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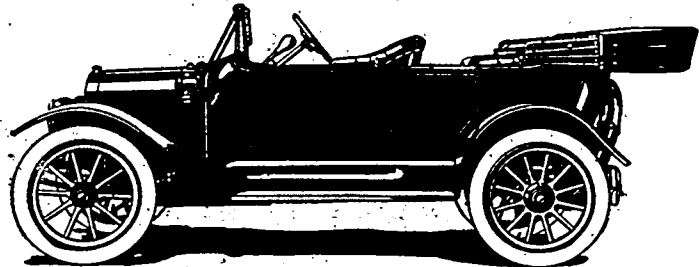
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LITTLETON.

News Items.

We are informed by Supt. F. H. Hill that all the Littleton schools will be open on Monday to resume the regular work.

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Cushman, of Methuen, were recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Christie. Dr. Cushman was a classmate of Dr. Christie.

Miss Gertrude Sanderson attended the meeting of the Bay State Historical League at Lexington on Saturday last as delegate from the society for the preservation of New England antiquities.

On Monday Miss Gertrude Sanderson addressed an audience at the Episcopal church in Leominster on "Christ life in art."

Miss Emma E. Tenney and Mrs. Addie M. Parker will attend a music recital at Copley Plaza hotel, Boston, next Monday.

Mrs. Nelson B. Conant is sick with measles.

Marjorie Proctor is a sufferer from abscess in the throat, a result of a hard cold.

F. B. Priest has recovered from his severe illness and went to Boston to resume work Thursday for the first time.

The Back-log May party, scheduled for next week, has been given up since there has been and still is so much sickness among the young people in town.

Miss Lucy Adams of Waltham is spending her vacation at N. H. Whitcomb's. The first three days of this week she was the guest of Mrs. P. L. Brown.

Harry Bacchus, who has worked for D. G. Houghton as farm hand, moved to New Hampshire Wednesday and will assist his father in carrying on his farm.

Miss Esther Ramsdell has been at N. A. Taylor's a few days.

Elmar A. Flagg is digging the cellar for his new house on the old road between Union schoolhouse and Mrs. Clayton Hartwell's place. The location, near his Wilson house, is very pleasant, and Mr. Flagg will erect an up-to-date eight room edifice that will be an ornament to the village. D. H. Woodbury is the architect.

Next Wednesday afternoon, May 6, the United Workers' Mission Study class will meet with Mrs. J. D. Christie at the Common. Mrs. W. E. Conant will direct the program and the subject of Turkey will be continued.

The next meeting of Littleton Grange will be held Wednesday evening, May 6. This is past master and past lecturer Barrow's night, a fact that speaks for itself. An address is expected from Mrs. Geo. E. Ladd, lecturer of the state grange.

Many real estate seekers have been in town this spring.

Rev. H. L. Packard will speak on "John Elliot, apostle to the Indians" at the evening meeting of the Congregational society Sunday.

The fifth of the twelve great verses—the faith verse, is the subject of the C. E. meetings Sunday evening.

The funeral of Mrs. Emma Taylor Dix was held in the Unitarian church last Saturday afternoon. Rev. O. J. Fairfield conducted the very impressive service which was attended by many relatives, friends and former church associates of this place. The deceased was for many years a member of the Unitarian choir in her early life and her parents and their other children were also loyal attendants and supporters of the church during their residence in town. Mrs. Maria Going and Edward Taylor are the only survivors of the family. There was a wealth of the most beautiful floral tributes which accompanied the remains and surrounded the final resting place in Westlawn.

Rev. G. W. Puddfoot's address on "The fate of the nations that know not God," given in the Congregational church last week Friday evening, was characterized by interesting information that has resulted from the speaker's extensive travels and observations of the various people among whom he has labored and was given in his usual vigorous and appealing manner. Mr. Puddfoot appreciates the love of fun and seasons his talk with a reasonable amount of it. His friends expect no dull moments in his addresses and they are never disappointed.

Frank McGovern, blacksmith, employed by Hugh McDonald, has married E. C. Hartwell's house on Taylor street and expects his family from Ireland soon.

Mrs. Douglas Whitcomb was a guest of her daughter Marion at Wellesley college this week.

The H. J. Harwood family is expected in the Littleton home early this month.

Miss Ruth Thacher entertained two LaSelle friends over Sunday, Helen Soule, of Freeport, Me., and Allida Burnett, of Minneapolis, Minn.

E. H. Priest's children have been entertaining the measles during vacation.

Miss Vera Libby has accepted a position in Milton as fifth grade teacher. At present she is teaching in Newton.

Charles W. Hunt's second son, Irving, was taken to Groton hospital on last Saturday afternoon and underwent an operation for appendicitis by Drs. Hopkins and Kilbourn. The young lad is doing well and is expected to leave the hospital soon if present conditions are significant.

Clean-up Week.

If next week is observed in Littleton as clean-up and paint-up week, as it will be in very many towns in New England and elsewhere, it may be well to follow a program such as the following, which was laid out for Denver, Col.: "clean-up and paint-up week": Monday, fire prevention day; Tuesday, front yard day; Wednesday, back yard day; Thursday, paint day; Friday, fly and dandelion day; Saturday, children's day. In this way the idea is on Monday to get rid of any accumulations indoors, in attic, cellar or barn, that might cause a fire. On Tuesday and Wednesday the yards about the house were put in shape. On paint day special attention is given to painting up piazza chairs, furniture and small jobs that each property owner can attend to himself. On Friday attention should be given to such places as breed flies and mosquitoes to render them harmless and in getting rid of weeds, while on Saturday the school children can join with others in caring for vacant lots and making open areas clean and tidy. Do it for Littleton! Begin on Monday morning!

L. W. C.

The program at the Woman's club Monday was adapted to club members rather than children and on account of the epidemic of measles in town the children's entertainment was postponed till June 15, when it is hoped that Mrs. Rugg will be present and tell stories.

By good fortune one of the club members, Miss Alice M. Howard, consented to read her paper on Robert Louis Stevenson, supplemented by selections from the author. This was listened to with intense interest and merited high commendation, as it was a scholarly production, delivered in very pleasing manner. Mrs. Elizabeth Stone played a fine piano solo, which was enthusiastically received and Miss Edith Whitcomb favored the audience with two choice piano selections.

Miss Tenney, the president, gave a very instructive talk on present needs in the club and recommended changes in constitution and by-laws that seem advisable since they would meet the demands of new conditions. Mrs. W. E. Conant is that wise member in paying her annual dues present to the treasurer the correct sum placed in an envelope, thus saving time, confusion and rush for the treasurer. This is indeed a laudable provision, but it would be greatly appreciated by the officer most concerned.

The nominating committee presented the names of the following as candidates for office to be voted on at the annual meeting: Miss Alice M. Howard, pres.; Mrs. Maud K. Calkins, vice-pres.; Mrs. Flora M. Kimball, rec. sec.; Mrs. Cora F. Hager, cor. sec.; Mrs. Nellie F. Conant, treas.

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WESTFORD.

Center. The newest addition to the list of telephone subscribers is Alec McDougall, 35-6.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Wilcox, of Royaston, on the historic Nineteenth of April. The little new-comer, whose mother was formerly Miss Edith Blackwell, of Westford, has been named Kirkland Clayton Wilcox.

John Feeney, who has so faithfully and efficiently acted as janitor of the town hall for the past nine years, has resigned, his resignation taking effect the first of May. Edwin A. Robey is to take Mr. Feeney's place.

Master Gordon Seavey, who has had a serious attack of bronchitis, is convalescent and out among his playmates again.

Every day is "clean-up" day at the Whitney playground. The shrubbery has had a thorough and skilful pruning under the supervision of Albert D. Taylor and Edmund Baker and helpers are busy with lawns, walks, etc. The yellow Forsythia, the first of the blossoming shrubs, is already in bloom. Charles Chickering is also getting the grounds at the J. V. Fletcher library and at the academy into attractive condition.

Madam Walker, who makes her home with her son, George Walker, and who has been seriously ill, is reported as resting more comfortably.

Miss Mary B. Raynes, teacher of music in the schools of Westford and several other towns, has her trim little auto, a Ford roadster, in commission for the season.

At the next meeting of the Grange, May 7, the program will be in charge of the young ladies and will consist of entertainment to balance the one given by the young gentlemen a few weeks ago. The young ladies do not intend to be the losers in the contest and furnish a supper if they can help it, for they are planning a good time. A short play, "When women vote," will be given by the young ladies, there will be vocal and instrumental music and an out-of-town reader, Mrs. Margaret Sarge, of Lowell, and one of the lady officers of the State Grange will be present and entertain with readings.

At the last meeting of the selectmen the following appointments were made: Alonzo H. Sutherland, Edward M. Abbot, Frank L. Furbush, L. Edwards, Albert R. Choate and Edward T. Hanley, board of fire engineers; Edward A. Robey, janitor of town house.

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versatile reporter, and with Miss Ruth Smith as Miss Minnie Daze, sustained their scenes together most capably. John P. Wright, the moody, troubled keeper of Fairpoint lighthouse, was very real and with Horace E. Gould as Hon. Bruce Hunter and William R. Taylor as Clarence Hunter, his ward, presented the thread of the drama with dignified clearness. Arthur G. Walker as Larry Deane, and Miss Mary Hickey as Bliddy Bean, an Irish girl, supplemented the other parts and carried out their bit of romance with pleasing fidelity.

The musical features of the program were much appreciated. Miss Lily May Morse and Fred Defoe, of Graniteville, gave some good solos between the acts. Henry Charlton and Charles Page were also heard in solos and roundly applauded, and Frank Charlton, Henry Charlton, Charles Pope, Edward Biney and Robert J. McCarty made a hit with their chorus singing.

The lighting effects which gave the storm with the lightning and thunder and for the foot lights was the work of James Peck, electrician, of West Chelmsford.

After the play refreshments of ice cream and cake were served in the lower hall and the hall upstairs was cleared for dancing, lasting until one o'clock, the Crescent orchestra of five pieces furnishing music.

About Town.

About fifty persons gathered at the sale of the old Stony Brook schoolhouse last Saturday afternoon, and after lively bidding, mostly between Henry O. Keyes and W. R. Taylor, it was sold to Mr. Taylor for \$601.50. Thus was \$2000 worth of the town's property sold and the old historic Stony Brook school property, a landmark of centuries, passed into private hands.

"House breaking," that's what it was, and it was committed by the Fortnightly club last week Friday evening, a favorable time for it, so many being away from home that evening at the town hall to see Joe Wall, "the darkey." The Wright schoolhouse was where the "house breaking" occurred and the following were in the "break": Horace E. Gould, Edwin H. Gould, Miss Olive Farrow, John Connell, Miss Alice Dane, Clarence Dane, Leo Connell, Ernest Wright and Charles Pope. Thus far no arrests have been made.

C. W. Adams, of Cambridge, a former Congregational minister, conducted the service at the Unitarian church last Sunday.

It has been said, and it is hoped the saying will come to pass, that Robert Elliott, of Lowell, eldest son of Thomas H. Elliott, the well-known Boston street with the intention of building a house this spring. It is also said that Henry O. Keyes has offered cash down in tempting amount for the Donald Cameron residence opposite the postoffice.

