

Mr. Bartlett was not on the original list of speakers, but the state committee, fearing that Mr. Anderson could not come, asked the former gentleman to act as his substitute. Later Mr. Anderson made his appearance. He, Major Walsh and Mr. Kiely spoke first, so as to leave to address other meetings at which they were advertised to speak.

Mr. Kiely paid particular attention to Senator Bennett, whose record he criticized at length as being against the interests of the people. Mr. Fisher confined his remarks chiefly to this representative district, of his past record in the lower branch of the legislature and promised faithful service in the interest of all the people as in the past in case he were re-elected.

The other speakers dwelt chiefly on state issues. Patrick Donlon acted as presiding officer of the meeting. Previous to the rally the speakers and representatives, democrats from Ayer and adjoining towns, met at the Globe hotel and headed by the Ayer Military band, marched to the hall. An abundance of red fire added to the spectacular features of the march.

Unitarian.

Unitarian church services will have special interest both morning and evening. At 10:45, in place of the usual morning service the Sunday school will hold its autumn service of song, with a variety of exercises and selections. All are cordially invited. The usual Sunday school session will be omitted. The evening service, at seven o'clock of the Y. P. R. U., will be a union (temperance) meeting of both old and young. A special invitation has been given by Dr. Fisk to the ministers and people old and young of the Congregational, Baptist, Episcopal and Methodist churches to join in this union. The leader of the service will be the president of the Y. P. R. U., Miss Natalie Bischoff. The special dress will be given by E. H. Lawton of Boston, the field secretary of the Massachusetts Anti-Saloon league. Here is the subject which vitally concerns the peace and welfare of all the homes of Ayer, as well as the taxpayer.

The New Postoffice.

Postmaster Robinson has moved into his new quarters in Carley's block and was open for business on Monday

morning. The change has been so great and so greatly better than when the postoffice was in the town house building where Mr. Robinson occupied it for the past fourteen years, and where he was very much cramped for room and could not expeditiously conduct the postoffice business to the satisfaction of his many patrons.

Now in his new and spacious quarters, with an entire new lot of post-office fixtures of modern construction with pattern, general delivery, registered letter and money order windows, all of which is well lighted, and spacious quarters for the patrons of the office, it cannot but help to make the work easier for Mr. Robinson, a quick despatch of mails sent out, and a quick distribution of the mails received.

The new postoffice is a valuable addition to our prosperous town and it makes our townspeople feel that we are more than ever a town of "sum punkins."

The first postoffice in this village, when we were a part of the town of Groton, was located in a building on the corner of Main and Washington streets, where is now the store of Mullin Bros. and the first postmaster was Joseph Gardner. His brother, Andrew Gardner, was the first depot master. In connection with the postoffice Mr. Gardner carried on a small grocery business and Gerrish & Potter of Groton Center furnished Mr. Gardner with his small stock of groceries.

The next postmaster was Harvey A. Woods and the postoffice under him was in his store, on the opposite side of Main street, from the Page block, which was moved from its old location for many years to Park street and is the building in which is the grain store of A. E. Lawrence & Son. Mr. Woods was postmaster under the Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan administrations.

When Abraham Lincoln was elected president and Montgomery Blair was postmaster general, George Henry Brown of Groton Center, editor of the Railroad Mercury, published in this village for one year up to 1861, was appointed postmaster and the postoffice was in George P. Brown's drug store in Union Hall building, corner of West Main street and Merchants' row. Mr. Brown was followed by Wm. H. Harlow, who was appointed postmaster, and George Henry Brown was reinstated in the office of postmaster at Groton Junction by Montgomery Blair.

He was removed upon a charge made by Hon. George S. Boutwell, of being unfriendly to the administration. When the nature of the charge and the fact of the removal became known here, it created much surprise and excitement. Mr. Brown being known to be thoroughly loyal and a good republican. A remonstrance, signed by a large number of the legal voters of this town, was forwarded to Washington, and upon further investigation Mr. Brown was again appointed. A few days after, however, the appointment was suspended at the instance of Commissioner Boutwell, to enable him to file further evidence to show that Mr. Brown did not act with the party. But Mr. Brown produced abundance evidence of his loyalty to the party as well as to the government, and the second appointment was fully confirmed.

