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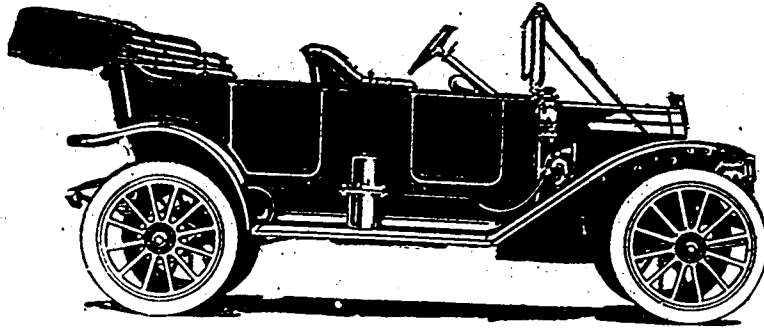
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JOHN JACOB ROGERS.

The following was taken from Practical Politics, September 14:

As the city of Lowell has over half the population of the new fifth congressional district and as John Jacob Rogers is the only Lowell candidate prominently mentioned, Mr. Rogers' chances of securing the republican nomination to succeed Butler Ames appear to be exceptionally bright. With Mr. Rogers as the republican nominee the contest would evolve into a strictly Lowell fight as both candidates for the democratic nomination are from that city and the progressives will also put forward a Lowell man.

A young man in politics, in many years, has "come along" more rapidly or more promisingly than has Mr. Rogers, and from the time that he cast his first vote a bright future politically has been predicted for him with a similar prediction as to his business career and though yet comparatively youthful he is now a member of one of the most influential law firms in Middlesex county, and he has shown conspicuously his ability to maintain successfully his position as such.

John Jacob Rogers is the son of Jacob Rogers, head of one of Lowell's most prominent families. He was born in that city and is a product of the local public schools. His personal popularity first became evident while a student at the high school where he received the most coveted honor, the position of colonel of the regiment. He then entered Harvard college from which he graduated with honors and also from the Harvard Graduate school, where he received the degree of master of arts in the department of history, and of Harvard Law school.

He has taken an active part in municipal politics. Like the gentleman to succeed whom in congress he aspires, Mr. Rogers entered upon his political career as a member of the Lowell common council from Ward 9, and was a member of that body when the old form of municipal government in Lowell was superseded by the commission form in 1911.

The new city government of Lowell includes a municipal council of five and a school committee of five, both elected at large. In December, 1911, at the first preliminary election held under the new plan, Mr. Rogers was one of about forty candidates to run for the school committee and led the entire list with a vote of over 6000. The ten highest candidates at this preliminary election were then placed upon a second ballot. Although party lines had been nominally abolished, it is probably fair to say that partisanship had never run so high in any previous election in the history of Lowell. At the final election four men ranking as democrats were elected to the board, and Mr. Rogers was the only man ranking as a republican elected, receiving 9306 votes and leading his nearest unsuccessful competitor about 1000 votes.

While a member of the school committee, as well as of the common council, Mr. Rogers has taken a strong stand in favor of economy without parsimony, and against political, racial or religious partisanship. He took an active part in the creation of an industrial school system in the city of Lowell, which is one of the finest in the state, and which is doing a splendid work for the younger workers, men and women, of Lowell. Mr. Rogers introduced into the legislature of 1912 and secured the passage of a bill which for the first time enabled a young woman employed in a factory, workshop or store during the day to attend a state-aided industrial school in the evening in order to fit herself to be an efficient wife and mother.

He has always been interested in the philanthropic and social betterment work in his native city and is an officer in such institutions as the Young Men's Christian Association, the Lowell Day Nursery association, the Old Ladies' Home, the Lowell Board of Trade and the Lowell Textile school.

In 1908, he assisted in the formation of a military company, in Lowell, namely, Co. K, Sixth Regiment, M. V. M., and was elected its second lieutenant, serving in that office and as first lieutenant for over three years.

In politics Mr. Rogers is and always has been a republican. He firmly believes in the preservation of the republican party, but also in the elimination of such abuses as exist in latter day politics. In other words, he is in the best sense of the word a progressive, and as such has received the official endorsement of the Association of Massachusetts progressive republicans.

HARVARD.

News Items.

Mrs. Horace K. West, of Richmond, Me., the buyer for the ladies' department at West & Co.'s store, was in Boston last week buying winter and fall goods. She spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. West.

Miss Mary D. Davis, president of the senior class of nurses at the Memorial hospital, Worcester, is at home for a two-weeks' vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Davis.

Mrs. Grace A. Johnson, wife of Prof. L. J. Johnson, dean of the engineering department at Harvard college, who spent their summers at the Watchford, Fiske Warren's estate, returned on "The Progressive woman" at the Memorial rooms on Monday, only a notice of a few hours was given to the people, many of whom

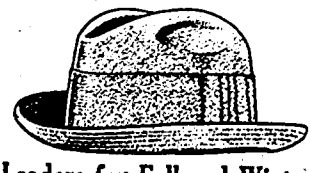
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would have been pleased to hear Mrs. Johnson. Quite a number gathered, however, to hear her. She has a charming personality and her hearers were very much pleased with her talk with them.

Fred Wrangham, who has been with the Hood farm milk routes in Boston for eight years, is home this week on a short vacation.

George Brown, Chris and Edward Sheehan took a trip to New York city last week, returning on Sunday.

Ellery Royal went to Worcester on Wednesday, where he is to enter the Worcester Polytechnic institute.

Miss Emily Whitney is attending Cushing academy at Ashburnham.

Charles Tewksbury has sold his farm on East Bare hill, stock and tools included, to parties out-of-town.

Twenty-four new pupils were added to Bromfield this year by the entering of the freshman class.

Prof. F. L. Kennedy and H. C. Forbes, of Cambridge, who have spent their summer at Abbotshill, or as the new name is to be Elmercroft, returned this week to their work at the university.

Mrs. K. W. Sears, who with her household have been for the past ten weeks at Nahant, opened her home on Prospect hill for the fall months this week.

The house on Prospect hill of Dr. S. A. Ellis closed this week. Mrs. Ellis and family going to their home at Brookline.

Miss Mildred Morse returned home on Wednesday after a six-weeks' trip visiting friends at Peterboro, Concord

and The Wells, N. H. Her grandfather, Henry Morse, accompanied her.

Don't fail to attend the closing out sale of millinery at Miss E. O'Brien's rooms, Public Spirit Building, Ayer.

Isaac H. Marshall has returned from a week's trip with his horse, going to points in New Hampshire and to Hampton Beach.

Miss Edna Flanders has returned from a vacation to Central New York and other points, and has again taken up her work in Worcester.

Mrs. Fannie Haskell has returned from her three-weeks' visit in Auburn, Me.

Miss Ruth Willard has been visiting her cousins in Winchester this week.

Miss Thompson, of Baltimore, Md., was the guest of Miss Laura A. Brown this week.

Mrs. Josephine Whitney and friend returned to her summer cottage here on Thursday for a short stay, coming from Worcester.

Miss Brown is visiting Rev. and Mrs. Morse for a week.

Chester Willard is filling his silo this week.

Fred Bateman and sister Eliza go to East Jaffrey on Friday to stay a fortnight.

Carl Haskell is getting moved into his new house, the cottage that he bought of Mrs. John Whitney.

A copy of the first edition of Robinson Crusoe sold recently in London for \$1,225.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Miss Evelyn Miner observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of her birth on Wednesday evening by entertaining a few friends at her home.

Mrs. William Tusette, of Providence, has returned to her sister's home, Mrs. Charles Stebbins, from the Leominster hospital, where she has been for treatment for the past two weeks.

Miss Mabel Miner has returned to Keene, N. H., and resumed her duties of her former position, which she was compelled to give up a year ago on account of sickness.

Rev. William W. Locke will preach at the First Parish church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Work on painting the church began on Thursday, the contract being awarded to Waldo Blood, of Ayer. The color is to remain the same as before.

The residence of Joseph C. Provost has received a new coat of paint, greatly improving the appearance of the house.

Mrs. Lucy Lecross, of Slatersville, R. I., has returned to her home after a pleasant visit with her nephews, George and Charles Stebbins.

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No animal has more than five toes, digits or claws to each foot or limb. The horse is one-toed; the ox is two-toed; the rhinoceros, three-toed; the hippopotamus, four-toed, and the elephant, five-toed.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Emma Morse, of Pennacook, is visiting her brother, F. F. Twiss, a few weeks.

Miss Flossy Woodbury, of Portland, Me., and a lady from Colorado Springs, Colorado, are visiting the Rogers sisters this week.

C. J. Bell loaded a herd of fourteen cows, including cows, heifers and calves last Saturday at the station for the fair at White River Junction and Brattleboro, Vt. He also sent specimens of his choice fruit. Mr. Bell took several premiums at the state fair held in Nashua during the first week in September. His oldest son Charles, and hired man have the herd in charge.

Rev. T. C. H. Boulton, of Hudson, occupied the pulpit on last Sunday forenoon and evening. A candidate from Boston, Mass., is expected on Sunday.

Mrs. E. P. Goodwin went to Lynn, Mass., on Wednesday last week for a two-weeks' visit with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Otis D. Goodwin.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. M. S. Hildret Tuesday afternoon for its annual meeting. After the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read they proceeded to elect delegates to the state convention to be held in Jefferson, September 24-26. Mrs. Elsie Hayden was elected as delegate and Miss H. B. Hayden as alternate. The election of officers followed, which resulted in these persons being chosen: Mrs. Lucy E. Brown, pres.; Mrs. Luella Read, v. p.; Mrs. F. M. Lovjoy, cor. sec.; Mrs. Clara Welch, rec. sec.; Miss Hattie B. Hayden.

D. F. Pierce, road commissioner, has commenced grading the hill near Runkell's bridge. The road the east side of the bridge near the Runkell house is to be straightened.

Current Events.

Miss Mary Cleasby has returned to her work after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cleasby.

The W. R. C. met next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Grange hall and a full attendance is desired as rehearsals will be held to prepare for inspection.

Hiram Glover at Hollis North End has bought the Leonard Fletcher place and is to build an extension on the house. Already the cellar wall and foundation is in and cellar for the barn is dug and stoned up.

Two more cottages are to be built at Silver Lake on lots recently purchased of George Morrill by a Pepperell man, it is reported.

Mrs. Bertram Locke and little grandson, Alan Ord, were in Waltham over Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie G. Nichols returned last week Thursday from a week's vacation spent with relatives and friends in Gardner, Mass., and vicinity.

Earl Stickney and family of Maine are visiting at Mr. Stickney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stickney.

Ralph E. Tenney has been on the sick list this week and under the doctor's care.

Miss Alice Pollock is having a week's vacation in Boston and vicinity with relatives and friends. After her return home she will be at Mrs. Andrew Spaulding's until October 1. After that she expects to go to the home of Wilbert Farley, where she will remain for the winter months.

There were about twenty present at a meeting of the D. A. R.'s held last Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Jennie Hale. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all and refreshments were served by the hostess.

Kenneth, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jameson, is reported as having been quite ill at their home in Malden, Mass.

Mrs. B. F. Ford of South Framingham, Mass., has been in town recently and it is reported that she has sold her cottage at Silver Lake to a friend of Dr. Ella Baylock Atherton of Nashua. It was already mentioned in last week's issue that Dr. Atherton was having a bungalow built at Silver Lake, her bungalow adjoining the Ford place.

Gilbert McNary, who for some time past has been employed on Mrs. Maria Shedd's farm, has completed his work there and is at present working at Charles J. Bell's.

Martha MacMaster has been on the sick list the past week and has been attended by Dr. Geo. S. Hazard.

Several of the young people in town went to Oak Hill on Monday night to attend a dance.

Miss Olive Clement returned to town on Tuesday, after having been away for the summer.

Little Althea May Nute has come back to town and is at present staying at the home of Mrs. Frances Lovjoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Rideout of Dunstable, Mass., were in town on Sunday.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events.

Mrs. Minnie Rockwood entertained guests last week in Claremont.

Mrs. Frank Maynard, of South Brookline, is the owner of an Egyptian lily that was in full bloom recently and was admired by a great number of friends. The usual time for these to blossom is in January. Mr. and Mrs. Maynard have been recent guests of a cousin, Mrs. Lucy Adams, at Lunenburg. Last week Mrs. Maynard entertained a sister, Mrs. Kate Lyons, of Ayer.

