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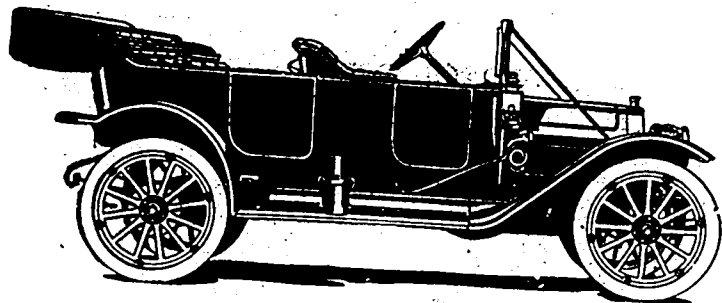
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AYER, MASS.

## SHIRLEY.

**News Items.**  
Mrs. Nellie Lenox, of Windsor, Conn., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Weeks left town on Wednesday morning for Chelsea, Vt., where they will remain one week. They made the trip in their auto.

The Ladies Aid society of the Universalist church will hold a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Binney on the evening of July 8, to make arrangements for the annual picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gately, of Ashmont, spent over the Fourth with relatives in town.

John Wehner, of Newton, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen of the Fourth. W. Lloyd Allen, of Boston, also spent over the Fourth of July at home.

Etta Gately, of Boston, spent over the Fourth with relatives in town.

Mrs. Annie I. Banks spent this week with relatives in Manchester, N. H.

Miss Josephine Love, of Concord, spent over the Fourth of July with Miss Blanche Wells, Roy Meader and Miss Kate Collard were also guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells.

Everett C. Peavear, of Swampscott, spent over the Fourth of July, in company with his wife and daughter Ruth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant.

Mrs. Edwin Gray (Kolowrath), of Fitchburg, spent over the Fourth with Miss Emma Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Amasa H. Balcom spent over the Fourth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Balcom.

Mrs. Margaret Smith, of Leominster, with little daughter, spent over the Fourth with Miss Della Gilmartin.

**Fourth of July Celebration.**

The Fourth of July in Shirley was celebrated with splendor and enthusiasm. The opening feature was the parade which in quality exceeded that of last year. J. S. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., was the winner of the first prize for the best float and was awarded the sum of ten dollars. The King's Daughters was the winner of the second prize and was the recipient of five dollars. There was no special feature in line and the judges decided that the special feature prize of ten dollars should be awarded to the D. A. R. float, and the second prize of five dollars be given to the Altrurian club float. Brockelman Bros' float was the winner of first prize of five dollars for trades float, and the Shirley Cash Market float won second prize of three dollars.

Charles Tremblay was the winner of first prize in horribles, and the Lemon club was awarded second prize of five dollars. The representation of Alexander's band by a number of young men was awarded third prize of three dollars, and W. A. Dadmun was awarded fourth prize of one dollar.

The formation of the parade was as follows: J. Albert Dourdon, chief marshal, with Albert Sherman as aid; Boys' band of the Industrial school, with E. T. Clark, head of the agricultural department, as drum major; G. A. R. carriage, J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W. float, representing protection; Sidney S. Horton float, representing clay makers; D. A. R. float, representing John Alden and Priscilla; Altrurian club float, representing liberty; King's Daughters' float, representing God's children; Odd Fellows' representing the organization of Frederician lodge in 1846; trades floats;

Brockelman Bros. team; Shirley Cash Market team; Shirley Cornet band. Horribles—Lemon club, representing woman's suffrage; C. H. Tremblay, representing the Cider Mill band; Howard Longley, representing the "Fat" steam roller; young men, representing Alexander's band; Charles Dike, representing the defeat of Roosevelt; W. A. Dadmun, representing comic sketch of country life; Alwin Buckholm, with donkey and cart, representing a honey moon trip.  
The judges were Everett C. Peavear, of Swampscott; Max Johnson and J. A. Richmond, of Fitchburg, and Fred W. Boynton, of Leominster.

Following the parade were the sports, which were won by the following: 100 yd. dash for boys, 15 and under, also, 100 yd. dash for boys, 18 and under, both won by Walter men; Willie Connors 1st, \$2; Alexander Hallett 2d, \$1; sack race for boys, Francis Desmond 1st, \$2; C. Gordon 2d, \$1; egg race for girls, Esther Latham 1st, 75c; Alice Lath, Bertha Weeks 1st, 75c; Viola Sanders 2d, 25c; 50 yd. dash for girls, Gladys Eisner 1st, \$1; Mildred Elgin, 2d, 75c; 50 yd. dash for girls, Mary Badstibner 1st, \$1; Mary Connors 2d, 75c.

In the afternoon at three o'clock a good game of baseball was played between the Shirley A. A. and the St. Bernards, of Fitchburg, and was won by the Shirley team by a score of 8 to 4.

In the evening at eight o'clock, a band concert was held at the store of Brockelman Bros. Refreshments were served during the day free of charge, and the day's celebration in Shirley proved to be one of enjoyment for all the people of the town, and also large numbers who attended from nearby towns.

The workmen float, which was the center of attraction in the parade, was designed and decorated by Edward J. Colburn.

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**Birthday Anniversary.**

Mrs. Mary Hastings, of Harvard road, attained her ninetieth birthday on July 4, and the day was very pleasantly spent, a large number of neighbors and friends calling on her during the day to extend congratulations and best wishes. In the afternoon, from three to six o'clock, a reception was tendered to her at the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen, where the hours were delightfully passed in the receiving of callers. Music and refreshments were also much enjoyed.

Mrs. Hastings was born in Groton, and at the present time enjoys good health. A very interesting conversation, the casual observer would not judge Mrs. Hastings to be more than sixty years of age, her intellect being especially bright.

Mrs. Hastings, who enjoyed immensely the observance of the anniversary of her birth, was happy in the thought of having many more years of life in store for her. She was also the recipient of many gifts and a large number of friends in Shirley and adjoining towns wish her all the good things of life with contentment and joy to the end of life's journey.

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Miss Ora E. Holden underwent an operation on Wednesday for appendicitis, under the direction of Drs. T. E. Lilly, of Shirley, and Goodwin, of Hinton. Miss Holden is resting as comfortably as can be expected after the operation and has the sincere sympathy of all during her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Longley spent the Fourth with Mr. Longley's mother, Mrs. Sara Longley.

One of the young children at the Mary Anna home was seriously ill on Wednesday with convulsions. Dr. T. E. Lilly, of the village, was in attendance.