Mr. Brown favored the renomination of Hon. Charles E. Train for congress, although he subsequently acquiesced in the nomination of Mr. Boutwell. Mr. Brown held the position until his death in May, 1865.

As there was no other applicant for the position but Wm. H. Harlow, he was made postmaster and the postoffice was in the store, which was destroyed in the great fire here in 1872, and where is now the grocery store of I. G. Dwinell.

After the death of Mr. Harlow, L. A. Buck his assistant, was appointed postmaster and the postoffice under Mr. Buck was in the store in Mead's block, where is now the grocery store of P. Donlon & Co.

Mr. Buck was followed by E. Dana Bancroft, who held it for four years, and he was followed by Patrick Donlon, who held the position from 1887 to 1891. Then John H. Sprague of Rural Home fame, was the next postmaster and he died in office. Mr. Sherman being one of his bondsmen, the postoffice was placed in his charge and he was in due time appointed postmaster to fill the vacancy caused by death.

The postoffice under Buck, Bancroft, Donlon, Sprague and Sherman was in the store of P. Donlon & Co. When Mr. Robinson was appointed postmaster in November, 1897, he moved the postoffice into the town hall building, where it has been for the past fourteen years.

The late George G. Day, being one of the bondsmen for L. A. Buck, took for a short time charge of the office until Mr. Bancroft was appointed.

When the patrons of the postoffice, in its quarters, get familiar with the manipulation of the combination boxes and Postmaster Robinson with his new quarters, everything will, no doubt, go along swimmingly.

Notwithstanding that there are five hundred call boxes, 201 combination lock boxes and twelve lock drawers, so eager have been the patrons of the postoffice in the acquiring of the boxes, it is feared there will not be a sufficient number to supply all called for.

All is gloom at the old postoffice, and joy at the new one.

An Old-Timer.

Thursday, October 12, Leonard Felch, the well-known conductor on Greenville branch of Boston and Maine railroad, completed his fiftieth year in continuous service in the position of conductor. In 1861, before he had reached his majority, he became brakeman on a passenger train on which Andrew Henry was engineer and L. W. Kingsbury was conductor. It was in the days of the wood burning engines, and when conductors hired the brakemen. It was in this manner that Mr. Felch started his long career as a railroad man. He was tender shop for George Wyman when Mr. Kingsbury came into the

store with the following question, "Want to try the railroad, Len?" "I guess so," was the reply. "When do you want me to begin?" "Right off, on the next train." "I'll go if I can get some one to fill my place here till Mr. Wyman comes back," said Mr. Felch and he made his first run on the evening train to Groton Junction and returned. He remained in the position of brakeman for about six months when he was promoted to baggageman. In September, 1875, he became conductor on the same train. It was then known as the Peterboro and Shirley branch.

Baggagemaster Felch made a host of friends among the patrons of the road by his courteous and affable way of transacting his duties, while never forgetting the interests of those in whose employ he was. In September, 1872, in recognition of his worth, the officials of the road made him conductor. Very few railroaders, if any, have run over the same route continually, and there is only one trainman older in point of service than Leonard Felch. For over thirty years Mr. Felch and Engineer Henry worked together on the same train. The latter, who was one of Greenville's most popular citizens, died in Waltham about twenty years ago, where he moved after retiring from active railroad life. The train on which Conductor Felch punches tickets makes three trips between Greenville and Ayer, 144 miles being covered each day.

During his railroad experience he has never been in a wreck, although to use his own words: "We have been down the banking two or three times." He takes pride in the fact that only three men have been killed on his train, and although many have had narrow escapes at the crossings where all the victims lost their lives. During the last ten years Mr. Felch has lost by death three engineers; as follows: George Muzzev, William Cushman and Allen Crosby, one brakeman, John Lavarway, who lost his life last winter in some unknown manner, and George Stone, who as baggageman, was Mr. Felch's running mate for many years.

He was born on April 26, 1841, in the house in the rear of a store near the Congregational church, in Greenville, about five minutes' walk from where he now lives. His parents were Daniel and Lucy R. (Hanniford) Felch. He was the third in the family of ten children, three sons and seven daughters. His father carried on the manufacture of tinware and the subject of this sketch learned the business, but "jacked it up" after two years for railroad life.