On last week Wednesday, by invitation of Mrs. Eliza Betterley, the Loyal Workers met at the lake and enjoyed an all-day session. A fine dinner was served at noon the first course being a corn chowder served by Mrs. Betterley, which was enjoyed by all. A shower in the afternoon hastened the home going.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Hall, of Milford, were guests in town on last Sunday; also, Gerald Shattuck, from Pepperell.

The cottage on Bond street, owned by Mrs. Ellen Sweet, is being remodelled, the work being in charge of A. A. Goss and Eldorus Shattuck. Mrs. Sweet has in addition to the lot for the new town house has given some for the foundation of the building. Mrs. Hattie Stiles has given material for grading purposes.

Miss Kate Dugan has returned to her home in Watertown, Mass., after a week's visit in town.

The appropriation for the state road will be expended on the west side of Meetinghouse hill.

Miss Marion Stiles and Miss May Pierce were home from Nashua over Sunday.

Miss Hitchins is the guest of her friend, Miss Ellen Sawtelle. Miss Martha Wright has returned to her school duties at Boston.

Orville H. Fessenden and son Walter Fessenden have a fine display of

fall flowers at the railroad station at South Brookline.

Grange.
Mrs. Clara E. Russell, lecturer of Brookline grange, who on the day Pomona grange met here could not speak aloud, has recovered and was able to be on duty again on Wednesday evening of last week, when the Pomona had a fine exhibit of cereals and fruit. Many being absent that were expected to contribute to the literary program made it necessarily quite quiet. Mrs. Hattie Pierce gave a reading, and Mrs. Clara E. Russell gave a story. Freeman Wright and Mrs. H. F. Pierce gave a vocal duet and Grover Farnell and Wallace Jenness figured in a tableau, "Sheet music."

Mrs. Catherine Cady, Pomona, and Mrs. Myra Stanley, Ceres, served the cereals and fruit to the patrons, after a number of kernels of rice in a bottle, number of kernels on an ear of corn and number of seeds in an apple were guessed upon. The bottle of rice contained 1537 kernels, Bragg, cereals set. Mrs. Louise James Wilson were tied on count of seeds contained in an apple and prize, a bouquet of flowers, were divided. Delbert Porter won the pin cushion prize for guessing the nearest number of kernels on an ear of corn, there being 365. The flowers from the tables were kindly sent to William J. Bailey, Mrs. Maude Greeley and Mrs. Shattuck at the home of Mrs. Clinton Gilson.

News Items.

James Fessenden, Fred Fessenden and Eldo Fessenden have been recent guests in town.

Miss Mertie Lawrence has gone to Nashua to work.

Miss Ethel Taylor is visiting in Worcester for a week.

Miss Matha Wright was at home over Sunday from Boston.

Mrs. Walter Parker is visiting in Lowell for a few days.

Miss Julia O'Hern is visiting in Fitchburg.

Ralph Perkins, Richard Wright and Edward Taylor enjoyed a trip up country in an auto on last Saturday, returning on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hadley and friends from Cambridge, Mass., were in town on Monday.

Mrs. Mabel Lawrence spent a few days in Boston recently.

Mrs. Nellie Sweet visited in Milford on Tuesday.

Harry Wilkins is working for William Boutelle.

There will be a regular meeting of Brookline grange on Wednesday evening, September 25. Entertainment will be furnished by the sisters.

LUNENBURG.

The household goods of the new principal of the high school, Claude A. Gray, arrived on Tuesday and were conveyed to the Keese cottage on Massachusetts avenue, where he will reside with his family.

The No. 2 schoolhouse, which has long been a familiar landmark in town, near A. H. Sherwood's residence, will soon become a thing of the past as an institution for learning. It was voted at a special town meeting to have the schoolhouse taken down and removed to the town lot opposite the Center schoolhouse, there to be re-erected for the storage of the fire wagon, fire department supplies, extinguishers, hose and other things pertaining to the fire department. Sidney H. Francis has been awarded the contract for doing the work.

Pomona Grange Meeting.
The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona met in the town hall on Wednesday morning for an all-day meeting. About eighty members were present when the meeting was opened and M. S. Sawyer, master, of Groton, presided. There are ten granges in the district and all but one were represented. A larger number came in during the forenoon and in the afternoon the meeting was open, and was well attended by townspeople and others. Dinner was served at noon by the Lunenburg grange. Many of the visitors from Groton visited the Vesper Memorial Library and a room by invitation of the trustees.

During the afternoon Miss Georgiana Boutwell, of Groton, gave an address upon "Great rulers whom I have known," including Presidents Grant, Lincoln and others whom she met in Washington while living there with her father, Ex-Gov. George S. Boutwell. Rev. Dudley R. Child, of St. Michel, one of a nature's curiosities, Mrs. L. E. Starr, of Pepperell, also gave a talk before the meeting in which she told of her intended trip to Florida very soon, probably starting the greater part of last winter in Florida, she "knows where she speaks," and whither she is going. Many of the visitors remained for the evening session, when the fifth degree was conferred on several candidates.

W. C. T. U.
The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their annual meeting and election of officers at the home of Mrs. William E. Proctor on Tuesday afternoon with the following results: At the first ballot Mrs. Proctor was unanimously re-elected president, a position which she has held for several years, but on account of ill health, both of herself and husband, she felt obliged to decline. The second ballot elected Mrs. Sarah Moody. She, too, gave good reasons why it would be impossible for her to serve, and a third ballot was made necessary and Miss Mary F. Hadley was elected president.

Mrs. Sarah A. Peterson was elected honorary president. Mrs. Peterson was the first president of Lunenburg union, when it was organized nineteen years ago, and has always retained her membership here, very much to the delight and gratification of all the members, who knowing that her most kindly interests were toward them if her bodily presence could not be, have kept her in the office of honorary president. Mrs. Peterson was the wife of Rev. John Peterson, who was pastor of the Methodist church here at the time, and when he was transferred to another charge, necessitated their removal from Lunenburg, but they have always retained the place they won in the hearts of the people here.

After the honorary president, the following vice presidents were elected: Mrs. W. R. Proctor, Mrs. Mary Aker, Mrs. Sarah Moody, Mrs. J. E. Longley, sec.; Mrs. Mary E. Kinney, treas. The superintendents of departments remain the same as last year.

Since June 7, the flower mission department of the Lunenburg W. C. T. U. have sent out forty boxes of cut flowers, fifty bouquets and four-

teen packages of clips and rooted plants. These go to Boston headquarters of W. C. T. U., where they are made up into bouquets and carried to the sick and shut-ins in hospitals and tenement houses, and in the slums of the city, and growing plants are potted and distributed in the same careful manner among the unfortunate who never get a glimpse of the country, only as it is carried to them. Boxes of fruit, vegetables, groceries, grape juice, jellies, fresh eggs and everything that can tempt the appetite and cheer the sick and suffering have also been sent, and other boxes will be sent for Thanksgiving. Any one desiring to contribute to so worthy a cause, may leave such contributions with Mrs. J. E. Longley, where they will be gratefully received.

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To all persons interested in the estate of ANN DOWNS late of Groton in said County, deceased:
Whereas FRANK LAWRENCE BLOOD the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the sixteenth day of September 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 said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Groton Landmark, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, the twentieth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve.
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Child's Table Chairs	1.75	1.25	
Child's Wood Cabinet Chairs	1.25	.90	
Child's Rattan Cabinet Chairs	2.50	2.00	
Velvet Art Squares, 9x12	18.50	17.00	
Amxminster Art Squares, 9x12	28.50	23.50	
Best Tapestry Art Squares, 9x12	22.50	18.50	
Crex Plain Art Squares, 9x12	7.50	6.70	
Crex Bordered Art Squares, 9x12	8.50	7.50	
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STATE PRIMARIES.

Tuesday, September 24, is the day set for the state-wide primaries at which the voters of the various parties will nominate their candidates for the state offices and congress.

It is a critical time in our politics, since for the first time the direct primary law, passed a little over a year ago, is to have a fair and complete trial. Last fall the machinery of the new system was little understood by the voters, and many failed to vote, either because they did not feel sufficiently informed on the question, or because they did not thoroughly understand the importance of taking part in the primary.

In the past year, however, the matter has been widely and thoroughly discussed, so that upon the results of the coming primary we can well answer the question whether the change from the caucus and convention system to the direct primary system was a wise change, and whether the new system is calculated to achieve the ends for which it was adopted.

It has been said that ours is a "government of the people, by the people and for the people." But this can only be true if the people take an interest in their government and participate in its affairs by voting, to inculcate themselves upon the principles which are presented to them for their decision, and to inform themselves about the men who come before them as candidates representing these principles.

The cry has gone out "Let the people rule." Heartily do we say "Amen." But the right of the people to rule carries with it a duty, the duty of ruling. This duty is imposed upon every voter, for one cannot justly claim or ask the right to rule unless he recognizes that that right entails a duty to vote intelligently.

Never is this duty more imperative than at the primary, for it is at the primary that the voters have the opportunity to eliminate the undesirable candidate and to support and encourage the worthy candidate. It is at the primary that each political party chooses its leaders and its representatives to the state convention which is to adopt the platform of the party. It is at the primary that the seed is sown, and it is the duty of every voter to do what he can to see that the seed is a good seed.

We hope that the voters of Massachusetts will recognize this duty on next Tuesday, and will discharge it in a manner that will prove the right of free citizenship to a free, self-governing state. Let no man who fails to vote at the primaries complain that his state or his country is ill governed. If he fails to discharge his duty and share the responsibility of free citizenship he forfeits his right to criticize or complain.

Let the voters during the coming week carefully and patiently inform themselves as to the various candidates before them, and let them stand, and let them vote on Tuesday in accord with their intelligent convictions. If every voter does so this year, next year and every year, the people will rule and rule wisely.

GROTON.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Grace Runsey Dana, daughter of the late Rev. Stephen Winchester Dana and Mrs. Dana, of Philadelphia, to Lyndon Baldwin Hardwick, of Quincy. Mr. Hardwick is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Theodore Hardwick. He was educated at the Groton School, graduated from Williams college, and is at present connected with a banking house in Philadelphia.

It is expected that the services at the Chicopee row schoolhouse on Sunday afternoon will be of unusual interest as the young ladies will furnish special music. S. P. McKean will conduct the services. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. Alaby and daughter Ella from Nova Scotia are visiting her brother, Herman H. Frazee and family of Elm street.

Mrs. Adolphus Gates was taken to the Groton hospital last week a very sick woman. Her condition at this time is improved, but she is still very ill.

Harry L. Bruce is visiting relatives in New Jersey.

F. F. Waters and chauffeur with J. H. Riley and John G. Ford as passengers took an automobile trip on Thursday, attending the fair at Framingham.

William F. Gleason has hired a tenement in the house on Pleasant street which was the home of the late Mrs. W. T. Hoyt.

Miss G. A. Boutwell read her paper, "Rulers of men whom I have met," before the Pomona grange at Lunenburg Wednesday.

Harold Hamlett Woods returned to Dartmouth Tuesday morning to enter the senior class.

Miss Lulu Beebe, telephone operator, is taking a vacation.

William A. Sanderson, Mrs. J. E. Messenger, the Misses Edith and Hattie Mesinger, Stanley and Howard Sawyer, Miss Eva Blodgett, Elmer Blodgett, Mrs. Blanche Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Sawyer, eleven from Groton grange, attended the Pomona at Lunenburg on Wednesday. They stayed to the evening session when the fifth degree was worked.

Mr. Jacob, physical instructor at Groton School, is occupying with his family the John Lawrence house on Farmers' row, which was formerly the Hartt place. It has been thoroughly renovated this past summer and presents a pleasing appearance. Mr.

Jacob leaves his position at McGill university, Montreal, preferring a country home for his children.

Carl A. P. Lawrence returned to his studies at Dartmouth Wednesday morning, entering upon his junior year.

The telephone manager has made new hours of service at the central station. Miss Carrie Clarke, head operator, keeps in the office at seven o'clock instead of eight o'clock a. m. Her nooning is from twelve to 2.30.

S. H. Raddin is sending a carload of apples made up from his own and other orchards to Baltimore, Md., this week.

Daniel Needham returns Monday to Harvard college, entering the senior class.

The registrars of voters will be in the selectmen's room at the town hall building on the evening of October 17, from seven to nine o'clock, and on October 26, from twelve noon until ten o'clock in the evening. All citizens entitled to vote who have not yet qualified should take notice of these dates if they wish to vote at the coming election in November.

The new fire alarm was tested on Thursday evening at about 7.30 o'clock. The several loud blasts were heard distinctly in different parts of the town, a number of miles out from the village. It would seem to be therefore perfectly adjusted and satisfactory. The short blast on Wednesday night was accidental. Besides being a fire alarm this whistle is to give two short blasts every day at twelve o'clock noon. There is also the no school signal for the school committee's use if they so choose.