A very pleasant lawn party was held on Wednesday evening at the Shirley common, under the management of Misses Pauline Sweetser and Mildred Evans, and Robert H. J. Holden. Japanese lanterns were hung between the trees, forming a delightful space where games were enjoyed throughout the evening. Sandwiches, cake, cookies and punch were served.

Fourth of July passed very quietly in this section of the town. The day was ushered in by the ringing of the church and chapel bells at midnight, and a general racket from tin pans, bells, etc. The usual Fourth of July pranks were played, but no property was destroyed or seriously damaged.

## LITTLETON.

News Items.

A lawn party will be held under the auspices of the Baptist Junior Endeavor society at Long pond grove on July 18.

Miss Edith Flagg, librarian in Brooklyn, N. Y., is at home for a vacation.

Miss Louisa Flagg has gone to New London, N. H., to help care for one of her mother's sisters, who is sick.

Caroline Conant is spending the week with her brother, Wallace E. Conant, in Concord, where they will make their annual visit with Mrs. Conant's mother, Mrs. Pales, and Charles Fales' family.

Mrs. J. N. Murray gave a party to a few of Hazel's friends at the Murray camp at Forge pond Thursday afternoon, July 4. Norman Donnell, Edna Hartwell, Marcella Wilcox, Frederick Johnson and a friend who is visiting him were the guests invited.

Boating, wading and games furnished a variety of amusements for the children and the item of refreshments came in for an important place in the program. This has become an annual event much anticipated by the young hostess and her little neighbor friends.

Rev. E. H. Brennan, pastor of the Unitarian church in Ware, preached his last sermon before his summer vacation last Sunday. In accordance with their custom the Brennan family will spend part of their vacation at Mr. Brennan's ancestral home in New Salem.

**Successful Lawn Party.**

The weather clerk ordered genuine lawn party temperature for the Congregational society on Wednesday evening, and a good crowd of people sought the refreshing fruitade, ices and other tempting wares at the peddlers' parade. The lawn was well lighted with large gasoline lamps, and prettily decorated with Japanese lanterns.

A large variety of wares was sold at different booths, netting the committee a fair sum for immediate expenses of the church.

An ingeniously devised platform was erected in front of the east row of horse shed, and to this stage the different vendors in pleasing costumes marched down the side aisle of the improvised amphitheatre, and recited, in turn, amusing rhymes and jingles, sang entertaining songs, and played instruments.

In the parade were N. B. Conant, as the old soldier; Mrs. F. S. Kimball, the fortune teller; A. E. Robbins, lemonade vendor; Benjamin Conant, baker; Fred Reed, George Cook and the hurdy gurdy players, respectively; Clara Fletcher, cake vendor; Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Works, doughnut vendors; Florence Bartlett, confectioner; Ruth Prescott, tambourine girl; William Pickard and Charles V. Figg, Jews; Ralph Libby, shoe black; Fred Cook and Robert Roberts, peanut and popcorn vendors; Eugene Esten, chiropodist; Frank Gregory, the hokey-pokey man, or ice cream vendor; Mrs. Ferley Smith, impersonator of America.

All took their parts well and created much fun and pleasure for the audience. The committee in charge deserve much praise for the enthusiasm, push and hard work they put into the preparation and execution of the entire affair, and we are thankful that their efforts, as well as those of the many performers were well rewarded by the presence of a large company of ready patrons.

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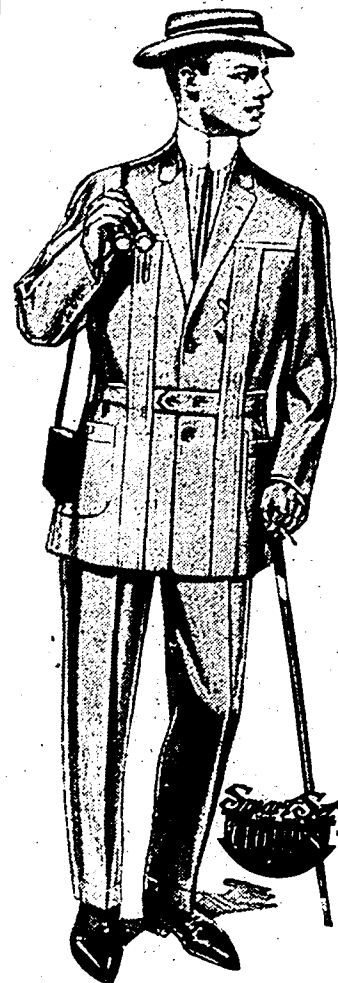
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Men's Porto Rican Panamas \$2.00 and \$2.50

Men's Common Straws 25¢ and 50¢

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WESTFORD.

Center.

The tax rate this year is \$15.10 on a thousand dollars, against \$14.20 of last year. This increase is on account of the larger state tax and an increase in appropriations.

While Mrs. John M. Fletcher was at work in her flower garden one day this week, and in the act of filling a flower pot with soil, she unearthed an old-fashioned half-cent piece dated 1800. The 112-year-old coin was in a very good state of preservation.

Edward Clement has been unable to work and under the doctor's care for some time suffering with blood poisoning in his right hand.

Mrs. Etta Garvin Lewis is at the Andrew Wright homestead for July.

J. Herbert Fletcher has been having town water installed in his house this week.

Mrs. Charles D. Colburn is sick at her home, suffering with pneumonia.

The catalogue of past trustees, teachers and students of Westford academy, which Mrs. George T. Day has been so long at work upon, was completed and on sale at the reunion last week.

An important real estate transfer is the sale of a large William L. Woods farm to Frank Walker, of Waltham.

The Westford A. A. ball team scored a sweeping victory over the Tyngsboro team last Thursday afternoon to the tune of 21 to 1.

A June wedding of interest to many Westford people was that on June 25, of Miss Gertrude E. Bartlett and Rodney M. Wilson at Kingston, N. H.

Our readers will be pleased to learn that Mrs. George T. Day's historical paper read at the banquet last week, and also Miss Miranda Luce's original poem will be printed in these columns.

Children's Day. A very pleasant day, pretty decorations and the many bright-faced children made children's day last Sunday at the Congregational church an interesting event.

March and chorus No. 1, recitations, Gladys Richardson and Ruth Johnson; responsive reading, prayer, pastor; songs, "Buttercups," first primary; recitation, Elliott F. Humiston; duet, Ida Trask and Sadie McMaster.

Graduation. The graduating exercises of Westford academy took place last week Friday morning at the town hall at ten o'clock under very pleasant conditions.

The H. E. Fletcher quarry closed down on Wednesday at the close of work until Monday. This made a nice long Fourth of July. This opening for rest gave the quarry help and their friends to plan an excursion to Revere Beach on Friday, which was more than a Fourth of July success.

