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Roslindale.

The sickness of the deceased dates back several years, although she was not confined to her bed until last October. She has been a long, patient sufferer; still she has clung to life and the dear ones who have so faithfully ministered to her needs, until worn out with pain and feebleness, she worn out with pain and feebleness, she bership to show the strength of the larged the transition calmin and feebleness, she bership to show the strength of the

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### LITTLETON.

Mrs. Harry J. Smith has been in Nashua hospital for a slight operation

Neuralgia and grippe colds, attended by sore throat and trouble with the ears, are very prevalent at the present time. Charles A. Hartwell's children and Supt. Hill's daughter Elizabeth are among the most recent victims.

Rev. J. C. Alvord has sprained his ankle and is unable to make parish calls at present.

Mrs. D. G. Houghton went last Saturday to Gloucester City, N. J., to visit her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Dodge, and

Miss Alice Howard, president of the Woman's club, gave a very interesting talk before the Tadmuck club of Westford on Tuesday afternoon. Her pa-per on "American folk lore" showed nuch study and care in preparation.

The committee to arrange for the Back Log drama postponed the entertainment on account of Good Friday services and have now selected the dates of April 15 and 16, Thursday and Friday evenings.

Mrs. William G. Brown is slowly recovering from a severe attack of the

Mrs. Carrie Gordan Leland's Sunday school class of boys recently chose for officers, Gordon Love, pres.; Willard Blodgett, sec.; Jesse Dodge, treasurer. A name for the class has not yet been selected. They have for their classroom the music-room near the pulpit the Congregational church, which s being very cosily and attractively

A. Benjamin Conant, district president of the C. E. Union, addressed a meeting in West Groton on Sunday evening, attended a general meeting of Endeavorers in Malden last week Friday night, a district committee meeting in Shirley on Monday night and was present at the State C. E. executive committee meeting in Somerville last week Monday. erville last week Monday.

The friends of Miss Ella Peabody are glad to see her out again after

Mrs. Eva Ripley, of Wakefield, chair man of the committee on education in the State Federation, is to be the speaker at the Woman's club on Mon-day afternoon.

Grange.

The Grange welcomed visitors from Boxborough, Acton, Harvard, West-ford and Groton on Wednesday evening, when the third and fourth de-grees were conferred upon the large class that took the first and second degrees two weeks ago. The ladies' degree staff, dressed in white, and wearing carnations and green sprays the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Barrow, look ed very pretty and worked the third degree to their great credit. The reg-ular officers worked the fourth degree, winning many compliments. The tableaux, a beautiful feature of the program were under the very able di-rection of Mrs. George H. Cash, one of the most artistic and efficient workers in the Grange. Those who posed in the tableaux were Mrs. G. A. Cook, Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Mrs. Thomas Stephens, Miss Annie Coughlin, Misses Nellie and Mary Callahan, Mrs. Clar-ence Crosby, Miss Lillian Robinson

and Miss Catherine Connell.

Special Deputy Wright of Billerica was present. Deputy Gregory of Princeton inspected the Grange and the hospitality of F. H. Hill, master. One hundred and seventy-five en-loyed one of the best of suppers, con-sisting of mashed potatoes, cold ham, chicken and egg salad, rolls, coffee all kinds of fancy and plain ples and apples. The able committee, of which Mrs. Charles A. Kimball was chairman, deserve much credit for their ef-

A large party of Littleton Grangers attended the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of Westford Grange on Thursday evening.

The dark clouds of Mrs. Sherman H. Jewett's horizon parted and re-yealed the bright sunshine of a beautiful dawn on Thursday morning when her frail body yielded peacefully to the longing of the spirit, and the angel of death brought welcome re-

Funeral services will be held at her late home at two o'clock this week Saturday afternoon, and interment will be in the family lot in Westlawn

Miss Harriet Sawyer was born in Boston seventy-three years ago the eighth of last May. When only five years of age she lost her mother, and early in life took the responsibility of caring for herself. In July of 1861, she was married to Sherman H. Jew-ett, of this town, and they began wed-ded life in Boxborough. Later they moved to Concord, and within a few years came to Littleton, where they have made their home the greater part of their lives. Three sons were born to them; the oldest died in infancy; the second, Edgar H., died eighteen rears ago. Mrs. Jewett is survived by her husband; one son, LeRoy Sher man, and three granddaughters, Gladys and Ruth of Littleton, and Lilly of

# SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT

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fare. She was a great lover of flowers, and from her garden she has shared much beauty and fragrance with friends and neighbors. The lot where her children were laid away has received her perpetual thought, and seldom during the summer months and seldom during the summer months has it been without flowers.

Congregational church and attended health.
its services and contributed to its in-

Triends remember with much pleasure the very happy day in Mr. and Mrs. Jewett's life three years ago last July when they were pleasantly surprised by their good neighbors, who helped them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, and guests were July when they were pleasantly sur-prised by their good neighbors, who helped them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, and guests were welcomed from town and neighboring communities. To her life companion, who has watched over her devotedly, Mrs. Jewett's death comes with keen-eat sorrow and friends sympathize The high school closed on Friday for the spring vacation of one week.

Mrs. Eva Ripley of Well-and the spring vacation of the spring vacation of the week.

Mrs Chandler Libbie is convalescent from an attack of whooping cough.

The cottage located on the state road, just over the line in West Actonis to be moved ento Alfred Cobleigh's land, and the owner, Ralph Berry, is to work for Mr. Cobleigh.

Massachusetts General hospital last week Friday to be operated on for appendicitis. Mrs. C. B. Robbins has been ap

pointed census enumerator for this

Mary Hager is in town. Her nephew's family, the Milton Hagers, with whom she has been staying in Fitch-

burg, are moving to Quincy.

Miss Edith Withington, of Fitch-burg, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Cobleigh. We are glad to report that Mrs. Charles Knight continues to improve

and is now able to be up and dressed. Mrs. Bertha Shattuck entertained At the breaking out of the Civil wat the West Acton Whiat club last week he enlisted in the 1st Mass. cavalry Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Sti was the winner of the first prize.

work at the Whitcomb farm and taken a position in Waltham. Miss Sprague, teacher at No. 4.

now boarding at Mrs. Shattuck's.

The Grange enjoyed a musical evening at its last meeting, given under the following committee: Mrs. Raiph E. Whitcomb, Miss Marion Viets. George Burroughs, C. T. Wetherbee. Mrs. Albert Littlefield gave a synopsis of the opera "Il Trovatore," and Miss Ruby Viets of "Bohemian girl." Selections from both operas were sung by a chorus, these including some of the best known airs, "Heart bowed down," "Then you'll remember me," etc. Mrs. Raiph Whitcomb gave selections as a violin solo, accompanied by Maria Steele. Selections from "Il Trovatore" were also played by the orchestra, comprising Mrs. Ralph Whitcomb, George Burroughs, Ed. Braman, violins; C. T. Wetherbee, cornet; Marion Viets, mandolin; Mrs. C. B. Robbins, plano. After the entertainment the orchestra played an hour for dancing and all enjoyed the

coffee furnished by Paul and Ruby Viets. The next night is given on the program as dramatic evening has been put over until April 9, on account of the absence of some of the actors.

### HARVARD.

News Items.

An informal meeting at the home of Mrs. Harry F. Whitney on Thursday afternoon was addressed by Miss Dorfaced the transition calmiy and with bership to show the strength of the loyally and continually for their weil
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Mrs. Jewett was a member of the the civil war, who is also in feeble More drilled wells are being put in

> water in any amount as yet. A. S. Branson, who announced last fall his intention of going into the ice business here, and who purchased

part of the ice equipment at the Geo. Bagster auction, has given up this idea and has let himself and team for the entire season to Eben S. Corey, of Boston. Mr. Corey, who is the owner of the farm on Oak hill recently owned by D. A. Lucey, is laying out extensive orchard plans and will develop this farm along this line. velop this farm along this line. Mr. Branson is to take charge of this

Miss Esther Priest, of West Bare hill, is visiting for a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Morgan, at Jewett City, Conn.

and, and the control of the control

Charles Philemon Atherton, a life long and respected citizen of this town, died on Friday, March 12, at his town. The work begins April 1.

George Hager, from Clinton, came down to his farm for a short visit this week.

Mary Hager is in town. Her neph-Sarah Sawyer, dying several years ago. A greater part of his life has been spent as a merchant working in the grocery stores at Ayer and later conducting a store in the old hotel building, which stood on the site now occupied by the public library build-

At the breaking out of the Civil was Mrs. Stickney Co. G. where he served his country was the winner of the first prize.

Samuel Wetherbee has finished his of the G. A. R. post at Ayer, also a

member of the I. O. O. F.
Funeral services were from the Unitarian church Sunday afternoon, Rev. C. D. Bodwell officiating. A representation from George S. Boutwell post, A. R., of Ayer; also, from George Barrett camp, S. of V., and of the I. O. O. F. lodge were present. Burial was at Belleyue cemetery. The post rendered their last services to their deceased comrade.

deceased comrade.

For many years and until failing health forbade he has been active as general manager at Hildreth Bros. machine shop. He was a man of marked executive ability and well informed in matters of the day and respected by his fellow townsmen.

He is survived by a widow and one son, Percy A. Atherton, a young law-yer connected with the firm of Freidman & Atherton of Boston

### TOWNSEND.

Mrs. B. C. Cummings, who has been inder the care of a doctor and trained nurse for a severe attack of the surprise number of doughnuts and

one week course at the Massachusetts an all-day session, so that the quilt Agricultural college on account of the fear of the hoof and mouth disease, gentle art of needlecraft is not yet was a disappointment to those in this vicinity who had planned to attend.

comfortable.

It is reported that one of the old compostable are requested to bring an Irish lunch for two. Lunches to be auctioned off.

homesteads near this village, the estate of the late George Brown, has been purchased by a party from Chel-



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# George

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continued prosperity. Mr. Pierce has a model hen ranch with about five hundred birds. The Ladies' Aid of this village met

Thursday at the home of its president, Mrs. Buckley. Mrs. Morris was the hostess for the afternoon. Mrs. Bucknurse for a severe action of the grippe, is recovering.

Billy Buckley, after a successful ten weeks' course at the Massachusetts Agricultural college, returned home last Saturday evening.

hostess for the afternoon. Mrs. Buckley read the "Inspiration of Beethoven," which brought forth his wonderful Moonlight sonata. Mrs. Buckley also played the sonata. Among the articles in making is a pink hour-bushley also guilt. A week ago the aid held The indefinite postponement of the glass quilt. A week ago the aid held

mothers. On account of the severe illness of his mother, Mr. Jacobs with his wife, was called out of town last week Friday. On their return Monday evening. Mr. Jacobs reports his mother more semfortable.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Josselyn spent Wednesday in Boston. Mrs. Josselyn with her aunt, Mrs. Jonas Spaulding, Monday and Tuesday Frank Conant at Hotel Brunswick, and Mr. Josselyn

Miss Dorothy Smith returned Monday to resume her studies at Cushing

Will Cooper and George Jones took in the automobile show last week on Thursday, Mrs. W. F. Lewis started Saturday for a few weeks visit with her par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pitts, at Kennebunkport, Me.

Mrs. Paul Butler and son Paul, fr., are at Wainut Grove farm.

Members of the Monday club gave Mrs. Jones a pleasant surprise Friday evening in bonor of her birthday. The president presented Mrs. Jones with a very useful as well as ornamental gift, after which whist and a dainty

lunch was enjoyed Miss Jennie Perkins, who has been spending a few days with Mrs. Lewis, returned to Waltham Wednesday. We are pleased to learn that tele-

phones have been installed at the homes of Mr. Bagley and Mr. Bennett. New Advertis FOR SALE—One Extra Good Young New Milch Cow, one 3-horse Swivel clow, price \$5; one 34-inch 3-horse Low, price \$5; one 34-inch 3-horse Lop Cart, price \$18. No, i have not sold out. Any work in the cesspeel life; I will attend to. T. W. TITUS, Bandy cond Road, Ayer. Tel. Con.

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### WESTFORD.

### Center.

The teachers and pupils at the Wm. E. Frost school are having this last week and next for the spring vacation. At the academy the teachers and pupils have this next week.

L W Wheeler has been getting about this past week on crutches, having his left foot in splints on account of having broken one of the smaller bones. Postmaster J. H. Fletcher has had to have his head bandaged on account of inflammation in one eye.

Rev. David Wallace has been among shut-ins this week with a severe

Mrs. A. W. Hartford has recently spent several days at the home of her brother, Frank P. Hawkes, in Melrose, called there on account of the death of a relative in the family.

Mrs. Isles pleasant voice at the telephone exchange has been missed this last week, she having been sick and under the care of doctor and nurse with laryngitis, but is now reported as improving.

Rev Frank M. Baker, who has been spending several days in town, was the speaker at the evening service at the Congregational church last Sunday evening. On Tuesday he returned to his home in Andover, N. Y., where his present parish is and taking with him his little three-year-old daughter, Josephine, who has been with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bright, in this village since the death of her mother. Mr. Baker has married again and while deeply appreciating the devoted care given to his children by their Westford relatives, feels now that he wants his family

J. W. Bright, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks with a serious fracture of his right leg, passed his seventy-fourth birthday annithis last week. He was the

nology, Smithsonian institution at Washington, as to the meaning of four local names of Indian origin. These names are more or less corupted from the original Algonquin forms. Tadmuck probably means "at means "at the hill." As the principal ed States ready for nation wide pro-hill and the largest swamp in town bore the same name both interpreta-tions seem plausible. Nubanussuck. and Samuel Naylor and James Peck yrs. 11 mos. 15 days. She had been

timated that it was not good business policy to tie a town's tax collector Three other men were drawn Edwin H. Gould and Andrew Johnson is engaged for the season. were challenged by the government and Charles D. Colburn by the defense, so no Westford man is at this term of court, unless more are drawn whistle, which brought railroad track were challenged by the government term of court, unless more are drawn on account of another murder case, a Groton case, which is expected to be tried before the same court.

The regular monthly social for Forge Village. March at the Congregational church was most successful, taking place last week Friday, beginning at half-past two in the afternoon and lasting until late in the evening. The ladies were invited to come in the afternoon to an old-fashioned quilting party and to dress in old-fashioned costumes. This they did and it was a quaint and merry group that gathered around the quilting frame.

readings by Mrs. Perley E. Wright the mission on last week Friday eveloar Alien.

and later many old favorites were sung by all present. At 6.30 an appetizing salad supper was served and the long tables were well filled. The long tables were well filled. The chapel was packed to its conducted a lunch and candy room former parishioners coming from at the old tea shop stand here this Lowell, North Chelmistord, Ayer and entertainment for the evening was Granteville. Mr. Fisher preached a will occupy the Wm. Parker house very effective sermen. "The district school at Blueberry cor- very effective sermon. and proved a good time for everybody, those who took part and those who looked on. The varied costumes needed to be seen to be appreciated and the three parts of the enter tainment were full of funny situations The first act was the selection of a teacher by the school committee, said committee consisting of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Knight and S. L. Taylor. Among the various applicants Fred Blodgett was selected and he carried out the part both in make-up and manner most successfully.

The second part was the first day of school and the third one the closing day of school and some remarkable stunts were given. "Twinkle, able stunts were given. "Twinkle, twinkle, little car," written by Walter L. Cutter, was one of the recitations. Wright as the school dunce David L. Greig'as the boy who stutter and Miss Grant as the sentimental young lady with an eye for the young Sunday. He announced that Bishop cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Dickin- H. W. C.

ld L. Greig, Mrs. Frank Bannister, mission this week. Mrs. Willard Fletcher, Mrs. Fred Amesbury, Mrs. Bert Walker, Mrs. S. B. Wright, Mrs. A. H. Sutherland, Alice and Frances Wright, A. H. Sutherland, J. W. Fletcher, Charles Blod-W. Wheeler, D. L. Greig and F. E. Miller.

The quilting party, supper and entertainment were in charge of Mrs. A. W. Hartford, Mrs. John P. Wright, Mrs. D. L. Greig and Mrs. E. F. Amesbury. Twenty-five dollars was cleared for the church treasury.

### Tadmuck Club.

At the regular meeting of the Tad- a recent visitor here. muck club Tuesday afternoon, Miss A smal Alice Howard gave a most attractive siderable excitement at the Mrs. program on "American folk lore." Af- Rachel Reed block in West Graniteprogram on "American folk lore." Al-ter defining folk lore as that science which embraces all that relates to the superstitions, beliefs and prac-tices, old-time customs, traditional narratives and the folk sayings of people and speaking generally of folk Deaths. lore, Miss Howard confined her paper to a study of the myths and legends of our American Indians and Negroes. George J. McCarthy, a well-known and highly respected young man of this village, died at 12.30 o'clock last mentary readings by Mrs. Roudenbush two weeks' duration of erysipelas, and Miss Young. Mrs. Helen K. Which later developed into pneumonia, Frost also contributed two narratives aged thirty-four years. He was a big,

Mrs. Blaney, Misses Edith Wright, a wool sorter by trade, having been Adrith Carter and Marion Moreland, employed by George C. Moore in on the Victrola.

The next meeting of the club, Marker and Mrs. Marie Rockwood will this village.

The work of the Y. P. C. C.

The deceased leaves his mother.

Marion McCarthy; his wife,

### About Town.

. Taylor, located between the Stony Brook railway and the Stony Brook and John E. McCarthy of North waterway, one-half mile west of Chelmsford, as well as numerous rela-Brookside. It burned swift had hard tives here and in Lowell, Boston and until it reached the Stony Brook at this point for lack of complibility it expressed for his wife and mother and the hereaved family in their efficiency. went out of business.

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The farmers in the Stony Brook valley and the well-known dairy at the Greig farm on Main street and William Pollock on the Cold Spring road have sold the season's milk to Wm. J. Burbeck of Lowell, well and favorably, known to the citizens of

versary this last week. He was the pleased recipient of an interesting group of postal cards numbering just one hundred and twenty-five and coming largely from his former home in South Royalston, Vt., and portraying familiar scenes and people. Mr. Bright is reported as resting comfortably. In connection with her paer on "Folk lore" recently read before the Tadmuck club Miss Alice Howard wrote to the Bureau of American Ethnology, Smithsonian institution at Washington as to the meaning of Ralph Haberman

the narrow fishing place." Another ing of last week when the following ranger of Court Graniteville, F. of A clerk says Tadmuck or Tadwick question was discussed: "Is the Unit-

The William J. Farfit family have two sisters. Lottle and Blanche: a moved from the John H. Decatur brother, J. Ellsworth York, and a stepon account of a murder trial before house on the Lowell road to the Read Tather, Willard H. Beebe. The funeral the same court March 15. Of these farm house on Main street, where he was held on Thursday.