In 1870, he married Miss Sarah E. Willard of Hudson, who died after eighteen years of happy wedded life, in November, 1888. Mr. Felch remained single for nearly two years, and on August 7, 1890, he again entered into matrimonial bonds, this time with his present wife, who was Miss Margaret L. Cumcock of Mason. Mr. Felch has had no children by either wife. "Len" Felch, as he is familiarly called, is one of the best known and most popular men on the road, and despite his seventy years, is strong and much younger looking than many men several years his junior, which he believes is due partly to daily exercise.

Mr. Felch has had some attacks of rheumatism, but aside from this he has never been forced because of sickness, to lose a day. In fact he has worked every Fourth of July and has missed but two Thanksgivings during the fifty years just completed. Mr. Felch has no idea of leaving the old train for the present and expects to outlive his older rival and become dean of them all. He resides with his wife in Greenville, N. H., where they have a cozy and pleasant home. The couple are well-known and highly respected by the citizens of that town.

Leonard Felch's father, Daniel Felch, who lived in Mason Village, was the brother of Benjamin F. Felch, who was the first express agent at this point and who held the position for over forty years and for some time four of Mr. Felch's sons were employed with him in the express business here.

New Advertisements.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the members of the Ayer Fire Department and others who assisted in saving my home last Sunday morning, I take this way of thanking you for the good work done, for without your assistance my surely would have lost my home. THOMAS F. MULLIN. Ayer, Mass., November 9, 1911.

LOST—A Child's Gold Rope Chain with Heart-shaped Locket, with Pearl in center. A reward. Leave at FLETCHER BROS., Ayer. 119

FOR SALE—A Portable Henhouse, size 8x10. Price \$5.00. Apply to GEO. OSGOOD, Ayer, Mass. 119

LOST—North Middlesex Savings Bank pass-book No. 108. Finder return to NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK, Ayer, Mass. 317

FOR SALE—Thirteen Bantam and Hamburg Hens and Three Cocks. Apply to MISS G. LAWRENCE, Farmer's Row, Groton, Mass. 817

FEELS GOOD ON THE BACK. RED CROSS RENEWING OIL. Geo. H. Hill Druggist Ayer. Image of a man holding his back in pain.

SHIRLEY.

Center.
At the meeting of the Matrons' Aid last week at the home of Mrs. Homer P. Holden, the members were treated to a very pleasing Halloween surprise by Miss Elsie Holden. The tables were very prettily decorated with Halloween symbols and the members were served with sherbert, cake and fruit. It was decided to hold the annual fair on Friday evening, November 24. The fair will be held in the afternoon and in the evening an entertainment will be given, followed by a social dance. It is expected that the local orchestra will furnish the music for dancing. The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Alice Cummings on Tuesday afternoon, November 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Pray of Brookline were at their home here on Saturday.

Marguerite Sargent of Townsend Center spent a few days last week with Emma Hubbard.

Mrs. Edward W. Mellish of West Groton was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melzer Farnsworth, at the North, the first part of the week.

Rev. Howard A. Bridgman is making a short visit in Wilton, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cameron and family have moved from the house at the North owned by Oscar Haradon, to the Kemp house in the eastern part of Lunenburg.

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

Miss Rachel Osgood of Ayer spent the first part of the week with Miss Bessie Farnsworth, at the North.

William Thompson of Granville visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Thompson last Sunday.

Miss Mary Grout of Malden was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Grout over the week-end.

Howard Hatch, at the North, shot a large deer last week while it was damaging his crops.

Otis Colburn finished the work of painting Trinity chapel on Saturday. The paint was a gift of the Girls' Sewing Guild.

The five o'clock mail was discontinued on November 1, for the winter months.

Lottie M. Craft of Ayer spent Saturday and Sunday at W. E. Barnard's.

Herman E. Willis, Edna Willis and Clyde Huff of Boston were in town on Saturday, coming by automobile, in order to attend the dance.

The Girls' Sewing Guild met for their regular meeting on Saturday afternoon, November 4, at the home of Mrs. William E. Barnard.

Robert H. J. Holden of Harvard university spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Hattie P. Holden.