Amos Polley, the Prairie farm farmer, planted two acres of potatoes on last week Friday. He has named them the "tear drop" potatoes—they lay in the ground so cold it makes tears come in their eyes.

The Old Oaken Bucket farm has potatoes up large enough to hoe, but the acreage is not numerous. They are the "we won" variety.

Surprise Party.

A party of surprises was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Phillips at Westford Station on one of the recent evenings in honor of Miss Minnie Whitney's twentieth birthday anniversary, she being a sister of Mrs. Phillips. The parlor and dining-room were decorated in pink and cut flowers. The table was decorated with twenty candles with elegant cake for candlestick. Games, music and singing were enjoyed. Cake, with ring was won by L. J. Ellison of Brookside. Paul Smith, also of Brookside, in behalf of Miss Whitney's friends, presented her with a tableful of presents and cash. For these things Miss Whitney exchanged grateful thanks. Forty-five individuals were present, including the lady in town, Mrs. Sarah Hildreth, ninety-eight years old, and Miss Whitney's niece, Miss Susie Whitney, two years old. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Graniteville.

The first baseball game of the season was played here on last Saturday afternoon when Graniteville defeated the West Chelmsford club by the score of 5 to 4. Batteries: Frank and Will Sullivan for West Chelmsford; Donahue and Hurley for Graniteville.

The Mexican disturbance is of great local importance owing to the fact that two Graniteville boys are vitally interested in the matter. W. Carroll Furbush, who is now on the Battleship Connecticut, is stationed at Vera Cruz, while Friel Hanson, of the U. S. S. Nebraska, is now on his way to Mexican waters. Young Hanson intended to stop here a few days with his folks but he suddenly recalled to his mind that he was stationed at Charlestown navy yard, which sailed a few days later.

Leo Provost, who was operated upon for appendicitis at St. John's hospital, recently is now convalescent and hopes to be home in a few days.

The condition of Harold Hanning, who was taken to the Lowell Corporation hospital, suffering with spinal meningitis a few days ago, remains about the same, and it is the sincere wish of all that he may soon recover.

The town men and teams, under the supervision of Supt. Alex McDonald, are putting Broadway street in good condition for travel and the street now presents a fine appearance.

Forge Village.

The daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heaver on April 22. The little girl has been named Mary.

Charles Coburn, of Providence, R. I., is visiting his aunt, Miss Hannah Cook.

Bishop William Lawrence is to visit St. Andrew's mission on Sunday, May 31.

The Ladies Sewing Circle held their regular meeting in Recreation hall on Thursday afternoon.

An opera in two acts is to be given in Abbot hall next month by the choir of St. Catherine's church, Graniteville. The name of the opera is "A Nautical Knot."

LITTLETON.

The old wooden windmill, so long a notable feature of the A. R. Conant place at the Common, began during the recent high winds to lose its steadiness of aspect and was the past week gently lowered to the ground. It was erected by C. M. Lawrence thirty-one

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Rupert Sanderson has this week leased a piece of land for a term of years of E. N. Robinson fronting on Boston road, 50x50 feet, opposite F. C. Reed's house. He begins at once on the erection of a one-story building, 20x24 feet, bungalow style. It will be used for the sale of ice cream, tonics, cigars and confectionery. As a side line, gasoline and oils for auto purposes will be kept on sale. It is his intention to make this an attractive place for the ice cream loving public and also for the many passing motorists who are always on the lookout for a "place" to stop. It is expected the place will be open to the public the first week in June and in view of the demand for the goods during previous seasons Mr. Sanderson is reasonably assured. He has recently added a side-car to his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Good Work. Appreciation not expressed amounts to very little, but the good work recently done on the strip of Great road running from A. F. Conant's store to the Groton line, has met with genuine approval, all expressed in pretty loud voice. Hundreds of autos and teams pass over this road daily and there has long been a most deplorable condition of surface for which no one in particular was accountable. The new highway surveyor, M. W. Leahy, made this his starting point of the season's work and the result is a condition of road pleasing to townspeople and the autoist alike. All expressed in pretty loud voice to show the groves made by the heavy auto vans and cars, but the surveyor has equipped himself with one of the new Indiana drags which will be put into use whenever this condition occurs and a strictly level surface is promised for the season.

This drag is easily handled by one man and a single pair of horses, proving like many other modern highway inventions to be a considerable saving in time and labor. Other districts in town are gradually being improved on the highways and in looking them over let us keep our weather eye in order to halt the oil wagon that we feel must come over the horizon this week or next. We have swallowed our peck of dust the past two years and want no more.

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TAX SALE

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- Lot No. 1. Assessed to Samuel Reed, non-resident: Situated in the central part of Groton beginning at the corner of Hollis and Champney Streets, going westerly by Champney street to land of R. M. Erving, southerly by land of said Erving to land of J. B. Raddin, easterly by land of said Raddin to Hollis Street, northerly by said Hollis Street to point of beginning, including buildings there, containing about one (1) acre. Tax for 1911 \$20.00 Tax for 1912 \$20.00 Tax for 1913 \$18.45
- Lot No. 2. Assessed to Samuel Reed, non-resident: Situated in the central part of the town beginning at the Pleasant Street bridge of the Boston & Maine Railroad, going westerly by said railroad to land of John H. Boynton, southerly by said Boynton land to Pleasant Street, northerly by said street to point of beginning, including buildings thereon, containing about one-twentieth of an acre. Tax for 1911 \$10.00 Tax for 1912 \$10.00 Tax for 1913 \$9.00

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SHIRLEY.

News Items. Salathiel Walker, of Leominster, was a recent guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Roy Birchstead. Mr. and Mrs. Dana Somes, of Boston, spent the week-end in town with the parson.

"Roses," chorus: Who were the flower girls? "Two little girls in blue," Misses Priscilla Woodman and Kathleen Woodman. "Who was the honeymoon?" "Out on the deep," Arthur Jubb. What was their motto? "Home, sweet home."

The high school will stage a play, "The time of his life," in Odd Fellows hall on Friday evening, May 8, and gives promise of being interesting and amusing. Rehearsals have been in progress for some time past and the cast, all high school pupils, are well adapted for their several parts.

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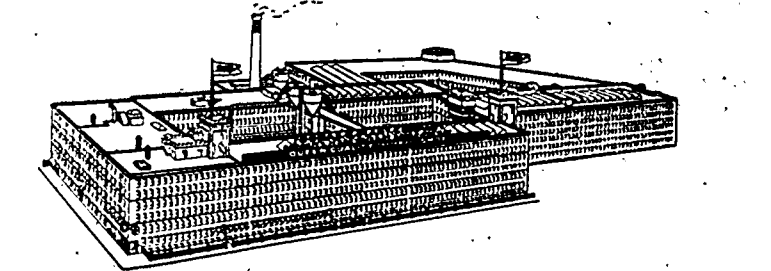
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of GRAY BANKS late of Shirley in said County, deceased. Whereas JOSEPH A. LOVERING, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at public auction the whole of two parcels of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts, and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of ELIZA I. PARKER, late of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testatrix, and her executor, the trustee by giving bond, as the law directs.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

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Members of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange are cordially invited to attend the Sunday afternoon services "Rural Sunday," May 3, to be held at the home of Mrs. Grace E. Tewksbury. Service at three o'clock.

Chapter 1—Who was the heroine? "Sweet Marie." Who was her father? "Solomon Levi." male chorus: "Where was she born?" "In old Madrid." Arthur N. Herson. Who was the hero? "A warrior bold." quartet: "Where was his home?" "Twas within a mile of Edinboro town." harmonica solo, J. Albert Dearden. To what land did they emigrate? "To Columbia, the gem of the ocean." chorus.

Saturday, May 2, 1914.

GROTON.

News Items.

Charles H. Berry, E. S. Clark post commander, finds among some articles of other days a Boston Journal dated October 21, 1870.

Mrs. Jennie Hemenway returned home from Frank Lawrence Blood's on Monday evening, having taken care of Mrs. Blood during her recent illness of some weeks' duration.

William, the elder of Dr. A. G. Kilbourn's two little boys, is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson moved this week from Quince cottage on the Boston road to W. W. Ames' house on Willow Dale street, occupying the lower tenement.

The E. S. Clark W. R. C. has received a contribution of five dollars from the John H. Chipman, Jr., W. R. C. of Beverly.

Miss Marian Green was operated on at the Groton hospital Monday afternoon. Drs. Hopkins, Kilbourn and Priest were in attendance. It was a clear case of appendicitis and the patient is getting along well.

Dr. and Mrs. Eversole are occupying their new home on Hollis street at the former Benedict place, which is now a part of the Lawrence Brooks estate.

All the Groton students at the Fitchburg Normal school are having a week's vacation.

Miss Ruth J. Blood, of the advanced class at Fitchburg Normal school, has accepted a position at Marquam, N. J. She is to have the third grade and oversight of the practical arts class.

The next meeting of the W. R. C. will be held in Boy Scouts hall on the afternoon of May 5. All members are urged to be present as business of importance is to come before the meeting.

On Monday, April 27, Rev. Charles A. Finnian, of the Sacred Heart church, Groton, performed the ceremony which united in marriage Daniel Hickey, of Bar Mills, Me., and Annie M. Keegan, of Groton. The bride was attended by her sister, Margarette, and Cornelius Collins, of Lawrence, a cousin of the groom, acted as best man.

The minstrel show by boys of Shirley Industrial school Saturday evening, under the direction of U. H. Barrows and under the auspices of the Groton band was a fine success.

Rev. Endicott Peabody, D. D. of Groton School, is to officiate at the wedding of Miss Anne Pendleton Rogers to J. Griswold Webb, both of New York, in St. James' church, Hyde Park-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Let the members of the Junior Bird club take notice that Miss Gerrish will meet them in the afternoon at the Unitarian church on next week Friday afternoon after school for a bird walk.

The Groton Grange have had the pleasure of forwarding sixty-three dollars to the State Grange education aid fund for the year of their play and dance of April 14.

The E. S. Clark post W. R. C. were much pleased this week to receive ten dollars donation from the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church.

Mrs. Herman Fraze of Elm street has pneumonia.

Chickens raisers here and in this vicinity are complaining of poor hatches and also of some trouble which is thought to be a new disease, attacking the chicks when about two weeks old.

The social at the Unitarian church will be held on Thursday evening, May 7. Supper as usual at six o'clock. The entertainment at 7.45 will be of unusual attraction as arranged by Mrs. Fanny Sampson, chairman, and Mrs. F. Woods, Mrs. F. A. Torrey and Mrs. Lawrence E. Blood.

The high school graduation exercises take place on Thursday evening, June 18. The following will have parts: The Misses Muriel Moison, Mary Clarke, Nellie McGovern, the boys Lawrence Gay, Frank A. Woods and Asel Bates.

At the last meeting of Groton Grange a committee, of which C. H. Berry is chairman, was chosen to see what, if anything, could be done about building a Grange hall.

Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Cressey and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gerrish, singing in Mr. Gerrish's auto attended the exercises at the installation of Rev. D. R. Child at Pepperell on last week Thursday evening. Mr. Cressey gave the charge to the minister.

Harry E. Nutting bought the land sold at public auction on Wednesday afternoon belonging to the estate of Lawrence Brooks. The price paid was \$400.