> men and some farmers from whom it received a serious beating and being. flanked south by Stony Brook, it got

The sympathy of the community is of Graniteville, who died Sunday at

his home. Arthur Parrett is building a large earn for Joseph Lettere in the rear News Items.

solos were sung by Mrs. Blaney and ficiated at the lenten services held at carpentering. The new family is a readings by Mrs. Perley E. Wright and later many old favorites were ning. The chapel was packed to its Mrs. Gertrude C. Whitney, who has

The animal took first prize at the Middlesex North fair.

The sympathy of the village is ex tended to the bereaved family of Miss Mabel York of Graniteville, who died on Monday.

Miss Caroline E. Precious of this school also closes this week for the village and the Misses Mabel Prescott regular March vacation. and Helen McCoy of Westford were Miss Edith Davis is he guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Kim-

there on Friday night of last week. Miss Helen McCoy was the guest of spending the evening and Saturday Miss Ruth Cogger of Chelmsford on as guests of Miss Vera Willard.

Schoolmaster, were particularly good.

The remainder of the cast with their remarkable names were Miss Crocker, Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Dav.

Ayer, on Friday evening of this week.

No lenten services will be held at this

Cameron school closed Friday after noon for the annual spring vacation of two weeks.

· A large number from here attended the concert held in North Chelmsford on St. Patrick's night, under the auspices of St. John's church.

### Gruniteville.

Charles T. Brooks, who has been working in the south for the past few weeks, has been spending the past few days with his family here.

Michael Driscoll, of Lynn, has been

A small chimney fire caused con-

varying her program with supple-mentary readings by Mrs. Roudenbush two weeks' duration of erysipelas, written by her and published in the good-natured fellow, who had a host Journal of American Folk Lore. The musical part of the program the prime of life, his death comes as was most enjoyable and consisted of a severe shock to his many relatives quartet, duet and solo selections by and a wide circle of friends. He was as well as some typical Indian music North Chelmsford for the past few years. He was affiliated with the The next meeting of the club March Wool Sorters' union and was a mem-ber of Court Graniteville, F. of A., of

church and Mrs. Marie Rockwood with this speak on "The work of the Y. P. C. C. The deceased leaves his mother. Hostess for the afternoon, Mrs. Eliot Mrs. Marion McCarthy; his wife, Bertha McLenna McCarthy; four sistematics."

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favorably known to the citizens of E. Pape, chief ranger, all marched in a heldy to St. Catherine's church where a body to St. Catherine's church, where The Y. P. S. U., which includes a funeral mass was celebrated by Westford corner and West Chelmsford, held a meeting in the vestry of the village church Saturday evening, when the following was on the reel and was unwound: Plano solo by Es-

committee in charge was Hilda Questinis village, where the Foresters persy, Mary Anderson, Harold Miller and formed the last sad rites for their described. parted brother. The Forester service West Chelmsford Grange held a both at the house and grave, was con-well-attended meeting Thursday even-ducted by F. G. Sullivan, past chief

tions seem plausible. Nubanussuck, and Samuel Naylor and James Peck yrs. 11 mos. 15 days. She had been now corrupted to Nabnassitt, is translated as "outlet of water," Nashoba as "on a high crag."

Westford men seem to be having one kind of luck as to jury duty late-ly. One juror was drawn for the criminal term of the superior court sitting in Lowell March 8. The court immediately excused him when he intimated that it was not good business.

The William J. Farfit family have two sisters. Lottle and Blanche: a sunday school with an invalid for several years, but sufficiently from the loss of a dear friend something over a year. Sunday school will meet at twelve divine, all love excelling," written by Stainer.

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Mrs. Adeline Nutting, widow of the late Henry Nutting, and a former resi dent of Graniteville, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank P. Hawkes, in Melrose, on Saturday March 12, aged eighty-four years. The body was taken to Westford on the body was taken to Westford on the hoon train last Tuesday. The burial look place at the Hillside cemetery. North Westford, where a brief service was conducted by Rev. Alfred Woods. extended to the lereneed wife and a former pastor of the Graniteville family of the late George McCarthy M. E. church.

# HARVARD.

of his provision store in Central street. Herman Staplefeld has soid his Rev. Thos. L. Pisher, pastor of St. farm property in West Bare hill and Mark's church, Leominster, and form moved with is family to Marlboro, erly vicar of St. Andrew's parish, of where he is working at his trade of

very effective sermon. now owned by Mr. Viles. Miss Mado-"Pepper," the valuable young colt lin Whitney of Ayer has engaged the

Edgar W. Cottle is making extensive improvements in remodelling his resi ence at the "Crossways" on Oak hill. Bromfield school closes this Friday for a week's vacation. The grammar

Miss Edith Davis is home from her school work in New Hampshire for

ball at the performance of "Bachelors the March vacation.
and maids," given by the pupils of the
List week Friday evening Misses
Littleton high school in the town hall
Carrie Houghton, Doris Houghton and Dorothy West went to Still River,

at Aletead, N. H.

Mrs. Edith M. Haskell is having her house wired for electric lights and

The last of the socials given by the Unitarian society is to be held at the town hall this week Friday evening, March 19. The entertainment is in charge of Miss Josephine Baker and will consist of a farce, entitled, "Too much married," a clever piece with a good local cast. Mrs. Arthur W. Bryant has charge of the supper arrangements and will serve two suppers, one at six and one at seven. The Nashaway Camp-fire Girls have arranged for a candy booth at this social and will sell home-made candy during the evening.

The Unitarian Ludies' Sewing circle will hold their annual business meetsoon put the fire out with very little ing on March 25 at the church vestry damage.

The V. I. S. will hold a special business meeting on Thursday evening, March 25, at the Hapgood Memorial at 7.30 o'clock, when business of im-March 22, at 2.30, at Hapgood Memor portance is to be transacted.

On Saturday afternoon, March 27, a 2.30 o'clock, Mrs. A. H. Turner will be at reading room of the library prepared to furnish tickets for all members who wish to purchase for guests' night at the Woman's club to be observed Monday evening, April 5

The overseers of the poor have enof Bolton, formerly residents of this town, to take charge of the town farm beginning their duties April 1. Mr and Mrs. George Ryan, who have given first-class satisfaction the past year, resign their position there as Mr. Ryan feels that he must person-

ally attend to his ice business. Lawrence Heath is laid up with a badly crushed foot, the result of slipping under a cart while hauling gravel a few days ago, the wheel passing over his foot. No bones were broken

The grammar school teachers and pupils enjoyed a visit from Miss Emily Hildreth on Friday afternoon of last week. Miss Hildreth was accompanied by Mrs. Elwell and Miss Carlson. The schools received an Audubon bird chart from Miss Hildreth and each month a copy of Bird Lore is presented by the same generous benfactress

Entertainment. The Makamacheckamucks Camp fire have perfected arrangements for

an entertainment to be held at the town hall on Friday evening, March 26, at eight o'clock. It will consist of an exhibition of lantern slide views made from negatives of local scenery characters and events. Many of these views have been specially taken for the occasion by members of the Campfire, others have been gathered by them and their friends from various for \$100. Best Spraying Hose sources. The series will conclude in all language always on hand with pictures illustrating the Campwork, songs, symbols and girls themselves in ceremonial dress. Over two hundred views will be given, only a very small part of which have ever

en shown in this form before. Still River will be fully represented by a number of pictures made in part from choice negatives loaned for the purpose by Mrs. Merrifield.

### hurch Notes.

The service of worship will be held n the Unitarian church on Sunday morning at 16.45. The pastor's subject will be "The custom of observing Lent." One of the musical numbers will be a duet for tenor and soprano y Mr. Thayer and Miss Baker, "Love

The last Unitarian social in the regdar series for the season, given by the ladies, will be held in the town hall on Friday evening of this week. Sunters at six and seven o'clock. At eight o'clock a one-act farce, entitled "Too much married," will be given. The Cleaves orchestra will play for the dancing.

The speaker at the next meeting of Rough Dry the Unitarian Men's club will be Dr. F. E. Williams, of Boston, on the subect of "Insanity—its cause and pre-cention." Dr. Williams is secretary f the Massachusetts Society for Mental Hygiene.

A service for public worship with preaching will be held at the Congregational charch as usual on Sunday morning. The theme of the pastor's sermon will be "The common lot." Music by the cherus choir.

The Bible school with classes for all ages will be held at twelve o'clock. Text books for the quarter beginning April 4 will be distributed to those in attendance. Last Sunday Winslow West earned recognition for attendance by completing a full quarter without absence.

The Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at seven o'clock will be in charge of Miss Annie M. Reed. The subject for "Pepper," the valuable young colt belonging to John H. Connell, died tea shop stand for this season and belonging to John H. Connell, died tea shop stand for this season and last week from an abscess on the lung. Will conduct, as she did last year, a special music. The attendance has been unusually large at these meetdiscussion is to be "Favorite books of ings all winter. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

There will be a special business meeting of the Congregational church at the church parlor on Monday, March 22, at half-past two o'clock. All nembers qualified to vote are urged to be present as the business is of

At the last meeting of the Monday At the last meeting of the Monday class the subject of current events was interestingly presented by Miss Annie M. Reed. Papers on topics per-taining to American history and biography were read by N. A. Dill, Mrs. Dill, Mrs. Savage and Misses Kil-Miss Helen McCoy was the guest of spending the evening and Saturday Miss Ruth Cogger of Chelmsford on Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. W. M. Ford conducted the on Saturday last after spending a few services at St. Andrew's mission on days at Manchester, N. H., with her study day of the Civil war.

Staturday and Sunday.

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lal rooms.

Mildred Morse is visiting with her aunt, Mrs. Etta Hazelton, and family at Aletead, N. H.

The last meeting of the Woman's club, which was observed as arts and crafts afternoon, proved a very successful one as was shown by the large number who came to hear Miss Laura Brown, president of the West Acton expects the same to be completed this week.

Woman's club, who gave a delightful talk on basketry with a most beautiful display of her handiwork in that line, and Mrs. Shattuck of Boxboro, who gave a most interesting talk on hand-loom weaving, exhibiting many handsome specimens in her line.

During the business session of the neeting Mrs. Austin Peters, club president, appointed Mrs. H. A. Thayer, Mrs. S. M. Farnsworth and Miss Helen Stone, as a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

A written proposal was also brought in signed by three club mem-

bers suggesting an amendment to sec-tion one, article four of the constitu-tion, the amendment to read: The president shall be eligible for election for two consecutive years. This proposed amendement will be voted upon at the next meeting in accordance with article seven of the constitution An important meeting of the directors is called on Monday afternoon

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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM HIEL MELVIN late of Fox Point in the County of Lunenburg and Province of Nova Scotia deceased.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court, by RICHARD McELLIGOTT with certain papers purporting to be copies of the last will and testament of said deceased, and of the probate thereof in said Province of Nova Scotia duly authenticated, representing that at the time of his death, said deceased had estate in said County of Middlesex, on which said will may operate, and praying that the copy of said will may be filed and recorded in the Registry of Probate of said County of Middlesex, and letters testamentary thereon granted to him the executor named therein to act in the United States.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-first day of April A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the first publication to be thirty days, at least, before said Court.

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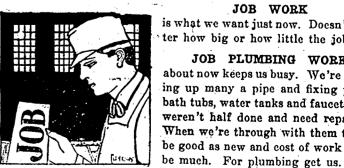
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### SHIRLEY.

News Items.

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Mrs. Greenleaf is at the City hospital, Rutland, Vt., and is expected home in about ten days.

At the high school assembly held last week Friday, afternoon the following program was given: Vocal solo, Agnes Lynch; piano solo, Ruth Knowles; advertisement and geogra-

At the regular meeting of Mary A. Livermore lodge next week Friday evening an entertainment will be given, consisting of a "Bonnet bee." Refreshments will also be served. A freshments will also be ser good attendance is requested.

Mrs. E. M. Bowers, of South Merrimac, N. H., was a recent visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Annie I.

The high school will stage a play Engaged by Wednesday," in Odd Fel-

lows' hall on April 9. The baseball team will stage "The district attorney" in Odd Fellows' hall on April 16.

Rev. Allen A. Bronsdon, of Millers Falls, was a visitor this week at the home of Mrs. S. Louise Butler.

Mrs. Dana B. Somes, of Boston, was a visitor on Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen, Harvard road.

Miss Anna Nutting after a pleasant visit with her niece, Mrs. Luhter Holden, has returned to her home in Pep-

The invitation dance held under the auspices of the W. W. S. club was much enjoyed by all who attended. The hurdy gurdy music was furnished by Jesse Grosse of Worcester. Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will hold their regular meeting next

Friday evening March 26. An entertainment will be given and refreshments served. F. W. Hamilton, D. D., of Boston, will occupy the pulpit at the Universalist church Sunday morning, March 21, at eleven o'clock. Sunday school

The Matrons' Aid society will meet with Mrs. David B. Marsh next Tues-day afternoon at two o'clock and Mrs.

Ora Holden Adams will entertain. Nonaicoicus Camp-fire Giris of the village gave a very successful party to their friends Saturday evening, March 13, in the Altrurian club rooms about thirty guests being present Games and singing were followed by a bountiful collation. The room was tastily decorated with pine boughs and pennants. Among those present and pennants. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. David L. Lindenburg, Mrs. Edward M. Davis, Miss Stella Ely, Miss Ruth Carter, Miss Mabel Osborne, Hazel Ballou, Ruth and Vera Day, Gladys Annis, Gladys Phelps, Helen Desmond, Esther Harris, Cora James, Agnes Lynch, Anna Lougee, May Stebbins Ruth Woodman, Walter and Carl Badstübner, Ralph Hersom, Harry Annis, John Logue, Raymond Harris, Fred Thom-as, Edward Wilkins, Lester James, Chester Hooper and Roderick Wool-

Miss Amanda Beaudette, of Springfield, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Eva Beaudette.

Joseph Hume, of Leominster, who was operated upon at his home last

cording to the postoffice department the incumbent probably will be retained at least until congress meets

Holt, widow of Stephen Holt, widow of Stephen Holt, passed away at 1930 Sunday and interesting and a charming social and interesting and a charming social success. The gentlemen present was novel and interesting and a charming social success. The gentlemen present was not been friend. Mrs. Keyes Sunday success. The gentlemen present was not been distributed by the following the was held on Tuesday afternoon at West Boylston with services at the chapel in that town, Rev. A. A. Brons-don, of Millers Falls, officiating. The burial was in the family lot at West Boylston cemetery. Mrs. Holt was about eighty-eight years of age, and a former well-known and respected resident of Shirley.

There was a meeting of the execugregational church on Monday even-ing, March 15. The officers of the union, with the presidents and delegates from the different societies, numbering about thirty, were entertained at supper by the local society. This was followed by the business meeting, the new president, A. Benjamin Conant, presiding, and an informal social hour. All enjoyed a profitable and pleasant evening.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening. A good attendance is re-quested as the flying squadron of dep-uties of Central Massachusetts will be present. An entertainment will be given by the trio of Tahanto lodge, Messrs, Barry, Stacey and Dohla, Refreshments will also be served and the evening promises to be one of

Rev. Edgar L. Halfacre, of Bethel, Vt., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Universalist church and will enter upon his new duties in the course of a month or so. Mr. Halfacre comes well recommended, is unmarried and is a member of the Ma-

son and Odd Fellow organizations. Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret, of Waverley, are enjoying the company of a daughter born on March 12. Mr. and Mrs. Pomfret are well-known

former residents of this town. Harry Collyer and Henry Badstub-ner have been drawn to serve on the jury and will report for duty on Monday morning at the criminal session

Mr. and Mrs. Newton I. Damon, of Gardner, are spending a vacation in Permuda. Mrs. Damon was formerly Miss Marion Conant.

Mrs. Abbie J. Wells, Mrs. Lavonne Edgarton, Mrs. Rena Eisner and Mrs. Charles Stebbins attended the military whist game given by the D. of V. in G. A. R. hall, Leominster, Wednesday afternoon and report a fine time. The D. A. R. of Shirley are planning a military whist game to be held in April.

Deaths.

Mrs. Sarah C. Hazen, age 82 yrs. 9 mos. and 11 days, passed away Wednesday morning at 1.30 o'clock, at the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ida S. Hazen, Harvard road, of heart trouble, Mrs. Hazen has been in fail-ing health for some time past, con-sequently her death was not wholly unexpected. She was born in Wilton, N. H., and spent her younger days in Bangor, Me., and later attended private schools in Lenox and Cambridge. which gave her the advantages of a full rounded education.

Mrs. Hazen was the daughter of Judge Samuel and Mary Putnam Farrar of Bangor, Me., her husband dying in Dorchester nearly half a century ago. She has resided at the home of her son, the late John E. I. Hazen, for nearly eleven years and was known as a lady of exceptional refined tastes and habits, coupled with a superior intellect which always made its impression upon all whose privilege it

was to meet her. Mrs. Hazen was the mother of three sons and two daughters. Of that numher only two sons survive, Samuel F. and Joseph Hazen of Boston.

The funeral was held at her late home on Harvard road, Friday afternoon. March 19, at two o'clock.

Mrs. Charles Bliss, seventy-three years of age, passed away at the Clinton hospital on Monday night at ten o'clock from the effects of cancer of the liver. Mrs. Bliss' sickness com-menced last fall and her health has been gradually growing worse, and upon the advice of the attending physicians she was taken to the Clinton hospital last Saturday, and upon consultation of surgeons at that place her condition was considered hopeless, consequently no operation was per-formed. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss resided in the Peasley block, Main street, and the case is particularly sad from the fact that her husband, a Grand Army veteran, is now critically ill at the home of his son William in Lancaster. The funeral occurred on Thursday with burial in the family lot at Lan

castor cemetery. The survivors, besides her husband, are two sons, Charles and Williams, of Lancaster, and two grandchildren. The Bliss family have resided in Shirley about bree years.

A Pleasant Social.

The Ladies' Circle of the Cougregational church held a progressive quilting party on Wednesday in the vestry of the church from two until eight o'clock. At six o'clock the la-dies entertained their husbands and gentlemen friends at supper, the total number present heing about seventy, who enjoyed every moment of the occasion. A special and pleasing feawas operated upon at his home last week Thursday for hernia, is not gaining as rapidly as was expected he would, and the attending physicians are fearing complications.

Miss Lena Gately, of Somerville, was a visitor in town with relatives the first of the week.

The term of the postmistress in Shirley will expire ere long, but according to the postoffice department the circle and of the appreciation of the appreciation of the word and section with all the circle and of the appreciation of the Natrons' Aid society will hold. the circle and of the appreciation of the members for her many years of loyalty and devotion to the church

loud in their praise for the hospitality

Beard of Trade.

