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AYER, MASS.

LITTLETON.

News Items. The Woman's club will hold its next The Woman's club will note its next-meeting on Monday afternoon, Feb-ruary 24, when Mrs. Henry C. Mulli-gan, president of the Massachusetts State Federation, will be present and address the club. There will be music and tea will be served by Mrs. Ellen M. Hartwell.

SIX-CYLINDER

\$1550

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Heywood Knowlton, of Worcester academy, is at home for Saturday and Sunday.

Benjamin Conant, Harvard college 13. was at home over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace B. Conant, of Concord, spent Sunday at N. B. Co-

MEN'S AND YOUTHS' OVERCOATS

we've ever seen. The long overcoat, single breast-

ed, shawl collar, is very popular. Great for win-

ter cold, and good style. Some of the belt backs

\$20.00 and \$22.00 Overcoats for this sale \$15.47

BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S SUITS

Ages 8 to 16

this sale.....

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Straight Pants Suits

Ages 8 to 16

One-half Price

SHIRTS

Knickerbocker Trouser Suits for

\$5.00 Knickerbocker Trouser Suits for

\$3.50 Knickerbocker Trouser Suits for

Men's Fancy Coat Shirts, regular \$1.50 value, for this sale.....

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Men's Fancy Shirts, regular 50c. value,

Men's Outing Flannel and Cheviot Shirts,

for this sale.....

regular 50c. value, for this sale

GLOVES

50c. Wool Gloves and Mittens for this sale 39¢

25c. Wool Gloves and Mittens for this sale 19¢ One Lot Men's Pigskin Lined Gloves, reg-

ular 50c. value, for this sale...... 35¢

\$18.00 Overcoats for this sale......

\$15.00 Overcoats for this sale......

All styles and patterns and the best of work-

\$13.47

\$10.47

\$2.89

\$2.47

This season's styles in Overcoats are the best

Miss Gladys Lawton, student in Boston, has been visiting Miss Mar-garet Thacher this week.

Miss Marion Whitcomb, of Mt. Ida seminary, is at home for Saturday and Sunday. She entertains as her guests, Miss Carol Perry, of Rediands, Cal., and Miss Kathryn Umstead, of Allentown, Pa., seminary friends. Herbert Whitcomb entertains Robert Nichols, of Warren, and James Evans, of Patterson, N. J., Technology mates.

Douglass Gardner, of New Bedford,

Douglass Gardner, of New Bedford, and Miss Elsie Waite, of New Bedford are spending the holiday and Sunday at J. Hartwell Whitcomb's. School children and teachers have a vacation of one week. The spring term will begin on March 3.

Schools in the Union building were closed on last week Friday to give the children an opportunity to attend the extension school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuttis Drew and Mr. and Mrs. Stedman Stuart attended the masquerade ball in Ayer on last week Friday evening.

Miss Gladys Lawton, student in Boston, has been visiting Miss Marterested audience in the rural mission work in Maine and New Hampshire at the Congregational church on last seminary, is at home for Saturday

The lecture by Prof. George H. Barton before the lyceum on Tuesday evening called out a large audience of people who felt highly entertained and instructed by his able lecture, illustrated by many stereopticon pictures.

Earl Putnam has recently made an engagement with C. E. Frost, dealers in spraying goods, and will eventually be located in Rhode Island state. This week he has been in Buckland.

Miss Hazel Putnam, of Easthamp-ton, is the guest of Miss Ruth Pres-cott. Henry O. Burnham is very sick with pneumonia and in care of a nurse. At last reports the outlook is very dis-

New Advertisements.

On account of the case of scarlet fever at the Common, the Washington program to have been given in the town hall by the various schools was cancelled, and each school had its own exercises in the home building.

A large delegation from the Wo-man's club went to Ayer on Wednes-day afternoon to hear the lecture at the Ayer Woman's club by Mr. Hub-bard, of Boston, but Mr. Hubbard is reported to have missed his train and so our W. C. representatives missed a much anticipated entertainment, and returned home good natured, but greatly disappointed.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our many kind relatives, friends and neighbout for the sympathy and beautiful floral tributes offered us in our late bereavement.

MR. and MRS. GEO. H. WILLIS and Family.

Ayer. Mass., Feb. 21, 1913.



NEARING THE END OF OUR

Mid=Winter

Only a short time left in which to take advantage of our price reductions upon our Winter

Although our sale has been most successful still there are many good things left. On many of the small number of Fancy Overcoats now on hand for Men and Boys we have made a still further

Every Overcoat in our stock is radically reduced in price and are real bargains.

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These Semi-Annual Sales of ours are held for our mutual advantage. We give away profits pretty freely, it's no big money-making operation for us, you may be sure. But we get good out of it; we clear the season's stock; the time to sell winter goods is in the winter, and we make a lot of satisfied customers and that's worth more than money to us.

BEGINNING SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1, we offer you our Stocks of Men's and Boys' Suits, Overcoats, Furnishings, Odd Lots of Shoes, Etc., at greatly reduced prices.

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WE GUARANTEE SATISFACTION OR YOUR MONEY RETURNED

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MEN'S AND YOUTHS' SUITS

Did you ever wear a Hart, Schaffner & Marx? Something about them that is different from the others, the cloths are all wool; and the tailoring is such that the clothes keep shape.

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MEN'S TROUSERS

All broken lots of our famous "Duchess," all sizes and shades to close out at the following prices:

\$5.00	Pants	for	this	sale	\$4.15
\$4.00	Pants	for	this	sale	\$3.15
\$3.50	Pants	for	this	sale	\$2.85
\$3.00	Pants	for	this	sale	\$2.45
\$2.50	Pants	for	this	sale	\$2.00
\$2.00	Pants	for	this	sale	\$1.65
\$1.50	Pants	for	this	sale	\$1.15
					

SHEEPSKIN COATS

Corduroy skin Collar.	Sheepskin	Lined Coats	with Sheep-
\$ 6.00 value \$ 5.00 value	for this s for this s	aleale	\$4.79 \$4.00

MEN'S FUR COATS

\$25.00 Dogskin Coats, with Coon Collar,	
for this sale	\$20.00
\$20.00 Dogskin Coats for this sale	\$15.47

FURNISHING DEPARTMENT

Fleece Lined Underwear in Single and	
Double Breasted, regular 50c. value, for this sale	39¢
Derby Ribbed Underwear, in Black and	
Ecru colors, regular 50c. value, for this sale	39¢
Wright's Health Underwear, regular \$1.00 value, for this sale	79¢
Boys' Wright's Health Underwear, 50c. value, for this sale Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear, 25c. value.	39¢

WINTER CAPS

50c. values for this sale	39
\$1.00 values for this sale	79
\$1.50 values for this sale	1.0

for this sale...... 19¢

Several Special Sales of broken lots of Shoes Underwear, Mufflers, Etc.

REMEMBER WE CLOSE TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 6.30

\$10.00	Suits,	mark	down	price	 \$7.47
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				price	\$10.47
\$18.00	Suits,	mark	down	price	 \$13.47
\$20.00	Suits,	mark	down	price	 \$14.47

MEN'S SUITS

Stock of High-grade Clothing and Furnishings.

cut in price.

FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT Underwear

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All our 50c. Fleece Lined Underwear, in single or double breasted, now	39
All our 50c. Derby Ribbed Underwear in either Ecru or Blue colors, now	39
All our Boys' 50c. Wright's Health Fleece Lined Underwear, now	39
All our Boys' Fleece Lined and Derby Ribbed Underwear, the regular 25c. goods, for	19
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	.47 .47	goods, for	19¢ %
\$5.00 Overcoats for this sale	.00	Your choice of any of our regular 50c. Fancy Shirts in either Coat or Regu-	·
BOYS' ODD KNEE PANTS		lar Styles for Men and Boys for this sale	39¢
One Lot Boys' Knickerbocker Pants, ages 5 to 16, regular 50c. and 75c. values, for this sale	13¢	One lot of Men's Working Shirts, made of Domet Flannel. our regular 50c. Shirts, for this sale	39¢
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BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS

Every Coat marked down. Ages 8 to	o 16.
\$5.00 Coats now reduced to	\$3.47
\$7.00 Coats now reduced to	\$5.00
\$8.50 Coats now reduced to	\$6.47
\$10.00 Coats now reduced to	\$7.47
One lot Boys' Odd Coats, ages 10 to 18, values \$5.00 to \$7.00, reduced to	\$1.50

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	\$3.50	Coats	now	reduced	to		\$2.89
	\$3.00	Coats	now	reduced	to		\$1.98

Ages 4 to 12

MEN'S FANCY OVERCOATS

Every Overcoat in stock now goes at a Mark

Down price.	
One lot Men's 44-inch Overcoats, with	
Velvet Collars, Odd Coats, values	•
from \$8.47 to \$15.00, sizes 33 to	
40, reduced to	\$5.00
\$10.00 Overcoats marked down to	\$7.47
\$13.50 Overcoats marked down to	\$8.47
\$18.00 and \$15.00 Overcoats marked down to	\$10.47
\$22.00 and \$20.00 Overcoats marked down to	\$14.47

MEN'S FUR COATS

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	One lot Men's Working Trousers, the regular \$2.00 grade, now	
-	One lot Men's Working Trousers, the regular \$2.50 and \$3.00 grade, now	
	One lot Men's Working Trousers, the regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 grade, now	\$2.47
	One lot Men's Fancy Worsted and Cassimere Trousers, regular \$3.50 and \$4.00 grade, now	\$2.98

SHOE DEPARTMENT

One lot of Queen Quality, Mayfair and A. F. Smith make of shoes for Women, in Kid, Patents and Gun Metal, regular \$3.00 and \$3.50

goods, now go for..... \$1.98 One lot of Queen Quality Shoes for Women in Kid Leather, with light soles, a regular \$3.00 shoe for.... \$1.49

One lot of Boys' Shoes, the regular \$1.50 grade for.....

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79¢	Every Winter Cap at a Cut Price.	Men's White Handkerchiefs 3¢	25c. Woolen Gloves and
204		Men's Police Braces 15¢	
		Men's 50c. Police Braces 35¢ Men's 50c. Suspenders in holi-	One lot of Men's Gloves,
39¢	\$1.00 Caps for Men 79¢	Men's 50c. Suspenders in holi- day boxes 29¢	lined, 50c. grade 35¢
	\$1.25 and \$1.50 Caps for \$1.00	Way Mufflers, 50c. grade 25¢	One lot Jersey Gloves for Men. Women and Chil-
20.4	\$1.50 Fur-trimmed Caps \$1.00	President Suspenders 35¢	dren 10¢

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Saturday, February 22, 1913.

WESTFORD.

Advantage was taken of the sleighing on last week Thursday evening by a group of people at the Center to attend the supper and entertainment at the M. E. church at Graniteville. David L. Greig took over a merry load and others went in single teams, and all report a pleasant evening. Those who went were Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Greig, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. Edward Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, Mrs. John Feeney, Mrs. A. W. Hartford, Miss Hazel Hartford, Mrs. O. V. Wells, Mrs. Alma Richardson and Leon F. Hildreth.

Principal H. S. Cowell, of Cushing Advantage was taken of the sleigh-

ardson and Leon F. Hildreth.

Principal H. S. Cowell, of Cushing academy, gave his lecture, "If I were a boy again," on last week Friday evening at the town hall before an appreciative audience. This was the last in the academy course under the direction of Principal Roudenbush, and has proved very much of a success. At the lecture on Friday evening, Principal Cowells lecture was full of wise and experienced course! for of wise and experienced counsel for lifes best conduct in its many phases, and should be an incentive to the boys and girls present to make the most of themselves. The older ones, as well enjoyed the speaker's combined with and wisdom

Nine representatives of the Westford society were present at the First
Presbytarian church in Lowell on last
Saturday evening to hear Karl Leahman, international secretary of the
Y. P. S. C. E. speak. At the Sunday
evening service reports were given of
this address under the sub-topics of
consecration enthusiasm and service. consecration, enthusiasm and service was special music by Miss Al-

Alfred Sutherland, who has been so seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia. is now gaining.

Miss Winnifred Burnham, formerly a popular teacher at the Frost school, was a week end guest this last week of Miss Edith Wright. Miss Burnham was in attendance at the Congregational church on Sunday morning and greeted many old friends.

John Sherlock, who has been our branch line motorman for the last three years, has been transferred to the main line electrics. Mr. Sherlock has been a most careful and capable has been a most careful and capable man and enjoyed the confidence of all the patrons of the road. Mr. and Mrs. Sherlock do not expect to remove from town until spring. Their departure is doubly regretted for Mrs. Sherlock has made a place in her home for a number of boarders in this village, where boarding places are not plentiful. Mr. Cutter takes Mr. Sherlock's place as motorman, and Edward Clement, who has been a substitute conment, who has been a substitute conductor, is the regular conductor.

Miss Harriet Hodgman is staying with old friends in town.

long habits of capable industry and temperate living have played their part toward hale and prosperous older years. Mr. Burbeck carries on his grock him-

The regular monthly social and en-tertainment for February took place at the Congregational church on Wednesday evening. There was the usual good attendance for which the pleasant winter's evening was partly responsible. Furthermore, the commitaponsible. Furthermore, the commit-tee in charge were a guarantee of cap-able management and a good enter-tainment. A salad supper was serv-ed in the dining-room from 6.30 to eight o'clock, which were so well pat-ronized that resetting of tables was necessary. Appropriate decorations were runners of green crepe paper on

were runners of green crepe paper on the tables.

Later, in the vestry, the following entertainment was given: Piano solo, Miss Geraghty; vocal solo, Mrs. Chas. D. Colburn; reading, Miss Lillian Green; piano and violin duet, Mr. Kabele and Miss Daisy Kabele; vocal solo, Linwood Knapp; reading, Miss Lillian Greene; vocal solo, Mrs. C. A. Lillian Greene; piano and violin duet, Mr. Kabele and Miss Daisy Kabele; solo. Linwood Knapp; reading, Miss Lillian Greene; piano solo, Miss Geraghty.

The entertainers from Lowell were much enjoyed and were nicely balanced by our home talent. Miss Hazel

the evening.

Mrs. Joseph E. Knight, Mrs.
Phonise isles, Mrs. John McMaster and Mrs. S. L. Taylor were the committee in charge, assisted by other willing helpers.

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Obituary.

Mrs. Arvilla M. Gould, one of Westford's oldest residents, died early on Monday morning at the home of her son, George E. Gould, with whom she has made her home since the death of her husband, the late Edwin Gould. Mrs. Gould was born in Tyngsboro, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Woodward. Her long married life was spent at the family homestead in North Westford, now occupiled by her son, Horace Gould, and

stead in North Westford, now occupied by her son, Horace Gould, and family.

Mrs. Gould possessed many sterling qualities, a woman of strong character, of fine physique, loyal to life's duties as they came to her. Death was due to the infirmities of advanced age. She is survived by the two sons already mentioned. ed age. She is survived sons already mentioned.

sons already mentioned.

The funeral services were held from her son's home on Wednesday, afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. Lyman B. Weeks was the officiating clergyman and he paid tender and sympathetic tribute to Mrs. Gould's memory. Mrs. Homer M. Seavey and Mrs. Cyril A. Blaney sang two beautiful selections, "Only a step," and "Face to face." The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. The bearers were Fred and Charles Blodgett, W. M. Wright and S. B. Wright. Interment was in the family lot at Hillside cemetery. North Westford.

About Town

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Westford people wil be much interested in an item from the Boston Post of February 16. Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Jay Horner announce the engagement of their daughter Agnes to Mr. Frederic W. Allen, assistant instructor at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Mr. and Mrs. Horner are most pleasantly remembered from the days when he was pastor of the Unitarian church and brought his bride here, the daughter of the late Halsey Boardman of Boston. At present they are living in Attleboro, where he has charge of the Unitarian church. Westford people wil be much inter-Unitarian church.

with the committee on institutes of the Middlesex North Agricultural society to hold an institute here on Wednesday. February 26, at the town hall. A good program has been prepared. Dinner will be served at noon. The morning session will open at 10.30. Sumner H. Reed, a successful farmer from West Brookfield, will speak on "The up-to-date farmer." At the afternoon session questions can be asked by the audience for he will have an open forum on "Farmers' clubs" and "The value of the silo."

Hepresentative Frank B. Murphy of

Representative Frank B. Murphy of Lowell, clerk of the committee on public health, is connected with Westford, for he is a summer visitor here, his father owning a large farm and summer residence on the shores of Flushing pool. ing pond.

The W. C. T. U. had a food sale at the home of Mrs. J. Henry Colburn on Friday afternon, February 14. The sale was well patronized. More food might have been sold if it had been contributed. Over thirteen dollars was

The Middlesex Co. W. C. T. U. are making great preparations for a jub-ilee meeting in Lowell on February 22 to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the formation of the County W. C. T. U. The president, Mrs. Janet Wright and the secretary, Mrs. John Warren Day, and two delegates, Mrs. Homer Seavey and Mrs. Emery Whitney, were chosen to represent the Westford so-ciety at this meeting.