The West Groton Boy Scouts and Groton Camp-fire Girls will meet at the home of Miss Elizabeth S. Hill on Saturday, May 2, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. They will have their pictures taken and there will be a distribution of honor beads.

Owing to the storm last Sunday only a few of the home missionary offering envelopes were presented at the Congregational church. All persons intending to contribute are requested to present their envelopes on Sunday morning that the offering may be forwarded at once to headquarters.

Communion will be observed at the Congregational church on Sunday morning.

The Juanita club will hold a dance in the town hall on Friday evening, May 8, the proceeds to be used for the club ball team. Music by the Groton orchestra.

Loring Collier, second son of Edmund D. Collier, of West Somerville, is on a visit to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Crite, the little fellow doubtless having a good time.

Miss Louise Nutting left home last Saturday, going to teach in Salisbury.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church held their last sociable of the season on last week Thursday evening. There was a very good supper, which was followed by an entertainment consisting of musical numbers as follows: Singing, Miss Hazel Gibson; selections by Groton orchestra; selections on piano, Prof. A. B. Farwell. These were followed by an illustrated lecture on the Panama canal and surrounding country by George H. Brown, of Ayer. Mr. Brown has been a recent visitor to the canal and spoke from personal knowledge and observation. Listening to him was next best to going there oneself. It was a very instructive and interesting talk showing up the wonderful work accomplished by our country. There was a very good attendance.

The Groton Branch Alliance had an all-day meeting at the ladies' room of the Unitarian church on last week Thursday. Their object was to finish up all their work for the season's close of the Alliance. Each one carried a good lunch and consequently they had an enjoyable noon day meal. Some of the school children, whose mothers were there came in to dinner, and besides Rev. P. H. Cressey, William A. Lawrence and Daniel Needham were present to add to the pleasure of the gathering. All had a real good social time.

Waldo E. Green of Cambridge came up to spend the Patriots' day holiday at his home here.

The fire in barn of place occupied by John MacCarty on Pleasant street late Monday afternoon, caused so much of a scare that the fire alarm was blown, but the "all out" signal soon followed.

Mrs. M. J. Warner, who has spent the winter at Groton Inn, returned to her own residence Tuesday.

Mrs. Meyet and Mrs. Durant are at South Hero, Vt., for a three weeks' stay.

The Groton Grange met in regular session Tuesday evening. There was not a very large attendance. Edward E. Chapman of Ludlow, master of the Massachusetts state grange, addressed the meeting and also entertained with vocal selections. He is that "singing deputy" whose songs are always a delight to his hearers.

The Book and Thimble club meets with Mrs. G. H. Woods on Friday afternoon, May 8. This is the twelfth anniversary of the club.

The lecture on "Fruit" by Prof. Chenevorth of Amherst Agricultural college in town hall Friday was an excellent lecture but called out an audience of only forty-two. There will be another free lecture in the town hall on Friday evening, May 15, at which every body is invited. The Graham of Amherst Agricultural college will lecture on "The business hen and how to know her." Give him a good audience.

The minstrel show by boys of Shirley Industrial school Saturday evening, under the direction of U. H. Barrows and under the auspices of the Groton band was a fine success. The boys were generously applauded and a number received many encores. The performance on the rope was really wonderful. The half black quartet was exceedingly humorous and the local hits and jokes bright and witty without being the least offensive. The boys did well, all of them and Mr. Barrows most feel satisfied.

Nature Study Work.

Miss Elizabeth S. Hill, supervisor of nature study and school gardens in the public schools, all but the high and Trowbridge, began work in nature study last week through the assistance, Mrs. F. D. Lewis, who has charge of the Chicopee and Miss Susie Hill, who has charge of the other seven schools. The supervisor has engaged as her assistants who will have charge of the school gardens in the village. Miss Mason is one of Miss Hill's earliest pupils in this work in which she has been very successful. Several prizes in exhibits in Groton and elsewhere. Miss Mason has an enviable reputation as a teacher and manager of children. While teaching in Malden she will come home Saturday for this school garden work. Miss Lena Breckenridge of Chicopee row is Miss Hill's other assistant and no doubt she will be faithful and direct the children in a successful work. The cold, late spring has prevented study start as yet in garden work but it will be taken up as soon as possible.

Sewing School.

The justly popular Groton Sewing school closed its school year with an exhibition of work and a very pleasant party in the town hall on last Saturday afternoon. Besides the pupils and teachers the mothers and other interested friends were present. The school opened as usual with singing, after which Mrs. John Lawrence, the president, read the report of the year's work and announced the prize winners, speaking as follows:

"Since the sewing school was first established we have had 30 girls and fifty teachers. This is the fourth year of the school and on the whole it seems to me the best we have had yet. We have had a larger school (one year there were nearly one hundred) but with fifty-four girls this year we have an average attendance of over forty-six, which is remarkable. This means, of course, that great interest has been shown and the work proves it, for there has been much accomplished and a high standard has been reached. For this result we have to thank Mrs. Sherwin, whose encouragement and wise guidance has stimulated the girls, and our faithful teachers, to whom we should express our gratitude. Many of these have been present every time and those who could not do so have provided substitutes.

This year we have had twenty-one meetings, beginning on November 16. The school is the largest we have had for the past five years. The bestowing of prizes has been even more difficult than usual on account of the uniform excellence of the work, but our judges, who are not connected with the school, have done their best to choose fairly. In the embroidery class it was necessary to give two prizes and many honorable mentions. We hope that the girls receiving the embroidery pieces will wear them during the summer and exhibit at the cattle show, where prizes will be offered for the two best. I hope we shall see you all in the autumn, ready for another winter's work as good as this one."

The prizes were announced as follows: Class 1—Bernice Souther, Louise Cunningham and Margaret Miller, honorable mention. Class 2—Katherine Freeman, Bertha Rose and Dorothy Stevens, honorable mention. Class 3—Ruth Bennett, Josie O'Connell and Annie Forcino, honorable mention. Class 4—Julia Smith, Dorothy Tyrrell and Emma Gale, honorable mention. Class 5—Cecelia Cleary, Hazel Randall, honorable mention. Class 6—Helen McDermott, Viola

Harris, Mildred Blood and Ruth Stevens, honorable mention. Class 7—Anna Freeman, Beatrice Wood and Florence Green, honorable mention. Class 8, embroidery—May Hynes 1st, Anne Depue, 2d, Beatrice Murphy, Binche Fraze and Elizabeth Blood, honorable mention.

The Misses Lawrence gave violin selections, accompanied on the piano by Miss Alice Dodge, which music furnished a most delightful and enjoyable light feet to trip gaily in dances. The children entered heartily into the good fun and when later the grand march was formed all went down to the lower hall, where refreshments of cake and ice cream were served. Returning to the main hall there was more dancing until the hands of the clock pointed to four, which was the hour for closing, and all obeyed its dictates.

Sometimes when it comes into the heart of a philanthropic person to do a good deed, to start a good work, the reception of it or the appreciation of it by those whom it was intended to benefit may be disappointing. So, however, with the Groton Sewing school. Of the whole 300 girls who have attended, and of the mothers of nearest friends of these girls, there is not one but has appreciated the kind thoughtfulness and wisdom of Mrs. Lawrence in establishing the sewing school, and year after year continuously her active interest and leadership in the good work. The many teachers, too, come in for their share of credit and assistance in making it the success to which it has attained.

West Groton.

In sending our items last week a part of the Boy Scouts' entertainment program was unintentionally omitted and the omission was not noticed until too late for publication. We refer to the ten-minute talks and reading by Miss Nellie Frank Hill, of the Frances Willard Settlement, who spoke of the Boy Scouts and Camp-fire Girls organizations, and of her experiences with them. Miss Hill speaks easily and convincingly and her hearers, including the children, listened with the closest attention.

William Tracey, of North Shirley, sold his farm very recently to a Mr. Postings, who took immediate possession. Mr. and Mrs. Tracey, with their son William and granddaughter Zaida, are at present with their daughter, Mrs. Keen, of this village. Mr. Tracey, it is understood, plans to build, if a suitable location can be obtained.

Mrs. Oliver Hallett, Jr., has been in Groton hospital for treatment during the past week, the trouble being of a very serious nature. She is expected home very soon.

Provost Thompson has been quite ill with a combination of the gripe and appendicitis, but is much better.

Coming on Saturday, Mrs. J. P. Catlin and son Priestly, of Pittsfield, are guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Hilditch.

J. T. Shepley, during the past few days of rainy weather, has suffered greatly from sciatica, but at time of writing the pain is a little less severe.

Little Rosamond and Willie Delaney, niece and nephew of G. I. Woolaver, who have been with Mr. Woolaver since last summer, are expected to leave on this Saturday and it is understood, will be taken by their mother to her people in Nova Scotia.

George McCurdy, of Dorchester, was in town on Tuesday.

Geraldine Wheaton, who has been with Mrs. T. Talage since last March, returned during the past two months, returned home last week.

G. I. Woolaver, with his little son John, spent Friday in Boston.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge has suffered this week from a severe throat trouble.

Mrs. L. G. Strand experienced a severe fall on Tuesday, striking against a piece of timber and sustaining a painful injury to her side. Mrs. Martha Tarbell, with her daughter, Miss K. A. Tarbell, is a guest of her eldest daughter, Mrs. M. E. Williams, for a number of weeks.

Miss Winifred Orr, who has boarded in West Groton since January, when not engaged in nursing, left town on Tuesday to fulfill an engagement in Lexington. She had just recovered from a severe attack of German measles.

Entertainment.

The entertainment given by the primary department of Groton school on last Friday evening last week drew a full house. An Arbor day play, "The wood fairies," was given in which various trees were chosen for planting. Barbara Lamb was "queen of the fairies," and with her subjects, appropriate and pleasing—even to the wings—presented a pleasing picture. An Indian story of the time of Daniel Boone, gave the boys a chance to appear in Indian costume and the president of the school gave several interesting little exercises. In addition to chorus singing there were solos by Evelyn Hallett, Elizabeth MacCherie and Evelyn Parker, while three tiny little maidens appeared together, Claire Dugette, Elizabeth McCann and Marjorie Carey, a very sweet little trio. A piano solo was given by Bertha Harrington. There were also solos by Mrs. Isabel Wiggin and Miss Ruth Tarbell. A sale of ice cream and cake followed the entertainment. The children did remarkably well and deserved their reward, the sum of forty-nine dollars toward their Victoria.

HARVARD.

News Items. Stephen McKnight, one of Harvard's oldest and most respected citizens died at his home with the Harvard Shakers on Monday, April 20, after an illness lasting only a few hours. The deceased would have been eighty-five years old had he lived until May 5. He has been for many years a member of the Shaker Community, a diligent, faithful member of a particularly jovial, warm-hearted disposition, beloved by all who knew him. In the community he will be greatly missed. For many years he managed the broom industry at the Shakers, his advancing years, however, compelling him in his later years to give up active labor. Burial was at the Shaker cemetery on Wednesday, April 22. He came from Albany N. Y. to the Shakers and was a book-binder by trade.

Stanley Veasie, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Veasie, who was taken to the Clinton hospital several weeks ago for peritonitis, is on the gain and on the road to recovery. His case was a serious one.

Miss Helen Bailey is at her mother's here, Mrs. C. P. Atherton, for a couple of weeks.

