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HARVARD.

News Items.

Mrs. Mary E. Whitney closes her house here this week Friday and goes for the winter months to live with her son, Frank Whitney, at Kenmore, N. Y.

E. T. Ailing of the Ailing Paper Co., San Antonio, Tex., is visiting with his daughter and family at Fruit Acres, the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Thayer.

The body of Mrs. Electra Wyman, whose death occurred at her home in Lowell, was brought here on Thursday of last week for burial in the Center cemetery. Mrs. Wyman was a sister of James Lovering of Shaboken district.

Miss Jessie Zirngiebel of Boston, a niece of A. F. Leonard, is staying here with Prof. and Mrs. Leonard and attending the Bromfield school.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atwood of Worcester spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gale. Mr. Atwood, whose name is before the public just now as a candidate for the office of register of probate of Worcester county and who recently won at the primaries over his opponent, Orra L. Stone of Clinton, by a plurality of over two thousand votes, is son-in-law to Mr. and Mrs. Gale. Naturally Harvard people are interested to see him win in November.

Will members of Harvard Choral union please note that the regular yearly meeting of this body will be held at the Memorial rooms on Monday evening at eight o'clock, October 6. This meeting is called to order for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year and also to discuss a plan which the officers of the union have laid out for a series of concerts

to be given this winter. If this plan meets with the approval of the union work on the same is to begin at once. Will all make an effort to attend?

The ladies of the Unitarian society will hold an all-day sewing meeting with Mrs. Nellie Dickson on Thursday, October 9.

At the Unitarian church next Sunday Rev. C. S. Bodwell of Danvers will preach the morning lesson. The chorus choir will sing "In heavenly love abiding" and "Great is the lord."

Mrs. J. H. Robenstock returned to her home at Somerville on Thursday after the summer spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dadmun, at the summer cottage here.

Chas. B. Bigelow, millionaire, and former owner of the Clinton Wire Co., and Bigelow Carpet Co., died in London, Sunday, September 28, aged sixty-four years. His son, Chas. B. Bigelow, Jr., of this town, was with him as was also his wife and second son, Maurice Bigelow. Mr. Bigelow, Jr., was called to London several weeks ago on account of the illness of his father and was with him till the end. He sails for this country this week. The sympathy of the townspeople extends to Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow here in this loss of a kind and loving parent.

There is to be a social dance party at the town hall this Saturday evening under the management of Miss N. T. Hartshorn.

S. Herbert Houghton has had the rooms occupied by the Mary Jane tea shop the last two seasons, wired for electric lights. He has also put in a pool table and will operate an afternoon and evening club room for the men about town.

Andrew Haskell arrived Wednesday with a carload of No. 1 Vermont milk cows.

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NOTICE—Store Closes Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Evenings at 6.30

Ed. Crowell, George Mayard and Henry Waters attended the Brockton fair on Wednesday, returning via Boston and attending the theatre in the evening.

Mrs. Emeline Carman and granddaughter, Mildred Carman, returned Wednesday after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. Gardner Turner at Ayer.

Mrs. Hugh Waters is quite ill. She has a trained nurse and is getting along very nicely.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Green will be pleased to know of the marriage of their son, Guy W. Green, to Miss Rachel Ireland of Littleton. The young couple will reside at East Pepperell, where they will be at home after December first.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Leonard move their household this week into the Carrie Hussey cottage on Oak Hill, where they are to reside. The parsonage vacated by them is to be put in readiness for the new minister at the Unitarian church.

Charles B. Bigelow, one of the wealthiest residents of Worcester county, died Sunday night in London, England. He was sixty-four years of age and was the son of Horatio N. Bigelow, founder of the Bigelow Carpet Company, of Clinton. He graduated from the Williston academy and later attended Harvard. He was formerly owner of the Bigelow Carpet Company and the Clinton Wire Company. He retired in 1898 on account of ill health and since then has traveled, spending the winters in Algiers and the summers in Germany. His wife, who was Miss Fannie Wells, of Clinton, survives him with two sons, Charles B., Jr., of this town, Morris W., of London, and one daughter, Fannie E., who has been traveling with her parents.

SULLY RIVER.

The Ladies' Benevolent society will give their first supper and entertainment of the season at the vestry next Friday evening. The first tables will be ready for supper at 6.30.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent at Mrs. Luther Willard's Tuesday by a large number of ladies of the village in honor of her birthday. Punch, ice cream and cake was enjoyed and it was an occasion of pleasure to all the guests and hostess.

Wednesday afternoon the Birthday club met with Miss Katherine Lawrence. As most of the meetings have been held on other than birthdays of the hostess in order to better accommodate them it has been suggested by a gentleman, hence not a member of the club, that the name be changed from Birthday club to Good Time club, as he thinks they have a good time, if not an actual birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Haskell returned from their wedding trip Monday and went to their new home. Their many friends wish them all happiness possible and all are glad to have another of the empty houses of the village occupied.

Mrs. Fannie Haskell's aunt, who has been visiting her for several weeks, returned to her home in Auburn, Me., Tuesday.

Mrs. Seales was taken to Whitman in an auto by friends from Worcester Sunday, returning the same evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Willard visited a few days in East Jaffrey last week, going and returning with F. W. Bate-man in his auto.

Mrs. Howard Stone has been visiting in Newton and Sunday afternoon Mr. Stone went for her in his auto and took with him H. R. Harrod and Mrs. Alice Haskell.

Mrs. John Bigelow attended a wedding in Cambridge on a recent evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Morse attended some church meetings in Nashua on Tuesday.

Herbert Vaughn has a fine new barge to carry the school children to Harvard. He is ready to take out parties any time in it.

A claim agent from the Boston and Maine railroad recently called on J. R. Bigelow and made satisfactory settlement for the cow that was killed on the railroad a few weeks ago.

The New England Telephone company unloaded four large reels of cable wire at the station Wednesday. This cable is to replace the many wires now on poles between Harvard and Still River and is to be placed on the electric light poles and the old telephone poles are to be taken away. This was ordered by the selectmen when pole rights were granted to the electric light people.

A TELLING RETORT

Sir E. Carson, the famous K. C. and Ulster leader, though usually serious in demeanor, is well versed in the gentle art of making smart and telling retorts. Appearing in a case, he had more than one passage-at-arms with the judge, who finally drew attention to a discrepancy in the evidence of two of Sir Edward's principal witnesses, one of whom was a carpenter and the other a publican. "That's so, my lord," instantly retorted Sir Edward. "Yet another case of difference between the Bench and the Bar!"

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WESTFORD.

Center.
 The annual barn dance, one of the opening social events of the season, will take place on Friday evening, October 10. This is under the auspices of Westford A. A., and Hibbard's orchestra will furnish the music.

It will be the annual rally day service at the Congregational church on Sunday morning. Special music by the girls' vested choir. Addresses by the pastor and other. Evening service as usual at seven o'clock, with address by the pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin N. C. Barnes and little son Chaloner, of Brookton, have been spending a few days with Mrs. Homer M. Seavey. Mr. Barnes was formerly instructor of music in our schools.

Some recent new books at the J. V. Fletcher library. The labeled "Bought with the income of the John Osgood fund." We understand this to be a condition of the bequest of \$1000 which Mr. Osgood gave to the library and a proviso that was formerly a prominent Westford family and which gives the library patrons an appreciative knowledge of the use of the income of the fund.

Miss Grace Bennett has been at the telephone exchange afternoons, learning to assist Mrs. Isles at the switchboard.

Mrs. A. W. Hartford's many friends are glad to know she is convalescing from her recent illness.

Among our residents having fall house painting done are George T. Day, John P. Wright and John Feeney.

Miss Sarah W. Loker was in attendance at the Woman's Board Missionary conference on Tuesday and reports a most attractive session.

Edmund Baker has had an interesting side enterprise at Whitney playground this season; that of gathering mushrooms. Mr. Baker is some connoisseur of these plants, thoroughly understanding the edible varieties, and has found ready market for all he could gather.

The Library Art club is having exhibited an especially fine set of views at the library of "Architecture in Italy." These are large, clear views and among them are the world-famed Milan cathedral, St. Peter's at Rome, St. Mark's cathedral and the Campanile at Florence.

Hon. Edward Fisher was in attendance at the Massachusetts State Firemen's association last week Friday at New Bedford, and delivered an address on "Suggestions to firemen who are interested in procuring legislation."

Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth entertained the Thimble club very pleasantly at her home last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. H. V. Hildreth has been spending part of the week at Campello, and one day was in attendance at the Brookton.

At Prospect Hill farm, in filling the silo last week, some of the stalks of corn measured fifteen feet, which for this season is a good record. Will E. Wright displayed some fine King apples at J. Herbert Fletcher's store, weighing fourteen ounces raised at his farm.

The young people had a fine afternoon for their tennis tournament last Saturday at Whitney playground. A large delegation of Littleton young people came over to participate and carried home most of the honors with them winning two out of the three sets which won the tournament. The fall rains have made the lawns and shrubbery at the playground like the emerald green of May, and it presents a beautiful appearance in the bright autumn sunshine.

W. M. Wright has stored his household goods and is boarding at Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Merritt's.

The young people of the C. E. society held a supper and social last week Friday evening at the vestry under the direction of Mrs. Wallace. At this time they gave their annual offering for missions, amounting to about eight dollars. A very pleasant social evening is reported.

The opening meeting of the Tad-muck club will be held at Library hall on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting will be full of interest and the members should make it a point to attend. The programs for the year will be distributed and will be outlined by the president, Miss Loker, with the members, in connection with the opening address. The committee on federation appointed last season will be ready with their report and a very interested discussion of the subject is hoped for. This committee consists of Mrs. Goldsmith H. Cohant, Mrs. Herbert V. Hildreth and Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher. Mrs. Clara Bancroft Beatty is expected to be the speaker of the afternoon.

The W. C. T. U. held a well attended meeting at Mrs. H. M. Seavey's on Tuesday afternoon. There was the usual order of exercises, devotional service, roll call, department reports and new business taken up, making a busy session. Tender tribute was paid to the union's recently deceased member, Mrs. Addie S. Wright.

About Town.
 The funeral of Phineas G. Collins was held from his residence on the Carlisle road, Parkerville, last week. Rev. David Wallace conducting the services. There was a profusion of beautiful floral tributes. The bearers were George A. Kimball, Arthur E. Wilson, William F. Williams and William F. Seifer. Burial was in Fairview cemetery.

At the primaries last week Tuesday the following persons were elected on town committees: Republican—Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher, Alfred W. Hartford, Julian A. Cameron, Oscar A. Nelson, Edward M. Abbot, Frank L. Furbush, Fred A. Sweat, Harry L. Nesmith, T. Arthur E. Wilson, Alonzo H. Sutherland, Walter A. Whidden, Samuel L. Taylor. Democratic—J. Herbert Fletcher, John A. Healy, Albert R. Wall, Florence G. Sullivan, Michael L. McGlinchey, M. Edward Riney, John L. Flynn, Al-

vin S. Bennett, Oscar R. Spalding and John Feeney. Progressive—John Spinner, Arthur G. Hildreth, Robert Prescott, J. Everett Woods, John Edwards, Herman L. Nixon.

The more youthful element of the republican party met at the town hall last week Friday evening and organized a young men's republican club. Harold Fletcher was chosen president; Edward M. Abbot, v. p.; James M. Sargent, sec.; Edward T. Hanley, treas. The committee to look after the registration of voters is composed of Alfred W. Hartford, James M. Sargent, Charles Edwards and Edward T. Hanley. These youths and others are organized to get a lively move on any then try and make it contagious to the rest of the voters who are with them in political sentiment.

Miss Ella Wright, who has been spending the last lingering days of summer at her summer residence at Brookside, returned to her home in Cleveland, Ohio, Tuesday. While here she visited many places of historic interest. Among the places of youthful reminiscence was her early home, the old Edwin Gould farm residence where her father, Walter Wright, tilled the rocky hillsides for many years. By the courteous kindness of George E. Gould, also an inhabitant of this farm for many years, Miss Wright glided about town in Mr. Gould's new Ford.

The U and I club held a lively trip of the feet at Marshall's hall on last Friday evening. A late car connected Lowell, North Chelmsford and Graniteville with other parts of the universe.

William H. Lynds, of Lowell, the walking historian, was in town on Sunday looking over some of the landmark houses that Gov. Fletcher of Vermont is interested in—the old Capt. Peletiah Fletcher place on the Lowell road, now occupied by the C. R. P. Decatur family, and the old Newbury Keyes place on Francis hill. At both these places the near relatives of Gov. Fletcher once lived.

W. R. Taylor has just received from the trout reservation at the State House a supply of trout to stock some of the sandy, crooked rivulets of the town that curve toward the Concord and Stone Brook. Several years ago these same streams were stocked, but the weather order of exercises did not include rain in the program, therefore these streams did not have anything to do and so went out of business and the trout went out at the same time.

