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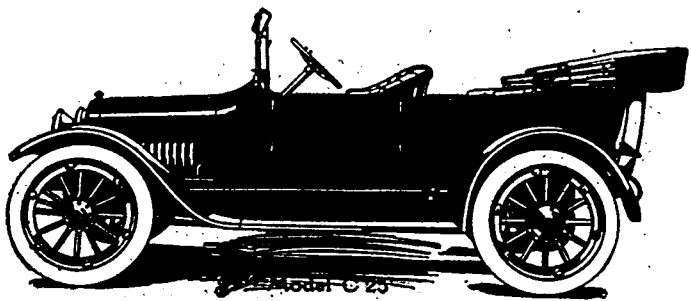


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TOWNSEND.

Center.
Miss L. Eva Stearns is at her home here for a few weeks.
Mrs. Emira Tisdale is in Watertown with her sister, Mrs. Sarah Howard, whose daughter is very ill from typhoid fever.
Albert Turner has returned from a few days' visit in Newton. Mrs. Turner is still with her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Carrigan.
Mrs. Edgar Wilson and child, from West Groton, is at Daniel McKenzie's, Harbor.
On Saturday evening the Townsend Harbor Social club will hold a lawn party on the grounds contiguous to its club rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis are spending the summer in Maine.
Mrs. Edward Wharrt is visiting relatives in Worcester.
part of the week to visit friends and relatives in Vermont.
Mrs. Betsey Mitchell returned last Saturday from a visit to her niece in Groton. Mrs. Julia Hazard.
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn, of Wollaston, is a guest of Mrs. J. Doherty. Last week Mrs. Doherty entertained her niece, Miss Edna Sanborn.
Andrew M. Granger, of Boston, is spending the month of August at C. M. Hager's.
Miss Hester Burdett, with her mother, Mrs. S. Burdett, returned on Tuesday from an auto tour that included visits to friends in West Boylston, Sterling and Shrewsbury.

HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town.
Mrs. Annie Blood and daughter Florence, who have been visiting at Mrs. Frank Clements, have returned to their home in Hudson. Mrs. Clements' mother, Mrs. Walsh, remains with her for a longer visit.
Arthur W. Lund and Harold Wilkins, of Nashua, spent Sunday at William H. Lund's.
Fred G. Muzzey had a bathroom installed at The Pines the past week.
Several families who found it convenient to go to Baboosic Lake on Thursday, took their children on picnics at different places in town, instead of going to the Sunday school picnic.
William T. MacMaster has been awarded the contract of decorating the interior of Holly Hill farm, owned by Stanley Clarke.
Miss Katherine Rannels, of Nashua, was in town on Wednesday and attended the D. A. R. picnic.
Miss Agnes Tenney is at Rye Beach as the guest of Miss Lulu Sargent.
The Peppersell Methodist Sunday school held their annual picnic at Silver Lake on Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. Warren A. Colburn entertained his sister and husband, from Lowell, Mass., on Saturday and Sunday.

Geo. H. Brown

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\$10.00 Suits now reduced to	\$7.47
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\$13.50 Outing Suits now reduced to	\$8.47

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Every pair now goes at a reduced price	
\$2.50 Trousers now reduced to	\$1.98
\$3.00 Trousers now reduced to	\$2.25
\$4.00 Trousers now reduced to	\$3.00
\$4.50 Trousers now reduced to	\$3.50

MEN'S WORKING TROUSERS

\$1.50 Working Trousers now reduced to	\$1.29
\$2.00 Working Trousers now reduced to	\$1.69
\$2.50 Working Trousers now reduced to	\$1.98
\$3.00 Working Trousers now reduced to	\$2.47

BOYS' KHAKI SUITS

50c. Khaki Suits now reduced to	39¢
\$1.00 Khaki Suits now reduced to	79¢
\$1.00 Baseball and Jack Tar Suits now	79¢

CHILDREN'S WASH SUITS

Ages 3 to 8

50c. Wash Suits	39¢
\$1.00 Russian Suits, with patent waist	\$1.39
\$1.25 Russian Suits, with patent waist	\$1.00
\$1.50 Russian Suits, with patent waist	\$1.19

MEN'S SUMMER SHIRT BARGAINS

One lot of Fancy Summer Shirts, our regular 50c. grade, price for this sale	39¢
One lot of Fancy Summer Shirts, Coat Style, our regular \$1.00 grade, for this sale	79¢
One lot of Men's Working Shirts, made of Khaki or Chambray, a regular 50c. quality of shirt, now	39¢

MISCELLANEOUS BARGAINS

Men's White Handkerchiefs	3¢
Men's Police Braces, 50c. kind, now	35¢
Men's Police Braces	15¢
Men's Pure Silk Hose, seconds of 50c. grade	33¢
Boys' Blouse Waists, with Collar on, worth 39c., for this sale	23¢
Men's Cotton Hose, Black or Tan, a regular 2 pairs for 25c. quality, price now	9¢

IMPORTANT NOTICE—This Store will be closed every Thursday at 12 o'clock noon during July and August. Store open on Monday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

UNDERWEAR BARGAINS

Here are some price reductions on many of our regular lines of Lightweight Underwear. Look the list over.

25c. Men's and Boys' Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers	19¢
50c. quality Men's Balbriggan Underwear, special price for this sale	39¢
All our Porosknit Underwear is now reduced in price for this sale as follows:	
50c. grade of Men's Shirts and Drawers	39¢
25c. grade of Boys' Shirts and Drawers	19¢
\$1.00 grade of Men's Union Suits	79¢
50c. grade of Boys' Union Suits	39¢
39c. grade of Men's Nainsook Underwear	25¢
Men's Derby Ribbed Suits, the seconds of \$1.00 grade, the price for this sale	69¢
Boys' Derby Ribbed Union Suits, regular 39c. grade, sizes 28 to 32, for this sale	25¢

SHOE BARGAINS

Our entire stock of all leather Tan Oxfords for Men, Women and Children is now marked at a greatly reduced price; also, many discontinued lines and broken lines in Gun Metal and Patent Leathers will be offered at greatly reduced prices in order to clean-up balance of stock.

Men's Tan Oxfords

\$3.50 Tan Oxfords now reduced to	\$2.50
\$4.00 Tan Oxfords now reduced to	\$3.00

Men's Gun Metal Oxfords

\$3.50 and \$4.00 Gun Metal Oxfords, in Blucher or Button, broken lines, price reduced to clean-up	\$2.98
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Boys' and Little Gents' Oxfords

\$2.00 Tan Oxfords now reduced to	\$1.00
\$2.00 Gun Metal Oxfords reduced to	\$1.00
\$1.50 grade of Little Gents' Gun Metal and Patent Oxfords, 8½ to 13½	98¢

Women's Oxfords

\$3.75 Tan Oxfords, Queen Quality make	\$2.50
\$3.25 Tan Oxfords, Queen Quality make	\$2.25
\$2.50 Tan Oxfords, Rubber Sole and Heel	\$2.00

10 Percent Reduction

In addition to above we will give, during this sale, a reduction of 10 percent from the regular price on our entire regular stock of Men's, Women's and Children's Oxfords of all kinds. This price reduction is for this sale only.

NECKWEAR BARGAINS

50c. Four-in-hands now reduced to	29¢
25c. Four-in-hands now reduced to	17¢
25c. Button-on Ties now reduced to	15¢
25c. Button-on Bow Ties now reduced to	15¢

Geo. H. Brown

On Friday the Blue Birds, chaperoned by Mrs. Flora Hardy, went to Silver Lake and spent the day with the Camp-fire Girls and Mrs. Sallie Sanders, who have been camping there.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.
The lawn party held by the Library association on Wednesday evening was a success, even the weather conditions clearing for the occasion. Another festival will be given under the same management on August 29, and with the money obtained by these and the Saturday night dances, it is hoped that the debt incurred for repairing the library will be cancelled.
Many of our people went to Littleton last week to enjoy the celebration in which we were much interested, as part of our town was originally united with that township. Too much praise cannot be given the management for the excellent program for each day so finely carried out, and particularly the beautiful pageant, which was a perfect wonder of delightful surprises.
A new well is being dug near No. 3 schoolhouse which will be a great convenience to teacher and pupils who have been obliged to bring water from quite a distance.

Mrs. Porter is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Bloise, of Malden.
Mr. and Mrs. Jones, William Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ferry and family, of Waltham and E. A. Warren and family, of Stow, were Sunday guests of the Turners at Bide-a-Wee cottage.
Miss Mabel Wetherbee visited her cousin, Miss Mildred Brown, in Groton, the first of the week, and Miss Brown returned with her for the lawn party. Miss Grace Neudeck, of Worcester, is also a guest at Walnut farm.

A cordial invitation is extended to all by the Ladies' Missionary Circle to the annual lawn party to be held at the home of Rev. F. H. Viets, Wednesday afternoon, August 12. Speaker of the day is Mrs. Brown, from Turkey, who is said to be very interesting.
Miss Susie Littlefield is at Littlefield farm for her vacation.
Mrs. Bertha B. Shattuck entertained an auto party from Athol for the week-end.
Rev. F. H. Viets attended the Viets reunion at Granby, Conn.
Mrs. Williams, one of our former residents, is visiting her brother, W. H. Gooch.
Last Sunday Mrs. Arthur Nelson entertained her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, from Allston.

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Entered as second class matter at the postoffice at Ayer, Mass. Saturday, August 8, 1914.

WESTFORD.

Center. Mrs. George W. Heywood has had the house recently purchased by her at the southwest corner of the common shingled, the chimney rebuilt and some other repairs made. Mrs. Heywood expects to occupy this house this fall and the house that has been her home for nearly twenty years will be for sale.

The John P. Wrights have gone to Manomet for their vacation. Rev. Charles P. Marshall, who has usually summered together with Mr. Wright and family, is at Northfield, accompanied by Charles O. Prescott. Mr. Marshall's Westford friends will be sorry to hear that he has been threatened with serious nervous breakdown, owing to the strenuous work he has put into his large Plymouth parish.

A recent real estate transfer is that of land and buildings on Main street owned by Miss Mary Morin to her sister, Mrs. Phonsie Isles.

The academy building is receiving its regular summer cleaning and minor repairs ready for the fall opening of school.

The Henry M. Wrights have recently enjoyed a trip to Wolfboro, N. H., in their automobile.

Heartiest congratulations to our sister town of Littleton for the splendid success of her anniversary celebration. Many from here were present and the admiration for the conduct of the whole affair is most pronounced, especially for the pageant and for the cheerful prevailing spirit of welcoming good cheer. Doubtless many of the Littleton people felt the burden of the many arrangements and details of so large an affair, but to those who received the happy result it could only sum that the blessed law of compensation must have re-acted to them in fullest measure, not the least of which were the ideal weather conditions.

J. Herbert Fletcher, who recently received the appointment of postmaster for Westford, will assume his new duties on October 1. In the recent civil service examination he received the highest rank. The J. Herbert Fletcher store will be remodelled and steam heat installed before the office is moved October 1. Mr. Fletcher, and in a special statement to the Center correspondent stated that it would be his aim to keep the same degree of efficiency to the patrons of his office as his predecessor had in the last seventeen years.

The annual reunion of the Spalding Light Cavalry association will be held at Westford on Thursday, August 13. A baseball game between members of the association will be held on the Whitney playground at two o'clock, and the clay pigeon shoot will be held at three o'clock. Dinner will be served in the lower town hall at six o'clock, followed by a fine musical entertainment. It will be ladies' night and members are privileged to invite lady guests. The automobile park is surely the progressive and humanitarian method of taking care of these heavy loads.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held their regular monthly meeting and try-out on Tuesday evening, opening hydrants in Oscar Spalding's vicinity on Main street.

William E. Wright took a large lot of furniture to Waterbury, Conn., last week Friday for A. H. Foss with his auto truck, making the long trip with out any trouble and getting back to Westford early Sunday morning.

Both Percy E. Wright and William E. Wright are busy with their auto trucks taking care of transporting the produce for the farmers. Large shipments of both apples and blackberries are being made with prices quoted as fair. The auto truck is surely the progressive and humanitarian method of taking care of these heavy loads.