The J. C. Abbots, who are spending the winter in Newton, were in town on Wednesday. The open winter has made possible frequent auto trips to the homestead here.

Miss Clara Smith is staying with Mrs. Mary E. Calvert, although continuing her teaching at the Frost school.

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ars. Mary E. Calvert, although continuing her teaching at the Frost school.

John Burbeck observed his eightieth birthday at his pleasant home, Vine Brook farm, at the south part of the time has really come supply at Burgess pond is ten inches thick and good sound ice. W. W. Johnson will have his icehouses full this week. Lifelong habits of capable industry and temperate living have played their part toward hale and prosperous old-

er years. Mr. Burbeck carries on his own farm, caring for his stock himself, going to market every week, and doing whatever else is necessary in conducting his affairs.

Mrs. Edward Fisher has been at Swampscott this week, called there by the death of a brother-in-law, Archie Blanchard.

Mr. Burbeck carries on his der the direction of William Leahy. Charles H. Merritt, who formerly week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. down. Am formerly week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lord.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett are resourced to Westford, has moved to joicing over the birth of a line baby the Overlook farm, owned by Fred L. Snow, now of Tyngsboro.

Now, now of Tyngsboro.

An Enjoyable Trip.

William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious, an old and resourced the direction of William Precious.

Swampscott this week, Sander the death of a brother-in-law, Archie Elanchard.

Mrs. James Hildreth, who recently passed her ninety-fifth birthday, is seriously ill.

Mrs. Abbie Hamilin is among the sick ones and in the care of her physician.

Henry Colburn is working for Pearl Harmon on a new bungalow in Chelmsford.

Mrs. Ida M. Gould is in Pittsfield where she has been demonstrating the seems and Mrs. A. J. Abbot and Mrs. Caraly and Mrs. Herbert Fletcher Stephen Whitman instantaneous chocolate and confections. Mrs. Gould has appointments for several other large cities demonstrating the same ground.

Miss Mary Morin left on Monday morning for her long anticipated trip to the Pacific coast. Miss Morin was the recipient of numerous parting sifts as evidence of the good will and good wishes of her many friends.

George T. Day had the misfortune to fall and dislocate his shoulder at his home the first of this week. Dr. Blaney, assisted by Dr. Sherman, were long and track of the same of the state of the far tay has a continual round of the pacific coast. Miss Web. Co. and Mrs. Benton continued on the formal revery stopping place and their route of the family lot in Fairview cemetery. The his absence Mr. LITTLETON.

Blaney, assisted by Dr. Sherman, were nospitatives, summoned and attended to Mr. Day's coll, and Mrs. Benton continued on injuries. He is now able to be about, and his many friends hope for the America. In his absence Mr. and his many friends hope for the Massachusetts, becomes Massachusetts, becomes many friends and recovery. ow the highest Mason in authority in the state.

A Phenomenal Success.

A Boston paper of recent date has a long account and pictures of Lemuel C. Woodbury and his silver fox farm at Whitefield, N. H. For six years Mr. Woodbury has been carrying on his Woodbury has been carrying on his fox farm with phenomenal success. On account of the scarcity of silver foxes the pelts of these animals are extremely valuable. They are sold mostly in London and one pelt of the silver fox with its "soft, black, lustrous tipped fur" has sold as high as \$5,000, for the fur is as fashionable as it is rare.

A pair of live silver foxes have been known to sell as high as \$40,000. Mr. Woodbury, during his short experience, has sold over fifty animals to silver fox breeders. He now has twenty-seven silver foxes and upon some

ONE DODDAR AND FIFTY CENTS Hartford, Mrs. Blaney and Miss for the purpose of securing some foxes PER YEAR IN ADVANCE.

Geraghty were the accompanists for of the Alaska strain which is the largest and strongest. At present he and his wife and little boy are on a busi-

Mrs. W. H. Healy, who has been on the sick list, is now convalescent.

George Gironard, a former telegrapher at the Boston and Maine station here, but now located in Bondsville, in the western part of the state, has been a recent visitor here.

the brilliant dogwood in the open forests, and roses, roses everywhere as Browning sald and geraniums by the millions. And such roses! A large budget of this affair was March 17, but has been postponed to the date stated above. William Deltoehn is the general manager and has a good corps of assistants. The entertainment will be in charge of George Wilson.

The regular meeting of Court Graniteville, F. of A., was held in their rooms on Thursday evening, with Charles E. Dudevoir, chief ranger, in the chair. Business of importance was transacted four applies.

is being taken to prevent the spreading of the disease.

Mrs. H. Josephine Choate, wife of A. R. Choate, died at her home here early Monday morning, February 17, after a long illness, aged 67 yrs. 11 mos. 22 days. The deceased was well after a long liness, aged of yrs. It mos. 22 days. The deceased was well and favorably known, and before she was stricken with illness, always took a deep interest in the affairs of the village. Besides her husband, she village. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss one son by a former marriage, W. O. Gilman; three sisters, Mrs. Noah P. Shipley, Mrs. Eliza Hall and Miss Mary C. Worden, all of Tyngsboro, and one brother, George Worden, of Lowell.

Unitarian church.

Mrs. George Howard, of Bound Brook, New Jersey, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Taylor, for a short time.

The grange has made arrangements with the committee on institutes of the Middlesex North Agricultural society to hold an institute here on Wednesday, February 26, at the town hall. A grood program has been prepared. Din-

Burial was in the Riverview cemetery, North Chelmsford, where the committal service was read by Rev. U. H. Layton.

Forge Village.

While working in the mill of the Abbot Worsted Company, Napoleon Leclerc received an injury to his hand. After having his hand dressed by Dr. Wells, Leclerc decided to give the open air cure a trial.

A large number from here attended the Lenten services at St. Andrew's Episcopal church in Ayer on Monday evening. Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, of St. Mark's church, Leominster, formerly of Ayer, conducted the services.
At the conclusion, Mr. and Mrs.
Fisher were warmly greeted by their
former parishioners. It is hoped that
Mr. Fisher will occupy the pulpit at St. Andrew's mission in the near fu-

To A. R. Choate, of Graniteville, is extended the sincere sympathy of the people here who were grieved to learn of the death of his wife on Monday morning. Mr. Choate was for many years a member of the school board, and his efforts on behalf of the whitere here to obtain

Miss May Lord, of the South Framingham hospital, spent the last of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

LITTLETON.

About Town.

Scarlet fever has broken out in the William Newell family. Lindsey Day, his grandson, is the first victim in town so far as known.

Randolph Godfrey started on Monday for Detroit, to fill an important and lucrative position in the electrical works of that city.

To the Editor:

No, there is no chip on anyone's shoulder, only the writer of an item in regard to English sunshine in the issue of February 8, simply repeated a message as received. This might not mean absence of sunshine throughout the entire day, for over there the sun has the habit of shining right into your face hours before the English late rising hour arrives. Later of the world, you are confronted with gloomy skies, wet side walks and the comfortless drizzle.

But the flowers of England, bless them, they never fall you. Come rain, come shine, it makes no difference with them.

My first visit to England was in the summer of 1909. It was allowed to be the coldest and rainiest season as since 1894. But the flowers. Ah:

not dependent on sunshine for growth and vigor. A bit of sunshine was the exception from June 15 until Bank holiday, August 1, and at fitful inter-vals after that.

But everywhere, everywhere were the bright flowers, garden and win-dow boxes; on gentlemen's estates and all about the humblest cottages of the poor, the roadsides, the hedges fairly rioting with honeysuckles, convolvu-lus, late violets on the river banks, the brilliant dogwood in the open for-

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In Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners

Boston, February 14th, 1913. On the petition of the Harvard Gas and Electric Company for the approval of an issue of new capital stock of the par value of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), for the purpose of paying the cost of the construction of its electrical distributing plant the Board will give a hearing to the parties interested at its office, 603 Ford Building at 15 Ashburton Place Boston, on Monday, the third day o March next, at ten-thirty o'clock in the forenoon.

And the petitioner is required give notice of said hearing by publication hereof in the "Harvard Hill-Mrs. Ernest Myers, of Lowell, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Catchpole recently. time of hearing.

By order of the Board, R. G. TOBEY, (Signed) A true copy. Attest: R. G. TOBEY, (Signed)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Filancis. F. THOMPSON late of Groton in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by HERBERT C. ROCKWOOD who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of March A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in the 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, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

3123 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

Verification of Savings Bank Books

The attention of the Depositors in the following Savings Banks is hereby called to the provision of Section 43 of Chapter 590 of the Acts of 1908, requiring Verification of the Books of Deposit during the present year; and they are respectfully requested to hand or send in their books, for this purpose, during the months of March and April.

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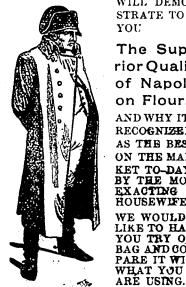
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The Shakespeare club will observe guest night on Tuesday evening. February 25, in the vestry of the Universalist church. The club members will read the "Twelfth night," and the evening promises to be most interesting.

A Lenten service was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman on Center road. A number of neighbors and friends were present. A very fine sermon was delivered by Rev. A. L. Bumpus, vicar of St. Andrew's church, Ayer. Mrs. David L. Lindenberg presided at the piano. These services will be held during Lent. The next one, Tuesday evening, March 4, again at the home of Mrs. Merriman, to which all interested are most cordially invited.

Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., have eight candidates going through the initiatory degree. Three were initiated on last week Thursday evening, and the remaining three will be initiated on next week Thursday evening.

C. F. Edgarton of Concord, presi-AND WHY IT IS RECOGNIZED AS THE BEST ON THE MAR-KET TO-DAY BY THE MOST EXACTING HOUSEWIFE. YOU TRY ONE BAG AND COM-

son avenue.

PARE IT WITH

C. F. Edgarton, of Concord, president of the C. A. Edgarton Mfg. Co. of Shirley, left New York city on last Saturday in company with rela-

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church will be held on Friday afternoon, Feb-ruary 28, at the home of Mrs. George S. Wells, at three o'clock.

S. Wells, at three o'clock.

The Ladies' Altrurian club will hold a bazaar in the vestry of the Congregational church on Wednesday, February 26, commencing at four o'clock. No admission fee will be charged between the hours of four and seven, after that a small admission fee will be charged. There will be a candy and miscellaneous table; also, a sample table. Ice cream and cake and Welsh rarebit will be on sale. The proceeds will be devoted wholly to Tea and Coffee Also, Honey in Comb

SHIRLEY.

Eight members from the C. E. so-

John T. Smith has rented the south

side of his double house on Lancaster

next to her own residence on Mun-

The Shakespeare club will observe

the Sodality of St. Ann, for the benefit of the church.

List of Flowers.

Emerson Parker, who died on Wednesday, February 5, was an extensive milk producer for over thirty years, sending his milk from the Shirley station to different irms in Boston, viz.: Graustein & Co., Whiting & Sons, and mother are absolutely responsible for grave in the selection of salary tables, but after much negotiations access was obtained to the books of little children are ignorantly wooing destruction.

In regard to this matter, we may lay down one or two things as absolutely responsible for less than eight dollars. In New mother are absolutely responsible for less than seven dollars per week: And day at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Stinson, of Worcester.

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

Clarence E. Lohnes, who recently lost his wife through death, has returned again to the Brookside to board.

Mr. Winterbottom, who has been confined at home with sickness the past three weeks, is improving. Mrs. Winterbottom is also gaining rapidly from her long illness.

The new Mitchellville bridge wood opened for treff.

The new Mitchellville bridge was opened for traffic on last Saturday evening at 5.30 o'clock. The driveway has been heavily planked, and in the early summer will be cemented. The opening of the bridge has pleased a large number of residents who have been greatly inconvenienced during the months the bridge has been closed. The board of selectmen have appointed Dr. Thomas E. Lilly agent of the board of health.

Eight members from the C. E. society of the Congregational church attended the C. E. rally at Concord on last week Thursday evening.

Fred Quinty, a young man employed in the leather department of the C. A. Edgarton Co., had two of the fingers of his left hand severely lacerated on last Saturday afternoon by being caught off his guard while examining a machine used for splitting leather tips. Dr. Charles J. Pierce dressed his fingers and he will be confined to home for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Albert Dearden, with son, spent last Sunday with relatives in Clinton.

Fred Sawyer, of Providence, R. I., spent last Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Inez Sawyer.

Rev. J. H. Hoffman, of Northboro, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church on last Sunday, taking for his text, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever," and kept right to his theme, extracting thoughts and ideas from his subject that were golden. Mr. Hoffman's personality and evidently broadness in general character and views left a decided impression for good.

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were choice and beautiful, being as follows:

Wreath of roses, family: spray of tullps, husband: pillow, employees C. A. Edgarton Mfg. Co.: pillow, Misses Logue, Provost, Badstubner; wreath of roses, J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W.; spray of jonguils. Brockelman Bros.: sprays of pinks, C. H. Miner and family. Miss Jessie Love, Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair Lohnes, Littleton, Mrs. J. F. O'Neil, Miss Blanche Sawyer, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Miss Ruth Hill, Ayer, students of high school, Ladies' Aid society of Universalist church, Miss Alvina, Wheeler Mrs. May M. Weare, Fitchburg: Miss Mary MacQuarrie, Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Sawler, Littleton; Lewis Rome, Fitchburg: spray of pinks and violets, Congregational Brotherhood: spray of sweet peas. Eva Davenport and Hazel Perry, Ayer; wreath of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown. Henry Goss, of Worcester, a former resident of this town, left New York on Wednesday for Colon, Panama, in company with a friend for a trip of two months. He will also visit and view the entire length of the Panama canal before returning home. Gilbert M. Ballou found it necessary to shoot and kill one of his horses that he has had for twenty years that was getting too old for service. The horse was killed on Monday under the supervision of William H. Cram, agent for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

road, which has quite recently been vacated by the Saboll family, to James W. West, who is instructor in black-smithing at the Industrial school for boys. Mr. West's family arrived in Surprise Party.

Miss Gladys Petersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Petersen, was tendered a surprise party on last week Friday evening at her home on Front street. Valentine day was selected owing to its sweet memories, and it most certainly proved an incentive for a most enjoyable occasion, as every moment of the time was merrily spent. Mrs. Petersen, Gladys' mother, was kept busy in assisting with the entertaining of the young guests, and music, games and the serving of a fine assortment of delicious refreshments filled the cup of pleasure full to running over. town on last Sunday from Moncton, The John Chesbrough family have rented the cottage house owned by Mrs. Kate E. Hazen, which is located Miss Bertha Weeks has given up her position in the postoffice and accepted a position as saleslady in one of Riker-Jaynes drug stores in Bos-Thomas E. Whitaker has seven men working for him in his electrical wir-ing business at the present time.

of pleasure full to running over.
Gladys was not forgotten by her young friends, who presented her with

Mrs. Mary Hastings broke her hip again while in the kitchen of her home on last week Friday evening. Mrs. Hastings, who is over ninety years of age, had a weakness come over her while standing at the kitchen table and she dropped widdenly tives and friends for a three-weeks' visit to Bermuda.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. B. Clark, who reside in the house owned by the late Henry T. Balcom, have recently installed a telephone, the number being 41-2.

Charles R. White is confined to his home this week with his old trouble, rheumatism.

The body of James Ross was brought to this town from Willimantic, Conn., on last week Friday, and was placed in the receiving tomb at the Center cemetery, and will later be transferred to the family lot in the same cemetery. Mr. Ross' wife was a cousin to Mrs. H. O. Peasley. Mr. Ross was about fifty-six years old and was known to a number of Shirley residents.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the first part of the first

For the good of our young people, will you please print these words in your paper which I copy from the Manchester, N. H., Union:

Where are the children of your home after dark? We fear that in only too many cases the parents must answer: "We do not know." They only too many cases the parents must answer: "We do not know." They may be at a neighbor's, they may be at church, they may be at a moving picture show, or they may be on the street, but the parents do not know.

They may be learing of what true manhood or womanhood is, or they may be taking lessons in youthful depravity from precoclous, but all too cases were as high as eighty-five hours per weeks, and never less than sixty, at an average of \$4.53 per week. Think of this when you buy canned goods.

and Welsh rarebit will be on sale. The proceeds will be devoted wholly to children's day. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Mary Chaisson has accepted a position in the worsted department of the Pacific mills at Lawrence.

The Lent exercises in St. Anthony's church will be held on Saturday evening a seven o'clock.

The members of l'Union St. Jean Baptiste society held its regular meeting last week Friday evening. Six candidates were initiated and admitted to membership.