The village church of West Chelmsford held its annual banquet on Wednesday evening with about 160 present. Graniteville, Westford, Lowell and the surrounding towns being well represented. The supper was West Chelmsford system, abundantly plentiful, and the company were abundantly equal. Rev. Roy P. Crawford was toastmaster and introduced in the line of entertainment Rev. George B. Dean of Worcester; Dist. Supr. Rev. W. H. McLean, of the Highland M. E. church, Lowell; Rev. Kernehan, of the M. E. church, Graniteville. Both food and food for thought were a success. The affair was in charge of Mrs. Herbert E. Fletcher, of Oak Hill.

Elliot Humiston has been ill with a cough and other tickling accessories and is not yet fully recovered. Dr. F. E. Varney, of North Chelmsford, is tickling him to wellness.

At a special town meeting held last week Thursday evening Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher was chosen moderator with a small percentage of voters present, but what were present voted themselves \$1700 worth of firehouse at Graniteville.

The next meeting of the board of registrars will be held at Brookside Friday evening, October 10, at Moore's mill.

"V. T. E." Answered.

Under the Littleton news items last week, "V. T. E." rendered his verdict on the recent railroad disaster in Connecticut. He is inclined to lay the responsibility about all on the railroad company. Now taking the papers for authority the writer is inclined to take the opposite view. The real first cause of the accident was running forty miles an hour in a fog when the railroad orders "When you can't see a signal stop." The Bar Harbor express couldn't see the signals and "stopped." The White Mountain express hadn't any better eyes in a fog than the Bar Harbor express, but they dashed on at forty miles an hour, and "banjo" signals or modern signals without any banjo cannot prevent an engineer from disobeying "When you are not sure of your signals stop." Engineer Miller of the White Mountain express was the real, direct first cause of this accident.

In a general way the railroad company was responsible in running express trains only eight minutes apart, and in a general way the traveling public are responsible for this statement in demanding fast accommodations and trains eight minutes apart. If any one doubts the indirect responsibility of the public for this accident and their demand for high pressure transportation, the statement can be confirmed by the whirlwind speed of autos. Forty miles an hour is easy and accidents in proportion to the speed, and more numerous and fatal than railroad accidents, proportionally.

This is what the traveling public does when he runs his own car. When he is on a railroad car in an accident the company is to blame—sure thing. Condensed then, here is the case: Engineer Miller was the direct cause of the accident and the contributing and indirect cause is a tie between the railroad company and a break-neck automobile public.

A Friendly Criticism.

The Groton fair was a delightful, sunny affair, the first experience the writer ever had in visiting Hazel Grove park. Everybody seemed to have deserted care and worry and were pitching right in to make the day a variety of headquarters for a variety of holy fun. The Groton Cornet band played some of their popular lively music that would make the "Yea, yea and nay, nay" matter of fact people look like a sunbeam. S. J. Taylor and son joined the club and drew dividends while the band was cheering things along. George E. Gould, of Westford, also drew lots of cash from a very willing crowd that gathered about the Gould ice cream tent where everything appealed so tastefully both to eye and palate that the cash came to eye and palate.

As was expected, Groton is such a success as an apple town that much was expected, and it was there on the table when the writer was teetering on Groton, Ridges to get there. Only one critic is offered, entering the exhibits by number. Instead of the name of the exhibitor. It is devoid of all sentiment, for there is no sentiment in 1, 2, 3, but there is sentiment in the name of the exhibitor. The fair from the hills, Brown Loaf Hill farm, for instance.

Midsex North tried 1, 2, 3 for one year to the universal dissatisfaction of every living creature that ever had the mark of human intelligence stamped under its eyebrows. There is as much dissatisfaction in the award of premiums to numbers as by name. Let everybody hurrah for sentiment.

Forge Village.

Communion services will be held at St. Andrew's mission Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Sunday school will take place at 3:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Harriet E. Randall, who has been confined to her home with bronchitis, is somewhat improved.

Mrs. John Edwards is recovering from an illness of over a week.

Mrs. E. B. Guyer, of Dorchester, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pyne, of Pine Ridge, this week. Mr. Guyer visited at the week-end.

Miss E. M. Plummer, who has been spending the past two weeks with her sister, Mrs. George W. Cressey, of Salter's Point, Beverly, has returned home. Miss Grace Lawrence, who has also been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cressey, has returned.

L. Goucher is at the Lowell General hospital, where he expects to undergo an operation.

Percy Morton, of Bridgeport, Conn., who has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past two weeks, returned home on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Peck, of Groton School, will superintend the Sunday school of St. Andrew's mission this year. He will be assisted by Mr. Davidson.

Mrs. Richard Blank and baby daughter Dorothy returned to her home in St. Catherine, Canada, Saturday. Mrs. Blank came here to attend the funeral of her step-father, the late James M. Wilson.

Alvin S. Bennett, who has been visiting in Worcester for several days, returned on Monday.

Mrs. Nelson Prescott, who has been confined to her home by illness for the past three weeks, is now on the road to recovery.

The little Misses Mildred and Marion Myers, of Lowell, are being entertained at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Henry Catchpole. Mrs. Myers is now at the Lowell hospital undergoing treatment.

Patrick May is seriously ill with pneumonia. Dr. W. H. Sherman, of Graniteville, is attending him.

Miss Grace Lawrence is visiting with relatives in Reading.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Barnes, of Campbell, and Miss Sylvia Barnes, of South Easton, were entertained on Monday and Tuesday at the home of Mrs. H. E. Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coley, of Worcester, over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Coley returned last week from a visit of several weeks with relatives in Kidderminster, England.

One of our well-known residents, who is a fond gardener, planted fifty cauliflower plants in the early spring in his garden patch. He expected that they would be food for the cut worms, but thirty of them survived the worms and the farmer failed to grow them. The grower of this plant could have sold an acre of them at his own price if he had them. Another amateur has grown an abundance of fine specimens of cabbage.

Graniteville.

The Hustlers and the Growlers met in the second game of the series here on last Saturday afternoon and this time the Hustlers won by the score of 9 to 3. The game was lost through loose fielding of the Growlers. Batteries—Gordon and Hall for the Growlers, "Jim" Healy and H. Healy for the Hustlers. These two clubs will meet for the third and last game on Saturday and as each club has won one game the third and deciding one promises to furnish all the thrills of a world's series.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Sullivan and the Misses Lillian and Nora Sullivan, of Marlboro, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Healy.

"Don," the valuable collie dog owned by Dr. W. H. Sherman, died last Saturday. This dog was a remarkable, well trained animal and a great pet of the family.

Thomas Healy, of this village, has bought out a fish market in Concord and will take possession this week.

The Tango club enjoyed an automobile trip to Nashua, N. H., on last Saturday night and took in the numerous attractions.

The mills of the Abbot Worsted Company are still running on the four days per week basis, but the outlook does not appear to be very promising.

Charles E. Dudevair has been elected manager, and F. G. Sullivan floor director of the Foresters of America dance to be held in Forge Village on Friday evening, October 17.

The political situation is very quiet, judging from a local standpoint, and no rallies have been scheduled for the immediate future.

M. E. Church Notes.

Last Sunday was a great day at the M. E. church. The largest congregation that has attended the church service for months greeted the pastor. The subject of the sermon was "A pure heart." The chorus sang a beautiful anthem. There was an increased attendance at Sunday school, the largest number present since June. A new member was added to the men's bible class. A new interest is manifest in this class and it is hoped that before long there will be at least forty members. The evening services were well attended. The Epworth League service was very interesting. After the devotional part of the meeting officers were elected. William DeRoehn was elected president; George Wilson, 1st v. p.; Madeline Holland, treas.; William Gilson, sec.

The subject of the church service was "Christ at the door." William DeRoehn sang a solo that was appreciated by all. The committee appointed to arrange for the coming rally day are hard at work and will extend every effort to make it a success. The young people of the church are rehearsing a play which they intend to give as soon as possible.

The community banquet that was held in the church vestry on Tuesday evening was very largely attended and proved to be a very enjoyable affair.

There is no satisfactory explanation of the fact that the springs show increased flow of water not merely after a storm, but for several hours before. It is thought that in some way evaporation is checked, causing a greater flow.


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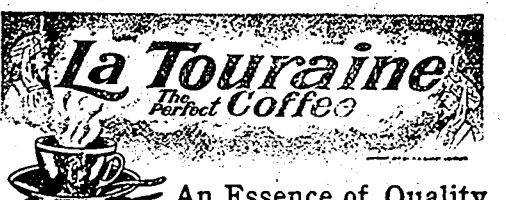


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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscribers have been duly appointed executors of the will of JENNIE L. WILLIAMS late of Brookline in the State of New York deceased, and have taken upon themselves that trust by giving bonds, and appointing CHARLES F. FRAZIER, of Fitchburg, Mass., their agent, as the law directs.

CHARLES FRAZIER, EDITH L. ORMSBEE, Executors, Brooklyn, N. Y., Sept. 10, 1913.

Sheriff's Sale

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

Ayer, September 23d, A. D. 1913. Taken on execution and will be sold at Public Auction at my office on East Main Street in said Ayer, on Saturday, October 25th, A. D. 1913, at eight thirty of the clock in the forenoon, all the right, title and interest, not exempt by law from attachment or levy on execution, that Lucy M. McNiff of Harvard, in our County of Worcester, a defendant named in said execution had on the twenty-eighth day of June, A. D. 1913, at eight o'clock and thirty minutes A. M., that being the time attachment was made on mesne process or now has in and to the following described real estate, to wit:

"A certain tract of land situated in Littleton, in said County of Middlesex, on the southerly side of Taylor street, in that part of Littleton known as Littleton Depot, containing about one (1) acre, with buildings thereon, bounded westerly by land late of George W. Sanderson; southerly by land late of George W. Sanderson; easterly by land of McDonald and northerly by said street.

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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Confirmation exercises were held at St. Anthony's church on Monday morning. The number included fifteen Industrial school boys, fifty-two parochial school children, six Polish children and twenty-six other children of the town, making a total of eighty-eight. They were confirmed by Bishop Anderson, assisted by Monsignor Supple, Labe Henrie Filion, of Salem, and Rev. Richard, the parish priest. The church was crowded with residents of the town to witness the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brockelman left town last Saturday for a two-weeks' vacation in Manchester, N. H., with Mr. and Mrs. Shea.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant spent the week-end and over Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Newton I. Damon, of Gardiner.

Members of the Shirley fire department held their annual day's outing last Sunday at C. R. White's cottage, Fort pond.

Rev. G. Edwin Woodman will occupy his pulpit at the Congregational church on Sunday morning at 10.45. Subject will be the third in the series of the Lord's prayer: "Dearly beloved."

The Universalist church will reopen on Sunday with the pastor, Rev. C. E. Knickerbocker, occupying the pulpit at eleven in the morning, followed by the session of the Sunday school.

Rev. J. H. Hoffman, of Northboro, will give an illustrated lecture in the vestry of the Congregational church on Monday evening, November 17. The subject will be "Old New England." Keep your eye on the date as this will be a fine lecture.

Miss Emma Tenney, of Littleton, C. E. union delegate to Sagamore, will give an account of that conference at the C. E. meeting on Sunday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church. Meeting commences at seven o'clock and the public are cordially invited to attend.

At the Baptist church, Archibald G. Adams, pastor—Sunday morning at 10.45; Sunday school at twelve; Sunday evening service at seven; Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7.30. At each and all these services a warm welcome awaits you.

The entertainment given in the vestry of the Congregational church last week Friday evening, under the auspices of the Brotherhood, was a very pleasing affair and was a pronounced success.

Jeremiah H. Flynn and Guy Cook have been drawn to serve on the jury and will report for duty at the superior court, Cambridge, Monday morning.

Oliver W. Balcom is taking the school census.

Mrs. Henry Brockelman arrived home on Wednesday after a three-weeks' vacation in Jefferson, N. H.

Mrs. M. J. Johnson, with son Milton, will return to her home in Boston on Sunday for the winter.

The annual harvest sale of the Universalist society will be held in the church vestry on Wednesday afternoon, October 8. Sale commences at four o'clock. A large variety of vegetables, fruit, jellies, candy and aprons will be on sale. A bountiful harvest supper will be served at seven o'clock which will be followed by a church social and entertainment. Ladies of the church have spared no pains to make this harvest sale, supper and entertainment one of interest and enjoyment for all who attend.

The Altruistic club will meet on Thursday afternoon, October 9, at three o'clock in the vestry of the Congregational church. At 2.30 George H. Brown, of Ayer, will give an account of his trip to Panama. Each member of the club is entitled to invite a friend who will be the guest of the club during Mr. Brown's absence, which is being looked forward to by the club members with much pleasure.

Miss Abbie McNiff, of Wayland, was a visitor Wednesday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Annie O'Neill.

Interesting Meeting.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. H. Tewksbury, thirty-four members being present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Alice Wright, Miss Martha Hunter secretary and Miss Mary Johnson treasurer. Any one and proved to be of great interest to all present. Mrs. Louise Butler gave a very interesting paper, and Miss Martha Hunter held the close attention of the ladies by the reading of a paper which she had composed, giving an historical sketch of the organization of the Ladies' Circle, covering a period of forty-five years—1868 to 1913. Among many interesting facts was that Mrs. Martha Scott was the only living charter member, who is at the present time making her home in Rotterdam Junction, N. Y., with her son. It was voted to send Mrs. Scott a letter of greeting, all the ladies placing their signatures thereon.

