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#### SHIRLEY

Center.

Mrs. Ralph I. Evans and little daughter Esther returned to Frances-town, N. H., Thursday. Mrs. J. W. Evans and daughter Olive accompanied them for a short visit.

The Matrons' Aid society held a very pleasant meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. David Marsh on Center road. Mrs. Ora Adams, of Leominster, acting as hostess.

Millinery opening and white sale Monday, March 29, at New Idea store.

Death.

Mrs. Lucy A. Adams passed away on Sunday morning at her home on Center road at the age of eighty-six years after a short illness with pneumonia. Mrs. Adams was born on September 12, 1828, in Lunenburg, her parents being Stephen and Mary (Hartwell) Gibson. She was educated in the town school, and also attended the private schools which were held at that time. On November 30, 1852, she was married to Albert Adams. The first years of their married life was spent in Lunenburg, but about fifty years ago they moved to Shirley, which has been their home since that time. Five children were born to them, Charles A. of Brookline, Edward G. of Roxbury, Mary E. of Shirley, Nellie A. of Brookline and Florence

L., an instructor at Mt. Holyoke college.

Mrs. Adams was a member of the Congregational church at the village, but had not been a regular attendant for some years on account of old age. She was a trustee of Trinity chapel and when the proposal to found the chapel was first made, very willingly gave the land on which the chapel now stands. When she was younger she was known for her kindness in nursing the sick and there are many who can remember with gratitude her presence during illness or trouble. Mrs. Adams' chief interest was in her home and family, and she has always worked loyally and continually for their welfare. A perfect exemplification of sweet and peaceful old age, a kind neighbor and friend to all, her presence will be truly missed.

Mrs. Adams leaves beside her husband and five children, five grandchildren and several nephews and nieces. The funeral was held at her late home on Center road Wednesday afternoon. Rev. G. E. Woodman, of the Congregational church at the village, conducted the service and was assisted by Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, of Brookline, and Rev. Mr. Taylor, of Boston. A large number of friends and relatives were present to pay their last respects to Mrs. Adams, and the profuse floral offerings were evidence of the great love and esteem

which were felt for her. Burial was in the family lot in the Center cemetery.

#### News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gately are entertaining a daughter weighing eight pounds, born Thursday morning.

The friends of Mrs. Charles W. Marshall will be pleased to learn that she has made marked improvement and the physicians in charge of her case assure the family of her recovery. This is particularly gratifying to her host of friends and well wishers who look forward to again seeing her among them.

#### Altruism.

The Altruists met at their club-room on Thursday afternoon, the meeting being called to order by the president, Mrs. Myra E. Ely. The secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Lilly, gave her report and correspondence notes. A song was sung and the subject for the afternoon was given as "Bird day." Miss Martha J. Hunter gave a very fine paper on birds and their habits, illustrating her talk with photographs of many different birds and exhibited several stuffed birds. Miss Hunter also gave the calls of several kinds in a most inimitable manner. A song was then given by Mrs. F. M. Ballou, entitled "Pretty birds," accompanied by Miss Hazel Ballou. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Herson gave a vocal duet, called "Like the lark." Mrs. Ruby Felch Smith rendered a vocal solo, "The mocking bird," followed by Miss G. M. Kilburn with an interesting paper on "Birds," repeating Phebe Cary's fable of the selfish woman who was changed to a bird; also, many other pleasing facts. She also exhibited a simple bird house and made a strong plea to the club members to supply some of these houses for the benefit of the birds during the spring and summer. A rising vote of thanks was given these ladies for their excellent papers and music.

The chairman of directors, Mrs. Mary W. Hazen, announced that the next meeting, April 8, would be held at the home of Mrs. Martha J. Conant as an anniversary meeting. The meeting closed with singing. Miss Grace M. Kilburn at the piano.

#### HARVARD

#### News Items.

Perhaps a few items connected with the passing of the Capt. Savage property into the hands of George F. Polard may be of interest to the people. The history of the house was originally owned by Rev. Washington Gilbert, a resident pastor of this town and a great friend of Ralph Waldo Emerson, so that this New England poet was often the guest at Rev. Gilbert's home here in Harvard. It is also very interesting to know that contrary to the general opinion that this old structure is practically as sound in timber as the day it was built. The windows, the spacious fireplaces in nearly all the rooms and the finish inside is wonderfully well preserved. Mr. Polard, under I. E. Morse's supervision, will restore this place to its original beauty and style.

What might have been a serious fire was averted by the prompt work of members of Chemical No. 1 and the forest fire crew at the place now owned by Mrs. Norton-Baum in Old Mill district. A chimney dropped a match and by the time the fire was out it had burned to within twenty feet of the big barn and seriously damaged the orchard at the south of the place.

About twenty of the I. O. O. F. of this town attended the neighborhood meeting of lodges at Concord Junction on Thursday evening.

Miss Elsie M. Hubachek, guardian for the Nashaway Camp-fire Girls, entertained her girls at luncheon on Wednesday afternoon at her home on Oak Hill road. Mrs. Austin Peters was a guest at the party. After luncheon the girls posed for a picture and later took a hike down to the pond. The report of the candy sale on last week Friday evening clears up thirteen dollars for the camp treasurer.

Mrs. Lucy Eveline Hynes for many years a resident of this town, passed away on Sunday evening, March 21, at the home of her son, Luther Hynes, at Worcester. Mrs. Hynes was the daughter of John M. Gilson of Groton. She married John Hynes and came to Harvard to live, locating near the Shaker village where Mr. Hynes was employed. Later this young couple bought a farm on Prospect hill which is still owned by the children. Mrs. Hynes was a very active woman and was beloved and respected by those who in any way came in contact with her life. Her funeral services were from her home at Worcester and burial was at Hope cemetery on Wednesday afternoon. She leaves five sons and three daughters. Her age was 71 yrs. 2 mos. 8 days.

There is to be a C. E. social held from the church parlors by the Congregational church on Friday evening, April 2. The entertainment will consist of charades, songs by the "Charm" chorophone, pantomime, "Counting Caroline C." games and a curiosity corner. All are very welcome to attend.

George A. Kelley, formerly of Lowell, aged fifty-one years, passed away at his home in Buffalo, N. Y., last week Thursday. The remains were brought to Lowell and buried from the Immaculate Conception church last Saturday and burial was in the family lot in Lowell. He leaves a wife, his father, Edward Kelley of Lowell; and six sisters, Mrs. Edward Martin, Mrs. M. J. Cahill and Mrs. John Flynn, of Lowell; Mrs. John Harland, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Thomas H. Griffin, of Harvard, and Mrs. J. E. Carpenter, of Chicago, and two brothers, James Kelley, of Lowell, and Frank Kelley, of Boston.

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#### Obituary.

The passing of Warren H. Fairbank from the life of the community marks the going of one of the best men of our town, a man of judgment, conservative, but always for the good of the majority. Respected by the entire community as a man of whole souled ability. His place in town can hardly be filled and his going is a loss not easily sustained.

Warren Fairbank was born in Harvard, January 5, 1851, the only child of Andrew and Ann (Houghton) Fairbank. He received with his boyhood friends the district school education and after completing the work required here attended the high school at Lancaster, Lawrence academy at Groton and the Institute of Technology at Boston. In his early life he taught school in Lancaster, Harvard, West Acton and Littleton. In 1876 he married Miss Catherine A. Houghton of Concord and settled on the farm on Bare Hill now owned by L. W. Hall and on which he lived until nine years ago.

Feeling the need of a less laborious life he sold his farm property and moved into the house he built on the state road and which he occupied until his death.

The confidence of the townspeople is amply expressed in the honors they conferred on Mr. Fairbank. He has held the offices of town moderator, selectman, school committee, assessor, trustee of the public library and trustee of the Bromfield school for a period of over thirty years. He was also one of the directors of the North Middlesex Savings bank, a past master of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons at Ayer, a member of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter at Ayer and a past grand of I. O. O. F. No. 60 of Harvard.

His death occurred on Monday forenoon, March 22, resulting from diabetes and acute Bright's disease. Funeral services from the home on Wednesday at four p. m., conducted by Rev. C. S. Bodwell. The Masonic services were given at the grave, a request of the deceased. A mass of beautiful floral pieces were sent in by his host of friends and completely covered the lot where this honorable man lies at rest. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved widow and children who have lost not only a relative but a companion of extremely social nature and a wise counsellor.

He leaves his widow and two children, Mrs. J. Fred Barry of Schenectady, N. Y., and Mrs. L. K. Savage of this town. In respect to his memory the library and store were closed from four to six p. m. and the flag at the Bromfield school floated at half mast.

#### TOWNSEND

#### Harbor.

Paul Butler, of Boston, was a weekend guest at Walnut Grove farm.

Stillman Anderson has returned to his duties at Hickory farm after a short visit at his home in Dorchester.

Ernest Burke spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Burke.

Frank Conant, who had an attack of the grippe, is more comfortable.

It is reported that Adney Gray has purchased an Overland auto.