Misses Christine Gionet and Agnes Stebbins visited relatives in Putnam. Conn., last Saturday and Sunday.

A whist party will be held in St. Anthony's hall on Tuesday evening, February 25, under the auspices of the children and fourteen, who are roaming around the streets at night unattended by any save the ignormal of the parents do not know.

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rested for criminal offenses, and the broken-hearted parents did not even know that the boys were bad until then.

Many a ruined boy has been ruined, not by the criminality of his young friends, but by the awful blindness and well nigh incredible carelessness of his own christian parents, and no bitter tears can ever blot out the sin and the shame of a parent's failure to keep faith with his God and his child.

M. L. B.

Center.

J. Edward Adams has recovered from his attack of chicken-pox, and returned on Monday to Brookline.

Mrs. Charles Stacey, of Pepperell, is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Swartz at Woodsville, in place of Mrs. Eunice Denning, who has returned to her home in Mason.

Mrs. H. M. Fletcher, of Charlestown, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Longley.

Miss Ruth M. Graves, of Fitchburg Normal school, who has been teach-ing at the Day street school in Fitch-burg, has been transferred to North Leominster, where she will teach during the remainder of her training.

A small, but enjoyable social danc was held in the town hall on last Saturday evening under the management of Messrs. Grout, Miller, Farnsworth and Parker. Thayer's orchestra, of Pepperell, furnished the music for dancing. dancing. Mrs. J. W. Evans, who has been in

Irwin, Pa., for the past three weeks, on account of the illness of her father, returned home on Saturday. Mr. Evans accompanied her home from Pennsylvania for an indefinite stay.

The boiler for Ralph I. Evans' portable sawmill arrived last week, and it is expected that work will soon be begun at the Holden woodlot at the North.

Mrs. Carrie (Barnard) Brown pass-Mrs. Carrie (Barnard) Brown passed away on last Tuesday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Dustin, at Reading. She was seventy-eight years of age, the cause of death being heart disease. She was married to William Brown, a prominent expressman of Boston, who died several years ago. Thirteen children were born to this union, six of whom are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Brown lived for some years at North Shirley in the house now owned by W. A. L. in the house now owned by W. A. L. Crockett, and while here made many firm friends. After leaving Shirley, they went to Everett, where they lived until the time of Mr. Brown's death

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The funeral was held on Friday afternoon at Mrs. Dustin's home in Reading, and the body was taken to Woodlawn for burial. Mrs. Brown is survived by two sisters, Mrs. John S. Dustin, of Townsend, and Mrs. Hattie P. Holden, of Shirley Center, and one brother William F. Barnord of one brother, William E. Barnard, of Shirley. The sons and daughters liv-ing are Mrs. Charles Dustin, of Reading; Clarence Brown, of Topsfield; Mrs. Seward E. Dill, of Reading; Wil-Mrs. Seward E. Dill, of Reading: William Brown, of Wollaston; George Brown, of Reading. There are also a large number of grandchildren and great grandchildren beside a number of nephews and nieces.

LITTLETON.

An Interesting Report.

The report of the New York State Factory Investigating commission as presented to the legislature of that state on February 12, is an interesting one and throws a good deal of

state on February 12, is an interestings of of light on the working conditions endured by women and children, espendially in some of the industries. It also goes to show to what length employers will go in quest of profits.

The report deals particularly with the conditions in the canneries of the state, where women and children are employed unreasonable hours at a miserably insufficient wage. These canneries have so far evaded the general factory law by maintaining their sheds were not factories, and have continued to employ children from four to fourteen years of age, and any hours they could be induced to work. Of 1259 children found at work in thirty-three sheds, 942 were between ten and fourteen years of age, 141 under ten and the ages of lifty-five ranged from four to seven years. Comment is unnecessary.

No record is kept of the number of hours the children work, doubtless

CARD OF THANKS.

We, the undersigned, take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the kindness shown us in the death of our loved one. Mrs. Ethel T. (Chesbrough) the singers and pall bearers, for the helpful words of Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker, we are sincerely grateful to each and all who helped or assisted in any way, as their sincere and substantial sympathy helped to sustain us in our bereavement more than words can tell. us in our ber words can tell.

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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.

Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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GROTON.

Miss C. E. Wood arrived home from Dr. Kilbourn's hospital last week, recovering from a very acute attack

Mrs. Fanny Sampson leads the Guild meeting on Sunday evening, having for a subject "Hymns and hymn writers."

hymn writers."

The next meeting of the Groton Improvement society will be held with Miss Boutwell on the afternoon of Monday, March 10. At this meeting Miss Hetzer, of Lowthorpe, will read a paper on "Triennial plants." At a recent meeting of the society it was voted to discontinue school gardens for the coming year, as the children did not show sufficient interest in the work.

Three letters have been received retrieved retrieved the program. Considering the following the mentioned was the last one given by the quartet, "Jesus saviour pilot me," which appealed tenderly to the feelings of the audience.

Three letters have been received recently from Robins Sampson at Honolulu, H. I. He writes of the most perfect summer weather, and masses of the most beautiful flowers on every side. Mr. Sampson expects to return to San Francisco, Cal., by February 25, and thence to Sidney, Neb., to resume his rallroad business.

On this Friday evening, February

Carl Sawtelle is ill with pneumonia at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Raddin, who are his foster parents. The little boy had been coughing badly for a week or more, but seemed much worse on last week Friday night, and on Saturday the doctor was called. The patient is doing well.

Miss Gladys Mason, teacher at the Lincoln school, Malden, is home for week's vacation.

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The following is taken from the Boston Globe of February 17: "A gathering of more than 1000 young women students greeted Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody, of Groton, who preached the sermon to Wellesley college girls in Houghton Memorial chapel on Sunday forenoon, by invitation of the undergraduate Christian association." ssociation "

Warren H. Whitehill, instructor a Lowell Textile, and Harvey Woods, student at the same institution, came home this Friday evening, spending Washington's birthday at their homes

Born on Sunday morning, February 6, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Chas.

Mrs. Herman Frazee, of Elm street, Mrs. Herman Frazee, of Elm street, was taken suddenly ill on last Sunday while getting her children ready for Sunday school, and was obliged to give up. Dr. Kilbourn was called and found it was an attack of pleurisy, which by the next day had developed into pneumonia. Mrs. Frazee was taken to the Groton hospital. Some of the Frazee children are having the widely prevailing whooping cough.

Born on February 6, at Denver, Col., a son, named Wilmer Everett, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Parker. Mrs. Parker, as Miss Abbie Archibald, is well remembered here by her former schoolmates at Groton high school. She is a niece of Mrs. F. F. Woods.

Stanley Chase, a nephew of Mrs. Michael Sheedy, and a student at the electrical school of the Y. M. C. A., Boston, came home ill last week Friday night. He has the scarlet fever and is attended by Dr. Priest, of Ayer. His home is at Mr. Sheedy's, which is attended by Dr. Priest, of Ayer. quarantined.

Miss Lucy Raddin is enjoying a week's vacation from her school in Everett, and is entertaining as a guest while here, her cousin. Miss Effe Finley, of Bradford and Boston.

Mrs. M. A. Shattuck remains as housekeeper for Miss Carrie Woods. The Ayer Woman's club invited The Ayer Woman's club invited the Neighborhood club to the meeting in Hardy's hall on Wednesday afternoon when Mr. Hubbard, of the Boston Opera Company, assisted by his pianist. Mr. Waller, gave an interpretation of the grand opera "Louise." Mrs. T. Gilman Smith, president of the Neighborhood club. nd several of the members accepted he invitations and attended the meeting at Ayer.

Mrs. Maria Bruce has returned from her visit to her own home at Charlton and resumed the care of her stepmother, Mrs. Rachel Chase, who is suffering from an attack of bronchitis. During Mrs. Bruce's absence last week, Mrs. Samuel Raddin staid with Mrs. Chase.

Mrs. Maria C. Sawyer, who spent last week in town, staying with Mrs. James A. Bowers and calling on other friends, has gone to visit her daugh-ter, Mrs. William French, at Westbrook. Me.

Andrew McKee remains very ill at the home of his brother, George Mc-Kee, of Common street.

Charles M. Raddin harvested his e from Baddacook the first of the week and Mrs. James Lawrence had her icehouse also filled. On Wednesday Wm. H. Whitehill had the lec on Kemp's pond grooved and made ready to fill the lechouses of C. E. Bigelow. John Lawrence, M. P Swallow and G. W. Shattuck.

Miss Dorothy West of Harvard is her aunt, Mrs. Kennie

Misses Ellen and Kittle Denahy and their niece, Mrs. Michael Dena-hy, went Wednesday for an aftervisit to Mrs. John Lee at Nash

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Resortion.

News Items.

Miss Frances Ready, aged fortyseven years, a former resident of Groton, died on Monday evening at her home in Dorchester. She had been in poor health for a long time and on last Sunday she suffered the added misfortune of a broken hip, which in her weakned condition hastened her death. The remains were brought to Ayer on Thursday afternoon, where the interment took place in St. Mary's cemetery. She left Groton two years ago.

Miss C. E. Wood arrived home from Evening grosbeaks have been seen of maple, elder and box elder.

The Elma Mfg. Co. is a new corporation to be formed in Fitchburg with John H. Trayne of this town as with John H. Trayne of this town as president and manager. It is capitalized for \$25,000 for the purpose of manufacturing and selling an article called "Jontrayn tooth brush holder and sterilizer." Preliminary arrangements to start manufacturing the tooth brush holders have been made.

hibit sectarian appropriations.

On this Friday evening, February 21, the Groton Branch Alliance hold their annual Washington's birthday party and dance in the town hall, with music by Collins' orchestra, of Marlboró, five pieces. Dancing will be from eight to twelve o'clock, Everett B. Gerrish acting as floor director. The matrons will be Miss Georgianna Boutwell, Mrs. Henrietta Chase, Mrs. Francis Lawrence and Mrs. T. G. Smith. Refreshments will be served in the lower hall. in the lower hall.

The fire alarm blast blown on "A Thursday afternoon was for a brushing fire at Dr. Rork's on Indian hill street. How much better, by the way, for a fire alarm is this new method than the fire alarm is this new method than the old style ringing of bells.

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doing for others.

Those who knew her best can recall the gathering in by her of the friendless and homeless, even at those times when her own frail health would seem to forbid. They needed a helping hand and she gave it. This spirit was with her to the end, when she went to the aid of the sister who needed her.

She is survived by her husband

She is survived by her husband, two sons, George W. Fullick and Chas. L. Fullick, and two sisters, Mrs. S. E. Potter, of South Weymouth, and Mrs. William C. Bigelow, of Keene, N. H.

Anniversary Exercises.

Blanche Benedict. A manuscript dies read items of interest from the lives of the two presidents and Capt. Palmer gave an interesting talk on the battle of Gettysburg. A treat of home-made candy and Nabiscos was handed around and the social intercourse made the meeting additionally enjoyable. At the business meeting, which preceded the anniversary exercises, Mrs. Bessie Sherwin was installed assistant conductor by Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst.

Brown Loaf Club.

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Of the defeated team miles of the defeated team miles and this case fell upon Wm. In this case fell upon Wm. Engleson, whose forfeit was to saw Millbury. Mr. Martyn was pastor here a few years ago.

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The Brown Loaf club's entertainments took a new departure this week Wednesday when Gentlemen's night was held. Guests to the num-

night was held. Guests to the number of twenty-seven enjoyed the good cheer provided by Mrs. Estelle Collier, assisted by Miss Raddin and Miss Effic Finley of Haverhill at J. B. Raddin's farm house of Colonial Record.

The light of the old time fireplaces added merriment to the occasion, which took the form of a Washington birthday party. Mrs. William Whitehill carried off the honors as the best chopper of a cherry tree and Nesbit L. Woods received consolation for being the least proficient. After the games, refreshments were served and years been clei games, refreshments were served and then the guests drove off into the moonlight with many expressions of appreciations.

Organized.

The Progressive party met in the lower town hall on Monday evening, with Henry W. Whiting in the chair. The party organized, choosing a town committee of twelve as follows: M. P. Palmer, F. D. Lewis, Chas. Lawrence, Geo. S. Knapp, E. B. Gerrish, James T. Hill, E. O. Collier, C. A. Tuttle, G. W. Shattuck, H. C. Rockwood, Henry W. Whiting, Wm. F. Gleason. From this town committee five sub-committees were chosen as follows: M. P. Palmer, H. C. Rockwood, campaign; G. S. Knapp, E. B. Gerrish, legislative; F. D. Lewis, E. O. Collier, publicity; J. T. Hill, W. F. Gleason, enrollment; G. W. Shattuck, Chas. Lawrence, speakers. The two members of each committee are to choose three others. The meeting being dissolved they met and reorganized electing M. P. Palmer, chairman, E. B. Gerrish, secretary, and Geo. S. Knapp, treasurer. The Progressive party met in the

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ure she had given them.

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The following was taken from the Boston American of February 16;
Society maids and matrons are busy these days with their entertaining and a million and one other things which make constant demands upon their time. Among the busiest of them all is that delightful young matron, Mrs. Edward Gray.

Mrs. Gray, who before her marriage was Effie Grindlay, and whose husband, a Somerset club man and a Harvard '00 man, belongs to the Gray family so well known in Boston, was one of the most popular girls of her set. Since her marriage she has taken just as prominent a place in the fashionable matron set of successful hostesses. hostesses.

hostesses.

The Grays have an all-the-year-round home in Groton, but spend a considerable of their winters, during the rush season when the social ball is rolling at its highest speed, at some fashionable hostelry in town, in order to be on hand for the events. The house parties at the fine sector. The house parties at the fine estate are numerous and brilliant.

Dancing Class Reception.

The annual reception to Benj. B. Lovett's dancing class held in town hall on Friday evening, February 14, was given a large attendance and was a well carried out and pleasing affair in every particular. The class was not large, but the exhibition show-Obituary.

Mrs. Jennie Hartwell Blood Fullick died on February 6, in South Weymouth, where she was called on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. S. E. Potter. She contracted pleuro-pneumonia and passed away after an illness of only five days. The funeral was held on Monday, February 10, and burial took place in Lake View cemetery, Cochituate.

Mrs. Fullick was born in Groton on June 4, 1852. After graduating from the schools of this town, she was married in 1872 to William M. Fullick, also of Groton. The married life was spent in Wayland and Cochilick, also of Groton. The married life was spent in Wayland and Cochilick was bent in Wayland and Cochilick was bent in Wayland and Cochilick was spent in Wayland and Cochilick was sp

The second part was given up to the waltz. Virginia reel, two-step and cotillion figures. The latter afforded much amusement to the guests and novelty to the pupils. Among these figures was the apple, the mirror, tug of war, and race horse. In the apple, two young ladies were seated in front of the stage and four young gentlemen were each given an apple to eat. Whoever finished first had his choice of lady, then all selected partners. In the mirror, a young lady seated with her back to the audience held a silver hand mirror in her hand. The week's vacation from her school in Everett, and is entertaining as a guest while here, her cousin. Miss sary exercises on Tuesday afternoon, Effic Finley; of Bradford and Boston.

The Groton high school hockey team defeated the Pepperell high team at Pepperell in a last Saturday afternoon in a close game by a score of 1 to 0.

Fred O. Porter, Grant W. Shattuck and Fred H. Torrey went on a fishing trip to Sudbury, leaving here in Mr. Torrey's auto on Monday afternoon. They started in to fish on Tuesday, but found it so bitterly cold on the pond that they gave it up after catching a few pickerel and returned to the first of the mirror, a young lady seated with her back to the audience held a silver hand mirror in her hand. The boys, one at a time, advanced hehind her and as she saw their reflection in the mirror she would shake her invitations to be present. Mrs. Maria a time, advanced the her and as she saw their reflection in the mirror, a young lady, with the mirror, a young lady, then all selected partners. In the mirror, a young lady seated with her back to the audience held a silver hand mirror in her hand. The boys, one at a time, advanced hehind her and as she saw their reflection in the mirror of a silver hand mirror in her hand. The hows, one at a time, advanced hehind her and as she saw their reflection in the mirror as voe love, and the mirror and selected partners.

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Blood, Kenneth Sawyer, George Folkins, Halph Lawrence; the dainty dance by Alice Kemp, Mary Folkins, Hope Nichols and Helen Gay. The rubes were Mark Blood, Lawrence Gay, Frank McClellan, Frank Woods, William Engleson. The rubes wore overalls, heavy boots, etc. After the exhibition by the class general dancing was posticipated in his alarge. ing was participated in by a large number. The spirited music was much enjoyed. Mr. Wheeler, the un-tiring and efficient pianist, and Mr. Terry, who played drum, bells, xylo-phone and cymbals, were commented upon by all

Chester Hill, who has for several years been clerk for M. F. McGowan, left his employ on last Saturday. Robert Sherwin, of Townsend, has taken the position. On Wednesday, Mr. Hill joined Mrs. Hill, who is visiting in Lowell, returning on Thursday even-

Going on Wednesday, Mrs. G. S. Webber visited friends in Boston, remaining until Thursday evening.