Amos Polley planted potatoes on the Fourth of July as part of his celebration. In doing this he expects to get a real flank movement on the dry weather, as his very early planted potatoes was to much of a front flank movement and got pinched.

Under the direction of Miss Mildred Brennan, the school gave three musical selections, "Sweet Geniève," by Tucker; "Spring song," by Mendelssohn, and "The beautiful blue Danube," by Strauss.

The address of the day was by H. S. Cowell, principal of Cushing academy, and was one of the best ever given at an affair of this kind.

Cowell took for his subject "Education and life," and he gave a splendid, practical presentation of the trained powers of the education worth while, deploring much of what he chose to call some of the short-cut lightning express methods too much in vogue.

The speaker brought to his hearers' minds the truth that the old fable of Ponce de Leon and the fountain of youth was no myth in these modern days, being exemplified each year in the young people being graduated from our schools, a veritable fountain of youth and hope and aspirations.

Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher conferred the diplomas with fitting words on the following class: Chester Arthur Barnham, Albert Chester Collins, Mary Agnes Donnelly, Evelyn Cortel, William Hamlin, Nellie M. Healey, Lawrence William Holbrook, Catherine Agnes Sullivan, Margaret Beatrice Sullivan, Beatrice May Sutherland, Etta Lillian Sutherland, Herbert Halden Walkden.

Alumni Reunion and Dinner. The alumni reunion and dinner, the arrangements for which have been in preparation for some time, took place last week Friday afternoon and reflected the greatest credit upon the executive committee.

At 12.30 an informal reception and reunion took place at the academy preceded by a short business meeting. Mrs. Helen K. Frost provided a pleasant feature at this meeting by loaning a collection of photographs of former students owned by the late Prof. Frost, and presented to him by the various classes.

The dinner was served at 1.30, by the D. L. Page Co., of the lower town hall. A highly satisfactory menu and good service made this part of the program fully appreciated, after which the toast-master and president of the Alumni association, Judge Frederic A. Fisher, called to order and introduced the following program, all given by former students:

Mrs. George T. Day gave a historical sketch of the academy, its teachers and its atmosphere of the academy and the atmosphere of all her life, and her paper was of great interest, full of information and able research.

A letter of greetings was next read from Miss Harriet B. Rogers, a former teacher, after which a duet was given by Albert E. Prescott and Miss Gertrude Day Fletcher, with Miss Julia Heywood Fletcher at the piano.

Their rendering of "When the wind blows in from the sea," by Stewart and "O lovely night," from "Fables of Hoffman," were splendidly rendered.

Miss Miranda G. Luce, with a happy gift of telling things in a very original and original manner, read next with chronicles of former days of the old academy. These verses were very cleverly written and were enthusiastically received.

Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher responded for the board of trustees, Charles O. Prescott for the school committee; Principal Dexter Cogshall for the work of the school, as did also Frank H. Hill, superintendent of schools.

Miss Mary P. Bunce read a poem written by her aunt, Miss Maria Bunce, entitled, "Jane Johnson's beau," a contribution for the famous "Literary Gatherer," of bygone academy days.

Arthur T. Butterfield, of Worcester, responded for the class of '88 and other speakers were Capt. S. H. Fletcher and Prof. Charles Emerson Dean, of Dartmouth college, after which the exercises were brought to a close with the late Prof. Frost's time-honored custom of the singing of "America."

In the evening a dance was given by the juniors and the graduates, and was well attended. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Colonial orchestra, of Lowell. Dancing was from eight to twelve o'clock.

The grand march was led by Miss Edith Lawrence and Harold W. Hildreth, followed by about sixty couples.

The matrons for the evening were Mrs. A. W. Hartford, Mrs. Homer M. Seavey and Mrs. David Wallace.

About Town. The Augustus Bunce farm on Providence road has been sold to a Boston lawyer for a summer home.

Rev. L. B. Weeks conducted the services at the Long-Sought chapel last Sunday afternoon.

Gerald Decatur, who has been a successful teacher in Porto Rico, has returned to the old homestead on the Lowell road for his summer vacation and become assistant in general usefulness for his father, C. R. P. Decatur, whose illness still compels retirement from field work.

Pilgrim Commandery of Knight Templars, of Lowell, by special invitation accompanied by the Salem Cadet band, were the guests of brethren in Biddeford, Me., last week Monday.

Lester Prescott has been placed on the retired list without compensation through the influence of a bad cold.

Hazel Fletcher graduated from the Lowell grammar school and Ralph Fletcher from the high school on Wednesday, Oak Hill and the Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher family are landing something somewhere all the time. Success is for courageous knowing.

Both masses in St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning were celebrated by Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, who has recently been transferred from the Immaculate Conception parish, Malden, and is assistant pastor to Rev. P. Schofield, pastor of St. Catherine's church.

The A. R. Choate hose company held their regular meeting in their rooms on Monday night with Capt. J. A. Healey in the chair. Much business for a routine order was transacted and after the meeting had closed a social hour was enjoyed.

Many people from this village attended the Foresters' picnic at Nabnasset grove on last Saturday afternoon and night, and all had a very enjoyable time.

Miss Engra Mattson, who has been spending the last few weeks with friends in Hancock, N. H., is now at her home here.

The Grantville baseball club met the South Ends of Lowell at the outing held under the auspices of Court Middlesex, F. A. of Lowell, at Lake Nabnasset on last Saturday afternoon and were defeated by the Lowell team by the score of 6 to 1.

The game was lost through bad fielding errors in the Grantville infield, the team going up in the air in the third inning, when the South Ends scored four runs, the only one safe being the result of loose playing.

Grantville scored one run in their half of the third, but the rest of the game was a pitchers' battle between Curry and Spinner.

The White Sox baseball club, of the Suburban league, were on the home grounds here last Saturday waiting for the Mystics of North Chelmsford, but the local club failed to show up.

The White Sox are scheduled to play the Cubs of North Chelmsford on Saturday, July 6, and although the Cubs have much older players than the White Sox, and it is rumored that a couple of their fielders are married with families, the Grantville boys will play them to a finish, win or lose, and trust to the league officials to straighten whatever tangle may arise.

Mr. Ernest Longbottom and son, William A., of Arlington, have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett.

Mrs. Harriet E. Randall had for guests on last Tuesday and Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Christian Gutschow, Rochester, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Archibald S. Bennett, of Boston; Mrs. Annie Proctor, of Montello, and Mrs. Walter Brooks, of Whitman. Mrs. Brooks remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. Joseph Mason and two children, Raymond and Clayton, of Lowell, Rochester, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Catchpole, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Morton have welcomed a little daughter into their home, and have named it Emma Eliza.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Holt and children, William and Elizabeth, of Lowell, have opened their cottage at Fargo pond.