The town warrant is posted, calling all the inhabitants qualified to vote in the primaries to meet in the town hall on Tuesday, September 24, at seven o'clock, to bring on their votes to the primary officer for the nomination of candidates for the political parties. The candidates for the offices of governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary, treasurer and receiver general and other officers of the commonwealth and the different districts and the town and other committees of the parties, polls are open from seven to nine o'clock.

The Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' fair will be held in Hazej Grove park on Thursday, September 26.

A Bible agent is going through town intending to visit every Protestant family here.

John Freeman is working as helper for D. E. Murphy.

George E. Tuttle has the contract for painting the H. S. and H. M. Wheelock handsome and large new bungalow on Chicopee row.

Miss Elsie E. Shattuck, who accepted a school in Pelham, N. H., resigned after teaching two weeks. She was persuaded to resign by the superintendent of schools at Groton, who offered her a graded primary school with the promise of the center primary at the first vacancy. Miss Shattuck was to begin the Milford school this week Monday, but during a thunder storm on Friday afternoon the school house was struck by lightning and considerably damaged. Meanwhile, Miss Shattuck is spending the week here at home while the building is being repaired for the opening of the school next Monday.

Mrs. Elisen Sawyer of Ayer will inspect the E. S. Clark W. R. C. on the afternoon of October 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard K. Raddin from Greenfield, arriving last Saturday, made a visit at the home of his father, J. B. Raddin, until this week Wednesday, when they left for Boston, later to return home. Mrs. Collier, the Raddin farm went with them to Boston.

The Wachuset Association of Baptist churches will meet at Clinton October 1. Delegates chosen to attend from the Baptist church, Groton, are: Dea. and Mrs. H. C. Rockwood, Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst, Mrs. William Peabody and Mrs. Maria E. Parkhurst.

One hundred and twenty-nine took dinner at Groton Inn last Sunday.

Charles I. Cragin, a Groton boy of many years ago, was in town Tuesday, and at Groton Inn and also a visitor at the home of his cousin, Mrs. E. O. Collier, of the Boston road. He also called on some others of his old schoolmates and friends. Mr. Cragin is a successful and wealthy business man and has a beautiful winter home at Palm Beach, Fla., and another home at Philadelphia, Pa. He retains an interest in his old home town and the academy and occasionally calls here on his travels. Mr. Cragin is a grandson of the late Dea. Cragin.

Lewis M. Knapp left Wednesday morning to begin his studies at Amherst college.

A new telephone subscriber is Mrs. Prescott Leonard, call 123.

There will be a special meeting of the W. R. C. next week Tuesday afternoon at the usual hour. The corps is now getting ready for inspection.

Miss Margaret Fitzgerald and Miss Susan McDonald, who have been guests of Mrs. Abram Miller and family, have returned to their home in Sharon, Conn.

The Book and Thimble club met last week Friday afternoon with Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst. Subject for consideration, "September—the month itself—interesting events, poems, etc., referring to the month in every way. The meeting next week will be with Mrs. Geo. H. Woods. Subject, "Autumn flowers."

The marriage announcement of Harold L. Paice and Miss Mary Brigham has been received. Mr. Paice formerly resided here with his mother, their home being in the southerly part of the town.

Hubert A. Wright was unable to preach at the Baptist church last Sunday, but sent Rev. Mr. Powers of Randolph to take his place.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Fitzgerald spent Sunday with friends in Cambridge. Mr. Fitzgerald returning for his duties at Shawfieldmont, but Mrs. Fitzgerald remaining for several days later.

Groton A. A. played Graniteville A. A. at Graniteville last Saturday afternoon and was defeated. Score in favor of Graniteville 8-7.

Laurence E. Blood and family, of Court street, are enjoying a two-weeks vacation spent at Fitchburg and other places.

Miss Louise Boynton is going occasionally to the postoffice where she is learning postoffice work.

Mrs. H. W. Whiting, who has been suffering from ill health, was out to church on Sunday.

The fall issue of the telephone directory has been passed around to subscribers.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge, of West Groton, gave a very interesting and practical talk at the Chicopee row meeting last Sunday afternoon. Notwithstanding the heat of the day, there was a large attendance. The meeting on Sunday afternoon will be led by S. P. McKean.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church are pleased

with the success of their first of the season's sociables held on Thursday evening of last week. There was a good-sized crowd in attendance both at the supper and rummage sale that followed. At the last, the sale of the ever good auction with George Meyer, auctioneer, furnished much merriment and was as good as a play, the proceeds of the evening amounted to forty dollars.

Lawrence Hill Lewis, eldest son of Frank D. Lewis, won the blue ribbon first prize and three dollars in money at the Clinton fair last week. This was awarded to him for the best record of the exhibition of vegetables furnished the home during the season of 1912. Lawrence made out regular bills which were certified by his parents. From these bills the judges estimated the value of the products and made their award. The following is the list of vegetables: 119 kohlrabi, 71 lettuce, 54 cucumbers, 89 radishes, one bushel beet greens, 81 beets, 53 cabbages, 116 ears of corn, 8 squash, one bushel beans, 12 parsnips, one peck carrots, two dozen ripe tomatoes, two bushel green tomatos.

The Groton School football schedule is as follows: September 28, Boston Latin; October 5, English high; October 9, Harvard 1912; October 12, Powder Point; October 16, Lowell Textile; October 19, Milton academy; October 23, Lawrence academy; October 26, Middlesex; at Concord; November 6, St. Marks.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard returned to Groton, September 7, after a five weeks' visit at the North shore and on September 12 left for a month's stay in the Maine camp, where Mr. Southard and Mr. Southard, in company with New York men have been since August 1. Another friend, Miss Johnson, has come up from Mexico for the express purpose of joining the party and all anticipate a royal good time with good company, good fishing and plenty of game.

Miss Ethel Young, who was married at Ayer September 18, to Sidney I. Reed of Lawrence, was a member of Groton high school, class of 1910.

The remains of a Mrs. Newell, who died in Pepperell, were brought to Groton on Wednesday afternoon and buried on Wednesday. The family lived a few years ago in the so-called Stiles place.

Don't fail to attend the closing out sale of millinery at Miss E. O'Brien's rooms, Public Spirit Building, Ayer.

Wedding. Miss Janet M. House, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. House, of Austin, Tex., and Gordon Auchincloss, son of Mrs. Edgar Auchincloss, of New York, a graduate of Groton School, Yale, '08, and Harvard Law school '11, were married by Rev. Endicott Peabody, D. D., of Groton, in St. John's Episcopal church at Beverly Farms on last Saturday afternoon.

A large party was given at the summer colony at the North shore, with many from New York, attended.

Miss House was given away by her father. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Randolph F. Tucker (Mona House), of Groton.

Reginald Auchincloss, a brother of the bridegroom, a student at Yale, was best man. Raymond Ives, Walter G. Davis, Walter Struthers and Chauncey B. Garver, classmates of Mr. Auchincloss at Yale and Harvard, were the ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Auchincloss will make their home at 68 East Eighty-sixth street, New York city.

Neighborhood Club. The Neighborhood club received its guests of Thursday afternoon with a most cordial and gracious welcome. Mutual enjoyment was assured from the first. The members of the Neighborhood, Brown Leaf and Book and Thimble clubs met each other, forty in all, with the greetings of friendliness and but few introductions were necessary. The lawn at Meadow View had been made to look inviting and home-like with the seats all ready, rugs spread upon the grass, gladioli and other flowers conspicuously in their being, adding to the attractive arrangements. Social evening was quickly underway. The long drive or walk that many had taken that warm afternoon made the orange fruit punch particularly refreshing.

Later, as a slight shower fell, all adjourned to the house, where a pleasing entertainment was furnished. There was a reading by Miss Adelle Black, "A child's journey with Dickens," by Kate Douglas Wiggin. Miss Lillian Tuttle gave two vocal selections, and Mrs. Nowell's two instrumental pieces on both violin and piano. Impromptu dancing was indulged in. Ice cream and cake were served and the close of this pleasant social gathering.

The hours were full of lively merriment and an all-round hearty good time. As the good-byes came, the ladies of the Brown Leaf and the Book and Thimble clubs must have been in their hearts, if not in their voices, given three cheers for the Neighborhood club and the member who so charmingly had presided and opened her home for this gathering.

West Groton. Rev. A. L. Struthers, of Townsend, will occupy the pulpit on Sunday morning in exchange with Mr. Trowbridge.

Miss Maud Moore, of Milford, Me., was an over Sunday guest at L. G. Strand's.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bixby entertained as week-end guests, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hawley and daughter Betty, of Marblehead.

Coming by automobile on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, of Attleboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jarvis, Mrs. Hunt's aunt.

Arthur Jarvis, who has been away for a number of months, is here again and looks much improved in health.

Mrs. Earl Sleeper, with her sons, Forrest and Raymond, is visiting her parents in Yonkers, N. Y.

Mrs. Albert Shivers, of Catskill, N. Y., was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Birch. Mrs. Birch later accompanied her friend to Boston where they spent a pleasant week before returning to their respective homes.

Mrs. Charles Bixby is spending several days with relatives in Wellesley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bixby, with their daughter Dorothy, returned on Thursday evening from a short stay with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawrence entertained Mr. Williams over Sunday.

Chester Hill is again in care of his physician as the result of a severe cold following his recent blood poisoning experience, from which he had not fully recovered. At times of writing he is reported as much improved.

Miss Marian Mellish is assisting Mrs. E. O. Proctor, of Ayer.

G. H. Bixby is building a house on Mill street beyond the house occupied by Mrs. Wilkins.

Mrs. Lamb returned on Monday from a short stay in Walpole.

Miss Isabel Bixby returned on Monday from her stay in the New Hampshire hills. She remained at home but for a flying visit, and Tuesday morning found her en route for Kingston, N. C. It is understood she is on her way to her vacation, that of Christian Science nurse.

Miss Grace Bixby, coming on Friday of last week, remained at her home here until Tuesday. Miss Bixby's physical condition being considered unequal to the strain of the strenuous work at the hospital, she was advised to defer her final year's training. She is now engaged in the Farrington Memorial in Lincoln, where she expects to remain for a time, if the work proves congenial.

Miss Mary L. Marden, of Georgia, who spoke here on Sunday, gave an interesting talk about her work among the negroes, which was much enjoyed by those present.

Commencing on Friday evening, West Groton is to experience a week of vaudeville, judging from the posters, mostly musical comedies, which should the quality prove to be on a par with the quantity, we shall indeed be favored.

Mr. Wytika is not moving into the village, as reported last week, other plans being made by Bixby-Webber Co.

Going by auto, A. W. Lamb started on a two-weeks' vacation trip on Thursday.

Little Philip Lamb and his brother James are enjoying an out-of-town visit.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge attended the minister's meeting in Ayer on Tuesday.

Frank Belyea, who expected to return to Tarbell school for eighth grade work, at the last minute decided to remain with Herbert Rockwood in Groton and is attending the Butler school.

The Ladies' Aid meeting held with Mr. Jarvis on Thursday afternoon was well attended. The half-hour in charge of the entertainment committee was given to the discussion of various designated subjects. The conversational ball, starting with household economy, passed through educational highways and various ways and seemingly was much enjoyed. The next meeting will be at the hall on October 3.

Harold Strand is attending the horological school in Waltham, where he will be training for a watchmaking and watch making, engraving, etc. He goes by train, boarding at his home here.

Miss Flora Kemp is making various alterations and improvements, including a bathroom at the Herbert Brown house on Main street.

Going on Friday of last week, William P. Eddy, relative in Worcester for a number of days.

Charles Bixby was able to attend the meeting of his Masonic lodge in Ayer on Monday afternoon.

LITTLETON.

News Items. Subscribers of the Outlook will have to look for information of political developments from other sources this week as the train ran over the mail pouch recently and only the covers of the Outlooks survived the wreck.

Henry B. Works, who left home last December and went to work on a schooner plying between Boston and St. John, has given up his position and returned home. He plans to enter the high school next week and complete his course with the senior class.

Andrew Johnson, James F. Moore and G. Henry Baker are among the number of residents who have lately had their houses wired for electric lights.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowie, of Cornish, Me., spent last week with Mrs. Bowie's brother, Henry F. Works. Mr. Bowie is a rated chef, working in southern hotels winters and in northern resorts in summers.

Arthur Bradley, employed as book-keeper in Boston by the firm which F. B. Priest represents, has bought of F. C. Hartwell the Henry Ramsdell farm and came yesterday to take possession.