The Social club held a St. Patrick's party at the Harbor church last Saturday. All enjoyed a pleasant evening.

William Greeley spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Butterfield in Ashby.

Mr. Jolly has moved with his family from West Groton to the Reed tenement.

Miss Dorothy Smith is at home for her Easter vacation.

Mrs. Thomas Harvey arrived home Monday after spending a pleasant week with her sons in Boston and Danvers.

Earl and Dudley Bagley are spending the week with their aunts in East Boston.

May Crouch is spending her vacation with an aunt in Hollis.

A daughter arrived last week Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gallant.

The Monday club met on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Hager.

Miss Burdett has a new driving horse.

Miss Myrtle Gray is home for a two-weeks' vacation.

Miss Gertrude Dean is a guest at the home of Mrs. M. L. Knight.

The As You Like It club met on Tuesday at the Old Homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keefe entertained their daughter and husband last week.

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SHIRLEY

News Items. Miss Mabel I. Osborne, assistant high school teacher, will spend next week at her home in Danville, N. H. The public schools of the town closed this week Friday for a week, and will reopen on Monday, April 5. The Alliance will meet next week Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Abbie J. Wells. Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, who reside opposite the Shirley Cash Market, are moving to Fitchburg. Mrs. Annie I. Banks is confined to her home this week under the care of her physician with a severe cold. The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. H. W. Elmer on Wednesday afternoon, March 31, at three o'clock. Mrs. Bridget Wheelan, of Ashburnham, mother of Mrs. Jeremiah H. Flynn, of this town, died on Tuesday from heart disease, at the age of 66 yrs. 2 mo. 26 days. An error was made in the death notice of Mrs. Bliss last week. The name should have been Mrs. Henry A. Bliss, instead of Mrs. Charles Bliss. The King's Daughters met on Tuesday evening with Miss Emma Knowles. They have been engaged in sewing for the English Home for Girls in Rovers. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Allen, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Ely, all of Newburyport, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen. Miss Carlene Somes, of North Edgecombe, Me., has been a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Allen. Miss Lena Tewksbury is visiting friends in Chicopee. Russell Miner is working for Fred Whitney, of Harvard, pruning trees. Miss Grace Tewksbury, of Cushing academy, is at home with the mumps. The flying squadron of deputies paid a visit last Tuesday evening to Maynard lodge, A. O. U. W. On last Saturday Mrs. E. E. Edgerton, Mrs. Nellie W. Holbrook, Mrs. Mary W. Hazen, Mrs. Mary M. Nickless and Miss Minnie Hobbs attended Fitchburg E. A. R. chapter meeting to hear a paper on the European war by Mrs. Andrew Pratt, former teacher of the Shakespeare club in Shirley. The funeral of Mrs. Sarah C. Hazen took place at the home of Mrs. Ida S. Hazen last week Friday afternoon with service at two o'clock, Rev. Wm. Channing Brown of Littleton officiating. The bearers were Thomas H. Clark of Worcester, Frank J. Lawton and Elmer H. Allen of Shirley and Wm. A. Wright of Ayer. Burial was in the family lot at Village cemetery. Preparations are nearly completed for the Oddfellows rally at Oddfellows' hall, Fitchburg, Friday evening, April 9. The committee in charge have secured the services of Alfred S. Pinkerton, past grand sire, the well-known orator, and many other state Oddfellows. The orchestra and male quartet of Mt. Roulstone lodge, Fitchburg, will entertain with selections. Refreshments will be served. This is expected to be the biggest demonstration in the interest of Odd-fellowship ever held in this district. Miss Margaret S. Hastings, high school principal, will spend next week's school vacation at her home in Brookfield. Miss Ruth Carter, commercial teacher, will spend part of her vacation at her home in Winchendon and the remainder of the time with her sister in Lynn. Miss Ruth Knowles in company with her sister Ethel will spend the school vacation next week with their sister, Mrs. M. J. Johnson, Dorchester. Howard Knowles will spend next week with his sister, Mrs. Harold W. French, at Fitchburg. Mrs. Lottie Greenleaf has returned home from the city hospital at Rutland, Vt. Misses Sarah S. Stevenson and Doris White will spend the school vacation as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Freeman, Malden. Walter Desmond son of Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond of the Shirley Inn, has accepted a position in the office of the State school for Boys in Westboro. D. A. R. Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held its regular meeting and adjourned annual meeting Tuesday evening at the home of the regent, Mrs. Minnie L. Allen. The regent opened the meeting with selections of Hawaiian music on the Victrola. After the regular business the annual reports were read by officers and Mrs. Ella Lawrence, for the nominating committee, reported for regent, Mrs. Mary W. Hazen; vice-regent, Mrs. Abbie J. Wells; secretary, Mrs. Lavonne J. Edgerton; treasurer, Mrs. Hattie W. Evans; historian, Miss Mary A. Park; registrar, Miss Gertrude Conant; board of management for two years, Mrs. Clara H. Miner. These were unanimously elected and Mrs. Allen very graciously thanked the chapter for its loyal support and turned the chair over to Mrs. Hazen. A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Allen for the splendid work she has done in the eight years she has been regent of the chapter. The next meeting will be held April 27 at the home of Mrs. Annie L. Towksbury. A special pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation to Mrs. Abbie J. Wells by the regent of a beautiful china cup and saucer with the insignia of the D. A. R. engraved on same. Mrs. Wells had the distinction of making the most money out of the sum of twenty-five cents. At the suggestion of the regent some time ago each member decided to see how much they could earn with it. Mrs. Allen, the regent, offered the above gift as a prize. Mrs. Wells winning out. Camp-Fire Girls. The Nonalton Camp-fire Girls held a social meeting in the vestry of the Universalist church on Friday evening, March 19. The parents

and friends of the young ladies were the guests of the camp for the evening. The platform was prettily decorated with pine trees, the symbol of the camp, and candles gave the only light used throughout the exercises. The program consisted of camp-fire songs, the candle ceremony and the awarding of honors; also, the presentation of wood-gatherers' rings to the members who have all attained the rank of wood-gatherer. The honor heads and rings were presented by the guardian of the camp, Mrs. David Lindenberg, assisted by Miss Stella Ely. The entire company were very attractively attired in the full ceremonial garb. The following young ladies compose the camp: Virginia MacElroy, Anna Lougee, May Stebbins, Ruth Day, Agnes Lynch, Cora James, Ruth Woodman, Esther Harris, Hazel Ballous, Helene Desmond. The Shirley Camp-fire Girls with their guardian, Miss Minnie Hobbs, were present in their ceremonial dress. The accompanist of the evening was Mrs. Sydney Horton. Every one expressed themselves as much pleased with the work of the Camp-fire Girls, which shows steady advancement and active interest. Board of Trade. The Board of Trade meeting was held in Engine hall on Wednesday evening, with Gilbert M. Ballou, temporary chairman, presiding. Charles H. Wear, Jr., secretary, read the records of the last meeting. J. Edwin Bonifort, chairman of the committee appointed at the last meeting to bring before the citizens a list of officers for their consideration, reported that the committee decided that the first matter necessary was that all those wishing to join the Board of Trade should sign the constitution and by-laws. The chairman of the meeting then invited all those present who wished to join to come forward and sign. About a dozen added themselves of the privilege. It was then voted to leave the list open until the next meeting, Wednesday evening, March 31, and that the secretary endeavor to notify the citizens of the town of that fact, as in all probability after that date anyone wishing to become a member will have to be voted upon by the members. Mrs. Kate E. Hazen has decided not to sell any of her land near Mr. Ballou's saw mill to Kinney Bros. & Wolkins, but informed the committee that she will give the firm 2 1/2 or 3 acres of land situated on the Frost place, so-called, in the easterly part of the village. This is a splendid proposition for that firm to consider. It is argued by those who know that the site is a good one, coupled with many advantages for a manufacturing business with splendid opportunities for branching out and the housing of their employees. It is not known as yet what the above firm will do in reference to accepting this offer. A. O. U. W. J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., entertained on Monday evening, D. Chester Parsons, grand advisory counsel, and George H. Gorman, chief deputy of Fitchburg; also, the lodge deputy, Edward H. Harlow, of Leominster, and the district deputies of District 21, which included Frank J. Erppe of West Fitchburg, H. Shepley of Clinton, J. H. McCormack and John B. Furry of Clinton. Harry O. Banks, master workman, was master of ceremonies. Brief addresses were made by all the above officials and members of lodges from nearby towns. A substantial lunch was served under the direction of H. O. Bangs, Sylvester Chesbrough and John Gilman, who were ably assisted by members of the lodge. During the evening a brief entertainment was given by Richard Barry and Thomas Stacey of Leominster, with songs and temperance. The evening proved most inspiring for the members and their guests. Center. Miss Ruth M. Graves returned on Sunday to her school in Royalston after a three-weeks' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves. The next regular meeting of the Girls' Sewing Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Barnard on Saturday afternoon, March 27. Mr. Parsons of Groton School, was unable to conduct the service at Trinity chapel last Sunday and his place was taken by Rev. G. E. Woodman, of the village, who gave an excellent address on "Opportunity and responsibility." Regular service on Sunday afternoon at 3:15. Sunday school classes meet directly after the service. Miss Hazel Cummings, who has been ill for many weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, is now much better and is able to be out again. Miss Marion L. Holden returned to Greenfield last week Friday to take up her duties as school teacher after a short vacation spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden. Miss Elsie Kirby, who has been very ill with heart trouble, is reported to be slowly gaining. Mrs. Elsie Evans and little daughter Esther, of Franconstown, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams, of Leominster, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Marsh on Center road. Clarence Clark, of Nashua, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves. A beargeload of friends and relatives from Pepperell spent a pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wood at Woodsville on last week Friday evening. For the meeting of Shirley Grange on Tuesday evening, April 6, which is to be "agricultural night," the following program is announced for the lecturer's hour: Five-minute papers—"The most profitable crop to raise in this section," William Jubb; "Practical farm machinery for New England," Arthur G. Dunn; "Agriculture in foreign countries," Miss Carrie Bradford; "Hot beds and cold frames," Wm. H. Holden; vocal solo, Mrs. Harry H. Lynch.