The third of the series of social dances which was held in the town hall on Saturday evening by the young people of Shirley grange, was a decided success. There was a large attendance from neighboring towns, including West Groton, Ayer, Groton and the village. Music was furnished by the local orchestra. Refreshments were served.

Howard M. Longley received second prize on Palmer Greenings at the New England fruit show, held at Horticultural hall, Boston, from October 22 to 28.

Patrick Dogan, who has been employed at Miss Elsie Kirby's, left last week for Boston.

The next meeting of the Girls' Sewing Guild will be held with Mrs. Henry F. Grout on Saturday afternoon, November 18.

Rev. William Ware Locke of Boston supplied the pulpit at the First Parish church on Sunday morning. Rev. William Lindsay, a preacher in England for fifteen years, will supply the pulpit on Sunday, November 12, at 11:15 a. m.

May Frary returned on Tuesday to Lynn, after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frary, at Woodsville.

Mr. Wright of Tyngsboro, candidate for representative, was in town on Saturday.

Miss Fletcher, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Longley for several weeks, has returned to Boston.

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

Ora E. Holden was unable to attend high school last week on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wyman have closed up their summer home and returned to Ayer for the winter.

Linton Ward spent the latter part of last week in Fitchburg.

Rev. A. L. Bumpus gave an address on "The two sacraments," at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon. Kenneth Longley and John Grout have been appointed as ushers at the chapel to take the place of Robert H. J. Holden and Arthur R. Holden.

Alliance Meeting.
The last regular meeting of the Alliance was held on Thursday, October 26, at the attractive new home of Mrs. Cynthia E. Lynch, Pound hill, Center road. This being the first time Mrs. Lynch had entertained the Alliance, a large number of members and guests were present to listen to the admirable paper on Charles Dickens, written by the hostess. Avoiding the beaten path of the mere biographer, with her characteristic humor and in her charming literary style, she told in an intimate and personal way of her fondness for the author and the chief reasons for her continued regard. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by Miss Minnie Hobbs, assisted by Miss Elsie Holden.

During the business meeting it was voted to change the calendar so as not to conflict with the dates of the Altrurian club. The next meeting is on November 16. The hostess for this meeting is Mrs. Cora Hills of Flat hill, Lunenburg.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.
Frank Hammond of Groton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin. Mr. Holman and family of Fitchburg are to occupy the cottage owned by Mrs. John B. Hardy for the winter. The Ladies' Aid hold an all-day session at the very on Tuesday. A basket lunch was enjoyed at noon.

Rev. and Mrs. James Nelson Seaver returned from their wedding journey on Friday, November 3.

Mr. and Mrs. William Foster of Pepperell were recent guests of Mrs. J. A. Hall.

The Walter Parkers have returned to their old Four Pines is closed for the season.

Judge and Mrs. Edward E. Parker have returned to Nashua and the lights at Inncroft are missed.

Miss Jessie Farnsworth is attending the grammar school and boarding at Mrs. L. S. Powers.

Mrs. Ella Rockwood is at home from Keene after an absence of several weeks.

Charles Wilkins had the misfortune to severely cut his hand on Saturday while at work at the Fossenden mill. The doctor dressed the wound and several stitches were taken.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wallace of Townsend were guests of Mrs. Belle C. Hall last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Needham of Middlebury were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sweet last Saturday.

Mrs. Walter E. Corey and sons, Lawrence, Walter, Jr., and Elmer, spent the last week at the parental home at Pepperell.

The Loyal Workers met at the home of Miss Olive Shuman on Wednesday.

Harlan Whitcomb, Alton Jansen and Edna Dodge assisted the choir at the services last Sunday morning at the Congregational church.

The funeral of Elizabeth Wilkins took place at the Congregational church on Wednesday, November 1, and many were in attendance. Rev. Warren L. Noyes officiated. Mrs. Minnie Holcombe and Mrs. Bertha Brown sweetly sang "One by one" and "In the arms of Jesus." The body reposed in a white casket surrounded by a profusion of beautiful flowers. The burial was at the South cemetery. Harlan Whitcomb, Harry Corey, Wallace Jenness, Wilfred Bouchard serving as carriers.