Mrs. Yarnum H. Flagg and daughter, Miss Louise, went to New York on Thursday for a visit with Miss Edith Flagg.

Mrs. Mary J. Priest and Miss Abbie Billings have gone to East Orange, N. J., to visit Benson Priest and family for three weeks.

Mrs. Leslie A. Hager has been entertaining as her guest her uncle, the lieutenant of police in New York city.

Mr. Teague was a recent guest of his aunt, Mrs. Horace Amsten.

Mrs. Emma Woodbury, of Lowell, has been visiting Mrs. Franklin Pinyer and is now with her son Edgar's family at the Common.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wright visited his mother in Fitchburg on Sunday. Mrs. Wright, senior, has recently had a shock and is in a very feeble condition.

J. H. Kimball, conductor, is enjoying a week's vacation.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Merton H. Blathrow on Monday.

Mrs. Calvin Howard attended the Pomona meeting at Lunenburg on Wednesday, remaining over for a short visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Lovejoy have been in Atlantic City this week and Mr. Lovejoy has now left for his Cincinnati, Ohio, home. Mrs. Lovejoy will return home next week.

John Fairfield, Montgomery Lovejoy and Herbert Whitcomb begin the new year in M. I. T. next week, and Stanley Conant returns to Boston university.

William S. Warren, of Cambridge, with his daughter Alice, and husband, of Marlboro, were in town on Tuesday calling upon their Nye and Kimball relatives.

Miss Helen Thirkield, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Miss Margaret Thacher. Miss Thirkield moves soon to New Orleans, La.

George F. Stone's Ayrshire cattle won some blue ribbons at the Clinton fair.

Miss Elizabeth Houghton has been visiting relatives in Belmont this week, and her sister, Mrs. Mary H. Holt, and Miss Clara Shaw returned with her for a brief visit here.

Church Home day will be observed at the Congregational church Sunday morning at the usual hour of service. It is hoped that all families which make this their church home will be represented at the service by as many members as possible. A cordial invitation is extended to all who have no church affiliation. In the evening Miss Louise Flagg will give some of the impressions she received during her recent travels in Greece and Italy.

Fred C. Hartwell met with a serious accident at his mill Wednesday. He cut a long slit in one arm from wrist



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to elbow, severing an artery which bled profusely. He was taken home where two physicians were immediately summoned and worked over the patient for two hours. At time of writing Mr. Hartwell is doing well.

The Junior Endeavor society of the Congregational church enjoyed an outdoor meeting in the Wilcox grove Thursday afternoon.

Grange. At the regular meeting of the grange on last Wednesday evening a pleasant musical and literary program was given by Mrs. H. L. Packard, reader; Mrs. Perley D. Smith, piano soloist; and Mrs. McIntosh, vocal soloist. This was followed by games and a social. The next meeting, which comes in two weeks, will be observed as neighbors' night and a large delegation from Westford is expected. There will be a debate on the subject: Resolved, "That there is no call for state representative." The names of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweatt and Mrs. Holbrook were voted upon for membership and they will be duly admitted to the grange next month with several who come from other granges.

Reception. The reception given by the King's daughters to Littleton people seventy years of age and over was an occasion of much anticipation and happy realization. On Thursday afternoon twenty-five of our elderly friends and as many other guests gathered in the Congregational vestry. The spacious auditorium was brilliant with floral decorations of prettily tinted smacques, purple and white asters, and hydrangea blossoms, beautifully arranged on platform, window sills, piano, and evidence of artistic taste and careful thought and the ladies of King'sville deserve much praise for this feature of the reception which was entirely in their care. As usual, a brief program was given which consisted of readings by Rev. H. L. Packard, piano solo by Miss Olive Flagg, violin solo by Miss Mildred Flagg, accompanied by Miss Olive Flagg at the piano, readings by Miss Kimball, vocal solos by Mrs. Mattie Priest, accompanied by the piano by Mrs. C. K. Houghton and a happy speech of welcome by the president, Mrs. Everett Kimball. Light refreshments were served and a very pleasant social hour was concluded by an expression of thanks most courteously and pleasantly voiced by Henry Nye.

The oldest man present was Benjamin F. Jeffrey ninety and the oldest woman present was Mrs. Twisden, also ninety years of age.

A delightful afternoon was passed and the real happiness that shone through the kindly eyes of our dear friends spoke volumes to the King's daughters, whose thoughts and affectionate ministrations are always for their comfort and joy.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items. The subject of the grange meeting last Friday evening was, "Home decoration." The chairman of the committee, Mrs. Bertha Shattuck, read a very fine paper on interior decoration. The various parts of a room were treated under different heads and many useful and interesting facts were given. This was especially time-

ly as an unusual number of our young people are interested along the line of home making just now. Mrs. C. B. Robbins contributed a paper on exterior decoration. The musical number consisted of a piano duet by Mrs. Littlefield and Mrs. Salmson, violin solo, Mary Smiley; songs by S. D. Salmson.

The invitations are out for the wedding of Burpee C. Steele and Florence C. Dodge to take place at Bide-a-Wee cottage Monday, September 30.

Mr. Cunningham succeeded in finding the owner of the automobile that ran into him at Clinton fair, doing considerable damage to horse and buggy and the owner made satisfactory settlement with him.

On Monday Mrs. Antoinette Colleigh went to Harvard to live with Mrs. John Harlow. Her health is poor and it seemed best to be near her physician and avoid the excitement of the breaking up of the old home.

Mrs. Mary Pratt left Tuesday for Portland, Me., to visit her sister.

The relatives of Waldo Hoar received news of his death in Norwood last Monday. He was the oldest son of Cephas Hoar and was born here and passed his childhood on the John Hoar farm. He leaves a wife and four children.

Herbert Houghton and daughter Mabel of Worcester were guests at C. T. Wetherbee's on Tuesday.

Last Friday Mrs. Poland invited the Neighborhood club to her home to meet her mother, Mrs. Fairchild, from Canada, and a friend, Miss Judith Smith, of Boston.

Henry Lawrence and family of Silver Hill spent Sunday at R. Y. Nelson's and left Monday morning for Walpole, N. H., where they will stay two weeks at the old home of Mr. Lawrence.

Last Saturday Mrs. Albert Littlefield and Mrs. Earle Littlefield enjoyed an automobile ride to Medford, where Raymond Littlefield is living.

Frank Bancroft of Brookline is visiting his sister, Mrs. Shattuck.

An old home dance will be held in the old town hall on Saturday evening, September 21. Music by Fiske's American orchestra of six pieces. Concert at 7.30. March at eight.

Library Items. On account of the fair the library will not be open next Saturday until evening.

Over a hundred interesting books were presented to us last week from Ipswich library.

Mrs. Colleigh has recently given the library a fine picture of her husband, Daniel Colleigh, an antique collection of pictures, books and antique articles for the historical room.

On Tuesday the library was visited by Miss Alice G. Chandler of the Woman's Educational Association, Miss Anna F. Whitney, Miss Clara A. Goodnow and Miss Hattie M. Luce, all of Lancaster.

The greatest oil well in the world is not in Texas, but in the Batum field in Russia. Its flow at times was 18,000 barrels a day and it stopped after producing about 2,000,000 barrels.

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AYER.

News Items. The registrars of voters will hold their first meeting from 7:30 to 9:30 in the selectmen's room...

All through trains on the Boston and Albany railroad west of Springfield were sent in tonight from 7:30 through Greenfield, Ayer and Worcester...

The work of widening the abutments on the Mitchellville bridge is progressing favorably under the direction of Charles H. Hardy, contractor...

Miss Emily Cole, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ezra Cole, of Somerville, for two weeks, returned on last week Friday.

Mrs. Mary Anderson, of Lowell, spent Sunday with friends in town. Frank McMahon, of Yonkers, spent a few days with his parents recently...

Mrs. Annie Holohan spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. William Curran, of Leominster. Mrs. Susan Barron, of Manchester, is visiting Mrs. Alice Fleet.

It may be of interest to the citizens of Ayer to remind them that Mr. Rogers, the candidate for the republican nomination for congress, is a son of Jacob Rogers, of Lowell. It will be remembered by many of our readers that some twenty years ago Mr. Rogers, Sr., was then, as now, one of the trustees of the J. C. Ayer estate...

The state primary will be held in the town hall on Tuesday for the purpose of choosing candidates for the various state offices, a member of congress from the fifth district, to elect a member of the state committee, delegates to state conventions and town committees. The polls will be opened at five p. m. and will be closed at eight p. m.

One of the largest crowds that ever assembled in Page hall witnessed a splendid moving picture show on last Saturday night. The Fathe weekly, showing events of current happenings, was as usual very good. The management is pleased to announce that this popular feature will be given on every Saturday night in addition to other features.

At the special communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons held on Monday evening, Herbert E. Fletcher, district deputy grand master of the twelfth Masonic district, was unable to make his official visitation on account of sickness. A banquet was held at the seven o'clock and the work was the M. M. degree.

The following officers were elected at the regular convocation of Hancock Royal Arch chapter held on Tuesday evening: Herbert H. Proctor, high priest; A. Paul Fillebrown, king; Edward A. Richardson, scribe; Louis H. Cushing, treasurer; Elton H. Egan, sec.; W. Edward Murphy, trustee 3 years. The elected and appointed officers will be installed at a special convocation held on Tuesday evening, Oct. 1.

The ladies of the M. E. church will serve a baked bean supper in the vestry of the church Wednesday evening, September 25, from six to eight o'clock. Supper will consist of baked beans, white and brown bread, pies, cake and coffee.

Prof. Benj. R. Lovett will resume his Friday class in dancing on October. He will introduce a number of new dances this season. This Friday evening a reunion and rally prayer meeting will be held at 7:30 at the Methodist church. The meeting of the official board announced for this evening will be postponed for a week.

Underneath are the everlasting arms" will be the subject of the sermon by the pastor at the Methodist church at 10:45 Sunday morning. At seven p. m. the evening services will be resumed. The pastor is teaching on the "Nobility of youthful enthusiasm." Bennett Sanderson, son of Judge and Mrs. Sanderson, enters Yale college this fall, commencing September 25. He leaves here Monday, September 23.

Ira McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will hold a two-day fair in Page hall the latter part of November. Unitarian services Sunday at 10:45, with sermon by Dr. Fisk. Sunday school at twelve.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning Rev. David Wallace of Westford will preach in exchange with the pastor. Mrs. Harry R. Draper, while leaving the Waltham hospital after a visit to her husband last Sunday evening, made a mis-step and sprained her ankle.

Dr. F. E. Kittredge, of Nashua, performed an operation on George Harrows for the removal of a growth in the nose. The operation, which was a slight one, was entirely successful and Mr. Harrows was able to return to his home here after it was over.

The case of George F. Munroe, of Groton, who was charged with the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor, was dismissed on last Saturday morning in the district court.

Harry R. Draper is improving from the effects of two operations at the Waltham hospital last week Friday.

The first operation was for the removal of adenoids and tonsils, which followed by a severe hemorrhage that made it necessary to perform the second operation.

Albert H. Hopkins, father of Dr. B. H. Hopkins, of this town, died early Thursday morning at his home in West Medford as a result of a shock which he sustained on last week Friday. Mr. Hopkins was a contractor and builder and last spring was compelled to give up work on account of ill health. The funeral services were held at West Medford this week Friday afternoon and the interment will take place at Greenfield, N. H., this morning. Mr. Hopkins leaves a widow and two sons, Dr. Hopkins, of this town, and George Hopkins, of Greenfield, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Walker, of Worcester, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Watson, at Florence, Mass. Watson accompanied them to their home on Sunday evening and will be their guest for a couple of weeks.

Chester Newhall, Miss Nettie Newhall and Warren P. Holden, all of Stoneham, spent last Sunday at Camp Shady Nook, Sandy pond, with a party of friends.

George H. Woods, of Groton, is building a house at the corner of Third and Maple streets. Mr. Woods will have charge of the carpenter work on the new house which will be built by Capt. M. P. Palmer on Third street, for which Douglas C. Smith is putting in the foundation.

The members of St. Paul and Caleb Butler lodges, F. and A. M., attended the funeral of Edward J. Sartelle, a member of the former lodge, at Townsend on Tuesday afternoon.

Delbert R. Waterman has moved into the Ward tenement on East Main street which was formerly occupied by J. William Brown.

George A. Cole has remodeled the ell of Herbert Downing's house on Prospect street, making it two stories in height.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Turner and their daughter, Mrs. John F. Lentz, left last week Saturday for a two-weeks' vacation at North Conway, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connor sailed on Tuesday afternoon from Boston on the Steamship Laconia, for Ireland, where they intend to spend the winter.