Mrs. Charles Longley returned to her home on Center road last week after spending the winter in Northboro. Charlie C. Longley, of Millbury, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Charles Longley, coming by automobile. Mr. and Mrs. Sweetser, who for the past two years have had charge of the Mary Anna home, expect to move about April 1 to Hudson, where Mr. Sweetser has accepted a position as superintendent of a large farm. It is reported that the Boston Baptist Social Union, who own the house, are to hold an auction sale of the furnishings, etc., in the near future. If this is true it will mean that the home will be closed permanently as far as the Social Union is concerned. Considerable complaint has been heard about the Center during the past few months regarding the eccentricities of the electric street lighting system. The lights at the Center are supposed to be turned on and off automatically by a time clock situated near the corner of the cemetery. This clock seems to be rather erratic and at times the lights shine during the day and not at night, or else go on late at night and remain dark during the evening. A few of the lights show a tendency not to light at all and some of our citizens are complaining of a loss of shoe leather from kicking the poles to make the lights go on. It is understood that eventually the Center electric light system is to be arranged so as to be turned on from headquarters at the village, and it is expected that then these difficulties will be done away with. HARVARD News Items. Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. McLaughlin are keeping house at the house connected with the sawmill property. The household goods of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ripley, the new warden and matron at the town farm, arrived this week. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Turner returned home on Tuesday, having spent the preceding four days with their son, Earle Turner, at Brooklyn, N. Y. During their absence Mrs. Marla Heywood and Stanley Turner attended to the house and farm duties respectively. Homer Richards is visiting this week with friends at Fall River. Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bryant with Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dill took a trip to Westboro, calling on James H. Whitney. They found Mr. Whitney in splendid health and very glad indeed to see some of his friends from Harvard. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Webber are pleased with the arrival of their first born, a boy baby, on Friday, March 19. Mrs. Julia Sawyer Bailey with her daughter, Miss Laura, are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shores. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Moses, who have been away for the winter months at their home in Provident, R. I., are to open their house here next week. Miss Katherine Waters is home for a week's vacation from her school work at Northbridge Center. Mrs. Susan J. Sawyer is having a well driven at her home on the Little Common. Mr. Chapman, who is doing the work, finished the well at W. A. Snow's estate last week at about 250 feet, finding a supply of good water. George F. Pollard has bought of the heirs of the estate of Wm. Savage the home place located between the state road and Fairbank street. It is also understood that Mr. Pollard is to put the place in perfect repair. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bates are pleased to know of the arrival of their grandson at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blair, Hudson. Mr. and Mrs. David Sautter are visiting with friends at Newton for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Parlin, who spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dalton at Southville. Miss Emma Bazzler of Lowell visited this week with her sister, Miss Margaret Bazzler, at the home place on Oak Hill. Misses Nancy and Merian Harlow are visiting this week at Worcester with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Marble and family. With the return of the spring, Arthur N. Calkins, the secretary of the local board of Boy Scouts, will be re-assumed. Mr. Calkins has a plan to suggest for a summer camp. The semi-annual meeting will be held April 12 in the Hoped Memorial. At the meeting of the Temperance society, Sunday evening, April 25, the speaker will be William C. McNameara of Lynn. Church Notes. At the Congregational church next Sunday morning the pastor will dwell upon the significance of Palm Sunday, taking as the theme "Public opinion." Music appropriate to Palm Sunday will be rendered by the chorus choir. The anthem will be "Rejoice the lord is king" and Miss Madeline Parker will sing "Palm branches." The bi-monthly missionary meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. will be held on Sunday evening in the auditorium. An illustrated lecture, describing the work of the Church Building society has been provided and promises to be of much interest. At the last meeting of the Monday class papers on subjects pertaining to the causes for the Civil war were read by N. A. Dill, Mrs. Dill and the Misses Pollard, Reed, Kibbourne and Jones. The Woman's Benevolent society will hold its monthly meeting at the church parlor Tuesday, March 29, from ten to four o'clock. At the Unitarian church Sunday morning one of the musical numbers will be "Palm branches," sung by Mr. Thayer. The Sunday school library has been reopened and twenty-five dollars' worth of new books added.

The annual meeting of the church and the annual supper will be held Tuesday evening, April 6, for reports of officers, elections, etc. At the next meeting of the Unitarian Men's club an expert on mental disease, a physician with wide experience in mental treatment, has been secured in the person of Dr. Frankwood E. Williams of Boston, secretary of the state society for mental hygiene. The meeting is April 4. AUCTIONS On Monday morning, March 29, at nine o'clock, Otis H. Forbush will sell by public auction the personal property belonging to J. L. Moore, proprietor of the well-known Hazelbrook farm, Wayland. The property consists of all kinds of farming wagons and implements together with a fine assortment of harnesses and accessories. The household goods of W. H. Chamberlain, Carlisle Center, will be sold by public auction on Thursday afternoon, April 1, at one o'clock. No reserve limit. Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer. ALL THE INVIGORATING WHIFF OF THE FRESH FOREST! How it clears the throat and head of its mucous ailments. It is this spirit of newness and vigor from the health-giving pine-tar-honey, Antiseptic and healing. Buy a bottle today. All drug stores. Electric Bitters a Spring Tonic. New Advertisements. FOR SALE—A One-horse Farm Wagon in 2000 condition. Good Top. Price \$150.00. J. J. MILLER, Shirley Center. TENEMENT TO LET—Seven Rooms Barn and Carriage Shed on Clark Road Shirley. J. BARTLETT Shirley, 275 Main St. FOR SALE—Two-horse Tip-cart, in good order. Will be sold for want of a buyer. Inquire of A. A. PHILLIPS, Harvard, Mass. SQUANNICOOK PAINTING CO. Painters and Contractors Estimates furnished on any class of work C. R. LEEMAN, Mgr. P. O. Box 332 Townsend, Mass. DOGS MUST BE LICENSED On or Before March 31 Or the Owners or Keepers Thereof are LIABLE TO A FINE Extracts from Chap. 182 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts as Amended Section 123. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over, shall annually on or before the thirty-first day of March cause it 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's name and its registered number. Section 127. Whoever keeps a dog contrary to the provisions of this chapter shall, except as provided in section one hundred and thirty, forfeit not more than fifteen dollars, which shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which the dog is kept, but in the county of Suffolk, said sum shall be paid to the treasurer of the city or town in which said dog is kept. GUY B. REMICK, 2w25 Town Clerk, Ayer, Mass.

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Saturday, March 27, 1915.

GROTON

News Items. The recently elected officers of the Groton chapter, D. R. are: Miss G. A. Boutwell, regent emeritus; Mrs. Mabel Branigan, regent; Mrs. Mattie Robertson, vice-regent; Mrs. Grace Goble, sec.; Mrs. Minnie Bruce, treasurer; Mrs. Clara Lawrence, historian; Mrs. Roxa Southard, Miss Alice Reed, Mrs. Sarah Clough, Mrs. Grace Blood, ex-com.

On Wednesday, Mrs. Hynes had been keeping house for her son, Luther Hynes, in Worcester, where she was taken ill and died. She was a sister of Dr. F. E. Gilson and Mrs. Augustus Wood of this town, her maiden name being Miss Evelyn Sears. Her sister, Mrs. Emeline Sears, whose home is also in Worcester, is in very poor health.

The affirmative insisted that restriction was necessary for social, economic, moral and political reasons, claiming that the immigrant was a menace to American labor, lowering wages and taking work that the American needed; also that the moral status of the immigrant was below that of the native citizen, that his aims and purposes were alien to American ideals, and that he could not be assimilated into the body politic, and that pauperism and crime was largely increased through immigration.