A most delightful surprise party was tendered to Mrs. Arthur Burrington, of Lowell, at her camp at Knopp's pond, Groton, by her friends on last week Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Rachael Cherry and Edwin Cherry spent the week-end with friends in Worcester.

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**SHIRLEY.**

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 Anna Facelette, of East Boston, who has been stopping at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Charles Stebbins, has returned home, accompanied by her cousin, May Stebbins, who will spend a brief vacation at the home of her cousin.  
 Mrs. E. C. Pevear, of Swampscott, with young daughter Ruth, is spending a brief vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant.  
 Mrs. Charles A. Ford returned home last Saturday from the Clinton hospital, where she was operated upon, and is progressing finely.  
 Miss Nellie Gardner leaves Shirley the latter part of this week for a vacation at her old home in Presque Isle, Me.  
 Miss Mildred Tilden, a student at Smith college, has gone to reside in Waltham and will take a vacation during the summer at Simmons college.  
 There will be a meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Universalist church on Monday evening, July 8, at the home of Mrs. Binney at 7.30 o'clock, to make arrangements for the annual picnic.  
 The Friday evening prayer meetings at the Congregational church will be omitted during the months of July and August.  
 Adray l'Ecuyer, who has been seriously ill at his home from the effects of an operation for appendicitis, was taken to the Clinton hospital last Saturday for a second operation. His condition is considered critical by his physicians.  
 Miss Justine Howland, of Worcester, and Miss Mary C. Smith, of Fitchburg, were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Merriam.  
 Miss Mabel Hazen, of New Haven, has arrived at the home of her father, Thomas L. Hazen, for the summer vacation.  
 Miss Amanda Beaudette has arrived in Shirley from Springfield, to remain permanently.  
 Miss Gladys Petersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Petersen, is spending a vacation in New Hampshire.  
 Miss Inez McMurray left town last Sunday for a vacation at her old home in Lake George, N. B., and will return in September.  
 Harry Hocquard left town last Sunday for a vacation of one month at his old home in New Carlisle, Quebec.  
 Miss Irene McNally, of New York city, is visiting her sister, Miss Gertrude McNally.  
 Mrs. Martin Curley, of Boston, has returned home after spending two weeks at the Shirley Inn, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond.  
 J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, July 8.  
 Edwin Plummer Gray and Miss Mary Libbertha Kolowratz were united in marriage at Boston last week Friday. The bride resided in Littleton previous to her marriage, but formerly lived in Shirley, where she has a large number of friends. She is a very estimable young lady. The groom is a conductor on the Fitchburg & Leominster electric railroad, and is also well-known in Shirley and neighboring towns. They will reside for a time at 100 Day street, Fitchburg. The young couple have the best wishes of a large circle of friends for happiness and success in life.  
 Miss Angeline Burno is enjoying a week's vacation at home.  
 Miss May Flynn, of Lawrence, spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis O'Neill.  
 Mrs. Dora Evans, of Boston, spent over the Fourth with her brother, J. Albert Deardon.  
 William J. Crommett, high school principal, has tendered his resignation to the school committee, and will go to Milton at the opening of the school year, where he has accepted a similar position.  
 Henry Goss, of Worcester, is spending a few days with relatives in town.  
 Mrs. Charles H. Wear, Jr., with son Earl, are spending a vacation with relatives in Claremont, N. H.  
 George Gorham, of Proctor, Vt., is spending this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Burno.  
 Many of the stores in Ayer will close on Thursday afternoons from July 11 to September 12.

**Center.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and son Porter, of Boston, spent Saturday with Mr. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams.  
 The Girls' Sewing Guild expect to hold their postponed election of officers on Saturday afternoon on the common.  
 Mrs. Meizer V. Farnsworth, at the North, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Mellish, at West Groton, last week.  
 The Matrons' Aid will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon, July 9, at the home of Mrs. Homer P. Holden.  
 Misses Elsie and Beatrice Pray have moved to the Barnard cottage, and are spending a few weeks at the seashore.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Farnsworth announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Bernice Vinal Farnsworth, to Arthur Adelbert Moulton, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Moulton, of Jamaica Plain.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John W. Farrar, of Pomfret, Vt., were in town on Monday in order that Mr. Farrar could conclude his duties as postmaster at the Center postoffice.  
 Almon Wing, of Roxbury, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams on Monday.  
 Albert Latham, with daughters Alice and Esther, and Mrs. Peckham, of Malden, are guests this week at the home of Mrs. J. W. Evans.  
 Miss Rae S. Carpenter, at the North, is spending a few days with friends in Sandwich.  
 Ralph I. Evans and Margaret Evans have been confined to their home with illness for several days.  
 Rev. A. L. Bumpus, of Ayer, gave a fine sermon on the subject of "The Episcopal church," at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. During the months of July and August, beginning on Sunday, Rev. F. E. Webster, of Waltham, will conduct the services.  
 Mr. Arvis, of Boston, an accomplished violinist and whistler, and a well-known lecturer on wild birds, is spending a few days at the home of Miss Elsie Kirby.  
 A party of fourteen fresh air children from Boston are having a short outing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Farrar, at the North.  
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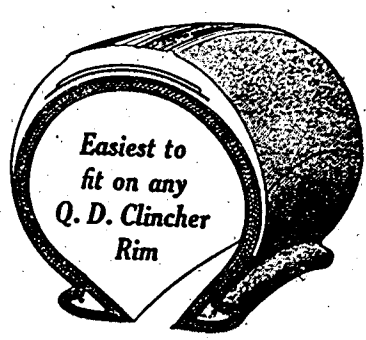
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**TOWNSEND.**

**Center.**  
Charles Lang, of Attleboro, is visiting at Mrs. Angle Lang's and among friends in this village, and the West Village.

The Boy Scouts, chaperoned by Rev. A. L. Struthers, enjoyed this week at Mr. Struthers' cottage in the West Village. Nearly all of the party except a few of the smaller boys, made the trip upon their bicycles, the smaller ones going with Mr. Struthers by train. Mr. Struthers, assisted by Farke, represented the commissary department, and the boys had a grand good time.

Miss Jeannette Struthers, of Gardner, is a guest at the Congregational parsonage.

Fred W. Wood and family, of Baltimore, Md., arrived on Monday for their summer's outing at the Greenville Wood homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Wood made a previous trip earlier in the summer to prepare for their summer's sojourn here.