Wilmer Brown, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brown, of West Bare hill, is very sick with pleuro-pneumonia.

The King's Daughters are invited to hold an all-day meeting on Thursday, May 7, at the home of Mrs. Hatie Stone in Still River. This means that a full attendance is looked for

as a very pleasant day is in store for those who attend.

Harold and Wallace Edmonds, of Watertown, with two friends, camped from Wednesday to Friday at Sheep Island, Bare Hill pond. They rode their wheels up and on the return.

John B. Harlow is building an addition onto his house on the Still River road, enlarging it by one room.

Pupils of the grammar school gave a benefit concert with their new school victrola on Friday evening of last week with decided success. The concert netted the school over forty-five dollars, which pays for the new machine and several records besides. The teachers and pupils are very much pleased with the patronage given their efforts. During the concert the children sold ice cream and candy.

Horace K. West, now travelling for a New York apparel house, spent Thursday evening here, with his brother, Arthur West.

Miss Christine Webster, of Springfield, is at home for a few days this week.

Baseball.

Bromfield A. A. met the Crescent A. C. at baseball on last Saturday on the Ayer grounds. The Crescent team won by a score of 14 to 12. Both teams played a loose game. The Bromfield team is looking forward to the game with the Crescents to be played here when they expect to show a little more of their real baseball work. This week Saturday they play the Lancaster high at Lancaster. Sheehan's truck will run for any who wish to attend and seats may be had by speaking to either Principal Leonard or Manager Herman Thomas. The game will be played on Wednesday, was cancelled on account of the rain. Edward Thomas, pitcher for Bromfields, had the misfortune to split his left thumb while chopping wood on Tuesday. This rather handicaps him for box work, but he is to try the game on Saturday. Lancaster has a strong team and a good, sharp contest is looked for.

Unitarian Notes.

At 10.45 a service of worship with sermon by Rev. J. L. Marsh of Bolton in exchange with the pastor. The chorus choir will sing, under the leadership of H. A. Thayer.

At twelve, Sunday school. Classes for all for instruction in a reasonable effort, using the Bible and other literature.

Congregational Notes.

Mrs. Mary Warren, Sunday will be at 10.45 with preaching by the pastor, who will take as his theme, "Scientific husbandry." The preaching service will be followed by the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Music arranged for last Sunday will be given this Sunday. Mr. West will sing the solo, "Jesus, lover of my soul."

The Bible school will meet at twelve. The gospel story under discussion will be that of the Prodigal Son, which offers suggestions to the students of all ages. There is a welcome for all.

The C. E. prayer meeting is held in the evening at 7.30 o'clock. The subject will be "The five great promises; the faith verse." Miss Sarah Jones will lead the meeting and there will be special music by the C. E. choir.

The Woman's Benevolent society will hold a regular fortnightly meeting in the church parlor on Tuesday, May 5, at 2.30 o'clock.

On Tuesday evening of this week the social committee of the Y. P. C. Y. held a social at the church. There was a good attendance of the younger members of the society with their friends. Games were played and refreshments served and all present reported a very pleasant evening.

Still River.

John C. Thompson, mail carrier between the postoffice and the railroad station, is sick with rheumatic fever and Dell Pratt is carrying the mails.

Mrs. A. H. Keyes, who has been spending the winter with her son, Lester B. Keyes, of Springfield, arrived here on Wednesday to spend the week with her son, S. B. Hayes.

E. P. Fairchild has gone to Cumberland Gap, Texas, for a couple of weeks on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McClintock's daughter and two children returned to their home in Stratford, Conn., on Tuesday after a couple of weeks visit here.

Edna Robinson is visiting in Hudson.

Ruth Willard is at home for a week from the Fitchburg Normal school.

The Ladies' Mission Circle met with Mrs. H. R. Harrod on Thursday afternoon. There were ten present. Two letters from Mary Evans descriptive of her mission work in the Philippines which she wrote to her aunt, Mrs. R. P. Scales, were read, followed by the reading from the book "Anne of Ava."

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TOWNSEND.

Center. Mrs. Henry F. Miller and Franz have both been very sick with severe colds. Mr. Miller has also been sick with the same trouble.

Miss Ruth Potter, of Worcester, has been a guest at her sister's, Mrs. R. U. Fessenden, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Fessenden received a party at their home in Hildredge, of Plymouth, who formerly resided here.

George Kendall held an auction at his farm last Saturday and will soon move to the village and reside in the Harlan Greene tenement on Brookline street, having sold his farm.

John P. Fitch is having an out-door or open sleeping room added to his house.

Edward Everett of Big Timber, Montana, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Alfred Adams. Mrs. Adams contracted a severe cold some weeks ago and has been very ill ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fessenden gave a party and a course supper on Friday evening, April 24. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Fessenden, whose fifteenth wedding anniversary came upon that date.

These present besides were Henry Hill and Carl Willard, Miss Maud Hyde of this town and Miss Ruth Potter of Worcester. A cotillion party was held and Mrs. Willard and Mrs. A. N. Fessenden were the winners.

A social time finished the pleasant evening and the guests departed with expressions of appreciation for their royal entertainment by host and hostess and with congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fessenden upon the occasion of their anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Fessenden were married in Andover City fifteen years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill of California, Fessenden's parents, having interests and property there at the time.

The program at the Grange on Monday evening was as follows: Current events in charge of Ella Wilson; reading, Hattie E. Misher; music, in charge of Annie N. Greenleaf; paper, "What can a Grange do toward recovering worthy members who have ceased to attend the meetings," Edna C. Bray; discussion, members.

Stephen Farrar was quite severely injured about the head and shoulders while loading poles near O. D. Fessenden's at Brookline, N. H., Tuesday. The seat broke upon his car and he fell high up he fell quite a distance, the heavy weight of his load striking him as he fell under the car. He was unconscious for some time. J. L. Farrar went over to Fessenden's and later brought him home.

Mrs. Florence Gwinn has accepted a position to sing at the Orpheum at Waltham for awhile and according to the Waltham Press of last Tuesday's issue has been very favorably received there. The Press spoke of her pit, pleasing voice and the songs, half ballad and half classical which she sang appealed to many after much of the rag-time singing which more is heard in the picture play shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Sewell Mitchell are in town this week.

Miss Florence Copeland, of Fitchburg, has been a recent guest at Milo Spaulding's.

Several members of the North Star Lodge of Rebekahs and friends attended a supper and entertainment by invitation of the Ashby Rebekahs at the Ashby Tuesday evening and reported a most enjoyable time.

Miss Addie Bruce is to break up housekeeping this week and once again set up her quarters at Mrs. Sarah Ball's. Waldo Burgess will have the tenement for awhile.

Eighty-eighth Anniversary. The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church observed their eighty-eighth anniversary Monday afternoon at the church vestry and about fifty were present in spite of the inclement weather and enjoyed a most delightful occasion due to the management of Mrs. Anna Bilis, president of today, Mrs. Elma Gates, other officers and assistants. The meeting was opened by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." The history of the society was then given from 1826-1914 and first set of officers read as was given in last week's issue in speaking of the invitations sent out.

Miss Ellen Haynes took the first part of the society's history and gave a very able account of their charitable work of its members. The period of 1860-1895 was ably and fully covered by Mrs. Anna Bilis, Mrs. Anna C. Taylor, who was president at this time, took the years of 1871-1877, or the parsonage years, when the ladies were struggling to pay for a parsonage which was mostly done by their work, the foundations being given by the men. The years from 1899 up to the present time were well covered by Mrs. Lydia Jett. The reading of the papers Miss Mildred Morgan read several songs which were much enjoyed by all.

The following briefs are taken from the above mentioned. The society was formed on April 25, 1826, and was composed of seventy-seven members and was first called the Young Ladies' Reading society. In 1829 the name was changed to the Female Reading and Charitable society of Lowell. In 1838 the name was shortened to the Female Sewing Circle and later, in 1845, changed to its present name, the Ladies' Benevolent society. In 1845 one of their charitable deeds was the gift of a library to a deserving school in Saginaw, Mich., which Miss Harriett Spaulding, of this town, who was then teaching there, suggested. In 1859 the society sewed and gave an outfit to Miss Myra Proctor, who has received an appointment from the A. B. C. F. M. to go as a missionary to Turkey.

From 1860 to 1890 the society, besides many kindly deeds which we have no space to mention, had gathered in and used for worthy causes money and clothes amounting to \$2,650. They were also prominent during the civil war in sending bandages and comforters to the hospitals at Washington in 1861 and were of great assistance in the remodeling of the church interior. During Mrs. Yager's presidency the society became an auxiliary to the Woman's Board of Missions.

Mrs. S. E. Sheldon and Mrs. Emma C. Spaulding were former presidents, serving twelve years each and Mrs. A. K. Tyler, of this town, has a notable record of being secretary for thirteen years.

The semi-centennial was observed in 1876 under the direction of Mrs. Mary Hertram, the original secretary. Mrs. Anna C. Taylor served during the parsonage building period and Mrs. Anna Bilis has been a faithful president for six years, and as everyone knows in the recent renovation of the church this society, with the assistance of Mrs. Annie E. Fessenden, in giving the carpet has been the greatest factor in producing the result now so pleasing to all.

Letters from the following out-of-town people were read: Mrs. Emma Spaulding, Mrs. H. C. Rolfe, Mrs. C. H. Rowley, Mrs. B. A. Willmott, Mrs. E. R. Harrison, Mrs. Mary Lane, Mrs. E. R. Hattie, Mrs. Henry Hyde, Mrs. Abbie Shirley, Mrs. E. H. Brown, Mrs. James Whitley and Mrs. E. L. Haynes.

West. The sad news reached here on Monday of the death of Sunday M. Main, of Melrose, who died of a typhoid fever, and many friends in this village are sorrowing at the passing away of a good and useful christian worker. Mr. Main has many times addressed the Sunday schools and the Brotherhood in this village and was very popular with all interested in the work.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent society will be held at the vestry on Wednesday of next week.

Justin C. Hodgman has been quite ill the past week at his home.

The house belonging to Miss Frank and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Brown and John Johnson and family is being painted white by W. W. Webster, of Josselynville.

Mrs. Sumner Lawrence, of recent guest of Mrs. Fannie Lawrence.

Mrs. M. O. Prime, of Ayer, has left Mrs. Stevens' home and is visiting at the home of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence.

Mrs. Charles Kimball met with quite a severe cold last week, falling in her wrist. She is improving as fast as can be expected.

Daniel and parrels Ormsby returned with their parents from Winthrop, where they have been finishing their school term and are at the home in Josselynville for the summer.

The regular monthly banquet of the Brotherhood will be held in the Baptist vestry on next Wednesday evening in the apartment being Angus Melton, from Quincy, who will speak on "Porto Rico." Special music will be furnished by George Hayward.

A new clock has been placed on the east wall of the Baptist vestry, a gift from the Ladies' Benevolent society. It is a very handsome timepiece with a case of polished wood and forms a welcome and much needed addition to the vestry furnishings.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckford of West Josselynville spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. John J. Sawyer, recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan.

George Hodgman from Lewiston, Me., is enjoying a vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman.

Mrs. Roy Wright and little daughter, Mrs. Wright's mother, Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson.