Miss Hunter brought out many interesting facts, showing she had given much time and work in preparing the paper, which was quite lengthy, taking twenty-five minutes to read it. At the close of the paper, Miss Hunter gave a rising vote of thanks. This was followed by a social hour, during which the hostess served refreshments, being assisted by Misses Grace Tewksbury, Gladys Annis and Sarah Stevenson. The hostess was given a rising vote of thanks and the meeting was then adjourned.

Center.

Miss Allison Winslow furnished the entertainment for the W. R. C. convention at Ayer on Tuesday afternoon, reciting two groups of original and selected verse. Miss Winslow was formerly a student at Mrs. Laughton's school of expression in Boston.

Miss Helen M. Winslow went to Greenfield on Thursday morning to speak before the Woman's Alliance of that place the same afternoon. She also took the opportunity to visit relatives, returning to Shirley on Friday night.

Bishop J. S. Johnston, of Western Texas, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton on Center road. On last Sunday Mr. Johnston preached in the Old North church in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Farrar, of Pomfret, Vt., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayres last week. It is understood that Mr. Farrar has leased a home in Vermont, reserving only the house and a small section of land.

Miss Ethel M. Holden visited with her sister, Miss Marion L. Holden, at Greenwich, last week.

Mrs. Herman S. Hazen returned home last week after spending two weeks at Lake Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton closed their summer home on Center road on Monday and returned to their home in Brookline for the winter.

An automobile party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Seward Dill and daughters, Clarice and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dustin, Shirley Wood, Miss Carrie A. Dustin and Harry Brown, of Reading, were guests at the homes of Mrs. Hattie P. Holden and W. E. Barnard last Sunday, going afterward to Townsend to visit Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dustin on Wallace Hill.

A slight mistake was made last week in the name of the new teacher at the Center grammar school. She is Miss Mary McCuster, of Waltham, and is a graduate of Framingham Normal school. Miss McCuster is boarding at the home of Mrs. Eva Holden on Center road.

Mrs. Cynthia Lynch has gone to Vermont for a short visit with relatives. During her absence Miss Hobbs is staying at the home of Mrs. Eva Holden.

Miss Priscilla Sweetser is quite ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sweetser, and is under the care of a physician.

From now on the services at Trinity chapel will be held at 3.15 in the afternoon. Sunday school opened last Sunday at four o'clock, to continue through the winter. Rev. Williston M. Ford preached an excellent sermon last Sunday on the prophet Micah.

The Sewing Guild will hold its first meeting of the season on Saturday, October 4. A good attendance is desired in order to make plans for the winter's work.

Percy Mackaye was a guest of his mother, Mrs. Steele Mackaye, over the week-end at her cottage on Center road.

Mrs. Hattie P. Holden returned on Saturday to her home on Horsepond road after spending two weeks at the village at the home of her son, Harrie P. Barnard. Her son, Robert H. J. Holden, of Harvard university, spent Saturday and Sunday with her.

Rev. William Ware Locke will preach at the Baptist church on Sunday morning at 11.15.

LITTLETON.

News Items.

The Lovejoy boys, from Hartford, Conn., visited their grandmother early in the week.

Mrs. George H. Warren, of South Acton, was the guest of relatives at the West End and the Common on Tuesday.

Supt. F. H. Hill attended the State Supervisors' meeting in Worcester on Friday.

The annual meeting of the Backlog club will be held in the Unitarian vestry on Monday evening, October 6, at eight o'clock. This will be an important meeting, as the officers for the coming year will be elected and other business will be presented for consideration.

The King's Daughters will meet on next Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. William H. Davis.

D. Chauncey Brewer, of Boston, delivered an address of unusual merit and interest in the Congregational church last Sunday morning and held the attention of his sympathetic audience throughout his discourse on "Immigration," a subject that increasingly demands the thought of legislators, social and religious workers, and American citizens in general.

The prayer meeting of the Congregational society last week Friday was held at Charles A. Kimball's residence and there were twenty-two present. The meeting this week was at N. B. Conant's.

Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence left her home on Tuesday for Beach Bluff, Swampscott to be the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Fitz, for several weeks.

Clarence Green returned from Europe last week.

Miss Mabelle Pickard, of Boston, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. L. A. Pickard, of Foster street.

Carl, son of Steadman Stuart, has had a severe attack of indigestion, caused by over eating of grapes, and was obliged to remain at home from school several days last week.

Mrs. Mary Knowlton Harris, of Leominster, was a Sunday guest of her sister, Mrs. Ellen Johnson. Mrs. Johnson improves, but is still confined to her room.

Miss Emma Byam, of Boston, is at her home on Foster street, caring for her invalid mother.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, of Newton, an eight-pound son on September 28.

The names added to the voting list at the last registration meeting were those of Rev. H. L. Caulkins and Arthur Bradlee. The next registration meeting will be held on Monday, October 6, and the last before election will be on Saturday, October 25.

The high school juniors wish to remind their friends of the reception and dance to be given for senior graduation benefit in town hall on Friday evening, October 10.

Mrs. Sadie Pierce, of England, has arrived at Thomas Marshall's and will make her home here for the winter and winter period. Mrs. Pierce is very pleasantly remembered by many Littleton people who had the honor of her acquaintance when she lived in town several years ago.

Miss Bertha Stratton, of Brookline, was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Stineford.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Holbrook, who have occupied the North school tenement, are moving into the house with their daughter, Mrs. Henry F. Works.

Henry Works, Jr., has entered Worcester academy and is pursuing one of the regular courses that qualify for higher education.

Miss Florence Whitcomb, of Jackson college, spent Sunday with her home people.

N. H. Whitcomb has begun the foundation work in his house, introductory to extensive improvements in the comfort and appearance of the place.

Mr. and Mrs. Shriver. The meetings will be held the third Wednesday afternoon of each month at three o'clock.

An unusual sight that has attracted some attention and more comment is the shingling of B. F. Jeffrey's barn which has been done by Mr. Jeffrey himself, now well along in his ninety-second year, assisted only by his brother George, eighty years of age. We believe that this is a record seldom surpassed, if equalled. The older of the two brothers does the housework and cares for the place generally. He is strong and vigorous and walks two or three miles at a time without experiencing fatigue. The only townsman who can boast of greater age is Orman Ewings, now in his ninety-seventh year, and is in very comfortable health.

Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook, of Waltham, have been guests of their sister, Mrs. Henry Works, this week.

Death.

The many Littleton relatives of Dr. Reginald Heber Fitz, of Boston, were pained to learn of his death at Corey Hill hospital on Tuesday night, which resulted from an operation for the removal of a gastric ulcer. Dr. Fitz was the son of Albert and Eliza Roberts (Nye), and through his mother related to the Nye families of this town. He had gained world-wide distinction through his discovery of appendicitis. Dr. Fitz graduated from Harvard college in 1864, and from the medical school four years later. He served as house physician at Boston City hospital, studied with eminent physicians abroad, and after his return to America became associated with the Massachusetts General hospital. He was afterwards instructor, assistant professor and then professor at Harvard.

His most celebrated contribution to medical literature is entitled "Perforating inflammation of the vermiform appendix, with special reference to diagnosis and treatment." This discovery is a lasting monument to the discoverer.

Dr. Fitz gave to the world other literature on medical subjects of inestimable value. In return he received all the honors it was possible for the medical profession to bestow, having received the degree of LL.D. from Harvard, and served as president of the Association of American Physicians, and of the Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Fitz was prominent in social as well as scientific circles. He is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter.

Wedding. The home of Mrs. J. W. Ireland, of Harwood avenue, in his brilliant decorations of fall asters and autumn leaves, effectively arranged, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday evening, October 1. Miss Rachel Ireland, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ireland, became the bride of Guy Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Green. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Littlefield, of West Acton, with little Barbara Hibbard, niece of the bride, acting as ring bearer. Miss Etta Green, of Ayer, aunt of the groom, played the wedding march to the inspiring strains of which the bridal party entered the parlor at seven o'clock and stood before the officiating clergyman, Rev. G. J. Fairfield, who performed the ring service. The bride was becomingly gowned in white messaline with pearl trimmings.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Green received the congratulations of their friends, and later took their departure for a brief trip. Only

313 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of ANN WHITNEY late of Harvard in said County, deceased: Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MARY E. TAY of Brookline in the County of Norfolk without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Worcester, in said County of Worcester, on the fourteenth day of October, 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 the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Herald, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

313 JOHN W. MAWBEX, Register.

BATTING AND FIELDING AVERAGES, TOWNSEND A. A., 1913.

Table with columns: Players, g, ab, r, bh, *1b, 2b, 3b, hr, Ave, sh, sbb, hpb, so, po, a, c, Ave. Rows include Keefe, Eastman, G. Swicker, Green, C. Morse, Parker, Knight, V. Swicker, H. Morse, Farrar, Lancy, Rusk, Team, Opponents.

PITCHERS' RECORDS Table with columns: G, Won, Lost, P. C., BB, HBP, SO, W. P. Rows include Knight, Farrar.

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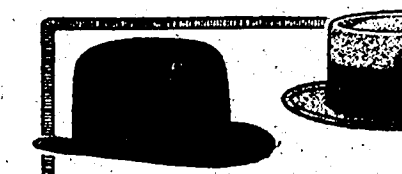
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New Advertisements.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of GRANVILLE FAIRBANKS late of Shirley in the County of Middlesex, deceased, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

JOSEPH A. LOVERING, Adm., Leominster, Mass., Sept. 26, 1913.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES S. WOODWARD late of Pepperell in said County, deceased: Whereas, CHARLES F. WORCESTER and FRANCIS G. HAYES administrators of the estate of said deceased have presented to said Court their petitions for license to sell at public auction, or upon such terms as may be adjudged by the court, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of discharging their duties.

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

All persons interested are 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 Harvard Herald, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

313 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of ANN WHITNEY late of Harvard in said County, deceased: Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MARY E. TAY of Brookline in the County of Norfolk without giving a surety on her bond.

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Registration of Voters

The Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall Building, for the purpose of registering voters and correcting the list of voters.

Thursday, September 18, 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.

Saturday, October 11, 7.30 to 9.30 p. m.

Saturday, October 25, 12 m. to 10 p. m.

Registration will close at 10 p. m., Saturday, October 25, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registration, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the collector of taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1912.

Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization.

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Saturday, October 4, 1913.

GROTON.

News Items.

On last Saturday, Mrs. Rork, of Indian Hill farm, entertained a party of five who came by auto from Mansonsville, N. H. The day was perfect and they greatly enjoyed the fine scenery of Groton and vicinity.

Mrs. I. S. Whittemore and daughter, who have been living in Waltham, arrived in town Monday and will spend a few months at Sunnyside farm, known as the Hawkes place, which Mr. Whittemore purchased last spring.

Edward A. Wood and Miss C. E. Wood, accompanied by William H. Wood, of Springfield, enjoyed a trip to Greenville, N. H., last week Friday in J. E. Adams' auto, with Harry Patterson as chauffeur.

Nathan Thayer Lownes, son of Mrs. Ida Thayer Lownes, of Philadelphia, an old-time Groton girl, was here with his wife last week visiting Miss Georgianna Boutwell.

Horace W. Buckingham and family are moving from their present abode to Mrs. Patrick Sullivan's house on North Main street, which has just been vacated by Wellington Keirstead.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Shattuck spent the week with his brother, Grant W. Shattuck and wife, returning to Boston Sunday afternoon.

Invitations to the marriage of Lawrence Bureleigh Smith and Miss Grace Adams of Shirley on October 15 are out, but are limited to the relatives and intimate friends of the young couple.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Manning are packing up their household goods, preparing to leave for Andover for their future home. They have already sent several loads of goods and expect to get entirely out this week.

Principal F. M. Smith expects to get his household goods to town from Chester by next week and will occupy with his family the Mrs. Milo H. Shattuck house on Pleasant street.

The Groton Boy Scouts realized ten dollars from their lunch stand, when they sold coffee, etc., at the Groton fair on last week Thursday.

There are about forty students at Lawrence academy.

The football game between Groton School and Boston Latin on last Saturday resulted in a 0 to 0 tie. This Saturday afternoon Groton School plays English high.

While cranking his automobile on last Sunday Dr. Gobie broke or cracked the bones of his hand.

The remains of Mrs. Harriet (Champer) Parsons were taken last Saturday morning for interment at Northampton, which was her home and where her husband was buried.

There were fifteen members of E. S. Clark W. R. C. went from Groton to attend the quarterly meeting of Middlesex County association G. A. R. and W. R. C. held at Ayer on Tuesday. One other member, Mrs. Ealcom of Harvard joined them at Ayer, making sixteen of the Groton W. R. C. All report a grand time. Over two hundred sat down to dinner. The singing of "Marching thro' Georgia" and "We are the boys in the same old boys" by a number of the veterans, was thrilling, as was also the songs by the quartet and the old church rang when the whole company joined in the patriotic songs. Those who didn't attend missed an enjoyable and inspiring occasion.