The Board of Trade meeting was held in Engine hall on Wednesday evening, about fifty of the citizens being present. The temporary president, Gilbert M. Ballou, presided, and after the reading of the records by the secretary, Charles H. Weare, Jr., tive committee of the Middlesex C. E. Mr. Ballou introduced as the speaker Local Union in the vestry of the Conof the evening. George E. Coales, secretary of the Lynn Chamber of Com-merce, who gave a good general outine of the value of a cBard of Trade quoting from old-time poets and literary men of days gone by to substantiate his arguments. Mr. Coates re-lated many interesting facts about lynn which included a statement that the income of the Lynn Chamber of Commerce was twenty-two theasand dollars per year, but also gave essential ideas for a Board of Trade in a town like Shirley and what was needed as preliminary steps while in a primitive state. Mr. Coates, who is also secretary of

the New England Association of Com-mercial Executives, was most pronounced in his ideas as to the class of men needed to compose a Board of Trade, placing before the citizens lofty ideals of character, unselfishness and men who are willing to work for the the time. He was tendered a rising News Items. Vote of thanks.

Elmer H. Allen, one of a committee to assist in bringing the proposed new industry into the town reported prog-

Ezekiel J. Wilson, member of the committee on by-laws, presented a code of by-laws which were accepted by the citizens. It was then voted from tickets and home-made candy

Pomfret, Thomas Ezekiel J. Wilson.

in the Ayer Congregational church on setts in the town of Shirley a boys' days of his vacation with his uncle, reformatory without walls, without John Adams, in Concord Junction. barred windows, with a fair degree of An inquest was held in the Ayer dishome life, and above all making it, trict court last Saturday on the death

> Harsh systems of discipline, cruel punishment, solitary cells, bread and water diet, etc., of olden times, have been transformed at Shirley into a heart-to-heart the North Littleton bridge and injured talks with a principal who believes himself fatally. He was taken to the there is much good in every boy who Massachusetts General hospital in comes to him and a man who has the future welfare of every youth con-stantly in mind.

When alumni of the Shirley indusrial farm were recently heard shouting loyally for the school where they were given a training for life that has helped toward honorable positions, the superintendent smiled with satisfaction and a sense of accomplishment.

George P. Campbell has from the first, when the school was established seven years ago, had an ideal which pictured an educational institutional that should in time have much in common with college preparatory

academies. While conditions among boys committed by the court cannot be the same as among lads whose parents their sons' education, nevertheless Superintendent Campbell has succeeded in creating a spirit among the Shirley boys that expresses itself in school yells, songs, and special cheers. There are football and baseball teams which not only play interschool games, but also challenge and compete with teams halling from public and private institutions such as Shir

ley high school and Groton School.

The whole idea of the Shirley In dustrial school is to send boys back into the world better able to take their places in the industrial system to conduct themselves credit

The life of Shirley is divided into three departments: Work (industrial), education (school), and play Each is considered important, and one as essential as the others. Normal living is the slogan and self-control the goal. Rudiments of seventeen trades are taught and schooling which goes with it is thorough and effective On the 900-acre farm each boy it taught something of what it means to gain a livelihood from the soil. All know something of farming when they leave.

Upon entering the school a boy is given 9,000 points to be worked off by good behavior and attention to his tasks, whatever they may be. The

minimum term is one year.

Not only does the superintendent take a careful oversight of each boy committed to the farm, but a plan for parole after leaving school makes it possible for probation officers to help in establishing lads in good positions before they are given entire freedom
Although discipline is often strict especially with boys who have just come to the institution, there comes a

time when great freedom is allowed and boys come and go on the farm as though they were actually at home. Shirley was established for boys thought too young for Concord Reformatory and too old for Westboro At the start when the school was founded many predicted that the abolition of jail methods would be disastrous, but seven years have proved skeptics to be in the wrong, and the

pleasant afternoon last Saturday with Miss Ethel M. Holden. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. W. E. Bar nard on Saturday, March 27.

Miss Marion L. Holden spent the lat ter part of last week with Mrs. Nelson Wood, formerly Miss Bernice Lunt

of Pepperell. Lewis Bradford spent the week-end in Boston with his brother, Raymond Bradford, and attended the auto show on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hattie P. Holden, returned home last Saturday after spending th week at the home of her son, Harrie P. Barnard, at the Center.

Miss Marion L. Holden returned this week to Greenwich after spending a short vacation at the home of her par ents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden,

Miss Elsie Kirby, who is suffering from an attack of heart trouble, is still very ill, having been confined to her bed nearly three weeks now. Dr. Bulkeley, of Ayer, is attending her.

Harry Stone closed up his home on Parker road last week and has gone to Waltham for a visit with relatives. Mr. Parson, of Groton School, will conduct the service at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon at 3.15 o'clock Sunday school classes immediately after the service.

LITTLETON.

A good sized audience listened with much interest to the comedy, "Men, maids and matchmakers," and pronounce it a successful culmination of by the citizens. It was then voted from tickets and home-made candy that a committee be appointed by the sold between the acts netted sixty-three dollars. The class of 1915, nent officers for the consideration of the citizens at the next meeting. The committee appointed are J. Edwin Pomfret, Thomas L. Hazen and Pomfret, Thomas L. Hazen and provided the class of 1915, started yesterday for their Washington trip and will return at the end of one week. Through the persistent effects of the class, the assistance of the class the assistance of the class the assistance of the class the assistance of the class.

unique among such schools in the of Engineer William E. Peasley, who United States, with a sense of loyalty. Was fatally injured at North Littleton Harsh systems of discipline, cruel on February 5. Mr. Peasley went up Boston for treatment, but died within a few days.

A daughter was born on Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rivers, who re-cently moved into the George Yapp cottage in Newtown.

Mr and Mrs. Nathan Taylor are enjoying a visit from their little grand-daughter of Hillsboro Bridge, N. H.

Interesting Lecture. A lecture of unusual interest and value was given by William H. Bain, of Boston, in the town hall on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Camp-fire Girls. Elizateth Brown, in very pleasing manner, out-lined the nature and purpose of the society The speaker was introduced by his friend and host, F. B. Priest. Mr. same as among lads whose parents are paying large sums of money for friend and host, F. B. Priest. Mr. Bain prefaced his illustrated lecture by a general survey of the subject, "The islands of the Pacific." When he had completed his address the audence was of but one opinion—a most delightful educational lecture, given by a speaker of charming personality who wins the admiration of his audi ence from the first, and commands the closest attention throughout. The wish has been expressed that Mr. Bain be invited to address the lyceum the

> The lecturer is a personal friend of the Priest family and was Malcolm Priest's room-mate in the recent European trip made by members of the Chamber of Commerce.

Have You Seen That Poster?

coming season.

It's out and around everywhere. If you don't believe it look around, Go to any of the surrounding towns and you'll see them and our own village has not been neglected. It is the Choral society's minstrel and vaude ville show to be given in the town hall, Monday and Tuesday evening, April 12 and 13. Something for every

On Monday evening there will be big minstrel of twenty-four numbers given by a mixed chorus of thirty voices with six black endmen full of witty jokes and songs. Solos by members of the chorus with selections by a quartet composed of four endmen. Two hours and a half of solid fun and good music. Nothing to offend and

On Tuesday evening a case chatant will be given. Something entirely new and on the pop concert style, so popular in the cities. During the progress of the entertainment refresh-ments will be served, consisting of ice cream and cake, tonics, peanuts and candy. The settees will be removed from the hall and tables and chairs substituted for all. The program has been arranged to give an hour and a half of original entertainment of en-tirely new features. Following the cafe chatant, dancing will be indulged in from ten o'clock to one. Music to be furnished by Newell's orchestra of Marlboro. This program has been arranged to please everyone, both the younger as well as the older members of the family.

This appears to be upon the face of from its originality, the crowning success of this winter's amateur per

New Advertisements.

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Extracts from Chap, 102 of the Revise

Laws of Massachusetts as Amended Section 128. The owner or keeper f a dog which is three months old or over, shall annually on or before the thirty-first day of March cause i to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of April following, in the office of the clerk of the city or town in which said dog is kept. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with its owner name and its registered number.

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GUY B. REMICK, Town Clerk, Ayer, Mass.

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day morning at the criminal session of the superior court at Lowell.

Miss Grace Tewksbury, of Cushing academy, spent the week-end and over Sunday at her home on Center road. She was accompanied by a guest, Miss Iwanna Riley, of New York, who is a Iwanna Riley, of New York, who is a student at Cushing academy.

Rev. G. E. Woodman attended the Congregational Ministers' association

Pomfret, Thomas L. Hazen and one week. Through the persistent efforts of the class, the assistance of teachers and parents, and the generous patronage of teachers and parents, and the generous patronage of the townspeople this outing has been made townspeople this outing has been made possible, and their friends wish them a happy and successful vacation at the Boston American of Sunday, March 14:

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### GROTON.

News Items. The Woman's club held a very pleasant meeting on last week Friday. was reciprocity day and members of other clubs furnished the entertain-

ment-Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Gage of Pepperell, music on the plano; Mrs. Fisher of Ayer, a paper on Socrates, Fisher of Ayer, a paper on Socrates, and Mrs. Hartwell of Littleton, a de-scription of a walk amongst the New Hampshire hills. After the program club tea was served.

Have any of the school children here in Groton noticed that the State Board of Agriculture has offered four be awarded to public school children in places of more than 5000 inhabitants, and two to those in towns of less size. The pupils are to report daily to their grade teachers who will keep records of the number of egg shrubs. Groton always has an abunton on the Italian murder case to he was one of four to survive. It was the egg masses must be plentiful. Begin this Saturday, children and jury next week. gin this Saturday, children, perhaps ome of you will be a winner.

Next week Friday afternoon a farce "Three dear friends," will be given at the meeting of the Woman's club, which will be held at the usual hour. of Miss Fannie Woods.

Groton friends of Mrs. Minnie Richardson Patch hear that she started from New York last week Thursday, going to attend the exposition in Cali-

The alarm last week Saturday forenoon was for a fire at Allen's black-smith shop on Station avenue. It was extinguished before much damage was done.

Witnesses in the Italian murder have been summoned to appear at Cambridge on Monday, March 22. This murder, it will be remembered, took place on Groton territory, not far from the Groton town farm.

'The annual "men's supper" at the Congregational church on last week Thursday, as also the entertainment, passed off in an enjoyable manner. There were two hundred in attendance. Contributions to the supper were most liberal and the quantity of food left-over was auctioned off at the

close of the entertainment. Mrs. Lena Dilbert Monahon, of Granformerly of Groton, the daughter of Daniel Dilbert, of this town, had a fine piano put into her residence last week Wednesday. She won this piano in the Tower Corner contest, which has been run by Campbell's drug store, Lowell, by 200,000 votes

over all competitors. The Camp-fire Girls took tea with their guardian, Miss Edith Waters, on Wednesday afternoon.

subject, "Armed with the mile Christ." Preceded by a bright praise "Armed with the mind of

Henry Hinsdale Butler died in Boston on March 14 at the age of seventy-one years after a long illness. He attended school at Lawrence academy in the year 1854 and graduated courtesy and kindness to all.

has been at the hospital for the past two weeks. The operation showed a gall stone which was removed and is described as being as large as a small or bantam egg, though not exactly that shape; also, other abdominal trouble caused by an ulcer was found. On Wednesday Mrs. Blood's tempera-

The Alliance meet with Mrs. W. A. Lawrence on Thursday afternoon. March 25, at 2,30 o'clock. Mrs. Tuttle, of Lowell, the Alliance director, will be present. Will every member make a special effort to attend this meeting.

Mrs. Sarah Pollard Holt, a native and for many years a resident of this town, a daughter of the late Jacob Pollard of the old Groton Pollard family, died at her boarding place in Henniker, N. H., Sunday evening, March 14, aged eighty-six years. She was the widow of the late Stephen Holt, of West Boylston, and the funeral was held there on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, of Millers Falls, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. William A. Standard A. Standa awrence, of this town, attended th funeral of Mrs. Holt, who his aunt. Miss Agnes Lewis, a niece, and George W. Lewis, of West Upton, a nephew are others of the nearest relatives.

A representative of the State Board of Education was in town this week. He reported that of all the high school buildings he had visited the Groton high school building was, if not the poorest, the second worst in the state. At the meeting of the W. R. C. on Wednesday afternoon exercises suitable to Evacuation day were held.

On Tuesday evening, March 16, Mrs. Loretta Graves and Mrs. Julia K. Smith gave a reception at "Meadview" to the members of the Neighborhood club, their families and a few invited guests, in all to the number of fifty. The evening was spent in social inter-The evening was spent in social inter-course, interspersed with piano duets given by Miss Anna Gray and Miss Lillian Tuttle, readings by Mrs. Bailey and Mr. May, songs and recitations by stay in Hollis as she had found in Miss Mildred Sanders of Ayer, current Hartford, Conn., her former home events by Mrs. Susan Barker of Ayer. This, she said, seemed strange as Holevents by Mrs. Susan Barker of Ajer. Alle, sue said, seemed strange as not-songs by a male quartet composed of lis is an ideal place for birds. She

with all joining in made a fitting close

to this pleasant evening reception. David Toomey, on the west road to the mill, has been ill and confined to his bed with an attack of heart trouble for the past two or three weeks. Be-sides a doctor, Miss Maggie Hartt, nurse, has been attending him, and she continues with her care now at

Miss G. A. Boutwell went Friday for a few days' visit to Mrs. John G. Phillips, at Sharon, formerly Miss Mary Nightingale of Groton.

Lawrence Park gave a most interesting talk on Gilbert Stuart, the ablest of American portrait painters, silver cups as prizes to those who collect the greatest number of tent caterpillar egg masses between March 20 and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and May 1? Two of the cups are to and the those who are the cups are to an are to a cup are to a c remarked that there were but three original Stuart pictures owned in Groton. Mr. Park spoke from a thorough knowledge of his subject which was a loss to those who were not in the audi-started for the front at the outbreak

Mrs. B. H. Tyrrell, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Groton hospital some two weeks ago, has returned home.

Word has been received by Groton which will be held at the usual hour at the Unitarian church, instead of the Baptist church. The farce is in charge of Miss Fannie Woods.

Miss Ellen F. Priest returned this

social, which would come on Thurs-day, April 1, is postponed on account of that being in holy week, until the third week in April At the visco the away-from-home contests home

Miss Elizabeth Gibson, who has been at a hospital in Boston on account of an eye trouble, returned home Wednesday afternoon much benefitted, we understand, by the treatment.

Miss Marion Weber, of Elm street has been suffering from a troublesome knee, the result of a fall down stairs last week Thursday evening when attending the men's supper at the Congregational church.

Mrs. A. B. Farwell spent several days of last week at the home of her parents in Winchester.

Malcolm MacGregor, chauffeur for James A. Bailey, of the old Aver road has bought the Whittemore place in that neighborhood and plans to occu py soon.

Death.

William Ryan, a well-known and respected citizen of this town, died at his home on Court street, Sunday afernoon, March 14, of arterio sclerosis. his illness covering a period of five years, but at the last the end came suddenly. Mr. Ryan was in his ser-In the Baptist church on Sunday the pastor, Rev. Wm. Breckenridge, will preach at 10.30; subject, "The christian antidote to fear." At seven; Ryan. He came when young to this country, and after coming to Groton he worked for different prominent people here, the longest employed by the C. H. Waters family, for whom he was the trusted employee for about twen-

### Bird Club Meeting.

The regular March meeting of the March 15, at eight o'clock. In the absence of the president, Lawrence Park base rallen to the anoth nests under the trees, as they songs. Groton Bird club was held in the lowture was normal, but the outlook for a presided, and twenty-five members speedy recovery does not seem as were in attendance. Records of the tent. Every nest is full of living caterprevious meeting were read and applicates,

> seen during the following month. Mr. I should think.
> Sturgis sent the following report: I should think.
> February 16, 40 odd starlings; Febru-West Groton. ary 17. chickadees whistling phoebe, song constantly; February 19, downy woodpecker; February 22, 4 robins; March 2, heard bluebirds. Other members reported cedar waxwings, starling, a red-breasted nut hatch, chickacreepers, white-breasted nut hatches pany's mill in

n the study of birds and her paper gave much of interest and information

She said that while Hollis has no bird club the people are much inter-town during the winter, has decided ested in the subject and they have a to move his family to Lowell. The Nature club, two Camp-fire Girls, a goods went last week and Mrs. Pierce club of young children and a Boys' club, all of whom give some time to bird study. She reported that a meadow lark ate with her chickens every morning for two weeks last winter, and that this winter quite a large flock has spent most of the winter in the

neighborhood.

The paper was quite an exhaustive one and in it she gave descriptions and brief anecdotes of our common as well as our more rare birds, such as

thrushes, warblers, etc.
In conclusion, Mrs. French said that much to her surprise she had not seen as many birds during her two-years stay in Hollis as she had found in

while the birds may not die, it causes them to go elsewhere The meeting adjourned at 9.30.

Eighty-fifth Birthday. Alert in mind but rather incapaci-tated in body, Dr. Samuel A. Green, former mayor of Boston, celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday at his apart-ments in the Hotel Canterbury on One of the early gifts received by him was a large cluster of roses of varying colors from Mayor Curley, who also sent congratulations. Flowers letters and telegrams also

came from many other friends. A cablegram from his niece, Mrs. William A. Meredith, of Little Nassing-ham Manor, Nassingham, Norfolk, England, brought him much happiness. Mrs. Meredith is the mothe Morris Meredith, an officer in the Eng-lish army, who about five weeks ago was wounded in the hip. He was one of twenty-eight English officers who Charles J. Wright and Carl Strand days in the trenches before being reon his second trip to the front that he still stabled at Mr. Strand's and is

Green gets out very little, but makes it a point of going to the monthly meetings of the Massachusetts His-torical society, whose affairs always have culisted his closest attention. He spends much of his time reading and keeps in close touch with current events, but does little writing.

Baseball Schedule.

Lawrence academy's baseball team week from a visit to her sister, Mrs. has a schedule of eighteen games and Johnston, in Troy, N. Y. it is expected that the Groton private school will cut a wide swath on the play, "Out of his sphere," given so erett high and Haverhill high. C. successfully at gentlemen's night, will be repeated. which will be captained by Ernest H. Palmer, who is without a peer as a pitcher in the school ranks. The Lawrence academy team is well cared for in the pitcher's box, for Palmer is a left-hander and John Murray, who won sixteen consecutive games for Everett. high in 1912, is a right-hander. The schedule was announced recently by Manager John R. Dalrymple, the team's shortstop, as follows:

Lowell Textile at Lowell.
Fitchburk Normal at Groton.
Brookline high at Groton.
Not yet filled.
Worcester Classical, Groton.
Not yet filled.
Lindge Technical. Groton.
Dartmouth '18. Groton.
Manchester (N. H.) high,
Groton. Manchester (N. H.) high, Groton.
Tufts Second, Groton.
Groton School, Groton.
Lowell high, Groton.
Somerville high, Groton.
Not yet filled.
Harvard Second, Cambridge.
St. Anslem, Groton.
Not yet filled.
Holy Cross '18, Groton.
Everett high, Everett.
Boston Collège high, Groton.
Haverhill high, Haverhill.
Mechanic Arts high, Groton.
(Commencement game.)

