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WESTFORD.

Center. Miss Adrith Carter, from St. Johnsbury, Vt., has been renewing former associations in town, the guest of her sister, Mrs. William E. Wright. Chester Burnham, who has had such an unfortunate siege with scarlet fever at Amherst, is at home and will not be able to return to the college until the opening of the fall term.

The Charles D. Colburn household are quarantined with scarlet fever, Ellnor being the one sick. Services were resumed on last Sunday at the Congregational church, after being closed the previous Sunday. The heavy new linoleum has been laid and results will perhaps appeal to the utilitarian rather than the esthetic sense. Some of the minor improvements were not completed and doing over the vestries have been so delayed that it may seem best to defer the work a few weeks until the vacation season.

The annual club social which will close the season's work of the Tad-muck club will take place on next Tuesday evening at the Congregational church at eight o'clock. This will be guest night, when each member is entitled to a ticket for an invited guest. An attractive musical program in charge of Mrs. Christie, Littleton, is being prepared, and Mrs. Elsie Powers Corwin of Lowell, a reader of ability, will entertain with readings. At the close of the program, refreshments will be served. The Blue Ribbon Minstrels of West Chelmsford, gave their entertainment at the town on Friday evening of last week under the auspices of the Westford Athletic association. Under the direction of James Peck & Co., of West Chelmsford, the hall was installed with special electric lighting effects for the occasion which was a great addition. Ralph Bickford acted as interlocutor, with James Peck, Alfred Anderson, James Dwyer and Frank Mooney as end men.

Miss Gertrude Hamlin has not been able to return to her studies at Wellesley and is doubtful of her physician's advice to do so until the fall term. The foundations for the new drinking fountain to be presented to the town by Westford grange are being put in place this week at the head of the common near the soldiers' monument. It is expected this will be dedicated on Memorial day.

The April social and supper at the Congregational church took place on Wednesday evening the last evening of the month. A baked bean and cold meat supper was served from 6.30 to 7.45, after which a concert program was given in the church by the Glee club quartet of Boston University, direct E. Baldwin, and the quartet, whether in plantation melodies or selections from classical composers, were characterized with the same finished blending of voices. Mr. Lawton, of the quartet, interspersed with readings and was a very versatile and entertaining philosopher with his selections, and his manner of rendering them.

Home-makers' Course. The Home-makers' course under the auspices of the Tad-muck club held during this week on every Saturday, beginning Monday with Saturday excepted, and in charge of Miss Alice J. Bunce, of Worcester, has proved very much of a success, and is the more phase of the club's activities in the cause of community betterment. Miss Bunce, who received her training at Simmons college, and who has had much experience with classes since, classes with school bus, nurses and housewives, is a concise and interesting teacher and a thorough student of her subject. While some have been present at every session, different ones have attended some of the sessions so that in the aggregate the course has reached a large number of people. Additional features were added to the scheduled program. On Monday afternoon, in her opening lecture on "Why study home-making?" Miss Bunce summarized as follows: Because we shall work with more intelligence and more enjoyment, and because we may thereby improve ourselves, those about us, and the community in which we live. The second lesson of the afternoon was "A well-balanced diet."

At Tuesday's session there was a special effort to have the mothers of the community present when "Nutritive value of milk" and "Diet for children and elderly persons" and "Invalid cookery were the subjects, and in addition to this splendid list "School lunches" was also added. Miss Bunce's invalid's tray as she prepared and arranged it was most attractive. Much interest centered on Wednesday's lesson of "Planning a meal." The following menu was worked out and the results were certainly attractive and palatable: vegetable soup, crisped crackers, beef and pork rolls, potato puffs, spinach, Parker house rolls, prune and nut pudding. The interesting subject for Thursday was on "Vegetables and cereals," and for Friday, "A healthful

house," and "Community welfare," were the subjects finely elucidated. Surely those who have attended must have gained many new points and ideas as well as have received fresh enthusiasm for routine. The committee for arrangements who have assisted the lecturer so ably during the week have been Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, Mrs. Goldsmith Conant, Miss Mary Bunce and Miss Mabel Drew.

About Town. For a wet, uninviting spring for forest fires, the fire on Sunday was a success in heat, territory covered and tall pines that it leaped to the top of. The fire started near the Deane's residence on the Plain road, a little before noon on land of George C. Moore, which had been cut over last winter. It spread rapidly north and east in the direction of Nabmassett pond. After reaching the pond the energy of the fire became controllable by the natural law of incompatibility of affinity. About thirty acres were burned over, and about twenty cords of wood belonging to William F. Proctor, of Dunstable, who had recently bought of Mr. Moore the standing wood and lumber, and had the cutting well under way. The fire called out about 150 men from Westford and Chelmsford.