Miss Bridget Moran, of Leominster visited with friends here this week. On Tuesday evening, a merry group of twenty young people met at Bonnie Brae to celebrate the eighteen birthday of George Lee, eldest son eighteenth the house. In addition to the numer-ous West Groton friends, four young ladies from Groton were present, the Misses Hazel Gibson, Dorothea Glea son, Lillian Tuttle and Edna Leonard. Tables for whist had been preard. Tables for whist had been pre-pared for the evening's entertainment and needless to say that the young people passed a most enjoyable even-ing, one of the pleasant birthday gatherings for which Bonnie Brae is

of the work of the D. R., which like that of the Historical society, deals with affairs of the past, and has its useful mission. She invited any present who would like to do so, to join the D. R. The regent then called on the secretary to read the minutes of the former meeting.

After this, Mrs. E. F. Nutting read her paper, "One hundred years ago," which was very interesting. It dealt entirely with the conditions existing in Boston in 1813, as she learned from records or as had been told her by some who had remembered from personal observation. Mrs. Nutting showed a veritable relic—a copy of The Advertiser, yellow with age, but in good readable condition—which would be one hundred years old next July, and a copy of The Transcript, published fifty years ago. These papers are now to belong to the Groton Historical society.

This reading of the paper was followed by a season of social intercourse and the enjoyment of refreshments consisting of delicious sandwiches, cakes and coffee. As they took leave of their hostess, all assured her of the most enjoyable afternoon's pleasure she had given them.

Scalet fever has appeared at the home of Charles Lawrence on the own farm road. Miss Sylvia Lawrence, assistant teacher in the primary school, contracted the fever, but as it appeared only in a light form in her case, she was unaware that she was experiencing anything more serious than a cold with sore throat, and attended to her usual duties in the choir, Sunday school and day school. On Tuesday morning a physician was called and the family was at once quarantined. The two youngest sons of the family, Joseph and charles, are now ill with the fever. By order of the Board of Health both departments of Tarbell school are closed until Tuesday.

Owing to the fact that many in the village have doubtless been exposed to scarlet fever, it has been decided that the Christian Endeavor convention which was to have been held here on Saturday, shall be postponed until a safer time.

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There will be no Sunday school to-morrow and the celebration of the lifth anniversary of the Sunshine Band which was to have been held on Sunday evening is indefinitely postponed.

Miss Susie Hill attended on Thursday evening an ice carnival held at the Arena in Boston for the benefit of the Frances Willard Settlement.

Mrs. R. A. Webber, of Ayer, coming on Tuesday, visited at the home of her son, G. S. Webber, during the remainder of the week.

The L. A. society met with Mrs. E. K. Harrington on Thursday. Mrs. C. L. Roy resigned as secretary and treasurer and Mrs. A. W. Lamb was elected treasurer and Mrs. C. E. Bixby secretary.

Mrs. J. P. Trowbridge is able leave her bed for a short time daily. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bixby expect to leave on Monday for a trip to Florida. Their friends wish them a pleasant journey, a restful vacation and a safe

Officer Riley was again called to this village on Thursday evening, the trouble being at one of the Adams houses occupied by Polish families. This is becoming an old story, but is none the less unpleasant for those living near enough to be disturbed by the frequent uppears. the frequent uproars.

The Fox Patrol of West Groton held an enthusiastic meeting on Saturday. Fiteen boys were present. The rank Ffteen boys were present. and file were formed in perfect order and with colors flying and singing "Marching through Georgia," the young scouts met their scoutmaster, Mr. Williams, of Groton School, at the foot of Long hill.

Two patrols are to be formed—of

the first, consisting of boys over twelve, Ralph Lawrence will be leader, with Donald Bixby as assistant; of the second, made up of the younger boys, Gregory Smith is to be leader, with Harvey Lawrence assistant. Other officers have not as yet been

chosen.

The boys greatly enjoy their scout The boys greatly enjoy their scout meetings on Saturday afternoons, especially the trials of skill in the various out-door games. Miss Hill, impartial always, awards badges to the champions; these are highly prized, as the winners know they can be won only by honest, successful effort. Owing to the appearance of scarlet fever, the scout meetings will be discontinued until further notice.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

Mrs. Livermore and son Waldo and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whitcomt attended the wedding of a relative in Cambridge on Wedensday evening.

Grace Cobleigh is at home from Fitchburg Normal school for a short vacation. A friend from there is her guest for the week.

Mrs. Montgomery and children of Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting her sister, Mrs. Bertha Shattuck.

Daniel Wetherbee and Miss Grace Nudeck of Millbury were Sunday guests at Walnut farm. A little daughter was recently born to Rev. N. C. Martyn and wife of Millbury. Mr. Martyn was pastor here

Miss Dustin, teacher at No. 4, has sent in her resignation to take effect at the end of the week.

Mrs. Philip Cunningham is on the sick list this week.

Hibbard Graves and family were Hibbard Graves and family were fortunate not to have to undergo the long quarantine required for scarlet fever. Although the doctors who investigated there the first of the week gave a verdict of scarlet fever, when Dr. Royal of Harvard was called there on Friday of last week he was unable to find any trace of it and the quarantine was taken off on Saturday to the great satisfaction of the formity the great satisfaction of the family and neighbors.

We are soon to have a fire depart-ment in town. Waldo Littlefield of West Acton is making the wagon, which will carry twenty-five extin-guishers with room for supplies and also for about ten men.

Nelson Tenney is repairing the frame work of the bell on the library and when things get into working order we shall feel better equipped than have ever been.

B. B. Hager has called an extra town

meeting at the town hall, Monday afternoon, for the purpose of talking afternoons. over the various articles in the town

Rudolph Willard has just received another honor at Yale. He has been elected to the Sigma Xi society, the highest honor Yale can give her stu-dents and it is merit alone that qualifles for the election.

Grange.

others in that vicinity were also filled at the same time.

Rev. Peter MacQueen gave a lecture in the Luther Blood free course on Monday evening. A crowd that taxed the seating capacity of the flown hall was awalting him with pleasant anticipations for this sates lecture he surpassed himself. His timely subject, "Mexico in revolution and a glimpse of the Parise of the Parise of the Parise of the Parise of the Rev. The unanimous report is that in this latest lecture he surpassed himself. His timely subject, "Mexico in revolution and a glimpse of the Parise of the Parise from Vermont have pursuitely in the large parior of the course, and the self-flow of the pursuite in the large parior greeting and chatting with each other until the regent's gave called the meeting to order. The unanimous report is that in this latest lecture he surpassed himself. His timely subject, "Mexico in revolution and a glimpse of the Parise from Vermont have pursuitely interesting program for the large parior of the corrections house on Thursday afternoon at 3.3 o'clock for the entertainment of the D. R. members and numerous of the Parise from Vermont have pursuitely and Marion Viets, prepared a specially and Marion Viets, prepared a





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required to do various stunts and de-lightful surprises awaited them on every hand, all suggestive of Valen-tine day. The merry evening closed with Virginia reel with Virginia reel.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Quite a number attended the demonstration from the school of Domestic Science given by Miss Myrthie E. Robinson, of Boston, under the direction of J. T. Mattoon in Odd Felows' hall on Thursday and Friday

Mrs. John Desmond spent the first of the week in Marlboro. Miss Gertrude L. Conant is spending this week in Upper Montclair, N J., with her sister, Mrs. Walter W Manning.

Mrs. C. R. White will open a dancing class on Saturday, March 1, at Odd Fellows' hall at 1.30 o'clock.

The reports that have been circulated concerning scarlet fever cases in the families of William Wilkins, Fred Frary and Henry Farrar, are wholly unfounded. No new cases have developed in either the Center or North.

Frank Farnsworth harvested a fine crop of ice last week at his icehouse at Woodsville.

It is reported that Henry Dodge has moved back to his farm at Mitch-

The property at the Center belonging to Charles L. Casteel, of Ayer, has been placed in the hands of the Bliss Real Estate agency of Ayer.

The meeting of Shirley grange on last Tuesday evening was very encouraging, a large number being present. The lecturer's program had to be somewhat changed on account of the absence of some of the members, but in her usual able manner she substituted an excellent program which out in her usual able manner she substituted an excellent program, which was much enjoyed by all. The program consisted of a reading by Ralph Graves, followed by able remarks on Washington and Lincoln by Merrick W. Carey. William Jubb gave Lincoln's Gettysburg address and also recited a number of war neems. Every coln's Gettysburg address and also recited a number of war poems. Everyone is always glad to hear Mr. Jubb, who is an old G. A. R. veteran, and who is very enthusiastic in matters relating to the war. The next number was a song "In the good old U. S. A." by members, followed by a violin selection by Harry N. Brown, who responded to an encore. The lecturer's hour closed with the singing of "Old Glory," by all present. Saturday, February 22, 1918. AYER.

Nows Items

Frank S. Pierce finished cutting his supply of ice at Sandy pond on last Sunday.

The Mitchellville bridge, which has been closed since early lust summer, and which has been replaced by the new steel bridge, was opened for travel on last Saturday. A plank floor has been laid until the arrival of warmer weather, when the concrete flooring called for in the contract will take its place.

John Sherlock, one of our former well-known townsmen, was transferred from the Westford branch of the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway. company, where he has been working as motorman, last week to the main line and now makes his headquarters here. Edmund Whitney of Brookside, who has been a spare conductor of the Bay State street railway company at Lowell, has also accepted a position on the main line. These men take the places of T. Henry Donahue, conductor, and Lewis A. Robbins, motorman, who Lewis A. Robbins, motorman, who have concluded their duties for the

company.

These rhetoricals were given at the High school last week Friday afternoon: "Captain January," Helen Markham; "Solomon and the bees," Cassle Corkum; "The wax work," Walter Sullivan; "Purity of character," Everett Hurley; piano solo, Mona Kittredge; "Betina Mazzi," Gertrude Briggs; "Black cattle," Elliot Preble; "The two glasses," Elliot Preble; "The house by the side of the road," Stephen Ryan; "The church of San Pablo," Florence Fallon; "In and out of a cab at Amsterdam," Delia Devarney; "The rescue," Pauline Sherwin.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Jenkins on February 12. Raiph O. Jenkins on February 12.

The Ayer Electric Light Company formally installed day service Monday, which so far has proven very satisfactory to all concerned, especially those who use the current for motor purposes. There are quite a number in town, owing to the high price of gasolene, who will use electricity for motor purposes and domestic use. Many in town are using electric flat irons, bread toasters and other useful electric commodities.

E. O. Proctor has sold a Model 25

other useful electric commodities.

E. O. Proctor has sold a Model 25
Buick to D. W. Fletcher, and the auto
taken in exchange has been sold to
the Whitaker-Cushing Co., electrical
contractors. Dr. Priest has purchased
a Model 24 Buick roadster, and Carl
Dickinson, of Harvard, a Model 19
Buick. Mr. Proctor has also sold a
Model 25 Buick to James T. Bennett,
of Groton, and a Buick delivery truck
to Holden Harlow to be delivered
April 1.

Oliver J. Fairfield, of Littleton, will the Unitarian church on in the Unitarian church on afternoon, February 23, at three o'clock.

Mrs. F. H. Reeve went to Boston on last Saturday with her sister of Sterling Junction, who is in a very serious condition. Mrs. Reeve visits

Charles E. Perrin, who has been seriously sick with congestion of the kidneys, is much improved, although not yet able to attend to his business. J. Eullica, employed at the tannery, lost a finger of his right hand on a machine on which he was working last chine on which he was week Friday afternoon.

Rev. Paul M. Hillman, a former astor of the M. E. church, has not pastor of the M. E. Church, has never fully recovered from the effects of an operation for appendicitis performed in a Boston hospital several weeks ago. Mr. Hillman is at presured the several presure of the manufacture of weeks ago. Mr. Hillman is at present staying with an aunt at Dennis, and spent the week-end in town as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gorham K.

Charles E. Stone, who was operated upon last week Friday for a ated upon last week Friday for a tumor on the neck, is doing well. The operation was performed by Drs. D. C., to be absent for about ten days.

Mrs. Martha B. Bartlett observed her eighty-eighth birthday last Monday and many neighbors and relatives called to offer congratulations.

Mrs. Bartlett was assisted in entertaining the guests by her grand-daughter, Mrs. Herbert G. Whitney, and by Miss Clara B. Thomas and Mrs. Waldo W. Sprague. Light refreshments were served.

George H. Brown left Friday for New York city where he takes a steamer on Saturday, February 22, on a month's cruise through the West Indies, calling at Havana, Santiago, Cuba, Kingston, Jamaica, Barbadoes, Trinidad, Martinique, St. Thomae, D. W. I., Nassau, Bahama, Porto Rico, Colon, Panama, Venezuela, remaining on the steamer during the round trip.

The financial year of the town of Ayer closes on February 28, 1913. All persons having claims against the town are requested to present their bills on or before this date.

There has been added to the reading-room at the public library a show case for the display of historic articles.

The annual meeting of the Middle-sex Christian Endeavor Union will be held in the Congregational church on this Saturday.

The Family theatre at Worcester, in which Charles W. Milliken, formerly of this town played in its orchestra, was gutted by fire on February 19. The fire also damaged the ruary 19. The fire also damaged the New Sherwood house and at one time threatened the Prentice house. The fire started under the stage of the theatre and an audience of a hundred and over left the building without disorder. The total loss from the fire is stated at about \$30,000.

Miss H. Roberta Stubbs, a former teacher in the eighth grade, was in town on Monday.

At the Baptist church on Sunday, there will be preaching by Rev. J. W. Thomas, the pastor, at 10.45 in the morning. Sunday school will be held at twelve, and a praise meeting at seven in the evening.

The Chandler Planer Company's shop closed indefinitely on last Sat-urday night. The property is now in the hands of the bondholders and it is not known at this time what ac-tion they will take regarding it.

Mrs. Charles McNaughton, of Easton, Me., is visiting at the home of her brother, William H. Dudley.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas L. Fisher, of Leominster, former residents of Aver, were in town on Monday. Mr. Fisher was formerly vicar of St. Andrew's parish. He delivered a Lenton sermon on Monday evening at the church and there was a large attendance. He and his wife were very cordially greeted. cordially greeted.

Ray C. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson, formerly of Ayer, died on last Monday, aged 6 yrs. 10 mos. 17 days, of purpura hemorrhagica, in Leominster.

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ticularly among the railroad men, turn, when something is very likely and was very highly esteemed by all. to happen unless they get their pres-

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade on Wednesday evening, Ferdinand A. Wyman; of Boston, spoke on "The progress of transportation facilities in New England," paying particular attention to the grant of the gra land," paying particular attention to the so-called "Mellen or New Haven policy." He discussed the develop-ment of railroads in New England, and suggested things that might be used to develop the resources of this territory. A general social time followed the address.

Rev. Eugene Grant, of Wilton, N H., was a visitor at the home of Dr E. B. Butterfield on Monday.

H. L. Crane, of the Groton School, gave an illustrated lecture in the lower town hall on Thursday evening before an audience that crowded the hall to overflowing on "A trip around the world." The lecture was illustrated by many beautiful sildes.

The first and second degrees were conferred on a class of four candi-date at the regular meeting on Thursday evening of Ayer grange. The first degree was worked by the regular officers who did well in this, their first time. The second degree was conferred by the men's degree team, Chester P. Perrin, master, and did ex-cellent work, being highly praised by those present for their work. State Lecturer Richardson was present and Lecturer Richardson was present and gave an interesting address on the work being done in the grange, and complimented the men's degree team on their fine work. Piano solos were given by Misses Pearl Carley and Letitia Ward, and a vocal solo by Miss Julia Hooley, all being well rendered. A social time closed the evening's enjoyment.

William F. Fitzgerald's lunch was closed last week for an indefinite time.

The Boston Ice Company was obliged to suspend cutting ice at Sandy pond this week Friday noon on account of the warm weather which made it impossible to continue. The company has been cutting with-out interruption since last Saturday, and unless colder weather sets in it looks bad.

he hands of the bondholders and it not known at this time what acoustion they will take regarding it.

Mrs. Charles McNaughton, of Eason, Me., is visiting at the home of er brother, William H. Dudley.

Henry Lessard, of Nashua, who is fireman of shifting locomotive 164 for the national product.

Harlow & Parsons have not as yet commenced cutting ice. The firm is putting in a steam engine for the cutting will have to be postponed. It might be well for them to put in an artificial ice plant while waiting for the national product.