### Clipping.

The following was taken from the editorials in the Boston Post of March

Dr. Samuel A. Green, whose birthday is to be noted today by many of his personal friends, is not Boston's oldest ex-mayor, as is so often erseventy-one years after a long illness. He attended school at Lawrence academy in the year 1854 and graduated at Yale college in 1866. His father lived at the south end of Main street and was known in Groton as Bible Butler. His family will be remembered by many of the older people of the town.

The Junior Bird club will hold its regular March meeting in the lower The Junior Bird club will hold its regular March meeting in the lower town hall, Friday, March 26, at 3.30 p. m. Bird boxes for bluebirds and chickadees should be put up now.

McDonaid, Daniel James and Daniel ins sunny disposition and his serene Reardon of Worcester were the bearpoint were the bearpoint will not flinch or agree ers. Mrs. Lillian Moore, of Ayer, was that this world is not a good place to the organist. The interment was in the family lot in St. Mary's cemetery, ness, and it is pleasant to find him Mrs. Emma Blood, of West Groton, a sister of Mrs. George H. Woods, of this town, underwent an operation at the Groton hospital on Tuesday. She has been at the hospital for the St. May a beautiful wreath. There were other floral offerings.

Ager.

Among those attending the funeral ter physical condition than a year ago, who gave a beautiful wreath. There were other floral offerings.

To the Editor:

to say that I wish with others, who have noticed the same, to call the attention of the moth superintendent of which will come out and caus much annoyance to the people Members were asked at the Februs Some say that there are gypsy moth ary meeting to keep a record of birds, seen during the following month. Mr. This matter should be looked after the following month.

Going on Friday, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bixby will visit their son, Clif-H. ford Bixby, and family, of New York.

Several of the Hollingsworth & Vose downy woodpeckers, brown workmen have been called to the com-Smith, Robinson, DeRoche, Brennan The chairman then introduced Mrs. and Healey. Mr. Lamb, superintend-Robert M. French, of Hollis, N. H., ent, is there also. This is but a temwho read an interesting paper on porary arrangement. Mr. Lamb sends 'Some personal notes on our New an encouraging report to the work-England birds." Mrs. French stated men here, assuring them that the mill that she had always been interested will be opened for a short time at least in about two weeks, and that the business of the firm is better than for some time past.

Mr. Plerce, who has worked out-of town during the winter, has decided to move his family to Lowell. The and the children will leave before the week closes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hickey have moved from Mill street to the cottage among the pines on the Groton road.

Mrs. Wilkins, who has lived alone on the Townsend road, is quite iil, in the care of a physician. Her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lund, of Nashua, are with her. Her son Harold was also at home for a day. Born at Groton hospital on Monday, March 15, a ten-pound daughter to Mr. and Mrs. George G. Harring-

Born on Tuesday, March 16, an eight-pound daughter to Mr. and Mrs.

members of the Neighborhood club. attributes the probable cause of this came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ample and much enjoyed refreshments to be due to the frequent spraying of lugh Daley, but on Wednesday morning the little life which had hung by ware served after which the club song orchard and shade trees, and says that ing the little life which had hung by the lif Daley was formerly Miss Ethel Floyd, and for several years has been known in West Groton

Mrs, William Fernaid, of Groton, is with her daughter, Mrs. G. S. Webber. She is accompanied by a grandson from New York, who was a member of her family at the time the house vas burned.

R. W. Bliss and sons, Robert and Cadwell, visited the auto show in Boston on last Saturday.

On last Saturday morning, as James

Hill was driving to the station at less than his usual speed, his horse suddenly sprang into the air when round ing the curve toward the store of Bix y-Webber Co. The animal showed signs of great suffering and refused to place one of its forefeet upon the ground. With the assistance of ground. With the assistance of in partnership with Henry P. Walker, of Hudson. Mr. Walker is a son of the horse to the barn of L. G. Strand.

He at once called Dr. Draid. He at once called Dr. Davis, of Pepperell, veterinary surgeon, who diag nosed the case as a cracked ankle bone, caused probably by a rut in the hard frozen ground. The horse is being cared for by its owner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lamb entertained their pastor and wife. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Trowbridge; also, sixteeen young people of the Sunday school on Friday evening of last week.

On this Saturday little Annie Woolaver has a birthday and seventeen in-vitations have been issued to as many little maidens to be present at the irthday celebration.

Schools close on Friday, March 26, for the Easter vacation.

A supper under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society will be held on Wednesday evening, March 24, Mrs. C. of that being in holy week, until the away-from-home contests being with L. Roy, chairman. Reception committhird week in April. At that time the Lowell Textile, Harvard second, Evplay, "Out of his sphere," given so erett high and Haverhill high of lowing the support of the successfully at continuous second, Evplay, "Out of his sphere," given so erett high and Haverhill high of lowing the support of the second of the support of the suppor following question: Resolved. "That the United States should retain possession of the Philippines," John Robinson and Earl Dodge, affirm .: Provost Thompson and Miss Bertha Bixby, neg.

Owing to the necessity of holding the supper and debate on Wednesday evening, the meeting of the Five Hundred club will be pestponed to Friday and will meet on that afternoon with Mrs. C. L. Spaulding.

The old-fashioned dance given under the auspices of the Improvemen der the auspices of the implychard society on Wednesday evening was a great success, so much so that various people have been heard to say "We must have another." Both young people and their elders entered into the enjoyment with zest and some tripped the light fantastic toe "who had not danced for twenty years. The affair band around the limb. On cutting was intended solely as a social event, these open one will find them filled but the chairman reports about seven dollars "to the good."

The Gun club, as previously advertised, have an oyster supper on Saturday evening.

The regular weekly prayer meeting has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday evening. On last Sunday evening the C. E. meeting was well evening the C. E. meeting was well attended, about seventy being present. Mr. Conant, president of the union of which this society is a member, spoke in an interesting and forcible manner, making a plea for "work bench chris Messrs. Robinson, Hough tianity.' Lawrence and John Robinson sang as a quartet "I need thee every hour." Praise service was led by Donald Bix by, devotional service by Provost

Thompson. Mrs. Harry Collyer, of Shirley a guest this week of Mrs. R. H. Bur-

Mrs. L. J. Tatman entertained Miss Maude Kittredge, of Wellesley, over the week-end. Miss Kittredge is convalescing from a severe attack of measles.

Mrs. J. H. Hunkins has been quite ill and in her physician's care for some weeks.

The L. A. society Will you kindly allow me a space entertained by Mrs. Lamb on Thursing lunch was served which was fol-

Miss Sadie Lerby, of Fischburg, was a guest of Mrs. W. F. Lane on last PETITION of The New England Tele-Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Strand and son Carl attended the funeral on last Saturday of John Strand, of Brattleboro. Vt., only brotter of the West Groton blacksmith, who visited him a week before his death. The following clipping from the Springfield Daily Re publican will give details:

"John Karlson Strand, fifty-seven, one of the test-known Swedish residents of Brattleboro, died vesterday morning at nine o'clock, following an illness that began last December. Strand was born in Sweden and first located in this country in West Actor Two years later he went to Brattleboro and entered the employ of the Estey Organ Company, where he had since remained. He was married in Brattleboro on May 1, 1884, to Miss Christine Hagelin. He was a rustee and treasurer of the Swedish Lutheran church and a member of Wantastiquet lodge of Odd Fellows. Besides his widow, Mr. Strand leaves two sons, Carl John of Amherst and Oscar Lawrence of Springfield. He leaves also are stated. leaves also one sister, Mrs. Thomas Marlboro of Saxtons River, and one brother, L. G. Strand of West Groton. The funeral was held on Sunday a 2.30 o'clock in the Lutheran church Rev. E. A. Peterson, pastor, officiating, Burial was in Meeting House Hill cemetery."

### SHIRLEY.

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Leverett D. Foote, of Billtown, N. S., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves on Monday and Tuesday.

At the meeting of Shirley Grange on On Monday evening a tiny daughter degrees were conferred on a class of from Howard Street, one pole. uesday evening the third and fourth

ten candidates. All of the degree work was performed very creditably At the close of the degrees the usual harvest supper was served in the lower hall. After supper inspection of the Grange was made by Deputy Hale of Bernardston. Visitors were present from Ayer, Belgrade, Me., Center Har-bor, N. H., Bernardston, Cochituate Nashua, N. H. Short addresses were given by Willard G. White, master of Ayer Grange, Past Master Emerson of Lunenburg and Past Master Sawyer of Groton.

Clarence W. Clark, of Nashua, N. H spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Herhert B. Sweetser has accepted a position as superintendent of Pine Acre farm in Hudson. He is also gong into the business of raising thoroughbred swine on an extensive scale

### AYER.

High School Notes. The A. H. S. baseball team won the

first game of the season by defeating the Loyal Sons of Rest 8-7 at the town park, Monday, March 15. The A. H. S. A. A. will entertain a few of their friends at a private danc-ing party Friday, April 16, at Hardy's

The captain will be glad to receive suggestions from any of the former high school players or from any person of local prominence in baseball.

### Stamping Out a Pest.

The ravages of the tent caterpillar have been so destructive to fruit trees throughout the state for the last two or three years that the State Board of Agriculture this year intends to enlist the help of the school children in stamping out this pest. Notices have been sent to the superintendents of ail the school districts in the state, announcing that the board is offering four silver cups, two to be awarded to the public schools of towns or cities of over five thousand inhabitants, and two to the schools of towns under five thousand, whose pupils collect the greatest number of egg masses between March 20 and May 1. The pupils are to report daily to their grade teacher the number of egg masses which they have collected and the teachers in turn will make reports to the superintendent. The su-perintendents are to report to the secretary of the State Board of Agri-culture not later than May 4, 1915.

At this season of the year the egg masses of this caterpillar are easily detected as there are no leaves on the trees and they form a small black band around the limb. On cutting with thousands of minute eggs. These eggs begin hatching about the time that the leaves open and the caterpillars then form the unsightly webs which have been such a prominen feature of the landscapes of Massachusetts for the last couple of years The board hopes that with the aid of the 575,000 school children of the state most of the eggs can be destroyed be-fore the hatching season begins. New Advertisements

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Town of Ayer, Massachusetts. Respectfully represent The New England Telephone and Telegraph ompany of Massachusetts and the Aver Electric Light Company, that they desire to construct a line of poles and nxtures, including the necessary the petitioner give notice of the time sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the public way or ways hereinafter named, and to be and of this containing an attested copy of said petition and of this containing an across the public way or ways hereinafter named, and to be and of this containing an across the public way or ways hereinafter named, and to be and of this containing an across the public way or ways hereinafter named, and to be and of this containing and protecting fixtures, and protecting fixtures, and place of said hearing by publishing an across the public way or ways hereinafter named, and to be owned and used in common by your

petitioners. Wherefore your petitioners pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, they may be granted written notice of the time and place joint or identical location for and of said hearing at least seven days permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining or protecting fixtures as the business of each of your petitioners may require, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked 9, dated February 6, 1915, proposed joint pole line between the N. E. T. & T. Co. and the Ayer Electric Light Commany. poles and wires, together with such

Company. Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point upon each of said poles for the telephone, fire and police signal wires owned by the town and used for mu-

nicipal purposes. The following are the streets and highways above referred to: Howard Street, between Jackson

and Pleasant Street, one pole. At the southwesterly corner Howard and Jackson Streets, one pole. Jackson Street, about 130 ft. north

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Groton Street from Pleasant Street o Park Street, five poles. Main Street beyond Pleasant Street

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts. By GEO. H. DRESSER, General Manager.

M. S. B. Ayer Electric Light Company, By L. WHITCOMB, Superintendent.

Dated this sixth day of February



Ordered, that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1915, at 7.30 o'clock P. M., at the Selectmen's Room in Town Hall in said Ayer at which time and place Public Spirit and The Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least seven days prior thereto; and that the clerk of the board mail prior thereto to all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way upon, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

Ayer, March 10, 1915.

JOHN D. CARNEY. THOMAS F. MULLIN, DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Selectmen of Ayer.

DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Clerk. Selectmen of Ayer.

A copy of petition and order there-

Attest

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF AYER:

Your petitioner, the Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Company, by vofc of its Directors, respectfully prays that it may be granted a location for

an extension of its tracks in the town of Ayer, as follows, viz:

Beginning at the westerly terminus Main Street beyond Pleasant Street,
one relocation.

Main Street from opposite
Street, easterly, eight poles.
High Street, four poles.
Pond Street, one pole.

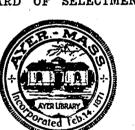
The New England Telephone and Telephone of the tracks of the Fitchburg & Leominster Street Railway Company, substantially as shown upon the plan submitted herewith; and that your petitioner may be authorized to operate ts railway over and upon the location so prayed for, by means of electricity or by such other motive power as your Honorable Board may at any time approve; and for this purpose to erect and maintain all necessary poles, wires and other fixtures and appli-

ances over and along said streets. Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway

Company, By WESLEY W. SARGENT, President.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Fitchburg, Mass., March 17, 1915.



Ayer, March 19, 1915. Ordered, that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition on Saturday, the third day of April, 1915, at four o'clock P. M., at the Selectmen's Room in Town Hall in said Ayer at which time and place all persons interested in said petition may appear and will be heard; that the petitioner give notice of the time and place of said hearing by publishing an attested copy of said petition and of this order thereon in Turner's Public Spirit and The Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least fourteen days prior thereto; and that the clerk of the board mail written notice of the time and place of said hearing at least seven days prior thereto to all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way upon, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for

JOHN D. CARNEY, THOMAS F. MULLIN, DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Selectmen of Ayer.

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DOUGLAS C., SMITH, Clerk. Selectmen of Ayer.

News Items.

George W. Stuart will observe his ninety-second birthday this Saturday R. H. Donovan is off duty from the

printing office of H. S. Turner on account of a severe attack of the grippe. He is confined to the bed.

Spring Millinery opening at Lucy B. Wyman's, Washington street. Born in Ayer, March 18, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Auld.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptis church will hold an Easter sale in the lower town hall, March 24, from 2.30

The annual party of the sewing school wil be held Saturday, March 27, in the town hall. The work of the children will be exhibited. Mothers of the children attending the school are especially invited and all others who are interested.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congrega-tional church will be held in the parlor of the church on Wednesday afterneon at half-past two.

Eugene Barry has placed his order for a Studebaker 6 seven-passenger touring car with Robert Murphy's Sons Company.

Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will noid their regular meeting on Wednesday evening, March 24. There will initiation and lunch will be served after the meeting.

: few invited guests Wednesday was a large gathering. A fine program was given. It included piano duets by Miss Lillian Tuttle and Mrs. Gray, readings by Mrs. S. M. Barker. Mrs. Bailey and Mr. May, selections by this male quartet: Fred Tuttle, Fred Hosmer, Bassett Dickerman and Mr. Smith, and readings and songs by Miss Mildred Sanders. The social part was also very enjoyable. Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

The selectmen will grant a hearing Saturday, April 3, at four p. m., on the petition of the Lowell and Fitchthe petition of the Lowen and Fitch-burg Street Railway company, which asks through its president for per-mision to connect the company's line to that of the Leominster and Fitchburg road at Ayer, the roads if con-Nashua railroad crossing at grade. Another hearing will be given on the petition of the telephone and electric light companies for the erection of assisting at the postoffice for the past poles to be used jointly. The hearing year, concludes her duties this Saturwill take place on Wednesday, March day night. 31, at 7.30 p. m.

Chief Beatty, in view of the many the state, is keeping a sharp watch told to get out of town last week by acting like undesirable citizens. Last Sunday he found four rough looking men near the main entrance of the subway, whom he had been observing at different times during the afternoon. They claimed to be on their way to Nashua, N. H. They were

prevent forest fires. A vast amount of valuable timber land is burned over every year throughout the state by fires that have their origin in carelessness. Throwing lighted matches, cigars or cigarettes are the most frequent cause of the state of the s cigars or cigarettes are the most frequent cause of such fires. The public between March 1 and December 1,

The following rhetoricals were given at the high school this week Fri-

day:
The House by the Side of the Road
Everett J. Fowler
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Charles Mooney, the engineer at the Feculose Company's plant, had a tinger crushed while about his work on Tuesday by getting the digit caught in the machinery. He was not dis-abled by the injury and is working as

Frank E. Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Griffin, received notice Monday that he had received the appointment as auxiliary clerk in the postoffice as a result of the recent civil service examination held here. Ho began his new duties on Wednesday morning. The work calls for hours of labor every day, from seven to nine in the morning and from five to eight in the

George H. Brown left on Monday for a trip to New York city, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C. He expects to

be gone about two weeks.

All the schools, except the high school, closed this week Friday for the enthusiastic applause. spring vacation. The high school will close on Friday, March 26, and all will reopen on Monday morning, April 5.

ney on Friday afternoon, March 26, at

in the evening, topic, "Favorite books of the bible"; evening service at 6.30, address, "The palace of art." Mon

address, "The palace of art."

Sunday school at the Methodist of men who put in strenuous work in church will be held at ten o'clock in trying to subdue a raging grass fire the morning; evening service at seven in the eastern part of the town which on the subject "Leveling power of christianity." The Mandolin club will be present and furnish music, and will on the land of Fred W. Livingston also lead in the singing. This week and swept rapidly in an easterly di-Friday evening Mr. Crane will read rection toward what is known as the "In the vanguard." This is free, but Rural home property, near the Hardmission is by ticket only.

The members of George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., attended the funeral of their late comrade, Charles P. Atherton, in Harvard last Sunday. They were accompanied by several members of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S.

Dr. H. E. Brown, formerly of Ayer, now of Springfield, who underwent a surgical operation in that city a short time ago, is reported to be doing well. Miss Amy Lougee has been visiting ed land near the Shaker settlement. relatives in Upton the past week. She has been obliged to give up her work ing the fire.

ing taken. The property taken conerved after the meeting.

The Edward Everett Hale club met three suits, a pair of pants and a cussed: Military training for boys and revolved that the United States should increase her army and navy. Refreshments were served by the host.

Mr. Phelps was burned and the standing wood more or less damaged before the fire could be put out. Several road near Phelps' mill, and were found by Lyman J. Taylor early Tuesday morning while he was on his morning while he was on his morning without sounding alarms. Thursday evening with Reginald Mac-blanck sack suit. Some of the goods Donnell. These questions were dis-cussed: Military training for boys and taken were discovered near the water tanks of the Boston and Maine rail-Mrs. Thomas Smith and Mrs. Joseph work. Later the clothing was return-Graves received the members of the ed to Mr. Fish. Chief Beatty is work-Graves received the members of the distribution of the case, but thus far no clue neglectory invited guests Wednesday eveloars been obtained. Entrance was bing at the home of Mrs. Smith. There gained through a rear door which was unlocked.