Herbert H. Proctor returned on last Saturday from a week's vacation trip to the provinces. Mr. and Mrs. Gorham K. Brooks left on Tuesday morning for a vacation at Weymouth, N. S.

Mrs. George Mullin was taken to the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston, on Tuesday where she underwent an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brien and daughter Coral, of Rockport, are guests of J. W. Clark.

John Matthews, of Grantville, has taken the place of Alfred Taylor at I. G. Dwinell's store, Mr. Taylor having left on Tuesday to enter Boston university.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Green, who have been spending the season at Seaside, returned to their home in Rockport on Tuesday.

George W. Luddington has moved into the upper tenement of George E. Pelech's house on Grove street, which was formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Hara, who have moved to New York city.

Mrs. George W. Young, mother of David H. Young, and Mrs. Elizabeth Torrance, her sister, both of Barrington, N. H., left on Thursday for their home after a visit with relatives here.

A rear wheel came off an out-of-town automobile while coming down Washington street last Sunday evening. The damage was repaired at Proctor's garage. Fortunately no one was injured.

Wilbur H. Hart has entered the Fitchburg Normal school. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherwin returned on Wednesday from a three-weeks' vacation which was principally spent in Rockport.

Mrs. W. E. Murphy, who was operated upon at the Elliot hospital, Boston, last week, is doing well. Rev. A. L. Bumpus and family returned yesterday from Shirley Center where they have been spending the summer.

Misses Edna C. Brown and Madeline E. Donlon left on Monday to take up their studies at St. Elizabeth college, Convent Station, N. J.

Charles W. Mason and Mrs. D. W. Mason leave this Saturday for Mr. Mason's summer cottage at Centre Harbor, N. H. to remain two or three weeks, where Mr. Mason's son Roy is spending his vacation.

The young ladies who have been spending the summer at Shady cottage, Sandy pond, left for their homes this week. Mrs. Margaret Tivnan went to Nashua on Friday to attend the funeral of a friend.

Clipping. The following was taken from the Boston Globe, September 15: "Of late there has been little heard about the electric line to connect Clinton with Ayer, via Harvard. In this matter a large number of persons have interested themselves and have urged the Worcester Consolidated Street Railway Company to build the line, which would give a connection between Lowell and Worcester. Unless some positive action is taken soon, there is a possibility of its being included in the merger bill, which is destined to come before the legislature next year, the route suggested.

"Although the bill is generally regarded as applying more particularly to the western part of the state, in view of the fact that the bill of this year included a line from Peterham to Athol and another from Clinton to Sterling, there are not wanting those who are in favor of the desired line through Harvard which will be included in the sure-to-be new bill."

Recent Real Estate Sales. Edward H. Bliss, the real estate dealer, reports the following sales: For Percy G. Benedict, his Groton farm of forty acres, with fine set of buildings, to W. M. Tyrell, of Hartford, Conn.

For John W. Lee, of Harvard, his farm on the Bolton road with farm buildings, about fifty acres and 400 apple trees. Dr. C. H. Abbott, of Berlin, Germany, will improve the house for his son and daughter.

Mr. Bliss also holds deposit on sale of a Harvard farm of sixty-five acres, good set of buildings, colonial house fitted with all modern improvements, to West Medford parties. This is the farm sold to Charles H. Tewksbury nearly three years ago by Mr. Bliss.

Through the same agency, Waldo Whitman, of Shirley, recently sold his seven-acre place to Louis Brooks, of Boston, who will take possession until after crops have been harvested.

Making Extensive Changes. The officials of the Boston and Maine are having extensive changes made in the railroad yard of the Southern division, in which two new span tracks which have already been mentioned, it is reported that after the connection is made between the Lowell and Fitchburg main line tracks, the Lowell tracks will arrive by way of the Fitchburg main line tracks at the railroad station. This will mean according to the railroad men that a switch tower and main target will be built in the yard to govern the movement of the trains.

The work of building the coffer dam to extend the culvert which is under Flanagan's crossing so that a track may be built across it is now under way. All the tracks west of the point of meeting of the Fitchburg and Lowell tracks, including the present Lowell main line track, will be removed from room to make way for the rapidly increasing business of the railroad company.

Democratic Rally. A rousing democratic rally was held in the lower town hall on last week Friday evening. In the interests of Humphrey O'Sullivan, of Lowell, who is a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress in the fifth Massachusetts district.

Among the speakers were Mr. O'Sullivan, John J. Hogan, candidate for councillor in the sixth district, Daniel J. Donahue and Ex-Mayor Jas. B. Casey, all of Lowell. The speakers dwelt at length on the importance of the work of congress as being through his extensive business associations which cover the entire country as well as many foreign countries, peculiarly fit him to deal with the rapidly increasing business of the railroad company.

Mr. O'Sullivan said that he felt confident of victory and respectfully asked the support of those interested in bringing about the election of a man of the party that is now in power. He also asked his hearers to support the democratic candidates, both state and national offices, at the coming election.

Verdict Rendered. The case brought by Eugene W. Stone, son of Dr. H. N. Stone, who was murdered on the Harvard road on September 13, 1909, and who is administrator of his father's estate, against P. S. Stone, the deceased doctor's third wife, was fathered by superior court at Plymouth on Tuesday. In the case the plaintiff seeks to reclaim the sum of \$2296, which the doctor was never legally divorced from his first wife, which is the plaintiff's mother, Mrs. Ella F. Stone. The three wives testified at the hearing on Tuesday.

The case was finished on Thursday. The jury bringing in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, Eugene W. Stone, for \$2518.15, which amount included the original sum of \$2296, plus the interest. Dr. Stone was a former well-known dentist of Ayer. He afterwards went to New York, where he practiced his profession until the time of his death.

Weddings. Harry T. Mason and Miss Margaret Brady, both of this town, were married by Rev. P. J. Sheedy on Monday morning. The bride was attended by Miss Eva Mason, a sister of the groom, and Charles L. Lothrop was groomsmen. The bride was attired in a whipcord traveling suit of Copenhagen blue.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mason left town for Littleton by automobile and from that town took a train to Spring Hill, N. S., the former home of the bride.

Mr. Mason is employed as brakeman in the local railroad yard and is very popular with his fellow workmen, which was shown by his presentation of twenty-five dollars as a wedding gift to him.

Mrs. Mason has been employed in the household of Charles Sherwin on Columbia street, and has lived here for three years.

The couple received many presents. They expect to be gone a month and upon their return they will live in the house owned by Silas N. Stone on East Main street.

Sydney I. Reed, of Chelsope Falls, and Miss Ethel A. Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Young, of this town, were married on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of the bride by Rev. A. L. Bumpus, vicar of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, where the wedding service was used. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Marion E. Young, and Clarence D. Young, the bride's brother, was the groomsmen. The bride was dressed in a blue

whipcord traveling suit trimmed with velvet and a white picture hat, and carried a shower bouquet of carnations and maidenhair ferns. Only the immediate relatives were present.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride, after which Mr. and Mrs. Reed left on their wedding journey amid a shower of rice and confetti. Upon their return they will make their home in Chelsope Falls, where Mr. Reed is the manager for the Postal Telegraph Company.

Mr. Reed was at one time employed as an operator at the local telegraph office, and is well-known among his former employees. The bride is a former resident of Groton. They received many beautiful wedding gifts.

Ministers' Meeting. A meeting of the Middlesex Union of Ministers was held in the Congregational church on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. George H. Tewksbury, of Groton, presided in the absence of the scribe, Rev. William J. Batt, of Concord Junction, and Rev. S. N. Adams, of Concord Junction, acted as clerk. After the opening prayer by Mr. Tewksbury, the program was started.

It was voted to have the annual meeting the third Tuesday in January, which would reduce the number of meetings to three annually. Mr. Adams gave a very interesting address on "European observations and experiences." This was followed by a symposium on "Public prayer," which was opened by Rev. A. J. Covell, of Fitchburg, and was afterwards followed by a discussion by those present. The meeting was then adjourned.

Grange. A very enjoyable meeting of the grange was held on Thursday evening. After an interesting business session, in which Ayer grange accepted an invitation to neighbor with Shirley grange in October, and Miss Pearl Covell was favorably acted upon to be admitted as a member, a very enjoyable program was given, followed by a piano solo by Mrs. Augustus Lovolet, who responded to an encore; reading, Mrs. C. Wood; song, Mrs. Frank W. Rymes.

One of the features of the entertainment was the rule requiring the members to appear in overalls or for a pound of codfish. Each member also brought a pound of something in a package. These packages were auctioned off after the musical part of the entertainment, Eli W. Gray acting as auctioneer, the contents of the packages being mystery until they were opened by the person giving the highest bid. Some of the purchasers were the subject of a good deal of fun. As an instance of the packages made, one person paid twenty cents for a pound of codfish, which is surely a high price for an auction sale. Another instance was where a substantial sum was paid for a pound of dog biscuit. The evening wound up with a social time and dancing.

Important Notice. We have just received a notice from the office of the postmaster general at Washington, in which the new rule governing subscriptions to newspapers is given. Hereafter, when a subscriber is one year in arrears for a subscription, the paper cannot be sent until the amount of the arrears is paid, or a bona fide promise is made to pay. Those whom this concerns will please take notice.

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Cars leave North Chelmsford for Ayer—6:20 a. m. and including 11:20 p. m. Sundays—8:20 a. m., then same as week days. Cars connect at Ayer up to 10 p. m. for Fitchburg and Leominster. Until 9 p. m. for Worcester.

Cars leave Forge Village for North Chelmsford and Lowell—24 minutes past the hour. Cars leave Forge Village for Ayer—40 minutes past the hour. Cars leave North Chelmsford for Brookside—5:50 a. m. and 50 minutes past the hour up to and including 10:50 p. m. Sundays—First car at 7:50 a. m., then same as week days.

Leave Brookside for North Chelmsford—7:40 a. m., 9:50 a. m., and 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 11:05 p. m. Sundays—First car at 8:05 a. m., then same as week days.

Leave North Chelmsford for Westford—6:50, 7:50, 8:50, 11:50 a. m., 12:50, 1:50, 2:50, 3:50, 5:50, 6:50 p. m. Sunday—7:50, 8:50, 10:50 a. m., 12:50, 1:50, 2:50, 3:50, 4:50, 5:50 p. m. Leave Westford for Lowell—6:55, 7:40, 8:40, 9:40, 10:40, 11:40, 12:40, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40, 5:40 p. m. Cars leave Lowell for Merrimac Square, Lowell, at 47 minutes past the hour, up to and including the 10:47 p. m. car connect at North Chelmsford with the Ayer car. All schedules subject to change without notice.

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Only half a dozen wine tasters have been known to history, the most renowned of these being the wife of a famous London wine merchant, Mme. Pommeroy, who died in Paris twelve years ago, and Signora Sousa who has a great reputation in Spain on account of her judgment and knowledge of wine.

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She does not swallow the wine. In fact, she is a teetotaler, and if she were to drink wine would lose her subtle magic of taste. Furthermore, she is obliged to take the greatest care of her health. She must be well in order to do her work, for her sense loses its cunning when she gets out of health.—Tit-Bits.

BRUIN OBTAINS HIS SUPPER Hunter Describes the Clever Work of a Hungry Bear in Catching a Salmon.

One year, the berries being destroyed, many bears visited the river for fish. I was walking up the river shore one evening about sunset watching for a deer. Rounding a bend I saw, perched upon a flat rock some few feet from the shore, a large black bear. I could not tell at first what he was doing. He was stooping down with one paw in the water waving it gently to and fro. I watched closely and saw, just beyond his reach, a large male salmon, so nearly dead that he could not swim. The bear was using his paw to create an eddy which would draw the fish within his grasp. Slowly the salmon drifted toward the rock.

It was amusing to watch how carefully the bear moved his paw so as not to frighten his prey. At last the fish came within reach, Bruin reached over, gave it a quick slap, seized it in his jaws and leaped ashore. The whole performance tickled me so that I let him go off, the salmon dangling in his mouth, without even taking a shot at him.—Charles Stuart Moody in the Outing Magazine.

Ambassador's Privileges. An accredited ambassador is wholly free from the jurisdiction of the courts of law or of any other authority in the country to which he is sent. His house is as sacred as his person. It is regarded not as belonging to the country in which he is living, but as a part of the country which sent him. It could no more be entered by the police than a town could be occupied by the soldiery of another nation. This protection is extended to the inmates of the house. If a wrong is committed by some one in the employ of an ambassador, in any capacity, the only means of redress is an appeal to the ambassador or to the government which sent him, and which will not, it is supposed, allow a wrong to be sheltered under the peculiar privileges granted its representative.