SAVED MANY FROM DEATH.
W. L. Meek, of Meek, Ark., believes he has saved many lives in his 25 years of experience in the drug business. "What I always like to do," he writes, "is to recommend Dr. King's New Discovery for weak, sore lungs, colds, hoarseness, obstinate coughs, influenza, asthma, and other bronchial affections, for I feel sure that a number of my neighbors are alive and well today because they took my advice and used Dr. King's medicine that's made." Easy to prove his right. Get a trial bottle free, or regular 50c. or \$1.00 bottle. Guaranteed by William Brown, Ayer.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ROSANNA D. STEVENS late of Groton in said County, deceased.

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

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twentieth 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 said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

318 W. E. ROGERS, Registrar.

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

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by MARY E. MULLIN who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to her without requiring a surety on her bond, or to some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having declined the trust.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. 1911.
Before the County Commissioners, Boston and Maine Railroad, Petitioner

To the Honorable the County Commissioners in and for the County of Middlesex.

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS your Petitioner, the Boston and Maine Railroad, a corporation duly established under the laws of the said Commonwealth, that for the purpose of making and securing its railroad, or for depot or station purposes, it requires land or materials outside the limits of the route fixed, and that it requires additional land for one or more new tracks adjacent to other land occupied by your Petitioner by a track or tracks already in use, which land is situated in the Town of Groton and Commonwealth aforesaid, bounded and described as follows:

Said land is in two (2) parcels and is supposed to belong to Harry E. Nutting, Josephine E. Torrey, wife of Appleton H. Torrey, and Ida S. P. Nutting, widow, all of said Groton, and is bounded and described as follows:

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That your Petitioner is unable to obtain said parcel of land by an agreement with the owner thereof.

WHEREFORE your Petitioner respectfully applies to the Honorable County Commissioners aforesaid and prays that after notice to the aforesaid owners and hearing all the parties interested, your Honorable Board will prescribe the limits within which the said parcel of land may be taken without the permission of the owners thereof in the manner and form prescribed by law, and will do such other and further things in the premises as the said County Commissioners may deem meet and proper.

Boston and Maine Railroad,
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A True Copy, Attest:
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On the foregoing petition, Ordered, that the petitioner give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein, that said Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the Groton Station of the Boston and Maine Railroad, on Friday, the seventeenth day of November next at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, by serving Harry E. Nutting, Josephine E. Torrey, wife of Appleton H. Torrey, and Ida S. P. Nutting, widow, all of said Groton, and is bounded and described as follows:

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en hundredths (114.97) feet; thence turning and running north 0° 51' East still by said location four hundred thirty-nine and four hundredths (439.04) feet; thence turning and running Northeastly still by said location on a curve to the right having a radius of thirty-seven hundred fifty-four (3754) feet, five hundred forty-six and thirty-nine hundredths (546.39) feet; thence turning and running North 3° 34' 40" West still by said location one hundred one and fifteen hundredths (101.15) feet; thence turning and running Northeastly on a curve to the right having a radius of thirty-seven hundred fifty-eight and thirty-six hundredths (3758.36) feet, one hundred ninety-one and nine tenths (191.9) feet; thence turning and running North 13° 34' 30" East still by said location ninety-two and twenty-nine hundredths (92.29) feet to Hollingsworth Street; thence turning and running North 32° 49' 30" East by said Street three hundred seventy-eight and thirty-nine hundredths (378.39) feet to remaining land supposed to be owned by said Harry E. Nutting et al.; thence turning and running South 13° 34' 30" West by said last named land four hundred forty-nine and fifty-two hundredths (449.52) feet; thence turning and running Southwesterly still by same land on a curve to the left having a radius of thirty-six hundred fifty-four (3654) feet, eight hundred thirteen and six hundredths (813.06) feet; thence turning and running South 0° 51' West still by same land four hundred thirty-nine and four hundredths (439.04) feet; thence turning and running Southwesterly still by same land on a curve to the right having a radius of thirty-one hundred four and thirty-nine hundredths (3104.39) feet ninety-two and three tenths (92.3) feet to said land supposed to be owned by Mary J. Shattuck; thence turning and running South 77° 46' West by said last named land one hundred three and three tenths (103.3) feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing three and nine tenths (3.9) acres.