William Copeland and Harry C. Felch have completed their duties as traverse jurors at the civil court, Lowell, having been in attendance since the first of April.

Miss Florence Powers, of Springfield, formerly with the B. & A. D. Fessenden Co., is visiting Miss Harriet Miller at H. J. Miller's this week, and calling upon her many friends and acquaintances here.

Among those in town for the alumni concert at the hall, or for over Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Christy Gates and children, of Waltham, and Mr. and Mrs. George Page, of Pawtucket, R. I., at George Gates; Mrs. Minnie Withers and Miss Grace Tarbell, of Boston; George Tarbell; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shirley, of Lynn; and Miss Lillian Hildreth and friend, of Waltham, at H. B. Hildreth's; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Streeter and son Norman, of Waltham, at T. E. Farley's; Miss Louise and Arthur Tushman, of Manchester, N. H., at J. M. Coffey's; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dudley and Ed. Dudley, of Fitchburg, with relatives in town; Huntley Spaulding, of Milton, N. H.; Alberta Barber and friend and many others.

Miss Bessie Eastman returned this week from Dover, for her summer's vacation at the high school in which she is a teacher, having closed until the fall term.

Arthur Eastman, of M. I. T.; Robert Teehan, of the Wentworth Training school; Harold Morse, of M. A. C.; Rodney Lancy and David Clark, of Worcester; Robert Clark, of Clark college; also, Victor Swicker and nearly all of our many out-of-town students are now at their respective homes for the summer months.

William Crombie, formerly a well-known favorite here among the young people, and now studying medicine at New Rochelle, N. Y., was the guest of Harry Winchester this week, while on his way home to Chelsea.

Miss Grace Barker, who has kept house at J. W. Eastman's during the absence of Miss Eastman, at Dover, has now returned to her home at Nelson, N. H.

Miss Helen Miller, of Quincy, is visiting at Mrs. A. D. Fessenden's.

A very warm night ushered in the annual concert and dance of the Townsend Alumni association at last Friday evening at Memorial hall, week in spite of the uncomfortable weather there was a good attendance and many participated in the dancing. The concert by the Salem Cadet orchestra was of its usual pleasing character, and Nelson Becker, as formerly, brought down the house with his cornet solos. During the dancing piano was served by Mrs. George G. Clarke and assistants, and at intermission members of the high school passed the ice cream and cake. A social evening was enjoyed by all. At the business meeting held right after the concert, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: William W. Copeland, pres.; Edwin Sanders, sec.; Mrs. Mabel Boynton Wilson, sec. and treas.; Wilbur H. Seales, Ella Wilder and Annie Keefe, ex. com.

Mrs. Elmar Wallace, Miss Lizzie Whitcomb, Gertrude and Ethel Rockwood enjoyed a trip to Lowell by auto on Tuesday.

The ball game scheduled this Saturday will be between the Ashby A. A. team and Townsend A. A. on the local grounds.

**Baseball.**

Townsend won from Greenville on last Saturday in one of the loosely played games in which they always seem fated to have with this club. At first the home team seemed to be mostly among the visitors, but Townsend got in her share during the last part of the game and allowed the visitors six runs in one inning. This happened in the seventh inning after Townsend had been standing 10 to 2 in the lead, and several had started home thinking the game too one-sided to be of interest. But the Greenville made a grand rally, began to hit our local twirler, and the runs came in so fast that the home team called seven instead of six, which was later found correct. In this inning there were eleven at bat, six hits, six runs and three errors.

The excitement rose high, but was soon quieted as the locals pulled themselves together, allowing but one run in the eighth and making one themselves in the ninth. "Honey" Bartlett, with the locals last year, played third base for the Greenville. The score finally came out 11 to 9, with nine errors for Townsend and thirteen for Greenville. The summary:

TOWNSEND A. A.									
	ab	r	h	tb	po	a	e		
Keefe, ss.	6	1	1	2	1	3	2	1	
Lancey, 2b.	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	
Eastman, c.	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	
Morse, 1b.	6	2	3	1	1	0	1	0	
Teehan, cf.	4	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	
Greene, 3b.	3	2	1	1	2	0	1	0	
Swicker, p.	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	
Parker, lb.	5	1	3	3	5	0	1	1	
Knight, p.	4	0	1	1	0	4	1	0	
Totals	43	11	15	27	13	1	9	13	
GREENVILLE A. A.									
	ab	r	h	tb	po	a	e		
Gallard, ss.	6	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	
Bliss, cf.	5	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	
Fitzmaurice, c.	5	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	
Bartlett, 2b.	5	3	3	3	0	4	0	4	
Bushey, lf.	5	1	2	2	6	1	2	1	
Kelser, rf.	4	0	1	1	3	2	1	1	
Head, 1b.	4	0	1	1	5	1	1	1	
Brown, lb.	4	0	1	1	5	1	1	1	
Dower, p.	5	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	
Totals	44	9	13	26	8	13	9	11	
Innings									
Townsend A. A.	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	11
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Two-base hits—Morse, Keefe, Double plays—Bliss and Fitzmaurice; Head, unassisted. Bases on balls—By Knight 2, by Dower 4. Struck out—By Knight 2, by Dower 2. Stolen bases—Lancey 2, Morse, Teehan 2, Bliss, Fitzmaurice, Kelser. Sacrifice hit—Lancey. Passed balls—Eastman 2. Wild pitch—Dower. Umpire—McGrill. Time—2 hrs. 35m.

\*Two out when supposed winning run scored.

**West.**  
The library at the Center opened on July 2, and the distribution of books will be carried on at the reading-room at the usual hours, commencing Saturday evening, July 6.

The West Townsend Brotherhood will hold their monthly social meeting in form of a lawn party and band concert on the Baptist church grounds on Thursday evening, July 11, to which the public is cordially invited. The Townsend band will furnish the concert and ice cream will be furnished free. In case of storm the affair will be held on Friday evening.

Mrs. Waldo Whitney, wife of the superintendent of the town farm, is very ill, and her sister is assisting in caring for her.

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**Suicide.**

George Hapgood, a former resident of Athol, committed suicide by hanging himself to a Tuesday morning. He had been visiting his brother, Elbridge Hapgood, and on Monday afternoon bade the family good-bye, stating that he was going to Greenville on the two o'clock train, but he was afterward seen in the village. Next morning about five o'clock, Mrs. Hapgood discovered the body hanging in the doorway of the shed belonging to Miss Sarah Warner next door.

Dr. Boynton was immediately summoned, but he was extinct and the coroner was sent for, arriving at about ten o'clock. The act was probably committed in the early part of the night and the man had been dead for some hours when discovered.