Miss Jeannette Sutherland is enjoying her annual vacation from her duties at the Boston office where she is employed.

Returned from Abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel J. Abbot and Edward M. Abbot returned home this week from their trip of European travel. Westford friends are wondering how the crowd who saw the accident and rendered first aid to the injured child. Her parents afterward had her attended to by Dr. Sherman, the family physician.

LITTLETON.

News Item. The next moving picture show will be given in the town hall Saturday evening, August 8.

Four lineal descendants of two former pastors of the old First church in Littleton, Rev. Edmund Foster and Rev. William H. White, were present at the late celebration. Two, the Misses White, are residents of the town, and two, William N. Seaver, of New York city, and Mrs. Florence Seaver, of Worcester, were visitors with them in the old homestead to which their grandparents came as bride and bridegroom in the year 1829.

Mrs. Shepard, of Wakefield, has been visiting Mrs. A. E. Hopkins.

Misses Helen and Louise Warren, of Manchester, N. H., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Charles A. Kimball.

Mrs. Claude Fitch and daughter, from Chicago; Mrs. James Adams and son, of Concord Junction, and Mrs. George G. (Rice) Frost, of Newton, a Littleton teacher forty years ago, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb through anniversary days.

Mrs. Laws, from Somerville, was a week-end guest at Charles A. Hartwell's. Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Hartwell, of Kingston, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartwell and son Hereford, spent the week-end with Littleton relatives.

By forbearance of the editor and endurance of the public, your correspondent will try and write a brief essay on "Idioms," from the text furnished by T. E. of Littleton, last week. Look out, there is a hot war coming. Something will get shown up, others will get blown up. Please stand firm under.

The town teams have been busy hauling gravel from the Old Oaken Bucket farm to the road realms of Westford Corner.

Oliver Desjardin has bought the standing grass on the Daniel H. Sheehan farm.

Nomination papers are in circulation for Edgar H. Hall, of Acton, for representative from this district. A decidedly readable individual with ideal intentions.

The wheat harvest is at the rush season at the Old Oaken Bucket farm; also, haying is still held in the lap of knitting work, owing to dog days being held in the lap of the weather calendar which regulates "Make hay while the sun shines."

Held for Superior Court.

George Silvia, of Lowell has been arrested for the recent attempt to wreck a working train on the Stony Brook road, near Westford station, by placing a heavy tie on the rails. At the preliminary hearing the engineer, George W. Whitney, testified that they were going thirty miles an hour when they struck the tie. The train was thrown heavily against the cab, the cow-catcher hanging low and throwing the tie off, saving a bad wreck with thirty workmen on the train. In defense Silvia said he had been fishing three and hungry (currants all gone now), wanted to get a ride back to Lowell and thought the train would stop and remove the tie, and while thus engaged, he would board the train. When the train did stop after the shakeup, Silvia, who was hiding in the currant bushes and bushes without currants, remained in these farm orchards rather than face an attempt to board the train. The preliminary hearing was held in Westford, and he was held over for the superior court in September.

Graniteville.

Mrs. Catherine O'Connell and little son of New York, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Monahan.

Miss Anna Denahy, of Groton, is spending her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. James B. Healy.

Both masses in St. Catherine's church on Sunday morning were celebrated by Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, who delivered highly interesting sermons at both masses. After the second mass a meeting was held at which preliminary steps were taken in relation to the annual church picnic that will be held soon. Another meeting and the parishioners will be held after the first mass on Sunday.

The Graniteville A. A. will meet the strong Y. M. C. A. team of Lowell on the home grounds Saturday and a great game is expected. The Sullivan brothers' battery will be on the firing line for Graniteville.

Commencing last Monday morning the C. G. Sargent's Son's machine shop will work on a basis of eight hours per day, four days a week, until further notice.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCarthy on Friday, July 31. Miss Lizzie Turner is spending four weeks in St. John's, N. B.

Samuel Wallis, with his daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Buckingham, are spending a few days with relatives in Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gilson, of New York, have been recent visitors here.

Mrs. Alfred Prinn and Miss Carrie Prinn will spend the next few weeks with relatives in Portland, Me.

C. E. Dudevold, with his two children, Agatha and Vincent, are enjoying the cool breezes at Marblehead.

Wesley Hawkes, of Melrose, who is camping at Forge pond, has been a recent visitor here.

The mills of the Abbot Worsted Company that have been closed during the week will start up again at the usual time on Monday morning.

Many from here attended the 200th anniversary that was celebrated in Littleton last week, and were very much interested in the celebration that went off so satisfactorily in every particular. It was a grand affair and an honor to Littleton.

The members of the A. R. Choate hose company held their regular meeting in the firehouse last Monday evening, during which much business of a routine order was transacted.

Accident. Little Regina Healy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Healy, while coming out of St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning, was struck by a motorcycle owned by Alden Smith, of Ayer, and knocked down, receiving a bad rash on the forehead and other minor injuries. Smith was driving slowly at the time and did what was possible to avoid the accident. Dr. Brady, of Lowell, who is a summer resident at Long-Sought-for pond, was present in the crowd who saw the accident and rendered first aid to the injured child. Her parents afterward had her attended to by Dr. Sherman, the family physician.

Both Alden Smith and his brother were guests of the accident and stood ready to render any aid that they could. They also visited the Healy home at various times during Sunday. Little Regina's injuries are not considered serious.

Miss Emily A. Gordon, of Lancaster, a former teacher in town, and Allan Cummings, former high school principal, were here for the celebration, former a guest at Mrs. A. P. Gardner's.

Miss Mabelle Houghton, of Albany, N. Y., is spending her vacation here, coming in time for the celebration.

Miss Dunbar and Miss Morse, former fellow teachers of Mrs. G. H. Kimball, were her guests over the celebration.

H. J. Remick's mother, Mrs. Chas. Remick, of Roy, N. H., and L. W. Bartlett and daughter, of Greenfield, spent the week-end at Mrs. John A. Kimball's.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ames, of Somerville, were entertained at Mrs. A. W. Knowlton's anniversary week.

Miss Florence Hunt is spending a week at the home of Mrs. F. B. Bartlett in Greenfield.

Miss Charlotte Sanderson returned with her holiday guest, Miss Helen Harlow, in the Harlow car to Plymouth for a visit.

Many of our townspeople and others will be glad to know that copies of the pageant program may still be had, for while all the copies were sold out early Saturday afternoon an additional package has since been received from the printers, and the copies are now on sale.

The members of the Unitarian Sunday school were entertained last Sunday to have the date set for their annual picnic. There seems to be but one choice of places, Whalom Park, and the date set is Wednesday, August 19. Unless other announcement is made by the school committee, the same as last year, that is, by the ten o'clock train to Ayer and thence by trolleys. As in the past years, this Sunday school picnic is for all Littleton people who wish to join it.

Miss Marjell Rushmore, of Ware, was a guest of her school friend, Junia Fairfield, at the Unitarian parsonage last week. Principal C. H. Cummings was also a week-end guest at Rev. O. J. Fairfield's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace B. Conant, of Concord, reached home last week, returning from their four-months' sojourn abroad. They came from Liverpool on the steamship Sagamore of the Warren line, and had a delightful voyage of ten days. Though leaving England before the European war began, they saw something of the Irish war preparations in Belfast and Dublin, where the last two weeks were spent. One week was spent on the continent and the rest of the time in London. Mr. Conant reports conditions in England as showing a great advance over that of 1895, when he visited that country before.

Miss Helen Stockwell, of Sharon, and Miss Olive Grant, of Somersworth, N. H., are spending the week with their Wellesley friend, Miss Marion Whitcomb.

Sanford E. Hubbard's household goods have arrived from Cambridge and the family is expected the last of this week at his recently purchased farm on Foster street.

The Merrifield family, of Somerville, recently returned to their bungalow on New State road.

Supt. W. Hill and son Ralph and daughter Elizabeth returned by automobile to their South Portland, Me., home on Thursday.

The Conant & Houghton Webbing Company recently formed a stock company.

Mrs. Lilla Flagg Derby, with her husband and two children, came to Littleton for the last week to attend the Littleton celebration and the Flagg-Taft wedding which took place on Wednesday of this week. The Misses Mildred, Olive and Laurice Flagg played violin, cello and piano at the wedding.

Rev. E. W. Pennock will occupy the Congregational pulpit on Sunday morning. In the evening there will be an illustrated lecture on "Buddhism, the religion of the pessimist," with colored slides.

Miss Ruth Prescott and Harold Pice were married last week Friday. They spent Saturday in town and attended festivities on their way to Newton, which is to be their home.

Bates C. Garvin, president of the Bay State Milling Company, Winona, which manufactures 4000 barrels of flour daily, was a recent guest of Mrs. F. C. Hartwell.

W. L. Pickard has a large new automobile truck for his marketing.

Miss Nettie Ewing, of Lynn Union hospital training department, returned to her duties Sunday after a two-weeks' visit with her aunt, Mrs. James Ewing.

Miss Alice Chapman, director of the pageant, returned to her Winchester home on Sunday and left on Monday for Wolfboro, N. H., where she is to coach the cast in a play. At the conclusion of her work there she will go to Pepperell and put on a play. In making up the cast for the pageant last week, Miss Chapman was ably assisted by her sister, Mrs. A. B. Farwell, of Groton, who possesses much artistic skill.

Charles H. Chapman, sr., the well-known inventor of machinery, and Mrs. Chapman, parents of the pageant director, and their three sons and wives, one of whom was Miss Neva Sawyer, of Littleton, attended the Littleton anniversary celebration last week.

Mr. and Mrs. True, of Allston, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marshall, of Stoneham, were anniversary guests of J. H. D. Wilcomb.

Those people who are inquiring about pictures of the pageant, can order through Clifford Shedd. He has the proofs and can give full information on the subject.

John H. Kimball, conductor, is taking his annual vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ireland, of Gardner, were week-end visitors at Mrs. Ada Ireland's, coming in their auto.

Mrs. Lizzie Hamlin and daughters were week-end guests at A. T. Kimball's.

Arthur Wright, of Allston, spent the anniversary with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Dods.

Rev. and Mrs. W. I. Nichols, of Deerfield, were guests of Miss Hannah Willis last Saturday.

Miss Miles and Miss Newhall, former teachers in town, were very welcome holiday visitors.

But thou who' heath this slab unmarked must lie; as heralds calling Doubt not thy fate; as heralds calling Thy days through countless ages soundeth on— For they who fall for freedom never But as the beam from some unnumbered star Thy light shall shine to heaven's eternal dawn. Dr. A. D. Holmes.

Groton, Mass., July 25, 1914.

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All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to GEORGE T. LITTLE, Adm., Uxbridge, Mass., July 22nd, 1914.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN PEPPERELL, MASS.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Gilman P. Huff to North Middlesex Savings Bank dated January 6th, 1887, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Middlesex, South District, libro 1783, folio 459, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of August, 1914, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated on Cross street, so-called, in Pepperell, in the County of Middlesex in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, containing sixty-one square rods, more or less, and bounded:

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\$200 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. Other terms made known at time of sale.

NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK, Mortgagee.

By SARAH T. TITEN, Treasurer. Ayer, Mass., July 29, 1914.

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A NEW MATRIMONIAL SOCIETY

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

Between the mountains of India and Persia there is a tribe among whom the women choose their husbands. When a single woman wishes to marry a man she sends a servant to his house to pin a handkerchief to his hat as an intimation of her desire. Unless he can show that he is too poor to purchase her at the price her father requires he is obliged to marry her.

Until the organization of the Arlington club for men there was no superfluity of spinsters over bachelors in a certain American town, but from then on marriages began to fall off. One of the most popular married women called the maidens together and organized an association for the advancement of matrimony based on the Indian-Persian plan. The first young lady to secure a husband by the method was invited to state before the association how it had worked in her case. She arose and said:

"Mrs. President, I had long admired Mr. George Luddington, who had paid me some attention, and had it not been for the organization of the Arlington club I believe he would have asked me to be his wife. But that pestiferous institution reduced him from an incontinent lover to a vacillating hanger on. Soon after the adoption of the plan which we are associated to carry out I worked Mr. Luddington's initials on a fine cambric handkerchief and, calling a messenger, told him to take it to the club at the hour I knew Mr. Luddington dined there, obtain access to the coat room and pin it to his hat.