Mrs. Frank E. Sanders has returned recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

The report that the horse and wagon of Poulius Brothers of Ayer and Brookline, were stolen in the latter place last week, proved to be false.

Candidates for the high school base ball team for the coming season are practicing regularly for places on the team. There are a large number who are trying to make good and the interest so far shown warrants the conclusion that the school will have a better team this year than ever before. Charles E. Perrin has resigned his deal of fun.

burg road at Ayer, the roads if connected to run over the Worcester and position as forest fire worden. Dougnected to run over the Worcester and las C. Smith is filling the place until Mr. Perrin's successor is chosen.

Miss Helen Barker, who has been

Mrs. Margaret Kinnane, a former resident of Ayer, died at St. John's robberies now occurring throughout hospital, Lowell, Tuesday, aged fifty years. She is a sister of Mrs. Daniel for suspicious characters. A gang of H. Neylan of this town. The funeral strangers were questioned closely and took place this week Friday morning. Richard E. Barrett returned last the chief who found them peering into Stunday from St. Joseph's hospital, the places of business on Main street where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Michael Shea, one of our oldest citizens, has been confined to his home by illness for some time past.

The leader in the moving picture afternoon. They claimed to be on their way to Nashua, N. H. They were ordered to get outside the borders of Ayer as soon as possible or they would be arrested. They left town at once.

Notices have been received from F. W. Rane, state forester, in which the words and Mabel's simple life," will be story, entitled "His poor claim," will be shown. "Ham, the ice man," a Kalem comedy, and a two-reel screaming Keystone comedy. "Fatty and Mabel's simple life," will be

also reminded that a permit must ter. Mrs. Normand, to assist in celebrating the seventh birthday of her A special communication of Caleb ton accompanied them. between March 1 and December 1, A special communication of catebox except as provided in section one, Chapter 244, Acts of 1911. A heavy penalty is attached to a violation of this law.

A special communication of Catebox Butler lodge of Masons will be held in Butler lodge of Masons will be held in Masonic hall on Monday evening, March 22, at 7.30 o'clock. Work—Entered Apprentice degree.

Monday afternoon, March 22, in ress an interested public has annually followed. She will be heard in piece by Handell, Beethoven, Bach, Cui, Saint-Saëns and other composers.

A. W. C. The Woman's club held an equal strange afternoon at Hardy's hall on through an agreement between Frank suffrage afternoon at Hardy's hall on March 17. The meeting was open to the public and a large audience was present. Miss Longstreet of Boston opened the meeting with a group of songs, accompanied by Mrs. Eugene Barry and Theodore Barry. Dr. Richmond Fisk gave a short address. Mrs. Briggs of Norwood, speaking on "The woman movement," told of the conditions which have brought women of today to take an interest in public today to take an interest in public be required.

matters and was listened to with close attention. Mrs. Grace Johnson lon, M. J. Griffin and John L. Leahy of Cambridge talked on "Suffrage for Massachusetts women," a subject especially timely this year as the ques-tion is to be presented at the Novem-

Tickets for the club children's af-Congregational church services for Sunday—Morning service, at 19.45, sermon subject, "Inspiration from a modern viewpoint"; Sunday school at twelve o'clock; C. E. meeting at 5.45 in the evening, topic, "Favorite books"

Tickets for the club children's afternoon were distributed and are now in the hands of Mrs. Lois Porter and Mrs. Frank S. Bennett. This date has been changed from March 27 to April 10.

vard line. For some time it was thought that this old landmark would be consumed by the flames, but for-tunately it escaped unharmed. The grass all around the buildings was burned up close to the house and outbuildings. A detachment of the fire fighters was rushed by automobile toward the Harvard line this side of the South family of Shakers in an effort to head off the flames, but although they made heroic efforts the fire continued its mad rush toward the wood-

at the bank on account of ill health.

The tailor shop of Hyman Fish, on West Main street, was entered some time after midnight Tuesday morning and occupied by Earl Farnsworth. The fire spread so fast that it soon got beyond control, rushing eastward on the north side of the road and crossthe north side of the road and crossing into woodland owned by L. W. Phelps. Some cordwood belonging to Mr. Phelps was burned and the stand-

"Old home night" was observed by George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., in the post rooms, Dickinson's block. Thursday evening. A fine program of patriotic songs, orchestral selections, readings and short addresses was pre from the Groton hospital, where she pared for the occasion, all of which contributed to an evening of rare pleasure which was enjoyed by all. The musical selections, vocal and instrumental, were encored several times. The W. R. C., S. of V., and associate members of the post were among the invited guests. After the program was finished a soldier's lunch was served. Stephen N. Lougee, commander of

George S. Boutwell post, presided in his usual pleasing way, and in the course of his duties made several humorous allusions to some of the ladies and gentlemen which caused a good

The program given was as follows:
Address of welcome, commander;
song, "Star Spangled Banner," by all;
selections by orchestra, composed of the Briggs sisters; vocal solos by the male quartet, Dr. B. H. Hopkins, Frank Harlow, Ellis B. Harlow and Holden C. Harlow, and by the ladies' quartet, Mrs. E. H. Bigelow, Mrs. Daisy G. Beckford, Miss Mary Johnson and Mrs. Emma C. Wood; readings, Misses Sadie Ross and Phyllis Poor; address, Rev. Mr. Sanford, of Poor; address, Rev. Mr. Santord, of the Unitarian church; Mrs. Eileen G. Sawyer, president of the W. R. C., re-sponded for that organization; Com. J. W. Wentworth spoke for the S. of V., and Patrick Donlon for the associate members of the post. Mr. Lougee read a poem in which an old soldier was the principal figure. It was

much appreciated. Mrs. Sawyer, president of the W R. C., announced that the corps will entertain the G. A. R. post and S. of V. on Tuesday evening, April 20.

Looking Over Murder Scene.

State officer Fred Flynn of Law ne procured from the town forest little nephew Benjamin in Worcester. Beatty of Ayer and Dowling of Growarden for all fires in the open air Chief Beatty and Officer Flynn walk-

evening, ed the track from the West Groton ork—En-papermill where Collura and Salvatore Pulsella, the victim, were seen before the murder to the place where the Monday afternoon, March 22, in Steinert hall, Boston, a concert by Miss Nina Fletcher, the accomplished and advancing violinist whose prog- and a half from Ayer on the Green- the design of the steel o walk was to determine the time to cover the distance on foot and also to get the exact distance between the two points. They took the measure-

Hazel T. Green
The Mute Singer Lucy O. Smith
The Victor of Marengo
A Weman Inquiring About Trains
Mona T. Kittredge
The Old Folks Think of Their Boys
Jendy Tim
Plazeth Bennett
Gertrude Davis
Jean Val Jean and the Bishop
Richard McCarthy
The Old Schoolhouse Margaret Hurley
Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch
The Soldier's Letter Dewey Downing
The Road to Starland
The Road to Starland
Gertrude O'Neil
Willie's Signal
Tiger Lilly's Race
Reginald MacDonnell
Charles Mooney, the engineer at the to cover the 4.7 miles, including time for the necessary stops.

Making Good.

Frank P. Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Griffin, who has been spend-ing a few days at home, left Thursday morning to take up his duties as rail-

social afternoon with Mrs. E. A. Whit- from War Brides by Marion Craig ten months he has been working on busy keeping up steam as the train

public generally.

Double Anniversary.

There was a very happy gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Miller on Pleasant street, Wednesday evening, the occasion being the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage and the celebration of the fif-teenth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Hunting-ton, both being observed together. The exact date of Mr. and Mrs. Huntington's anniversary is March 25, the celebration being held at this time in order that the double event might be all the more enjoyable.

The color scheme in the decorations paper bonnet with white strings while green and white cards, neatly written the name of each guest, were placed where they were to sit at the placed where they are to set at the ing on the locomotive was to learn tables. Each guest was given a slice the road so that he might be able to of wedding cake and each also received a favor, consisting of sham-tance between Lawrence and East rocks. Many fine presents of cut glass and silver were received.

The evening's pleasure ended in games and a general social time. Guests were pre Lowell and Groton. were present from Ayer

St. Andrew's Notes.

Miss Rose Peabody, of Groton School, gave a most personal and charming lecture on China at St. Andrew's on last week Friday night. A set of one hundred slides from New York of striking interest and beauty made the background for her amus made the background for her almos-ing account of costumes, customs, such as feet binding, prevailing cour-tesy and other characteristics of the Chinese. Her description of how to strike a bargain out shopping was truly Oriental. The tea she denounced as horrible, but unavoidable. contrast between the old pagan China and the coming christian China was

Friday evening, March 26, at 7.30, Miss Peabody will give a second lecture talk on the Philippine Islands. On this week Friday evening at 7.30 on these occasions. Confirmation will be administered in St. Andrew's church by Bishop Babbase by Allen's or

to be present. On Sunday there will be a special holy communion service at 10.45 in the morning for those confirmed during the last five years.

Parents and friends are invited to come with the children Sunday a twelve o'clock to see bible pictures shown by the new lantern.

Winisters' Meeting.

One of the most fully attended meetone of the most lung attended and ings of the Middlesex Union Association of Ministers was held in the Contion of Ministers was held in the Contion of Ministers was held in the Contion of Ministers was held in the Continuous and the Continuo gregational parlors on Tuesday. Rev. Mr. Cross, of Fitchburg, was president State officer Fred Flynn of Lawrence, with county civil engineer of the day. The morning session was rence, with county civil engineer of the day. The morning session was rence, with county civil engineer of the day. The morning session was largely occupied with inquiry for wisest methods of meeting such popular movements for use at the Collura murder trial in the superior court next Monday. They coupled the ground which the defendant is said to have traveled on October 4 last, the day of the homicide. Chiefs Beatty of Ayer and Dowling of GroBeatty of Ayer and Dowling of GroBeatty of Ayer and Dowling of Gro
Mr. Cross, of Fitchburg, was president of the day. The morning session was which lasted until one o'clock. Supper was served in the lower hall at increasing such popular movements as may seem to us irrational, or even in some phases of them immoral. The sentiment of this meeting was, of course, against plural marriage, free love and all similar evils. While we are always to have courage to stand up and be countered by the concert there was dancing which lasted until one o'clock. Supper was served in the lower hall at irrational, or even in some phases of them immoral. The sentiment of this meeting was, of course, against plural marriage, free love and all similar evils. While we are always to have courage to stand up and be countered by the concert there was dancing which lasted until one o'clock. Supper was served in the lower hall at it.30 to a large number. The hall was finely decorated for the occasion, the lights used being green and white.

Those in charge of the concert and ball were Joseph Foley, general manarriage, free love and all similar ager; James J. Horan, floor director; J. P. Donahue, against any evil, we may sometimes against any evil, we may sometimes advertise and spread it by over-heated censure. Some errors thrive on opposition and especially by any semblance

of persecution. Rev. Dr. E. C. Moore, president of the American Board of Foreign Mis-sions, was the guest of honor in the afternoon and gave a most illuminat-ing address upon "The present world situation and foreign missions." This was followed by questions from the floor answered by the speaker. Mr. Moore evidently has a most enthusias-tic confidence that the opportunity for influence by means of missionary ef-

fort was never larger than now. Among those present were Revs. too near paternalism (whatever that G. M. Howe of Groton, Lewis, Paull and Mills of Pepperell, Struthers of Townsend, Anderson of Fitchburg, McLane of North Leominster, Bryant found to be four miles. The distance of Lunenburg, Newton of Dunstable, from the papermill to the scene of Viets of Boxborough, Dunlap of Ash by, Tingley of Acton, Tewksbury, Adams and Huzeby of Concord, Alvord of Littleton, Woodman of Shirley. Trowbridge of West Groton, Gordon of Lancaster and others.

of Lancaster and others.

A special minute was adopted and put on record in memory of Rev. Franklin Parker Wood, who died in Acton in December, one of the three longest time members of the body. B.

District Court.

The inquest on the death of William E. Peaslee, who was fatally injured at North Littleton on February 5, was Ayer for the case were notified this at North Littleton on February 5, was week Friday morning by the clerk of courts, William Dillingham of Cam-Peaslee was a spare engineer of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, and received fatal injuries at the above time and place by his head coming in contact with an overhead highway bridge close to the North Littleton station.

Engineer E. R. Grover, of Lawrence who had charge of the locomotive onthe day of the accident, was the first witness. He said that on February enthusiastic applause.

Notice was given of the meeting of and South Vernon, Vt. Mr. Griffin is Lawrence for East Deerfield with him-Notice was given of the meeting of and South Vernon, Vt. Mr. Griffin is lawfelled for East Desired with himlose on Friday, March 26, and all will
eopen on Monday morning, April 5.

The Woman's Alliance will hold a March 24, at three o'clock. Readings

ten months he has been working on the above route and came home a week ago when the regular clerk was appointed to the position, who is now temporarily absent.

Mr. Grimn has shown marked ability in the short time he has been in the postal service and has worked up to the second place on the spare list without taking water at Ayer. As he reached the ton of the nile of coal in reached the ton of the nile of coal in reached the ton of the nile of coal in reached the ton of the nile of coal in to the second place on the spare list over a number of competitors. This means that, when the third vacancy occurs in the system that he will have a permanent position. In a recent test of speed in distributing cards in the 871 boxes covering every city and town in the state of Massachusetts Mr. Griffin made a perfect record of one hundred percent in the fast time of thirty minutes. He is very popular with his fellow employees and the speed of the Massachusetts public generally. General hospital, Boston, where he

died several days later. The last that Grover saw of Peasled before the accident was when he was sitting on the fireman's seat consulting a time table. The next thing that he knew in regard to him was when the fireman called out to him that Peaslee had been injured. The latter was lying on the coal bleeding pro-fusely from the nose and mouth. The injured man was unconscious. In answer to a question by the

court as to the reason for there being two engineers on the locomotive of the train that day Grover said that Peaslee could not run over that part of the run between Lawrence and was white and green with shamrocks Ayer as that was on the Portland dia prominent feature. The home-made vision. Peaslee was qualified to run candles, frosting on the wedding cake only over the Fitchburg division. candies, frosting on the wedding cake only over the Fitchburg division, and other food served were made of Grover was acting as a pilot from the same colors. Everyone who had lawrence to Ayer, when Peaslee infield, its destination, over the Fitch-burg division as was his usual custom. The reason why Peasice was riding on the locomotive was to learn

The other trainmen told about the same story, differing only in slight details.

Thomas F. Mullin, probation officer of the local district court, testified regarding investigations made of the accident by direction of the court and of certain measurements taken at the scene of the accident.

James H. O'Connell, baggagemaster at the Ayer railroad station, testified to assisting in removing the injured engineer from the engine to the baggage room when the train arrived

Charles E. Montgomery, of West Medford, an inspector of the State Public Service Commission, was present, as usual on such occasions, in his official capacity.

A. O. H. Concert and Ball.

The fortieth annual concert and ball brought out clearly, but there were of Division 7, A. O. H., was held in the no missionary statistics. The auditown hall on Wednesday evening. This year the division very generously lightful hour and a vivid idea of China with much to remember. On the benefit of St. Mary's church. The hall was crowded to the doors by the people of Ayer and out-of-town friends who annually come in large number

There was a concert of musical numbers by Allen's orchestra of Natic cock. All church members are urged from eight to nine o'clock. In addition there were two special attrac-tions, John J. Douglas and Mrs. Mary White Mullin, both of East Bostor Mr. Douglas gave character sketches and selections from one of his plays new curate," and Miss Mullin who has a fine contralto voice, sang several sentimental songs. Both were

encored. Mr. Douglas is a well-known lawyer of Bosten and has also made a suc-cess of playwriting, he having pro-duced several well-known plays. Mrs. Mullin is a well-known contralto sing-

After the concert there was dancing

Thomas McGuane.

work.

Hot Stove Club. A warm discussion took place at meeting of the Hot Stove club at a meeting Wednesday morning in regard to the present deplorable condition of the Boston and Maine railroad. Some thought that the only solution of the problem was for the state to take control of the road and run it in the interest of the public. This idea was too near paternalism (whatever that bers, who were in favor of reorganiz-ing the present management, which plan might prove the best way out of the present difficulty.

There was a good deal of talk on both sides but the matter remained unsettled. The members evidently wished to have more time to consider the proposition. However, it was unanimously agreed that if the stock of the company was purchased at the right time and sold at the right time there was no doubt that some money could be made on the investment. Nothing but an earthquake could shake such an argument. The subject will be further discussed at a future

the committee which was chosen a non't you try a pound of LaToursine few weeks ago to report on the hoof Coffee at \$5c. per 10. If you don't and mouth disease among cattle failed to take anyone into its confidence and bring back the empty bag and your twas discharged from further lack of money will be refunded. it was discharged from further lack of

The debate on the question: Re-solved "That absence of body is bet-ter than presence of mind in case of accident" has been indefinitely post-poned, as no one could be found to argue the negative side of the ques-

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### TOWNSEND.

Center.

The Townsend Monday club will meet with Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren on Monday, March 22. Rev. Joseph Mc-Kean, of West Townsend, will address the club on "The psychology of habit."

The Townsend Hill Improvement society met on last week Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Cole. Dr. Cole gave a very interesting talk on "Co-operative farming." A plano duet was pleasingly rendered by Miss Sawler and Mrs. Cole. Robert Copeland sang solos in his clear bass voice and Miss Alberta Barber gave a plano reading in her usual attractive manner. Delicate refreshments were served by the hostess.

The Phœbe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., held an enjoyable meeting in Odd Fellows' hall on Tuesday evening, the occasion being a rehearsal of the new ritual. Refreshments were served after the rehearsal. The next meet of the "tent" will be held Monday evening, April 5, instead of on Tuesday, April 6, on account of the Massachusetts Department G. A. R. convention to be held in Fancuil hall,

Miss Arline Ciarke is spending her vacation with her sisters, Mrs. Ada-belle Harvey, of Danvers, and Mrs.

Miss Bessie Parker, of Madison, N. H., is enjoying her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Flora Parker, and sister, Miss May.

Miss Anna Mckibbon, of New York city, is the guest of Mrs. Martha Baxter Hildreth.

The regular meeting of the Towns end Grange will be held in Odd Fel-lows' hall on Monday evening, March 22. Dramatic night, in charge of Em-ma F. Seaver, past master, H. Warren Seaver and Rouy M. Cowdry.

At the last meeting of the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge, the members spent an evening of especial pleasure and enjoyment. The entertainment was in charge of Miss Helen Dobson, noble grand, and her support-ers, Mrs. Clara Fiarity and Mrs. Margaret Higgins. During the social hour games were indulged in and light refreshments served.

by a very pleasing musical entertain ment, entitled 'A home-made choir.'
The cast was made up of Mrs. Hattie Misner, Mrs. Esther Scales, Rouy M. Cowdry, Mrs. Ella Wilson, Samuel A. and Hazel Marshall. The pink ladies' quartet was made of Mrs. Florence Gwinn, Mrs. Icea Cowdry. Ina Wilder, Hattie Sanders, Isabel Heyward, Mildred Spoff, Lester Aspin and entertainment was under the auspices of the Dorcas class and the

The Townsend High school closed Friday for one week's vacation. The

Friday, March 19, the Townsend High School Literary and Debating society discussed the following question: "Resolved, that the literary test bill would be beneficial to the nation."