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Mrs. Herbert Harvey with daughter Thelma and son Herbert and Miss Lydia Haugwitz have arrived from New York city to spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harvey.

Miss Blanche Baldwin of Malden has returned to her home for the summer vacation.

Miss Isabelle Ewens, assistant secretary of the Nashua Y. W. C. A., is spending her vacation of two weeks with Mrs. Baldwin.

Mrs. Stephen Gilson and little daughter Frances have visited Mrs. Gilson's mother in Winchendon the last week. Mr. Gilson and Miss Matty MacNeal went to Winchendon Wednesday evening and will return with her on Saturday.

Madlyn and Richard Ross have returned to town. Madlyn is staying with her grandmother and Richard with Mrs. William Spaulding.

Mrs. Charles Iten of Tonawanda, N. Y., has returned to the Harbor to spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. Gilchrist.

Last week Thursday, Mrs. F. C. Sanborn with family and friends enjoyed an auto trip from Wollaston and spent the day with Mrs. Doherty.

Mrs. Patrick Riley celebrated her sixty-ninth birthday Tuesday, July 2. Several neighbors were invited to her home in the afternoon and ice cream was served.

Last Sunday officers were elected at the Harbor Sunday school. Mrs. A. C. Josselyn is superintendent. Chas. Spaulding, secretary and treasurer. The union services will be held as usual before the Sunday school classes at 2.30 p. m., but one hour only will be taken for both services.

Several times the employees of the leatherboard mill have found rings and other articles of jewelry, as well as money to the amount of ten dollars, but Louis Mason thought himself particularly fortunate last Monday, while repairing a beater, to find a gold watch. It was a Waltham watch, seventeen jeweled, and case guaranteed for twenty years. He would it up and it has run as if it had just been taken from a jewelry case. When the night shift came to work Mr. Leahy heard of the find and immediately laid claim to the find. Two weeks ago, while working, his watch slipped from his pocket and fell into a beater. All searching and efforts to get it out seemed useless and he thought it would be destroyed and he was about to throw it away when he noticed, but fortunately it became lodged between the beater plate and end of roll, and seems to be none the worse for its adventure in a watery bed.

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News Items.  
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The Warners, of Roxbury, and the Carpenters and the Pritchards, of Somerville, have returned to Arthur W. Drew's camp near Harwood avenue for the season. The new camp is let to a family by the name of Gilman.  
Mrs. McLaughlin, of Boston, visited her sister, Miss Augusta Dewey, over Sunday.  
Miss Wright, of Dedham, was the Sunday guest of Mrs. Amelia Wakefield.  
Bennett and Charlotte, two oldest children of Judge Sanderson, are visiting at Judge Morton's summer home in Yarmouth Island, Me.  
Benjamin Conant has been entertaining a Harvard college friend from the Pacific coast.  
The electric lights are to extend over Tahattawan road to Newton, a little past F. S. Kimball's place.  
The grass on the pumping station grounds was sold at auction on Tuesday forenoon by George A. Cook, to Everett Kimball for forty-five dollars.  
Miss Emma Morrison, of Boston, and Miss Adelaide Norris, of Lowell, were holiday guests at A. T. Kimball's.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gregory are making a company of ten little people from the city extremely happy this week with plenty of nourishing food, good care and pleasant rides in the country.  
The Arthur Blanchard family has hired a cottage in Kennebunk, Me., near the Burton S. Flag cottage, and will spend the greater part of the summer there.  
Herbert M. Crane expects to go to work in Athol shortly after the Fourth.  
Irving Hartwell has recently purchased a valuable Pierce-Arrow motor cycle.  
Miss Ruth Thacher is the guest of the William Brown family at Sandy pond this week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Flag, Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Houghton and son Hayward, and several friends from Newton, accompanied Miss Marion W. Flag to the steamer "Celia" to bid her "Bon voyage" last Saturday.  
The Congregational church will be closed until July 21.  
Greetings have been received this week from Rev. and Mrs. Packard, who were at the time they wrote, enjoying Los Angeles, Cal. at present they are in San Francisco.  
E. H. Priest's new house is progressing, although not yet ready for plastering. It is delightfully located, distant mountains and the valleys stretching between.  
A company of men employed by the state forestry department has been doing pains-taking work in spraying trees in town. The trees in our woods are suffering terribly from the moths; the gypsies are eating the foliage of all kinds of trees, and even the needles of the pines offer a tempting bait.  
It would seem that the people of Littleton had town water none too soon, if one may judge by the amount during the month of June, 31,000 gallons being the average daily amount used. These figures seem large, but much was used in the spraying company and hydrants and hose were frequently tested. Another reason for the large amount taken, perhaps, is because the water is not yet metered and will not be until the first of October, and many have used it freely in wetting the lawns and sprinkling the streets near their homes.  
The Backlog club closed its season on Tuesday evening with the annual strawberry festival, and a very successful year from a social and financial point of view was thus brought to a conclusion. A supper of tempting delicacies was much appreciated by the large company in attendance. This was followed by an exceedingly good literary and musical entertainment. Rev. and Mrs. Fairfield, their son John and two younger daughters read many selections that were very entertaining, and Mrs. James Christie, with the Lounge orchestra, played to the great pleasure and satisfaction of the audience.  
Miss Genthner will not continue as music teacher in Littleton next year, but she will teach still in Acton and Marsh.  
Charles Drew, brother of Rev. Harold B. Drew, and Miss Finette Eaton, of Providence, R. I., were recent guests at Elmar A. Flag's, Ernest Drew, his two children and his mother from Providence were auto guests of the Elmar Flag family last week. Mrs. E. W. Stone and two children visited at Elmar Flag's last Sunday. The children will spend part of the summer with Mrs. Mattie K. Priest on Foster street.  
Mrs. Isaac Brown has returned from a visit of two weeks with relatives and friends in Salem and in Tiverton, R. I.  
Mrs. Chester Hartwell and sister, Miss Natalie Sleeper, go into their camp at Forge pond very soon for the greater part of the summer. They will be joined later by their brother.  
James McManus has improved his cottage on Harvard road by adding a room and a piazza.  
T. Esten and family moved last week into the John S. Hartwell house on King street recently purchased by George W. Whitcomb.  
L. A. Hager has plans for the introduction of town water and many improvements that will add much to the attractiveness of the tenement recently vacated by the Esten family. He has also laid hardwood floors, and made various other improvements in the tenement that his own family occupies.  
The R. H. Phelps house at Littleton Center has been practically rebuilt with its fresh coats of paint and well-graded grounds, making an imposing residence which beautifies the Center. Another improve-