Thumbs In Social Customs. Few persons realize how important a role the thumb has played in the social customs of the people. Erskine records that among certain classes of people in Scotland the final settlement of a bargain was always signaled by the licking and joining of thumbs.

Selden says that kissing the thumb was a characteristic of servility. The clergy, the rich and the great, were in receipt of this honor from tradesmen. From remotest times the practice of licking the thumb has been regarded as a solemn pledge or promise, existing, according to Tacitus and others, among the Goths, the Iberians and the Moors, and it may also be traced through successive periods down to the present time.

If the Truth Be Told. "Whoever made you think you look well on horseback, Throggins, lied to you most shamefully." "Yes, I'll be at home next Thursday evening, Mr. Pachucks; that's why I'd rather not have you call."

"Bobby, you must not be unkind to Mr. Sloucum; he's only going to stay a few minutes." "Oficer, I don't mind being arrested by a cop that's got some sense, but you're a darned bonehead."

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SHIRLEY.
News Items.
Rev. Archibald A. Adams will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church on Sunday morning at 10.45. The members of the church and congregation will tender Mr. Adams a reception at the church this Saturday evening.

Mark Arsenault, of Lawrence, is visiting at the home of John J. Chaisson this week.

Mrs. John J. Chaisson visited with friends in Lowell on Tuesday.

Mrs. Abbie Bond, of Jefferson, died suddenly at South Framingham on last Sunday of heart trouble while paying a visit to relatives. She was the daughter of Levi Holbrook, a former well-known resident of Shirley. Nine grown-up children survive her.

Miss Rena Churchill has returned from a two-months' vacation at her home in Presque Isle, Me.

Miss May Wadsworth has returned from her home in Sterling.

Charles E. Haskins has returned home from Foxboro.

Leo Gendron, employed in the weaving department of the C. A. Edgerton Co., went to the Massachusetts General Hospital on Wednesday, where he will be operated upon for the removal of a tumor in his nose. He will be confined in the hospital only a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lewis, of Nashua, were visiting friends in town on Wednesday. They were former residents of Shirley.

The Shirley Cornet band made a net profit of \$11.50 at their dance here in Odd Fellows' hall on last week Friday evening.

The Misses Annie and Nina Holbrook left town on Friday on one of Masters' southern tours and will include a visit to Washington, D. C., Annapolis, Conn., Norfolk, Va., New York and Philadelphia, with side trips to historic points of interest. They will be gone for about ten days.

The board of registrars will meet in the engine hall on Saturday, September 21, at 8 o'clock, and on Saturday, October 19, at 8 p. m. to six p. m. at the town house, center, from seven to nine o'clock, and on October 26, from twelve at noon until ten p. m.

The Shirley baseball team will play the Townsend team at Townsend on Saturday afternoon.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Congregational church Brotherhood was held at the parsonage on Wednesday evening to perfect plans for the fall and winter work.

The food sale by the Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church held in the church vestry on Wednesday afternoon netted the ladies exactly \$10.76. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Miner and Mrs. Annis.

The Sprague cottage on Harvard road, recently vacated by the George Wilson family, has been rented to Mrs. Stone and family, of Providence. Mrs. Stone was formerly Miss Della Gordon, a well-known former resident of Shirley.

Miss Etta Gately, of Boston, spent the week-end in town with relatives.

The ball game with the Westford team did not take place last Saturday owing to the fact that the Westford team had disbanded.

Stanley F. White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. White, will go to New Haven, Conn., on Monday to enroll as a student at Yale college. Stanley will take a three-year course in the Sheffield scientific branch of chemistry. This is considered a wise step by Stanley's many friends, as he was highly successful at Worcester Tech last year, getting a high percent on his exams.

Arthur Dumas attended the funeral of his grandfather in Gardner on last Sunday.

The next regular meeting of J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will be held on Monday evening at eight o'clock, when a number from the grand lodge will be present to fully explain the proposed new assessment rates, which will come up for action before the special grand lodge session in Boston on October 8. Every member is requested to be present.

Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman has arrived home from a month's visit in Canada and vicinity.

Miss Blanche Goddard has returned to her home in Revere after spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Bliss, of Still River, have occupied the tenement next to H. O. Peasley's store, formerly occupied by the Banks family.

Mrs. Simpson, of Revere, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Knowles, has returned home.

Miss Rheta Lennox, of Jefferson, N. H., has arrived at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman, for a year's visit. During her stay in Shirley Miss Lennox will attend the Fitchburg business college.

Mrs. E. C. Peavear, of Swampscott, in company with daughter Ruth, left Shirley on Wednesday for her home. Mrs. Peavear's visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant, was prolonged owing to the accident to her little daughter, who has fully recovered, and much credit is due Dr. Thomas E. Lilly, who was the first physician called in after the accident and diagnosed her case correctly, as his opinions were fully supported by the specialists who were also called in consultation on the case.

Joseph W. Chaisson and daughter, also, Daniel Chaisson, of Chelsea, spent last Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Chaisson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arsenault and Frank Arsenault, of Leominster, visited a number of friends in town last week.

The first whist party of the season for the benefit of St. Anthony's church will be held in St. Anthony's hall on Saturday evening, September 21, under the auspices of the ladies of the Sodality of St. Ann. The Shirley Cornet band will furnish music.

Mrs. Michael Shucrowe, who is very seriously ill, seems to remain about the same.

Harry Hocquard, head shipping clerk at the factory of the C. A. Edgerton Co., has returned to his duties after an absence of three months at his old home in New Carlisle, P. Q. He was accompanied by his brother, Charles Hocquard, who comes for a visit.

The beautiful and extensive flower gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Marshall is attracting considerable attention at the present time owing to the fact that they have growing a large bed of eleven rose bushes in full blossom, equally as good as if it were the month of June. Some will measure four and one-half inches across. All lovers of flowers should pay a visit to the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and their pretty and unusual bed of lovely roses.

The town primaries will be held in the engine hall on Tuesday evening, September 24. The meeting will be called to order at five p. m., and polls will be open from 5.30 p. m., and may be closed at 7.30.

Mrs. Mamie Gately, who goes to the City Hospital, Boston, October 1, to train for a nurse, has sold all her household goods at private sale. Miss Lena Gately, who resided with her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. James Gately, of Leominster road.

Joseph Tremblay, of Lowell, a resident of this town ten years ago, visited friends in town on last Sunday.

Edward H. Harlow, of Leominster, has been appointed D. D. G. M. of J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W.

The Hewes-Carter case listed to come up for trial at the criminal session of the superior court at Cambridge on Monday, was postponed until Thursday of this week by request of counsel for the defense.

Miss Inez McMurray, who has been visiting at her old home in Lake George, N. E., returned to Shirley again and resumed her duties in the boxing room of the C. A. Edgerton Co.

Miss Hattie Stillwell, assistant in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Byram, who last week was sent to Worcester for observation, was taken on Wednesday to the hospital for a feeble minded at Waverley by order of the court, and will remain there indefinitely.

Elmer H. Allen left town on Wednesday for New York city on a business trip of a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana B. Somes left town for Boston on Wednesday, where they will reside for the winter. Their little daughter Nancy will remain with her grandparents for a week or so.

Mrs. Carrie Ritchie, of Groton, has arrived at the home of her sister, Mrs. Inez Sawyer. Mrs. Ritchie is an invalid, being afflicted with creeping paralysis. Miss Blanche Sawyer has been appointed D. D. G. M. of their lodge, and J. Gardner Willey of Pepperell, has been appointed D. D. G. M. of Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F.

Rev. Allen A. Bronson has been appointed D. D. G. M. of Robert Burns lodge, of Ayer, and North Star lodge, of Townsend. Mr. Bronson is a past grand of Ayer lodge, I. O. O. F., of North Attleboro.

About twelve dollars was netted on the dance at Odd Fellows' hall on last week Friday evening, held under the auspices of the Shirley Cornet band.

Walter Desmond, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond, of the Shirley Cornet band, on Monday night, left for Manchester, N. H., where he has enrolled as a student of St. Anthonim college for a term of four years. Walter, who is sixteen years of age, had just entered upon his senior year at the high school in Shirley, and since coming to reside in Shirley has won many lasting friends, who regret his leaving town. Walter went to Manchester last week Wednesday to accompany his younger brother Arthur, who has entered St. Anthonim high school and will be there for the winter, impressed with the schools and college that he made up his mind to enter at once. Mrs. John Desmond, his mother, accompanied him to Manchester to consult with the college and school officials regarding her boys and make definite and final arrangements.

Additional Course.
Miss Alice R. Pepin, of Fitchburg, has been engaged to instruct in a bookkeeping course at the high school two half-days each week. The studies will consist of bookkeeping, typewriting and penmanship. This additional course is being received with much favor by the parents of the children.

Many of whom accepted the invitation to interview F. C. Johnson, superintendent of schools, at the high school building on Monday afternoon. The school committee will provide one or possibly two Remington typewriters for practical instruction. More general interest is being manifested this year in the high school and the study of penmanship will also receive special attention. This with other studies that are being toned up, will place the standard of the high school on a higher plane than has been in the past, and on a level with high schools in other towns and cities.

The new principal, Miss Margaret S. Hastings, with the assistance of F. C. Johnson, has re-systimized the school and a new interest has been created by all concerned, and there is no reason at all under present conditions at the school for any pupil, boy or girl, not making good.

There are now enrolled at the high school thirty-six pupils, made up as follows: Freshman 15, sophomore 10, junior 7 and senior 4. There is 164 pupils in the grammar, intermediate and primary schools of the town, classified as follows: Center pupils—grade 1, 4 pupils; grade 2, 11; grade 3, 2; grade 4, 3; grade 5, 2; grade 6, 2; grade 7, 4; grade 8, 3, total of village pupils—grade 1, 27 pupils; grade 2, 12; grade 3, 19; grade 4, 13; grade 5, 16; grade 6, 9; grade 7, 13; grade 8, 9, total of 118. These numbers added to the thirty-six pupils attending high school make a total of two hundred pupils who are attending the public schools of Shirley.

Auto Accident.
Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Peavear, of Lynn, had a very narrow escape from death on last week Thursday afternoon at Waite's Corner, Fitchburg. Mr. and Mrs. Peavear were going along in their automobile to South Barre, when they had a summer residence. They had been at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant, where their little granddaughter, Miss Ruth Peavear, has been convalescing from the effects of a slight concussion of the

brain, and were traveling to their summer home at a moderate rate of speed. It appears that Mr. Peavear tried to pass a heavy wagon and did not see another automobile coming from the opposite direction until the automobiles came together full force.

Both automobiles were badly damaged and Mrs. Peavear, the only lady passenger, was thrown over the windshield. Fortunately, however, Mrs. Peavear only received a few scratches and was the only one in the party injured.

The occupants of the other automobile was J. P. Bateman, Jr., of H. W. McCauley. They were on their way to Winchendon and were traveling in the opposite direction to Mr. and Mrs. Peavear. Word was sent to the Fitchburg Auto Co., and both automobiles were taken there for repairs.

The Winchendon men were conveyed to the Fitchburg depot in time to catch a late afternoon train, and Mr. and Mrs. Peavear boarded an electric car for South Barre.

Baseball.
The Shirley high school defeated the Groton team on last Saturday by a score of 6 to 5. Following is the summary:

SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL.

Harris, cf.	0	1	1	0	0
Holden, 1b.	2	1	2	1	0
Wright, 2b.	1	1	1	2	3
Wheeler, 3b.	0	1	2	1	1
H. Emerson, c.	0	1	2	1	0
Wells, ss.	0	0	2	1	2
Wheeler, lf.	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper, rf.	0	0	0	0	0
Buxton, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Pennesau, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	6	5	12	7

SHIRLEY JUNIORS.

Tomas, cf.	0	1	1	0	0
Wells, 1b.	0	2	1	0	3
S. Chesbro, 2b.	0	0	1	0	0
Miner, 3b.	0	0	1	0	0
Wally, 3b.	2	2	0	0	1
Wells, lf.	0	0	0	0	0
K. Chesbro, cf.	0	1	0	0	1
James, 1b.	0	0	0	0	0
Wheeler, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Weeks, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	6	5	12	7

Forebase hits—Holden, H. Emerson, Wheeler, Emerson, S. Chesbro, Wells, Hooper, Buxton, Pennesau, Umpire—Cook. Time—1 hr. 40 m.