The negative claimed that our country owed its present power and strength to the immigrant, that he did work that the American would not do, that it was not true that any large percent of the immigrants were in prisons and almshouses. They also claimed that this country was founded on and had stood for an ideal—universal liberty—that the Declaration of Independence was our chief cornerstone, and that we could not further restrict immigration without changing the principles that we have adhered to in the past, and that have made us the grand and glorious nation that we are at the present time.

At the prayer meeting on Thursday evening the pastor spoke on the life of St. Therese. L. A. S. Supper. The L. A. S. supper on Wednesday evening was well attended, though times are hard and money is scarce, also a number of those who usually patronize the supper are now out of town and others are ill. The debate which followed drew an interested though not especially large audience. The question was as follows: Resolved, that the United States should retain possession of the Philippines. Earl Dodge opened the debate for the affirmative and Miss Berna Bixby for the negative. John Robinson followed for the affirmative and Provost Thompson closed for the negative. The rebuttals were good, showing originality of thought.

At the regular meeting of Ida McKinley Chapter, O. E. S., Wednesday evening, about one hundred members were present. Three candidates were initiated. Twelve of the officers of Lady Emma chapter of Fireburg were guests of the evening. A lunch was served after the meeting in charge of Mrs. George H. B. Turner, chairman, Mrs. Harvey Huntington and able assistants. A very pretty effect was the color scheme used in the decoration of the tables, white and green. Plans are being made for a military whist party to be held in the town hall on April 15.

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BOXBOROUGH. Several changes are to take place this spring. C. C. Stoney and family who have carried on "The Crossroads" go to Albany, N. Y., where Mr. Stoney has a fine position near the former home of Mrs. Stickney. Charles Sherry's family will move into the Magrath place. Mr. and Mrs. Litchfield, who have lived at Mr. Farbusch's since their marriage, are to take the John Blanchard farm, William Winton, who has carried on Mrs. Anna Pace's farm for several years, wishes to give up farming and his place is to be taken by Frank Dodge, a former Boxborough boy, but for many years a resident of Waverley.

HARVARD. Still River. Thursday afternoon a grass fire, probably set by a passing train, started near the railroad station and before it could be put out it burned over nearly two acres of H. W. Atherton's land, and set fire to his house, which is unoccupied, but by this time help had arrived and by hard work saved the house from serious damage, and some of the shingles on the roof caught, but were extinguished with little damage. The fire burned up to the stone wall east of the house and nearly all of the north field was also burned over. It was a close call for a serious conflagration. If the Atherton house had gone, probably the rest of the houses on the depot road would have burned also.

CLIPPING. The following was taken from the Boston Herald of March 25: Miss Nina Fletcher, violinist, assisted by John Craig Kelley, accompanist, gave a recital Monday afternoon in Steinert hall, Boston. The program was as follows: Tartini, Sonata in G minor; Bach, Sarabande, Double, Bourree from Sonata 202; Beethoven, Romance in F; Bruch, Romance op. 12; Brahms, Joachim, Hungarian Dance No. 7; Cui, Cavatina; Zarzkyel; Mazurka; Bron, Romance; Saint-Saens, Havana. There was a warmly appreciative audience of good size. It was a pleasure to hear Miss Fletcher again, for she has not only a sound and well-developed technique; she has also a pleasing individuality in her interpretation of composition ancient and modern. She began to think for herself some time ago. Her

Standard instruments of all kinds for musical folks. NO purchase is complete until you get your 2x4 Green Stamps. They are FREE and can be exchanged for beautiful and useful articles in the Premium Parlor. Start a Book Today. Warner's Rust-Proof Corsets. Rogers Morse is at home from his studies at New London, N. H., for a vacation. Mrs. Davis of Lowell was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Morse over Sunday. Dennis P. Newland of Readville spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Newland. Mrs. Emma J. Parker and daughter, Ethel Parker, are visiting in Boston. Miss Emeline Evans visited a few days in Boston recently and brought her aunt, Mrs. Evans, back with her.



Saturday, March 27, 1915.

AYER

News Items.

This week Friday evening Miss Peck... of Groton school, will give a lantern slide talk about the Philip-... the Islands at St. Andrew's church.

Sunday morning, at the Congrega-... church, the subject of the ser-... will be "Interpreting Christ" in... the evening, "Lessons from Nature"...

On Monday evening, March 22, the... members of Harbinger lodge, K. of P.,... will hold a friends' night at their hall...

On Palm Sunday, March 28, there... will be morning prayer at St. An-... church at 10.45. During the hour...

The following rhetorical were given... by the high school this week Fri-... day.

Identification John L. Griffin... Mary A. Scullion... Patricia Mullin... Charles B. Pratt... Gertrude H. Davis...

A land of female gossips made their... usual invasion of the town on Wed-... nesday morning. Dressed in the usual...

The festival of the passover, one of... the oldest and most important in the... Jewish calendar, will be celebrated by...

Albert C. Perkins, who recently... purchased the property known as the... Willard place on Williams street, will...

Miss Madeleine E. Denlen is expected... home this week Friday evening from... the Framingham Normal school for...

A slight that reminded one of the... good old summer time was witnessed... in the fashionable section of the hill...

These members of the Woman's... club attended the presidents' confer-... ence of the State Federation in Sa-... burry on Thursday afternoon: Mrs....

The sewing school of the Woman's... club will close with an exhibit of the... children's work in the town hall on...

Over thirty people are required to... participate in "Kitty's nightmare,"... which is to be presented in Page hall...

Judge Atwood left on Thursday for... a business trip to New York city. Clarendon, N. H., has voted \$65,000...

Mrs. D. W. Fletcher and daughter... Doris and Mrs. G. H. B. Turner were... in attendance at the recital given...

"The shanty on tumbling hill," in... two parts, featuring Francis X. Bus-... man, is the leader in the moving pic-... ture shows this Saturday. "The man...

Chief Beatty was summoned to the... court house in East Cambridge this... week Friday for a conference on the...

Mrs. Augustus Lovejoy is confined... to her home by a severe cold and... bronchial trouble.

Work was begun this week by C. R. ... Romano & Sons, contractors of Fitch-... burg, on the new addition to E. O. ... Proctor's garage on West Main street.

The committee selected as a result... of a vote at the annual town meeting... to consider the idea of purchasing a...

Mrs. J. W. Thomas entertained her... Sunday school class of boys last week... Friday evening. A pleasant time was...

The Woman's Alliance will meet in... Hardy's hall on Thursday afternoon, ... April 1, at 2.30. The program will be...

Alphonso Collura pleaded guilty to... manslaughter in the criminal session... of the superior court in Lowell last...

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Rev. William Brockbridge, of Gro-... ton, will preach in the Baptist church... on Sunday morning at 10.45, in ex-... change with the pastor, Rev. J. W. ... Thomas.

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Ninety-second Birthday. George W. Stuart, our honored citi-... zen, observed his ninety-second birth-... day last Saturday. Many friends and...

In addition to the personal calls... Mr. Stuart received many letters from... friends in Ayer, Vermont, New Hamp-... shire, New York, the Middle West and...

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TOWNSEND

Center. The L. B. S. of the Methodist church announce that their Easter sale will be held on Wednesday afternoon and evening, March 31. The sale will not open until four o'clock. Articles then on sale will be aprons, Easter novelties and home-made candy. At six o'clock a baked-bean and scallops supper will be served in the church hall. In the evening the Dorcas class will repeat the musical entertainment, "The home-made choir."

West.

Word has been received here that Miss Margaret Flynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Flynn, of Brooklyn, N. Y., popular summer residents here, underwent an operation for appendicitis at a New York hospital on March 17. Her many friends here are very glad to learn that she is rapidly recovering and expects to be able to return to her home in Brooklyn in a few days.

Center.

The Center, of which the deceased was one of the oldest members, having joined about sixty-three years ago, officiated at the services and after the scripture reading the song, "Nearer my God to thee," was beautifully rendered by a quartet composed of Clarence Streeter, Perry W. Sawtelle, Mrs. Alden A. Stierwin and Miss Agnes Thompson, after which both Mr. Struthers and Rev. Joseph McKean paid their tribute to Mr. Stickney's long life in the village. Another selection, "Rock of ages," by the quartet, was followed by the prayer and benediction of Rev. A. L. Struthers.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of LUTHER B. CHANDLER late of Townsend in said County deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased was presented to said Court for Probate by DOBA L. CHANDLER who prays that letters testamentary be granted 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 the foregoing 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 mail, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate of said deceased.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

W. E. ROBERTS, Register.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF AYER: Your petition, the Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Company, by vote 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 of your petitioner's present tracks in Main Street and thence running westerly in said Main Street across the location of the Worcester & Nashua Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad and in the westerly terminus of the tracks of the Fitchburg Railway Company, substantially as shown upon the plan submitted herewith; and that your petitioner may be authorized to operate its railway over and upon the location so prayed for, and to use any line of power and any line of gas, and to erect and maintain all necessary poles, wires and other fixtures and appliances over and along said streets.

Lowell & Fitchburg Street Railway Company. By WESLEY W. SARGENT, President. Registered, Mass., March 17, 1915.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

At a meeting of the high school alumni was held in the lower town hall on Monday evening at which it was voted to give ten dollars in prizes for the school speaking contest to be held on Friday evening, March 26.