David L. Greig, who has pluckily and patiently endured his illness, has improved enough to shift to tenting on the lawn. The Scandinavian society at Westford Corner and West Chelmsford will give a dance at Marshall's hall this Saturday evening. Music by Ecklund's orchestra. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison B. Hall have left California for Weston, the early home of Mrs. Hall. At the state house, the senate turned down "Senate bill 44," relating to the 500,000 bacteria count as a test for purity of milk, and the house has vanished into naught the Ellis bill. What will happen next? If history repeats itself nothing will happen next.

The peach trees of Robert Prescott on Francis hill are handsomely loaded with blossoms. The electric car due to leave Drockside for Westford for 1.05 on Wednesday became derailed on the Brookside hill near Moors mill. As a result the school children on the line took the health cure and walked home. The cause of derailment had the appearance of spreading rails. Edmund B. Whitney, of Brookside, has left the employ of the Lowell and Fitchburg electric railroad as conductor. Matthew Smith, of Brookside, recently employed at the Read farm, but who became unemployed at his own request, has been re-employed at his own request.

LITTLETON. News Items. The Congregational church has received an invitation to be represented by its pastor and one other delegate at the ordination of Dr. Nehemiah Boynton's sons in his Brooklyn, N. Y., church. Dr. Boynton was ordained in the Littleton church about thirty years ago. Miss Bertha Stratton spent last Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Charles Stineford, at Harlow, Vermont, coming especially to accompany her niece Irene Stineford, who had visited her grandma, Mrs. William Stratton, for a week. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, of Winthrop, spent Sunday with their niece, Mrs. Charles F. Johnson. The interest in Rev. H. L. Packard's Sunday evening lectures, illustrated with stereopticon views, is well sustained. On last Sunday a very large audience was present to hear the lecture on "Japan in cherry blossom time." The lecture was one of the most interesting, and the views were exceedingly good.

President Wilcox, Mrs. Mattie Priest and Mrs. Gertrude F. Houghton attended the reciprocity meeting of the Altruistic club in Shirley on last week Thursday, and took part in the program. Mrs. Packard was one of the speakers, Mrs. Priest sang, and Mrs. Houghton gave the history of the ladies' quartet.

The Forget-not-circle will hold an open meeting in the Unitarian vestry on next Tuesday afternoon, to which everybody is invited. Miss Susan Brokenshire, state treasurer, will be present and speak on the work in Korea and Hawaii. The King's Daughters are especially urged to be present. Time 2.30. The Backlog club will give a May party in the town hall on the evening of May 9. There will be dancing from eight to twelve o'clock, for which a small admission fee. Ice cream and cake will be on sale during the intermission. Robbins' orchestra, of Peppercorn, will furnish music for the dancing.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To Della Riley of Watertown, Benjamin F. Robbins, Benjamin F. Robbins, Jr. and Helo Robbins of Somerville both in said County of Middlesex, Everett L. Runey of New York in the State of New York, Maurice E. Runey of Portsmouth in the State of New Hampshire and John E. Runey of residence unknown. Whereas FRANK B. RUNEY of Somerville in the County of Middlesex, has presented to said Court a petition, representing that he holds as a tenant-in-common one undivided share of certain real estate lying in Peppercorn in said County of Middlesex, and described in said petition; and, as said real estate cannot be advantageously divided, praying that partition may be made among the tenants-in-common according to law; and that the commissioners who may be appointed to make said partition be ordered to make sale and conveyance of said real estate and to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

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GROTON.

News Items. Mrs. H. N. Palmer and little daughter Helen spent a few days in Boston with her friend, Miss Rose Motzler...

an honorary member. Report tells of a fine spread and social enjoyment. George E. Lawrence has bought of William A. Lawrence the late Mrs. Rachel Chase place on Hollis street...

she will attend the International Suffrage Congress that is to be held at Buda Pest, Hungary. After touring the continent, Mrs. Pequinot hopes to spend quite a time in England...

Master Roger Bigelow, a very active young man about five years of age, most cheerfully and eagerly performed quite an important part by filling in small stones and a large Dorset sea cross nearly the same age, deposited a sealed glass bottle containing the names of all the members of the Woman's club...

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On Tuesday, Lawrence won over Waltham high by a score of 6 to 2, and on Wednesday was defeated at Worcester by Worcester academy by a score of 7 to 0.

Death. Albert Freeman Parkhurst, for many years a well-known and respected citizen of Groton, passed away at his home on Champney street on Friday evening, April 25.

News Items. The woman's Christian Temperance Union met with Mrs. Arthur W. Adams at her pleasant home on Massachusetts avenue on Friday afternoon, April 25.

News Items. The mission class of the United Workers in the Congregational society will meet on Wednesday afternoon, May 7, with Miss Julia S. Conant.

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