"The messenger had no difficulty in executing his commission. I did not know for some time that the trick came. I have since learned that he knew very well, and the action he took in the matter was intended to frighten me off. A few evenings after receiving the handkerchief he called on me, and I saw at a glance that he was or pretended to be very irate.

"What do you suppose has happened to me? he asked brusquely.

"I can't imagine," I replied meekly. "An association has been formed in this town—so I understand—to drive us bachelors into matrimony. If a girl wishes to marry a man she sends some one to pin a handkerchief to his hat. Did you ever hear of such immodest impudence?"

"Never in my life."

"You must excuse me, ladies, for my weakness, but he frightened me out of my wits."

"Who do you suppose this person is? he growled.

"I can't imagine," I replied.

"Don't you think her very unmaidenly? he asked in a less threatening tone, for my agreeing with him rendered him less severe to me.

"I certainly do. I wonder how she could have had the face to do it!"

"I shrank into a corner of a sofa, as far away from him as I could get. He sat down on the other end and looked at me kind of puzzled. He knew I had sent him the handkerchief and couldn't understand how I could condemn myself for doing it. He looked very terrible, but not quite so terrible as when he first came. Then he began a system of torture to find out what it all meant.

"The handkerchief," he said, "was very dainty, though the initials were badly worked. They looked as if they had been executed by some one with fingers so big that they were only fitted to work with a skewer."

"At this I said nothing. I dared not speak for fear of betraying a tremor in my voice.

"If a girl," he went on, "had sent me a gift without an immodest intimation I should have been deeply impressed with it. Quite likely I would have been affected to the point of making love to her and proposing marriage."

This statement was received with cries of "No!" "Don't you believe it!" "They all talk that way, but they don't propose!" When the commotion subsided the speaker went on with her recital:

"But for a girl deliberately to tell a man she wants him to marry her, thus usurping his privilege, there's nothing she could do to so effectually turn him!"

"He got no further. I was full to the top of my throat. I made several convulsive gulps and burst into a torrent of tears.

"I don't know what he was doing for a few moments, for I held my handkerchief to my face. I heard nothing, but presently felt his arm around my waist. Then he drew my head down on his breast.

"If the fool killer comes this way," he said, with his lips pressed against my cheek, "he'll yank me out, certain sure. Don't cry, little girl. Dear little girl, forgive me! I've loved you ever since!"

Again there were cries of unbelief. "Oh, bosh!" "What a whopper!" and such like expressions of disapproval, whereupon the speaker indignantly turned her back on the assembly and with her nose in the air marched out of the room.

"Ladies," said the president severely, "I'm astonished at you. This society was organized to promote marriage, not to destroy romance. To doubt the word of a lover who says he has always loved the girl to whom he proposes would be to destroy nine-tenths of the delight attending such occasions."

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Miss Emma Knowles spent the week-end with Mrs. Grey at Whalom. Mrs. Nellie W. Holbrook, in company with her sister, Miss Mary Park, spent the week-end and over Sunday in Winchester.

Miss Leona Lee is at Lyndenville, Vt., for a few weeks.

Miss Carrie Hartwell is at the Clinton hospital for an operation for internal trouble.

Mrs. M. J. Johnson, with young son Milton, who has spent the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles, returns to Boston again the latter part of next week and will reside at 87 Bowdoin avenue, Dorchester, where Mr. Johnson has rented a flat about ten minutes' ride from his place of business on Summer street, Boston.

Mrs. Clayton Wells, of Wallingford, Conn., is spending a vacation with Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells, Fredonian street.

Harry Hodgman was arraigned in the district court at Ayer on last Saturday morning, charged with non-support of his wife and family. He was found guilty and was ordered by the court to pay his wife the sum of sixteen dollars per month, Hodgman was arrested in Littleton, where he had been working by direction of the Shirley overseers of the poor. The sum of twenty dollars found on his person was turned over to the overseers of the poor by order of the court and will be given to Mrs. Hodgman in installments as the circumstances require.

Ralph S. Wheeler, tax collector, has purchased a motorcycle from Dana Sanderson, who has purchased a cycle car.

Clayton Wells, of Wallingford, Conn., has joined his wife at the home of his parents for a vacation.

Charles Maylin has sold considerable of his garden produce this year to a large produce dealer in Maine.

A clipping in the Boston Post of Tuesday morning, announces the receipt of a cablegram to the Congregationalist, sent by Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, editor of the paper, who is one of the peace party in Paris. Though the cablegram does not state that the peace conference will not take place, it is thought that it may have been indefinitely postponed. Mr. Bridgman arrived in Cherbourg, France, last week Friday, and on last Sunday preached in the American church in Paris. The many friends of Mr. Bridgman will be pleased to learn of his safe arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Shipley W. Ricker, of New York city, who arrived last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harris for a vacation, have gone to York Beach, Me., for a brief stay.

Dr. Thomas E. Lilly has purchased a Ford car.

Frank Boucher has purchased a Ford car and goes back and forth to his work in Littleton every day.

Mrs. Arthur E. Felch, of Harvard road, leaves town this week Saturday for a month's visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edwin R. Smith, of Plainfield, N. J.

The Samson cordage works close down all next week for repairs.

The William Lougee family have occupied part of the Sanderson house opposite the public library, and Mr. Lougee's family have taken charge of the Samson cordage boarding house.

The Shirley A. C. play the Harvard team at Harvard this Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Livermore, of Memphis, Tenn., with two young daughters, arrived on Monday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Louise Livermore, of Chapel street, and are planning to return home to Memphis next Thursday. Mr. Livermore needs a vacation, and the residents of this town, being a former well-known resident, whom the townspeople are always pleased to greet. Mr. Livermore is still in charge of the Memphis office of Cluett, Peabody & Co.

Isley Beach, employed in the leather department of the C. A. Edgarton Co., fell from a bench to the floor while at his work on Wednesday, breaking a rib and receiving other injuries. He was taken to his home and attended by Dr. Thomas E. Lilly.

Fire.

Fire from an unknown cause on Monday afternoon destroyed one of the large cottages and a barn at the Industrial school plant, causing a loss of about \$25,000. Cottage No. 5, one of the new and most up-to-date of the buildings at the school, was destroyed by fire after sparks from a burning hay barn closely had ignited the woodwork, and although the fire-fighting apparatus of the school and the Shirley fire department worked hard, the building burned to the ground and by nine o'clock in the evening only a mass of ruins indicated where the costly building had stood.

The water pressure was low, which greatly hampered the work of extinguishing the flames, and was principally the cause of the structures being burned to the ground. The officers and boys succeeded in saving the furniture in the cottage.

The fire started in an old barn which was filled with hay and coal, and had been used daily as a line-up for all the boys at the school. Sparks and flying embers from the barn ignited the cottage roof and an intense heat from the hay made work difficult for the fire squad of the school and also the members of the Shirley fire department.

The barn, which was valued at about \$2,000, was one of the old Shaker barns which had never been improved or remodelled. The total loss will foot up to fully \$25,000. The fire started at 3.15 in the afternoon and the fire-out was rung in about nine in the evening. The cause of the fire is as yet unknown.

Picnic.

The annual picnic of St. Anthony's church was held on last Saturday at the church grounds. The festivities commenced in the morning and continued throughout the day and evening. A large number of attractions provided to enjoy the many attractions provided for old and young. A temporary dancing floor was also placed on the grounds. Mudgett's orchestra furnished music for the large number who availed themselves of this privilege.

A merry-go-round was another feature that gave the children an abundance of fun, while the various tables containing refreshments and the many sales tables of miscellaneous articles were liberally patronized. The Samson cordage band appeared on the scene late in the afternoon and gave selections until late in the evening. Electric lights were temporarily installed, and with the aid of Japanese lanterns gave an atmosphere of splendor to the occasion.

A novel feature was the electric cooker installed for popping corn and cooking light foods for the refresh-

ment tables. The parish priest, Rev. Rosario Richard, was a prominent factor during the day's outing in making all feel at home. The various committees were alert and lost no time in disposing of the various articles on sale. The affair as a whole terminated most successfully. The general committee who directed the affair of the day consisted of Michael Glonek, Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly and Mrs. Joseph Allen.

The following is a list of the tables with those in charge of them:

Children of Mary table, fruits, etc., Miss Mary Chailson in charge, Misses Lucy Church, Eva Heroux and Eva Baker; Hooped, hats, toiles, etc., Mrs. Frank Thomas in charge, Sylvester Thomas and Michael Glonek; refreshments, Mrs. Joseph Allen in charge, Mrs. Michael Bolger, Mrs. Hachi and Mrs. Phileas Bolger; fancy articles, Mrs. Anos Bushiva in charge, and Mrs. Thonias; Church Debt societies, two tables, cakes, ice cream, etc., in charge, Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly, Mrs. John Beamon, Mrs. E. L. Lewis, Mrs. Joseph C. Provost, Mrs. Fred S. Brown, Mrs. Charles Stebbins, Mrs. Michael Center.

Rev. Arthur G. Singen preached on "New social ideals and what it means," in the First Parish (Unitarian) church last Sunday. John Von Aspe sang effectively two solos, "O rest in the Lord" for a prayer response, and "The gloria," following the sermon. Miss M. H. Parker accompanied him and kindly assisted in the singing. Mr. Singen will preach on Sunday at the usual hour.

Mrs. G. Loring Briggs and family, of Brookline, are spending a few weeks at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ware on the Hazen road.

Misses Mattie and Blanche Wilkinson, of Somerville, were guests at the home of Mrs. A. S. Burnham at Woodville last week.

Miss Edna Sanborn, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed, returned last week to her home in Wollaston.

Dr. E. D. Peters, of Harvard university, has moved into his new home, the Spaulding place at the North, which has been undergoing very extensive alterations during the past few months.

Fred Houston, a former resident of the town, is spending a few days at the home of Harry Stone.

Miss Christine G. Longley left last Saturday for Portsmouth, N. H., for a two-weeks' visit with her room-mate, Miss Dorothy Yeaton, daughter of Mayor Yeaton, of Portsmouth.

Miss Eleanor Devine, of Revere, is spending a few days with Miss Dora Burnham at Woodville.

Miss Helen Bradford went last week to Cambridge for the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Otis Evans, of Irvington, were at the home of Mr. J. W. Evans last Saturday for a visit of several weeks.

Ernest Bohanon, who recently gave up his position as chauffeur at the home of Mrs. Grace E. Winslow, is reported to be in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Baxter, who was operated on for appendicitis last week at the Groton hospital, is reported to be getting along nicely.

A number from the Center attended the pageant and celebration at Littleton last Saturday. Among those who were present were E. E. Barnard, Senator and Mrs. George Chamberlain, Lewis Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bolton, Miss Constance Mackay, Miss Eleanor Chamberlain, Arthur R. Holden, Miss Marion L. Holden, Robert H. J. Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed and family returned on Tuesday after spending a few days at their home in Wollaston. Miss Margaret Longley went to Wollaston with them.

Miss Edith Whittemore, of Fitchburg, was in town for the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford.

Mary Grout has returned home after spending a few days in Magnolia.

Senator George Chamberlain, of Springfield, spent the week-end at W. E. Barnard's. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain left for their home in Springfield. Miss Eleanor Chamberlain, who has been studying music with Wesley Wyman, has gone to Maine for a few weeks.

Edwin Bridgman has returned home after spending a few days in Lunenburg at the home of his grandfather, Robert Bryant.

The Misses Shaw returned to Cambridge last week after a vacation of several weeks at the summer home of C. C. Lane.

The next meeting of the Camp-fire Girls will be held on Thursday, August 13, at the home of Mrs. James P. Tolman.

Miss Allison B. Winslow returned home last Saturday after a visit of several weeks with friends in Chester, N. J.