Mrs. Ralph Bickford and sister, Miss Blanche Lancy, took a trip to Boston on Tuesday, where they will spend several days with friends, and will probably return on Friday.

A. I. Holsington and son Russ, returned from Vermont with two large jugs of oxen, which they have just purchased for use on their own farm and that of their neighbor, A. E. Brown.

Ernest K. Proctor has recently purchased the Brooks farm, so-called, of the Francis heirs, consisting of fifty acres and a barn.

Quite a large number of people in town are quite ill with severe coughs and colds, and some cases have already run into pneumonia and are seriously ill with it.

The Woman's club was very pleasantly entertained at the pretty home of Mrs. S. S. Alexander on Friday afternoon, March 19. The literary program consisted of a paper on Matthew Arnold by Miss Mabel Allen, with selections from his writings by Mrs. Herbert Eaton and Mrs. Frederick C. Cross, and one on Louise M. Alcott by Mrs. N. G. Bigelow, with musical selections by Mrs. C. E. Woods, interspersed, which were favorites of Miss Alcott's, waltz from Strauss, song, "The land of the seal" and others. A very interesting paper upon some of her contemporaries was also read by Mrs. Ellen S. Parker. At the close of the program dainty refreshments in the form of delicious ice cream and fancy cakes were served by the hostess and her able corps of assistants.

Annual Business Meeting. The Athletic association met in the lower town hall on Saturday evening, March 20, for the annual meeting and election of officers. William A. Warren presided. Three new members were accepted - C. S. Alexander, Earle W. Lancy and John H. Frye. Resolutions were read and accepted, and showed the society to be in very good financial condition. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Clarence H. Proctor, pres.; Lewis L. Harrington and John H. Frye, vice pres.; John G. Gilchrist, sec. and treas.; chairman of committee - A. D. Harley, athletes; Claude A. Gray, Junior department. After the transaction of the business was completed a mock town meeting was held which created no end of fun for all concerned. A quartet, consisting of Chester W. Page, Lewis L. Harrington, Orville D. Martin and John Gilchrist, sang "Shannon bells" and "Corn bread," receiving hearty applause and repeated calls for "more." At ten o'clock the young ladies served hot coffee, cake and sandwiches, after which all enjoyed a social hour.

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A copy of petition and order thereon. Attest: DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Clerk. Selectmen of Ayer.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of MARY A. NYE late of Littleton in said County deceased.

Whereas ESTHER W. PLETCHER the administratrix of the estate of said deceased has been appointed 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-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 approved.

And said administratrix is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, 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 mail, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate of said deceased.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

W. E. ROBERTS, Register.

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 STEPHEN B. SMITH 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. BATH of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County 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, and by mail, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate of said deceased.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

W. E. ROBERTS, Register.

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 ABYER HERBERT HOUGHTON 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 CHARLES J. MCINTIRE of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County 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.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Ralph Lovejoy and friend, Miss Mabel Bailey, of Kingston, spent the week-end in town.

Miss Mildred Barrett, of Reading, Mass., is visiting at Francis Lovejoy's.

Miss Lillian Keyes is visiting with friends in Townsend Harbor.

Miss Kate Weeks is visiting friends in town.

George Ladd, who was reported on the sick list last week, is now able to be out.

George Hale returned from the hospital on Monday. He stood the trip very well and is as comfortable as can be expected.

Mrs. Charles Woodin is on the sick list this week.

The Boys' club spent Tuesday with their leader, Rev. Robert French, exploring Birch Hill.

George W. Colburn was hurt in Nashua Tuesday. Part of the wagon broke, frightening the horse, and in trying to stop him the horse dragged Mr. Colburn to the pavement. He was badly bruised, but his bones were broken.

The book committee for the ensuing year is composed of Miss Clara E. Smith, Miss Sally Bell, Mrs. Leonard Lawrence, Miss Ruth Rogers and Mrs. Robert French.

Miss Grace Hardy, of Keene, spent the week-end with her parents.

The Ladies' Reading and Charitable society have postponed their regular meeting from April 1 to April 8, in order not to conflict with the Y. P. S. C. E. social.

The carload of lime and sulphur, bought through the Hollis Farmers' Co-operative association, has arrived at Hollis depot. Farmers can buy their lime and sulphur cheaper from this association than from regular dealers.

Mrs. Leonard Lawrence is ill with the grippe cold, which has been so prevalent in town for the last few weeks.

Miss Charlesa Fiddling has gone to work for Mrs. Edward Hills for a short time.

The special school meeting will be held in the lower town hall on Saturday, March 27. All voters are requested to attend to vote upon the articles printed in last week's paper.

Truman Hurd is confined to the house and under the doctor's care.

While digging in the cemetery recently frost was found twenty-seven inches deep.

The Women's club met on Wednesday in the ladies' parlors, about thirty being present. On account of illness the greater part of the program was not given. Mrs. M. Augusta Sweetser gave a paper entitled "Legends and myths of our own land." Club tea was served by Mrs. George S. Hazard.

Mrs. Charles E. Hardy and Mrs. William Gates.

Mrs. Sarah Beeching, the aunt of Frank Proctor, died at her home in Boston on Monday. Wednesday the remains were brought here for interment in the South cemetery. Frank Proctor, George Poole, Mrs. Annie Bell, Mrs. William Cutler and Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bell attended the services.

Mrs. Rial Hills, of Nashua, has moved to her father's, Henry Cameron, old place.

Misses Linda and Hazel Longue are spending a few days visiting friends in Braintree, Mass.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give an April fool's social, supper and entertainment on Thursday, April 1, with an interesting program.

On last week Friday evening the high school held its annual party in the town hall, music being furnished by Thayer's orchestra of Pepperell. About as many as usual was in attendance, among them Wendell Lovejoy and his mother, Ralph Shattuck and others from Pepperell and other towns.

Arthur McLeod spent the week-end at the home of Jason Reed.

Leonard Lawrence spent last week Friday in town. He attended the high school party in the evening.

Ralph Powers, after spending the week-end in town, returned to Wentworth Institute, Boston, on Monday.

Miss Emma Barry, of Nashua, visited friends in town on last week Friday.

On last Saturday the Nineteenth Campfire Girls No. 1 held its council meeting with their guardian, Mrs. Robert French. The meeting was very informal as only two attended. After the meeting the two girls, attended by Mrs. French, took a short walk in the woods looking for moss and partridge berries. Along the banks of brooks and near swamps the bright green of the moss gave bright contrast to the brown leaves and grey trees.

Miss Louisa Hardy returned home on last week Friday from Amherst for a two-weeks' vacation.

C. F. Mead moved to Nashua on Monday.

Dr. Frank Bell returned home on last Saturday after several weeks' absence.

The music committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. have planned for special music for Wednesday evening, March 31.

Miss Annie Newton is spending a two-weeks' vacation at her home in Ashburnham, Mass.

Miss Lou Dutton is spending a two-weeks' vacation at her home in Vermont.

Frank Sherwin, arraigned in police court on last week Friday in Boston, charged with carrying a loaded revolver, which, however, proved to be loaded with blanks, told the court he was a countryman who had not visited Boston since he was seven years old, and that having read so much about hold-ups in Boston he thought it best to carry a revolver to protect his twenty-seven dollars, which he brought to the city with him. He just wanted to scare any hold-up men who bothered him, not to kill them, he said. The court continued the case to communicate with this town, where Sherman claimed to live.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Mary Gerrish has returned from Worcester, where she has been spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Wright. Mrs. Wright returned with her for a short visit.

Charles Wilkins and daughter were visitors in Nashua on last week Thursday.

Lawrence and Walter Corey, Jr., went to Primus on last Saturday to visit a few days with their grandmother, Mrs. Julia Lawrence.

Arthur Goss has been appointed tax collector for this year, it being his fourteenth year in the office.

Mrs. Patrick O'Connell and daughter Mary left on last Saturday for Cambridge, Mass., where they are visiting friends and relatives for awhile.

Mrs. Ralph Perkins and daughter Thelma spent the last week-end in Milford. Mr. Perkins has been up there for the last two weeks learning the intricacies of the automobile, as he expects to have a new one very soon.

Hazel Goss had a birthday recently and her mother presented her with a handsome new upright piano in honor of the event.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Gilkey left the first of last week for a few weeks' visit with friends and relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Augustus Daniels, of Worcester, was the guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn Powers.

Mrs. J. H. Whitcomb has gone to Keene for a short visit.

Lillian Bouchard went to Pepperell last Saturday to visit her grandmother.

Rev. Mr. Perrin and family came up from Boston last week and spent the week-end at their summer home.

Silas Wheeler and family were the recent guests of Mrs. Wheeler's father, Mr. William Barz, of Milford.

Rev. Charles Hoagland was taken ill very suddenly last week and died Sunday and for a few days was in a most serious condition. He is still in a weak condition, but well on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goss, Mrs. Herbert Corey, Mrs. Etta Rockwood and Edward Pierce, master of Brookline Grange, attended the Pomona meeting in Hudson on last week Thursday.