A committee of five ladies who have been directing a series of dances during the present winter, conducted a very enjoyable private masquerade ball in Hardy's hall on last week Friday evening. The ball coming on St. day evening. The ball coming on all Valentine's day, made it more than of ordinary interest. The hall was Valentine's day, made it more than of ordinary interest. The hall was decorated with hearts and the same emblems were used in dance favors. Twenty-two couple attended and many grotesque and unique costumes were worn. Light refreshments were served. The following ladies had charge of the ball: Mrs. Stella Farnsworth, Mrs. Stella Proctor, Mrs. Robert Murphy, Mrs. Percy N. Lawrence and Mrs. Howard M. Beverly.

On Saturday evening, the moving

On Saturday evening, the moving picture show will take place as usual, with special features for that evening. A good singer is to be present and render some fine selections, illustrated by housiful clients. trated by beautiful slides.

Fire.

Rev. William H. Osmand of Holy Trinity church, Mariboro, will preach at the lenten service at St. Andrew's church, Monday, at 7.30 p. m. Friday at four p. m., evening prayer and mission class on Japan.

At the Y. P. R. U. Sunday evening Miss Gladys Porter was leader and At the Y. P. R. E. Sunday evening
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Miss Evelyn Sanderson was pianist.
The story of Joseph was completed.
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The story of Joseph was completed. the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gorham K. Brooks.

Herbert W. Farnsworth, who has been living in the L. B. Tuttle place on the Groton and Shirley road, moved to Shirley the first of the week.

Harvey W. Winslow, whose tenement in the George Woods house on East Main street was badly damaged by fire on last week Thursday, is now stopping with his family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Yates, and will move into another of Mr. Woods' houses now under construction at the corner of Maple and Third streets as soon as the house can be made ready for them.

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On Monday morning, William T. Meehan was fined five dollars for using profane language and for violation of his probation was sentenced to the bonus of correction for one ing profane language and for violation of his probation was sentenced to the house of correction for one month. He appealed and ball was furnished for his appearance before the next term of the superior court.

Anniversary.

Today, Saturday, marks the fortieth anniversary of the organized temper-ance work in Middlesex county. In honor of the event a meeting will be held in Loweli, to which all are invited. It is expected that Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, the national president of the W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Anna A. Gordon, the vice president, will

na A. Gordon, the vice president, will be present as well as other prominent workers in the temperance cause. The meeting will be held under the Lowell branch of the W. C. T. U., and will open at ten a. m. The afternoon session will begin at two o'clock.

This meeting is of interest to Ayer people as the first gathering in the furtherance of the temperance cause in the county was held here on February 22, 1873, forty years ago. On that day a number of women from Worcester came to Ayer and formed a Woman's Temperance Praying Band. From this small nucleus there

worcester came to Ayer and formed a Woman's Temperance Praying Band. From this small nucleus there has grown the Middlesex County W. C. T. U., which was formed in the High street Congregational church at Lowell in the autumn of 1874.

Mrs. Abby F. Rolfe, wife of Henry C. Rolfe, a former well-known business man of Ayer, has from the beginning been actively interested in the work, and for the past forty years has been very prominent in the organization. She was one of the vice presidents of the County W. C. T. U. from its formation in 1874 till 1885, when she was chosen county president, which office she has held ever since. Mrs. Rolfe has lived in Concord for many years. Concord for many years.

Favorable Mention.

Senator Edward Fisher, of West-ford, a member of the upper chamber of the state legislature from the sevof the state legislature from the seventh Middlesex district, of which Ayer is a part, received a good deal of favorable attention from the press during the past week for his action in having the Middlesex County Agricultural school bill recommitted to the committee on education, which had recommended its postponement to the part general count. This bill had recommended its postponement to the next general court. This bill is framed to provide for the establishment of an agricultural school for the county, which would be a great advantage to the farmers.

The central and northern parts of the county have no direct volce on the committee, the members from Middlesex, representative Fred P. Greenwood, of Everett, and Representative William M. Armstrong. of

sentative William M. Armstrong, of Somerville, being both in the metropolitan district, and hence naturally out of sympathy with the farming interests. If this bill is to be passed it seems to be up to those interested to do some work with their representatives and senators.

Motor Installation.

The Chandler Machine company has installed a 15 horse-power electric motor to operate its machine shop on Faulkner street. The motor has been installed by the Ayer Electric Light company, which is furnishing twenty-four hour service for the same. It is giving entire satisfaction and it is confidently expected that it will inconfidently expected.

It is giving entire satisfaction and it is confidently expected that it will increase the efficiency of the shop more than would be possible with any other form of power. Whitaker-Cushing Company did the work.

An example of the kind of service given by electric motors is found in the recent installation of a motor made by the Boston and Maine railroad in their engine house. This motor has proved so satisfactory that the railroad is now considering the installation of a second motor to furnish power for the turntable which is now run by a gasolene engine. It is highly probable that electricity will be used for this work in the near future.

Ing on Thursday evening. Two more applications for membership was received, making a total of ten new members going through. The deputy, J. Gardiner Willey, was present and made brief encouraging remarks. The work was well done.

John Connors escaped from the Westboro insane hospital the first of the week and wandered into Shirley on Thursday evening. Officer Thomas C. Burrill received a telephone message from the officials of that institution on Thursday evening at eight o'clock, informing him that they had reasons for believing that he was on his way to Shirley. Officer Burrill immediately went in search of the railroad station at about \$.30, and

Cantured.

There was considerable excitement for them.

A special train bearing Vice President H. J. Horn and other officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company stopped here for some time on Monday morning. They looked over the First Congregational church party stopped here for some time on pany stopped here fallroad yard and then proceeded to Fitchburg.

Dr. M. H. Chrystal, a former well-known physician of this town, is a candidate for school committee in Leominster at the town meeting to held next month.

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The property was considerable excitement in the care of the lockup keeper, James of Nashua, were united in marriage at disad-norm the shirley Industrial school, by Chief Beatty, caught two assisted by Chief Beatty, and the traveling on the care of the lookup has been form the Shirley I

the pursuit the officers fired several shots to scare the boys, and some of our citizens hearing the fusilade were somewhat alarmed until the cause was found out.

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The two boys captured were glad to get into the police station, where it was warm and comfortable, as they had on only the light suits worn by the inmates of the school and were pretty well chilled by the cold weather. One of the boys told Chief Beatty that they came here to break into some of the stores, saying that they preferred to try the clothing stores first, as they were in need of clothing. The other boy denied the story.

Washil Halco and Joe Belida, both of Forge Village, were found guilty of assault and battery and fined ten dollars and five dollars respectively on Tuesday morning.

Burnace Urban was in court on Friday morning on a complaint charging lilegal sale of liquor, and Peter Statch

Methodist Church Notes.

Thousands of dollars are spent yearly for doctor's bills and patent medicines. Sanitariums and hospitals are being taxed daily with those who desire to be cured of some disease. The magazines and newspapers advertise widely the different cures; such as the "electric cure," "fresh-air cure" and "the Keeley cure." The fact is that certain diseases have proved so destructive that the state has, in many places, taken the matter in hand. How to make our bodies stronger as well as to recover from illness are questions that have troubled the world for a long time.

The greatest disease, the one most

The greatest disease, the one most malignant and contagious is sin. Many persons have tried to cure themselves

Woman's Club.

A large and expectant audience filled Hardy's hall on Wednesday afternoon at the meeting of the Woman's club, only to be greatly disappointed to learn that a telephone mespointed to learn that a telephone message received shortly before the hour appointed for the meeting brought the unwelcome news that Mr. Hubbard, the speaker, had missed his train out of Boston and there would be no illustration of opera for the assembled company. Many guests present from Fitchburg, Pepperell, Shirley and Littleton took the first train home.

A brief business meeting of the club was held and the reports of the conference at Stoneham of the de-partment of industrial and social conditions, and of the mid-winter meet-ing of the state federation at Boston fast week were given by the delegate, Mrs. Susan M. Barker, after which the meeting adjourned.

SHIRLEY.

News Item.

J. Albert Marston, chef at the Industrial school for boys, has resigned his position at the school to take effect in about a week, and in company with his wife will leave Shirley for Berkeley, Cal., where he will join his brother in business. Mr. and Mrs. Marston have made a host of friends since they came to Shirley three years ago from Howard, R. I., and they will-leave behind them memories that will-leave behind them memories that willleave behind them memories that will never be forgotten. Mr. Marston is a member of the Brotherhood of the Congregational church and Fredo-nian lodge, I. O. O. F.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant will Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant will leave Shirley next week for a visit with relatives in California, and expect to be away about three months: Their daughter, Miss Gertrude L. Conant, will take her meals with Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Binney during their absence. absence.

Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., initia ted two candidates at its regular meet-ing on Thursday evening. Two more applications for membership was re-

the railroad station at about 8.30, and placed him in the lockup, where he remained all Thursday night under the care of the lockup keeper, James H. Gately. On Eriday an officer from

officers came here and conficers came here and conficers came here and conficers came here and conficers came.

The boys were seen by Fred L. Whitcomb, one of the school officers, near the railroad station, and the chase was begun at once, the boys having the advantage for a time, but two of them, Sheehan and Mahoney, a were finally caught, the former near the police station, and the latter under the piazza of the Dickson house it on Central avenue, where he had all sought refuge. They were returned to the school.

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LITTLETON.

Edward Brandt, of Roxbury, is oliday guest at L. W. Bartlett's. C. A. Kimball, J. P. Thacher, J. H. D. Whitcomb and John Hardy filled their icehouses from the Mill pond this week with 12-inch ice. Newtown men are contemplating harvesting their ice this week also. The Boston Dairy Company is pushing the ice business with all possible speed.

Mrs. Grace Lawrence entertained Prof. Barton during his stay in Lit-

At the regular grange meeting held on Wednesday evening, many matters of business were discussed informally. The literary program consisted of the recitation of poetry and prose relating to Lincoln and Washington; also, quotations from the two former presidents. Music was furnished by Mrs. James D. Christie. The surplus sum from the Extension school will probably be expended in agricultural books for the Reuben Hoar library. The subject was discussed, but At the regular grange meeting held on Wednesday evening, many drank too much of the spirits usually on hand on such occasions, a row started with Dubinski and Pike as the principal combatants. The complaints for disturbing the peace were placed on file. On the drunkenness charge, Dubinski was fined ten dollars and Pike five dollars.

The inquest on the death of Edward Chapman, of Westford, who was killed a few weeks ago at the H. E. Fletcher Company quarry by coming in contact with a live electric wire while engaged with others in moving a derrick, was held on Monday morning. After the evidence had been submitted the court took the matter under advisement.

Washil Halco and Joe Belida, both the start of the past three months ago, when his niece, Mrs. George H. Willis, He came to Littleton and Ayer. Mr. Keegan was a native of Leitrim, Ireland, and was sixty-eight years of age. He came to Littleton in 1874, and he resided there continuously until three months ago, when his health failed and he moved to Ayer to the home of his niece, where he was tenderely cared for. He left no near relatives.

Washil Halco and Joe Belida, both

Mrs. Elmer Kimball, of Worcester, was a recent visitor among her relatives in town.

Dea. Fred S. Kimball was recently appointed foreman of the jury ir Cambridge

Miss Blanche Lawton, a student

as the inspection of the scinol at present reveal no other case, it is not only probable, but possible, that this case came from some source other than the school. How much it is liable to spread, it is not possible to state, as the entire room has been exposed. Parents are urged by the school physician to use every precaution to prevent an epidemic. The school was closed on Wednesday and the room

given a thorough fumigation. Birthday,

B. Stow Hager spent his eightleth birthday very pleasantly at his home on Goldsmith street, when he enjoyed the society of several neighbors who malignant and contagious is sin. Many persons have tried to cure themselves of this disease by resolutions, pledges, philanthropy, moral exercise, etc., but sin still remains. There are no so-called cures for sin except one, and that is Jesus Christ. Are you a victim of sin my good reader? The Methodist minister has something to say to you Sunday night, if you care to take time to listen.

Mr. Nevins will try to give an enterpretation of the "Temptation," on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Attention is again called to the Sunday morning service of March 2. Dr. Spencer, district superintendent of the Worcester district, will preach and conduct communion. Those desiring to be baptized should notify the pastore in the society of several neighbors who came informally to help him celebrate the occasion on Wednesday afternoon. His daughter, Miss Helen Blanchard, of Gardner, who has spent the greater or part of the week here, acted as hostess and helped make the afternoon delightfully memorable for all present. Mr. Hager was the recipient of several neighbors who came informally to help him celebrate the occasion on Wednesday afternoon. His daughter, Miss Helen Blanchard, or Gardner, who has spent the greater or part of the week here, acted as hostess and helped make the afternoon delightfully memorable for all present. Mr. Hager was the recipient of several neighbors who came informally to help him celebrate the occasion on Wednesday afternoon. His deughter, Miss Helen Blanchard, or Gardner, who has spent the greater or part of the week here, acted as hostess and helped make the afternoon delightfully memorable for all present. Mr. Hager was the recipient of several neighbors who came informally to help him celebrate the occasion on Wednesday afternoon. His daughter, Miss Helen Blanchard, or Gardner, who has spent the greater or part of the week here, acted as hostess and helped make the afternoon delightfully memorable for all present. Mr. Hager has attained the greatest age of any member of the Hager family, and railroad stations and points on the electric road. His memory is keen and he enjoys relating his experiences in this and the New Hampshire towns where he lived, and also those of his California life from 1852-1855.

Obituary.

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Mrs. Mary A. Whittemore, whose death and funeral were briefly reported a short time ago, was, previous to her marriage, Miss Mary Simonds. She was born in Malden on January 25, 1828. Her husband, David Whittemore, died several years ago, and Mrs. Whittemore and her daughter, Mrs. Mary E. Morrell, have since lived alone. For more than sixty years the deceased was a resident of Littleton. Although she mingled little with society in general, Mrs. Whittemore had many friends, and was held in high esteem. She was a member of the Methodist church and a consistent christian. She was domestic in her tastes, and to the home interests she gave devotedly of her time and thought. In return she enjoyed the tender ministrations of her affectionate daughter, who spared not herself for the comfort and happiness of her aged mother. By her death the fourth aged resident of Pingreyville has entered the homeland within a year.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

Current Events.

The Lincoln program which was to have been presented on Tuesday evening, February 11, at the W. R. C. meeting, was omitted on account of the weather, and will be given at the next regular meeting, Tuesday afternoon, February 25.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Alonzo R. Wilson on Tuesday afternoon. They intend to forward a barrel of literature to the New Hampshire lumber camps, being the second one of this season.

It is reported that the Brookline Ice Company forwarded seventy-five carloads of ice in one day, it being from eleven to thicteen inches thick. Miss Mary Cleasby was at home from her duties as nurse in Boston, and spent two days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cleas-

William Sanford, who spent several weeks with his mother and brother on Proctor hill, has returned to Bos-

The Sunday school attendance on On last Sunday the pulpit of the First Congregational church of this town was occupied by Rev. Frank Park, of Boscawen.

Miss Frances C. Pierce has been confined to the house for several weeks with a bronchial cold.

Miss Ora Reed is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Reed, un-til after the shoeshop strike in Nash-ua has been settled.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Patch. of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Patch, of Malden, Mass., were at the homestead over the Sabbath to visit his mother, whose is slowly convalescing from a heart trouble. He was greatly pleased to find his aunt, Mrs. Imogene Nichols, assisting in caring for his mother. They returned to Malden on Monday morning to his position as on Tuesday at Milford. Monday morning to his position as foreman of the factory in which he has employment in Boston. His Hol-lis friends are always pleased to meet him in his home town.

him in his home town.

In the prescript to Scrap Book Notes in last week's issue, there were two mistakes in names, which we would like to correct. Instead of Ethel Flagg it should be Esther Flagg, and instead of Hannah Jewett it should be Susannah Hardy. Mr. Colburn's grandmother was the daughter of Hannah Jewett Hardy.

On Sunday the offerery will be di-

On Sunday the offertory will be divided between the Ladies' Reading and Charitable Circle and the W. C. T. U., the L. R. C. having two-thirds and the W. C. T. U. one-third, unless donors otherwise designate in enclosed and marked envelope—the usual weekly envelope heing for church and weekly envelope being for church and

The directors of the Sunday school were instructed to devise and report the manner of dividing and appropri-ating the money placed in the birth-day gift bank for 1913.

Mrs. Mabel Guething visited in Boston on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spaulding, of Nashua, were in town last week calling at Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lund's. Mr. Spaulding had charge of the carpenier work at Mr. Lund's during the construction of his new

Hazel Peacock, of Nashua, formerly of this town, has recovered from an attack of scarlet fever.

Mrs. Irene Deval, of Revere, Mass., was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Muzzey on last Sunday. Mrs. Etta Sanford Pierce, of Chelsea, Mass., was a guest of her broth-er, Ernest Sanford, on last Sunday. Richard Hardy, of Durham, N. H., was in town at Mrs. Rebecca Rich-ardson's on Sunday.