The following field days have been arranged by the State Grange for the coming week: August 10, Essex County Pomona, Canobie Lake; August 12, Boro Pomona, Westboro, Lake Chauncy; August 13, Worcester West Pomona, Winchendon, Lake Umbagog; August 14, Connecticut Valley Pomona, Greenfield, Shattuck Park; August 15, Mayflower Pomona, North Hanson, with Dr. A. W. Gorham.

The Matrons' Aid society will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 11, at the home of Mrs. J. W. Evans.

Rev. Francis E. Webster, of Waltham, gave an excellent address on "Resignation" at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Everett Burkitt, of the Baptist church at the village, will conduct the service at the chapel on Sunday afternoon at 3.15.

The bridge across the Mulpus at Woodville is nearing completion and the brook has been turned back into the old bed again.

The next meeting of Shirley Grange, Tuesday, August 18, will be "household" instead of "neighborhood" night as announced in the program. The program for August 18 and September 1 will be interchanged.

Merrick W. Carey is spending a few days this week in Fitchburg at the home of his brother.

Harry Ellis, of Lunenburg, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Buxton at Woodville on Tuesday.

Edwin Bridgman goes this week to South Woodstock, Vt., for a short visit.

Mrs. Lottie Sargent and little daughter Vina, who have been spending several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Carey, left on Tuesday for their home in Williamsville, Vt.

Philip Stanley, who is visiting at the home of Rev. Robert Bryant in Lunenburg, spent a few days with his aunt, Mrs. H. A. Bridgman, of Cambridge.

Miss Alice Smith, who has been spending a few days at W. E. Barnard's, has returned to her home in Brookline.

A Successful Affair.

The Matrons' Aid society held a very successful sale and entertainment on Tuesday afternoon and evening in the town hall. The tables were in the charge of the following: Ice cream table, Mrs. A. A. Adams and Mrs. David B. Marsh; fancy goods and aprons, Mrs. A. G. Dunn and Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson; candy, Mrs. Horace C. Harriss and Miss Carrie Brunsford; Mrs. Henry W. Farrar; mystery, Mrs. C. E. Bradford. In the evening an excellent entertainment was given with a large and appreciative audience. Sketches, which happened, Miss Edna M. Holden and Miss Mildred Evans; piano solo, Helen Wood; farce, "How the story grew," with a cast of eight ladies, Mrs. A. W. Wood, Mrs. George Buxton, Mrs. A. G. Dunn, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, Mrs. Horace C. Harriss, Mrs. C. E. Bradford, Mrs. J. W. Evans, Mrs. N. R. Graves. The entertainment closed with a baritone solo by Harry Brunsford, Lunenburg, who responded to an encore.

Following the entertainment the hall was cleared for a singing, music being furnished by Mrs. Waldo Farnsworth, of Woodville. The articles left unsold from the fair were put up at auction during the evening, C. E. Bradford acting as auctioneer.

MANY NEW FEATURES IN STUDEBAKER CARS

The Ayer Auto Station have received formal notification of the details of the new Studebaker "Four" and "Six" cars. In addition to many improvements in design, the new cars of special interest as it involves a radically lower scale of prices than anything heretofore asked for cars of such quality. Reduced weight, greater roominess, powerful motors and attractive lines are other points of the announcement.

Additional importance attaches to the announcement as it contained the first indication of the new Studebaker Corporation has added to its line two new body types—a five-passenger "Six" and a three-passenger "Four" roadster. The five-passenger "Six" is listed at \$1,385 and the seven-passenger "Six" at \$1,450. Instead of \$1,575 as during the past season. The new three-passenger roadster is the most striking departure from the conventional motor car design. The body is unusually wide, allowing three persons comfortably. That part of the seat reserved for the driver projects forward about four inches. The rear deck, which is covered with aluminum, provides plenty of space for a trunk or other baggage. This new model sells at \$985, which is the same as the figure placed on the standard five-passenger "Four" touring.

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge on the 15th day of August, 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

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Saturday, August 8, 1914.

GROTON.

News Items. Charles H. Berry, Moses P. Palmer, Warner Souther and Thomas Gilson accepted the special invitation given to the members of E. S. Clark post and were present Saturday at the exciting Governor's day of their great anniversary celebration held in Littleton last week.

Rev. G. M. Howe visited his brother at Oxford the first of the week and later will join Mrs. Howe at Mere Point, Me.

Many Groton people went over to Littleton last week and were present on one of more days of their great anniversary celebration. They were more than pleased with all they saw and heard, and pronounced the carnival something grand.

Preparations are being made for changes in the buildings at Lowthorpe. The barn is being moved to another position and it is said that a new dormitory to accommodate an increased number of pupils is to be erected.

An item connected with H. Huebner's business is generally known to his fellow townspeople. He is the originator of the white snapdragon, holding exclusively the variety until recently, when it was thrown upon the market. For his success in developing this variety he was awarded a certificate by the Massachusetts Horticultural society.

Miss Edith Waters has returned from a three-weeks' visit in Bradford. Mrs. C. H. Berry is not in the best of health and her friend, Mrs. Barron, is assisting her about her work.

H. Huebner, the Groton florist, now traveling abroad, is expected to return from Stuttgart, Germany. At the time of writing there was no mention of the war.

Lawrence B. Smith, of Somerville, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Theophilus G. Smith, is with his wife, spending the week of Mr. and Mrs. Meadview farm, the home of his parents.

The Groton tourists abroad are heard from, but the more recent cards and letters were written ten or twelve days ago, and no mention is made of the European war, the conditions affecting their stay or arrival home.

The following is the pulpit supply at the Congregational church for the three next Sundays: August 9, Rev. John C. Prince, of Rockland; August 16, Rev. A. F. Newton, of Dunstable; August 23, Rev. John A. Mitchell, of Braintree.

Charles B. Eddy and daughter, Mrs. Christensen, are expected to arrive home from Maine about August 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall A. Whitteer and two children, of Bedford, coming in their automobile, spent Sunday with Mrs. Whitteer's sister, Mrs. Frank P. Palmer.

Kernwood, the fine Salem estate of the S. Endicott Peabody family in Salem, situated on the Danvers river, opposite Beverly, has been sold by Francis Peabody to Hon. A. C. Ratnesky. The estate consists of a main house, several outbuildings and 166 acres of land. Rev. Endicott Peabody, of Groton School, and Mrs. John L. Lawrence, of this town, are members of this family.

William A. Woods took the boat at Boston on Tuesday noon for Charleston, S. C., reaching his destination on Thursday evening. Mr. Woods has not fully recovered from the effects of his recent attack of grippe and hopes to derive much benefit from an invigorating sea trip and a few weeks' stay at the island. Mrs. Woods accompanied her husband.

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Chief Dowling has just posted the fish and game laws for 1914 in conspicuous places throughout the town.

The sale for the benefit of the Frances E. Willard Settlement, Boston, held in town here on August 5, was given a good patronage.

Mrs. Nesbit L. Woods and daughter Virginia left home on Thursday morning for a two-weeks' stay at Franconia, N. H.

The Camp-fire Girls plan to go into camp at Baddcock for the week beginning Monday, August 17. Desires of raising money to cover the expense of the outing they will hold a food sale in the lower town hall on Thursday afternoon, August 13, beginning at 2.30 o'clock. The usual assortment of home-made bread, cake, pies, etc., from the best Groton cooks will be on sale. The girls think this is the best way to raise the money and ask the people to kindly respond with a liberal patronage and help them out.

Rev. William Breckenridge, of the Baptist church, takes his vacation through August. Arrangements have been made for a pulpit supply at his church Sunday and also on August 16.

Miss Helen Bell Moore has just returned from a visit to cousins in Princeton.

Miss Dorothy M. Richardson, of Kingston, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. J. Crowley.

Miss Elizabeth Sinclair, of Nutley, N. J., is making a stay at the Misses Vickery's on Pleasant street.

Leroy Cunningham has been taking a vacation from work at Tainter's store, which he has spent at Beverly.

Seven Boy Scouts, Lawrence Harrington, Harold Miller, Roger Hynes, Ralph Hynes, Leslie Blood, Joseph Freeman and Ronald Greene started off on a hike to Whalom Thursday morning merrily singing as they left the village. They were well supplied with lunches, some proposing to stay over night and others to return on the evening train. Paul Blood, a younger brother of Leslie, went with them, though not a scout. He thought he could keep up and was spunky enough to try it.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck are at their summer camp at the Meadows.

Miss Emma F. Blood, librarian of the Groton public library, was heard from on Thursday morning by friends here. The letters were written on board the vessel, having been in Gibraltar going to Italy. Her friends here seem to feel that it is not a real cause for great anxiety as Italy is not at war and the United States anyway is going to provide for the safe return of her citizen tourists.

There is to be a band concert here this Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Whiting returned Wednesday evening from their stay at Prouts Neck, Scarborough, Me., having passed a very pleasant vacation. Howard Gilson met them at Newburyport with their auto, in which they made the drive home to Groton.

Mrs. Mary Joy Aldrich and daughter, Miss Barbara, of Alleton, are among the tourists abroad well-known to Groton people.

Miss Lillian W. Kane is staying at the Aldrich home in Alleton while Mrs. Aldrich is abroad.

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Miss Margaret Reagan, of West Groton, is spending her vacation at Bar Mills, Me.

The Progressive party will hold a meeting in the town hall this Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock to choose a candidate for representative from the twelfth Middlesex district.

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The concert given by the Groton band on the grounds of Squannacook hall last Saturday evening was well attended and very enjoyable. Ice cream was sold in the lower hall by Aesel Bates, but the demand far exceeded the supply. A dance followed the concert.

The weather this season has been very favorable for the children's gardens, which are doing remarkably well, showing a fine growth of vegetables, particularly of lettuce and radishes which the children have in quantity.

The West Groton A. A. won a victory over Townsend 24 by a score of 3 to 1. They play on this Saturday on the home grounds with the Lunenburg A. A.

The Boy Scouts of West Groton met the scouts of Townsend on Friday afternoon for a game on McGowan's field. It is too soon to give results, but the West Groton boys are decidedly optimistic and entered the game expecting to win.

Mrs. A. W. Adams recently entertained her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Temple, of Upton.

Coming on Friday last week Miss Annie Begg, of Leominster, was a guest of Miss Bertha Bixby until Tuesday.

From Friday until Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mellish entertained guests from Waverley, Mr. and Mrs. Renick.

Talmage Kierstead, of Boston, a former superintendent of the leatherboard mill, was in town on Sunday to view the ruins.

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Mrs. Worster and daughter have been spending the past three weeks with her mother, Mrs. Williams.

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Miss Janet Larrabee, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berkley T. Larrabee, was taken to the Clinton hospital on Thursday by Dr. Bulkley for an operation for abscess of the jaw. The operation was successful and the young patient is reported as doing well.

The dance at the Sandy pond schoolhouse on Thursday evening was well attended and was an enjoyable occasion.

Miss Cora May Flagg, of Littleton, and Benjamin Taft, of Ayer, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eibert Flagg, of Italy, on Wednesday, August 5. A full account of the wedding will be found in the Littleton column of this paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jacobs, of Westfield, have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman J. Taylor.

While riding his motorcycle in Graniteville last Sunday Avery Smith ran into Regina Healy, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Healy, of that place. People who saw the accident say that Mr. Smith was driving slowly at the time and tried in every way to avoid the accident. The child was not seriously injured.

Death. James A. McMillan, one of our well-known and respected citizens, died last Sunday morning. The cause of death was splenic anemia. He had been a great sufferer for nearly ten years and had been confined to his bed since July 5.

Mr. McMillan was a native of Ireland, where he was born December 4, 1858, and came to this country in 1887. He was a carpenter by trade and was for years employed by Chas. Hardy, when he was obliged to give up work on account of ill health.

The funeral took place at the house on Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. Vaughn Dabney, of the Congregational church. A grant composed of Mrs. E. W. Harrington, Mrs. William H. Reynolds, Helen C. Harlow and Mr. Dabney sang "Rock of ages" and "Jesus, lover of my soul," and "Face to face" was rendered by Miss Mildred Sanders.