Laban Naas recently received the sad news of the tragic death of his brother Stephen at Nome, Alaska. Death was caused by his falling down a shaft in a gold mine. Young Stephen went to Nome about ten years ago to work in this mine owned by his Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Naas in the loss of his brother and for the sorrowing mother, who is at present with her sister, Mrs. Steph-

Mrs. Miles Wyeth was taken to the

happy gathering of about ten of her friends at the home of Mrs. Robert Fessenden. The company were en-tertained in the sun parlor and a delightful evening was spent with music and the playing of games and the serving of dainty refreshments. Miss to complete this year. Notaman was the recipient of many presents, including a delicious birth-

Mrs. Henry E. Clarke and little daughter Shirley of Manchester-bythe-Sea are house guests of Mrs. Susan Clarke, Brookline street.

On Monday John M. Coffey and Timothy Coffey attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Leary, at Charlestown, N. H.

C. E. evening topic, "Favorite books

of the bible and why?" Leader, Leland Woods.

was made in Sunday school last Sunday by A. S. Howard, that during the past twenty years the local Sunday school of the Congregational church had the honor of leading the schools in the honor list for contributions to the Massachusetts Sunday School association.

Rev. Ellis W. Wyeth will occupy the pulpit at the morning and evening ent. The yearly reports were read At the Methodist church on Sunday services. His morning topic will be and accepted and the following of-"The essentials for success in the ficers were elected for the coming

Mr. Wyeth preached last Sunday at the Methodist church and was cordial-

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Christian lands" and the book, "The Christian lands" and the book, "The

be held in Odd Fellows' hall, Center school building. The meeting will be called to order at 10.45 in the morning with the following program:

with the following program:

Welcome, master of Townsend Grange.
Frank A. Woods; response, assistant steward of Pomona Grange, John T.
Lesurc; song, "The model Grange"; paper, "The business hen—how to get her and how to keep her," Ralph B.
Plper; music. Herman C. Knight; "Bringing our old orchards back intoprofitable bearing conditions," George L. Whitcomb; paper, Mrs. Esther Scales; dinner at twelve o'clock, served in the Odd Fellows' banquet hall, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. James Dixon and Mrs. Mary Spring; afternoon session open to the public; plano solo, Albert G. Seaver; "The apple from orchard to market," George S. Knapp; address, Mrs. Emma K. Lemley, of Boston, on "A zigzag journey to the land of the midnight sun"; original poem, H. Warren Seaver; vocal solo, Mrs. George Brackett; paper, "Labor-saving devices," Mrs. Minnie L. Knight; reading, Mrs. Emma F. Seaver; "Clover, corn and a bank account." Galen A. Proctor; "Something interesting." Mrs. Vernal Barber; vocal solo, Aibert G. Seaver; closing song, Grange.

West.

West.

Mrs. A. D. Winship has been spending a few days with friends and rela-tives in Mariboro and vicinity. The Ladies' Whist club were en-

tertained at the home of Mrs. Emma J. Lees last week Thursday. Several of the interested parties in this village attended the automobile show in Boston last week.

Rev. Joseph McKean preached Sunday morning to a large audience on the subject, "Our debt," and his ser-monette to the children was on "Dogs." In the evening he preached a specia sermon to the married women and would you like to be Cain's brother? 

how in Boston.

Mrs. Sarah Hodge has closed her tenement in John Campbell's house on Elm street and is at present with relatives in Ayer.

Edward Patch, of Boston, was at his. Clellan from Boston to the Center for the day.

George Ellis, from Boston, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Anna Ellis, of Bridge street.

Miss Helen Plummer has been spending a few days this week with friends in Littleton.

The public schools closed on this veek Friday for the usual spring vacation.

Mrs. Keefe, of Boston, has been en-

joying a brief visit with her son, John Keefe, at Dr. R. S. Ely's. Miss Agnes Wilson, of Waltham, spent the week-end with her parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson. The pupils of the public schools of which they are purchasing in shape of a concert at the intermediate room, for appendicitis.

Mrs. Ella Sheldon of Ayer and Miss Ethel Sheldon of Boston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bruce.

George Davis of the Wentworth Institute, Boston, is spending a week which do great credit to stitute, Boston, is spending a week brookline street.

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The program was followed by a solid and hearty good time was enjoyed by all.

LITTLETON.

In Boston iast week.

Frank McNamara, a well-known figure at the West End, is in the hospital, where he underwent an operant and broomstick), Mervin Wares. Miss Alice Seaver presided at the piano.

The program was followed by a solid and hearty good time was enjoyed by all.

LITTLETON.

LITTLETON. West Townsend gave a very pleasing exhibition of the work of the Victrola

the pupils, a number of them taking their turn in putting on the records, while at one side of the room was a long table filled with postcards which were sold by the pupils. The exhibition was under the direction of Miss Tower and Miss Reid, and a good sum was realized toward the payment on the machine, which they are in hopes

It is with a feeling of profound sadness that we learn of the death of Alvah F. Stickney, one of the old residents of this village, who passed away on Wednesday afternoon after a lingering illness of several months aged \$1 yrs. 5 mos. 21 days. He leaves a wife and two sons, Herman L. and Frank W. Stickney, both of Townsend hill, and Dr. Clifford Stickney of Holden, and two sisters, Mrs Vose now of this village, and Mrs. William C. Loveland of Ashby Funeral services were held at the home on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock and burial was in the family

lot at the Center. Mrs. Whitney, who has been spending the winter in Dorchester, has returned to the home of her daughter Mrs. Frank Boutelle, of Bayberry hill. Mrs. George Tenney, who has been very ill at her home on lower Main

street, is reported as improving. George A. Seaver, clerk at Bout-well's store, has been spending a few

days with his daughter in Dorchester. The Ladies' Mission Circle held their annual meeting at the home of and accepted and the following ofyear: Mrs. Joseph McKean, pres.; Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman, v. p.; Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence, sec.; Mrs. Samuel A. Wares, treas. The program was in charge of Miss Seaver and the Methodist church and was cordiarly welcomed by the Methodist people and his home town friends.

Pomona Grange.

was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was "Child life in non-the meeting was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was "Child life in non-topic was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence. The topic of the meeting was "Child life in non-topic was in charge of Miss Seaver and the meeting opened with scripture reading by the leader and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence was "Child life in non-topic was "Child life was "C

contributor to the program, followed Miss Agnes Thompson has returned from a visit to friends in Boston

and vicinity. Miss Emma Adams has returned from a few weeks visit to her sister in Providence, R. I.

Rev. Joseph McKean's topic for Sunday morning will be "A Sunday morn ing fishing trip," and in the evening "The man who wanted to go but would not pay for his ticket.

A Successful Anair.

One of the most pleasing and successful entertainments of the year was given on St. Patrick's evening at the Baptist vestries by the Y. P. S. C. E. which netted about thirty-five doilars toward the debt on the plano. A bountiful supper was served, consisting of beans, brown bread, salads, puddings, hot coffee and rolls. The tables were prettily arranged with center pieces of green and white carnations and tiny flags of Ireland at each plate as souvenirs. About one hundred were served and

after supper they adjourned to the outer vestry, where they enjoyed a social hour until the commencement of the program at eight o'clock, when the kitchen band made its appearance and was greeted with shouts of laughter. The ladies wore big kitchen-aprons and dust caps, and the men were attired in appropriate costumes. Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin acted the part of leader with a rolling pin for baton and a hat made from a kettle trimmed with a green silk sash, decorated with the American and Irish day school paper, and written by Mrs applause, both in his costume, which. J. C. Alvord, to perpetuate an interest P. S. C. E. service which was conducted by Mrs. Abbott Hodgman on the topic, "Tests of my religion," and a duet, "If your heart is right," one of Billy Sunday's favorite songs, was given by Miss Rena Clapp and Miss Gladys Rawson.

Wes Fred A. Patch assisted at the Mrs. Fred A. Patch assisted at the Mrs. Abbott Hodgman. The chorus then gave a spirited medley composed of "Dixie" and "Marching through Georgia," followed by more accounts of the doinews stand at I. P. Sherwin's store lowed by more accounts of the doi-on last Saturday during the absence lar scheme by Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin, of Mr. Sherwin, who attended the auto Miss M. Elinor Tower and Miss Gladys

Rawson. Miss Ruth Hayden, of Greenville, A duet between Mrs. Fred A. Patch spent the week-end at her home on the flute and Ian Rusk on the accordion, caused much laughter, "Comorgion, caused much laughter, Coming through the rye," being followed by "Auld Lang Syne" as an encore. Miss Rena Clapp, Mrs. R. S. Ely and Miss Alice Seaver then told how they earned their dollars, and Mrs. Fred A. Patch read the Josselynville Bugle home here on last Saturday, having which abounded in local hits and kept brought Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Mc. the audience in roars of laughter from the audience in roars of laughter from start to finish. Miss Sadie Bell, Kenneth Reed, Mrs. Fred A. Patch, Marion Boutelle and Mrs. Charles Hodgman gave their experiences in rhyme and list the past week with a severe cold. Mrs. Lizzie Glazier has just recovered from an attack of the grippo Mrs. Lizzie Glazier has just recovered from an attack of the grippe. Herman W. Lawrence has been confined to his home on Elm street with a severe cold for several days the past wash. The sololists, James Dodds and Miss Rawson, al church on the afternoon of Good the editor of the Josselyaville. James Bell, of Sudbury, spent the week-end with his family at their home on Main street.

bon as a token of appreciation.

The arrangement of the orchestra was bag-pipes, James Dodds; flute, (a meat skewer), Mrs. Patch; horns, (tin funnels), Agnes Thompson and James Dodds; (the content of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, Mrs. Patch; horns, (tin funnels), Agnes Thompson and James Dodds; (the content of the Worester Loom company, and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the content of the company and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the company and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the company and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the company and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the company and president of the "Go-to-church band." spen Friday high with his brother, and the company meat skewer). Mrs. Patch; horns, ting funnels), Agnes Thompson and James Rusk; violin, (a toaster and bread knife), Mrs. Charles Stickney; slide trombone, (egg-beater), Miss Gladys Rawson; drum, (tin tub and dish mop), 'xylaphone, (gem pan and spoon), Rena Clapp; tamborine, (tin pie plate), Sadie Bell; accordion, (clothes rack), Ian Rusk; cymbals, a good deal and it is very painful now. (tin covers) Mrs. I. P. Sherwin: saxman; hand organ, (cake box and flour in Doston last week, sifter and a toy monkey). Charles Frank McNamara

Hartwell and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell the branch library at the West End-were guests of the Groton Woman's last month. Club last week Friday afternoon, and Ralph J. Vaus, secretary of the Mrs. Fred Hartwell read an original Massachuseus Agricultural college. were very hospitably received and en- to Cai from and other western states joyed the afternoon very much.

this village, and three brothers, Clar-ence of this Village, Charles A. of old-timers, which means success with the data obtained from these various a capital letter.

Burton S. Flagg's family, of Andover, were recent guests at Charles

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at C. K. Houghton's.

Townsend on March 25, when Mrs. Emma Kimball Lemley will give her lecture on "A zigzag journey to the land of the midnight sun." The Boy Scoutlets met with Warren Priest this week Monday. Last week they met with Clifford Yapp. They have adopted a set of rules and have

begun archery practice, signaling and blazing a trail in the forest. Each member is much in earnest and very enthusiastic. Mrs. Thomas Stephens pleasantly

entertained a party of ladies at her home last Saturday evening. refreshments and a social constituted the entertainment.

F. S. Kimball is building a garage

Miss Edith Fletcher is visiting riends in Winchester, N. H., where she taught school last year.

As S. C. Bates was riding over Great road one day this last week a fellow autoist collided with him and all but demolished Mr. Bates' car, so that it had to be hauled home by horses and is in for repairs.

The subject of Rev. J. C. Alvord's sermon on Sunday morning is "Is it ever right to tell a lie?" A number Alvord's Sunday school class asked for a sermon on the subject

Sunday evening, at 5.45, Mrs. Alvord will meet a christian life class which she is to conduct weekly for the purpose of explaining the church doctrine and giving instruction in practical christian living. This is in-tended for all young people who may be interested in the good object of the meetings.

Rev. J. C. Alvord attended the association of ministers in Ayer on Tues-day. Among the speakers was Dr. Edward C. Moore, the new president of the American Board, a personal friend, whom Mr. Alvord last met at the American church in Rome. The two ministers were also in the same conference in Rhode Island. Dr. Moore gave a very interesting address at the Tuesday meeting.

The Philathea class will meet with Mrs. J. D. Christie at the Common next week Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

"The senorita's typewriter" is the title of a story published in a recent issue of The Beacon, a Unitarian Sunwas original, being a reproduction of ing conversation with some Italian a Scotch bag-piper, and in his solo. "A children whose interest in the type-

Sanderson expresses her intention to remain in Chicago over Easter Sunday, so that she will not play the Con gregational church organ Easter, and since many of the teachers who sing in the choir can not be here for rehearsals during their vacation the musical program for the evening must be given up this year. Preparations for the children's Sunday school concert to be given in the morning are

The spring meeting of the Middle sex Union association of Congregational churches will be held in Lunen burg Wednesday, April 21.

The North Middlesex Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions will hold its spring meeting in the Rollstone church, Fitchburg, May 4. In con-nection with this meeting there will be at institute of methods conducted by the home missionary secretary, Miss Helen Calder, and in the evening Miss Mary Preston will conduct a junior workers' raily in connection with which there will be a supper for

(tin covers), Mrs. I. P. Sherwin; sax-aphone, (a water pot), Abbott Hodg-Hawes attended the automobile show Mrs. E C. Jones and Miss Evelyn

News Items.

Miss Alice Howard, Mrs. W. E. Connant. Miss Julia Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Miss Julia Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Miss Julia Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Mrs. F. Conant. Mrs. West Rindson. N. H. Fifty-evalt. Books were taken from

paper on a nature walk. The ladies leaves March 20 for a two mouths' trip oyed the afternoon very much. for the purpose of studying the ad-The Woman's club will hold its next minis ratio and business organiza-The Woman's club will hold its next ministrative and business organizameeting on Monday afternoon, March 22. The program will be in charge of the education committee.

Rehearsals for the King's Daughters' farce are progressing well. The cast is composed of a large percentage of the membership, many of whom are old-timers which means success with

F. Flagg's.

Miss Ella Schnair, who is in training for nurse work, visited friends in town last week, making headquarters that Lattleton of the towns under 5000 t C. K. Houghton's.

A. W. Knowlton is visiting the Fred indebtedness to valuation, the per-Parker family in Somerville, going in centage of net debt of valuation, the parker family in Somerville, going in centage of net debt of valuation is 7.6. The same table gives the total funded matic committee of the Unitarian society in Rev. C. A. Drummond's of Acton is 296th or last, her percentage of the committee of the Unitarian society in Rev. C. A. Drummond's of Acton is 296th or last, her percentage of the committee of the committee of the Unitarian society in Rev. C. A. Drummond's of Acton is 296th or last, her percentage of the committee of the Committ tage of net debt of valuation being less The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona than one-tenth of one percent and her Grange will hold its next meeting in total funded or fixed debt being \$850. The standing of some of the other neighboring towns is as follows Ayer 23, Pepperell 6, Boxborough 201 Harvard no fixed debt, Westford 129, Groton 132, Shirley 141.

Thomas Parr of Shropshire, England, in all probability bore the palm for longeray. He lived 152 years and nine months. Parr's case is well authoriticated.

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To all persons interested in the estate of MARY A. NYE late of Littleton in said County, deceased.
Whereas, ESTHER W. FLETCHER the administrative of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of her administration upon the estate of said deceased.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the twenty-minth day of March A. D. 1915, at nine ciclock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrature 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 maling, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIniire, Esquire,
First, Judge of said Court, this tenth
day of March in the year one thousand
nine hundred and fifteen.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of SUSAN E. MITH late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to FRANK A. PATCH of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without glying a surety on his bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said Courty of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of March A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs at aw. rext of kin.
creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of ABBY FRANCES
HOUGHTON lare of Littleton in said
County deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter
of administration on the estate of said
deceased to SARAH ELIZABETH
HOUGHTON of Littleton in the County
of Middlesex, without giving a surely
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proceeds were for the piano fund. grade schools for two weeks.

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en Swicker, Main street.

Miss Mary Notaman recently celebrated her twentieth birthday by a

day cake decorated with twenty can-

Church Notes. Sunday morning, March 21, Rev. A. L. Struthers, pastor of the Congregational church, will exchange pulpits with Rev. John B. Lewis, of Pepperell.

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christian life"; evening subject, "The great physician."

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HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town.

William T. MacMaster and family are moving to the cottage owned by Stanley Clarke at Patch's Corner.

Miss Hazel Marshall will be glad to receive news items for this paper. Walter Ashley, of Nashua, has been appointed receiver for the Pierce Brothers estate.

Robert Leslie has taken the agency for Richardson Manufacturing Co. and Ross Bros., dealers in manure spreaders, plows and all kinds of farming implements. Pierce Bros. were form-

Miss Lillian Tirrell, of Hollis depot, spent several days last week with Mrs. Flora Hardy, and returned to her home last Saturday.

Several of the Odd Fellows went Concord on Thursday evening of last week. They drove to Nashua and then went by special train. Those who went from here were F. Leo Mc-Ennis, George Morrill, Fred Muzzey, Bert Keyes, George A. Ladd, George Robbins, Arnold Coolan and Waldo A Flagg.

A good many people in town have been having the grippe. Francis A. Lovejov's family have all been sick, but are much better now. Mr. and Mrs. Frost have also been on the sick

Lillian Keyes is still at the home of George A. Ladd, where she has been for some time assisting with the work. Fred Holden is working at Worces-

Joseph Mayo and assistants are at work on his new barn.

Some of the Odd Fellows were conveyed to Nashua last week Thursday evening in Waldo A. Flagg's automo-

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs with the whooping cough, is much

Mr. Woodbury, principal of the high school, spent the week-end with relaives in Nashua.

Mrs. Ella M. Farley was a guest of Mrs. Georgiana Kimball in Pepperell recently, and attended the Pomona Grange meeting while there.

Harvey Messer, who formerly lived at S. F. Woods', was in town a few days recently.

Mrs. Arthur Patch, Miss Lucy Patch. present. iss Mabel Hinckley and the Misses Smith.