The Groton Boy Scouts will meet this Friday evening in the lower town hall at 7.30 o'clock.

Harvey Woods, son of Allen E. Woods, has commenced his second year studies at Lowell textile.

S. Bassett Dickerman and family moved to Ayer on Tuesday. They will be greatly missed, especially by the neighborhood of which Mrs. Dickerman has been a popular and active member and Mr. Dickerman, an honorary member, with their children helping in recitations and singing. The Neighborhood club, in order to give expression to the deep regret felt, held a farewell meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. T. G. Smith. The members and their families numbered thirty-six present to enjoy the sociability of the occasion. Games were played, instrumental and vocal selections enjoyed and refreshments were served, then good nights and lingering goodbyes were said a little after ten o'clock.

The Lawrence academy football schedule is as follows: October 1, Clinton high; 4, Fitchburg high; 8, St. Marks at Southboro; 11, Lowell textile; 13, Lowell high at Lowell; 22, Groton school; 29, Allen school; November 5, Lowell textile at Lowell; 15, Worcester polytechnical.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Buckingham entertained an automobile party from Swampscott over last Sunday.

So many people in town are or have been suffering from influenza that is a combination of colds, cough, bowel trouble, accompanied by nausea and severe pains, that it amounts to an epidemic. Though not of long duration it is painful and prostrating and in many cases needs a doctor's care.

Dr. and Mrs. Albert M. Shattuck are to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shattuck this week-end.

Miss Emma F. Blood, librarian of the public library, is leaving with her mother on their annual October vacation.

the officers of the club. The meeting will be under the direction of the committee on hospitality and music.

The Alliance food sale of Wednesday afternoon was a success. Everything was sold out early.

Mrs. Thomas Monahan, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Groton hospital, has returned to her home in Graniteville.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will meet at their rooms for sewing on Thursday afternoon of next week. In the evening at 6.30 a supper will be served and at eight o'clock there will be an entertainment by the young ladies of the Sunday school, assisted by Miss Irene Tyrrell. This is the first of the season's church socials.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard arrived home last Saturday. Mr. Southard and Mr. Hendrickson came Thursday of this week.

Lawrence academy won over Clinton high Wednesday afternoon by a score of 7 to 6.

Married by Rev. G. M. Howe at the Congregational parsonage, Thursday, October 2, at two p. m., Miss Anna G. Patterson and Guy H. Willoughby of Manchester, N. H., formerly of Pepperell. The bride wore a blue traveling suit and white hat. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Willoughby went by automobile to Ayer and thence by train to Manchester. Mrs. Willoughby is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Patterson of this town and Mr. Willoughby is the relative of Mrs. P. J. Benedict of Groton.

Recent visitors entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dilbert are as follows: Mrs. E. R. Dilbert of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. O'Connor and little son, Miss Florence O'Connor and Peter Kelly, all of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Marie Cassidy of West Hoboken, N. J.; Miss Katherine Flynn of Bronx, N. Y.; Master Albert Doyle of Cambridge, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dilbert of Mills, Ralph Hall of Winchester, Mrs. Susan Monahan of Groton, Mrs. Katharine Moughlin of Hyde Park, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Monahan and daughter Catherine of Graniteville and Daniel Coughlin of Newport, R. I.

Mrs. Ella P. Woolley went Thursday to Nashua, N. H., to accompany her daughter, Mrs. Cook and her little daughter Janice to Fremont, N. H., for consultation on the health of Janice, who is not in good health.

The recent sudden death of Mrs. Lizzie (Taylor) Sanders, wife of Dr. C. B. Sanders, of Lowell, is very much lamented. She died from appendicitis, falling to rally from the operation. Her age was nearly sixty years. She was one of eight children of Moses and the late Mary Elizabeth Taylor, of Acton. Four brothers and one sister survive, with the aged father now in his ninety-second year. Besides her husband she leaves three children, two sons and a daughter. In her youth she was educated at Colby academy in New London, N. H., and Lawrence academy.

We have been able to get only two premiums awarded to members of the Groton Sewing school by Mrs. John Lawrence. Mrs. Lawrence was unable to attend the fair. Mrs. A. G. Kilbourn and Mrs. Edward Grey were the judges, but are unable to give the names of winners. In the class over twelve years of age, Lillian Knapp won first prize on an embroidered shirt waist. In the class under twelve, Miriam Knapp won first prize on correct cover. If others winning prizes give their names they will be printed next week.

Mrs. Sampson is going to move from her present residence near Shumway field to Dr. Priest's house when that is vacated by P. J. Benedict and family.

Mrs. Catherine Coughlin has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dilbert, after her visits at Hyde Park and Newport, R. I.

The contract taken by Murphy & Lawrence of this town for extending the lines of the Groton Water Co. through different streets, was practically finished on Wednesday and a number of the employees discharged.

A tailor is going to open business in one of the rooms in Palmer's block.

Thirty-one members of Groton grange, neighbored with Littleton grange on Wednesday evening. Groton grange furnished the entertainment. They appreciated the royal hospitality extended by their Littleton friends.

Annual Outing.

The Brown Loaf club's annual outing to Mt. Wachusett was carried out Wednesday with much enjoyment. A little more clear sunshine would have been welcome and yet, when they stood on the mountain top, the warm mist tinged in different shades by the sunlight struggling through, made a scene of great beauty, as it hung over the wide stretch of hill and valley with their trees covered with green or gray colored autumn foliage. The happy company ate their lunch on the piazza of the Tip-top house, meanwhile being regaled by an interesting sketch of the story of "The mysterious disappearance of Lucy Keyes"—an historical and tragic occurrence in the early years of Princeton. The story was made more vivid and realistic by a conversation with one of that neighborhood, who told of the story as related by his own ancestors and showed the site of the Keyes home. When the company reached Fitchburg they enjoyed visits to the stores of that city and when later they reached Groton all felt refreshed by the invigorating air of old Wachusett and the social outing, bringing too bright trophies of the trip.

Premiums Awarded.

The following is a list of the premiums awarded at Groton fair last week:

- Class 1, plowing—Harry Clapp 1st; F. B. Priest, Littleton; 2d; H. P. Bartheaux, Littleton, 3d.
Class 2, drawing—H. P. Bartheaux, Littleton, 1st; F. B. Priest, Littleton, 2d; E. H. Single, Littleton, 3d.
Class 3, horses—Best horse driven by lady, horse entered by Mr. O'Brien 1st; Best pair carriage horses, Henry Johnson 1st; Best carriage horse, Henry Johnson 1st; Mr. O'Brien 2d; Best three-year-old colt, Homer Garde, Mr. Miller 1st; Henry Johnson 2d; Best two-year-old colt, Henry Johnson 1st; Best one-year-old colt, Maude E. Trayne 1st; Best pony rig, Maude E. Trayne 1st.
Class 4, poultry—Trio White Leghorns, John Farrar, Shirley, 1st; Trio Buff Orpingtons, John Farrar, Shirley, 1st; Trio White Orpingtons, John Farrar, Shirley, 1st; Trio White Wyandotters, L. M. Upton 1st; R. I. Reds, Wyan Clats, L. M. Upton 2d; Trio Plymouth Rocks, Taylor & Son 1st; Pair Pekin ducks, John Farrar 1st; Pair Runner ducks, John Farrar 1st. Pair Geese, (Emden), John Farrar (old), 1st; John Farrar (young) 2d; Pair Brown China geese, Taylor & Son 1st; Trio Buff Leghorns, fowls, H. Irwin Pillsbury 1st; chicks, H. Irwin Pillsbury 1st.
Class 8, grain—Best trace of field corn, George S. Knapp 1st; Frank H. Woods 2d.
Class 9, vegetables—Best and largest variety, Taylor & Son 1st; Best peck Early Rose, N. Anderson 1st; H. Berry 2d; Best peck Green Mountains, W. F. Wharton 1st; Taylor & Son 2d; Best peck Delaware potatoes, Taylor & Son 1st; Best 12 barrels, N. Anderson 1st; Best 3 squashes, C. H. Berry 1st; Taylor & Son 2d; Best show of squash, H. Berry 1st; Best 3 cabbages, Frank Lewis 1st; Taylor & Son 2d; Best show of cabbage, Taylor & Son 1st; Best half bushel onions, John Lawrence 1st; Best half bushel turnips, John Farrar; Best plate of tomatoes, Taylor & Son 1st and 2d; Best show of melons, John Lawrence 1st; Frank H. Woods 2d; Best 12 barrels, Taylor & Son 1st; Frank H. Woods 2d; Best 12 carrots, Taylor & Son 1st; Frank H. Woods 2d; Best bunches celery, John Lawrence 1st and 2d.
Class 13, children's school gardens—Best collection vegetables, Harry Davis 1st; Everett Durant 2d; Lawrence Lewis 3d.
Class 14, cut flowers—Best display of asters, H. Berry 1st; Mrs. E. Bixby 2d; Best display of potted plants, Alice Davis.
Class 12, household manufacturing—Best quilt, Mrs. J. Graves 1st; Mrs. N. Anderson 2d; Best sofa pillow, Mrs. Aiken 1st; A. Tuttle 2d; Best piece of needlework, Mrs. J. Graves 1st; Mrs. N. Anderson 2d; Best hand-made floor mat, Mrs. N. Anderson 1st; Mrs. J. Graves 2d; Best mat, Mrs. Arthur Tuttle 1st; Mrs. Clough 2d.
Class 11, bread, cake, pastry, etc.—Best loaf white bread, Mabel Tuttle 1st; Hattie Woods 2d; Best loaf graham bread, Mrs. G. Willard Smith 1st; Mrs. George L. Smith 2d; Best loaf O'Connell, Mrs. J. Graves 1st; Mrs. Willard Smith 2d; Best half dozen rolls, Mrs. George L. Smith; Best half dozen buns, Mrs. J. Graves; Best half dozen muffins, Mrs. J. Graves; Best half dozen cakes, Mrs. J. Graves; Best half dozen doughnuts, Mrs. J. Graves; Best half dozen pies, Mrs. Willard Smith 1st; Mrs. G. L. Smith 2d; Best squash pie, Mrs. G. L. Smith 1st; Mrs. N. Anderson 2d; Best pie, Mrs. G. L. Smith 1st; Mrs. N. Anderson 2d; Best two pounds dairy butter, Mrs. C. E. Rork 1st.
Fruit—1st premium, \$1.00; 2d, 50c. on all. Judge Harry F. Whitney of Harvard, Hubbardston, C. H. Berry 1st; W. F. Wharton 2d; J. S. Knapp 3d; H. Woods 1st; Frank D. Lewis 2d; Macintosh Reds, Geo. S. Knapp 1st; Clarence Tuttle 2d; R. I. Greenings, Geo. S. Knapp 1st; John Clark 2d; J. S. Knapp 3d; Geo. S. Knapp 1st; F. D. Lewis 2d; Porter, C. H. Berry 1st; Geo. S. Knapp 2nd; Thomas Aiken 2d; Williams, Geo. S. Knapp 1st; Wealthy, Geo. S. Knapp 1st; Clarence Tuttle 2d; Ben Davis, C. H. Berry 1st; W. F. Wharton 2d; J. S. Knapp 3d; J. S. Knapp 1st; F. D. Lewis 2d; Baldwin, F. D. Lewis 1st; G. S. Knapp 2d; Kings, F. S. Knapp 1st; H. H. Gay 2d; Northern Spy, W. F. Wharton 1st; John Clark 2d; Fall Pippin, H. H. Gay 1st; C. H. Berry 2d; Newton Pippin, W. R. Taylor 2d; Golden Russet, H. H. Gay 1st; Sam L. Taylor 2d; Bell Flower, G. Knapp 1st; Taylor & Son, 2d; Unknown variety, C. H. Berry 2d; Holland Pippin, W. F. Wharton 2d; Tolman Sweet, G. S. Knapp 1st; W. R. Taylor 2d; Astrachans, James Frazer 2d; Blue Pearmain, W. F. Wharton 1st; Frank H. Woods 2d; Tomatoes, W. F. Wharton 1st; Wagner, G. S. Knapp 1st; Sutton Beauty, G. S. Knapp 1st; Holland Pippin, C. H. Berry 2d; Palmer Greenings, G. S. Knapp 1st.
Where there was no competition the money award was that of second prize.
Sweets, Frank H. Woods; Stumps, F. H. Woods; Howard Pippin, C. H. Berry; Scrapper, C. H. Berry; Garden Royalty, C. H. Berry; H. H. Gay; Banana, Clarence Tuttle; Stark, Frank Lewis; Wolf, H. H. Gay; River, C. H. Berry; Rork, Beauty, Thut Aiken; Spitzberg, W. F. Wharton; Spitzberg, Frank H. Waters; Penna-book, H. H. Gay; Taylor & Son; Best display of grapes, Taylor & Son; C. H. Berry; Bushel box Golden Pippin, C. H. Berry.
Peas, H. H. Gay; Geo. S. Knapp 1 var.; Mrs. W. Peabody, 2 var. Premiums were awarded but the list on peas is missing.

tionally all the automobile fees are used in this work and in resurfacing.