The annual school meeting will be held on March 8. Mrs. Emeline Greenleaf, of Nashua, was at the late Walter B. Stickney home last week.

News Items.

The young people held a social devening. A large auto truck from Nashua conveyed a large load of visitors. Hoss' orchestra, of Nashua, furnished the music.

News Items.

Timothy O'Heren, from Leominster, Mass., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Heren last week.

Mrs. Maud Greeley visited in Pepnished the music. tors. Ross' orches nished the music.

Harry Bell has been confined to the house a week with the prevailing epi-day afternoons from 2.30 to five demic.

Mrs. E. F. Goodwin returned to ings until further notice.

her home on last Monday afternoon discontinuous Miss Margaret Whalen, from Fitchfrom a two-weeks' visit in Lynn with burg, Mass., is at George Nye's for a her son. Otis Goodwin, and wife. Rev. Frank Park, of Boscawen, oc-

cupied the pulpit on last Sunday fore- until April. noon and evening. He was accompanied by Mrs. Park. Mr. Park has been recently called to become the pastor of the Hollis church, likewise a call to Clinton, Conn. He has not given his decision on which call he will account. will accept.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Goodwin, of Lynn, Mass., who were married in South Hollis last May, are receiving the congratulations of their friends on the arrival of a son, born on February 12—Dana Ernest Goodwin.

The W. C. T. U. met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. R. Wilson. The Union recently sent a barrel of literature to the lumbermen's camp with a tine comfort bag enclosed. Its arrival has been acknowledged with thanks. The Union also sent a donational of the company of the comp thanks. The Union also sent a dona-tion of one dollar for that department

The Hollis Woman's club met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Mabel-Guething. About twenty ladies were present. After the business, the roll present. After the business, the roll call was responded to by the members present who gave current events. This brought out some very interesting events. After this a very instructive and interesting paper on "The great northwest—its growth and development," was given by Mrs. Annie Cothurn

Colburn. The Ladies' Reading and Charitable erville. The Ladies' Reading and Charitable society will give a supper and entertainment next week Wednesday at the town hall. The supper will be from six to eight o'clock. The entertainment will be given by Pepperell talent, consisting of the play "Just like Percy." the same company that gave it for the Pepperell Farmers' and Mechanics' club about four weeks ago. The proceeds will go into the

popular," by Rev. O. J. Fairfield, to be given by Pepperell talent, consisting of the play "Just like Percy," the same company that gave it for the Pepperell Farmers' and Mechanics' club about four weeks ago. The proceeds will go into the fund towards the church repairs.

Miss Clara E. Smith, the librarian of Hollis Social library, is collecting the names of all the librarians who have serviced since its incorporation in 1729. She is also collecting, as far as possible, their likenesses. These will be exhibited on February 26, at the time of the special exhibition of the new books which the Hollis Woman's club recently presented to the library. On that afternoon the sheet of the confederate money recently sent to the library will be mounted for future exhibition of the children of Hollis as an object to the confederate money recently gresshed to the library because of the rule for the room—no loud talk. On last Tuesday afternoon in Miss martha Wainwright. On last Tuesday afternoon in Miss may a very pleasing program of vocal for future exhibition and instruction for the children of Hollis as an object lesson. Some objected to the first sheet of confederate money being retained in the library because of the rule for the room—no loud talk. The proceeds will be mounted for future exhibition and instruction for the children of Hollis as an object with the devoted to Sunday school uses for projects which the boys have in mind and are willing to work for.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events.

News was received last week of the serious illness of Edward Rockwood at his home in Everett, Mass., with pneumonia.

hook in the hands and feet.

The officers of the Ladies' Aid society for this year are Mrs. Helen Hall, pres.; Mrs. Della Whitcomb, v. p.; Mrs. Nancy Daniels, sec.; Mrs. William Brown, treas.; Mrs. Della Whitcomb, Mrs. Mary Gerrish, Mrs. Lucy Marshall, Mrs. Josephine Stiles, Mrs. Hattle Pierce, board of directors.

William Hobert entertained a porter.

William Hobart entertained a party of his Townsend and Brookline friends on last Saturday.

While eating a piece of a pickle one day last week, a portion of 4t lodged in the throat of Mrs. Marion Hobart, and was in danger of being choked. A doctor was hastily summoned and the obstruction removed. Eighty-nine men employed at the cehouse are furnished with meals at 'Hotel Riordon."

It is reported the ice this year, although late, is of the best quality. Mrs. Lizzie Riordon has been very ill, but is now comfortable at last reports.

Mrs. Katherine Cady spent the day on Tuesday at Milford.

Mrs. Fred Rockwood recently sent her husband at Hoboken, N. J., a large bunch of Mayflowers. They were picked a few days before and were all buds. To Mrs. Rockwood's surprise they grew and blossomed into large pink and white blossoms.

Mr. Syre is quite poorly and under the doctor's care. Mrs. Harry Whitney, of South Brookline, is on the sick list.

The topic to be discussed at the grange on March 12, is "Which is the better financial proposition for the town—to build a water system as a topic to be a private system as a town—to build a water system as a town, or to let a private corporation build a system." William Bailey, David Fessenden, Arthur Goss; accordion solo, Arthur Goss; vocal duet, Louise Bailey and William Randall; essays on "Woman's suffrage"; farce, in charge of Clara E. Russell. March 26, is Brookline night at the grange.

Enjoyable Meeting.

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The ladies of the Loyal Workers were cordially welcomed by Mrs. Augusta Gould at her pleasant home on Wednesday, February 12. A good number were present and the meeting was opened with prayer by Miss Josephine Seaver. A very pleasant social afternoon was enjoyed while all were busy with the needle and sewing machine. The matter of having a social with a reader from Boston, music, etc., was talked up and voted upon. Mrs. Maude Greeley and Miss Ethel Taylor were chosen as committee to attend to the home-made candy and pop corn products. Cake and cof-

tee to attend to the home-made candy and pop corn products. Cake and coffee will also be served. The date will be given later.

The guest of the afternoon was Mrs. Nancy Daniels, a sister of the hostess, who served the company with hot cocoa and cake. Many thanks were extended for the hospitality received.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gould are highly esteemed old residents of this town, and recently returned after an absence of several years in Masachusetts. The ladies contemplate the enjoyment of many more meetings with joyment of many more meetings with this happy couple.

Mrs. Maud Greeley visited in Pep-perell last Saturday. The library will be open on Satur-

week.

All the schools in town have closed

LITTLETON.

About Town. The eighteenth annual session of the Ministers' Union is to be held in the lower town hall, Ayer, on next Tuesday forenoon and afternoon. Two of the Littleton ministers are represented on the program. Rev. H. L. Packerd is to open a manuacity of the control of

sented on the program. Rev. H. L. Packard is to open a symposium on John 10: 10, "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly," and Rev. O. J. Falrsield is chairman of the com-O. J. Fairneid is consirman of the committee on resolutions. It may not be generally known that the public is welcome to these meetings, and that they are cordially invited to attend the afternoon meeting beginning at two o'clock, when Rev. Asher Anderson, D. D., of Boston, will give the chief address.

chief address. Rev. O. J. Fairfield preached at the Rev. O. J. Fairfield preached at the Unitarian church in Ayer on last Sunday afternoon, and either he or Mrs. Fairfield will preach there at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Richmond Fisk, the pastor of the Ayer church, is in Florida to regain his health.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell were with their son Richard and wife over Sunday in their new home in Som-

pleasing sight. Bountiful refresh-ments, with candles, were passed around. It was all finely done, and very enjoyable to those who were present.

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Rev. W. L. Noyes attended a meeting of the Souhegan Ministers' Union at Milford on Monday of last week, and contributed the reading of a paper included in the program.

On last Sunday Peter Bouchard, jr., had his foot pinched between two cakes of ice while employed at the icehouse. Last week several of the workmen were wounded with the ice hook in the hands and feet.

The officers of the Ladies' Ald society for this year are Mrs. Helen

The annual sunset party given by the Backlog club on Washington's birthday will be held this afternoon and evening in the town hall. There will be dancing for children from four o'clock until six, when supper will be served in the lower hall. The children's party will continue after supper until eight o'clock, when general dancing will begin and an admission to the floor will be charged. The music will be furnished by McNally's orchestra, of Hudson. The hour for closing will be 11.30.

The rehearsalg are well under way

The rehearsals are well under way for the Backlog drama to be given in the town hall on March 14 and 15. The play this year is "The house next door," by Manners, and the feeling is that the play is an unusually strong one, "every part a star," and that the talent as assigned will give a play of unusual excellence.

Present Price-System Wrong.

That the present price-system is wrong is easily seen by comparing prices which we pay for articles at the store with their actual manufacturing cost when the latter can be learned. Usually the store price is nearly double the manufacturer's price namely you pay type as much nearly double the manufacturer's price, namely, you pay twice as much for an article as it is really worth. Thousands of women throughout the country have found a remedy for this. They buy their Soaps, Teas, Spices and other foodstuffs and household supplies direct from Larkin Co., and thus get the benefit of factory prices on everything. This saves them fully one-half with every purchase. If in one month for instance, they usually buy \$20 worth of household supplies from stores, they can get these same supplies from Larkin Co. for \$10. In a short time such a saving as this besupplies from Larkin Co. for \$10. In a short time such a saving as this becomes great. Write today to Larkin Co., Buffalo, N. Y., and ask them for a copy of their large Catalog R 26. This explains their plan to you in detail, and describes the five hundred household supplies which they supply you at such big savings.

SURPRISE YOUR FRIENDS

For four weeks regularly use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They stimulate the liver, improve digestion, remove blood impurities, pimples and cruptions disappear from your face and body and you feel better. Begin at once. Buy at William Brown's, Ayer.

New Advertisements

FOR SALE—A Power Vacuum Cleaner with Gasolene Engine, complete, All in good condition. Used only one season. A bargain for someone. Inquire at Public Spirit Office, Ayer.

FOR SALE—Country home in West Acton. Mass., one acre of land, 15 apple trees, three henhouses, one-half acre asparagus, berries for home use, six-room cottage with town water. All in good repair. \$1600, part cash. E. L. WILLARD. Owner, Concord Junction, Mass.

You can find in the following list a few suggestions that may help you in finding

Useful Articles

Thermos Bottles \$1.00 to \$2.50 Thermometers 10c. to \$1.25 Pocket Knives 25c. to \$1.00 Flashlights \$1.00 to \$1.25 Nickel Tea Kettle, Rome \$1.25 Coffee Perculator \$2.50 Food Choppers \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75 Mop Wringers \$1.25 Clothes Wringers \$3.50 Nickel Hot Water Bottle \$2.00 Bread Mixer \$1.98 Sad Irons, set of 3 \$1.25, \$1.50 Skates 65c. to \$1.50 Sleds 50c. to \$2.50 Air Rifles 75c. to \$1.25 Three-coin Banks \$1.00, \$1.50

Fine Groceries and Hardware

AYER, MASS.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law and all other
persons interested in the estate of
GEORGE E. H. ABBOT late of Groton
in said County, deceased.
Whereas, LAWRENCE PARK administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court his
petition for license to sell at public
auction, or upon such terms as may be
adjudged best, the real estate of said
deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the eleventh day of March A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one can not be so found, 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.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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Better Than Wealth

is perfect health; but to enjoy good health it is necessary first to get rid of the minor ailments caused by defective or irregular action of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, -ailments which spoil life, dull pleasure, and make all sufferers feel tired or good for nothing.

have proved themselves to be the best corrective or preventive of these troubles. They insure better feelings and those who rely upon them soon find themselves so brisk and strong they are better able to work and enjoy life. For that reason alone, Beecham's Pills are

The Favorite Family Medicine Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c. Directions with every box show the way to good health.

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BEAUTIFUL PRIZES ABSOLUTELY FREE

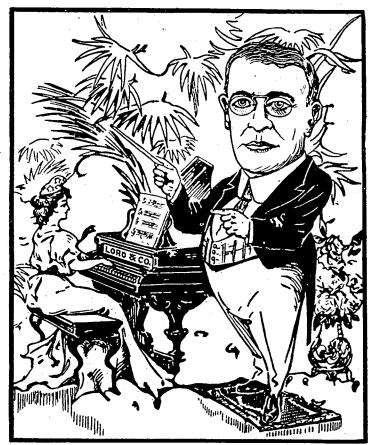
Diamond Ring
14 Carat Setting

Boston Leather Rocker Chest of Rogers' Silver Twenty-six Pieces Lady's Excelsior Gold Watch

Gent's Waltham Gold Watch Guaranteed Cases Fancy Carving Set

Violin China Chocolate Set Guitar Mandolin Pedestal Beautiful Lamp Gold Plated Clock 22 Calibre Rifle Roller Skates

Also everyone sending in an answer to this puzzle will be mailed a stick pin, celluloid United States Flag. Special propositions on the purchase of pianos will be awarded.



CAN YOU FIND SEVEN FACES IN THIS

DIRECTIONS.

In this picture of our President-Elect are ten faces. Can you find seven of them? Outline each face with a pen or pencil on this or a separate sheet of paper and number them 1, 2, 3, etc. To the fifteen neatest, correct, artistic answers will be given absolutely free the fifteen prizes in the order named. Remember that neatness as well as correctness is taken in consideration in making the awards. To all others answering this advertisement will be mailed free a stick pin, celluloid United States flag. Only one answer from a household will be allowed. Winners will be notified by mail. All answers must be

in our hands by March 11th, 1913. Closes March 11th, 1913. LORD & CO., Pianos

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This Hub-Mark is your Value-Mark on Rubbers Wear Hub-Mark Rubbers this winter. They cost no more than any first-class rubber. If your dealer can't

supply you write us. Boston Rubber Shoe Co., Malden, Mass.

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Wish to call your attention to their stock of

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which they would be pleased to have intending purchasers inspect and obtain prices.

Ayer, Mass.

Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway company
Time Table

Cars leave Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell—6.05 a. m. and hourly at 5 minutes past the hour up to and including 10.05 p. m. An early carleaves the Ayer carhouse at 5.15 a. m., Sundays—First car leaves Ayer at 1.05 a. m., then same as week days.
Cars leave Forge Village for North Chelmsford and Lowell—24 minutes past the hour.
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Cluding 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, 4.50, 5.50 p. m.

Sundays—7.50, 8.50, 9.50, 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, 11.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.

Sundays—7.40, 8.40, 9.40, 10.40 a. m., 12.40, 1.40, 2.40, 3.40, 4.40, 5.40 p. m.

Cars due to leave 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. car connect at Asian Sandard Connect at the Ayer car.
All schedules subject to change without notice.
L. H. CUSHING,
Superintendent.

BOSTON and NORTHERN ST. RY.
CO., LOWELL DIVISION
TIME TABLE

Leave Merrimack Square, Lowell, for Boston via Tewksbury and Reading to Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlest cown—6.45 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.45 p. m. Sundays—5.16 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.55 p. m. 10.25 p. m. 6.8 turn—Leave Sullivan Square Terminal, Charlest cown—6.55 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 9.55 p. m. 10.55 p. m. 1

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—5.20. 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—6.45 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.)

Sundaya—7.15 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.15 p. m. Return—Leave Nashua—6.35 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. from 1.35 p. m. until 10.35 p. m. Sundays—7.35 a. m. and every 30 mins. until 10.35 p. m.

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Dr. F.R. MacGrail Dentist

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHRISTIE BROWN late of Townsend in said County, deceased, Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the law will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by CAROLINE S. GOODWIN who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

without giving a surety on her official hond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-fourth day of February A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirty-first day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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TOWNSEND.

Mrs. Clara Heselton was called to Everett on last Saturday on account of the serious illness of her brother, George E. Rockwood, who has pneu-

A little son, Alfred Mark, was made welcome at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spear last week Monday.

Miss Jordan, of the Educational society, spoke at the Congregational church on last Sunday morning to an appreciative audience. She spoke of the work the society is doing and of education among the Mormons in Utah.

Bert Gourley, of Boston, was in town this week.

town this week.

The Twentieth Century Cooking school has had demonstrators here this week Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at Memorial hall. The lecturer was Myrite Ethelyn Robinson, graduate of the Boston Normal school of domestic science, and many palatable dishes were made and samples given out to those present. Modern ideas of cooking and handy household articles were demonstrated, and there was quite an interest taken in the work by a goodly attendance each day. each day.

Mrs. Marion Sears, of Rockport, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bruce over Sunday.

At the Daughters of Veterans' meeting Tuesday night, although a regular meeting, an interesting Washington, Lincoln and Longfellow program was given.