Arthur Smith of Waltham is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Perry of Sawtelle.

Irving Kendall from Fitchburg has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Mills of Josselynville.

Miss Ruth Hayden of Greenville, N. H., spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. A. D. Winslip.

Mrs. Perrin of Boston has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman.

George Roebuck from New York has been a few days in the village the past week preparing the autos for the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Homer of New York city, the latter part of May.

Miss Chloe Brown has returned from a visit to relatives in Manchester, N. H., and is at present stopping with Mrs. Margaret Wilson at Mrs. C. S. Homer's.

Mrs. Sumner Lawrence from Concord has been spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Fannie Lawrence.

Rev. Mr. Crane from Wakefield, who has been a supply in this village several weeks, left for his home last week. Very interesting services were held in the church on Sunday morning, occasioned by the stormy weather. He was entertained at the home of Miss M. Ellnor Tower.

The body of Mr. Kidder from Ayer was brought to this village on Thursday for burial in the family lot. Mrs. Fred Tenney from the Center was at her home here for a brief visit last Saturday.

Miss Loraine Dalbey, a deaconess from Boston, has been enjoying a vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boss.

Miss Boss, who has been visiting for several weeks in Medford, has returned to the home of Miss M. Ellnor Tower, of this village.

Miss Lena Thompson is enjoying a week's vacation from her duties at the Fitchburg normal school.

Augustus Stevens of Stevens Hill has not been at Fitchburg for the past week and owing to his advanced years his illness causes much anxiety in his family.

Mrs. S. W. Upton of Josselynville is spending a few days with friends in Temple, N. H., and vicinity.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

Your correspondent was misinformed in regard to where the accident to E. D. Martin occurred as reported last week. It happened on the road near Townsend as he was coming toward his home in Goddichville and not on the streets of Fitchburg. James W. Smith saw the team with no driver and immediately turned it about and after a short distance found Mr. Martin helpless on the roadside. Getting to the nearest telephone he called Dr. C. E. Woods, who when he saw how serious the case was assumed Carl E. Brown with his automobile and Mr. Martin was conveyed to the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg. It was found that the both bones of the leg were broken just above the ankle, one of them badly splintered. It was a very serious break and will probably confine Mr. Martin for two months more and he is particularly unfortunate just at this season when every farmer is very busy with his out-door work.

A little daughter named Dora Irene and weighing six pounds came into the world at the home of Warren Proctor on Saturday, April 25.

Rev. Edward W. Watson, with his wife and little son, just from Cuba, arrived at the home of his father, Aaron W. Watson, on Friday evening, April 24. His physician has ordered a change and complete rest, as he is worn out with out-door work and he kindly wishes a good place to rest in.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Marshall visited friends in Nashua, Milford and Concord last week and report a very pleasant time.

The Woman's club was well represented on reciprocity day at the Woman's club in Fitchburg when Mrs. Ellen S. Parker gave a beautiful solo, and charades by other members of the Lunenburg club.

Clarence Howard Proctor and Miss Lucille Lawton, both graduates of Lunenburg high school of the classes of 1911 and 1913, were married on Friday, April 24. Rev. A. T. Kempton, of Cambridge, performed the ceremony. The very best wishes of a host of friends go with these young people as they embark on their voyage upon the sea of matrimony.

"The marquis" will be presented by local talent for the benefit of the Grange at the town hall on Friday, May 8. There will be musical attractions also.

Hiram B. Houghton has sold his farm to Mrs. Ellen G. Lewis, of Hyde Park. There is a nice acre of land with good buildings and an orchard of 800 apple, peach and other fruit trees.

Special Town Meeting.

A special town meeting was held in the town hall on Thursday evening, April 23, the agenda for which contained seventeen articles, everyone of which related to money directly or indirectly.

Articles 7 and 8 were in regard to the acceptance of money for the care of two lots in the cemetery.

Article 13, which the voters would vote to rescind the action taken at the annual meeting in March, whereby it was voted to reopen the South school, since then thorough canvass of the district has been made with the result that only eight out of a possible fifteen are in the district would vote to rescind the action.

Others preferred the present arrangement of going by electric car to District No. 2 near the station. As this would leave too small a number

to make it practical or advisable to reopen the school it was voted to rescind the action taken at the annual meeting and the school will not be opened. However, it was voted to keep the appropriation for schools at \$6,650, thinking that the \$250 extra as voted at the annual meeting could be used to advantage for the other schools in town.

Under article 16 it was voted that the railroad officials be requested to change the name of the station from Lunenburg to South Lunenburg and to issue tickets, railroad guides, etc., as is quite misleading to people travelling. No objection was made to the young people being allowed to use the hall for basketball so they will continue to enjoy the privilege.

Under the articles for the appropriation of money \$200 was voted to repair Elmwood street, \$225 for a new road scraper, \$200 for improving and developing Marshall park and a sum not to exceed \$10,000 for purchasing and maintaining a plant for furnishing light, heat and power for the town.

The treasurer was authorized to borrow this amount and give notes for it. The vote on purchasing the plant was yes 109, no 3. A municipal light board was elected, E. G. Carawell for 3 yrs., E. W. Baker 2 yrs., George P. Grant 1 yr.

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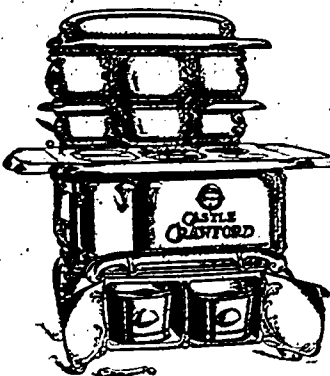
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HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Clark spent the week-end in Winchester, Mass. James Degman, of Nashua, was in town over Sunday. Clarence H. Sargent, of Manchester, was in town over Sunday. Miss Jennie Morrison, a pupil in the senior class of the high school, is ill with scarlet fever. She has been making the home of Charles E. Hardy's for some time, but is now being cared for at Edson L. Hurd's. It is said to be a mild case and her many friends extend sympathy to her. George and Miss Emma Van Dyke reached home on Tuesday evening after spending the winter months at Palm Beach, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Peacock, of Nashua, have been visiting the past week at William H. Lund's. Mr. Peacock is in very poor health and has been obliged to give up work. Miss Grace Marshall is at present caring for an invalid lady in Nashua. Miss Minnie Bancroft returned on Friday evening after a short stay in Boston.

On account of so many pupils in the primary school, several of whom had just entered recently, it was deemed necessary to have an assistant teacher. Extra seats have been placed in the girls' lunch-room and Mrs. Nellie Lougee is assisting Miss Newton with the work.

The Sewing Circle will meet next Thursday with Mrs. Charles Woodin. Mrs. Clara Spaulding, of Hudson, and Henry Lund visited their cousin, William H. Lund, last week.

Mrs. William T. MacMaster and daughter Marie spent the week-end with relatives in Townsend.

At the next Grange meeting, Tuesday, May 5, the following program will be given: Topic for discussion, "Does the influence of the home and the community necessarily affect the character of the boy or girl?" Speakers, Frank E. Sweetser, E. Scott, Mrs. Nellie E. Hardy, Mrs. Lucy E. Brown, piano solo, Mrs. Florence C. Ladd; recitation, Mrs. Georgianna Kimball; piano duet, Elwyn Wheeler and Lillian Lovejoy; dialogue, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilshire; song, male quartet.

Mrs. Rebecca Richardson was taken suddenly ill on last week Friday morning, but her condition has improved very much since then.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Greenleaf were in Townsend on last Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Canavan's home is receiving a fresh coat of paint.

Obituary. Herbert T. Patch died very suddenly at his home at Patch's corner on Thursday evening, April 23. He had been in his usual good health and worked in the Hayden Brothers saw mill all day. In the evening he complained of a pain in his chest, but late in the evening he went to bed about nine o'clock, and he passed away at about eleven o'clock. Dr. Hazard was called but he had gone before he got there, and said that the death had been caused by hardening of the arteries.

Mr. Patch was a very quiet man and had a host of friends. He was born in Hollis in 1860, and had always made his home here.

The funeral was held from his late home on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The bearers were Daniel W. Hayden, Norman E. Howe, Samuel Casady and Fred E. Wheeler. A quartet consisting of Miss Bertha Hayden, Mrs. Annie Colburn, George A. and Wesley W. Ladd, furnished music. Burial was in the East cemetery. There was an abundance of flowers, showing the esteem in which he was held.

The deceased leaves a widow, who is in feeble health; a daughter, Lucy and a son Arthur, both of whom reside in town; also a sister, Mrs. Myrtle Duncklee, of Hollis.

News Items. The orator for Memorial day is to be Rev. R. W. Drazbridge, of Belmont, Mass.

Mrs. Helen Leighton, with her daughter, Miss Frances, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of C. J. Bell.

The Odd Fellows attended church in a body last Sunday by invitation of the pastor. The service was very interesting.

Charles Colburn, of Brooklyn, N. Y., spent Saturday and Sunday in Hollis at the paternal home.

Mr. and Mrs. Holden, of Nashua, spent Sunday at home.

Fred Holden and Fred Pierce visited in Nashua on Monday evening and attended the anniversary of the Odd Fellows of that city.

Miss Emma Van Dyke has got as far as Washington towards home. She is attending the D. A. R. exercises there.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Entertainments have cleared the debt on the new piano at Tarbell's hall. Kirk Gilman and a friend, Mr. Anderson of Pepperell, members of Beethoven Club, were recent guests of Nathaniel Hobart.

The entertainment at the grange last week was in charge of Mrs. Myra Stanley, acting lecturer. The program and was as follows: Piano selection, Miss May Pierce; reading, Mrs. Eliza Gray; vocal selections, Miss Eliza Gray and Mrs. Maude Greeley; piano selection, Miss Frances Farnsworth; reading, Mrs. Hattie F. Pierce; essay, "How can the farmer best make the happiest place on earth?" Mrs. Mary F. Barber; farce, "Mrs. Pepper's Ghost," Force Hall, Miss Kent, Francis Farnsworth. After the program a box lunch was in order and then promenading and a social hour.

Fred Dow carried seventeen people in a barge to Hollis on Tuesday of last week to attend a grange meeting.

Mrs. Catherine Cady was one of a theatre party at Boston on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shattuck attended a Pomona grange meeting at Merrimack last week.

There was a good attendance at the fair and entertainment of moving pictures on Friday evening of last week, a good many being present from out-of-town. Supper was served at ten o'clock with Mrs. Anna Gibson, Miss Eliza Betterley and their assistants in charge. The home-made candy table both and also the fancy table were arranged very nice with Miss Mable Popple and Mrs. Ellen Sweet in charge of them.

For several months Brookline has been without a resident minister. Rev. Charles Dockrill has moved to the Congregational parsonage and it is hoped his pastorate here may be an enjoyable one to him as he has many friends in town.

Recent guests in town have been Charles R. Hardy, Hollis; Mrs. Walter Parker, Miss Parker, Lowell, Mass.; Mrs. E. E. Parker, Nashua; Miss Clara Hazelton, Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie, Townsend; Mrs. Bell Sawyer, Sterling, Mass.; Miss Lizzie McNair, Pepperell; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Patch, Melrose, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. George J. Rideout, Wilton; George H. Abbott, New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell were recent guests at Somerville, Mass. Miss Lila Barnaby is teaching at Raymond.