Both Senator Fisher and Captain Fletcher urged the necessity of building a state road from Tyngsboro to Westford, a hearing on a petition for this being expected from the commission during the fall.

Engineer Kendall was asked to summarize for the county. He gave the county population as about 700,000 with a property valuation of \$800,000,000. There are 2000 miles of road other than city streets in the fifty-four cities and towns, and of these forty miles compose so-called through routes, the 1600 miles remaining being relatively important.

Mr. Kendall pointed out that in nineteen years under highway commission control Middlesex county had 125 miles of state highway on the through route plan and that it was slow progress compared with the total to be done. It would be many years, at this rate, before the county would have its through route mileage of 400 miles completed.

The adjournment of the hearing followed after Chairman Sohler indicated something of the importance of the automobile fees to the highways.

He said that the automobiles are paying seventy-five percent of the cost of maintenance of state highways, the total expenditure for this being approximately \$800,000 a year. He said also that the automobiles pay as much toward the improvements of roads under the small towns act as does the state, both paying about \$150,000.

West Groton. Miss Mary Clark, of Boston, was a week-end guest of her niece, Mrs. C. E. Bixby.

Mrs. F. E. Harrington is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Mary Hammond, of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Rudolph and daughter, of Nova Scotia, are visiting Mr. Rudolph's sister, Mrs. W. V. Bixby. It is understood that they intend to remain in this country.

Mrs. Daniel Ludden and children are visiting out-of-town.

Miss Sadie Derby, of Fitchburg, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lane.

Mrs. William Williamson, of Walpole, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. A. L. Harrington. She is accompanied by her little nephew, Alvin W. Wether, whose home has been with her since the death of his mother last April.

We learn that Mrs. A. P. Blood is much better and is once more able to receive calls from her old friends.

Mrs. A. F. Bates, who has been so very ill for many months, was able to ride to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jarvis, of North Shirley. Mrs. Bates is receiving congratulations from her many friends, who will be very glad to welcome her among them once more.

Asel Bates is in his physician's care this week, ill with the severe form of indigestion which seems to have recurred almost an epidemic stage. R. W. Harrington has also suffered from the same trouble, but is now able to work.

Little Ruth Blood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blood, who was critically ill last week, is much better.

Mrs. Isabel Wiggin was taken ill in school on Wednesday and was unable to teach on the following day.

Little Edward Hallett is quite ill with a relapse of tonsillitis.

The latest little one to arrive in the village recently entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray.

Despite the lowering skies on Wednesday evening, a large number attended the Ladies' Aid social and supper. The tables were tastefully decorated with autumn leaves and with their tempting viands presented a most attractive appearance.

Mrs. J. T. Shepley is suffering from a severe sprain of a knee joint and is obliged to forgo for a time her accustomed walks and bicycle rides.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. A. L. Harrington on Thursday afternoon. All members have been recently welcomed. Mr. George G. Harrington and Mrs. Matthew Robinson.

A piazza and bathroom are being added to the cottage of J. T. Shepley on Mill street. The work is in charge of Frank Brown.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Mrs. Phillips, of Marlboro, has accepted the position of housekeeper for George E. Byram.

Miss Rosa Buckhelm spent the first of the week with friends in Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant spent a few days visiting Mrs. Conant's sister in Dorchester.

Mrs. James Lenox, of Jefferson, N. H., with son, Donald J., has arrived at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brockelman, for a visit of four weeks.

Rev. A. A. Bronson, former pastor of the Congregational church, was in town on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Amy Haley has returned from the west.

Center. At the meeting of Shirley grange on Tuesday evening, October 7, the program will be furnished by the village and Ayer members. An excellent program is expected.

John W. Evans returned home from Irwin, Pa., this week for a short stay with Mrs. Evans.

The First Parish Branch Alliance met on Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. J. Miller.

Herbert Holden is recovering slowly from the effects of his accident of several weeks ago, he being still unable to use his hands and arms, to any extent.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor. On Tuesday, September 30, at Harbor farm, a daughter, Mary Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Watson.

Mrs. E. Ordway, of North Rochester, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. George Brown.

The driven well at Willowbrook is completed. Its depth is twenty-eight feet and there is fourteen feet of water. From the well the water is forced into an elevated storage tank, and from there distributed through the buildings.

On Thursday afternoon, about 4.55, the "Flying squadron" will arrive at this village, when Mr. Bird, candidate of the progressive party for governor, will speak, with others, at the post-office.

Minnesota's iron ranges are producing more ore than all the other states combined, last year's figures being almost 62.5 percent of the total output of the country.



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We have just received a new lot of Sheets, 50c. value 39c. Other values for..... 59c., 65c., 75c., 89c., 95c. We have the small sizes for three-quarter beds 50c. and 65c.

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Saturday, October 4, 1913.

AYER.

News Items.

W. D. Down, an electrical engineer, of Nashua, assumed the position of manager of the electrical department of Robt. Murphy's Sons Co., on Monday. Mr. Down is an expert in all branches of the electrical business and comes here well recommended.

Dr. Arthur W. Carley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli W. Carley, returned on Thursday to St. Elizabeth hospital, Dayton, Ohio, where he is now assistant surgeon.

Charles E. Perrin, plumber, has the contract for doing the plumbing and heating work in the new house that Lester E. Whitcomb is having erected.

Mrs. Berkley T. Larrabee was called to New Ipswich, N. H., last week Friday on account of the serious illness of her father.

Mrs. F. W. Allen and two children, of South Dennis, were guests last week at the home of Mrs. E. W. Whitaker.

The tenement in the house of Mrs. Harry E. Woods on Church street has been rented by Frank Lyons and he has moved his family into it.

Mrs. Ellis Z. Nutting, who has spent the summer at her cottage at Sandy pond with her son, Wendell Nutting, has left for her home in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The remains of John H. Flynn, formerly a resident of Groton, who was drowned in Boston, was brought here for interment at St. Mary's cemetery last week Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick F. Lawrence and little daughter have been visiting at Manchester, N. H.

Ayer Council, K. of C., was well represented at the institution of a new council at Clinton last Sunday.

The next meeting of the board of registrars of voters will be held in the selectmen's room on Thursday evening, October 11, from 7.30 to 9.30 o'clock.

Right Worshipful Harry G. Pollard, of Lowell, district deputy grand master of the twelfth Masonic district, and suite, will make Caleb Butler lodge an official visitation at a special communication to be held on Monday evening, October 20. Work—F. C. degree. There is to be a banquet.

A regular communication of Caleb Butler lodge will be held on Monday evening, October 13. Upon this occasion jewels will be presented to past masters.

S. Bassett Dickerman and family, who have been living at Sunnyside farm in Groton for the past two years, moved on Tuesday to Ayer and will live in the Balch place on East Main street. He will still carry on his milk route in town.

Tony Hanson, employed at the store of George S. Poullis & Co., cut his hand quite badly while attempting to lower the transom over the front door of the store on Thursday morning, his hand going through the glass. Dr. Sullivan attended him.

The tiger lily, a thrilling drama in three parts will be the feature of the moving picture show this Saturday evening. Other pictures will also be shown of intense interest. The lecture last Saturday evening by William Weeks, of Boston, was very fine. On Wednesday evening of this week, in addition to the regular good show, Foley and Kelly, of Boston, juvenile entertainers, made a big hit.

Fred A. Smith, the local real estate agent, received a letter the first of the week from Albert L. Newton, of Worcester, who is connected with the Brownell manufacturing company, of Providence, R. I., in regard to the location of a new industry in the Chandler Planer building. In the communication Mr. Newton said that the directors of the company, which is looking for a location, would make a visit to Ayer, probably next week, and look over the premises. Mr. Smith has been working for the company in getting options on property which the proposed new industry will require in addition to the present building.

Bishop Joseph G. Anderson, of Boston, confirmed sixty-nine children at St. Mary's church on Monday afternoon at two o'clock, the class being composed of thirty-three boys and thirty-six girls. A large congregation, consisting of the relatives and friends of the children, witnessed the confirmation. Joseph P. Mullin acted as sponsor for the boys and Miss Mary W. McGuane for the girls. Following the ceremony was the benediction of the blessed sacrament by Rev. Fr. Lynch, of St. Mary's church. After this service the confirmation class, with Rev. James Barrett, had their photographs taken by John W. Dempsey, photographer.

At the last meeting of Middlesex lodge, I. O. F. M. U., five candidates were initiated. The work was done by the degree team from Loyal Nashobah lodge, Littleton. There was a good attendance. M. E. Somes, J. G. m., of Littleton, and suite were present in their official capacity. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Frank U. Wright and two children, who have been spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney A. Weaver, have left for their home in Hancock, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Sherwin have been spending a vacation at Charlestown, N. H., and Schenectady, N. Y.

The Jewish new year celebration began on Wednesday night at sunset and closed on Friday of this week at the same hour, a period of forty-eight hours. The local Hebrews are observing the event as usual.

Victor, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Cote, of Shirley street, is ill with diphtheria. The family are quarantined with the exception of the father, who for the time being is living apart from the rest of the family on account of the disease.

There will be the regular service at the Baptist church on Sunday morning at 10.45. Sunday school at twelve and praise meeting at seven in the evening.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas visited her daughter, Mrs. L. H. Merchant, in Cambridge this week, returning on Friday.

The Wachusett Association of Baptist churches will celebrate its seventy-first anniversary at Gardner on Tuesday, October 7. The exercises

will be held in the Baptist church. The association includes twenty-three churches, in which those of Ayer and surrounding towns forms a part.

Next week Tuesday afternoon is the day Mr. Lovett will reopen his dancing class. An advertisement in another column will explain all to the parents.

A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will be held Tuesday evening, October 21. Right Excellent Edward O. Burton of Clinton, district deputy grand high priest of the eleventh capitular district, and suite, will be received for the purpose of making an official visitation. After the completion of the work and inspection, the officers for the ensuing year will be installed by Right Excellent Edward O. Burton, assisted by the members of his suite. A supper will be served at the evening.

The Elf club met Monday night with Miss Margaret Hume. The regular line of work was followed. Greetings were sent to the absent member, Miss Pauline Sherwin, who has entered Wellesley college. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Mary Harlow, widow of the late George Harlow, of Shirley, has rented the tenement in the house of Miss Etta Green on Washington street and will occupy it soon.

The Y. P. R. U. will meet on Sunday evening in the vestry of the Unitarian church at six o'clock.

Dr. Flisk will give the sermon at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning at 10.45 on the subject of "Divine revelation, old and new." Sunday school at noon.

We have received a copy of the Pike's Peak Daily News in which the name of our townsman, Henry C. Wilson, appears as one of a party who on September 30, climbed to the top of that memorable mountain. We learn from other sources that Mr. Wilson seems to be engaged in "seeing America first," as he has been doing since he left the west coast of Behring Sea down to the Mexican border, taking in pretty thoroughly the state of California, where he lived several years when a young man, and where at San Francisco in 1863, he enlisted for service in the war of the rebellion.

Ransford Munroe, who has been employed as an electrician by Robt. Murphy's Sons Co., concluded his services for that concern on Thursday.

Mrs. Harvey Huntington and her two children left on Friday morning for a few days' visit with her brother in Manchester, N. H.

As we go to press we learn that our townsman, Arthur Fenner, who has been sick for the past few weeks, is falling rapidly.

Mrs. E. F. Chandler will open a new millinery parlor at her home on East Main street, at the entrance of the subway on Monday, October 6.

Fred P. Wilson returned on Thursday night after spending a week with John C. Duffy at the latter's camp at Fergo pond.

Charles A. Hodgman is off duty from Harlow & Parsons' market on account of hip trouble, which will probably confine him to the house for some time.

Rev. Faughan Dabney, who has supplied the pulpit of the Congregational church for the past few weeks has become the regular pastor, he having accepted the call from the church which was extended to him. Mr. Dabney is a native of Kentucky. He received the degree of A. B. from the Kentucky State university, and the degree of A. M. from the Bethany college, West Virginia. He also received the degree from Chicago university and is now doing post graduate work at Harvard university.

Mr. Dabney's residence in Ayer will be at the home of Ellis B. Harlow and office hours at the church will be on Saturdays from eight to nine in the morning and five to six in the evenings.

Letters remaining uncalled for at the Ayer postoffice for the week ending September 29: George P. Campbell, E. J. Lawrence, Joe Linehan, Melorie Mason.