David Howard, of Worcester Poly

overlooking and changing some-what the already surveyed route for the proposed electric rallway between Lunenburg and this town. This, taken with other faint rumors heard taken with other faint rumors heard around town, gives the townspeople some little hope that perhaps we shall get the road after all, even if not quite all of the \$25,000 requested by the Fitchburg and Leominster end, for the townspeople to raise, has been pledged. It is understood that the money will be forthcoming by promoters or concerns who wish to see the road eventually continued through to Pepperell and Nashua.

Town Meeting.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for spraying for the elm

pose of making extra repairs at center school building, and \$50 for salary of sealer of weights and measures.

Art. 21. To see if the town will re-appropriate the \$100 which was appropriated last year for a platform for fire purposes at West Townsend.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee to investigate the advisability of the town's purchasing an auto propelled chemical engine for the use of the fire department.

Art. 23. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of overdue taxes.

Art. 24. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the bridge on Brookline street, near the old cabinet shop er school building, and \$50 for salary

money to repair the bridge on Brookline street, near the old cabinet shop
site, the bridge on the back road
leading from Lewis Morse's to
Michael O'Brien's and the bridge at
the foot of Hog hill, so-called.
Art. 25. To see if the town will
vote to pay the firemen a fixed price
per hour for the time spent at chimney fires, the same as is paid in the
case of forest fires.
Art. 26. To authorize the treasurer
to borrow money in anticipation of
taxes for the current year as shall

to borrow money in anticipation of taxes for the current year as shall be found necessary to meet the current expenses of the year.

Art. 27. To direct the tax collector to charge interest upon all taxes not paid at a specific time.

Art. 28. To see if the town will fix a time when taxes shall be paid

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Ladies' Literary and Social Circle was held at the reading-room on last Friday afternoon with an attendance of seven. Current events was discussed, and at the reading hour the story of "Old Lady Thirty-one" was concluded and the club commenced "Mary Carey." After the program a will be under the auspices of the Luncotal hour and refreshments were hody is invited, especially every votaging the state of the commenced to the commence of the c

fall on last Saturday while bringing erson W. Baker would take out noming up wood from the basement. She fell backward to the bottom of the stairs, injuring her back and head, but is improving as rapidly as can be averaged. It has been the improving the stairs in the stairs in the stairs in the stairs. improving as rapidly as can be expected from one of her advanced years and ill health. Mrs. Sarah Lawrence is assisting in the home for the

F. A. Patch and Harvey Hodgman

F. A. Patch and Harvey Hodgman enjoyed a fishing trip on last week Friday, returning with twenty-three good sized pickerel, the largest weighing two and one-half pounds.

A very pleasant occasion was the surprise party to Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Hodgman, of Greenville, N. H., who are stopping with their son, Mervin Hodgman. The affair was the forty-third anniversary of their marriage, and a party of their old-time friends and neighbors gathered for a social evening. A dainty lunch was served, eleven being seated around the tables and a very enjoyable evening was passed.

Quite a serious chimney fire was narrowly averted at Miss Sara Warner's on last week Wednesday, and had it not been for the prompt work of some of the neighbors and firemen with the extinguishers there was with the extinguishers there was great danger of much property being destroyed as a high wind was blow-ing at the time the fire caught.

Alden A. Sherwin has taken a position in a grocery store at West Groton, going back and forth on the train each day. News has been received here of the

birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James Bell, jr., former residents here. The Ladies' Study club held their The Ladies' Study club held their fortnightly meeting at the readingroom on Thursday evening of last week with an attendance of seven. Owing to the absence of the president and vice president, Miss Alice Seaver was appointed chairman protem. Current events was discussed by the members present, and the rest of the evening was devoted to the account of "The school savings bank system," given in a most interesting paper by Mrs. Joseph Thompson. At the next meeting of the club, on Thursday evening, February 27, the subject of "Honolulu," under the charge of Mrs. Alexander Reed will be taken up.

Miss Abbie Green, of Townsend,

Miss Abbie Green, of Townsend, who has been caring for Miss Maria B. Wiggin, has been obliged to return to her home, and Miss Chloe Brown, from Manchester, N. H., is with Miss Wiggin for the present.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt has closed her ten-ement on Elm street for a few weeks and is visiting her son and family in Leominster.

Mrs. Sarah Lawrence spent the week-end with relatives in Somerville. Mrs. Fred A. Patch visited relatives in Gardner last week.

Mrs. G. M. Frye is visiting her former home in Boston this week.

Robert and Edward Tumber have gone to New York, where they have found employment.

Mrs. Benjamin Hodgman has been called to Groton by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Rowan Allen. Mrs. James Bell is employed at the Center for a few weeks, assisiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown.

Miss Edith Tenney entertained the Ladies' Whist club at the reading-room on last week Thursday after-

Valentine's day was observed by the public schools on last week Friday afternoon by a valentine party and an exchange of valentines, most of which

her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Fred Davis, and three grandsons. Rev. S. D. Ringrose will deliver an heetle.

Arts. 18, 19, 20. Also to raise and appropriate \$500 for the building of permanent roads, \$200 for the purpose of making extra repairs at Central Processing States of the Arts. 18, 19, 20. Also to raise and address at the twenty-fifth anniversaty convention of the Y: P. S. C. E. at Berlin on the afternoon of February 22.

The L. R. B. S. are preparing an old-fashioned entertainment to be held in Seminary hall on the evening of February 27. Music will be furnished by a mixed quartet. Solos are expected by Miss Myrtle Gray, of Townsend Harbor, and Mrs. Florence Gwinn, of the Center, and an old-fashioned spelling-bee will be enjoyed. Refreshments of doughnuts, number nie and coffee will be 'prepumpkin pie and coffee will be pre-pared for the occasion and a most enjoyable time is anticipated.

George A. Seaver has been enjoying week's vacation from his duties in Boston, and assisting in stock taking at Lawrence's store.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

John Wooldredge has been quite out of health and confined to the house with a severe attack of the grippe for a week. He is still in the care of his physician.

There are several cases of measles in town, and it is thought that this week will decided whether or not it will be necessary to close the schools temporarily. So far the sick ones are children.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church served a dinner in the chapel on Wednesday noon. It was well patronized.

On Friday evening, February 28, Thomas Curley, of Boston, who is secretary of the State Playground committee, will address an audience at the town hall upon "The exact at the town hall upon "The exac why and wherefore of playgrounds." After the lecture there will be an ex

man, but he has decided not to do so. It has been the impression in the minds of many of our townspeople that the question of a general water supply would come up at the next annual town meeting, but that is not likely unless it is deemed necessary to ask for further appropriation to carry on the work of making tests and examinations for the purpose of determining upon a source of supply. As much time is required for this work, it will probably be several months before a vote will be called for.

Miss Mae Adams, who is teaching school in Ashby, is enjoying a sixweeks' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Adams.

The schools in town observed St. Valentine's day on February 14, at which over three hundred valentines were exchanged, many of them home made, original and exceedingly pretty Under the skillful direction of E. E. Howe, a building which Augustus Taylor had built and used for a garage at his old home in Mulpus, was placed on skids and drawn by six horses to his new home on Massachusetts avenue on last Tuesday,

William Harley is improving the outside of his house on the state road by a new coat of paint.

Toad by a new coat of paint.

The Fitchburg Choral Union, which holds its rehearsals in Crocker chapel on Monday evenings at 8.10, has attracted quite a number of our young people to such an extent that several of them have joined, among whom are Lucy Magovern, Ruth Harrington, Marian Sherwin, Evelyn Lane, John Gilchrest, Allen Jewett, Henry Hastings, Hoyt Barter, Winthrop Harley and Lewis Harrington.

The house on Massachusetts avenue

The house on Massachusetts avenue known as the Drinkwater cottage, now owned by the Misses Jones, is being papered, painted and thorough ly repaired, and will soon again be a desirable house for occupancy.

The Hattle D. Stone Tent, D. of V. held a social meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the home of their president, Mrs. Lottle Adams. The nextregular meeting will be held at their room, the lower town hall, on Tuesday afternoon, March 4, at three o'clock. o'clock

has been stopping in town for two weeks or more, and who so agreeably entertained audiences in the town hall and both churches here by her lec-tures and songs, went to Clinton last week where she expects to spend a few weeks.

Visitors in town last week were Mrs. Kate Kenfield, of Fitchburg, Mrs. Elbridge Stone of Eden, Vt., and Mrs. Belle Adams of Providence, R. L. at Stillman Stone's; Miss Mabel I. at Stillman Stone's; Miss Mabel Eaton, of Boston, with her mother, Mrs. Augustus Taylor; Miss Ethel McAllister, of Leominster, with Mrs. C. C. Lane; Mrs. Laurence Somers and son Henry, of Barrington, R. I., at her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Bryant, and Mrs. A. T. Kempton and son Bradford, of Cambridge, with Misses Nellie and Fannie Jones.

The Old Home Week association held its mid-winter entertainment on Friday evening, February 14. The hall was filled with a large and ap-preciative audience, which very genpreciative audience, which very generously applauded every number given by the Imperial male quartet, from Worcester. The only thing to be regretted was that the quartet was obliged to return to Worcester that same evening and in order to do so had to take the nine o'clock car. So the program was hurried through, with no time for encores. After their departure the floor was cleared for promenading and dancing. Cake for promenading and dancing. Cake and ice cream was sold during the

evening. Rev. Enoch Bell, of Boston, will speak in the Congregational church on Sunday evening upon the time-worn subject of "Missions," But Mr. Bell is a fine speaker and will make even this subject very interesting. All are invited.

On Wednesday evening the grange observed patriotic night and invited the veterans of the civil war, their wives and families. The hall was very prettily trimmed with flags and a tent arranged for tableaux. The program was arranged by Miss Maerson and a very interesting patriotic program was given, after which refreshments were served, consisting of sandwiches, cake and hot cocoa. Then came music and promenading until all were ready to go home.

A caucus was held in the town hall on Monday evening for the purpose of nominating officers to be voted for at the annual town meeting. It was largely attended, nearly every voter in town being present, and it was the last one to be held before the annual town meeting. The following officers were nominated:

officers were nominated:

James Hildreth was re-nominated for moderator, even though he has served the town in that capacity for forty-one years, and thought it was best to have a younger man in the place, but the vote showed conclusively that he was the choice; Sidney H. Francis, Arthur W. Adams, Charles Cox, town clerk; J. L. Harrington, constable; John Wooldredge, Ernest K. Proctor, Ernest G. Carswell, George Williams 2nd Hiram R. Houghton, selectmen; E. K. Proctor, assessor; S. H. Francis, treasurer; Sherman Sanderson, collector of taxes; Clifford C. Lane, school committee, 3 years; John Wooldredge, William R. Proctor, jr., Warren Lewis and Arthur Q. Emerson, road commissioner 3 years; J. L. Gilchrest, G. S. Parker, tree warden; Charles L. Allen, Norman G. Bigelow, A. W. Watson, auditors; Helen G. Jones, Anne Jennison, library trustees 3 years; Ebenezer Bailey, I year; S. H. Francis, Ernest G. Carswell and George N. Whitcomb, town committee.

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. will meet on next week Thursday afternoon instead of on Friday, the regular day, for this reason: On Friday, February 28, Miss Maria Woodbury, the oldest member of the W. C. T. U., in this county, and probably in the state, will reach the ninety-third milestone in her journey through life, and as many of the members plan to call at her home, at Mrs. Hoisington's, on that day with congratulatory messages and tokens of kind remembrance, it was thought best to hold the regular meeting one day earlier, namely on Thursday, February 27. Miss Woodbury has been practically helpless and confined to her bed with a broken hip for many years, but with all her suffering she has never lost the sweetness of disposition which has characterized all her lifetime, and the loving, trustful simplicity of her faith in a kind heaven. time, and the loving, trustful simplicity of her faith in a kind, heavenly father has strengthened as the years have gone by. No one can ever estimate the blessed influence that has emanated from this dear, patient, cheefful "shut-in."

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PEPPERELL.

Current Events.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Drury visited relatives at Holden over Sunday.

Mrs. Wells Woodward is very low at her home at the East Village, suf-fering from heart trouble and dropsy. Miss Margaret Burns returned to her duties in R. H. Stearns' millinery, establishment on Tuesday, after a rest of several weeks at home.

A son was welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tanner, of Nashua street, on Saturday, Febru-

Mrs. D. W. Hazen has been quite ill at her home on Pleasant street, and her daughter, Miss Della Kemp, has been at home to assist in caring

Mrs. Frank Gilman, from Gardner, has been in town the past two weeks, assisting in the home of Wallace Willoughby.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Humes have been so ill with the grippe and complications as to cause their friends and physician considerable anxiety. On Sunday, pneumonia was feared for both, but they are slightly better at last reports. Miss Annie Gilson has been assisting in caring for them.

William Thayer, now station agrees.

William Thayer, now station agent at Rochester, N. H., was at the home of his parents over Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie Hazen, of Fitchburg, ho will be remembered as Mrs. who will be remembered as Mrs. George McCullough, formerly of this visited friends in town this

D. W. Savage and family left town on Monday for their new home in Hingham, the goods being sent by an auto truck. He has been the manager on the farm of the late C. A. Dennen, on the Hollis road, for several years. His family of young people will be much missad in school and ple will be much missed in school and the social life of the village.

The 8.20 train for Nashua was de-tained at the station over an hour on last Saturday morning. A board, which had become loosened from a car of lumber on the side-track, struck the cab of the locomotive, rak-ing the entire length and doing so much damage that the fires had to much damage that the fires had to be pulled, and another engine sent for. A fireman also received a blow from the board in passing, which did not prove serious, although he was taken to the hospital at Nashua for examination.

The Committee of Four will hold their third invitation dance in Fellows' hall on Friday evening, Fet

Miss Ruth Wilson has been spending the past week with her cousin, Miss Ida Shattuck, on West street, who was recently left alone by the death of her sister.

Mrs. E. A. Gilson, of Groton street visited friends in Lowell on Wednes-

Will Reed, who went to Florida at the beginning of the winter, returned to town recently. He was formerly in the employ of Geo. Keyes, at his

The goods of Thomas Howard wer moved to Nashua by auto truck on Thursday. Mr. Howard has secured work there, and Mrs. Howard decided it was best to join him.

Frank Milan came to his home in town last week from Portsmouth, N. H., where he has been employed, as town last week from the feet and the has been employed, as he has been ill for some time past. On Monday, by the advice of his physician, he went to the Massachusetts General hospital for an operation. He was recovering from the effects has been ill the past week, is about again.

The epidemic of the grippe seems to be abating somewhat. The schools were seriously effected at one time, several being out from some rooms. It is reported on good authority that the Mould Shoe Company have purchased the plant where they are located from the Blake heirs. They had previously secured the water privilege at North Pepperell. The small tenement house on the embankment near the factory has been put in repair by them recently.

S. M. Nokes is getting rather any

S. M. Nokes is getting rather anxious concerning his supply of ice for the coming year. He has had a day and night crew at work part of this week. The ice is now about ten inches thick, but as the weather is at present will not gain much.

News Items.

Washington's birthday, Saturday, February 22, will be celebrated by the Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., at the home of the historian, Mrs. Nellie S. Appleton, at 2.30 o'clock in afternoon. Committee in Appleton, Miss Jordan, Mrs. Phelps.

On Thursday afternoon, February 27, at 2.30 o'clock, the W. C. T. U. will hold a Francis Willard memorial service at the home of Mrs. William Kendall. There will also be a memorial service for Miss Louella Shattuck. Friends of Miss Shattuck are especially invited. Refreshments will be served.

of his parents over Sunday.

The whist club, of which Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hayes are members, were entertained by them on Friday evening of last week at their home on High street. Mrs. Irene Attridge and W. A. Shepardson won first prizes and consolation prizes were awarded A. F. Parker and Mrs. B. W. Parker. Rev. S. L. Elberfeld, who has been residing in town during the fall and winter, will leave soon to accept the pastorate of the Unitarian church at Peterboro, N. H.

Mrs. Jennie Hazen, of Fitchburg.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will hold a food sale and afternoon tea at the residence of Mrs. E. A. Williams, Park street, Pepperell, on Friday afternoon, February 28, at three o'clock, and respectfully solicits the patronage of the public.

A meeting of the Town Conference will be held in the Main street grammar school building on Friday evening. February 21, at eight o'clock, to receive and discuss the report of the committeee on electric lighting. This is a matter which affects the town as well as individual consumers. As the well as individual consumers Conference includes all residents, its meetings are always public.

There was an entertainment in the Congregational church vestry Thurs-day evening. February 20, at eight o'clock. A farce, "That love of a o'clock. A farce, "That love of a bonnet," was given by the following cast: Mildred Marshall, Helen Hayes, bonnet, was given by the following cast: Mildred Marshall, Helen Hayes, Adelie Boynton, Doris Durant, Margaret Boynton and Flora Boynton. There was also many readings and recitations. During the evening a chafing dish supper was served, including in the manu was creamed. cluding in the menu was chicken, Welsh rarebit and chilaly.