A good number attended the George Kendall auction from Brookline last Saturday.

It is expected that Hollis grange will meet with Brookline grange in May. Mr. Chase, at the Dunbar home, will make extensive repairs right away as will also the party that has purchased the Rockwood home, who intend to enlarge the buildings.

The boarding-house near the ice house has received a fresh coat of paint.

Arthur Goss and Eldorus Shattuck have just completed a broad piazza on the house occupied by Silas Wheeler on Millford street.

Mrs. King, on the Penneber road, has recently entertained her sister, Miss Hancock, of Milford.

Mrs. Mollie Gibson and son James have just returned from Milford road after spending the winter in the village.

Joseph Heagan is very ill at his home in Melrose. Miss Hazel Goss is improving slowly.

Mr. Oullette and his men are at work at the George Dodge farm renovating the buildings with paint, paper and whitewash. The farm has been vacant since Mr. Dodge moved away and was recently sold to parties from Worcester.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Wells at Raymond last week.

LITTLETON.

News Items. The King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. William H. Davis on next Tuesday afternoon. The ladies will attend the Floating hospital, Birthdays during the next two months will be in charge of Mrs. Clayton Hartwell.

Mrs. Lester Whitney has been in a Lowell hospital receiving treatment for a week past.

Mrs. H. L. Packard, district superintendent of Junior Endeavor work, attended the meeting of Junior C. E. leaders in Boston this week.

Miss Jennie Sawyer, ticket office clerk, and Miss Eleanor Hill, post-office clerk, took a week-end trip to Portland, Me.

Charles H. Yapp's children and S. P. O'Bannion's children are recent victims of measles.

Several Littleton cattle dealers went to Kimball Brothers' auction sale of horses and sixty head of cattle at the Elmer Kimball estate in Westcar on Monday.

Rev. Arthur Coville, formerly pastor of Rollstone church in Westcar, preached in the Congregational church last Sunday morning.

On account of the epidemic of measles all grade schools in Center and Union school buildings have been closed all week.

Miss Lora Barnaby, former teacher in the West primary school, and later a teacher in Keene, N. H., and Springfield, was married on Wednesday to Lyman Hale, contractor. The ceremony took place at the bride's home in Gill street, where they will live in their new house near the bride's home.

C. J. McEnnis is riding in a fine new carriage that he purchased of Hugh McDonald.

An attachment has been placed on all the Littleton property owned by Mr. Graustein.

The Dairy Improvement association held a meeting last week and voted to continue the good work of the past year. Much enthusiasm was manifested over the results of the experiment and but few of the former members expressed an intention of leaving the organization. It is expected that Mr. Zapple will continue in the office of tester.

Two weeks from tonight the Woman's club will present in Littleton town hall the three-act drama "The bewildering Miss Felicia," a comedy of rejuvenation by Granville Forbes Sturgis. The play was written in 1912 for a school teachers' association in Denver, Col. and was a most successful success. The public may expect nothing short of that from the select cast of the Woman's club, the names of which will appear with full particulars in the columns hereafter.

The acts the audience will be favored by music by the ladies' quartet.

The house begun for Harry Hume on the quarantine grounds last season is to be completed this spring.

Mrs. Patrick Dorsey is on the sick list. Mrs. Dorsey is gaining.

Don't forget the exhibition of moving pictures in the town hall on Friday evening, May 8. The Mutual pictures will be shown including the world famous Keystone Comedies. Watch for flyers.

Improvement Society.

The Littleton Improvement society held its adjourned biennial meeting in the selectmen's room on Saturday evening, April 25, at eight o'clock. A large attendance of members and members responded to the call of President Patch. This being the biennial meeting for election of officers the president appointed tellers and the following officers were elected: Frank A. Patch, pres.; William A. Munson, v. p.; Mrs. Nellie M. Hartwell, sec.; Waldo E. Conant, treas. The committee of six as nominated by the officers and elected by the members, Frank B. Priest, John H. Hardy, Jr., Rev. O. J. Fairfield, Mrs. Amelia C. Wakefield, Rev. H. L. Packard, Rev. H. L. Caulkins. This committee with the town tree warden, E. Hopkins, the house and stable. Best opportunity anywhere at any price to buy a nice little home, central to everything. No reasonable offer refused. Q. A. WRENCE, High Street, East Pepperell, Mass. 3m25

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home; E. A. Cox, J. T. Warren and C. F. Flagg care for triangle at Tenney's Corner; J. H. Hardy, Jr., A. E. Hopkins and George Whitcomb consider the improving of Liberty square. Proposed amendment to constitution, article 2: "To promote community betterment and the civic welfare of the town. This is to be acted upon at the next meeting. It was voted that the subject matter of the extension school be referred to the community service council. At the close of the meeting it was suggested that the society remind the community that it desires to fall in line with the state's suggestion and adopt the slogan "Paint up and clean up" from May 4 to May 11.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex ss. Probate Court. In and for the County of Middlesex, at all other persons interested in the estate of GEORGE A. CULVER late of Groton, said County, do hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 3134 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

LOST BOOK

In accordance with Chapter 590, Section 40, of the Acts of 1908, Massachusetts, notice is hereby given that Pass Book No. 10275 has been lost and payment on same stopped. NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK, Ayer, Mass. SARAH T. TUTEN, Treasurer. April 18, 1914. 3132

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PEPPERELL.

About Town. Mrs. P. R. Stratton is suffering from a wound on the thumb of her left hand, caused by the slipping of a sharp knife which she was using about her work. It has required the care of a physician for several days past and is only beginning to heal slowly. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Legg have opened their summer home on Heald street the past week. Frank W. Whitney has sold his small farm on the South road to Fred W. Ringdahl, of Lynn. The place is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt, relatives of Mr. Ringdahl, as Mr. and Mrs. Ringdahl have employment at Lynn, which only permits their coming for over Sundays. They intend also to spend the summer there. Mr. Whitney has moved to East Village, near Parker's mill, and will take in furniture to upholster and reseat the same as formerly. A food sale will be held at the Congregational vestry on Thursday afternoon, May 7, at three o'clock. Under the auspices of the Ladies Benevolent society. An added attraction will be a mystery table. Tea will be served from four to five o'clock. There will be a short program during the afternoon to which everyone is cordially invited. Mrs. Edward Dwyer is visiting her husband at Rumford, Me., where he has been employed. They somewhat expect to settle there. Miss Mollie Wilson's cousin, Mrs. Lizzie Sartelle, of Ayer, has moved to the Peck house on Mt. Lebanon street, where she expects to stay during the summer. John Guest and family have moved from the Pike tenement on Main street into S. M. Nokes' tenement on Lowell street. Mark Shattuck, of Groton, has been the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Sarah Patch, a part of this week. Mrs. George Greenhalge of Pawtucket, R. I., has been at the Page farm, her old home, during part of the time her mother, Mrs. Lucy Page, has been in Washington. Mrs. Greenhalge has allowed the farm foreman, Mr. Humphrey, to take care of the duties there while she drove to town to bring milk to the car, the horse to the blacksmith shop, attend to the trading for the place and enjoy country life generally. Chas. H. Bartz was running the auto truck between the Groton and Pepperell mills of the Nashua River Paper Co. the early part of this week, during the time that Howard Steltz, the regular driver, was indisposed and off duty. Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Derocher of Manchester, N. H., while on their wedding trip last week came here to pay a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pillsbury, relatives of the bride. They returned to Manchester on Tuesday. Duran's big barge with Lester Stevens as driver, took a party of ten of the younger members of Prescott grange to Tyngsboro on Tuesday evening. The occasion was a visit to the neighboring grange to witness the working of the third and fourth gears on a new class of machinery. Inspection followed by Deputy E. W. Stone of Auburn, who was assisted by Mrs. Margaret Sarre of Dracut. A tempting supper followed and the Pepperell party arrived home early in the morning. Catherine Maultmann, who has been in the hospital in Nashua for throat trouble, is gaining in health and is expected to be able to come home soon. Flora Boynton spent the vacation with her sister Margaret at Irving Boynton's, South Hadley. Miss Mary Wood is spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Towne, at Springfield. Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Drawbridge came from Belmont last week to attend the services in connection with the installation of Rev. Dudley R. Child as pastor of the Unitarian church. They were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dennen on the Hollis road. The high school ball team played the Groton high school team on Saturday, April 25, and were defeated by a score of 4 to 2. The delegates to the D. A. B. convention were: Nellie Gutterson, Mrs. Lucy B. Page, accompanied by Mrs. Susan Richardson, are expected to arrive from Washington this week. The public schools have been closed for vacation during the week. Mary Gilhooley is having a week's vacation from Fitchburg Normal school and is a guest at Mrs. P. F. Sullivan's. Arthur Bolles returned to his duties at Boston on Monday after spending several days with his parents here. Miss Mary Thrall is stopping for awhile with Mrs. J. L. Boynton on Main street. "The committee of six" will hold a social dance in Peck hall Friday evening, May 8, with music by Shattuck's singing orchestra of five pieces. Mrs. Frank Brockelman of Shirley was a guest on Tuesday of Mrs. Wallace Willoughby, an old-time friend, but whom she had not visited since her marriage. Mrs. Brockelman was in town to attend also, the meeting of the Alpha Association of Past Noble Grands. Shooting Accident. An accident which caused quite a little excitement, occurred on Saturday noon of last week, near Reed's pond, when Leonard Freeman, a boy of about fourteen years of age named David Beauville, son of Joseph Beauville, of Groton street. Luckily the bullet struck one of the ribs and was deflected, passing to a point near the shoulder blade where it was removed by Drs. Qua and Heald. The lad did not lose his wits or his courage and was able to tell a fairly connected story. It seems that in company with a boy about his name, Herbert, who was fishing on the shores of the pond. All at once from the woods which partly encircle the pond there was a sound of shots and Freeman soon made his appearance and commenced using his revolver. He was firing at an old man near the boys. They asked him to stop before anything should happen, but he paid no attention to them until he saw that one of the shots had struck Beauville. Young Herbert gave the alarm and Freeman was easily taken by the officer when he reached Groton and brought back to Pepperell by Officer Month.