ment that adds much to the appearance of the village is to be seen in the John Whittier house which has a new and fresh porch, side veranda and a new roof.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Edward Prouty, of Somerville visited their parents in town over Sunday.  
Miss Annie Godfrey, of Swampscott, has been visiting Miss Marion Prouty.  
Miss Clara Fletcher attended the alumnae reunion of the Fitchburg Normal school last week Friday evening.  
Edwin N. Robinson has bought the pretty new front place on Great road and moved in this week.  
Supt. Frank H. Hill, his son Ralph and daughter Eleanor, and Miss Jennie Sawyer went to South Portland, Me., in Hill automobile Sunday.  
Mrs. John McKinley has been very sick for a week past. Her daughter, Miss Bertha, is caring for her. McKinley, and attending to the household affairs in general.  
Mrs. Clarence Jackson is entertaining as her guests three nieces from South Carolina.  
Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Kimball, Mrs. Nahum Whitcomb and daughter, Miss Florence Whitcomb, attended the graduation exercises at Westford academy on Friday last week. Mr. Kimball's niece, Miss Evelyn Hamlin, was one of those who received diplomas. Next week she will study at the Kimball school for girls at Worcester, over which, her aunt, Miss Ellen Kimball, presides as principal. After studying a year in that institution she will enter college—probably Vassar.  
Miss Susie Robbins was recently the guest of Miss Cora Warren in Boston.  
John Ames, of Somerville, spent Sunday with his relatives in the West End.  
Mrs. Ernest Stapleford has opened a new cream parlor in her home at Littleton Common, off of Warren street.  
The ice cream parlor at the West End opened Saturday with a most encouraging trade, considerably surpassing the expectations of the proprietor. A telephone has been installed and her conveniences will soon be added.  
Mrs. Irving W. Bailey (Harwood) and infant son, from Cambridge, are at her mother's home for a visit of several weeks.  
Miss Mazie Parry, of Roxbury, was Saturday and Sunday guest of Miss F. E. Barlett. The same hostess also entertained Mrs. Fredrick Skelton, of Somerville, over the holidays.  
Paul Cole attended the funeral of his grandfather in Gardner last Saturday.  
The Congregational church will be closed two Sundays, opening again on July 21.  
Mrs. William Esten, of Dorchester, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Patrick Neagle, of Warren street.  
Miss Fannie Griffiths, of Brookline, has been spending her vacation at home. Lester Griffiths, of Waltham, and his sisters, Mrs. Kempton and Mrs. Mary Brower and two children, were also invited at their parents' home on New State road. Miss Emily Griffiths, of Waverley, is recovering from a very serious surgical operation.  
Miss Mildred Flag, who recently came home from Pembroke college, has received two honor marks and was given credit in all her studies. Because of this high rank she was voted by the Brown faculty into the Crucible society. She also had the honor of being the class marshal again this year.  
Married on June 27, in Somerville, by Rev. Paul Gordon Foster, Helena Howe Goucher and Ernest Frederick Gardner, of Canton, Ohio. After a three-weeks' tour through Maine, the couple will reside in Waltham.  
Many of the stores in Ayer will close on Thursday afternoons from July 11 to September 11.  
**Successful Lawn Party.**  
The committee in charge of the lawn party and barn dance at Hugh's evening, was happy in the selection of the time and place. The spacious lawn was thickly dotted with the lights of Japanese lanterns, the large house and barn were brilliantly lighted and the moon shone brightly over the prettily decorated booths of tempting wares, and a large company of happy people. Not a few came from Ayer and Harvard and two auto loads came from Clinton, but by far the most came from our own villages. A conservative estimate placed the number at little over two hundred, ice cream and cake, fruitade, tonics, home-made candy and articles from the fish pond found ready sale.  
The large dining room was neatly fitted up for dancing and with graphophone and accordion music by Joseph Wainwright would seem quite an attraction to those who enjoy trip-trotting the light fantastic, but the extreme heat and humidity of the evening made the quieter pleasures more desirable. Socially and financially the party score a decided success. Over one hundred dollars was received, and seventy-five dollars netted.  
**Pleasing Recital.**  
Miss Ida E. Dow's music pupils in Littleton, assisted by Boston pupils and Mrs. Emma Dow, reader, gave an entertainment in the town hall on Monday evening that was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present. Frank Cummings, who presides a tenor voice of much promise, sang with Miss Dow, a duet that was very enthusiastically received. Mr. Cummings also sang two solos in which he showed much talent and cultivation. Ernest Sheldon, violinist, who was also very popular with the audience, played with Miss Dow and rendered obligatos to her songs.  
Miss Mabel Anspach, mezzo soprano, who has appeared before Littleton audiences before, was loudly applauded when she came before the people, and their expectations were reached, for the artist sang in excellent voice, revealing a good range and richness of tones. Another of the Boston pupils to win favor with the audience was Miss Minnie L. Smith.  
Mrs. Emma L. Dow gave pleasant variety to the program by giving two excellent readings. A trio, "Love's old sweet songs," was well played by Misses Edna Hartwell, Addie LaDuke and Priscilla Hall. Another trio deserving high commendation was rendered by Mrs. J. N. Murray and Misses Vera Smith and Serena Hall. Marietta Kathleen Drew played a very pretty duet.  
An especially attractive number was a duet by Miss Grace Needham and Miss Marion Prouty, "Love story of Pierrot and Pierrette," with announcements by Mrs. Dow. Other selections deserving creditable mention were the beautiful "Austrian song," played by Norman Bonnell, duet by Norman Bonnell and Edna Hartwell, duet by Edna Hartwell and Rebecca Millet, solos by Madeline L. Millette and Rebecca P. Millette, solo

by Mrs. G. W. Prouty, vocal duet by Miss Dow and Mrs. Prouty, and a very well rendered piano solo by Whitney Caukins.  
The program revealed careful and artistic instruction on the part of Miss Dow and painstaking work and good wishes and congratulations found expression in the presentation of a beautiful bouquet of red roses to Miss Dow.  
At the close of the recital the settees were removed from the center of the floor and the remainder of the evening was given to dancing. Miss Dow played the piano and Mr. Curtis W. Drew served as floor director.