Fred Hoiden, Frank Rule, Albert F. Hildreth and William T. MacMaster attended the annual supper and entertainment given by the Warren Vet-erans, association held in the town hall, Pepperell, on last week Friday evening. They made the trip in Mac-UnionCashMarket wenting. They made the trip in Master's Ford car. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. The gentlemen entertainers proved themselves entertaining beyond a doubt and a bountiful supper was also en-

> Miss Florence Muzzey, of Worcester was at home last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Muzzey. She was ill with an attack of laryngitis.

> The Boy Scouts took a "hike" Saturday with Rev. Robert French.

Miss Bernice Holmes visited her home Grange in Pepperell last week Friday evening, when the third and

morning.

The board of health fumigated the

It is reported that C. Fred Mead expeops to move soon with his family to Naghua. Flagg & Worcester's Buick auto truck was out of commission and tow-

d to Nashua for repairs on last Sat een in town for several Sundays past

Schools closed this week Friday for thing in relation thereto. the annual spring vacation of two

An item in last week's column stating that Perley A. Lund had bought the Snow place of Dr. Hazard, was entirely wrong as he has no inten-

tions of doing the same. News Items.

March 10 the Woman's club met in the ladies' parlors. Miss Ruth Rogers reported upon the conference of clubs held in Nashua, March 8. Mrs. Robert M. French gave a reading, "Samantha on the suffrage question"; a plano solo by Mrs. Leonard Lawrence and a short farce, "Mrs. Pipp's Waterloo," by Mrs. Leo McEnnis, Mrs. Ralpi Herrick, Mrs. Ella Farley and Miss

Agnos Tenney. Mrs. Hary D. Verder was on the sick list for a few days, but is improving.

Ralph Powers of Wallingford, Conn spent the week-end in town.

The S. of V. are making prepara-tions for a play which will be given before long.

Charles P. Brown has been reappointed as a member of the board of health. The board now stands: Geo. A. Ladd, Edson L. Hurd and Charles P. Brown.

Mrs. Mandana Verder has been ill the past week, but is gaining slowly Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Munsell (nee Annie Tenney) of Springfield, Mass., SHAFTING, BELTING, PELLEYS, Annie Tenney) of Springfield, Mass., ETC., FOR SALE—Cheap for cash. All in good condition. Apply to Turner's Public Spirit Office, Ayer, Mass.

Miss Eunice Walsh is on the sick

Saturday afternoon the Sunshine Nest of Bluebirds held their council meeting with Mrs. Robert M. French. The Nissitissit Camp-fire No. 2 held heir council meeting at the home of their guardian, Mrs. William Sanders.

The Nissitissit Camp-fire No. 1 met with their guardian, Mrs. Robert M. French, Saturday afternoon. The council meeting was postponed until next Saturday, March 20.

The Ledies' Reading and Charitable ociety are planning for their monthly supper and entertainment. The committee in charge are Mrs. Harold E. Hardy, Mrs. Walter Flanders and Mrs. Albert C. Wetmore.

Grace Hills, the daughter of Edward Hills, was quite ill for a day or two, but is better now. Miss Bernice Holmes spent the

week-end with her parents in Pepperell Mrs. Emma Goodwin is spending a

few days in Mason. Mrs. Flora Ord returned on Monday to her work in Waltham, Mass., after spending the week-end with her parents. She helped in the telephone of-fice Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Hills is visiting Mr and Mrs. Otis Goodwin in Swampscott, Mass.

The Woman's club will hold it regular meeting at the ladies' pariors Wednesday, March 24.

The high school held its annual party on Friday, March 19. The junior class of the high school has decided upon a play which will be

given later. George A. Ladd has been ill and confined to the house for the past two

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frost and daughter Viola visited friends in Lowell last week. The annual church records for 1912-

13 and 1913-14 have gone to print. The selectmen have reappointed Harold E. Hardy as tree warden and they have appointed Charles E. Hardy, Albert Hildreth and Marcelius J. Powers as fire wardens.

Tuesday night the Grange held its regular meeting. The third and fourth degrees were conferred upon seven candidates. Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Some of Hollis Grangers visited Prescott Grange in Pepperell on last week Friday evening and witnessed the third and fourth degrees worked on a class and partook of the harvest feast. Among those who went were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shattuck. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilshire, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilshire, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilshire, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howard, Mrs. J. E. Woods. Mrs. Arthur Patch, Miss Lucy Patch.

The Ladies' Reading and Charitable society have decided upon Friday, March 26, as the date to give their social and entertainment.

Miss Twiss returned the middle of the week to her home on Proctor hill. A. H. Jordan returned home this veek after a few days' vacation in Boston.

Mr. Marvel has been confined to the touse with the grippe this last week. Mr. Flagg expects to move into the new store on April 1. The new building, which has been erected by C. H. Miller, contractor, Pepperell, is a great improvement to the town and the citizens of Hollis are grateful that Franklin Worcester had the public spirit to have another nice building erected so soon after the other building was lost by fire.

Investigation Committee Meeting.

On last Saturday the committee on Investigations concerning the Line hill treas; Miss Fannie C. Graves and school building, Henry Wilson, John John Wooldredge, audhors; Miss L. Frances Jones, librarian; Miss Helen fourth degrees were conferred and Howe and Lewis Rideout, met Super- Frances Jones, libra the harvest feast served.

Frances Jones, libra intendent Bacon, Charles P. Bown and G. Jones, assistant. Leonard Lawrence spent Sunday with his wife and son at the home of Mrs. Mabel Guething and returned to his place of business on Monday will meet in a few gays to try to decide the question and report at the special school meeting on March 27. home of George Stimson the first of All voters are requested to be present, The family had been un- if possible, to vote on the articles der quarantine owing to a case of printed below, as there must be two-diphtheria, which their sen Henry was afflicted with.

The articles are as follows: Article 1. To hear reports and all other agents and officers of the dis-

vote to purchase a site for a new school building in the Pine kill sec-Harry Campbell, of Brookline, has house on said site, or upon present site, or remodel or repair the present Wagons with his brother Fred on the Sunday building, appropriate money or hire it for the above purposes, or act any-

### BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Whist parties are being conducted every Friday evening at the Grange hall for the purpose of raising enough money to have the place wired for electric lights. There was a good at-tendance last week Friday evening and a good time was enjoyed by all. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whitcomb entertained Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Weeks and baby, of Keene, over the

week-end. Mrs. William L. Dodge has gone to Brockton to spend a few days at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Eliot Keith, who lies very ill at the Bel-

mont hospital. On Thursday and Friday of last week Mrs. Mallie Gilson entertained Mrs. A. H. Jordan, of Hollis.

Albert Pierce went to Nashua last week Friday on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dinsmore, with baby, who have been spending the winter at the home of Mrs. Dinsmore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilkey, have gone to South Framingham, Mass., to

Charles Wilkins and Frank Austin

Austin at St. Joseph's hospital. They as clerk. found the patients doing as well as

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Holcombe were visitors in Boston last week Wed-

O. D. Fessenden, Herber: Corey and son Harry attended the automobile show in Boston last week Thursday.

Mrs. Harry Campbell, Mrs. G. E. Cady, with Mrs. John Martin, of Pepperell, and Mrs. Perkins, of Nashua, went to Norton, Mass, last week Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. William French. Both Mr. and Mrs. French sent their kindest regards and wished to be remembered to all of their friends.

Miss Lizzie Whitcomb, of Townsend, vention. was the recent guest of Mrs. Della Whitcomb.

Samuel Cooke died on last week Wednesday morning of pheumonia at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Casar Gindici. He had worked as quarryman at the Milford quarries for a number of years. A delegation of quarry-men came from Milford on Saturday afternson to attend the lanneral.

Charles Fagan, of Townsend, was a visitor in town last week Wednes-

At the regular meeting of Brookling Grange on last week Wednesday even-ing the second degree was exemplified for the inspection of Deputy Arthur C. Vaughan, who was present. The program for the evening consisted of a piano solo by Alice Whitromb; reading, Mattie Kent; vocal duet, Maud Greeley and Ethel Taylor; reading, George Cady; vocal duet, Minnle Maxwell and Wallace Jenness; song Grange, "Hurrah for old New Eng-land." A letter was read from Mr and Mrs. Clarence Russell which was written as they are journeying to-wards the Panama exposition, and was most interesting to all. Following the program refreshments were served.

At the town meeting held on just week Tuesday the following officer

were elected:

Walter, Corey, Fred Rockwood, George Nye, selectmen: A. A. Hall town clerk; Delbert Porter, road agent and tree warden; Herbert Arry, town treasurer; Frank Willoby, the engineer; Ralph Greeley and L. Powers, asst. engineers; Edwin Taylor, sexton: William Brown and Patrick of Connell william Brown and Edorus Shattuck, trustees of connetery fund; George Bridges, Join Andrews, Charles Glison, homorial committee; George Rockwood, Pericy Pierce, Edward Lancey and Walter Fessenden, surveyors of wood and lumber; Elmer Rideout, sealer of weights and measures; Herbert Corey, William Hobart and O. D. Fessenden, finance committee.

The offices of police, constable, dog were elected:

The offices of police, constable, dog killer and auditors were left for the selectmen to fill. Mrs. George Bridges was the new member elected on the library committee for three years. The office of tax collector was put out en bid. During the noon hour dinner was served at the Congregational church.

### LUNENBURG.

News Items.

The trustees for the Ritter Memorial library have organized with John Wooldredge, chairman; Miss Heien G. On last Saturday the committee on Jones, clerk; James A. Litchfield, avestigations concerning the I ine hill treas.; Miss Fannie C. Graves and

ganization on Tuesday evening of last ed; thence Southeasterly by said last week and Mrs. Frederick C. Cross was mentioned road to land of Theresa elected chairman; Clifford C. Lane, Brennan; thence Southwesterly by clerk; George P. Grant, Jr., auditor; said Brennan land to land formerly Dr. Charles E. Woods, school physician; James L. Harrington, attendance said Carleton land to a corner; thence

ter R. Burnap, clerk, The W. C. T. U. held its regular semi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Ellen S. Parker on Friday after-

Thomas G. Lesure, a veteran of the civil war, and the oldest man in Lu-nenburg, died at his home near Whalom on Tuesday afternoon, March 16. He had been in failing health for several months and as he was nearly ninety years of age he could not withstand the infirmities of old age and gradually grew weaker until the end came. He was a member of Post 19, G. A. R., of Fitchburg, and loved and espected by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Frank W. Lesure, of Fitchburg, and John

Lesure of Lunenburg. There are many changes being made in the ownership of real estate in Lunenburg this spring and several very desirable places, houselots and resi-dences, are still on the market. It is rumored that the place on Massachusetts avenue, owned by the late Wilbur A. Lancey, and now occupied by his daughter, Mrs. Henry D. Kelley, and family, has been sold in order to

settle up the estate of its late owner. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Rockwood have vacated the little cottage by the schoolhouse in Mulpus and have moved to the Craig farm on Flat hill.

The annual meeting of the Lunenburg A. A. will be held in the lower town hall this Saturday evening. Of-Mrs. Mary A. Whitcomb and daughter Edna, of West Swazey, are visiting to the home of J. Whitcomb.

Incers are to be made for out-door to be made for o ficers are to be elected for the ensu- basket. On last week Tuesday the Loyal plans are to be made for out-door Workers met at the home of Mrs. G. sports, and the game of baseball al-Cady, there being twelve present. The guests of the day were Mrs. A. Shu-man, of Ayer, and Mrs. John Martin, there will be a large attendance at

of Pepperell. Mrs. Hattle Stiles gave this annual meeting and start the outor repperent miss, matter stress gave 1018 annual meeting and start the o a reading, after which the subject, door program with hearty interest. "Cats," was strenuously discussed. George N. Proctor has sold the Miss Emma Gilson has returned to buildings and a portion of the land near Whalom, known as the Dailey Groton after a week's visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. William Matplace, to Clarence Proctor, who buys it for a home.

The assessors for 1915 have or went to Nashua last week Tuesday ganized by appointing Ernest K. Procand visited Mrs. Wilkins and Roland tor as chairman, and Charles L. Allen

The men of the Methodist church could be expected.

Miss Inez Wright, who has been shingle the chapel. The weather was visiting her brother, Freeman Wright, remarkably mild for this season of the year and the hammers made lively the noon hour, when a music until the noon hour, when a bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of the society.

The Middlesex union conference will meet in the Congregational church on Wednosday, April 21.

The Sunday school teachers of the Congregational church held a meeting on Sunday afternoon at which Miss Fannie C. Graves, Mrs. Ellen S. Parker and Miss Nellie M. Jewett were chosen a committee to prepare for an Easter service. A union meeting is also contemplated to take the place of the usual spring Sunday school con-

Edward E. Howe has been re-elected superintendent of streets. Albert Rockwood has also been engaged for another year at the town farm.

The benefit entertainment which was gotten up by the class of 1909, Lunenburg high school, for the pur 1.08e of assisting one of their mem bers, who is now in the sanitarium in Rutland, was held in the town hall on last week Friday evening. It was a about \$128, for which the class feel very grateful, to a most enthusiastic audience. During the afternoon and evening a food and candy sale was also carried on, the proceeds of which helped to make up the grand tota for the same worthy object. The hall was filled and everyone rejoices ove the very satisfactory result.

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all and singular, the premises con-veyed by said mortgage deed, and therein described as follows: A certain parcel of land with the mildings thereon situated in said Groton near the Common at the June tion of Common and Hollis streets being all and the same premises conveyed to the said Frank H. Sherwin

by deed of Frederick A. Sherwin, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner The school committee met for or- Clark land to Breakneck road, so callofficer; Ulmer McIntyre, janitor of the Southeasterly by said Carleton land Center school building. to land of Millard F. Smith; thence other agents and officers of the district and act thereon.

Art. 2. To see if the district will William R. Proctor, chairman; Wall by said Ifollis Street to said Common; by said Hollis Street to said Common; thence Southwesterly by said Common to the place of beginning, saving and excepting always that portion of the above described premises which has been released to H. K. Richards. Verms made known at time and

MOSES P. PALMER, Assignee of said Mortgage.

Groton, March 4, 1915. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that he subscriber has been duly appointed diministrator of the estate of CLARA WHITNEY late of Ayer in the country of Middlesex, deceased, interand has taken upon himself tha by giving bond, as the law di

ctets.
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Whereas, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament and one codicil of said deceased have been presented to said Court, for Probate, by AUGUSTA A. P. HAPGOOD who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-third day of March A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forencon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Fublic Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate; seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquires.

Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this second
day of March in the year one thousand
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idence in the State of Rhode Island without giving a surety on their bonds.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlessx, on the twenty-second day of March A. D. 1915. At nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McInitire, Esquire, First Judge of eaid Court, this twentieth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and fitteen.

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### PEPPERELL

About Town. The Camp-fire Girls, not to be outby the Boy Scouts, took a hike

to Nissittissit hill on Friday after-noon of last week, accompanied by their guardian, Miss Gertrude Carter. The girls climbed as far as up to the top of the hill, but were not able to secure quite as good a view, as the climb up the trees was beyond them.

W. A. Kemp, Frank Bennett, F. F Winch and Fred Bennett attended the auto show in Boston during last week. Gerry and Earl Nutting went in Saturday, also.

Chester A. Mills returned home las week, having finished the special course at the Amherst Agricultural

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Woods, of Fitchburg, were guests over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Withrow. Edith Hatherly and Dora LeBean spent Thursday in Nashua on a pleasure and shopping trip.

Miss Edna Kittredge has been il and under the care of a physician a part of the week with a severe cold, and unable to attend to her duties as bookkeeper in I. J. Rowell's grain

A food and apron sale will be held by the Ready Workers, circle of Acoma lodge on Friday afternoon, March 26, at three o'clock, in the Odd Fellows' banquet room. Two ond reliable by the numble fingers of the members and will be disposed of at this sale in manner. Everyone is cordially invited to come.

Mrs. Dudley R. Child spent Wednesday in Boston on a shopping trip. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dwyer will soon remove from their tenement in the Jewett house on Main street, into the cottage house of Mrs. Nellie Mc-

Grath. Miss Ada Whitney, who has beer stopping with her cousin in Nashua some weeks, returned home on

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parker entertained the Hardscrabble Whist club on Monday evening at their hospitable home on Brookline street, the occasion being one of the most enjoyable of the season. The first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. A. G. Pike, and that for gents by Hale Jordan. Miss Helen Robbins and Mr. Gaskill won coffee were served by the hostess.

Charles F. Jewett returned from his trip to California very unexpectedly on Monday evening.

Harry Hatfield, a former employee at the Champion card shop, is working about the grounds of the Charles Fitch place, where many repairs on fences and grounds are about to be made.

The ladies of the Social Circle of the Unitarian society will serve a din-ner on town meeting day. Monday, in Central hall at twelve o'clock. It will consist of cold ham, baked beans, hot puddings and fancy pastries. The committee are Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Mrs. A. S. Woodward, Mrs. Addison Woodward, Mrs. John Frossard and Mrs. Will Chase

Quite a party of young people met at the Congregational vestry on Fri-day evening of last week, who were interested in "The trip to Palestine" contest in the Sunday school. Captains were chosen for the two sides. Flora Boynton being at the head of wearing the blue badges, and Gerold Willett of those wearing the Every new member enlisting on attendance of members at the meetings counts seven miles. The contest is to last about three months, at the end of which the defeated captain and members are to give a supper to their

meeting held by the Woman's club of Groton on Friday of last week.

George Wiggin returned to his home Wiggin will remain with her sisdaughter until she is convalescent. attendance at Mrs. Robbins'.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer A. Gilson spent Tuesday in Boston, taking in the preparations for Evacuation day, which were particularly elaborate in South

The East Village club who will be entertained by Mrs. Albert Parker on Wednesday afternoon, March 24, will have for their subject "Noble deeds." Every member is expected to bring some short clipping or anecdote bear-

Mrs. Bessie Allen, who has been spending the winter with relatives in St. Louis, Mo., returned to her home on Elm street on Friday of last week Arthur Elliott, of Gardner spent Friday and Saturday in town with her sister, Mrs. Bartlett. Little Geniefe Bartlett, who had been with her grandparents in Gardner, returned with her.

A fine box of flowers were received on Monday by Mrs. Linville Shattuck, sent by her son Gerald from Dart-They possess a peculiar value as they had served as a part of the decorations at the banquet given last week by President and Mrs. Nichols of Dartmouth to ex-President Taft who lectured at that college on March

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunton and son, of South Portland, Me., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Dunton's par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin. Harris Tarbell has accepted the position of chauffeur for George Keyes of the Nashua River paper mill.

Mrs. Louise Williams Lawrence was the guest of Miss Edith Gerrish at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Harrington, of Worcester, over Sunday,

The reports of the condition of Mrs. Eugene Fletcher at St. Joseph's hos pital, Nashua, are encouraging. The and blistered and mirrors and glass operation for appendicitis was performed the day after her entrance to pants feel thankful that the result votes, although Miss M. L. P. Shatthe hospital. Mr. Fletcher was allow- was no worse.

ed to see her on Saturday and feels confident of her recovery, which, how-ever, may be slower as she was in a low state of health from the long care of her aged mother-in-law.