Funeral of Court Napoleon Bonaparte, F. of A., of which the deceased was a member, attended the funeral. Two of the court, William J. Mullin and Oscar E. Carlson, acted as bearers, the others being Charles H. Hardy and Charles C. Wood. The interment was in Woodlawn cemetery.

The deceased leaves his wife and two children, Margaret J. of Ayer, and James A. of Lowell, and one grandchild, also his mother, brother and sister in Ireland and two sisters in Toronto, Canada. There were many beautiful flowers as follows:

Wreath of galax leaves and white asters and pillow of asters inscribed "Gloria in excelsis deo"; pillow of pink and asters inscribed "Pillow of love"; wreath of roses and sweet peas, John H. Stiles, of Haverhill; spray of pinks and snapdragons, Mrs. Walter Green, of Harvard; spray of asters and ferns, Mrs. Charles H. Hardy; bunch of sweet peas, Mrs. Harrington; wreath of pink asters and magnolia leaves, The neighbors; bunch of gladioli, Mrs. M. O'Neil; Mrs. Emma Osgood; wreath of ivy leaves and lilies, the Misses Whitcomb; Gertrude Whitcomb, Mrs. Minnie Smith; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis, of Harvard; spray of asters, Mrs. A. L. Knowlton, of Somerville; spray of pinks, Mrs. Martha Gilmore, of Philadelphia; wreath of galax leaves and asters, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilson, of Lowell; spray of asters and ferns, Mrs. M. O'Neil; Mrs. M. O'Neil; Mrs. O'Neil; Mrs. Shirley; spray of pinks and asters, Bert Kingley and Mrs. Katherine Davis, of Methuen; spray of asters, Miss Bernice Staves; spray of asters, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Collier, of Winthrop; spray of asters, Mrs. Albert Woodhead, of Haverhill; spray of gladioli, Mrs. George Corner and Mrs. Reuben Parker, both of Lowell; spray of snapdragons, Mr. and Mrs. John Chesbrough, of Shirley.

ITEM OF INTEREST. Harvard claims to have the greatest number of living alumni of any American university.

Books can be protected from mildew by sprinkling oil of lavender on their shelves.

In Japan there is a goldfish farm that has been in continuous operation since 1763.

Although the existence of natural gas in Hungary has been known for several years it was only recently that the first pipe line for its utilization was constructed.

There were 7750 cremations of human bodies in Switzerland last year, an increase of 22% over the number for the year before.

New Advertisements. CARD OF THANKS. We wish to thank all our friends and neighbors who sent kind remembrances and words of sympathy, or who in any way rendered assistance during the illness and death of our beloved one.

Mrs. James A. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. James A. McMillan, Margaret J. McMillan, Ayer, Mass., August 5, 1914.

NOTICE. The sale of the buildings on the lot of the proposed new grade school announced for Saturday afternoon, August 8, at four o'clock, is postponed. Announcement of sale at a future date will be made later.

The sale of the Tarbell school and lot will take place as advertised. By order of the SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE. Groton, Mass., August 7, 1914.

Auction Sale. The Groton School Building Committee will sell at Public Auction on SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, at THREE o'clock P. M., on the premises at West Groton the property known as the Tarbell School, comprising the lot of land and buildings thereon located on the Main street at West Groton.

The buildings consist of a two-story frame building, suitable for a residence or two-tenement house. Terms and conditions made known at time of sale. 2w47

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Saturday, August 8, 1914.

AYER.

News Items.

Miss E. Louise Green, daughter of N. L. Green, Pond street, was given a tin "shower" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman J. Taylor on Friday evening of last week in honor of her approaching marriage.

Mrs. Joseph Kyle has returned from a visit with friends in Center Harbor, N. H.

Miss Esther C. Holden is visiting Miss Violet Viall, formerly of Ayer, at her home in Baldwinville.

Misses Agnes and Edna King have returned from a three-weeks' visit to Saco, Me.

Mrs. Sidney I. Reed and young son Sidney, of Chicopee Falls, are visiting at the home of her friends, Mr. and Mrs. David H. Young.

George H. Brown won first prize, a solid gold medal, in the contest for the automobile parade in Littleton, the occasion being the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the incorporation of the town.

A grass fire near the new dancing pavilion at Mitchellville, which is being erected by L. V. Phelps, was put out last Sunday without any damage.

Miss Emma Kinney won second honors in the 50-yd. dash at Whalom last Saturday in connection with the annual outing of the Fitchburg branch of the N. E. T. & S. society.

Mrs. L. E. Porter and daughter Gladys have returned from Keene, N. H., where they attended for a week the Chautauqua lectures.

Mrs. E. B. Butterfield left last week Friday morning on a trip to Lake Champlain, St. Albans, Vt., and Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert M. Green have been visiting relatives in Lynn.

The millinery parlor of Mrs. Jennie Trull Ryan will open at nine o'clock in the morning, instead of at eight, during the month of August.

The members of the Page hose company are having their annual vacation at Forge pond, Forge Village. The outing is so arranged that but a few are away at one time so as to always leave enough men in town in case of fire.

A new fence is being built by the town on West Main street between the overhead railroad bridge and Mrs. Patrick Walsh's property.

Remember the moving picture show this Saturday evening, which is always good. The perils of "Zulu" on Wednesday evenings is still full of thrills and draws well.

There will be no services in St. Andrew's church during August. The vicar, Rev. William M. Ford, expects to move into the tenement in the George H. Woods house on Oak street now occupied by Louis H. Cushing on October 1.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pollard, of Elm street, returned from their six-weeks' trip to Greenfield, N. S., the home of Mrs. Pollard, while there they took occasional trips to other places of interest in that section.

Frank W. Balcom has bought a lot of Louis Lapointe on Central avenue and Mr. Lapointe is going to build for him a bungalow, 32x32, with an all-wood frame. The house, when completed, will have six rooms and a bath. The lot is 70x150, and cellar is dug and the wall will be all in for the underpinning by today.

Rupert M. Green, son of Newcomb L. Green, has purchased the lot of land on Fletcher street adjoining the O. N. Kidder place and ground is broken for the cellar for a bungalow of six rooms. The lot is on a new street laid out by J. H. Whitcomb some time ago. The bungalow will be 30x30 and will be rushed to completion.

Miss Anna Deming, of Somerville, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Cahoon.

Miss Lillian O'Clair, of Northfield, is visiting her brother, Fred O'Clair, at the home of Mrs. O'Clair.

Robert Burns, of Fitchburg, conferred the first degree on Tuesday night at its regular meeting and will confer the second at the meeting on Tuesday evening, August 11.

The members of the Hartwell hose company enjoyed an excursion along the Maine coast over the week-end. The party left here on Saturday for Boston, where they took a boat for Bath, Me. Sunday was spent in cruising about Boothbay Harbor and Monday was devoted to evening Portland.

Some of the members returned on Monday night, while the others came home on Tuesday. They report a very pleasant trip. H. H. Proctor and Chester Perrin endeavored to catch enough fish for the Sunday dinner, but failed by a narrow margin.

Willie C. Wood is still at St. John's hospital, Lowell, suffering from a fractured skull, the result of a recent accident in that city by being struck by a passing train.

William J. Mullin, who is known as the "Shaker" in the Shaker district, a short distance east of the rural home, went to Lowell to visit

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Providence, R. I. The usual services will be held at the church while the pastor is away.

Nomination papers have been filed with Guy B. Remick, town clerk; Levi S. Gould, of Melrose, and William H. Walsh, of South Framingham, for county commissioner, and James P. Stiles, of Gardner, for attorney general.

The continued case of William J. Wilson, of Westford, for alleged failure to provide for the support of his wife and two minor children, came up last Saturday. He was ordered by the court to pay for the board of the two children, which his wife stated would be \$5.50 per week, which he agreed to do.

Marcus Kimball, of Ashby, pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace in that town and was sentenced to three months in the house of correction on Monday morning.

Mary Daley, of Westford, appeared to answer to a complaint of drunkenness and disturbing the peace. On the former charge she was placed on probation for six months, and on the latter complaint she was ordered to pay the expenses of the prosecution, amounting to \$4.25.

Henry Hodgman, of Shirley, was arraigned under the uniform desertion act, it being alleged that he failed to provide for his family. The case was continued for two months.

Roegan Bronistowo, of Pepperell, was found guilty of two complaints of assault and battery and the cases

were filed. John M. Maloney was his counsel.

Joseph Harris, of Bennington, Vt., was found guilty of vagrancy and the complaint was placed on file.

George E. Silva, of Lowell, aged seventeen years, was arraigned Monday morning on the very grave charge of placing an obstruction on a railroad track. Probable cause was found to believe him guilty and he was held for the next term of the superior court in September in \$300 bail.

The witnesses were William A. Ferguson, special officer of the Boston and Maine, Inspector John A. Walsh, of Lowell, and William Whitney, of the same city. The crime was committed at Westford on July 21, and came near causing a bad wreck. A heavy railroad tie had been placed across the track on a sharp curve east of the Westford station.

When the construction train, of which William Whitney was engineer, came along it struck the tie and fortunately the force of the train threw the obstruction off the track without doing any damage.

Officer Ferguson told the court that Silva had confessed the crime. Silva refused to say anything in court in his own behalf. The boy has relatives in Lowell, but none appeared in his defence.

Frank H. Hill, of Ayer, charged with drunkenness and disturbing the peace, was found not guilty on both complaints and discharged.

complainant was Mrs. Marlon Jewett. The two principals live on the road to Shirley, off the Groton road, and their appearance in court was due to trouble that arose between them.

Herbert Wilkins, of West Groton, was found guilty of disturbing the peace and fined five dollars. On a complaint for drunkenness he was found not guilty and discharged.

Leo Pratt, Henry Leblanc, Arthur Provoost, Joseph Prince, Joseph O'Rourke, William Daley and Martin Powers were all found guilty of vagrancy and discharged. Prince claimed to have come here from Arkansas in four days without paying any fare. When he arrived here he was arrested at the railway station by Officers Taylor and O'Connell and taken to the police station. The remaining members of the gang were found near the depot by Chief Beatty.

Recent Visitors. Among the recent visitors in town were noted Mrs. Hiram Brown, of Littleton Common, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Eliza Palmer; Norman C. Green, of Medford, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb Green; Mrs. George W. Young, of Barrington, at the home of her son, David H. Young; John H. Mander-schied, of Gardner; Mrs. Annie Barnaby, of Everett, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Oikie; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd S. Kelley, of East Dedham, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Preble; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Armstrong and daughter Pearl, of Littleton, at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Ernest L. Dorey; Henry B. Spencer, of Holyoke, at the home of his brother and sister, William G. R. Spencer and Mrs. Mary J. Farr; Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Stone and daughter, Miss Mabel Stone, of Waltham, at the home of his brother, E. D. Stone; Mrs. Jennie Wilson of Linnester, Mrs. Helen Jenkins of Nashua, Mrs. John Bucknam of Swampscott at the home of Mrs. H. D. Evans; Miss Josephine Meehan of Shirley; William I. Mullin and Miss Abbie Mullin of Roxbury at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Mullin; F. P. Dunbrack of Newton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Nourse of Waltham; at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Russo; Mrs. M. E. Perham, of Chelmsford, at the home of her niece, Miss Florence J. Richardson; James E. Mullin, of New York city, at the home of his father, William J. Mullin; Rev. and Mrs. Myron Haynes, of Franklin, Ind., and Arthur Haynes and two children, of Seattle, Wash., at the home of Mrs. A. M. Spaulding; Mrs. Charlotte E. Knox, of Shirley, at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Wentworth; Mrs. Arthur E. Hawkes and daughter Alma, of Middletown, Conn., at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles L. Washburn; Fred Chisholm and family, of Medford, at the home of Mrs. Chisholm's mother, Mrs. Eliza Palmer; Mrs. David West, of Maplewood, and Miss Stella Hollis, of Somerville, at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Lovejoy and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lovejoy.

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TOWNSEND.