Freeman is the son of Elmer Freeman, who was formerly employed in town, residing on the Gustin place near the pond where the shooting took place. He is nearly his eighth birthday and has always had a mania for firearms from a child. Twice, because of his peculiar conduct, he has been examined and placed in a sanatorium for treatment. Only last winter, while at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Margeson, of this town, he caused her so much alarm by his persistent carrying of revolvers that he was arrested on February 18 and taken to the district court at Ayer, but let off on probation. His parents now reside in Wollaston and about the day of the accident his mother wrote Mrs. Margeson saying that Leonard was in Pepperell again, they thought, and if he came to her house or caused any alarm to let them know. But he did not appear there and she afterward learned of the accident. Young Freeman's mania seems to be entirely for firearms of some sort. When taken before the judge at Ayer, by suggestion of Officer Month, he was examined by Dr. Qua and Dr. Bulkeley, of Ayer, and being pronounced to be mentally unfit to be brought to trial, he was committed to the care of the judge that he should be sent to the house of correction. The victim of the accident, Beauville, has been fairly comfortable since the bullet was extracted and at present his speedy recovery is looked for. Alpha Association Meets. Members of Alpha Association of Past Noble Grands were entertained by Acoma lodge on Tuesday afternoon, April 28, about thirty being present. The business session of the association, the musical program was given. Mrs. P. R. Stratton and Mrs. Elsie Copp sang the duets, "Sweet summer, good-by" and "Like the lark." Mrs. Copp sang the solo, "The hands" and responded to the encore by singing the whimsical little ballad, "Dear little goose." Lunch was served to the guests at five o'clock as many went home on the 5.41 train. At six o'clock the social supper under the direction of Mrs. Warren Blood, was served in the most approved fashion to more than seventy satisfied patrons. The regular meeting of the lodge took place in the evening and a regular session of the work of the degree staff, preparatory to initiation. "The Gypsy Queen." A most unique musical production was given at the Opera House on the evening of April 29 when the opera "The Gypsy Queen" was presented under the auspices of the Groton street school. The tickets were on sale and in the hands of the children at an early date and the result was a well-filled house. Miss Elizabeth Reagan took the part of gypsy queen to perfection, Miss Mildred Morgan made a very airy fairy queen and Miss Mildred Sibley was an ideal Tyrol. The three soloists executed the music which was peculiar, being typical of the subject, in a fine manner, each showing individuality in their various parts. The grouping of the children and the costumes were of the most effective. The costumes of all being most effective. They also showed remarkably good training in the drills. Much credit is due their teacher, Miss Claire Hickey, who acted as pianist for the evening and to whose management much of the success is due. The sum netted from the evening will be applied to the musical department of the school for their benefit and enjoyment. Pastor Installed. The installation of Rev. Dudley R. Child as pastor of the Unitarian church in this town on Thursday evening, April 23, was a most impressive occasion. There was a large attendance many being present from out-of-town. The sermon by Rev. W. F. Dennen, D. D. of Cambridge, was one not soon to be forgotten. One felt that they were listening to the thoughtful utterances of a great man. The charge to pastor and people was also most impressive, being delivered by Rev. P. H. Cressey, of Groton. The service throughout the evening was one of peculiar dignity, the program being as follows: Organ voluntary, Mrs. John O. Bennett, anthem, reading, reading, P. R. Stratton; hymn; scripture reading, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, of Belmont; prayer, Rev. W. F. Dennen; hymn; sermon, Rev. Prof. William Fenn, D. D., dean of the divinity school of Harvard university; charge to minister and people, Rev. P. H. Cressey, of Groton; hymn; benediction, Rev. D. R. Child. New electrical lighting of the edifice and new hymn and tune books added to the interest of the occasion. Before the exercises of the evening a supper provided by the officers of the L. S. C. Branch Alliance was served to Mr. and Mrs. Child and the invited guests, including the trustees, clerk and treasurer of the parish. Oak Hill Minstrels. The Oak Hill society scored another successful and pleasing entertainment at their ball on Friday evening, April 24. The hall was filled to overflowing, more than 200 being present, with some from out-of-town. There was a circle of sixteen performers with a pianist. The management was as usual, much enjoyed. Dancing followed with music by Robbins' orchestra in which so many participated that it was a feat calling for considerable skill to avoid collisions and occasioning much fun. The management for the evening wishes to thank all those who assisted in any way in making the evening a success. Valuable Dog Lost. It is believed that a large Scotch Collie is wandering about in the vicinity of the John Lawrence place near the Willows on the South road unable to find his way back to his former home in this town. The ani-

mal belongs to Francis Lawrence, and when Mrs. Lawrence joined her husband at Hinsdale, N. H., where he has been working, she took the Collie with her as he was very fond of her to children and seemed to feel that he was their protector when they were at play out-of-doors. This was about four weeks ago. Mrs. Lawrence wrote to her parents here that the Collie seemed unsettled and very uneasy, and later that he had disappeared. As he was very much attached to her father, John S. Marshall, of Franklin street, she thought the dog would try to return here and wanted them to be on the lookout. Nothing more was heard until in last week's issue of this paper an item appeared in the news from Townsend Harbor that Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright had fed and cared for a dog which they called a St. Bernard, which Mr. Wright had found lying by the roadside exhausted and foot-sore and unwilling to move. As soon as the item came to the notice of the Marshall family, the family drove to Townsend Harbor on Monday only to find that the Collie had slipped away again after benefitting greatly by the care given him by the good Samaritans, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, who had taken him to their house and fed and bathed him. He was undoubtedly the Lawrence's Collie, as the descriptions tallied, the Wrights thinking him a St. Bernard on account of his size and color of fur, which was seen by him some time ago, and later that he had markings, not noticing his distinct Collie head and nose. By use of the telephone it was found that he had come toward Pepperell, but had taken the wrong turn at the junction of the roads at South road. He was next located at the Hayes place, appearing very foot-sore and weary. As they have many valuable dogs about and had recently had a scare from a dog attack, the Marshall family responded to the call and turned back and headed once more for the Harbor. Since that time he has been seen once or twice by Lawrence Morgan while delivering the rural mail, being seen by him some time last week, and on Sunday he was also seen about there. He is high bred and sensitive, not easily making friends, but tenacious and a bit suspicious. He has been treated with kindness and the theory is that he has suffered so much from hunger and exposure and the many rebuffs and frights that he has naturally received on such a tramp, that he has become frightened and unable to search out his way to his former home. The description of the Collie has been given to Mr. Morgan and many others, and his name, "Scottie," any one who has seen him should notify him if given or sent to John S. Marshall or family would be eagerly welcomed and followed up. His sagacity was always appreciated by them, but this new proof of his intelligence and fidelity increases their feeling for him. News Items. Leslie Parker, of Sheffield street, started on Saturday for North Adams, where he will visit his step-mother, Mrs. Shattuck, who is teaching near there. Mrs. Earl Mention, of Fitchburg, spent a few days last week with her father, H. W. Shattuck, on Oak Hill. Among those who spent the week-end in town were Maude Chinn, of Merrimack, H. A. Sidney, of Chinn's, and Mrs. Nellie Frost, of Worcester, at A. A. Shattuck's; Bertha Johnson, of Boston, at L. Johnson's on Main street, and Arthur Bolles, of Boston, at Frank Bolles'. Mrs. H. S. Powers, of Brookline, N. H., returned to her home on Friday after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Wilier, on Franklin street. Miss Alice Marshall, of Franklin street, spent a few days this week with relatives in Fitchburg. Rev. Benjamin A. Mullard, of Boston, will supply the pulpit at the Congregational church on Sunday morning and evening. Mrs. Nellie Frost, of Sheffield street, has heard from her nephew, Lawrence Baker. He is driving a team for John Sartelle at Nashua, N. H. Mr. Sartelle is running his saw mill there. Mrs. Nellie Frost is helping at the home of Leroy Shattuck. W. A. Kemp, auctioneer, will sell on Saturday, May 9, at two p. m., the "Old Homestead" of Sarah Bancroft, located on Townsend street, about a year ago located near the homestead. This property is centrally located and would make a good poultry farm or summer home. Clipping. The following clipping was taken from the Utica, N. Y., Sunday Tribune of April 26: Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Harris of 128 Louisa street entertained their friends last Saturday evening in honor of the twentieth anniversary of their marriage. Cornet solos were played by Clarence Harris, accompanied by Mrs. Holroyd. Refreshments were served, the tables being prettily decorated with sweet peas and pink carnations. Many fine gifts were received, including a partial set of Haydn's quartets for God and the wishing Mr. and Mrs. Harris continued years of happiness. Mr. and Mrs. Harris were formerly of Pepperell and Groton. They left the east several years ago, going to Little Falls, N. Y., where they lived until they went to Utica, where Mr. Harris is employed as foreman on the barge canal. Methodist Church Notes. "Cutting off the right hand" will be the subject next Sunday morning. The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be the sermon. In the evening the pastor will give a picture sermon upon the subject, "Christie's old organ," which is an interesting and fascinating story of the organ illustrated with sixty stereoscopic views. The bright hour service of the Epworth league will be held at six. Subject, "Heart hunger for God and the house." Leader, Miss Almira Burns. The Tuesday evening service will be held at 7.30. The next meeting of the Knights of Arthur will be held on Friday evening at seven o'clock. HOLLIS, N. H. About Town. Richard Hardy left town Thursday for Dixville Notch, where he expects to be gone two months testing milk. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wetmore have moved to the cottage at the Van Dyke farm, where they will remain during the summer months. William J. Mills, who spent the winter in Amherst with his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Fields, has returned to his home in town and is engaged in selling fruit. Frank MacMaster, agent for Ford automobiles, was in town on Thursday. There were twenty-two people present at the whist party on Monday evening. A nice time was enjoyed with refreshments and dancing. Commander Herman O. Stickney of the U. S. Cruiser Prairie and under

whose immediate order the first gun was fired at Vera Cruz was made captain of the port by Admiral Fletcher in placing the city under martial law. He was the son of the late Walter B. Stickney of Hollis and well known here, having spent his boyhood in town. He owned the pleasant homestead in town where his father lived until death called him and since then he has not been able to carry it on account of his other duties. He has many friends here and is very much interested in him since the trouble in Mexico began. The selectmen were called to inspect the bridge at West Hollis and reported it unsafe. It is going to be reboarded with hardwood boards for the present, but must be fixed more substantially to comply with the new laws which go into effect in 1915. The Hollis Woman's club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Charlotte C. Pease as guest. She read a paper on "Puritanism in New England" and Miss Lily R. Eaton read "Puritanism in America." The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Arville Hardy, Wednesday afternoon, May 13. Mrs. Andrew Spaulding has been quite busy of late making evergreen wreaths for Memorial day. They go to out of town parties. The late B. F. Keith, of Brookline, Mass., kindly remembered Mrs. Laura Gerould and three daughters with \$3000 each. Mr. Keith was a cousin of the late Dr. S. H. Gerould, who preached in Hollis for about twenty years. Center. The body of Mrs. Winifred Wessell, who died in New Haven, Conn., was brought here for burial on Wednesday, the funeral being held in Fitchburg. At the joint meeting of the Lunenburg, Ashby and Townsend school committees held at the selectmen's room on Tuesday afternoon the committee voted to increase the salary of the superintendent of schools by fifty dollars. The other changes were the electing of George A. Wilder, chairman, and William Green, of Ashby, secretary for the ensuing year. Frank Felch has moved from the Marshall house near the river bank to the house on the plains recently vacated by the Westons. Mrs. Ella Plingrey of Littleton visited her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Bruce, this week. Harbor. Leonora Bradley is a guest at Seven Plains. Frank Ryan reports 900 little chickens his own farm. Frank Taft, of Natick, has been spending the week at the Cape. John Leahy, who is taking an extended vacation, remains about the same. Mrs. Harry Bryant returned to her home, Maplewood, on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis are spending the week at Seven Plains. The split-log drags are doing good work on the Cape Corner roads as tested by automobile drivers. Miss Annie Keefe, of Boston, spent Sunday at home. This week the leatherboard mill is shipping over a hundred tons of board to South America. A fire caused by a man throwing away an unextinguished match after lighting his pipe burned over several acres in South road, doing considerable damage besides creating much excitement. Will Cooper is getting out lumber preparatory to building a garage. Some of the farms at the Cape, including Maplewood, are taking up gardening this season more extensively than usual. Mrs. Lizzie Spaulding entertained two of her sisters this week. Frank Taylor, expert electrician on the Battleship Wyoming, was with his family over Sunday. Mr. Moody, pastor of the Methodist church, will continue his duties in this town for another year and will hold services once in two weeks, as usual, at the Harbor church. Mr. Piper, with his family, has moved to the present tenement of the overseer's house on Harbor farm, the lower part of which is occupied by Harry Samlyn and family. A promoter of acetylene gas has been demonstrating its many advantages in this vicinity during the past week. On Monday morning Miss Hester Burdett left town for a visit in Brooklyn, N. Y. Several people from this village attended the minstrel show and dance at Oak Hill on last week Friday night. Mrs. Bessie Smith Butler and son are guests at Walnut Grove farm. William Prince, a former employee at the leatherboard mill has again entered the service of Spaulding Brothers. Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Brown, recently of Monson State hospital, Palmer, returned to the Harbor this week. Mrs. Oren Ball, who has been sick with bronchitis, is reported as much better. Walter Brown, administrator of his father's estate, George Brown, recently sold his entire herd of cows to a party in Lunenburg. The Townsend Harbor Social club is preparing an entertainment to be given at the Harbor church on Saturday evening, May 16. On account of the critical illness of F. J. Knight, his son Harry has been called home from Bowdoin college, where he is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi society. One day this week Harry Wright, while shoeing a horse, narrowly escaped a painful accident. The horse, by a sudden pulling away, threw Mr. Wright in such a manner that it was feared at first he had broken his collar bone. A examination showed, however, that some severely strained muscle about the neck and shoulders was the worst to be feared. It may be several days before Mr. Wright can again attend to business. Word has been received that Roland Spaulding, whose birthplace is in this town, is a candidate for many influential friends, has consented to enter the political arena as the republican candidate for the governorship of New Hampshire. Postmaster Clarence Josselyn for the past week has been suffering from an abscess in the head. For several days he was unable to leave his bed, but has now so far recovered as to be about the house and hopes soon to be at his place of business. The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. Charles Warner on Thursday afternoon. The social society from the building has been successful in its undertakings. Its membership list is always open and a hearty welcome awaits all new members. Mrs. Burnstead has opened her home on South road for the summer. Mr. Burnstead sailed for South Ameri-