Bernard Shattuck spent Saturday Robins have been seen in many parts of the town the past week.

Leon Whitcomb spent last Sunday at home. Mr. Whitcomb is at present located in Wilton, N. H. Mrs. Humes of Elm street is ill at present, also Mr. Humes, who is una-ble to attend to his duties in the High

James Freeman of Heald street i at present sick with pneumonia, but is resting comfortably.

The ice work on Burkinshaw's ond has been finished for the presen and Mr. Chapman is working on Richardson's pond upon Jewett street. Or the days spent working on Burkin-shaw's pond about 8,080 cakes were cut and teamed to icehouses all with-in the town limits.

CHARLES A. DENNEN

Deaths,

Charles A. Dennen died at his home on Park street on Tuesday, February 11, at the age of seventy years after an illness of seven weeks. He was united in marriage with Miss Mary Phelps of that place, in 1865.

Mr. Dennen came to Pepperell about forty years ago, living then on the place on the South road which is still known as the Dennen farm, although it passed from his hands some time ago, and is now owned by George W. Maynard. He was one of the foremost agriculturalists in this section, as the well-cultivated fields, both on his farm on Park street, and the farm under his management on the Hollis road testified. He was an enthusiastic member of the local grange since its beginning, having served in several offices, as well as member of the grange, and was also a member of the state grange. At the December meeting of this grange, in Springfield, he was unanimously re-elected after serving for thirty years, and in consideration of this long term of office, was presented with a fine goldheaded cane.

Mr. Dennen was a member of the State Board of Cattle Commissioners

Mary Phelps of that place, in 1845.

Mg. Farnsworth and others, also have their houses filled. Our leed the big house there on Tuesday and Wednesday. A. H. Turner and George T. Gale filled from Turner's pond. H. F. Whitney; P. O. and W. F. Dickson, S. M. Farnsworth and others, also have their houses filled. Our leed the big house there on Tuesday and Wednesday. A. H. Turner and George T. Gale filled from Turner's pond. H. F. Whitney; P. O. and W. F. Dickson, S. M. Farnsworth and others, also have their houses filled. Our leed the big house there on Tuesday and Wednesday. A. H. Turner and George T. Gale filled from Turner's pond. H. F. Whitney; P. O. and W. F. Dickson, S. M. Farnsworth and others, also have their houses filled. Our leed the big house there on Tuesday and Wednesday. A. H. Turner and George T. Gale filled from Turner's pond. H. F. Whitney; P. O. and W. F. Dickson, S. M. Farnsworth and others, also have their houses filled from

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Mr. Dennen was a member of the State Board of Cattle Commissioners for seventeen years, serving until that commission was merged into the State Board of Agriculture. He has also, in past years, held several town officers.

as several relatives and friends from out-of-town. Among these last were several from Boston, who formerly served with him on the cattle commission, and the State grange officials. There were many floral tributes both from the various associations and relatives and friends. Interment was in the family lot in Walton cemetery.

Ira C. Holmes died at his home on Prescott street on Tuesday, February 18, of diabetes, at the age of fifty-nine years. The deceased has been a resident of this town for many years, coming here as a boy to work for the late Alvaro Wright, on his farm on Brookline street. Later, he entered the employ of the Fairchild Paper Co., which afterward was called the Nashua River Paper Co., as the mill property passed into other hands. For the past year he has not been able to attend to his work at all, and for the past few weeks he has been a great sufferer, as the disease increased.

He was married to Miss Julia Vinal, of this town, in 1880, and is survived by her and three daughters, Lillian,

Jennie and Bernice.

Services were held at his late home on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Beacon lddge, I. O. O. F., of which he was a member, attended in a body and held their special burial service.

Dr. Qua, who has been ill the past week with the grippe, is about again. The mason work has been com pleted on our new bank block.

It has been noticed that a good many new icehouses have been built for private use and about the largest is on the Page farm on Townsend street. List of letters remaining uncalled for at the East Pepperell postoffice for the week ending February 17: Albert Burns, Mrs. H. D. Follensbee, Manager Howe, W. L. Pierce, Charles F. Woods,

Methodist Notes.

Rev. G. H. Spencer, D. D., superintendent of the Worcester district, will preach on Sunday evening at seven o'clock, and will hold the fourth quarterly conference at the close of

"The impulsive love of Christ," will be the subject of the sermon on Sunday morning. Every Sunday, from twelve to one

the Sunday school with studies in the spiritual life. Stratton.

The quiet hour service for prayer and worship will be held on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The study hour for Sunday school teachers and workers comes at 8.30.

The Epworth League will furnish a unique entertainment at the large vestry on next Thursday evening, under the name of a poverty party. The men of the Methodist church will give their annual chicken pie sup-per on Friday evening, March 7.

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Congregational.

Morning services will be held on Sunday, February 23, at 10.45. Sermon by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge. Subject, a Lenten sermon. Following this service at 12.15, there will be Sunday school, which all are cordially invited to attend.

A good name:

A supper and contertainment given by the ladies of the Still River Eaplist church on Tuesday evening. Among these were more than a score from the Congregational parish, who report a supper of the usual high standard and a jolly good entertainment.

At seven o'clock in the evening, in the main church, a vesper service will be held. Special music by a quartet. Everybody welcome.

The regular mid-week prayer meeting on Tuesday evening, February 25, at 7.30. Subject, "The kingdom of God for the humble."

HARVARD.

Visiting with her cousins, here, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hazard and family, is Miss Elsa Harrls, of Groton.

Walter A. Farnsworth is enjoying

the south land during a few weeks at present. He is staying with friends at Wauchula, Fla. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel A. Lucey, of this town, will be pleased to learn of the birth to them on Friday, February 14, of a little daughter born at Wellesley, where Mr. and Mrs. Lucey are staying for a few weeks during the repairing of their home on Oak hill.

The Harvard Gas and Electric Co. are to have a hearing on Monday, March 3, at 10.30 a.m., at 603 Ford building at 15 Ashburton place, Boston, for the approval of an issue of new capital stock of the par value of \$12,000, for the nurpose of paying the cost of the construction of the electrical distributing plant.

officers.

He leaves a widow, a daughter, Mrs. H. E. Boynton, of Watertown; two sons, William F. Dennen, of this town, and Dr. J. Horace Dennen, of Watertown; also, three grandchildren and a brother, William Dennen, of Gloucester.

Services were held at his late home on Park street on Thursday afternoon of last week at three o'clock, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Drawbridge officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Drawbridge officiating. Sympathetic manner. The services were largely attended, both by his friends and associates in town, as well as several relatives and friends from out-of-town. Among these last were convent from Matters and the distributing plant.

George W. Raynes, who has been months, was taken on Thursday to the hospital at Lowell, not that Mr. Haynes was any worse, but that the better facilities for caring for him at a hospital and the difficulty of securing help in a private family made it seem best for this change to be made. Mr. and Mrs. Raynes have been residents of this town for several years and have made a large number of friends who wish him every possible chance for a speedy recovery.

The speaker who is to address the annual temperance meeting at the

chance for a speedy recovery.

The speaker who is to address the annual temperance meeting at the town hall on Sunday evening is Fred H. Lawton, a brilliant speaker from the Anti-saloon league, of Boston. Don't fail to hear him. Music will be furnished by the Misses Parker and Baker and Mr. West. This part of the program will be interesting.

Miss Dorothy West is spending this

Miss Dorothy West is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Fletcher, of Groton.

Week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Dickson are the Misses Esther and Helen Clarke, of Water-

The chorus choir under the direction of Mr. Thayer, will furnish the music at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning. They will sing "Seek ye the Lord," by J. W. Roberts, tenor solo with chorus obligato. Rev. George Jones will continue with his series of sermons. series of sermons.

Mrs. A. F. Leonard is entertaining as her guest this week, her uncle, Mr. Sears, from Cotuit.

Louise Freeman, gave an evening party to their gentlemen friends on Thursday evening, February 20, at I. O. O. F. hall. Supper was served at 6.30 o'clock and games and dancing passed a very a very pleasant day afternoon with Mrs. Mabel Guething.

The mason work has been completed on our new bank block.

There are two or more pheasants that come about every day in the front yard of Eugene Fletcher on Blood street, Oak hill.

The cast that presented the three-act drama in connection with the repeat it in the near future in Hollis, N. H., under the direction of Elbert Durant.

Mrs. Walter Page of Townsend road has been away for a part of this week, visiting friends in Leominster.

The ice work has been started on Reed's pond, Mt. Lebanon street. It is quite thick and of good quality.

It has been noticed that a good many Harvard grange held a very inter were distributed to all members pres-ent. The next meeting, which is to be on March 4, will be devoted to the study of "Birds and agriculture." Music will be in charge of Miss Reed. Measles.

Over one hundred cases of measles have been reported to date—quite a serious affair for a small town. The infection seems to have been general in all parts of the town. Schools are still indefinitely closed, although the last reports from the school committee have placed the opening at February 24. With many, the after effects are proving worse than the disease itself. Two of the Davis children in old mill district are suffering from the effects, and Marshall, second son of E. P. Cleaves, is at the hospital at Worcester for treatment. Florence Gabrielsen is at the hospital at Clinton suffering from the same cause. One or two families who Over one hundred cases of measle At six o'clock on Sunday will be held the bright hour service of the Epworth League. Subject, "Love, the social motive." Leader, Mrs. P. R. Stratton.

Congregational Notes.

"New thought" will be the subject of the pastor's sermon at the Con-gregational church on Sunday mornng, February 23.

The usual Christian Endeavor pray rne usual Christian Endeavor pray-er meeting at the Congregational church will be omitted on Sunday evening on account of the annual meeting of the Harvard Temperance society which will be held at the town hall at 7.30 o'clock. A good number from the village were in attendance at the supper and

At the last meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent society it was voted to get busy with some very much needed repairs in the parlors and the work was placed in the hands of a committee consisting of Mrs. S. A. Lawrence, Mrs. F. Wetherbee and Mrs. H. B. Royal. Several new members have been added to the society, new plans of work are under consideration, and the outlook for the coming year is very promising.

A very fair number under the circumstances were ready to resume
Sunday school work last week, among
them some of the victims of the recent epidemic. It did not seem prudent for various reasons, however,
to hold the session, but work will
positively begin on Sunday, February 23.

Still River.

W. B. Haskell is having his house and barn wired for electric lighting and C. H. Haskell is also having his house wired. The Whitaker-Cushing Company of Ayer are doing the work.

house wired. The Whitaker-Cushing Company of Ayer are doing the work. Wednesday afternoon J. R. Bigelow was cutting down an old apple tree beside the road and forgot that a telephone pole had a guy wire attached to the tree, but when the tree fell it brought the pole with it, breaking off a little above the ground. Mr. Bigelow at onge notified the telephone people and in an hour they arrived with men and reset the pole.

Mrs. Sarah Scales was agreeably surprised on Monday afternoon by going to find a cousin, Mr. Littlefield, from Nebraska, standing there. She did not know him at first for she had not seen him before for nearly twenty years. Mr. Littlefield stayed until Thursday afternoon, going from here to Boston to visit relatives, Mrs. Scales going with him for a short visit.

Last week Friday evening Chester Willard carried a party up to the concert at the Harvard town hall, and on Thursday evening, this week, he took another party of young people to the annual chicken pie supper of the Bolton Farmers' club at Bolton. Herbert Vaughn also took a load in Bigelow's school barge to the Bolton upper.

The supper and entertainment given by the Ladies' Benevolent society in the vestry Tuesday evening was well attended and the entertainment was very enjoyable.

Miss Katherine Lawrence spent Monday with Miss Fmilly Hillered and Mrs. Bagley observed the seventeenth and so and work and the eventreenth and so analyses of the seventeenth and so analyses and so a side of the seventeenth and so analyses of the seventeenth and seventeenth and seventeenth and seventeenth and se

Miss Katherine Lawrence spent Monday with Miss Emily Hildreth at

Miss Ethelyn Russell is visiting in Malcom Campbell was at home over Sunday from Amherst Agricultural

college. There will be no evening service at the Baptist church Sunday on account of the annual union temperance meet-ing at the town hall, Harvard, that

ovening. Master Luther Willard has been very sick with measles and bronchitis, but is now better.

Miss Esther Stone of Ayer spent Sunday with Mrs. Anna Flanders.

Nellie Denault, who has been assisting at Matthew Jameson's for some weeks past, has returned to her home on Proctor hill.

John Hagerty of this town, sixty-nine years of age, died at his home on Thursday, February 20. Burial at Hudson Saturday, February 22. Mrs. Charles J. Bell has been con-fined to the house with a severe cold. A little boy entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alec Denault on Proc-A little boy entered the home of ir. and Mrs. Alec Denault on Proctor hill Tuesday.

A good many townspeople have been filling their icehouses with ice this week. George Coburn and Er-nest Marvel have been cutting ice at Silver lake for a good many of the

houses. A cousin of Mrs. Henry Russell's, from Manchester, N. H., is in town helping her care for Mr. Russell while he is in such feeble health.

The "Jamaica ginger man," The "Jamaica ginger man," as he is commonly known, passed through town last week. He has been through this town several times before, and still retains his old habit of stopping at nearly every house on the outskirts of the village, and complains of being terribly afflicted with asthma and wanting some Jamaica ginger or "any kind of extract" will do he says. A good many people have become so A good many people have become so well acquainted with him and his habits that they do not all comply with his works. with his wants. He is living in Milford, N. H. He is reported as

TOWNSEND.

Conter.

The next dancing school will be held on next week Saturday evening unless otherwise stated. The parties have been postponed on account so many social affairs and dances in

Parties from Worcester with a large Locomobile auto truck, have been demonstrating the transportation of lumber for the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company this week. From the Morgan lot, a ten-mile round trip, which will scarcely allow two trips a day with horses the truck water. day with horses, the truck made six trips, averaging 303.5 feet per load callpered, or a total of 1821 feet, reduced to thousands making 12,735 feet. They are to draw from another lot the last of the week.

Harbor.

Mrs. Charles Harvey, of Fitchburg, was a guest of her niece, Mrs. Flor-ence Conant, on Monday.

Richard Keefe is suffering from boils on his neck and arm.

Out-of-town parties, as well as those nearer home, have had little or no luck this season fishing through the ice on the Harbor pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Lane spent Wednesday in Boston.

George Gilchrist begins work on Monday at the leatherboard mill as tender of the wet machines.

Mr. Cortland has recently

the employ of the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company. The services of George Searles and Patrick Riley have been engaged at the Harbor farm during the harvest-

Miss Blanche Baldwin, principle of the Judson school, Malden, is enjoy-ing a short vacation at home.

Misses Melora and Lillian Warner were over Sunday guests at their par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warner. Miss Annie Keefe has successfully assed her preliminary examinations

in telegraphy. Mrs. Thomas Hollohan is spending the week-end with her sister in Waverley.

On Friday evening, February 28, the Harbor Dramatic club will present the play "Uncle Rube," in Pepperell.

The occasional erratic ways of the leatherboard mill whistle is provokative of much speculation. Messrs. Buckley and Watson, A. W. Gray, J. Doherty, C. Posselyn and Mr. Cummings have filled their icehouses with good clear ice, twelve inches thick.

On Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Bagley observed the seventeenth anniversary of their marriage by receiving their friends and neighbors. Whist and other games followed by refreshments made the hours pass most pleasantly.

most pleasantly.

On last Saturday evening a whist party of eight tables was given at Pinehurst. The highest score, thirty-three points, was made by Miss Dorothy Smith. Edward Wharff with thirty-one points, came next. The lowest scores were made by Mrs. Fannie Adams and Fred Palfreyman, twelve and ten points, respectively. The serving of refreshments was followed by an impromptu musicale. Miss Kane and Miss Tracy, of Fitchburg, and Mrs. Florence Conant and daughter, Miss Mildred, kindly contributed to the entertainment.

On February 14, the Monday club

HOLLIS, N. H.

Current Events.

A few of the neighbors of Mrs. C. Frank Burge sent congratulatory messages on her birthday which comes on February 22. Mrs. Burge entertained Mrs. Flora Hardy (George W.), whose birthday also comes on Washington's birthday. Miss L. E. Worcester's birthday also comes on the same day, thus forming Hollis' Washington's birthday trio.

Nellie Denault, who has been assisting at Matthew Jameson's for some weeks past, has returned to her home on Proctor hill.

"Seek ye the Lord," by J. W. Roberts, tenor solo with chorus obligato. Review of series of sermons.

Mrs. A. F. Leonard is entertaining as her guest this week, her uncle, Mr. Sears, from Cotuit.

Several of the young ladies of the town, under the direction of Miss Louella V. Shattuck the Louise Freeman, gave an evening party to their gentlemen friends on Thursday evening, February 20, at 1. O. O. F. hall. Supper was served. evening's entertainment.

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