Eva Corey and Hazel Goss spent last week Thursday visiting in Nashua.

Mrs. Frank Gilman, of Gardner, Mass., is in town visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Bailey.

Mrs. William Hughes is visiting with friends in Pepperell.

James Chase, of Pepperell, was a visitor in town last Sunday.

Charles Howard was a visitor in Manchester last week Friday.

Tommy Holland, eldest son of Mrs. Kate Tessier, of South Brookline, got hurt quite badly recently by a falling log.

Mr. Johnson, of Milford, has been engaged by William Boutelle to work about the stable and drive the horses.

Joseph Logan has returned to town after spending the winter at Ray, Me., and is now employed on the ledge at South Brookline.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Whitcomb, of Townsend, were visitors in town on last Sunday.

Mrs. Silas Wheeler and children went to Gofftown recently to help celebrate the nineteenth birthday of her grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth McDougall.

LITTLETON

News Items.

The union C. E. meeting planned for Sunday evening has been postponed to give place to a memorial service in honor of Rev. Amelia A. Frost, whose death occurred last Sunday night at her home in Andover. The meeting will be in charge of Rev. J. C. Ayers and Rev. H. L. Cullins will read the scriptures. Rev. O. J. Fairfield will offer prayer and members of the Congregational society will speak. Clifford W. Stone will render two vocal solos.

The Christian class will meet in the Congregational vestry at 5.45 p. m., Sunday evening.

A. P. Conant, N. B. Conant, Miss Alice M. Warren, Mrs. W. E. Conant, Mrs. A. M. Parker and Miss M. H. Kimball attended the funeral services of the late Amelia Frost at her home in Andover, Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. G. A. Tinkersley, of Concord and William J. Barr of Concord Junction, members of the Ministers' association to which Mrs. Frost belonged, took the leading parts in the service and spoke with much tenderness and affection of her noble life and inspiring career. Among the many choice floral offerings was a spray of roses, Easter lilies, carnations, violets and asparagus fern from the Littleton society.

Miss Mabel A. Forbes, a graduate of Johnston, Vt., Normal school, at present teaching in Barre, has been engaged to teach the third and fourth grades at the union school, succeeding Miss Catherine Allen, who came as a substitute following Miss May Bowley's resignation. Supt. Hill feels that the town is very fortunate in securing the services of this experienced and progressive teacher whom Supt. Judkins of Barre is exceedingly sorry to lose from his teaching force.

All the Littleton schools open on Monday for the spring term.

George H. Kimball has had his buildings wired for electricity.

The spring meeting of the Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches will be held in the Lunenburg church Wednesday, April 21. A program is planned that is sure to arouse much interest.

Miss Sarah A. Priest attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Adams in Shirley Wednesday afternoon. Miss Mary Adams, daughter of the deceased, is remembered as an efficient teacher in the South district school many years ago.

The Philathes enjoyed an afternoon with Mrs. J. D. Christie Wednesday at her cozy home at the Common.

Miss Mary Hager, of Boxborough, has been spending several days with the David Wilcox family.

Dea. J. W. Thacher and Miss Elizabeth Thacher spent this last week with friends in Everett.

Mrs. W. E. Conant and daughter Margaret are at Ralph W. Conant's in Waterbury a few days, caring for little Gilman while his parents take a trip to New York and Passaic, N. J. Mrs. Conant for the purpose of visiting her mother, and Mr. Conant at the same time visiting his brother, Richard.

We have read many interesting rides in poetry and fiction but none terminated more happily than that of the Grangers who started on G. A. Barber's barn for the annual Grange anniversary celebration last week Thursday night. At the Free house on King and Russell streets the barge bailed, and as it refused to go further the party sat on the wall until convinced that they would better turn homeward.

The funeral services of Mrs. Sherman H. Jewett were held from her late home last Saturday afternoon. Rev. H. L. Cullins read the scriptures and offered prayer, and Rev. J. C. Ayers paid a beautiful tribute to the deceased, read the poem "He giveth his beloved sleep," and offered the closing prayer. Misses Edith and Myrtle Fletcher sang "I need thee every hour" and "Gathering home." Many neighbors, church friends and others were present, and the profession of floral offerings gave much happy and positive testimony to the memory of Mrs. Jewett.

Mrs. G. W. Prouty and Miss Marion Prouty attended the concert given by their cousin, Miss Nina Fletcher, in Steinert hall, Boston, Monday. A representative Boston audience was present and showed much enthusiasm over the productions of the distinguished artist, Philip Hale, a master of the recognized authority, spoke in highest terms of Miss Fletcher's playing and mastery of the violin, pointing in part to her sound and well developed technique, splendid interpretation of ancient and modern masterpieces and individuality of style and delicacy of execution. She was accompanied by John Craig Kelley, a pianist of repute in Ayer in the near future, making it possible for her many relatives and friends in this vicinity to hear her.

On Good Friday night, April 2, the Catholic mission will hold services in town hall at eight o'clock. The mission wishes to thank the Back-log club for postponing their drama, so that they might attend the hall for services.

Miss Ida Dow has been ill for several weeks and unable to meet her pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rice of Water-town spent the week-end at John H. Kimball's.

The spring meeting of the Middlesex Union association of Congregational churches will be held with the Lunenburg club Wednesday, April 21. Benjamin Conant was among the number of men present at the republican banquet in Cambridge last week Friday.

Richard and Arthur, sons of J. W. Dow, have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wright, in Allston this week.

Mrs. George Gardner is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hartwell Whitcomb, and her sister, Mrs. P. L. Brown, before leaving for her future home in California.

Charles L. Smith, who has introduced many modern conveniences in his home on King street this last year, has recently installed a bathroom.

Both the grade schools and the High school will open for the spring term Monday, March 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon and daughters, Helen and Betty, of New-ton, were week-end guests at H. S. Brown's of King street.

Miss Alice Howard, Mrs. P. S. Kimball, Mrs. C. K. Houghton, Mrs. J. N. Hartwell and Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb were present at the West Concord Women's club last week Friday when presidents' day was observed. Mrs. Whitcomb is a member of the West Concord club.

Miss Evelyn Kimball of Bridgeport Normal school has been at home this week for her vacation. Miss Katharine Kimball of Simmons college, came to town on Thursday for a vacation of ten days.

Miss Cora W. Davis has had her left hand banded for ten days as a result of running a crocheting needle into the palm. A doctor was called to remove the hook and dress the wound.

Conant company lost a good work horse last week. It was the large roan used chiefly at the depot store.

L. W. C.

The meeting of the Women's club Monday afternoon was in charge of the education committee. In the absence of the chairman, Miss M. W. Flagg, Mrs. A. M. Parker took the chair, and ably presented the work of the committee, which is interesting in view of their assistance.

Mrs. Parker referred to the admission to the club of two high school seniors, girls holding highest rank and made a motion that the club annually admit two seniors of like standing as honorary members. The motion was carried. She also recommended that the club help the high school manual training department, which at present is inadequately equipped. Later the club voted ten dollars for that purpose.

Mrs. Parker presented as speaker for the afternoon Mrs. Eva Ripley of Wakefield, chairman of the committee on education and one of the directors in the state federation. She proved to be a most earnest and enthusiastic speaker and delivered a vigorous and impressive address, and delightfully presented the aims and achievements of her committee.

Miss Emma Tenney played a piano "Drifting," by Frimel, and Mrs. Gertrude E. Houghton played one of Brahms's rhapsodies which were much enjoyed. After a brief recess the club discussed and voted on recommendations relative to changes in the constitution made by the directors at the last meeting.

A communication from the lyceum officers was presented, announcing the return of the gift from the Woman's club of a sum of money towards an endowment fund.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REAL ESTATE AND SUMMER HOME ISSUE

On Saturday, April 2, the Boston Evening Transcript will print a generous amount of reading matter which will be of much interest to real estate owners in New England, investors and those who lease or have summer homes at the seashore, mountains, or country.

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Wherefore your petitioners pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, they may be granted joint or identical location for and 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 "A," dated February 6, 1915, proposed joint pole line between the N. E. T. & T. Co. and the Ayer Electric Light Company.

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Dated this sixth day of February, 1915.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Ayer, March 10, 1915.

Ordered, that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition on 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 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 seven 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 taxation.

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

A copy of petition and order thereon. Attest: DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Clerk. Selectmen of Ayer.

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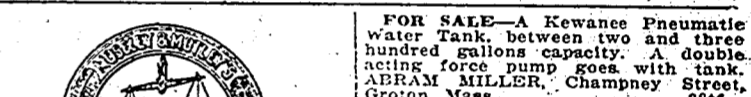
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Saturday, March 27, 1915.