ca about a week ago, where he has accepted a position similar to the one held by him two years ago. At 8.40 o'clock on Thursday evening, Frank J. Knight, after a short illness, died of pneumonia at his home in this village. The funeral is to be held on Friday afternoon, May 4, at the Harbor church. The engagement is announced of Miss Mildred Morgan, daughter of Lawrence Morgan, and Park Struthers, son of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers, of the Congregational church at the Center. GROTON. Some Suggestions. (Continued from last week.) We have no civic center as in some towns, notably Lancaster and North Easton. In both these towns the gifts of citizens have made them possible. Sometimes wonder when each of us who has not done so, some Groton boy to other locations who has become wealthy that she has never received the money and well known here, who has once been a Grotonian remains very loyal to the town. Our benefactions in the last fifty years have been very meagre. If we have no civic center we have a colonial center if I may call it such. Only church built in Groton with its beautiful spire, said by Mr. Hotch, the architect, to be the finest of that style in the state, has been fortunate in being enhanced by the houses nearby. The Brazer and Dana houses, the Butler house, the house occupied by Mr. Fuller, whose improvements has made it seem more ancient, the Capell house, Dix house, the one occupied by James Wood, the Peody house, have all been modelled, were all built between the years approximately of 1793 and 1803, the last at an earlier date, before 1774, exact date not known. These houses are all harmonious—the only jarring note is the academy building, which if placed where it is, where else, might not be criticized, but it is a misfortune that it is between two colonial houses of such beauty. Why the library was built there, the architect planned a building to harmonize with the surrounding buildings and succeeded, now it is occupied by a modern schoolhouse in this Colonial quarter. It hardly seems possible that a school building adapted to modern times can be so well adapted to harmonize with these surroundings. The reason given for this selection as the most important building, if we bought the hillbourn land that it was so near the Lawrence playground that less land could be bought, and succeeded in buying it, it would be a large piece of the most expensive land in town we would save money, against such a large piece of land, I would like to believe in the proposition. The paying \$500.00 or even \$1000.00 more for land for a schoolhouse is saving only twenty or forty dollars, now it is not wise to consider, unless at the same time we can get the essential things for a school building, to buy a piece of land, the vote of people of antagonistic ideas voted for this measure. Those who really wished a handsome school building, which would be the equal or would outshine the buildings in the neighboring towns, and wanted it placed in a conspicuous place, so that all strangers might see it. Those who did not want any new arrangements for housing the children of the school, which would be a voting for an expensive scheme they would kill or postpone the whole movement, and those who were afraid of the expense for this site for a schoolhouse might be built in their own neighborhood. The site opposite the high school from 1855 to 1873 I think this last reason is greatly magnified. During all those years we were disturbed by the act of the school board. At two different times a pane of glass was broken in the southern front window, which was repaired by the pupils. For a playground this school, numbering more than fifty pupils had only the sideyard of the school hall with a depth not quite to the south side door. The annoyance did not compare to that which we had been told by a policeman from Groton was employed. In the last years of my parents' lives the loud talking of the men and half grown boys inter-fered with our hearing ordinary conversation in our living room and was heard until late in the evening. I have never seen the building, but I think the only good place for a schoolhouse is at a distance from one's house and surely this idea is not a good exhibit of building on the site selected would not only injure the beauty of the most attractive part of the village, but it has another drawback. It would be placed on ground much lower than Academy hill, being so near the academy building it would of necessity be dwarfed by that building. It seems to me that it could not be otherwise. I know that the feeble noise without any power of influence behind it can accomplish but little, but none the less it is a duty to use what little influence one has and so utter my protest. The Groton Improvement society, now a part of the civic section of the Woman's club, the Groton Improvement society and the park commissioners are all striving to beautify the town and each is doing good work on the street and open places. I think the roads should be adopted and that the work should be done systematically upon approved plans. These organizations would not combine and raise money we might be able to raise by subscription enough so we could employ a landscape gardener. We should evolve a plan which would be harmonious, but yet would allow each piece of land to be treated differently. Now the work is haphazard. We have made improvements but it is detached work. It is a mistake to use the word club house, although the building would have to be like a club house. My idea is much broader than that. The town hall is not built for social life, but for town affairs and is admirably planned for that purpose. It is a mistake to claim that its architecture lends itself to sociability. I should say rather that it tends to aloofness. I would like to see a new building for a town hall, one that would be altered to suit the requirements. This building should be two stories in height, built either of wood or cement, whichever is cheaper, although it should not be cheaply built. It should have a commodious and impressive entrance, dressing rooms with lavatories attached and a number of not very large rooms, each of which should be suitable for meetings of various organizations. More than one meeting could then be held the same evening. These rooms should be furnished with four or six could be thrown together as might be necessary. The Unitarian church in Worcester,

Edward Everett Hale's first parish, has rooms constructed in this manner. Originally the church was built far back from the street, as the street was laid out the land owned the next house and they put a restriction that no building should be placed nearer than a stated number of feet from the street. In time that house passed into other hands and the heirs moved the restriction. In front of the church proper an addition, one story high and basement was built. The kitchen, dining room and dressing rooms were in the basement. The street floor was divided into three sections running the length of the church, towards the entrance to the church. These sections in the morning before service were closed, the central section being used for the approach to the altar of the church. The sections on either side were used respectively by the Sunday school and primary classes. After the service the doors were thrown open so that the three sections made one large room where the congregation lingered for friendly greetings of friends and the strangers within their gates. This large room was also used for the parlor for the members of the church. In each of the two Sunday school rooms was an open fireplace on the outside wall. In the lower story constructed as I suggest, using either folding doors or the more modern method of separating walls like curtains which roll up, we could have a small hall, a dining-room for our smaller companies, or a large hall for a banquet between stairs and the stage hall, above stairs for entertainments. We have a number of organizations which need just such a meeting place as the Grange, the Odd Fellows, the Woman's club, both for its large meetings and its class meetings. There are all organizations that can afford to pay. There are other organizations that need a meeting place that is attractive but could not afford to pay as much—the Bird club, Boy Scouts, Gammagirls, Historical society, our sewing school and cooking classes and many other associations and clubs. I think that in fact the more I think about the plan the more it broadens out in usefulness to the community. I would like to know how to obtain such a building? In some towns a single organization has built such a house and other clubs have leased it, giving some revenue. I discard this plan because, if I am not misinformed, the Grange, perhaps as flourishing as any organization in the town, has decided that it was too large an operation financially for them. In some towns a present or former resident has given such a building to some one organization, they renting to other organizations, but I do not know of the up-keep. I cannot think of any Grotonian resident or non-resident who is able to feel like making up such a gift. If I knew any such person I should interview him at once. So eliminate that way of getting the building. Lately I have thought of a plan, which if all our organizations would work together, might succeed, and this plan is to form a committee to carry out this enterprise. If the shares were put at a small price, ten dollars each, five or ten shares would be easily taken one share—some for the good of the town might take more. If the investment did not pay interest it would be made to pay interest to the community which cannot be said of all investments which promise more. I do not know of any one who has much interest in the experience of others would warrant the expectation that it would more than pay charges. It would have this advantage, that railroad investments that the investment would not come under the Sherman anti-trust act which is much in its favor. Are all these suggestions idle dreams not worthy to be carried out? Let us realize that the improvements we are working not only for the day, but for the century. We remember with gratitude what our predecessors have done for us. We, with wider knowledge and larger means, should strive to do more than they for our successors, not that we may be honored for our deeds, but remembering that we who have freely received should freely give. GEORGIANNA A. BOWTTELL. SHIRLEY. News Item. Mrs. Major Mary J. Sheppard will give a talk in the Congregational vestry under the auspices of the education committee of the Altrurian club on Friday afternoon, May 8, at three o'clock. Subject, "Rescue work in the Salvation Army." This meeting will be for women only and all women of the community are cordially invited. Center. Mrs. Harry Ellis and two children, of Lunenburg, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Buxton, at Woodsville. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and Miss Hazel Harris, of Fitchburg, were guests at the home of Mrs. J. W. Evans Saturday. Miss Mildred Evans returned to Fitchburg with them, staying over Sunday. William Wilkins, at Woodsville, who has been recovering from rheumatic fever, is reported to be somewhat worse. Dr. Charles Fleischer is to spend a few days at the home of Frank J. Lawton. New Advertisements. For Sale. In Harvard—Three acres, 25 large Apple Trees, 6 room house, painted yellow, barn 12x20. Price, \$1100. Part cash. In Littleton—One acre, new land, 20 fruit trees, grapes and three kinds of berries, all young, 6 room house, city water, shed 12x25, good location. Price, \$1200, part cash. In Pepperell—One-half acre, 5 bearing apple trees, 6 room house, barn 20x24. With place, good horse, harness, wagon, buggy and several small articles. Price, \$1000, one-half down. For full particulars of these and REAL ESTATE of all kinds call and see Fred A. Smith AYER, MASS. Agent for P. F. Leland Farm Agency. FUN! FUN!! FUN!!! 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