Parcel 2. Beginning on the location of the Petitioner at said Hollingsworth Street, thence running North 13° 34' 30" East by said location six hundred eighty-one and eighty-eight hundredths (681.88) feet; thence turning and running Northwesterly still by said location on a curve to the left having a radius of thirty-eight hundred sixty-one and twenty-five hundredths (3861.25) feet six hundred fifteen and nine tenths (615.9) feet to remaining land supposed to be owned by said Harry E. Nutting et al.; thence turning and running South 85° 33' 30" East by said last named land sixteen and five tenths (16.5) feet; thence turning and running Southwesterly still by said land on a curve to the right having a radius of thirty-eight hundred seventy-seven and seventy-five hundredths (3877.75) feet six hundred eighty-eight and fifty-three hundredths (688.53) feet; thence turning and running South 13° 34' 30" West still by same land six hundred thirty-four and sixty-three hundredths (634.63) feet to said Hollingsworth Street; thence turning and running South 32° 49' 30" West by said Street fifty and four hundredths (50.04) feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing forty-eight hundredths (.48) of an acre.

Both of said parcels of land are shown on a plan dated April, 1911, filed herewith, to which reference is hereby made for a further description of the premises referred to.

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News Items.
A goodly number sat down to a fine salad supper on Wednesday evening given by the Ladies Aid of the Universalist church. Mrs. Wm. Burns Fisher could not be present to give her paper on "Bermuda." The following numbers were rendered: Reading, Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker; solo, Miss Ruby Felt; piano solo, Miss Blanche Wells; singing, Mrs. Lilly; recitation, Austin Smith.

Mrs. Mary Hoskins of Waverley is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret.

Timothy Hurley went to his home in Malden to cast his vote on Tuesday.

A goodly number attended the lecture given by Mr. Rand, state forester, in Odd Fellows' hall on Monday evening on the subject of "Tree pests." This lecture was given under the auspices of the Altrurian club for the benefit of the residents, as the lecture was free to all and much enjoyed.

Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker will occupy his pulpit at the Universalist church on Sunday morning, November 12, at eleven o'clock.

Eugene N. Livermore and sister, Mrs. Alice L. Wright, spent a couple of days the first of the week with their uncle, Herbert M. Dickson, who is a patient at the Faulkner hospital.

Edmund Winterbottom spent a few days this week with relatives in Lawrence, returning home with his wife, who has been visiting there for the past two weeks.

Morris Cutler's horse died on Tuesday from the effects of the glanders. The state doctors have given orders to have the public watering troughs in the town drawn off and kept so until further orders from the board of doctors connected with the cattle bureau.

F. H. Lawton, of Boston, field secretary of the Massachusetts Anti-Saloon league, will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church on Sunday morning, November 12, at 10:45 o'clock and give an address on the work of the league. In the evening, at seven o'clock, the pastor, Rev. A. A. Bronson, will deliver a sermon in the church vestry.

Isey H. Beach was operated upon Wednesday morning at the Carney hospital. His left leg was amputated and he is reported as recovering nicely from the effects of the operation. His leg has been a source of annoyance to him since he was a boy, when he injured it by climbing over a picket fence, one of the pickets going through his leg.

Harry Scott of New Carlisle, Quebec, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Roland Hocquard, of Leominster road.

Mrs. Raie of Templeton is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burrage.

Mrs. Fuller is this week entertaining her brother, E. W. Foss, and Miss Clara Webber of Hampstead, N. H.

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

Mrs. Will Dadmun, with daughter Helen, has returned home from a visit with relatives in Franklin, N. H.

Russell Miner of Allston spent the week-end at home with his parents.

Eddie Smith of Marion, N. J., a former resident, was a visitor in town last Sunday.

Miss Elsie Knowles spent the week-end with friends in Clinton.

Harry Dunfee, advertising man for the C. A. Edgarton Company, has purchased a house in Leominster, where he will take up his residence.

James Bulger of St. Albans, Vt., a former resident, has arrived at the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph Allen, and is thinking of remaining in Shirley.

The members of the St. Jean Baptiste of America will hold their regular meeting on Sunday, November 12, at the usual hour.

Mrs. Brown and daughter, Miss Inez Brown, has rented the lower flat in the residence of William C. Wolf, which will soon be vacated by the Philip E. Hocquard family, who will soon move into the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lewis.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., holds its regular meeting next Monday evening, when twelve candidates for membership will be obligated. Arrangements will be made at this meeting for the trip to the big class initiation at Clinton on Friday evening, November 17.