Mrs. Harriet Woodward and daugh ter, from East Rindge, N. H., came last week to remain at the home of Eugene Fletcher during the sickness of Mrs. Fletcher at the hospital. Mrs. Woodward is Mrs. Fletcher's aunt. Mrs. M. A. Henry, who has been assisting at Mrs. Fletcher's, returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Simmons, last week. On Monday she went to Somerville to assist in the care of Mrs. George Herrig, who is ill.

John Frossard was in Boston last Saturday on business and to take in the auto show also. He visited his daughter, Mrs. Nodding, and family, in Somerville on Sunday. His little granddaughter Virginia accompanied

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Murphy and son, of Worcester, were week-end guests with relatives in town.

The Champion International card shop shut down on Friday night of last week, a notice being given that the help would be notified when again needed. Some of the hands have entered the employ of the Pepperell card shop this week.

Joseph Drumm is at home from Vorcester, where he has been employed, as the manufactory there is shut down.

Leon Lawrence from Concord, visited relatives in town over Sunday. Joseph Graham was in Boston and

Winchester on business Tuesday. A little seven-pound daughter was relcomed into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Robbins, Pleasant street, on Tuesday morning, March 16. She is already named Thurlo Idella.

Mrs. Anna Nutting returned to the home of her son, Leroy Nutting, this week, having been in Shirley nearly

ware for which he is agent, in the man could run when they reached Hollis street, through Tucker avenue Congregational vestry. A small ad-mission will be asked and each lady to get it under control. attending will be presented with a fine aluminum dish. The proceeds of the afternoon are to go to the L. B. S. of that church.

The sad news of the death of George Kimball, of Dunstable, of double pneumonia, on Saturday of last week, was Helen Robbins and Mr. Gaskill won the consolations. Ice cream, cake and town. His marriage to Agnes Gardner, who was well-known here, occurred only last May. He was the son of Origen Kimball, of Dunstable, and nephew of Willis W. Kimball, of this town. His young widow and inthis town. His young widow and infant child will remain with his parents in Dunstable for the present.

At the same time, in the south part of the town, near the Groton line, a fire was again started near Primus

Mrs. J. M. Graham returned home from Derry, N. H., last week, where she was called by the illness of her little grandson.

Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson went to Fitchburg on Friday of last week to bring back her little son Kenneth, who has been visiting his grandmother.

The Warren Engine company held their annual banquet on Friday even-ing, March 12. An unusually large number were present, the tables being laid for more than one hundred members and guests, and a fine oyster sup-per was enjoyed. Louis Shattuck presided at the after-dinner exercises and there were many short speeches from the guests, who included some of the prominent men of this town, and also from most of the surrounding towns. Later the company were entertained by Scott and Bayard, of either side brings them twenty-five Wakefield, the two-man minstrels, who miles nearer their destination. The with their planist rendered a fine pro-

The Easter sale held by the ladies of the Methodist society on Wednesday afternoon and evening had very good patronage and satisfactory returns, considering the business depression Mrs. John Bennett and Mrs. Charles which always affects this church first decorations of the tables were green and white, the fancy roton on Friday of last week.

George Wiggin returned to his home
Is arch and drapings. The supper, in ence Flynn and Mrs. Josephine Blood.

North Conway, N. H., on Tuesday, charge of Mrs. E. Handley, as we res. Wiggin will remain with her sixpredicted, was a most appetizing one, ter, Mrs. Lyman Robbins, and small and finely served. The program consisted of a piano solo by Bessie Far-Mrs. Emma Hill, the nurse, is also in ley and a vocal selection by Miss Ruth Harrington. The little character song by Viola Harris. Ethra Winship and Esther Martin was charmingly carried out. There was also a humorous reading by Mrs. Kimball.

A poverty party was arranged for Wednesday evening at the Congregational vestry by the five classes of Rev. and Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. C. H. Miller. Miss Swinerton and Miss Fannie Tower, and was carried out in a very fine manner. The evening was full ing upon the subject, which is a wide of amusing incidents and many of the costumes created much laughter Miss Ruth Tucker was finally awarded the first prize for ladies and Guy Rouse first for gents. The refresh, were doughnuts, cheese and ments coffee.

Several Fires.

In these days of extremely high winds, now that the fields are become ing so dry, everyone is fearing fire. Possibly, also, it is more in the minds of several who recall that the nine teenth was the anniversary of our bis There have been several blazes in the past few days, but nothing so very dis

astrous. Mr. and Mrs. Otto B. Olsen had a narrow escape on Thursday night of last week. In making some adjust-ment of a large gasolene lamp Mrs. Olsen turned the apparatus the wrong way and the two quarts of gasolene contained in the lamp found vent in Miller failed to be re-elected, hav-through a valve. In an instant her ing but 205 votes. J. Gardiner Willey. dress was in flames and a dozen places about the room. Mr. Olsen was called to the room by her cries and by rompt work and the use of the fire extinguisher succeeded in saving Mrs. Olsen and putting out the flames which seemed to be filling the room. Mr. Olsen received severe burns on the hands and face. The heat became so intense that the walls were charred were broken and cracked. The occu-

is in the extreme western part of the town, but they are enthusiastic con-

the track belonging to Charles Kemp, by 474 votes, not contested.
of this town. It also consumed a As caucus nominee for water comsmall building which contained some missioner for three years. John H. farming utensils used by him on a Holt received 460 votes and was electural adjoining field. It extended ted; water commissioner for two

The second railroad blaze was only a slight one and was soon under control by the section hands on the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division.

The worst part of this one was the Roder, elected, receiving 493 votes. John reasonable explanation.

response of the firemen with extin- records of the day's voting. guishers was given and it was speedi-ly under control and without much tions and consideration of the twentyguishers was given and it was speedi-

buildings belonging to the Misses
Butman, who have been stopping in
Wolfboro, N. H., for some time past.
Their furniture and some clothing,
which was stored in the house, was also burned. An alarm was telephoned to headquarters and a crew of fire fighters arrived only just in time to check the flames before they reached On Thursday afternoon, March 25, the timber land owned by Timothy at three o'clock, George H. Shattuck Hayes. They claim the fire was runthe timber land owned by Timothy will give a demonstration of aluminum ning in the dried grass as fast as a

> The fire seemed to have started from a small brush fire near the home of Thomas Wood. Too much cannot be said against such carelessness as starting to burn brush or rubbish now the fields are so dry, and before any vegetation has started.

On Tuesday afternoon an alarm was sounded from box 46, near the Prescott place. It proved to be a fire in the field of Mrs. Boutwell and was under control before it endangered the

station, burning over quite a territory in the pasture owned by George T. Keyes. The fire here was stopped by the river which bounds it south

Grange Notes.

A very largely attended meeting was held by Prescott Grange at the hall on Friday evening of last week. It was estimated about 100 were present, there being a delegation of thirty-

three from Hollis Grange.

The third degree was worked on a class of candidates by the ladies' degree staff, with Miss Florence Kemp as master, in a very systematic man as master, in a very systematic man-ner. The floor work of the staff was, as usual, finely executed and worthy of all the praise given. The fourth degree was worked by the regular Grange officers.

Inspection was given by Harry J Greenwood, deputy inspector, of Worcester.

The supper committee, with Mrs William Lunt as chairman, served a fine supper of salads, baked beans and pastries in variety

The next meeting will be March 26. The program which was to have been furnished this evening will be post-poned until a later date. Massachu-setts night, which was to occur April 9, will be substituted and will be in April 5.

Town Affairs.

The annual town meeting for the election of town officers and decision on the liquor question was held on was one of the largest attended meetings for several years there being 579 male voters present and ninety-two female. More enthusiasm than in previous years was shown by the women of the town, especially among those who have lately organized as an equal suffrage league. Many of the officers of this league, with lit-Many erature bearing upon this subject, for distribution, met at the polling places At precinct A they were allowed the freedom of the rear of the hall, but at precinct B the warden informed them, as he inter-

hey withdrew There were several contests in elecions which probably increased the interest. It is certain that the results proved a surprise to many in town other than those directly concerned.

John O. Bennett was elected to serve as warden in precinct A, and W. A.

Drummey in precinct B. The result of the voting at the closing of the polls at four o'clock was

Town clerk, P. J. Kemp 527 votes not contested; treasurer, E. L. Tar-bell 497 votes, uncontested. The election of selectman for three years was closely contested. Charles

as second nominee since the caucus vas elected, having 357 votes. Another contest took place in the ote for assessor for three years. H. . Thurston failed to secure re-elecion to this office, having 190 votes.

Willis Perry, the caucus nominee, was lected by 361 votes. A contest on the question of school ommittee resulted in the election of Harry F. Hobart, the caucus nominee, winning the election, having 351

301 votes.

As the caucus nominee for overseer

nearly to the river before it was sub-dued.

Jears, Arthur P. Wright was elected, receiving 453 votes. In the election of highway surveyor, Warren Blood, caucus nominee, re-

The worst part of this one was the accident happening to Philip Rodier, who mistook a jug containing acid for the fire extinguishers they carried for the water jug. He took a swallow of more before discovering his mistake and was immediately hustled back to town, where an antidote was administered by the first physician to found, which worked favorably.

A still alarm was sent in about the first physician to be livered by the first physician to be liv A still alarm was sent in about year. The vote on license or no-li-called however, the most moving received so o'clock Saturday morning for a cense resulted in Yes 327, No 229 ligious observance in the world today 6.30 o'clock Saturday morning for a cense resulted in Yes 321, No 2205 ligious constitution in Figure 21, No 2205 ligious constitution in pronouncing these last figures last figures as a most lamentable conclusion to the light a good idea of the play, the village, the characters and its production in pronouncing these last figures last it in may be obtained from pictures.

wind was blowing a gale, a furious ing articles have been added to the fire started on Bancroft street. It entirely consumed the house and the town warrant is to be held on Monday. The three following articles have been added to the original number as mublished.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize the sale of the town property known as the Bradley Varnum with the same, or act anything in reation thereto. Art 23. To see what action the

town will take in regard to establishing the pay of the town officers, or act anything in relation to the same.

Art. 24. To see if the town will ote to extend the water system from there. They had a good, sharp fight to the house of J. J. Willoughby, or act anything in relation thereto and

appropriate money therefor. There will be a public meeting of the citizens at the town half on this Daughters of the American Revoluweek Friday evening for the discussion of the articles contained in the town warrant.

Fine Entertainment.

The L. B. S. of the Congregationa society gave their fine entertainment before a crowded house on Thursday evening, March 11. The musical part of the program consisted of plane luets by Mrs. Tarbell and Mrs. Gage, and by Misses Doris Durant and Dorothy Dennen. Also, two fine violin olos by Howard Shattuck. The farce, "Her weekly allowance," was presented by a large cast of characters, sixteen in all. A nice discrimination was shown by the committee arranging securing work for the unemployed it the party, as, in nearly every case, he local characters were well selected for their special part.

housekeeper, was enacted in a very and prime movers in the effort to senatural manner by Mrs. Albert Parkhave peddlers, agents and solicitors bill had been passed appropriating the of all descriptions call upon her. Her money, but thought patience and courtesy are wonderful- committee. Afterward he stated that y maintained and she gives her pat- he had not intended to ask for any ronage to must of them until the tenth thing for his district as he thought it ronage to must of them until the tenth thing for his district as he thought it one appears. He is summarily dismissed with some anger and in reckloning up Mrs. Tibbits finds all her allowance gote and herself several hundred.

Mr. Saunders finally did bestir him-

duced The shorter farce, "Mrs. Oakley's ing this money, if credit there be telephone," was extremely bright and should at least be shared by the board laughable. Miss Waite made a fine of overseers of the poor, who maintain mistress, as Mrs. Oakley, and Mrs. that we needed and insisted that we Bliss, as her cook, with her many dif-should try and secure our share. R. ficulties at the telephone was inimi-table. There was not a dull moment To the Editor:

or a sober face during the entire play. The committee in charge were Mrs. J. B. Lewis, Miss Lydia Walte and Mrs. Shattuck, and they are to be conwill meet in Townsend on gratulated upon the success of the vhole evening.

Election Ichoes.

With the election of J. Gardiner ago. These who would question or restoration. ment would do well to remember that Church Notes. age is only a relative term.

Our youngest selectman has probprogression often comes along those lines. He is a native of this town, the law, they would not be having been born here about thirtyallowed to carry out their project and five years ago, and that he has a host of friends was proved at the recent election. He was educated in our publie schools with the exception of a years, when his parents resided in Quincy. He is a graduate of the Pepperell high school, class of 1899. He has always taken an intelligent interest in town affairs and movements and made himself thoroughly conversant with them.

Mr. Willey is an active member of grand, and at present serving as secetary of the lodge. He is also district deputy grand master, a position he has held for three years. Willey has also been connected with the Masonic order of Ayer, being a member of St. Paul lodge, of which e has now been elected master. If he brings a degree of the enthusiasm he has maintained toward these orders to bear upon the town affairs, much may be expected to be gained. many friends wish him the best of success.

Found Wandering.

An unknown woman was found winning the election, having 351 wandering about on the Nashua road votes, although Miss M. L. P. Shat-on Wednesday afternoon. Her actions held a poverty party tuck, having filed nomination papers, drew the attention of the residents to Wednesday evening.

No alarm was given, as the house proved a worthy antagonist, having her and the case was telephoned to to town by team and as nothing could be found about her clothing to identify Two forest fires also occurred on last week Friday, being near the railroad, and probably set by sparks from nomination papers, receiving 133

Primus hill covered quite a territory of small growth on the east side of years, M. Luther Boynton was elected in the treat belocked by the poor, Leon Richardson was be found about her clothing to identify her she was taken to the town farm for the night. She gave a confused and conflicting story of her wanderyotes.

As cemetery commissioner for three from Nashua and later from Boston. After she was recovered and given After she was recovered and given warmer sclothing she seemed more rational. In the morning she managed to evade the watchfulness of the wife of the superintendent and made her escape. Chief Montieth was notified and traced her toward Groton. The search was abandoned near the Ayer line and the case given to the Groton officials. It was though

called, however, the most moving re-The stereopticon lecture at the Con gregational church on Sunday night furnishes this opportunity, and coming so near passion week it is timely There are included, also, twenty-fiv pictures showing the mountains, lake and castles of Germany in the vicinity of Oberammergau.

The young men of the Unitarian Sunday school will conduct the serv house and barn, and land connected ice in the church on Sunday evening at seven o'clock. A welcome is extended to all persons who may wish to attend

On Palm Sunday, March 28, the sccieties comprising the Church Federation, will join for morning service in the Unitarian church at 10.40. Com-munion will be administered and the sermon will be preached by Rev. Sam-uel A. Eliot, D. D., president of the American Unitarian association. All persons are welcome.

The annual March meeting of the tion will be held in the rooms of the New England Woman's club 585 Boyl street, Boston, March 25, at or o'clock in the afternoon. Special busi ness, election of state regent, vice re-gent and to consider the subject of presenting a candidate for the office of vice president general.

Henry Jelley, electrician, has wired the house of Emery J. Darling on Foster street for electric lights.

To the Editor:

In a recent issue of your paper at item in relation to certain money se cured from a state appropriation for was inadvertantly done to the board of overseers of the poor, as I under-The part of Mrs. Tebbits, the young stand that they were the instigators ousekeeper, was enacted in a very and prime movers in the effort to seer. She receives the sum agreed upon for her weekly allowance and begins to her household duties and begins to ignorance of the fact that any such

lowance gore and herself several hundred dollars in debt.

The dialogue throughout was active and witty and abounded in humor, with some very good local hits introduced.

Mr. Saunders finally did bestir himself and interviewed the proper state officials and secured the promise of an appropriation which they were perfectly willing to grant.

We think that the credit for secur-

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Members of the First Parish were New Hose ..... your correspondent on the appearance and location of their new horse sheds They had been flattering themselves their fellow citizens would be pleased at the neat and comfortabl ook of those necessary, if not beauti ful adjuncts of all country meeting Willey on the board of selectmen of houses. The location is precisely tha this town we have perhaps the young of the old sheds, arranged legally for est board taken as a whole, for many the parish by the town, over sixty years. Cur veteran selectman for years ago, and their present crude apmany years past, who is nearing his three-score and ten, Charles H. Miller, from the beauty of the grounds of the was however, no older than some of nearest neighbor, whose claims of the present members when first elec-land possession has for more than ted to the board nearly thirty years ten years prevented a speedier shed

"The rainbow around the throne will be the subject at the Methodist ably not out-lived his enthusiasms and church on Sunday morning. At seven From good colored, good laying stock n the evening there will be a praise service and preaching upon the sub lect, "I shall be satisfied." The bright hour service of the Epworth league will be held at six o'clock. Subject "David, God's method of developing leaders." Leader, Miss Lizzie McNayr The service for prayer and will be held on Tuesday evening a 7.30 o'clock.

Rev. Alfred L. Struthers, of Towns end, will preach in the Congregational church on Sunday morning in ex-change with Rev. J. B. Lewis. In Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., having occu-pied all the chairs, serving as noble stereopticon lecture on "The passion stereopticon recture on "The passion play," illustrated with seventy-five slides. "The holy city" will be sung, illustrated with ten slides. This lec-ture, "The passion play," will be giv-en in the Oak Hill hall on Monday evening at 7.45.

Considerable interest is being arousd in "The trip to Palestine." an at tendance contest started last Synday by members of the Sunday school. At present the blues are ahead, but they will have to work hard to keep ahead. The Woman's Missionary society

met at the parsonage on Wednesday afternoon for their study of "In Redman's land." Several classes of the Sunday school hold a poverty party in the vestry on

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I desire, at this time, to express my sincere appreciation to my supporters in the recent election and also to say to the citizens of Pepperell that I shair endeavor, so far as in my power, to justify their confidence and respect. J. GARDINER WILLEY.
East Pepperell, Mass., March 17, 1915

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION of the First National Bank of Pepperell, at East Pepperell, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business March 4, 1915.

\$128,130.79 45.39 ue) Ther bonds to secure postal 50,000.00 Other bonds to secure postal savings.
Other bonds, securities, etc., owned unpledged (other than stocks), including premiums on same
Subscription to stock
of Federal Reserve bank . \$1,500,00
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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and
Il other persons interested in the es
ate of LUTHER G. CHANDLER late of

Pepperell, Mass

all other persons interested in the estate of LUTHER G. CHANDLER late of Townsend in said County, deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court, for Probate, by DORA L. CHANDLER who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixth day of April A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or, defivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eightent day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

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H. F. TARBELL, Cashier. Subscribed and aworn to before me this 12th day of March, 1915. George G. Tarbell, Notary Public.

George G. Tarvo...

Correct—Attest:
T. F. Graham,
I. J. Rowell,
Arthur P. Wright,
Directors,