Center. Mrs. E. A. Flagg is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Irish, at her summer home at Lake Boone. Miss Bessie McGuire, of Boston, is spending a vacation of a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGuire.

The Congregational Sunday school is very appreciative of the recent gift of a cabinet organ to be used in the primary department, by Mrs. Clarence W. Mead. It had been in the home of Mrs. Mead's late father, who was greatly interested in Sunday school work. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Mead for the gift.

Miss Dorothy Norton Shann, of Everett, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Bruce. Mrs. W. D. Osgood is entertaining her nieces, Miss Martha C. Neal, of West Derry, N. H.

At the union service in the Methodist church Rev. George Moody's subject Sunday morning will be "Things become sin." In the Congregational church on Sunday evening the C. E. meeting will be in charge of Arthur Eastman, subject, "Who is free?" Rev. Benjamin A. Hill, of the Bethany Congregational church, in Quincy, will preach at the morning service in the Congregational church on August 16.

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Three Great Days. July 31, August 1 and August 2, the three great days in Littleton's great year of 1914, have passed. The history as most memorable dates, selected for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the incorporation of the town on a similar occasion, the planting of Praying Indians. Conditions were favorable. The weather was fair and a comfortable temperature prevailed. The work of the various committees for the preparation of different features of the arrangements of grounds, hall and rest-room, were completed, and everything was in readiness for the occasion.

The town hall, by the artistic designing of Lowell decorator, was most beautifully covered in a most attractive auditorium for the vaudeville performances, lace curtains and lavender and white draperies forming the decorations.

The vestry of the Unitarian church, with its new chairs, and other home-like furnishings made a pleasant rest-room. The Reuben Hoar library and surrounding grounds were the scene of the reception to visiting friends. Town hall park contained a large tent where the quiet was held, a bandstand, dairy lunch, ice cream, refreshing temperance drinks, and souvenir booths.

The natural amphitheater on F. E. Priest's farm at the rear of his buildings made an admirable place for the pageant.

Members of the state police were present, but found little to do as the crowd of people came for a pleasant reunion and a good time, and as in the opinion of the police the hoodlum element was not in evidence. A few fakirs ventured into town, but finding the atmosphere ungenial, departed in a short time and left Littleton and her friends to themselves.

The program of events was ushered in by the ringing of bells and the visit of Governor, George A. Cook, in colonial costume, announcing the program of the day. He was accompanied by Hon. F. A. Patch, chairman of the executive committee, and followed by Miss Woodhull with a company of friends who sang at the homes of the shut-ins. This sweet-voiced choir was conveyed in an automobile by Miss Cora Davis.

At 8.30 o'clock in the morning Littleton people and guests held a reception at the library, a band and concert were given in the Valtham Water Company band, one of the best in the New England states, and the parade of trades and floats started from Littleton Common.

The parade was a most interesting feature which drew universal admiration. Prizes in the trades parade were won by J. P. Thacher, grocer, who displayed an artistic arrangement of wares, principally Nabisco's, in a team of green, and by the Thacher family. The second prize was won by George A. Cook, plumber, representing the old fashioned stone well of 1714 in one part of the team, and in the other a bath and a bathroom of plumbing, water and red bunting festoons. The third prize was awarded to Conant & Houghton Webbing Co., whose team was a bath and a bathroom of plumbing, water and red bunting festoons.

Others in the parade were Conant Co. grocers, advertising corn flakes; Mr. Leahy, wagon dealer, with a red white and blue green, and advertising trucking, drawn by six horses; H. W. Knights, plume trimmed auto with Berkshire hog and small pig from the overlook farm; F. C. Theodores, in large framed wagon with evergreen trimmings; Davis & King, auto with electrical equipment; Robt. Murphy's Sons Co., of Ayer, advertising automobiles, and F. M. Hartwell's auto decorations. Prizes were distributed from J. P. Thacher's and Conant Company's teams.

The floats winning prizes were that of the Camp-fire Girls dressed as Indians, and a team of boys entered in a splendid concert was given in the town hall by the Littleton Choral society, assisted by Mr. Lovell and Miss Bussey of Shelburne Falls. At 1.30 o'clock a concert was given by the band and from two to 3.45 a vaudeville entertainment of fine quality was produced by Littleton artists. This included "A midnight tangle, 1714-1814," by Harry Priest, and "The Houghton," the family album, by Mrs. Fred S. Kimball as Almira Peace, and several assistants, in charge of Miss Elizabeth Thacher; "A thief in the house," by Dr. J. Christie, Roger Priest, John G. Fairfield, Kilton K. Priest, Harry S. Barker, Sherman Harwood, and "A duet of minstrels," by Simon P. O'Banyon and J. A. Wainwright. The hall was crowded throughout the afternoon.

At 9.45, the ever increasing company of people congregated near the bandstand and listened to a rousing concert by the Highland Military band of Fitchburg. This was followed by an official address in the town hall, a familiar and scholarly review of the town history eloquently presented by Judge George A. Sanderson, who was introduced by Joseph A. Harwood, president of the Historical society.

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Backwoodsman, Samuel B. Reed; his son, Master John H. Kimball, Jr.; a Christie; orator, Dr. James D. Moore; recruiting officer, F. H. Hill; drill master, J. E. Smith; U. S. telegrapher, C. W. Hunt; Raw recruits, Leonard Roberts, Fred Cook, Robert Hart, George Farrell, George Smith, Richard Dodge, Edwin Easton, Charles Ross, Lester Griffiths, Edwin Robinson, Whitney Calkins, Warren Hartwell, Whitney Calkins, Warren Moore; townspeople; selection, orchestra.

At eight in the evening a dance was held in the hall which proved a strong drawing card, and the Highland Military band orchestra furnished the music. Sunday was church day, and contrary to predictions, the morning and afternoon services were largely attended. Special music and sermons tending on the celebration were listened to by large audiences at all the churches in the morning.

An inspiring union meeting in the town hall at four o'clock brought the celebration to a most appropriate and satisfactory close. Anthems by a select chorus, with solos by George E. Lovell and Miss C. Bussey, both of Shelburne Falls, and hymns by the congregation constituted a very pleasant feature of the service. Miss Lovell was the pianist. There was a responsive reading and ministerial services the three protestant churches in town spoke on "The religious significance of the celebration." Rev. G. J. Fairfield discussed "The recognition of our debt to the past," quoting copiously from Rev. Edmund Foster's sermon preached a hundred years ago and read a letter of regrets from Rev. Thomas McGinn. Rev. John L. Sewall spoke of the summons to today, Rev. H. L. Calkins gave a prophetic of the future, and the service closed with the singing of "America" by the congregation. Thus culminated the great celebration in the history of the town.

Some worthies besides those already mentioned who attended the celebration were Miss Elizabeth G. Houghton, Clement S. Houghton, Dr. Samuel A. Green, president Massachusetts Historical society and ex-mayor of Boston, George D. Pushee of Boston, Major Palmer of Groton, Hon. George Reed of Saxtonville, James Connelly, secretary to the governor, Charles K. Bolton of Shirley, Harvard at the Boston Athenaeum, B. F. Jeffrey, the oldest Littleton man present, and A. Kendall Porter of Leominster, the oldest native of Littleton present.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.
Dr. C. H. Holcombe, president of the Robinson Cousin picnic, attended the third annual reunion at Littleton, Mass., on Wednesday.

Lealie Green of Cliftondale, Mass., and Florence Green, of Boston, have been the guests of their brother, Arthur Green, returning to their homes last Saturday.

Alice and Elizabeth Whitcomb are at Lakeport for the summer.
Mrs. Della Whitcomb and daughter, Miss Grace Whitcomb, have returned from a three-weeks' visit in New Jersey.

Walter Rockwood, Dr. Ethel Rockwood, Gertrude Rockwood and Miss Elizabeth Whitcomb, of Townsend, were guests in town last Saturday.

Edward P. Gerrish is still very ill. Last week he received a postcard shower which was much appreciated by him.

Mrs. Helen M. Hall, Mrs. Ella Nye and Mrs. Malvina Gibson, attended the funeral of Mrs. Frank P. Kennedy last week. Burial was in Quincy, Mass. Miss Shuman resided here for several years, where her health for a time was greatly improved. A few months ago she removed with her parents to Ayer. Soon after she began to fail and she returned to Brookline for a few weeks, but in less than two weeks she failed so rapidly that she was obliged to return to her home, where she passed away on Sunday, July 26. Miss Shuman was a fine artist and in July friends in town received beautiful postcards, the work of her hands.

Mrs. Catherine Cady, with her sewing class and other guests, enjoyed a basket picnic at the lake last week Thursday. The same day a barge load from Pepperell enjoyed the day at the lake. Among those present were Mrs. and Mrs. Frank P. Kennedy, and Mrs. and Mrs. Joseph Attridge.

Miss May Pierce was a recent guest at home from Nashua.
Mrs. H. O. Hadley, of Peterboro, is the guest this week of Mrs. C. H. Holcombe.

Miss Blanche Hall has been ill, but is better.
Mrs. Edward Hadley was called home to Cambridge, Mass., by the illness of her son, Ralph Hadley.

The Loyal Workers were again cordially received at the home of Mrs. Augusta Gould on last week Thursday. The afternoon was devoted mainly to sewing on aprons. Several readings were given and a social time enjoyed until five o'clock.

Arthur Green stepped on a rusty nail last week, which made an ugly wound and a sore foot.
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HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town.
Arthur Wright is spending a month with his mother, Mrs. Nellie Nichols, and grandfather, Joseph Gates. The shop where he is employed has closed for a month.

Mrs. L. S. Clarke, who recently purchased the Stiney farm, has been having improvements made inside the past week.

Miss S. Alice Worcester left town on Monday morning for Vermont, where she will spend a few weeks with relatives.

Miss Jennie Morrison has been quite ill for several days and is being cared for at the home of Mrs. Emma Goodwin.

A part of the Camp-fire Girls have been camping out the past week at Silver Lake and have been chaperoned by Mrs. William Sanders.

Miss Helen Hazard returned to her duties as nurse in New York last week after spending a short vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. S. Hazard.

The Willoughby family annual reunion was held at Silver Lake on Wednesday last week. There were about fifty present, several coming from out-of-town. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton, on Proctor hill, welcomed a little son into their home last week.

Matthew Jameson has purchased a house in Brookline of Mrs. Mary Smith.

Wesley Ladd and wife, from Lakeport, returned home last week after spending a few weeks with his sister, Mrs. Emily Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Eaton returned Monday on Sunday after spending a week at Asa B. Eaton's. Clyde Eaton remained at Asa B. Eaton's for a longer visit.

Over thirty ladies attended the D. A. R. picnic on Tuesday which was held on the Keyes land. This land is the part of the farm now owned by Mr. and Mrs. John L. Woods and marks the place where Anna Keyes Powers' father used to live. The old cellar hole and well are still to be seen. A very pleasant time was enjoyed. Lunch was served and a meeting held later. Before returning home the ladies were invited to look over the Woods' home where many old curiosities are to be seen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coby and little son and Mrs. Sarah Sullivan, from Newton Highlands, Mass., were in town the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Strong had as visitors the past week Mr. Strong's sister and friend.

The Hollis boys went to Amherst on Saturday in Flag's and Mead's cars and defeated the Amherst team by the score of 9 to 2.

Old Home Week Association.
Hollis Old Home Week association met in Grange hall on last week Friday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing two years: George W. Hardy, pres.; George P. Hale, William W. Worcester, vice pres.; Albert E. Hildreth, sec. and treas.; George W. Woodin, Mrs. Mary A. Spaulding and Willis C. Hardy, ex. com.

On Monday evening an adjourned meeting was held in the same hall and it was voted to hold an Old Home Week celebration on the week commencing Saturday, August 15, with a bonfire on that evening. The principal observance will come on Wednesday, as has been the custom in the past.