Mrs. Annie I. Banks, with daughter, Mrs. Ida M. Warren, has rented the lower flat in the so-called Sawtelle house on Main street, which has been recently vacated by the Wallingford family. The C. R. Miner family have rented the house which will be vacated by Mrs. Ida M. Warren.

Lange Dugas of Fitchburg, in company with his three daughters, Mrs. J. Briand and the Misses Lucie and Florida, were visitors at the home of Philip Leger last Sunday.

The whist party held at St. Anthony's hall last Saturday for the benefit of St. Anthony's church, held under the auspices of the Sodality of St. Ann, was a splendid success, the net sum of \$42.60 being realized. The following is the list of the winners of the prizes: Ladies, Miss Betsy LePage 1st, Miss Exilda Boucher 2d; men, David Lambert 1st, Frank A. Glonet 2d. Consolation prizes were awarded to Mrs. Philip Leger and Sylvester Thomas.

Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., and Mary A. Livermore lodge have plans and details well under way for a fair and dance to be held on Friday and Saturday, November 17 and 18. Committees from both lodges are working together as the fair and dance will be held jointly under the auspices of both lodges at Odd Fellows' hall. The fair will be the important and special feature as a large amount of useful and ornamental articles of all kinds will be on sale together with tables devoted entirely to sports and a multitude of other attractions too numerous to mention. The fair will

be held on Friday afternoon and evening, and the dance will take place on Saturday evening.

A raid was made upon the Davis hotel, so-called, owned and occupied by Charles E. Haskins and family, last Sunday afternoon. Chief of police Irving F. Goodwin, and special officer Hadley, assisted by three Ayer officers, consisting of Chief Bevier, Sheriff Fillebrown and Constable James O'Connell, constituted the raiding squad. A thorough search was made but no intoxicating liquors of any kind were found in or about the premises.

Mrs. Lizzie Longley Burford, daughter of the late Samuel Burford, moved last week to Washington, D. C., so as to be with her sons, Samuel and Frank Bickford, who are prominent business men of Washington, D. C.

Haynes-Piper Company, Ayer, will continue to take wagon orders until November 18, at twelve o'clock noon. See advertisement on this page.

Successful Operation.

Herbert M. Dickson's right leg was amputated above the knee on Monday at the Faulkner hospital, Jamaica Plain, and at the time of writing is holding his own and as comfortable as can be expected. When Mr. Dickson was taken to the hospital two weeks ago, it was hoped by the hospital surgeons to avoid an operation. However, it became plainly evident as the days passed, that quick and decisive measures must be taken to save his life. When the physicians informed Mr. Dickson of his critical condition and the necessity of amputation of his leg, he readily and bravely consented and as a matter of fact did not appear to feel so concerned as his relatives and friends who were shocked and saddened at the news. Mr. Dickson's trouble commenced some weeks ago with attempting to cure a corn on his toe, and thinking that it would eventually get better, paid little or no attention to it until a septic condition developed. His sister, Mrs. Nettie Field, of Michigan, and his nephew, Erwin Livermore, of Memphis, Tenn., has arrived in Boston to visit him.

Town Meeting.

At the state election 229 votes were cast out of a registered list of 306. The following served as election officers:

W. E. Barnard, W. F. McCormack, ballot clerks; Harry Collier, check list; T. F. Gately, F. P. Rusk, gate tenders; Jeremiah Fenwick, counters; Howard Fuller, A. G. Dunn, E. F. O'Neill, counters.

The town clerk, H. S. Hazen, called the meeting to order at eleven a. m., and read the warrant, when it was voted that the part of the warrant relating to town business be laid on the table until 1:30 p. m.

D. Chester Parsons was chosen moderator.

Article 2. Voted, that the town direct the selectmen to prepare a division of the town into convenient voting precincts.

Art. 3. Voted, that the town appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to obtain a copy of records of the ways of the town.

Art. 4. Voted, that the town accept the provisions of Section 261, of Chapter 860 of the Acts of 1907, relating to the ascertaining of the correct locations of Hill, Fredonian and Phoenix streets, Shaker and Patterson roads.