Broken Into. Thieves broke into the clothing store of George H. Brown sometime during Monday night or early Tuesday morning and carried away a quantity of clothing, dress suit cases, shoes, some jewelry and \$9.41 in money which was in the draw. The robbers appeared to have overlooked some of the best suits and taken parts of the cheaper grades and parts of those of higher quality. The sizes of the clothes taken would tend to show that the robbers were of small stature. It is hard to place the exact time, but Mr. Brown says that it will be about \$200, so far as he can judge at the present time. Besides the actual loss of the goods taken, there will be a loss on the broken suits left as they cannot be sold only at a sacrifice because of their being incomplete.

The entrance was effected by prying open the shutters inside a rear window. A pane of glass was broken and the tool used in forcing the shutters was then used. The tool used has been a heavy one as the strong bar behind the shutters was badly bent by the pressure from without. John O'Connor, night officer, examined all the stores in the rear of the block at 4.30 in the morning and the break and found everything at that time all right. Chief Beatty got to work immediately on the case and notified the police departments in various parts of the state to be on the watch for the robbers. The stolen goods, his efforts so far, however, have been unrewarded, as no clue of any account has so far been obtained. The morning of the break, between six and seven o'clock, a party of three young fellows were seen boarding a freight train in the upper yard at Worcester, who had dress suit cases with them. It was thought that they might be implicated in the robbery, but that clue has been dropped. Chief Beatty states as a result of his investigation that there were probably at least three in the gang, and while one watched the officer and stood on guard, the others committed the robbery. He also thinks that these fellows are the same gang which have been operating during the past week in Gardner and North Chelmsford.

Largely Attended. The quarterly meeting of the Middlesex County Association Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps was held here on Tuesday. The Grand Army veterans met in G. A. R. hall at 10.30 in the morning and the W. R. C. at the Congregational church at ten o'clock. The morning was devoted to a business session, after which came the dinner at 12.30, which was served by the local W. R. C. in charge of past president, Mrs. Eileen G. Sawyer.

The afternoon meeting, which was open to the public, was held in the Congregational church at two o'clock. The program opened with an organ voluntary by Mrs. Helen Graydon, followed by the singing of Keller's

American hymn by the audience, led by the Congregational church quartet. Dr. E. Hopkins, Holden C. Harlow, Ellis B. Harlow and Edward H. Bliss. The other selections were two by the quartet, "The boys of the old brigade" and "Miss Casey's boarding house" readings by Miss Allison Winslow, of Shirley; singing by the veterans of "Marching through Georgia" and "We old boys," led by the county president of the G. A. R., A. A. Carleton, of Melrose. Addresses were made by Thomas Ames, department commander of Leominster; Alfred S. Roe, past department commander, of Worcester; Mrs. Annie C. Shattuck, past department president of the W. R. C., of Fitchburg; Edward O. Skilton, senior vice department commander of Boston; singing of "America" by the audience.

Mrs. Abbie J. Wells, president of the local W. R. C., had charge of the afternoon program. The business session of the forenoon was in charge of Mrs. Eliza Griffin, president of Middlesex County W. R. C. association. There was a large attendance at the meeting and the program arranged was much appreciated by all present.

Better Service Needed.

Persistent complaints have been made during the past few weeks in regard to the failure of the Ayer Electric Lighting Company to turn on the lights until long after dark. We have always supposed that the lights should be used from the time darkness begins until one o'clock in the morning, except when the moon was doing its share of the work. There is just grievance here, which is expected that the company will act favorably upon. It has been suggested that a committee be appointed before the expiration of the present contract next May to investigate the matter of getting a better lighting service. The town is certainly paying a good price for its lights and should be satisfied only with a full return for the money spent. The general opinion prevails that Ayer is not receiving such return, and until such a result is obtained the company can hardly blame the people who pay the bills for making a protest.

A. W. C.

The Woman's club opened very auspiciously Wednesday afternoon in the vestry of the Congregational church. There was a large attendance and very interesting program. Mrs. Clara C. Hildreth gave in her usual bright and interesting manner a paper on the Federation council held in Washington, D. C. Her "echoes" were very real despite her protest that they were faint. Mrs. Nina M. H. Beverly told the story of the social functions of the same character and the home of the Baltimore club, emphasizing especially Mrs. Emmons Crocker's address on the conservation of birds.

Mrs. Carrie L. Lynds gave a very touching tribute to deceased members of the church, which was well received by the charter members.

The report of the annual meeting of the State Federation was given by Mrs. Ida C. Perkins. The music was a club song and two vocal solos by Miss Mildred Sanders, Miss Edith Longley, accompanist.

A tea, through courtesy of the executive board, was in charge of Mrs. A. E. Pillsbury, Mrs. A. F. Butterfield, Mrs. Y. J. Cole, Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence, Mrs. G. N. Cole, Mrs. Ida L. Preble and Mrs. M. E. Sullivan and was served by Mrs. Sarah D. Barry and Mrs. Edith B. Hassam.

Alliance.

The Alliance of Unitarian women was entertained on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Kirtledge by Mrs. Joseph Graves. The members had anticipated going to the home of Mrs. Graves, but this change of place was made because of the heavy rain. Mrs. Graves' home is some distance out of the village. Some interesting routine business was transacted, a poetic appeal from Sherborn was answered, a letter from the national president was read, the name of new members were read, a delegate, Mrs. Susan M. Barker, was elected to the Buffalo conference. The program was in charge of Mrs. Graves, the hostess, who gave some fine selections on the "Viola and a very new member, Mrs. M. E. Sullivan. Graves served refreshments during a social hour. The meeting was well attended and of unusual interest and pleasure. Several guests from Groton were present.

Grange.

George H. Brown gave an instructive and interesting talk before the members of Ayer grange and their invited guests at the regular business session at the meeting on Thursday evening. The subject concerned a trip which the speaker took last spring, which included visits to Cuba, Porto Rico, Hayti and other West Indian islands and also the northern coast of South America and the Panama canal zone. The speaker described the beauties of the journey and its many interesting features. The canal zone, however, was of chief interest, as it now and has for years the most important and perhaps the greatest undertaking of the world has ever known, the building of the great Panama canal. Mr. Brown used a map and drawings of the immense locks that are now under construction in the place of his talk and quoted official figures of the amount of labor and money necessary to connect the two oceans. There are at present about 40,000 people employed regularly in the work of building the locks, which is expected to be open for commerce in 1915. The canal zone which was formerly infested with yellow fever and other tropical diseases has, since its control by the United States, been placed in such a sanitary condition that sickness is unknown. A short history of the proposed canal and the several efforts which have been made to build it previous to the United States taking up the work concluded the talk.

Civil Case.

The civil case of Robert Hughes, of Westford, against Henry O. Keyes, of the same town, was heard by Judge Atwood last Saturday morning. The action was the result of a conviction for robbery of tools in the work of the property of Hughes for the larceny of which Keyes was fined \$100 in the criminal session of court nearly a year ago. From this sentence, passed by Associate Justice C. F. Worcester, Keyes appealed and later withdrew the appeal and paid the above fine.

The case involved many fine points of law and their exposition by the counsel for the parties and the court consumed a good part of the forenoon session. In cases where the offences are wrong in themselves, such as this one, there are two courses which the aggrieved party can pursue. He may cause the arrest of the party at fault and bring him before the court on a criminal charge and later he may sue the same party for damages in a civil action. Both of these

actions were taken, as noted above, by the plaintiff, Hughes. After the conviction of the defendant Keyes in the criminal session of court, the plaintiff's counsel brought a suit for trespassing against him in which it was alleged that the defendant took and carried away certain tools of the plaintiff, heretofore mentioned in the complaint. The evidence at the hearing Saturday was necessarily very much similar to that heard at the prior criminal proceeding.

The defendant, represented by William H. Bent, contended first—by way of demand that plaintiff had no cause of action at all; second, that by virtue of the statute it became the duty of the officer in charge of the property to return the same to the owner; third, that if the property is returned the plaintiff was not damaged except nominally to the extent of one dollar. To these contentions the court ruled against the defendant. The plaintiff had a good cause of action, second, the duty of the officer to return the property, the same being kept in custody of the law for the purpose of being used as evidence. In open court the plaintiff Hughes, through his counsel, refused to accept the property and chose to rely on his action for damages instead of receiving the goods. To this the court said that it had no power to compel the plaintiff to receive the goods, as the plaintiff was entirely within his rights when he elected to pursue his civil case against defendant aside from the question of the restoration of the goods.

The court, under chapter 217, section 3, ordered the alleged stolen goods to be restored to Hughes, whose counsel refused to accept them on behalf of his client. The court ruled that the plaintiff's counsel was within his legal rights and was not obliged to receive the goods, but could rely on his suit for trespass. Counsel for the plaintiff also said that his client also asked for added expenses incident to the trial in the criminal court in addition to the damages resulting from the taking of the tools.

Among the items was for time for five days at five dollars per day; which the court ruled to be excessive and reduced it to four dollars per day, the time being fully accounted for by the plaintiff's attorney. This total of twenty dollars added to \$119.20, the original damage for the loss of tools, made a total of \$139.20, which was the maximum amount the court could allow for the plaintiff and judgment was ordered by the court in that amount.

No final decision was made by the defendant as to what further course he would take in the matter at this time. The case was finished. The contraband goods are still at the town farm at Westford under the zealous care of Constable John A. Sullivan, who intends to hold them until a final settlement is made by a proper judicial tribunal. Senator Edward Fisher, of Westford, appeared as counsel for the plaintiff and William H. Bent, of Lowell, for the defendant. These attorneys also appeared for the respective sides in the criminal action which was the source of the civil case last Saturday. This case was the first of its kind that was ever heard in this court.

Wedding.

William Patrick McCarthy, of Fitchburg, and Miss Katherine Frances Beatrice McGuane were married in St. Mary's church on Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock by Rev. James Barrett. The bride wore a blue suit and the bridegroom carried a bouquet of sweet peas. The bridesmaid was Miss Marguerite Irene McGuane, who was attired in a blue corduroy suit and blue picture hat with white plumes and carried a white pearl prayer book. The best man was William M. Coughlan, of Fitchburg. The gift of the groom to the bridesmaid was a pearl ring, and to the best man a silver cigar case. The gift of the bride to the bridesmaid was a pearl necklace and to the best man a pearl stickpin. Guests were present from Fitchburg, Lowell, Williamstown and Pittsfield. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy left on the 4.32 train for Boston and New York, and upon their return will live with the bride's father, Patrick H. McGuane, West Main street.

Congregational Church Notes.

Prayer meeting Friday evening led by the minister. Subject, "How we got our bible." All invited. Immediately after the service the Y. P. R. U. meet to plan their efficiency campaign. It is the intention to make the prayer meetings short and to the point. After the meeting those present will enjoy a social time.

Morning worship on Sunday at 10.45. Subject, "The growth of the soully school." Immediately after the service. The young people's class meets in the church auditorium and is taught by the minister. The aim of the class in its study is to apply the great truths of the bible to modern social conditions. The Y. P. R. U. meets at 5.45. Subject, "The ideal christian—his co-operation with others." Leader, Howard Stone. Evening worship at 6.30. Subject, "The best investment of a life." Special song service.

Methodist Notes.

At the Methodist church on Sunday morning the topic for Mr. Nevins' sermon will be "At ease in Zion." The mere announcement of this subject ought to cause every reader of this notice to pick up his ears and be there at eleven o'clock. Sunday school at ten o'clock.

At seven p. m. the discussion will be on the theme, "Watch ye." The Methodist church is glad to welcome young and old, rich and poor, capitalist and laborer to all our services. Prayer meeting at 7.15 p. m.

Everybody has been waiting for the announced date of the annual Methodist church supper, fair and entertainment. No one needs ask the question, why? Who can prepare a clam supper to a queen's taste as the Methodist people? How could anyone pass their fair by without being attracted? Where will an entertainment be found in the state that will surpass the approaching program of fun, humor and laughter that will be found in the town hall this night? Mr. Gile has a reputation for driving away the blues that even Boston on a rainy day is proud of. The person who fails to show up for this event alone will miss some real genuine amusement and pleasure. The date is October 3.

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell on Thursday afternoon, October 3, at one o'clock, forty milk cows, forward springs, and his cow calves at the Derby stock barn, Concord Junction. This is the first grand special auction sale of Benjamin Derby for the fall of 1913.

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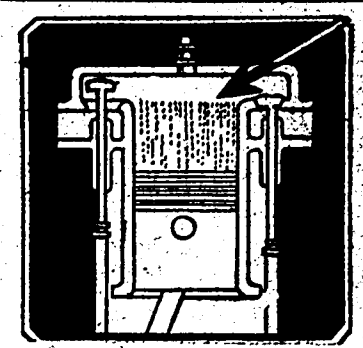
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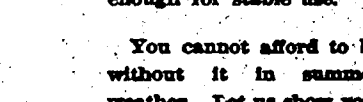
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex ss. Probate Court, To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES EDWARD WOOD late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to GEORGIANNA J. WRIGHT of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex on the thirtieth day of September 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 the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

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

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TOWNSEND.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Bray, of Fitchburg, were guests at George Wilder's this week. Mrs. Bray was formerly Miss Edna Wilder.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hildreth returned on Tuesday from their vacation trip to Washington, trip down the Hudson and other places of interest taken in on the return trip.