At the meeting on Monday the following special committee were selected: Bonfire, George H. Hardy, William H. Dean, George Robbins, George A. Keyes, Fred W. Holden, Francis A. Lovejoy and Francis M. Cave; reception, Hon. Franklin Worcester and lady, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Willis C. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Tenney; entertainment, Hon. Franklin Worcester; dinner, Mrs. Mary A. Spaulding, sports, Harold E. Hardy, Robert W. Leslie, Parley Lund, ball, William W. Worcester, Harold E. Hardy, Geo. W. Hardy; decorations, Mrs. Bessie W. McEnnis, Mrs. Ralph C. Herrick, Ernest N. Woodin, Charles Boulton,

Miss Minnie L. Colburn, Mrs. Harold E. Hardy.

There will be a meeting of all officers on Monday at the Grange hall on Saturday evening to complete plans for the celebration.

News Items.
Mrs. Martin, with her young child, came from Canada on Tuesday to Mr. Read's for a six-weeks' visit.

Miss Jessie Morrison was on the sick list recently with liver complaint.
Rev. C. F. H. Crathern preached at the Methodist church in Pepperell last Sunday. Mrs. Crathern, with three of her children, were on Friday to stop with Mrs. Goodwin until Tuesday. Mr. Crathern joined them on Saturday. Mrs. Crathern, with her three daughters and one son, with Mrs. Goodwin, started for Rangeley Lakes on Tuesday morning for a three-weeks' vacation.

The Pierce Brothers had a large picnic of twenty people at Long pond last Sunday. Two autos came from Lowell and with several others formed the party.

Frank Marshall is building a new barn, D. F. Pierce putting in the stone work.
A gang of men have commenced cutting the sides of the road in preparation to build the state road.

AYER.

To the Editor:
Since my last letter there has been a very decided improvement in the crop prospect here. Independence day was "glorious," a much needed rainfall throughout the day, the half-inch being the result according to the government weather bureau of Spokane. The celebrations at the various places were far from successful, but the people accepted the situation cheerfully. Followed by another good rain on July 18, the farmers are jubilant, the winter wheat "filling" and producing more than an average crop. Indeed, in the dry sandy counties the crop is a record-breaker.

Walla Walla just now is the scene of great activity, it being the mecca of the orchard hands from the hundreds, crowding the streets of the town and the parks. Their season being earlier than the greater part of the state, the hands planning for as long a rest as possible, start and work with the insignia of their calling in roll of blankets on their backs. But instead of taking up his bed and jumping the freight train, he can't make it during the day, under the cover of night he can generally get passage on a main line train. He considers money paid railroads squandered, especially if it has been earned under the scorching rays of a summer's sun.

The weather for this season has had about the usual torridity, the glass reading ninety-nine in the shade on the hottest day while at one point near the Walla Walla country 104 was reported. This extreme heat was followed the next day by rain, accompanied by wind which stirred the wheat in some sections. The presence in Cheney was marked by the prostration of the Chautauqua tent while the afternoon entertainment was on but did no serious damage to person or property. This is the second year of the Chautauqua in the town and with the success each year it can be considered an annual attraction.

Eighteen entertainments are contemplated in the next few days. The high-class talent of literary and musical nature with such lecturers as Dr. Frank Gunsaulus of Chicago, Dr. Ng Poon Chew, editor of the Chinese daily at San Francisco, and superior musical and instrumental talent. Covering sixty different points in their season this company conducts six entertainments simultaneously, each with its own program, and after performing their day's stint.

That it smacks somewhat of the circus, it has a decided advantage over the latter in that it is immune from a business man's guarantee from the local business men who work like beavers to sell the 600 season tickets for which they stand good. As a summer school at the normal has an enrollment of more than 500, the latter nucleus enhances its financial success, though this is in population the smallest town on the circuit. The advertising department of the Panama Pacific fair, with the aid of a stereopticon and lecturer prefaces the first day's entertainment with a free exhibition and description of the Pacific coast scenery in general and the canal and Frisco in particular.

D. H. FELCH.
Cheney, Wash., July 16, 1914.

THE ONE WOMAN.
The forest was a dense one with tall hemlocks and pines. Nothing could be heard but the low murmuring of the brook and the swaying of the branches. Twilight had arrived and two dusky shadows emerged from an opening.

"We are safe from observation here, dearest," a tall, handsome young man was saying.

"Oh, but what a dreadful dark place," Hugh, she exclaimed.

A graceful girl with dark brown eyes and scarlet flushed cheeks, lips as red as a rose, brown, rippling hair and sweet expression, she impressed him admirably and he gazed at her long and steadily until she broke the silence.

"Do you really love me so much, dear boy?" she queried with a low, tantalizing laugh. A wordy answer, then he said abruptly:

"Vivian, do you think Cyril will notice your absence very much?" he asked anxiously.

"I don't know," she paused, then broke out, "Oh, Hugh, I am not doing right, but how can I help it when I do not love him? I thought I did, but Hugh it is you instead."

She smiled wearily and he drew her closer. A nestle among the trees startled them.

Hugh Jordan rose from the log where they had been sitting and listened intently, his motioned face and his honest eyes full of concern.

A tall, broad-shouldered man of forty stepped quickly from behind a pine tree. It was Cyril Dinsmore with his gray eyes and black hair tinged with gray, that he was clear in a hunting suit of brown and very quietly he placed his long gun against a tree.

"Vivian, do not be frightened. I have heard all, do not think me a eaves-dropper. I heard, I know, I feel!" he said calmly.

Vivian Elmore, leaning against a tree for support, pale appealing, and her hand, straight, his face written with despair, gazed at Dinsmore as he came forward. He took Vivian's hand in his strong one, and grasped it warmly.

"Vivian, dear, you love Hugh the way a woman should love a man. You never cared for me because you did not wish to make me sad," he said tenderly.

"Oh, Cyril, I loved—I thought—she faltered and fell sobbing on his breast. He smoothed her hair back from her brow.

"You were my father's ward. We grew up together in a way, though I never saw you until I was ten. I thought that you did not love me. I realize it all now. How you must have suffered," he continued, then he released her hand and taking her left hand drew off the sparkling diamond that graced it and placed it in his pocket.

"You are free, Vivian, and I am going far away in the mountains." His face was marked with pain, but he pressed his lips to her hand and turned to Hugh, who white and breathless, bowed his head.

"Hugh, be good to her, protect her, love her always!"
"Dinsmore, you are a man!" Jordan's voice rang out as he pressed Cyril's hand. Dinsmore picked up his gun, gazed long at Vivian clasped fondly in Hugh's strong arms, her face as she sobbed.

"Good-bye forever," called out Dinsmore as he strode off towards the mountains, and the forest, dark and haunting, closed upon him with a solemn swaying of the breeze.
Phyllis V. Poor, Ayer.

CONTROL OF THE ARMY WORM

When detected, all efforts should be centered on keeping the worms out of crops not yet attacked, and confining their injury to the smallest area as possible. As a barrier to their progress either make a dust furrow of road dust and place around marigolds to be attacked, or plow a deep furrow ahead of the worms, lined with much. Put poisoned bran made in this furrow. This should be made of one pound of paris green, twenty pounds of middlings or bran, moistened with a quart of cheap molasses and one gallon of water.

The best way to kill them in large numbers is to spray crops which they have not yet attacked with a heavy dose of paris green, two small or sixty gallons of water. This strength will not burn the leaves, but in order to be effective the crop or strip of grass which is selected must be sprayed liberally. Paris green is safer than arsenate of lead for this purpose, because it washes off more easily, and so will not injure the feeding value of the crop. Where a town is severely infested the army worm, the farmers should combine and use a power sprayer, as much more effective work can be done in this way. Get the local moth superintendent, or co-operate by loaning the town sprayer, where there is one.

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C. H. Kenney, of Fitchburg, every one of the 300 seats being taken.

Here before the banquet for Old Home Day has always been served by a committee from the association with food provided by the townspeople. The experiment this year of having a caterer gave universal satisfaction. The after-dinner speeches were very apt, amusing and instructive, and were given by Rev. George F. Morse of Lancaster, Senator Edward N. Sibley of Ashburnham, Congressman Calvin D. Paige of Southbridge, Joseph G. Egerly, the veteran school superintendent of Fitchburg, Herman C. Knight of Townsend, town clerk, superintendent of schools, and Ernest G. Carswell of Fitchburg. At the close of speaking it was announced that the postponed parade would take place at two o'clock on Thursday.

The names of nearly 250 visitors were registered in the selectmen's room, and nearly as many in the register at the Center schoolhouse. Fifty entries were made for the industrial parade for Wednesday, but some of the people who were to take part in it, clerks and others who had the holiday on Wednesday, could not come. As it was a very successful day, forty entries, occupations and services represented, including farmers, milkmen, masons, well-diggers, poultry raising, dairy, grocers, the Grange, and the co-operative, by loaning the town sprayer, where there is one.

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PEPPERELL.

About Town.

Mrs. Ann Horan, widow of the late
William Horan, died at the home of
her daughter on Mill street on Friday
of last week. The deceased was born
in Ireland about eighty-two years ago,
and has resided in the country for
about thirty years. She leaves one
daughter, Mrs. Patrick Powers, and
four grandchildren; also, a sister,
Catherine Leary, eighty-five years of
age, who lived with her. Services
were held at St. Joseph's church on
Sunday morning.

James Johnson and family, who
have been occupying Miss Hattie Ken-
dall's house, moved this week to Hud-
son.

The Congregational Sunday school
held their picnic at Silver Lake on
Thursday, August 6. The picnic
at 8.30 o'clock well filled with a merry
crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Denham
returned from their Canada trip on
last Saturday night, thereby escaping
all the troubles with which tourists are
now liable to.

Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Qua returned
from their auto trip in New Hamp-
shire Sunday.

Dr. Francis G. Minter, of the Car-
ney hospital, Boston, has been spend-
ing a few days with C. E. Hamilton
at the Homestead. Mrs. Minter, her
son and daughter, Miss Abbie C. Bill-
ings, of Upton, are recent arrivals.

Mrs. Thomas Byrnes and little son,
accompanied by her cousin, Emily
Cavanaugh, came from Derry, N. H.,
Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. M.
Graham. Mrs. Byrnes' parents, on
River street.

The East Village Social club will
hold the next regular meeting Wed-
nesday afternoon, August 12, at the
home of Mrs. E. F. Harmon. The
subject for the afternoon will be mis-
ellaneous.

Henry Parker, of Cohasset, was a
guest at the home of W. Blake
on Tuesday, coming to visit his sister,
Mrs. Nellie Lewis, who leaves here
soon for Akron, Ohio.

Mrs. H. Arthur Brown and little
son, from Brookline, N. H., was in
town on Friday of last week, visiting
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William
Marshall, and calling on friends.

Charles Bartz, formerly of this
town, but now connected with Robt.
Murphy's Sons Co., of Ayer, was the
driver of the auto float at the Little-
ton anniversary last week Friday ad-
vertising the sale of goods, which
was awarded first prize.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Handley attend-
ed the 200th anniversary at Littleton
on Saturday and Sunday, the guests
of Mrs. Handley's brother.

Among the 300 or more autos con-
taining the visitors at Littleton on
Saturday were noted Mr. and Mrs. H.
F. Hobart, Rev. D. R. Child, Mr. and
Mrs. J. A. Frossard, of this town.

A little daughter was welcomed in-
to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest
Hartwell, Chase avenue, Saturday,
August 1.

Mrs. Frank L. Dow returned to her
home at Worcester on Sunday with
her little two-weeks' old daughter,
Dorothy. Dr. Dow came up to return
with her.

The Massachusetts Commission for
the Blind has established an agency
in town for the all-hand-made brooms
from their workshop in Cambridge.
Frank Whitney, who is interested
both because he is similarly afflicted,
as the makers of the brooms and
brushes, and because he formerly
made them himself, will be pleased
to show the products of this state
workshop to his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Lawrence, harness maker.

George Selbert, whose illness from
blood poisoning was reported last
week, is recovering from the trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Beede and
daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, came from
Lynn by auto and spent Sunday with
friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. Allan
McElhenney, on Oak Hill.