PEPPERELL

About Town. The L. A. S. will hold their next regular meeting at the Methodist vestry on Wednesday afternoon, March 31. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ford have taken the William Marshall cottage on Pleasant street and will occupy it April 1. William Marshall is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert Sherwood, where he will make his home permanently. Mrs. Harry D. Newell of Lawrence was in town this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darling spent Wednesday with friends at Fitchburg. Mrs. Burton Humphrey and little son spent the week-end and Sunday with friends in Webster. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Attridge have rented a tenement belonging to W. H. Annie on Pleasant street and it is understood will move soon. Roy Fisher returned last week from a trip to Florida, visiting Key West and other places. He is staying with his uncle, Waldo Spaulding. The Pausgus Camp-fire Girls met on Friday afternoon, March 20, at the playground and enjoyed a game of baseball, the first of the season. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Dawborn and little daughter of Nashua, formerly of Brookline, N. H., spent the week-end at Mr. and Mrs. Linville Shattuck's. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Attridge were guests at dinner, Sunday, also. Margaret Boynton came from Mt. Holyoke college, Tuesday to spend two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Ida M. Boynton, on Townsend street. Adele Boynton came from Mt. Ida school to spend her vacation at her home on Park street. Marguerite and Arlene Deware came for a two weeks' vacation. Miriam came Tuesday from boarding school at Northampton. Florence and Jessie Flynn came from their duties as teachers at the Fitchburg Normal school to spend the week-end and Sunday at their home. The stereopticon lecture, "The story of the Passion play," which was given by Rev. J. B. Lewis at the Congregational church last Sunday evening, was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience. The "Hoi, Joy" was rendered by a male trio, Messrs. Bliss, Paul and Shattuck. It was very impressive and added much to the effectiveness of the lecture. Several pictures of places near Oberammergau were also shown. The ladies' club, the "Jolly Eight," met at the home of Gladys Williams on Park street on Monday evening, a "Yellow luncheon" being served by the hostess in honor of the special guest of the evening, Miss Fannie Tower. The decorations of the rooms and table were very effective in this color, and quite elaborate. During the festivities an "agate ware" shower was planned to be given the chief guest of the evening. As the date of the young lady's marriage is set for sometime in April, the occasion was thoughtfully planned and the "shower" selected, a most useful one. The ladies of the Unitarian society served a fine town meeting dinner on Monday noon, March 22, and the patronage was very satisfactory, the tables being well filled. Following the dinner Mrs. Walter A. Buckley of Dorchester, gave a fine, convincing talk on woman's suffrage. The talk was logical and interesting and had many listeners. Considering that there are some things about Pepperell that we cannot be proud of, it is very pleasant to be able to say that we certainly have a fine, neat-looking postoffice. The cleaning and varnishing commenced the improvement and the new sash curtains add the finishing touch. Mrs. O. D. Clarke of Stanford, Me., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Bennett, over Sunday. A large and interesting meeting of the East Village Social club passed a pleasant afternoon, Wednesday, with Mrs. Albert Parker. There were seventeen members and two visitors present, many of them taking part in the subject, "Noble deeds." The club voted to pay the sum of two dollars to the District Nurse association and also to aid in another charitable work. A fine collation was served by the hostess at the close of the business. The illustrated lecture on the "Passion play," as presented for so long a time at Oberammergau, was repeated by Rev. Mr. Lewis at Oak Hill hall on Monday evening following the Sunday lecture. The audience was a good-sized one and most appreciative, both of the lecture with its wonderfully fine views, and the selection, "The holy city," which was finely rendered by O. M. Nash. The numerous slides, both of the play and the natural scenery was very fine. The Y. M. C. A. of the various state colleges send out delegations of college students on deputation work. Plans are underway to have a deputation come to Pepperell about the middle of April and committees of young men from the three Protestant churches will be asked to work out a program in conjunction with the state committee. They will probably arrange for an athletic meet on Saturday afternoon, a supper or social for young men in the evening, speakers in the several churches Sunday morning, and an afternoon meeting for young men and a union rally in the evening. In other places such meetings have accomplished a great deal of good. More definite information will be given later. Miss Ella Hagar is assisting at the home of C. E. Boynton, Head street. Mrs. Alfred Boynton is thus left alone for the present. Mrs. Grace Hodson of West Townsend has been at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. A. Parker, Oak Hill, recovering from a hard cold. The L. S. C. of the Unitarian church

will hold a food sale on Thursday afternoon, April 1, at 3.30 o'clock in Central hall. Whist and dancing will follow in the evening, when refreshments will also be for sale. William Peach of Maryboro was in town Saturday of last week, closing up a sale of a field on Nashua street belonging to the heirs of the late Augustus Lawrence. The purchaser was Raymond Tucker, son of George Tucker, whose house is situated near the field purchased. There was quite an exciting time for awhile on Friday afternoon of last week when a fire, which started near the railroad at the rear of Mrs. L. E. Spaulding's buildings on River street, crept up to within a very few feet of the barn before it could be checked. The neighbors lent their assistance and Tree Warden Tume and his crew of moth pickers also assisted considerably in beating out the flames. The Champion Card shop is running again this week, but there are still quite a lot of men idle about the streets, as some departments of the papermill have been shut down. The family of Alvin Wright on Brookline street are lamenting the death of "Dave," their faithful old family horse. He was taken ill on Saturday morning and died quite suddenly, the cause seeming to be a spinal trouble which resulted in paralysis. Mrs. Oriand Parker is quite ill with erysipelas at her home in East village. The Epworth league will hold a food sale at Saunders' store on Friday afternoon, April 2, at three o'clock. Mrs. H. R. Lakin observed her birthday anniversary on Tuesday, March 23, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. M. Richards, in a quiet but enjoyable manner. Her daughter, Mrs. Geo. E. Shattuck, spent the day with her. Mrs. Lakin received many remembrances from friends in town and out, consisting of flowers and other presents and an abundance of postcards. There was a pleasant gathering of friends in the evening to end the day. Mrs. John Duggan of Worcester has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Loretta Spaulding, this week. Mrs. C. A. Willis of Leominster came Wednesday for a short visit with her brother, Rev. P. R. Stratton, at the Methodist parsonage. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Graham spent Sunday with their daughter in Derry, N. H., driving to Nashua and taking the trolley from there to Derry. Edward Robbins of Greenwich, R. I., spent a few days in town recently with his mother, Mrs. Florence Robbins, having met with an accident which caused him to take a short vacation. The family of Charles Tully, who resides just over the Dunstable line, has been afflicted with much serious illness lately. His two oldest children, who were both attending the Pepperell high school, were ill at one time, the daughter in the hospital at Nashua for an operation for appendicitis and the son critically ill at home with pneumonia. His physician stated that only his youth and good constitution saved him at the crisis of the disease. Miss Greta Tierney has accepted a position at the Lowthrop school for girls in Groton and will commence next week there April first. The machinery in the cutter room at the Nashua River Paper Company has been running by electricity for the past few days. Mrs. Amos Mahoney and little son have been visiting at her old home in Athol this week. Miss Madeline Murray has been one of the victims of the gripe this week and confined to her home. Abbott Lawrence, of Fitchburg, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Fannie Lawrence, of Burkinshaw village on Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Lawrence is a Pepperell boy, having lived on the place on Nashua street now owned by David Robinson all his early life. Many other relatives and friends in town were favored with a call from him. These included his cousins, Joseph Lawrence and Sarah Lawrence, Patch on Nashua street, and his brother, Americus Lawrence, High street. The question is being agitated of the possibility of securing the week's instruction of practical farming offered by the extension service of the American Agricultural college. The question will be brought before the Grange this week Friday evening. Application for this course would need to be made now to take place within the next year. The experiment has been tried in several surrounding towns and approved by the farmers. Mrs. P. J. McDonald went to Boston and Ketter on Tuesday on business. Miss Alice Marshall has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Francis Lawrence, at Ashuelot, N. H. An invitation dance will be given by the members of the O. H. I. S. on Monday evening, March 29. Carl Lawrence and Ivan Parker are the committee in charge and the music for the evening will be furnished by Miss Helen M. Robbins, pianist, and Miss Wilson, of Nashua, violin. Sandwiches and hot coffee will be on sale. Ray Willoughby was in town from Boston over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker and children were in town from Nashua on Tuesday, the guests of Mrs. Parker's sister, Mrs. Surgeon Cuthbertson, Pleasant street. J. J. Willoughby is at present employed at the saw mill of Henry Leander. The grain business of Stratton & Co., of Concord, N. H., conducted by their agent, F. O. Andrews, was closed up this week, the attorney of the firm taking charge of the accounts, and the grain being shipped back to the firm on Thursday. F. O. Andrews is employed at present by a grain firm in Nashua. The report is current that the Buffalo shoe shop has been leased by the firm of Carter, Rice & Company, paper manufacturers, of Boston, who have been operating a plant in Nashua. Some of the machinists and men to be employed by the new firm, the