Farewell Reception.
A farewell reception was tendered to Clayton Wells and Lenton Ward on last Saturday evening at the Congregational church parsonage by the members of the Christian Endeavor society connected with the church.

Both were very busy in the evening was most enjoyably spent in the playing of games. Refreshments of ice cream and cake was served.

The special and pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a gold watch to Clayton Wells, in appreciation of the guests of the evening. The pastor, Rev. Allen A. Bronson, made the presentation and in so doing very uniquely told of the sincere motive that prompted the act and in words and voice that gave evidence of feeling related their good work in the society. Clayton and Lenton, who were much affected, responded in cordial words of thanks. The favorite hymns of the guests of the evening were then sung in concert to the accompaniment of the organ.

As the clock tolled the hour of ten, both guests stationed themselves in the parlor of the parsonage, where a receiving line was formed and congratulations and the kindest wishes were extended by the members of the society.

The entire parsonage was thrown open for the enjoyment of all present and Rev. and Mrs. Bronson, with son and daughter, were busy in the entertaining of the gathering, which to them was a labor of love, which terminated with charming results.

Mr. Wells and Mr. Ward left town on Monday for a two-years' agricultural course at the University of Maine and this fact was the incentive which prompted the affair of the evening, which was not of the brilliant or frivolous kind which fades and dies with its closing scenes, but rather an evening of recognition and enjoyment, which leaves in its wake echoes ringing throughout the future and impressively appropriate for this occasion as it pointed out to both of these young men the importance of relying upon God and companions who will faithfully guide their footsteps in the many varied experiences which beset every individual from the cradle to the grave.

Clayton Wells is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells, and Lenton Ward is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Ward. Both have attended the Shirley high school and both are members of the Congregational church and of the C. E. and Sunday school and Brotherhood connected with the church. Their gentlemanly conduct towards one and all, and the willingness to assist in all matters pertaining to the best welfare of the town and its people, have won for them affection in the hearts of the residents of the town, and it is safe to say that no young men ever left this town who will be more missed or fondly remembered.

Center.
Miss Ethel M. Holden left on Wednesday to enter her freshman year at Simmons college.

The next meeting of the Matrons' Aid will be held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Norman R. Graves.

Miss Rae S. Carpenter left on Wednesday to enter her freshman year at Boston university. She will stay with relatives at Jamaica Plain during the college year.

The following attended the meeting of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange at Lunenburg on Wednesday: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Cummings, Mrs. and Mrs. George Buxton, Mrs. and Mrs. Eldred H. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Ardie A. Adams, Mrs. Luther Holden, Mrs. Norman R. Graves, Miss Ruth Graves. In the evening the fifth degree was conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Buxton and Mr. and Mrs. Price.

Robert J. Evans leaves on Saturday for Bowdoin, Me., to enter his sophomore year at Bowdoin college.

Rev. A. L. Rumpus will conduct the service at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon at 2.30. The Sunday school classes will hold their first meeting at 4.30.

Robert H. J. Holden leaves on Saturday for Cambridge to enter his sophomore year at Harvard university.

Miss Florence Adams left this week for South Hadley to resume her duties as English instructor at Mt. Holyoke college.

Mrs. Albert Adams, while closing a window during the rain early Monday morning, fell and injured herself rather severely. Although she will be confined to her home for some days, the injuries are not serious.

Frank R. Hardon, of Lynn, spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. Bradford, at Woodsville.

Shirley grange held a very pleasant meeting on Tuesday evening. The feature of the lecturer's hour was a pound party. Each member brought a package containing a pound of something. These packages were auctioned off to the highest bidder, furnishing a great deal of amusement. Following the pound party a bean carrying contest was held. Mrs. Buxton was the winner. A reading by George Buxton and remarks and a reading by Ralph Evans closed the hour.

Clinton Harris received sixteen first and second ribbons on his exhibits at Clinton fair last week. He received the following ribbons: First on herd for butter; first on three-year-old for butter; first on cow for butter; first on one-year-old for butter; first on cow for milk; second on three-year-old for milk; first on one-year-old for milk; second on one-year-old for milk; first on Silver Wyandotte cockerel; first on Black Hamburg pullet; first on Black Minorca; first on Brown Leghorns; first on post corn; first on buckwheat; second on rye. Mr. Harris also received forty-eight dollars in awards for his exhibit of poultry and fruit at the Athol fair the first part of this month.

Percy Mackaye, the dramatist and playwright, spent Friday and Saturday of last week with his mother, Mrs. Steele Mackaye.

Mrs. LaTush and child, of Nashua, are at the home of Mrs. Homer Holden this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves spent Sunday at the home of H. W. Graves in Boxborough. Mr. Graves' mother, Mrs. Ruth A. Graves, who accompanied them, remained for a short stay with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Graves.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson returned home on Saturday after a short vacation spent in Freedom, Me.

Henry F. Grout is in Syracuse, N. Y., this week on a short business trip.

Miss Elsie Kirby received a visit last week from her brother, John Kirby, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Edna R. Willis, of Boston, is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth at the North for a few days.

The Shirley grange baseball team will play a return game with Groton grange on Saturday afternoon on the latter's grounds. The Shirley team won the first game which was played at the grange picnic at Ayer by a large score, and are confident of another victory.

Mr. Frothingham, who has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Wyman for several days, returned to his home in New York city last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman and family left on Friday for Brookline, where they are to spend the winter at their new home which they have recently purchased. Merle Crockett, who has been assisting at the Bridgman home this summer, went to Brookline with them. Mr. Bridgman's new home consists of a large frame house with 4914 square feet of land, both valued at \$9000, with \$3000 on the land.

J. Walker Ward, who has been enjoying a two-weeks' vacation at the White Mountains, returned home last week and has resumed his duties on the rural free delivery routes. Mrs. Ward has been substituting on the route during Mr. Ward's absence.

Forrest Wing, who has been spending several weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams, returned to his home in Roxbury on Tuesday in order to enter his senior year at Roxbury Latin school.

The Shirley Center Juniors were defeated by the score of 5 to 2. They groton on last Saturday afternoon by the West Groton grammar school baseball nine. Knowles and Crowe were the battery for Shirley Center, and Eldridge and Durant for West Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Arrington, of Lynn, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams on Sunday.

George E. Smith and Philip Little, of Fitchburg, took possession on Monday of the Center grocery store, which they purchased last week of Charles L. Casteel through the real estate agency of LeRoy Longley. It is understood that Mrs. Casteel will still retain her position as postmistress.

Mrs. Charles Andrews is very ill at her home at the North with a severe attack of acute indigestion. She is attended by Dr. Boynton, of Townsend. Her daughter, Mrs. Jennie Hargrave, of Townsend, is caring for her during her illness.

Mrs. Grout, who has been spending the summer at the home of her son, Henry F. Grout, has returned to Boston for the winter.

The item concerning the linen shower given Miss Bessie Farnsworth, was incorrectly given in last week's issue. The linen shower which was given Miss Farnsworth by Mrs. Henry F. Grout was held at the home of Mrs. Grout instead of at the home of Miss Farnsworth as was stated.

Miss Mary Frary is spending a short vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frary, at Woodsville.

John W. Evans, of Pennsylvania, is spending a vacation of two weeks with his family here.

D. F. Carkins left last week for Brookline, where he has entered the employ of Rev. H. A. Bridgman.

Charles Haskins returned last week from Foxboro, where he has been for several weeks at the inebriates home there.

Mrs. Almond Wing returned on Tuesday to her home in Roxbury after a short stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams.

Philip Little and family, of Fitchburg, part owner of the Center grocery store, is moving this week into the house on Center road recently vacated by Rev. H. A. Bridgman and family.

Linton Ward left on Monday for Maine, where he is to enter the agricultural course at Maine university.

Arthur R. Holden left on Monday for Middlebury, Vt., to enter his junior year at Middlebury college.

Miss Christine G. Longley left on Tuesday for South Hadley, where she is to enter Mt. Holyoke college.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ware expect to close their home on Hazen road the latter part of this month and return to their home in Brookline for the winter.

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Saturday, September 21, 1912.

PEPPERELL.

News Items.
 Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Merrill left town on September 11, for Vermont. They attended the Rutland county fair at St. Johnsbury, September 12 and 13, 12,000 being present on Monday. Twenty-three yoke of Hereford oxen owned by Ricker and valued at \$6000 was a feature of the show and a fine exhibition of poultry was shown. The feature of the fair was an exhibition given by four trained seals, they going through their performance almost perfectly. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill are visiting for a few weeks with their daughter, Mrs. Carr, in Burke, Vt.

Mrs. Whittemore, mother of Mrs. William Atkinson formerly of River street, Pepperell, passed away on Thursday at the residence of her son in Worcester from pneumonia, being sick only since Sunday.

On last Tuesday evening a number of friends surprised Albert Lawrence by presenting him with a solid silver constable badge, it being the sixty-first anniversary of his birth.

There will be a meeting of the D. A. R. at the chapter house on Monday, September 23. Election of delegates and alternates to the fall state conference will be held at 7:30 p. m. Blood, Mrs. W. H. Merrill and Miss Annetta S. Merrill are to be the hostesses.

On September 18, at Alfred, Me., a double wedding occurred which interested a large number of townspeople. A few years ago Miss Jane A. Drew came to teach school on Townsend street and soon became quite a favorite. Frank Russell Bennett, a popular young real estate man became acquainted with the result of a marriage and other happy couple will make this town "home." The other couple was Miss Alice Williams, a friend of the bride, and Walter Emery. The marriage took place in the Congregational church. Those coming from Pepperell were Mr. and Mrs. John O. Bennett and Fred D. Bennett, twin brother of the groom.

On Monday evening the Warrens voted to enter their tab at the muster at Falah Valley fair, Fitchburg, October 10. Practice commences on Monday and will continue on Monday and Friday evenings until the muster. Eight new members were taken in.

The state fish hatchery consigned to A. G. Pike about 3000 smolting brook trout to stock the various brooks in town recently.

Mrs. Henry Kendrick, of Portland, Ore., is visiting among her friends and relatives. She was Miss Ida Blake to her girlhood friends.

Mrs. Nellie Appleton will entertain the cradle roll and kindergarten departments of the Unitarian church at Mt. Lebanon on Saturday afternoon, September 21, if a favorable day.

Charles F. Spaulding gave a valuable talk on Friday last week on "Care of apple trees," at President's grange. Papers written by George Farmer, of Shirley, and Misses Lucia Parker and Jennie Holmes about the recent incidents of the traveling plan were read.

Alta A. Shattuck, president, and Charles H. Miller, vice-president, are new officers in the First National bank.

On Wednesday, William Atkinson was selling the crop of peaches from the Legg farm.

On last Saturday evening, as all the stores were having their busy time, the electric lights grew dimmy and went completely out, and many were glad to return to the old time candle.

James Starr has the contract for furnishing the additional water for the town of Hudson, N. H., and started work on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Arthur Bartlett, of High street, entertained her mother, Mrs. Arthur Blood, and her sister, Mrs. Arthur Elliott, of Gardner, this week.

Letters remaining unclaimed for at the East Peppercell postoffice for the week ending September 19: Mrs. Maria Bird, John B. Clark, William Cora, Miss Mildred Curtis, Miss Winifred Fitzgerald, Mrs. T. Subrow, Raymond Monkman, Arthur Randall.

Methodist.
 At the Methodist church, Rev. P. R. Stratten will preach on Sunday at 10:30 a. m. upon "The still small voice," and at seven in the evening upon "Life's one idea."

The prayer meeting of the Epworth League will be held at six in the evening. The subject will be "The cumulative power of selfishness," and the leader will be Miss Alice Marshall.

An entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid will be given in the vestry on Thursday, September 26, at eight o'clock in the evening. The interest in this entertainment centers around the "Tom Thumb wedding," which will be given by twenty-five children, but this will also be reading, recitations, vocal and instrumental music, and a drill by sixteen young ladies.

Death.
 Edward J. Sartelle, of Worcester, formerly secretary at the State Mutual Life Assurance Company, prominent in the Peppercell and a past president and member of many Masonic bodies, being a 22° Mason, died at his home at Worcester Saturday at the age of fifty-five years. Mr. Sartelle was born in Peppercell, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Sartelle, and received his early education in the public schools in Townsend and at the Lawrence academy. After completing his studies at the academy he entered Harvard.

Following his graduation he engaged in teaching, and for five years devoted his entire attention to the profession. During that time he acted as principal of the school at Pepperell, and also of the high school at Lawrence. He was for a time superintendent of schools at Townsend.

He was connected with the State Mutual Life Assurance Co. from 1887 up to the time of his resignation in 1908. His family was of colonial stock, two of his ancestors serving as revolutionary soldiers.