I. J. Rowell went to Derry, N. H.,
Saturday for the celebration of Old
Home Day and to visit with his sis-
ter.

The "acquaintance sale" which has
been going on this week at the store
of the new firm, T. Cook & Cook,
brought in a rush of customers. The
store has been well filled at all hours,
necessitating extra clerks. Mrs. C. A.
Cook, Miss Bernice Lunt, Sydney Tow-
send, J. C. Willey and Gerard Shattuck
have been called in to supplement the
regular clerks.

Miss Sadie Simmons is the guest
of her aunt, Mrs. Roswell Lawson,
coming from Round Hill, Nova Scotia,
recently to Haverhill, where Mrs.
Lawson went on Saturday to meet
her.

Mrs. Arthur Lawson came for her
two children last week and returned
to her new home in Hartford, Conn.,
Saturday. She was accompanied by
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Wright, who intend to remain there.
They sold their stock about the place
and have advertised that also for
sale.

Mrs. Alice Oulton stored her goods
in town last week and with her two
daughters went back to the home of
her parents in Fitchburg for the pres-
ent. Mrs. McCormick, her mother,
was in town to assist her in moving.

and even then some of the younger
generations overflowed through the
grove. J. J. Willoughby and son, with
guests, attended; also, his daughter,
Mrs. Carroll Robinson, and husband,
and child and guests. As usual every-
one enjoyed the gathering.

Charles D. Robinson, who has been
a summer guest with his kinswoman,
Mrs. N. W. Appleton, has gone to Con-
cord, N. H., for a few days.

Percy J. Benedict and family are
moving from the Perry farm on North
Pepperell to the house on River street
lately occupied by L. H. Rowe.

Miss Eva Bolles has been taking a
vacation from the duties of her dress-
making establishment at Concord, N. H.
She spent some time at the home
of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Bolles, on the Nashua road, and is
now visiting at Portland, Me.

Miss Jennie Whitney and Miss Mar-
garet Gillespie, of New York, are
guests at the Peck farm for a few
weeks. They have been visitors in
the neighborhood of the home of Mar-
garet Blood in previous summers.

An auto party of four came from
Waltham to spend the day with rela-
tives in town, Mr. and Mrs. J. M.
Graham. They were Mrs. Graham's
niece, Elva Cavanaugh; cousin, John
Ray, Kenneth Palmer and Mary Cut-
ler.

A visit to the garden of Sherwood
Shattuck, the young gardener of East
Village, would well repay one. His
acre or more of ground is all culti-
vated and well cultivated. Every sort
of vegetable that is known and some
of the newer kinds are flourishing and
productive under his treatment. He
excels in early vegetables, having had
summer squash and tomatoes in the
market long before other gardeners
thought of them. It will mean perse-
verance and lots of work, as the
absence of weeds testify.

The Forward club met last week
Friday evening at the Congregational
vestry. The social was arranged by
groups which were defeated or won
the all-day trollic helter two weeks
ago. The main feature of the evening
was the "living advertisements." The
remainder of the evening was
taken up with games.

Mrs. William A. Sheperdson, with
her children, Eva and Horace,
went to Milford, N. H., to visit her
sister, on Tuesday.

The panic occasioned by the threat-
ened European war extends itself to
many in town through their friends
who are abroad for the summer.

Mrs. Margaret Blood received a com-
munication from her sister, Miss An-
nah Blood, from Ayer, Scotland, dated
July 29. Their plans were then to
take a week's coaching trip, starting
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a wrong turn in coming from Groton
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Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lowell, whose
marriage took place on July 25, spent
a few days with Mrs. Lowell's uncle
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ston, where they will make their fu-
ture home. Their engagement was
announced last winter.

Mrs. F. B. Swain, of Cambridge, has
been visiting her brother and his fam-
ily; also her aunt, for a few days.
Howard M. Hubbard, of Springfield,
is a guest at the Congregational pa-
sonage.

Mrs. John Melendy has been con-
fined to the house lately and under
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Horace I. Whipple, who recently
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ing a few days in Ipswich, N. H.
Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have moved
from Townsend street to Hudson, N.
H.

Dr. F. R. MacGrath leaves Monday
for a vacation, expecting to return in
a week or ten days.
Miss Mary A. Woods, of Park street,
has returned from a week's visit in
Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Mention have
returned to their home in Fitchburg
after spending a month with rela-
tives on Oak Hill.

Ernest Melendy returned to town
on Sunday after spending a few weeks
with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Toussaint, at South Uxbridge. Mr.
Melendy remained for a more ex-
tended visit.

Mrs. Stella Mention left town last
week Friday to spend the month of
August with friends at the beach.
Harold Brown and mother, Mrs.
Edward Brown, of Waverley, spent
Tuesday at the home of Mrs. E.
Frost on Sheffield street. Mr. Brown
is a graduate of Harvard college '07,
and at present is instructor in chem-
istry and physics at the English high
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Fred and Lloyd Bancroft
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time at Swan Island, Me. During
the day there daughter, Miss Ruth
Atwood, is with her grandparents,
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gale.

John Bagster, a mail carrier con-
nected with the Winter Hill station, is
on his annual vacation. He spent the
day on last Tuesday with his sisters
and brothers at the Bagster home-
stead on Oak Hill.

Reports from Wallace E. King,
formerly of this town, find him very
seriously sick. He is suffering from
hardening of the arteries.

Mr. and Mrs. Dove, with their son
Paul, and their friend, Harold Ed-
monds, of Watertown, are camping at
Sheep Island.

Harold and Kenneth Whittemore
go to Nashua, N. H., this week for the
rest of the summer vacation. It is
reported that they will meet and
attend the high school of that city
during the coming school year.

Messrs. West and McCleery have
purchased a new Buick one-ton truck to
be used in connection with the pas-
senger and express business between
Harvard and Plymouth, England, and
general light trucking.

Charles Sammorian has secured a
position with a large greenhouse and
gardenery concern at Rockland, Me.,
and has gone there to work. He has
been for several years with J. E. May-
nard in his farm and greenhouse
work.

Walter H. Roberts, a Boston law-
yer, who has a residence in this town,
was one of the passengers on the
Kronprinzessin Cecille that left Bos-
ton on July 28, and was ordered back
to this country when within two days
of Boston. He is now in England, and
put in at Bar Harbor, Me., August 4.

While at work putting in a new sill
under a building with I. E. Morse's
men, Gerald Smith, a carpenter from
Bethel, Me., now with Mr. Morse, ac-
cidentally struck his hand, axe into an
iron nail, and the nail, driven into
Dr. Royal had him removed to the hospi-
tal in Clinton.

The King's Daughters will hold a
sale at the town hall on Thursday af-
ternoon, August 20, and all who have
talents to contribute are requested to
leave them at the hall in the morning
of that day.

The ladies of the Congregational
church will hold a food sale from
three to five o'clock on Saturday af-
ternoon, August 8, on the green in
front of the church. All kinds of
home cooking.

Sheehan's truck leaves Harvard for
Whalom Park on Sunday at one
o'clock.

Misses Marion and Helen Dickson
and Miss Gertrude Farwell are spend-
ing the week-end and over Sunday
with Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Bodwell at
Guerrard, Conn.

Mrs. J. E. Maynard, with Miss
Charlotte Conant, of Littleton, are
spending this week at the Crawford
house, White Mountains, N. H.

The ladies' picnic which was to
have been held last Wednesday, has
been indefinitely postponed.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dill started last
week for a three-weeks' vacation
to Chester, Nova Scotia. They expect
to be back about the last week in
August.

The V class of the Congregational
Sunday school are planning a day's
outing at Lake Whalom on Monday.
Mrs. M. G. Hildreth will chaperon
the party.

Grange field day has been set for
August 18. A lecturer for some of
the more interesting farm questions
is to be secured for the afternoon and
all interested are invited to attend.

The new house being built for Mr.
and Mrs. G. E. Schultz is ready for
the finish and will be open for occu-
pancy about September 1.

Mrs. C. R. White will open her
class for dancing on Monday after-
noon at the town hall. This class is
for children and later on an evening
class for adults.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kipling are to
be congratulated on the arrival of a
grandson born to them on Wednes-
day, July 29, at Medfield.

Miss Grace Willard, of New York
city, is here with her sister and fam-
ily. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Farwell, for
an indefinite stay.

The new principal of the Bromfield
school, who occupies the Whitney cot-
tage on Harvard common until a new
residence can be built.

Mrs. Isabella Carter, of Leominster,
was a guest last week and over Sun-
day with Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Baker.
Mrs. Carter was formerly a resident
here and will be better
known perhaps by her maiden name,
Miss Isabella Bernard.

Mrs. W. E. Craggs is entertaining
her sister, Mrs. Alston, from Green-
field, at her home for a few days.

Mrs. William Bagster has visit-
ing her from her home town, Gasperaux,
N. B.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gale enter-
tained on Thursday, Mrs. M. O. Bak-
er and her daughter, Miss Evelyn
Baker, from Toledo, Ohio. They
came through by auto and are visit-
ing for a few days with Mrs. H. D.
Sturtevant at Still River.

Prof. L. J. Johnson and family, who
have been at Eldonahel for a month
past, are now with the Harvard En-
gineering camp at Squam Lake, Ash-
land, N. H.

Leon E. Dammun, of Lovers Lane,
and Boston, visited Littleton on last
Saturday and secured several films of
the pageant celebration for motion
pictures. These pictures are to be
shown at Keith's theatre this coming
week and also at the Blou Dream
on the drama in days of next week.
Mr. Dammun is specializing country
scenes for his motion picture work
and finds that this line of work is
coming more in favor with patrons of
the "movies."

There will be a ball game, Har-
vard vs. Shirley, on Saturday after-
noon at three o'clock on Bromfield
grounds.

Grange.

Past masters' night at the Grange
was quietly observed with music and
the discussion of the army work
problem. Rep. Kimball, of Littleton,
was to have been present and ad-
dressed the meeting, but for some
reason was unable to be present. The
meeting was opened by Rev. H. H. Hoot-
owlsky, from India, whose ability to
tell the past and future by reading the
palm is very wonderful. As the pro-
ceeds are to be used for repairing the
liberty pole on the common, from
which floats the country's flag for the
pleasure of the whole town, the chair-
man earnestly hopes the patriotism of
the public will be roused to the ex-
tent of a liberal patronage of this en-
tertainment.

A group of English capitalists is
organizing a large cattle farming con-
cern in Western Siberia with a view
to exporting its products to England.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES.

The services at the Congregational
church will be as usual on Sunday. At
10.45 in the morning there will be a
service for public worship with
preaching by the pastor, the theme of
whose sermon will be "Danger, go
slowly." The double quartet will
sing Gounod's "Praise ye the Father."

The session of the bible school at
twelve o'clock will be held in the ves-
try. The passage selected for study
and discussion includes two incidents
occurring on the second day of the last
week of the earthly career of Jesus.
The subject is "The barren fig tree
and the defiled temple," offering food
for thought such as no experiential
question of the day can possibly do.

The C. E. prayer meeting is held at
7.30 o'clock in the evening from April
to October. On Sunday the subject is
to be "Who is free?" Mrs. W. F.
Shores has charge of this meeting.

Still River.
Quite a number from Still River
attended the celebration at Littleton
on last Saturday afternoon.

W. E. Haskell has a small field of
Japanese millet that is infested with
the army worm.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Stone are en-
tertaining an aunt and cousins of Mr.
Stone's from Toledo, Ohio.

Mrs. Catherine Branschan and
daughter, of Bellows Falls, Vt., and
Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Neyland, of
Reedville, are guests of their par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neyland.

Bert Atherton, of Norfolk, Va., is
the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Atherton, at their summer
home in Still River.

J. C. Thompson, who is very sick,
has a brother from Maine visiting
him.

Mrs. Annie Haskell is entertaining
a sister and child from New York.

Mrs. Lottie Dammun, of Worcester,
is visiting her sister, Mrs. Abbie
Dammun.

Miss Katherine Richardson, of
West Acton, is the guest of Mr. and
Mrs. W. W. Viles.

Mrs. Anna Flanders and Miss Edna
Flanders are visiting relatives in Mil-
lerton.

William B. Haskell is out with a
new auto.