Art. 5. Voted, that the town adopt the following additional by-laws to provide for the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks within the limits of the highways or town ways of the town, and that the selectmen take the necessary steps to have the same become effective.

Section 1. The tenant, occupant or owner of any estate abutting on any street, highway or town way of the town, and where there now is, or hereafter may be, a sidewalk constructed with concrete, brick, cement, stone, wood or any other material than earth, ashes or gravel, shall within twelve hours after the ceasing to fall from or drift thereon, of any snow, sleet or ice, remove or cause to be removed such snow, sleet or ice therefrom so far as it can be removed. If the same cannot be wholly removed, shall sprinkle or cause to be sprinkled thereon sand, ashes, sawdust or other suitable substances, so that such snow, sleet or ice shall not be slippery and shall be safe and convenient for public travel.

Sec. 2. Whoever violates the provisions of the preceding section shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars.

Art. 7. Voted, that the town appropriate the sum of \$600 for the purchase of apparatus for spraying trees and that the treasurer be authorized to borrow said sum of money. Following are the names of the committee appointed to expend the same: G. O. Evans, E. J. Hazen, E. J. Wilson and the board of selectmen.

Art. 8. Voted, not to rescind the vote passed at the town meeting, 1909, whereby it voted to elect selectmen for a term of three years.

Art. 9. Requesting the town to elect a board of health to consist of three persons, was laid upon the table.

Following is the vote:
Governor, Foss 87, Frothingham 133; Lieut. gov., Luce 124, Walsh 85; sec. of state, Luce 127, Donahue 70; treas., Stevens 130, Thornhill 72; auditor, White 128, Strecker 72; attorney-gen., Swift 178, Anderson 72; councillor, Fletcher 178, Colahan 72; senator, Barlow 124, Draper 72; county clerk, Wright 108, Reed 85; county com., Gould 137, Nelson 68; clerk of courts, Dillingham 132, Kearns 69; register of deeds, Childs 133, Shea 62; assessors, Evans 84, no. 52; the act passed by general court, 1911, retirement system, yes 84, no 56.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.
Mrs. Lewis Richardson has returned from Winchester, N. H., where she attended the initiation of her brother, Rev. Sumner Wood, in the Congregational church of that city.

Mrs. F. W. Viets is visiting friends in Norwich, Conn. She went as a delegate to the annual convention of the Board of Missions, but will stay over a few days for recreation.

Mrs. Charles Richardson and two children are visiting friends in Bridgeport, Conn.

Mrs. S. P. Dodge is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Hager, in Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Salmon, 2d, of Somerville are spending a few days with their son, S. D. Salmon, 3d, in Shirley.

Miss Mary Nelson was one of a party of teachers who attended a production of "The Blue Bird" at the Shubert theatre, Boston, last week.

R. Y. Nelson and family were guests at the wedding of Miss Flora Lawrence of Concord Junction, and William M. Baxter of Ayer, which ceremony was performed at the home of Mrs. R. Y. Nelson, on Monday, Nov. 11, at 10 o'clock.

The West Acton Woman's club will meet on Monday at the home of Mrs. Eugene L. Hall. There will be a musical arranged by Mrs. Evelyn Bailey, after which tea will be served.

Albert Marble and son of Worcester spent Sunday with Charles T. Wetherbee. Mr. Marble took several members of the Wetherbee family for their first auto ride, going through Littleton, Ayer and Harvard.

Miss Alice Chandler of Lancaster, made an annual visit of inspection to the library on last week. She was accompanied by three other members of the association.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown of Groton took their cousin, Mrs. John Whitcomb, home with them in their auto for a short trip. They made the trip there for Mrs. Whitcomb to have the auto ride.

Mrs. Charles Myers is still seriously ill.

Joseph Davidson, son of Ernest K. Davidson, fell from a wagon on Sunday and fractured his right elbow. Dr. Royal of Harvard attended him.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by JOSIAH P. THACHER who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, and that he should be granted the office of executor of said estate, and that he should give a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth 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 said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the issue of the Standard, a newspaper published in Ayer the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and also by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

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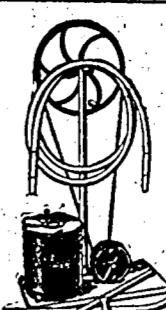
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