Henry J. Miller has been on the sick list this past week. It is hoped he will soon be able to be at his store once again.

Walter Bruce and Mrs. Orin Bruce have been on the sick list, but are now improving.

Sunday was rally day at the Congregational church and there were special exercises during the Sunday school hour. There were remarks by the pastor, superintendent and teachers and there was a large attendance. Several members of the primary and junior classes were advanced to upper classes.

Mrs. Benjamin Burgess enjoyed a few days' visit with relatives in Brookline, N. H., this week.

B. D. Burgess received the news of the death of his sister, Mrs. Sally Lawrence, on Tuesday morning at Burbank hospital, Fitchburg, where she had been recently operated upon. Mrs. Lawrence lived at West Townsend.

Thursday morning proved to be the first rainy day for many years for annual church roll call day at the Congregational church, but nevertheless quite a few were in attendance. The morning session was devoted to a business meeting, after which a bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of the church and was enjoyed by all. The afternoon was devoted to optional exercises, speaking and the calling of the roll. Several letters were read from members who were unable to be present.

West.

On Tuesday evening the Knights of the White Shield served a farewell supper in the Baptist vestry to their departing councillor, Rev. S. D. Ringrose, and his wife. Rev. S. D. Ringrose was present and after supper at which Miss Agnes Thompson assisted in the serving, a brief program was enjoyed, consisting of violin solos by Miss Agnes Thompson, piano accompaniment, readings by Mrs. Fred A. Patch and a very interesting address on "Some boys I have known" by Herman C. Knight, of the Center. The evening proved most enjoyable to all in attendance.

Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Ringrose and son Roger have been stopping for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Smith, while waiting the removal of their goods to Fitchburg.

Mrs. Elbridge Hapgood has returned from Nahant, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Jameson, of that place, who will spend a few days with her.

Miss Chase, who has been with Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan, has returned to her home in Waltham.

The L. B. S. held an all day session in the Baptist vestry on Wednesday with a good attendance, thirty partaking of the bountiful dinner which was served at noon. Arrangements are being completed for the annual entertainment and sale the first of November. The following committees will handle the matter in charge: Mrs. Albert H. Wilson, Mrs. Herman J. Stickney, Mrs. Fred A. Patch, social; Miss Agnes Thompson, mystery table; Mrs. Josephine Boynton, Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman and Mrs. Ellen Pratt, fancy work and aprons; Mrs. Charles Patch, candy table; Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch and Mrs. Mary Tucker, ice cream.

Mrs. James Bell and family and Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Ringrose visited Mr. and Mrs. James Bell, Jr., at their new home in Greenville, N. H., on Tuesday.

Mrs. Mervin Hodgman is spending a few days with friends and relatives in Greenville, N. H., this week.

Arthur A. Smith, from Waltham, a former resident here, spent the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Leroy Shapleigh and little daughter, from Somerville, were called to town on Saturday by the serious condition of Mrs. Shapleigh's grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Lawrence, who has been very ill for several months, and who was taken to the Burbank hospital for an operation Sunday afternoon. At last reports she had rallied from a dangerous condition, but was still in a dangerous condition. Mrs. Hutchinson, from Lunenburg, has been caring for her since Mrs. Farnsworth, of Brookline, left.

Mrs. Alexander Reed has been spending a few days in Boston and is now visiting her daughter in Lyndonville, Vt.

There was an unusually large attendance at the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting Sunday evening and the meeting was conducted by Mrs. Warren Elliott on the topic of "Missions."

At the meeting of the Brotherhood Sunday noon a goodly number was present and a very interesting meeting was held. A vote of thanks was given to the retiring pastor for his past work. G. A. Sawyer was appointed as teacher during the present term.

Eight from this society attended the meeting of the Nashua River Union Y. P. S. C. E. convention at Hollis, N. H., last Saturday.

Mrs. R. S. Ely has been spending a few days this week with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Rev. Henry Schwalb, from Rochelle, will occupy the Baptist pulpit on Sunday as a candidate.

Mrs. George M. Frye returned on Monday from the Burbank hospital, Fitchburg, and is convalescing from a serious operation.

Miss Boss, of Westminster, is a guest of Miss M. Elinor Tower.

Edgar Wilson and family are moving from the cottage beside the railroad track, owned by Charles B. Stickney into the tenement in the Webster house vacated by Mrs. Kate Hall, and Clarence Reynolds and family are to move from Mason, N. H., to the Stickney cottage.

The Ladies' Study club will meet on Monday evening at the reading-room for the first meeting of the season. Mrs. Emily J. Lees will have charge of the program and the topic will be "The early history of Japan."

Mrs. Fred A. Patch is assisting in the postoffice for a few days this week.

Albert Adams and friend, from Providence, R. I., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Adams for the past week, have returned to their homes, leaving by auto last Sunday evening.

James Bell, of Sudbury, spent the week-end with his family at his home in town.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt has returned from

a visit to the home of her son in Leominster.

Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin and her little daughter Dorothy are visiting at Mrs. Sherwin's home in Quincy.

Mrs. Carroll, of Boston, has been spending a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hattie Blood.

Miss Lawrence, from Albany, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Duncean Rusik.

Mrs. Miller, from Portland, Me., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan.

Farwell Sermon.

Rev. S. D. Ringrose preached his farwell sermon at the Baptist church Sunday morning, taking for his text, "Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace and the God of love and peace shall be with you."

He spoke of the pleasurable service he had had in this community, of his regard to the people and their kindness and good fellowship, and his desire for further and enlarged usefulness in a wider field of action, and left the words of the text as a parting message to be remembered.

After the evening, after a brief evangelistic message, he performed the ceremony of baptism for three candidates, Mrs. Alfred Wait, Mrs. James Bell and Warren Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Ringrose have had a very successful sojourn in this village and have won the hearts of the whole community, being very popular in both the church and outside community. Mr. Ringrose has proved a faithful worker along all lines of Christian activity and has added many to the church as well as organized several societies which have proved beneficial to the social and financial side of the work as well as the spiritual. He and his wife have won a great deal of respect and their removal from this field, while congenial to them upon their opportunities for extended usefulness in a larger community, and wishing them all success and happiness in their new home.

Farwell Reception.

On last Saturday evening a farwell reception to Rev. S. D. Ringrose was held in the Baptist vestry with an attendance of about sixty. The vestry was prettily arranged and decorated with bunting and asters, and light refreshments of cake and coffee was served. The affair was under the charge of Perry W. Sawtelle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch and the social committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. Hodgman, which was heartily enjoyed, an informal reception took place, the receiving line consisting of Rev. and Mrs. Ringrose, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle with Mrs. Fred G. Smith, Miss Alice Sawyer and Miss Gladys Rawson acting as ushers.

A very pleasing duet was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman, after which refreshments were served and speeches were called for, Arthur Smith, of Waltham, a former resident here, acting as toastmaster. After a few remarks by different ones, regretting the leaving of Mr. and Mrs. Ringrose, Mr. Smith presented Mr. Ringrose with a purse of fifty dollars as a token of affection and appreciation from his friends of the church and community, and Mrs. Ringrose was presented with a very elaborate and artistic cake with an arrangement of the icing making a play upon the name Ringrose in the shape of the letter "R" in a ring and a crimson rose. After appropriate remarks of thanks from the pastor the assembly closed with the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds."

LITTLETON.

News Items.

Mrs. Walter H. Kimball went to the Concord hospital for treatment on Monday.

Harry Hume's daughter Helen was taken to the Clinton hospital on Monday, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Accident.

As Supt. Stiles of the electric lighting company of Fitchburg, and Mrs. Stiles were riding past John H. Kimball's residence on King street last Sunday morning, Mr. Kimball's little daughter Sarah ran across the street and was hit by the car, receiving a severe scalp wound. Mr. Stiles saw the child and in attempting to avoid hitting her, turned so far that he barely escaped running into the wall by the roadside. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stiles showed the Kimball family every courtesy possible, driving to the Common for Dr. Christie and giving Sarah every attention until the wound was cared for and she was resting comfortably. Although the effects of her accident are still plainly visible on forehead and the back of her head where several stitches were taken, she has attended school without interruption.

Rice and Beef.

Some months ago I was quite sharply criticized for presuming to believe, there was a fruit trust that would destroy fruit if necessary to keep up the price. Now comes a like situation with regard to rice. It seems there has been something of a boom in the rice producing business in Texas, the territory planted having increased by some 24,000 acres. This resulted in an unusually large supply and as rice is not so staple a food in this country as in Japan, was likely to over stock the market and bring down the price. So the Southern Rice Growers' association proposes that every rice grower in the United States set aside one-fifth of his crop to be entrusted to the association to be marketed outside the country to the best advantage.

The Grocery World and General Merchant has this to say: "The balance of the crop will bring more money than the whole crop would have brought at home. It could destroy a million and a quarter sacks, getting nothing for it, the balance would bring more than the whole would have brought, but by this plan we get something for the million and we get sacks and get it out of the way."

In short, if it could get rid of the surplus in no other way the association would destroy it to keep up the price, but in this case it don't happen to be necessary. Thus would these people protect the sovereign American workingman from the pauper labor of the old world. Comment seems unnecessary. Just think it over.

Now as to beef. We have been seeing of late in Associated Press dispatches and editorials, by the beef men that the best cuts of steak will bring fifty or more cents per pound before the winter is over. No doubt these gentlemen know what they are talking about as they have the market for the best cuts of steak, hands, but the most astonishing proposition yet was reported as introduced a day or two since at a gather-

ing of the American Packers' association in Chicago.

It was proposed by a member that the association advocate that the government engage in the beef business, stocking cattle ranges, presumably on public lands, using cavalrymen as cowboys, and sell the beef to the packers at cost with governmental restrictions as to profits that they be kept at a reasonable figure. This is the nerviest proposition I have read since I wore short dresses. When we consider the experiences in the line of governmental regulation of the beef trust the monumental gall of the proposition stands forth as conspicuous as a moral plank in a Tammany platform.

If we were not used to nervy propositions by the apostles of frenzied finance the conclusion would be inevitable that the proposition was either drunk or crazy, or both. The majority of the bunch saw they could not go along with it and voted down the proposition as too formalistic.

They evidently realized that several millions of people represented at the last presidential election by nearly a million votes who would object, not so much to the raising of beef by the government, as to the turning over the proceeds to the beef trust. Two or three million people don't amount to much in a big country like this, but they could make a lot of noise if they all yelled at once as they surely would if such a proposition should come before congress. Whatever their faults the beef barons love quiet.

Another joke animated from the packers' convention was the proposal to educate the people against the eating of veal. Arthur Meeker, vice president of Armour & Co., stated that ten million calves were slaughtered last year averaging sixty pounds of dressed meat, whereas if they had been allowed to grow two years they would have netted twice as much. A two-year-old steer tipping the scales at 120 pounds is a proposition that ought to strike a farmer or stockraiser on the funny bone. If the gentlemen of the beef trust want real bad to stop the consumption of veal there is a simple way—just send out notice to stockmen that they will handle no more calves and the thing is done. Of course, the lovers of this "pale apology for meat" might not like it, but these gentlemen are not wont to worry about what the people like and it wouldn't bother them. However, cheap beef is the last thing the packers want and the principle the rice men are trying to apply will probably continue to be applied to the beef trust and the people will continue to pay the bills. V. T. E.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lindsay, of Sherbrooke, Canada, are visiting their niece, Mrs. John Magovern, and family. They hope to locate in this vicinity.

A baby boy was cordially welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Ellis on Saturday, September 27. The little man weighed eight and one-half pounds. Mother and son are doing well.

Mrs. J. E. Longley has returned from visiting friends in South Athol. Copies of the town by-laws were sent out to each voter in town on last Wednesday.

Josiah Miller, of Akron, Ohio, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. William H. Dodd, returned to his home on last Thursday.

Work on the state road is likely to continue for some time. Contractor R. F. Hudson received word last week from the state road commissioners to keep right on with the work and continue building state road from where he is at present to the Shirley line, about one mile.

Mrs. M. J. Morrill, of Athol, is visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Longley.

Owing to the ravages of the various insect pests, the expense of spraying large orchards, the comparatively low price offered by the dealers and the very small profit realized by the fruit growers—all these causes combined—are working a great change in the apple orchards of Lunenburg. Many of them are being severely thinned out and the trees so cut are being converted into firewood. One man had eighteen cords sawed which he will use for heating purposes. Others are cutting down their trees in almost reckless abandon. Apple trees make most excellent firewood, but how about the apples of the future. It seems as though this was a subject for grave consideration.

Rally day at the Congregational church last Sunday was well attended by both children and adults, and all felt much interested in the fine program presented. The exercises by the children's classes were very interesting and showed care and study in the preparation of them. The music, too, was much enjoyed, with Mrs. W. H. Adams at the piano, and her son Harold with his cornet, a fine accompaniment was given to the singing. The address was given by Miss Eliza C. Monroe, of Fitchburg, and county superintendent of Junior C. E. work, who demonstrated her ability to win and to hold the attention of even the youngest of her auditors. The matter of forming a Junior society every thing of the kind was discussed and a meeting appointed for Friday afternoon, October 3.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Cows in Belgium wear earrings. The law requires that when a cow has attained the age of three months it shall have in its ear a ring to which is attached a numbered metal tag for taxation purposes.