Acme Paper and Box Company, have been at work this week at the mill, formerly H. A. Parker's. No special changes are made as yet, and the mill is not running. The death of Mrs. Patrick Supple occurred on Thursday morning, March 25, after a week's illness of pneumonia. The deceased was fifty-three years of age. Services will be held at St. Joseph's church at nine o'clock on Saturday morning. The auditor for the bonding company who furnished E. P. McCord's bonds as collector, has been in town much of the time recently, making careful investigation of town books for those three years, as well as the collector's bank deposits, as well as the collector's books. He has not yet concluded his labors, it is understood. It has caused some comment that the amount of McCord's bond was but \$5000, when in some previous years collectors have been required to furnish a \$25,000-bond which had to be arranged for by the collector. Miss Florence O'Neal went last week to Norwood to visit her married sisters. Mr. Obermann, formerly connected with the Nashua River Paper Corporation, now of East Paris with business friends, was in town on Tuesday of this week, paying a visit to the paper mills. Edward P. McCord, who has recently been stopping in Boston, was in town for a short time on Monday. Dr. E. D. Howe was in Boston last week Friday attending the dental convention held at Hotel Copley Plaza. Mrs. M. R. Stratton, of Brookline, came to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charles Stinerford, on last Saturday. Miss Lora Martin is back in A. A. Tarbell's dry goods store after an enforced vacation on account of illness. The Standard Oil Company have been delivering their oils from a fine new auto truck this week. Our re-elected highway surveyor, Warren Blood, did not lose any time last week following the town meeting on Monday. He had the small two horse scraper at work on the road to Groton Tuesday morning, as the road was deeply rutted by the auto truck from the paper mills and the logging auto truck running to Phelps' mill in Aver. Mr. Blood also had teams putting on mill cinders in the worst places, which improved the road temporarily. The Champion Card Company are improving the few days of the closing of their plant by excavating underneath their shop for the purpose of fitting up a basement store-room. Many of their help who would otherwise be idle have been put to work on the job, wheeling the dirt across the street on their vacant lot. A few of the stone columns used originally as supports will be removed to make room. It may be recalled that about one hundred carloads of stone were used at the time of the construction of the underpinning of this shop, so it would seem that a few columns would not be missed. Mrs. Eugene Fletcher came home from St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, on Tuesday. She is making good recovery following her recent operation for appendicitis. There is an epidemic of gripe colds just at present and the doctors are busy, as in some cases pneumonia and other serious ailments follow the colds. Several families have all been ill at once, seeming to prove that it is contagious. Town Meetings. The annual town meeting was held on Monday, March 22, and was ushered in by one of the finest spring mornings. It was a largely attended, orderly meeting, about four hundred being present during the afternoon, about one hundred of these being women. All discussions of the day were carried on in a more or less friendly spirit, and most of them ended satisfactorily to the majority. The meeting was called to order at nine o'clock by town clerk, H. J. Kemp. L. Gilman Robbins was chosen moderator. The various reports of the selectmen, treasurer and the several committees were accepted as printed in the town report. The sums of money voted to be appropriated for the various departments conformed very closely to the recommended appropriations, exceeding only in two or three instances. The sum of \$2,250 was voted for town charges; \$16,860 and dog tax and receipts for schools; \$2,700 for highways; \$400 for bridges; \$250 for culverts; \$150 for sidewalks; \$300 for snow paths; \$25 for drinking troughs; \$25 for guide boards; \$2,000 and in receipt of electric lights; \$3,000 and \$250 for overseers of poor; \$150 for insurance; \$850 for brown-tail and gypser moths; \$200 for suppression of elm beetle; \$50 for tree warden; \$300 for police; \$250 for soldier's relief; \$425 for state aid; \$90 for treasurer's and collector's bond; \$40 for the common; \$600 for the board of health; \$500 for the town house; \$25 for clock; \$100 for interest; \$2,160 for hydrant service; \$4,550 retfiring water bonds; \$150 for playground; \$2,350 for fire department; \$250 for new hose; \$350 for cemeteries; \$100 for Memorial day; \$500 to continue grading Brookline street, according to article 12; \$500 for continuing the graveling of Dunstable road, if the State Highway Commissioners will appropriate a like sum, under article 19. Also, voted \$100 for the use of a board of trade, elected as follows: D. R. Child, H. W. Hutchinson, W. A. Kemp, W. H. Drury, Edgar W. Blake and A. P. Wright; \$50 was voted as a salary for the sealer of weights and measures; \$200 for district and school nursing in part payment of the salary of the nurse under the District Nurse association. The president of the association, Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson, was called upon, when this article was in process of discussion and gave a brief, concise talk in favor of this association, the need of the district nurse and some of the good results from her labors. The articles concerning appropriation of \$200 for George Washington Memorial building in Washington

Worcester, Nashua and Portland division, using the new motor handcar, has orders to follow each freight train over the section from Nashua to Aver, from the lookout for fires. Considering that several acres of woodland has been burned over on this section annually, this precaution seems a wise one. Whether the dampness of Monday and the slight snowfall of that night would have any effect on these conditions is questionable. It should also be remembered that anyone lighting fires in the open from March 1 to December 1, is subject to fine for violation of the law prohibiting the same. Unknown Woman Insane. Concerning the case of the unknown woman who was found wandering about on the Nashua road, Wednesday afternoon of last week, and escaped toward Groton on Thursday morning after having been taken in charge by Officer Monthie, she was reported to have been found near West Groton late that evening. She was taken in charge by the proper officials and later committed to the Worcester Insane hospital, where she will be detained for seven days while steps are taken toward identification, after which, if the same symptoms continue, she will probably be held as an inmate. Further investigation has revealed the fact that she was seen by a party coming here by auto, walking on the Nashua road, the preceding day. On the day she was brought to town she was seen to throw a satchel down by the roadside. This was later brought here and was found to contain some clothing and a postcard addressed to Myra Ward, postmarked at Lincoln. This may furnish a clue to her identity. The woman was dressed in a dark skirt and shirt waist, a close dark hat and long black cloak. She was rather slight of stature, about five feet in height, and it was judged about fifty years of age. To the Editor: The following communication from Oscar Anderson, now instructor in pomology at Purdue university, Lafayette, Ind., will be of interest to the many who were acquainted with him in his school days in town: Your readers may be interested to learn that a pruning demonstration under the direction of Ralph W. Rees, of the Massachusetts Agricultural college, will be carried out March 29 to five o'clock on the farm of G. Anderson, Oak Hill street. This orchard was planted by the Massachusetts Agricultural college a year ago, and is one of nineteen demonstration orchards carried on by the Extension department of the college in different sections of the state. From the time the trees are set until they come into bearing they are under the supervision of horticultural experts who aim to demonstrate that a farm enterprise when correct methods of planting, pruning, spraying and cultivating are employed. Many orchardists either fail or do not bear full crops because the grower did not appreciate the importance of studying the needs of the trees during the first few years of their existence. The orchard on Oak Hill has been planted with a variety of apples, including the first annual pruning. Those who are interested in such a demonstration or wish to ask questions are invited to visit the farm on Wednesday afternoon, March 31. Mr. Rees was reported in the issue of the Standard of Groton and is well qualified to answer any questions on fruit growing. News Items. Children's day was observed by the Women's club on Saturday, March 20, at Prescott hall. A large number of children were present, being entertained by Miss Anna V. Baker, who with clay moulding, songs and story telling, held the attention of all from the beginning to the end. After the entertainment the civic committee held a food and candy sale, the proceeds to go to the District Nurse association. D. A. R. Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held its guest night at the home of Mrs. Frederick S. Bancroft, Pepperell center, on Thursday, March 18, with the visiting committee as hostesses. Mrs. William N. Mault, chairman, the evening was a fine one and a large number of members and their friends were present. No business meeting was called, that being postponed until April 19. The repeat, Mrs. Harriette A. S. Phelps, spoke a few words of welcome, the salute to the flag was given and "America" sung to open the program, which consisted of vocal and instrumental music rendered by Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Nash, Mrs. Gage, Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Tarbell, a piano solo by Lloyd Bancroft and two readings by Mrs. Tower and Mrs. Parker entitled "The ride of the ghost of Paul Revere" and "Aunt Katrina's visit to the city." Refreshments were served by the hostesses and social intercourse filled up the rest of the evening. Church Notes. The service at the Methodist church will be omitted on Sunday morning and all are invited to attend the union service at the Unitarian church, where the sermon will be preached by Rev. Samuel A. Elliot, D. D., president of the American Unitarian association. At seven in the evening there will be a praise service and preaching upon the subject, "Can these dry bones live?" The bright hour service of the Epworth League will be held at six o'clock. Subject, "Our nation's wards, or a white man's chance for redmen and blackmen." Leader, Mrs. P. R. Stratton. The service for prayer and worship will be held on Tuesday evening at 7.30. The Congregational church will unite in the service of the Federation of Churches held in the Unitarian church on Sunday morning. Sunday school will be held at noon as usual, and the pastor will preach at seven in the evening. Special holy week services will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings at the church. On Thursday evening the pastor has been invited to preach at a union service to be held in Townsend Saturday afternoon, March 27, the visitors of the home department of the Congregational Sunday school will meet for business and a social at the parsonage.

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