**BROOKLINE, N. H.**  
Current Events.  
On Saturday, June 29, Brookline experienced its first auto accident since the death of Mrs. Waltham, a lady of sixty-eight years, was thrown out and severely cut by flying glass and otherwise bruised. Two couples, Mr. and Mrs. Coburn and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. French, of Waltham, with two cars, were on their way to Lyndeboro and Hillsboro. Mr. Coburn taking the lead, was looking at the guide boards, and when near the bridge accidentally turned his machine the wrong way, tearing the lamp and disabling the machine so that it was returned to Waltham on the cars on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Putney being friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Cady, took Mrs. Coburn to their home, where she was made comfortable until the afternoon train when they returned to their home.  
Clarence Wright, once a Brookline boy, but now married and employed the Nashua postoffice, was in town on Friday of last week visiting old friends.  
Mrs. Fred Seelye, of Boston, and Miss Inez Wright, of Foxboro, were recent guests of their brother, Freeman Wright, and wife.  
Gladys Slocumb has returned to her home from Boston, where she has been for several months.  
Mr. and Mrs. George French, of Townsend, N. H., and Mrs. Elmer French, of Nashua, were guests in town on Sunday.  
A social dance was given at Tardiff's hall on Wednesday evening, July 3. Music was given by Harry and Mr. Seeger, drum.  
Henry Bailey and family, of Milford, and Miss Doris Nye, of Sandown, were recent guests in town. The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Wells has been very ill.  
Mr. and Mrs. William Strong, from Maine, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell.  
Mrs. Sarah Colburn is visiting her daughter, Helen Dobson, at Townsend.  
Albert T. Pierce has had all the ruins of his late home, which was burned, removed. The cellar is ready or nearly so for the bungalow which he will soon have built. Mr. Pierce and Arthur Goss are employed at Milford for a few weeks.

**Grange.**  
Children's night was observed at Brookline grange on Wednesday evening of last week. The children, under the direction of Mrs. Edna Hall, presented a fine entertainment to a large audience as follows: "The Quaker," Mattie Betterley; recitations, "What the speech?" Rhea Brown; "Little Stars," Alvina Oulette and Edith Hughes; Dutch song, Florence, Ernest and Bernice O'Connell; composition on animals, Willie Oulette; song, "Please buy my last paper," Valma Taylor; sketch, "Backward child," Bernice and Florence O'Connell; doll play, three little girls; recitations, "A boy's pocket," Patsy Reagan, Massacua; "The Quaker," Mary Reagan and Francis Farnsworth; Russian song, Emma and Lena Wenbel; "Lost doll," Esther Martin; "Tom's practical joke," Lester and Eva Corey and Hazel Goss; plan, Frances Farnsworth; "The Quaker," Arthur R. Attridge, brother of the groom, was host. The bride was Miss Lena Brown of Pepperell, and Miss Edna DeWese, of Brookline, N. Y. were bridesmaids. Miss Elizabeth Wasson, of New York city, being maid of honor.  
The bride was attractively attired in a robe of white satin, with pearl trimmings, veil and orange blossoms, carrying a bouquet of bride's roses, and lace with bouquets of white roses, and Miss Brown wore yellow silk mes-saline and bouquet of pale yellow roses. Miss DeWese wore pink silk embroidered mes-saline, and carried a bouquet of the pink roses.  
After the ceremony the bridal party returned to Pinehurst, Hollis street, the home of the bride, and at eight o'clock, to the strains of the wedding music played by Orrin Savage, the bride and groom took their places in the front parlor before a formal bank of mountain laurel, pink and white peonies and ferns, and received the guests presented by Miss Blanche Fessenden, Gerald Shattuck and Dr. McGraw as ushers.  
The rooms of the spacious home were beautiful with decorations of roses and ferns, daisies and mountain laurel, and with the lights turned on looked like a fairy home.  
After the reception about eighty guests were hospitably seated with sandwiches, wafers, cake, strawberry punch and ice cream. Two little maids daintily served each guest with a cup of wedding cake from white baskets which they carried. A beautiful bride's cake adorned the center of the dining table which the bride cut and distributed.  
Mr. and Mrs. Attridge succeeded in escaping the usual rice shower, and at about ten o'clock a cordial band was driven away by auto to Nashua and Boston, where they left for New York city, Newark, N. J., and Washington, D. C. Returning they will be at home to their friends at Pinehurst, East Pepperell, after July 12.  
The present, which were many, were seen in the upper hall and included cut glass, silver, rare china and pottery, linen, furniture and grooms each presented them with a check.  
Some of the guests from out-of-town were Mrs. Lena Blodgett, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Susie McCarthy, and

son Willie, Miss Elizabeth Wasson, New York city; Miss Edna DeWese, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Worcester, Hollis, Dr. and Mrs. Holcombe, Miss Marion Holcombe, Mr. and Mrs. David Fessenden, Miss Blanche Fessenden, Mrs. W. H. French, of this town; Mrs. Fred Seelye, Boston, Mass.; Miss Inez Wright, Foxboro, Mass.  
Miss Attridge resided in this town in her childhood days, where she made many warm friends who wish the happy couple many years of health and happiness.  
Sunday, June 23, Mrs. Attridge gave a farewell dinner to those who were to officiate at the wedding. The favors presented to the ladies was a diamond ring, the groom's gift to the gentleman was a gold stickpin with a garnet setting.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Kennedy entertained a house party from June 22 to June 29, in honor of the marriage of their daughter. On June 25, they gave a salad dinner to the guests, covers being laid for fifteen guests.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of SILAS P. MORGAN late of Ayer in said County deceased: Whereas JOSEPHINE E. MORGAN the administratrix of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance the first account of her administration upon the estate of said deceased. And she has requested to appear at a day of said Court, to be held at Cambridge, on the twenty-second day of June, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed. And she has requested that you serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, at least fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve. 2143 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.** Worcester, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of CATHERINE J. MACLENNAN late of Providence in the State of Rhode Island, deceased, intestate: Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court for the allowance of said Court, to be held at Worcester, without giving a surety on his bond. And she has requested to appear at a day of said Court, to be held at Worcester, on the eighth day of July, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And she has requested that you 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, at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve. JOHN W. MAWBEY, Register. 3141

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**S. R. Crimmins, Leominster, Mass.**  
A certain tract of land situated in the northerly part of said Townsend, in that part thereof known as West Hill on the road leading from the Allen place to the New Hampshire state line; bounded northerly by land formerly of Joseph Baxter; westerly by land named land and land formerly of A. D. Fessenden; southerly by land of Waldo Spaulding; north by land of Waldo Spaulding and Eliza Hamlin; east by road, containing forty acres, more or less.  
Tax for year 1908 \$10.20

**Blanchard & Gould, Acton, Mass.**  
A certain tract of land situated on the westerly side of the road leading from Townsend Harbor to Brookline, N. H.; bounded on the south by land of Waldo Spaulding; west by land of Waldo Spaulding; north by land of Waldo Spaulding and Eliza Hamlin; east by road, containing forty acres, more or less.  
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