A wife and a daughter, Miss Katherine Sartelle, survive him. Mr. Sartelle was also a member of the Odd Fellows. He was a cousin to W. E. Sartelle, Mrs. Diana Langstaff, Mrs. Alice Burkishaw, Mrs. Leah Whitcomb and John Sartelle, and Mrs. Susan Sartelle was an aunt.

Silver Wedding.
 Friday, September 13, was a beautiful day and nature was in unison with the event to celebrate that evening for it was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Emma Davis, of Cushing, Me., to Walter C. Harriman, of Gardner, Me., who had come as young people to Pepperell, and were married here. This was a celebration that their many friends did not wish to slip by and unknown to them the members of Acoma lodge, 22° Mason, seconded by the members of Beacon lodge got busy. Under the direction of Mrs. Louisa Dunton, noble grand of Acoma lodge, a great bank of asters and golden-rod were placed in position and Old Fellows' hall decorated with beautiful golden-rod in every spot and place till the air was heavy with fragrance and the golden-rod prevailed in the room.

When all was in readiness an auto called at Mr. Harriman's door to take them for "a ride" and brought them to the hall. The hall was filled with old friends and friends from every part of the State. Rev. Dudley H. Child was called upon to make a presentation of "Toasted Corn Flakes," which were being wheeled around by Curtis Gilman. It was quite a load and when the boxes were opened they were found filled with shining silver dollars, a loving testimonial of friends, not as a charity, but because of good fellowship and as a simple way of many expressing themselves in love for the community life of this couple who built their home on Pleasant street and who have helped wherever they could.

Walter Dury took advantage of the time and thanked all for the occasion and said it was the first time he ever found a better friend than those who were to express himself. This saying was fully appreciated. After many pleasant remarks and wishes, the evening grew into dancing and whist and the happy couple were returned by auto to their home.

The following program was given during the evening: Piano solo, Miss Vernon Robbins, of Fitchburg; fare; "Roomy's restaurant," with following characters: Mrs. Susan Dart, Mrs. Hattie Shaw, E. Hayes, Gardner Willey, Chester Parker; character song, Donald Gaknon; xylophone solo, Oliver Thayer. The following poem was also read:

We've come here, your friends and neighbors,
 To offer unto you
 Our kind congratulations,
 (Which you know right well)
 That you've walked so long together
 In the rugged path of life,
 And performed the sacred ministries
 Of husband and of wife.

ladder, it broke, letting him fall heavily to the floor, striking on his shoulder and back. He reached his home unaided, though with considerable difficulty. Dr. Lovejoy was called and found no fractures, only a badly bruised condition, and hopes for a speedy recovery if nothing new sets in.

Carrie Ethel, the little nine-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lawson, died on Monday of cholera infantum, after an illness of several weeks. Services were held at their home on Hollis street, Rev. P. R. Stratten officiating, and interment was in Brookline, N. H., on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Denham returned last week from an extended trip through Northern Vermont.

The play entitled "Tom Thumb's wedding," with a cast of twenty-five children, will be presented at the Methodist vestry on Thursday evening, September 26. There will be also a song and march by sixteen girls, piano and vocal solos and readings. At the close of the entertainment a social hour will be enjoyed and ice cream will be on sale.

Mrs. H. C. Winslow has returned from her vacation trip with her daughter, Miss Helen, in New York.

Items of News.
 On October 25, will be held the first costume ball of the Squanto Social club in Brookline, Peppercell. The music will be supplied by Robbins' orchestra and a very attractive program is being arranged.

The senior class of the Peppercell high school will hold a food sale at 1. O. O. F. banquet hall on Saturday afternoon, September 21, at three o'clock.

J. A. Frossard left on Saturday for an extended business trip through the west. Mrs. Frossard has gone to Somerville to visit during his absence.

The first annual ball of Peppercell Council will be held in Tarbell's opera house on Friday evening, October 11. Collins' orchestra, of Marlboro, will furnish music. The hall will be very beautifully decorated.

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Consisting of heavy team or work horses and six family or driving horses that have been used in this locality, therefore are acclimated and ready for service and will be profitable ones to buy and use. Also, Two very Buggies, Three One-horse Farm Wagons, Two-horse Tip Cart, Two Two-horse Wagons, Double Team and Single Work and Driving Harnesses, Two Express Wagons and a lot of other personal property, such as farming implements, furniture, etc.

This Clean-up Sale that all will want to attend as it takes place on Railroad Square and be a Peppercell holiday. Everybody is invited.

Terms at sale.
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TIME TABLE
 Leave Merrimack Square, Lowell, for Boston via Tewksbury and Reading to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charles town—6:45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9:45 p. m. Sundays—Same as week days.
 Return—Leave Sullivan Square—6:45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 8:45 p. m. Sundays—7:45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9:15 p. m. Boston via North Ferrisburgh, Ferrisburgh Centre, Burlington, Woburn, Winchester and Medford to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charles town—5:25 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 9:25 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12:25 p. m. until 9:55 p. m., 10:25 p. m. to Woburn only. Return—Leave Sullivan Square Terminal—6:35 a. m. and every 60 minutes until 9:32 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 11:32 a. m. until 9:32 p. m., 9:52 p. m., 10:22 p. m. and every 30 mins. until 9:32 p. m.)
 Tyngsboro via Middlesex Street—5:18, 6:00, 6:55, 7:18 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9:4 p. m. then 10:48 p. m. Sundays—8:15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:18 p. m. Return—Leave Tyngsboro—6:40, 6:20, 7:20, 8:20, 9:20, 10:20, 11:20 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m., then 11:33 p. m. Sundays—9:03 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:33 p. m., then 11:33 p. m. Return—Leave North Chelmsford—5:30, 5:55, 6:30, 6:57, 7:18 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11:03 p. m., then 11:48 p. m. Sundays—8:03 a. m. and every 15 mins. until 11:03 p. m. Lawrence—5:15, 6:15, 6:40 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:40 p. m. Sundays—7:10 a. m. then same as week days. Return—Leave Lawrence—6:25, 6:10, 6:50 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:50 p. m. Sundays—7:20 a. m. then same as week days.
 Nashua—5:45 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10:45 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 12:45 p. m. until 10:15 p. m.) Sundays—7:15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:15 p. m. Return—Leave Nashua—4:35 a. m. and every 60 mins. until 10:35 p. m. (Saturdays every 30 mins. from 1:35 p. m. until 10:35 p. m.) Sundays—7:35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10:35 p. m.
 THOMAS LEES, Supt.

POOR ROADS ARE EXPENSIVE

Only 7 Per Cent of 2,100,000 Miles of Public Thoroughfares in This Country Are Improved.

There are 2,100,000 miles of public roads in this country. Only 150,000 miles, or 7 per cent, are improved. All the rest can be fairly described as bad roads. The waste of our natural resources, reckless as it is, is nothing compared to the money waste brought about by this condition of our highways.

It costs the French peasant an average of 12 cents a mile per ton to haul his produce to market. It costs the American farmer an average of 25 cents a mile per ton, or 100 per cent more than the Frenchman. During the year 1905-1906 hauling of farm produce to shipping points amounted to between forty and forty-five million tons weight. The average haul was 94 miles. If the farmers could have done their hauling over French roads, instead of their own inferior ones, they would have netted \$58,900,000 more on their crops.

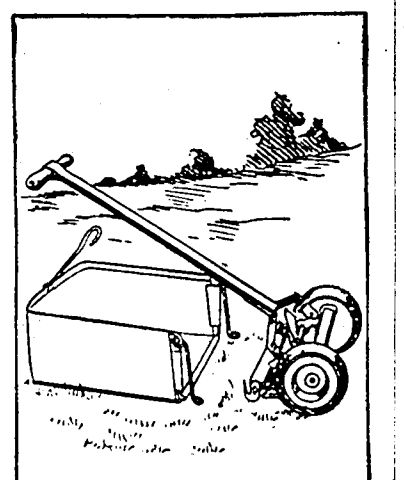
But all the hauling to shipping points is not done by farmers by any means. The interstate commerce commission tells us that in all something like 250,000,000 tons are hauled for shipment every year. The willingness to move this immense volume of freight over poor roads, as against good roads such as France enjoys, costs the country a cool unnecessary \$305,000,000 a year.

These figures and facts come from the office of Logan Waller Page, the United States director of public works.

USEFUL AS GRASS CATCHER

Device Fastened to Back of Mower Makes Use of Rake Unnecessary—How It is Made.

A rake will be unnecessary to the man who mows grass with the device shown here attached to the back of the mower. This is the invention of a Minnesota genius, and it is said to leave a clean sward in the wake of the lawn mower, catching the loose grass that flies up in the rear before it has a chance to fall again. The apparatus is made with a galvanized steel bottom and heavy duck sides and is easily detached and emptied when it becomes full. Two hooks are fastened at the ends of the roller of the mower and circular wire pieces fit



Handy Grass Catcher.

over these at each end of the catcher. A third piece of wire hooks over the handle of the mower to keep the scoop in position. Another wire contrivance comes with this device by means of which the catcher can be made wider or narrower or in some other way adapted to the size of the mower.

Manure and Silage Corn.

Twenty tons of corn silage an acre were harvested last fall by George L. Hyslop of Ohio. He uses it for fattening cattle and hogs. The most interesting thing about this yield is that it is the result of proper utilization of barnyard manure. The manure shed has an important place on the farm.

Good Roads & Farm Notes

Weeds multiply from year to year Weeds are easily killed if attacked when quite small.

Reading good farm papers will interest people in better farm conditions.

One of the worst pests with which the grower of onions has to contend is the onion maggot.

Fall plowing of field areas will often be of service in controlling cut worms that are affecting field crops.

Rotaton allows or assists Nature to repair her waste places and incidentally facilitates the war with weeds.

Different crops for different years on the same soil will produce the variety of elements which insure fertility.

The grain grower should have the cows freshen in the fall, in order to provide an income while the fields are idle.

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Political Advertisements

To the Democrats of the Fifth Congressional District

The primaries for the choice of candidates for public office will be held on Tuesday, September 24. The direct primaries have been given to the people to enable them to choose their candidates for public office free from the interference of would-be political bosses and paid political henchmen.

As a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress I appeal to the rank and file of the democracy for support. My opponent by the lavish use of money is attempting to cover up many things which the voters of the District ought to know.

A primary contest is of necessity a personal contest and the question to be settled by the party voter is "which candidate more nearly meets the requirements of the party and more nearly measures up to the ideals of the democracy?"

I invite the closest inquiry into the personal character of my opponent and myself. I request the members of the party to inquire into our respective records of party loyalty. My opponent in the past on more than one occasion has opposed with all his power the election of democrats who have been duly nominated. He spent his money lavishly for the defeat of John D. Moran after that illustrious democrat had been honored with the party's nomination. In the city of Lowell, where we are both known, among our acquaintances and neighbors, I am confident that I will administer a defeat to him which, from every standpoint of party discipline, he thoroughly deserves. I ask the voters in the rest of the District to look up and investigate my opponent and myself fairly and without prejudice. If this is done there can be but one result.

JAMES H. CARMICHAEL,
 22 Rolfe Street,
 Lowell, Mass.

Political Advertisement.

Voters
Of The Fifth District

Believing that the people of the Fifth Congressional District are entitled to know the attitude of Republican candidates as between Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft, I wrote letters to Messrs. John Jacob Rogers and James Wilson Grimes, under date of Sept. 9th, requesting the information. Following is an exact reproduction of my letter to Mr. Rogers:—

September 9, 1912.

John Jacob Rogers, Esq.,
 Care Dunbar & Rogers, Lawyers,
 521 Hildreth Bldg., Lowell, Mass.:

Dear Sir: In an open letter to the voters of the Fifth Congressional District, I have indicated my attitude relative to Taft and Roosevelt. I have branded the action of the Chicago convention as political theft, and have pledged myself to do all in my power to help Theodore Roosevelt in the Fifth Congressional District. I believe the voters of the district are entitled to know whether you intend to support William Howard Taft or Theodore Roosevelt for President. Kindly advance the information.

Sincerely yours,
 W. T. S. BARTLETT.

More than a week has passed without a reply to the above letter. Messrs. Rogers and Grimes, the voters are entitled to know whether or not you believe in the methods so notoriously employed to steal a nomination at Chicago. I am informed that you are proclaiming your loyalty to the Progressive cause, and at the same time are secretly supporting Taft. Is this true, Messrs. Rogers and Grimes? Speak up. The voters have a right to know!

W. T. S. BARTLETT,
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