Wales is building at Newport one of the world's largest locks, which will be 100 feet long by 100 wide and with a maximum water depth of forty-five feet.

There are 5187 steam laundries in the United States, employing 109,484 persons.

A muskmelon raised in Carlisle measured thirty-two inches in circumference and weighed eleven pounds.

On a farm in North Tewksbury corn was grown this season which averaged sixteen and eighteen feet in height.

The new wireless station to be built at Honolulu will have a range of 6000 miles and will form a link in a complete chain of communication around the world.

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PEPPERELL.

Current Events. Rev. P. R. Stratton has been suffering with something which resembled a carbuncle on his right hand.

Edward Davis has accepted a position with Harry Newell, of Lawrence, in the Champion International card shop.

William Dewar returned home from Valleyfield, near Montreal, Canada, on Wednesday. He expects to move there with his family soon.

Joseph Lawrence is visiting his cousins on Park street.

John Lund, of Mill street, has been granted an increased pension on account of blindness.

Mrs. E. E. Handley attended the wedding of her niece, Rachel Ireland, of Littleton, and Guy Green, of the same town, on Wednesday.

Mrs. I. C. Margeson is visiting with friends and relatives in Revere and Dorchester.

Mrs. Patrick Drinan, who went to Ireland with her children in June to visit an aged mother, is expected to arrive in Boston on the SS. Cymric this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Foster, (nee Mary Saunders), spent the week-end and over Sunday at the home of J. A. Sanderson, High street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wiggan, of Maynard, were guests over Sunday at the home of Mrs. Wiggan's sister, Mrs. Lyman Robbins, on Pleasant street.

Estus Blood, of Mason street, received a bad injury to his right hand on Tuesday.

Ray Maxwell is out again after quite a tedious convalescence following an operation in his throat.

John Frossard has pruned the shade trees about his residence on Cross street during the past week quite severely, changing the appearance of his place very much.

Mrs. Clarence Robbins, of Smithville, N. H., has recently become housekeeper for J. J. Willoughby.

Several changes in the arrival of trains are noted.

It is understood that the Dr. Fletcher homestead has again changed hands, Thomas Graham having purchased it from the present occupant, E. C. Hazard.

Harold Tower, who has purchased the printing business of George Coffin, will occupy the store in E. E. Tarbell's block, corner Main and Mill streets, just vacated by the bank.

The American Express Company have taken charge of their business in this town and installed E. M. Dunton as agent.

Mrs. Horace Drury, who has been suffering with what was understood to be rheumatism, was taken violently ill on Friday night of last week.

Mrs. Winslow Parker recently returned to her home at East Village after a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Callam, at Fitchburg.

John Martin, section superintendent on the Fitchburg division, moved last week with his family into the Hall cottage near the railroad station at the end of Cottage street.

Sudden Death. Mrs. Mary Wylie, housekeeper for George Robbins on the Hollis road, passed away at 7.30 o'clock on last Saturday evening. The deceased had

been ill in health during the summer and was subject to spells of melancholy. Her death was due to an over dose of medicine containing strychnine, administered by herself, accidentally or otherwise.

The deceased was born in Glasgow, Scotland, sixty-one years ago, coming to this country about 1853.

Services were held at the residence of George Robbins on Monday afternoon, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating, and interment was in Woodlawn cemetery.

It is understood that there will be matinee races at the trotting park on Columbus day, Monday, October 13.

Miss Gladys Williams and aunt, Mrs. Noyes, of Peak's Island, Me., are enjoying an auto trip through Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

Charles Boynton is taking the place of Roy Sylvester on the R. F. D. route where the latter enjoys a two-weeks' vacation.

Forrest Winch is enjoying a two-weeks' vacation from his duties at Durant's stable.

Miss Blanche Suprenant expects to leave town soon for Michigan, where she will make an extended visit with her brother, who resides there.

Two burdy-gurdies made music and a burdy-gurdy made music in the evening there was a burdy-gurdy dance in the Opera house which was enjoyed by a large crowd.

H. E. Frost, night superintendent at McLean hospital, Waverley, is enjoying a two-weeks' vacation with his family on Sheffield street.

Miss Maude Chinn, of Merrimack, N. H., spent the week-end with her parents on Oak hill.

Russell Shattuck, of Worcester, was a week-end visitor at A. A. Shattuck's, on Maple street.

Mrs. William Thorpe, who has been seriously ill at her home on Oak hill, is much improved and able to be out.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church will hold their regular meeting in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon, October 9.

Sunday will be observed as rally day at the Congregational church in both the church and Sunday school societies. A cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in church or Sunday school work to be present at the exercises.

The first meeting of the season for the Pepperell Woman's club will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 7, at Saunders' banquet hall.

Part of the program on last week Friday evening was the farce "A paper match," which was well carried out.

There is a movement to have an aged people's home in town. There are quite a number of people who have sufficient means to take care of themselves, but when they have to hire help and pay rent, with the high cost of living, it becomes quite a task.

A location, very central, is likely to be utilized for this purpose as early as November 15, the main matter now being the finding of some suitable to take care of the guests.

The Mrs. Joshua Blood place on Park street is reported sold to a Waltham party by the name of Smith.

Mr. Thomas, who bought the Rolan Blood farm about three years ago, has sold it and is moving this week by auto truck.

Mrs. Dora Atkinson, who has been spending the summer in Vineyard Haven, came on Thursday of last week to pack up some of her household goods preparatory to shipping them to Middleboro.

Mrs. Sarah Tucker is a visitor for two weeks with Mrs. Elizabeth Heald at her bungalow on Townsend street.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blood returned from North Limerick, Me., on Friday morning, September 25. They report a severe drought in New Hampshire and Maine.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Hartwell of Somerville and Littleton will move to Arlington next week.

Mrs. Chambers, who has spent the summer in Ohio, returned Thursday to the Rev. O. J. Fairfield home.

Mrs. H. L. Packard, Miss Julia Conant, Mrs. A. M. Parker, Mrs. W. E. Conant, Mrs. Fred S. Hartwell and Mrs. A. F. Conant attended the meeting of the Northwest Middlesex Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions in Pepperell Tuesday.

Mrs. A. M. Parker has been in Worcester visiting her sister, Mrs. Greenwood, and attending the music festival.

Miss Eva Nutter, connected with the Southern N. E. Press, has been recently the guest of Mrs. F. C. Hartwell.

A serious distemper prevails among horses and at least twenty-five horses in Littleton have been victims, suffering in different ways from the effects of heavy grippy colic.

Mrs. Harry Smith has gone to Portland, Me., to see her husband, who is taking his semi-annual long business trip down East.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt L. Hartwell of Kingston, R. I., were guests of Littleton relatives the first of the week.

Wm. H. Davis is suffering from an attack of lumbago.

Miss Lucy Houghton will play for Mrs. C. R. White's dancing class, which opens Monday afternoon, October 6.

Mrs. Emma Lemley of Boston and Mrs. Brower of Cambridge are guests at A. T. Kimball's.

Miss Harriet Smith is expected home from Concord hospital at this time, if nothing unexpected develops.

Littleton grange observed neighbor's night Wednesday evening. Guests were present from Acton, Westford, Ayer, and Groton.

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Owing to the abnormal conditions prevailing in the rice market in Japan, the poorer people are looking to other food stuffs for their main diet.

Winston Churchill, the British lord of the admiralty, estimates a probable annual output of 400,000 to 500,000 tons of oil fuel from Scottish shale fields for 150 years to come, if necessary.

India has produced about 2,500,000 tons of sugar annually for the past two years, or more than any country in the world. This huge production of sugar is not only consumed locally, but sugar forms about sixty percent of the total value of imported articles of food.

The common and familiar thread spun by the spider is so fine that 25,000 miles of it, enough to go around the world, would weigh only eight ounces.

Ten parts of slacked lime to one of hydraulic cement mixed with salt water, makes a durable whitewash.

More than 11,000,000 acres of land in Italy are devoted to wine grape cultivation.

The total known coal production of the world (exclusive of brown coal or lignite) in 1911 was 1,050,000,000 tons of which the United Kingdom produced more than one-fourth and the United States more than two-fifths.

Life itself is a laugh with a tear behind it. (Kebble Howard.)

The total number of cattle on farms in the United States has decreased twenty percent in the last five years.

The dialects of the world number 324, and one-fourth of them are Asiatic.

Asphalt was known to the ancients and is said to have been used as a binder in masonry by the Babylonians.

An Ohioan has patented a process for preparing bodies for burial by electricity.

Nearly fifty tons of water were lifted from the mines of South Staffordshire, Eng., last year, for every ton of mineral.

Turkish tobacco growing has been introduced into California; last year 100,000 pounds were shipped from the San Joaquin Valley, and it is expected to ship 200,000 to 400,000 pounds this season.

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POINTS FOR DAIRYMEN.

The farsighted dairyman has provided himself with a series of soiling crops to be used during the dry season, when pastures will inevitably be short.

There is no prospect of overstocking the dairy cow market.

Dairy farming is the best soil fertility insurance.

The dairy farmer is often judged by the amount of clover or alfalfa that he raises and his attitude toward these two crops.

Comfort for the cow has a tendency to increase the milk flow.

It is better to salt the cows every day. Two to three ounces to each cow is enough.

HORSES IN HOT WEATHER.

A Little Thoughtfulness Adds Much to Their Health and Comfort.

Man looks out for himself. No fear of his forgetting that. But too often he is simply thoughtless and so forgets the rights and needs of his horse.

Dr. A. S. Alexander in the Rural New Yorker. Let us give these things more thought. Let us love to be kind and kind to be loved in return.

The hard worked horse cold water in small quantities often when at work. How would you like to get along all forenoon or afternoon without the help of the little brown jug set in the cool mud of the nearby slough? Shade his head when at work. The cool cabbage leaf in your hat might remind you of his hot head.

Sheet his body against sun and flies or at least allow him the help of a fly net. Wash his nose and mouth at noon and allow a little cold water; then feed one to two pounds of hay while he is cooling off and afterward allow all the water he wants and then feed the oats. Do not feed more bulky feed than this small amount of hay at noon when the horse has hard work to do.

Much bulky feed simply distends the digestive organs, does not nourish and proves a nuisance; also it helps to cause heaves.

The harness should be removed at noon and the collars wiped and then set in the sun to dry. Screen the stable against entrance of flies and darken it to prevent flies from biting.

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BOXBOROUGH.

News Items. Waldo Conant of Littleton has given two street lamps to the Congregational society. They have been placed where most needed on the church lawn and are greatly appreciated by all who frequent either church or hall in the evening.

The last meeting of the Grange was devoted to business, as the speaker announced on the program did not appear. There were several applications for membership.

Mrs. Arthur Nelson was chosen lecturer to finish out the year in place of Earl Kathen, who resigned the position as he is soon to leave town.

Paul Viets, a graduate of Concord high school, class of 1913, is assisting with the sloyd work in the mechanics' art department of the high school in Concord.

Waldo Bigelow and family of Norwood, who annually visit the home of their ancestors, came by auto on Sunday and enjoyed a picnic dinner in front of the old Bigelow store.

Mrs. Mary Pratt, who has been a frequent visitor here, left Thursday morning for California to make a lengthy visit with her daughter Martha, wife of Dr. Ernest Hosmer, at their home near San Diego.

Before leaving the ladies of South Acton, where Mrs. Pratt lives, gave her a party and presented her with a handsome leather traveling bag.

Pratt has many friends here who regret her departure. As traveling companions she has friends from Waltham, who are going to the same town to locate.

C. T. Wetherbee not only has a splendid crop of apples, but has an apple tree in full bloom.

Llewellyn Wetherbee was out Sunday with an auto party and another machine ran into his breaking the axle. No one was seriously hurt.

Guests at Walnut farm on Sunday were Mrs. Samuel Wetherbee and Eleanor Wetherbee of Waltham, Daniel Wetherbee of Worcester, the Waldrons from Somerville and Miss Carter of Maynard.

The delightful weather on Sunday tempted everyone to be abroad and it was reception day for many who remained at home.

At Mrs. Anna Egan's yard were four auto parties at one time—Wallace Brown's family of Groton, the Tarbell family of Hudson, with them Mrs. Charles Mackin of Manchester, C. H. Mead's family of West Acton and the Bigelows from Norwood.

Mrs. Albert Hartwell has gone to Seneca, N. Y. During her absence Cora Hartwell will take charge of domestic affairs.

Mrs. S. D. Salmon, 2d, has entertained a cousin from Somerville this week.

Charles S. Bird, progressive candidate for governor, and party in their tour of the state, will not overlook our town, but are expected to be at the station October 22, at eleven a. m. to meet the people.

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