

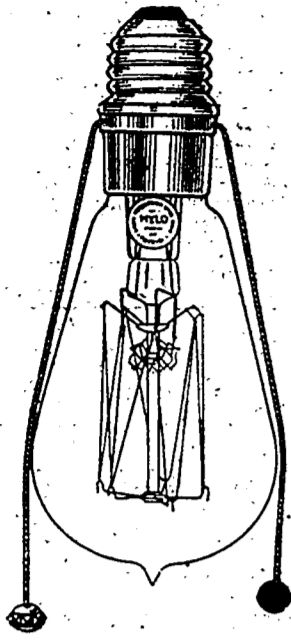
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Center.

The great value of having a Red Cross enthusiast was demonstrated by Mrs. Ralph O. Reed of Manchester, N. H., on Monday last in front of her home, "Brown Gables." A frightful automobile accident occurred and Mrs. Reed and a friend tenderly cared for the victims in her home, administering first aid to the injured until medical help arrived. Mr. and Mrs. Reed are

both prominent in social, charitable and municipal functions of that city. An ideal suggestion is gleaned from Mrs. Reed's experience in that a class of young people in Townsend join the Red Cross movement. This teaches how to stop the flow of blood by tourniquets and bandaging broken limbs also resuscitation in its many ways. Mr. and Mrs. James L. Perry and son John have been the guests this week of Mrs. D. W. Farrar at the Park hotel.

At the Methodist church Sunday Rev. Dr. Charlton will preach at the morning service on the topic, "A praying savior." In the evening, "A sympathizing savior."

At the Congregational church Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon subject is "The rules of the game."

Monday, October 9, will be educational night at the Grange in charge of Supt. Herman Knight.

The members of the Monday club will be entertained Monday at the home of Mrs. Fred Wood. The afternoon program in charge of Mrs. Abbie Barber. Rev. Joseph MacKean will give an address and Mrs. Alden Sherwin of West village will render vocal selections with Miss Emma Adams as accompanist.

A party of young ladies stopped over at the Park hotel last Saturday afternoon and Sunday, who were on a "hike" from Sargent's camp, Hancock, N. H. to Littleton, where they were to resume their duties at school. They had traveled twenty-eight miles that day. Their names were Margaret McGregor from Detroit, Mich., Ruth E. Duesha of Montreal, Canada, Emma Murray of Columbia, Missouri, Elsie Nelson of Brookline and Pearl Wedenwald, Chicago, Ill.

The first meeting for this season of the Parent-Teacher association will be held in the high school room on Tuesday evening, October 10. From 7:45 to 8 o'clock there will be an informal reception to the teachers, to be followed by music. Business reports of committees and election of officers. Discussion, "Some needs of the schools in Townsend as seen by parent members of the Townsend Parent-Teacher association"; participants, Mrs. G. E. Hayward, Mrs. F. E. Ormsby, Mrs. C. W. Mead, E. B. Morse, Rev. A. L. Struthers. The meeting will be open to all. A full attendance is desired.

Miss Bessie Eastman resumed her duties this week as teacher in the Dover high school.

Grant Maxwell and mother moved this week from the cottage by the river to the farm cottage recently vacated by Mrs. Jennie Powell.

Miss Bessie Kilburn, of Dorchester, has been the guest this week of Mrs. Arthur Barber, Townsend hill.

Miss Carrie Walker spent several days this week in Fitchburg, Leominster and Worcester.

Methodist Roll Call.

The roll call and fellowship meeting of the M. E. church was held Thursday afternoon with a good attendance. A most excellent feast was served at noon by an efficient committee of ladies of the church. At two o'clock was reports of committees and roll call was at 2:30. The church has a membership of one hundred.

The afternoon address was given by Rev. Dr. Wadsworth, pastor of the First Methodist church, Fitchburg. Mr. Wadsworth's remarks were along the line of the far reaching influence and lasting impressions that can be done for the good of the pupil and the community. He spoke of the junior high school which is a new departure being successfully conducted in Rochester, N. Y. The age limit is placed at twelve years, not under. A certain number of weeks is devoted to five trades or professions. Pupils work in these different lines, are examined in those in which they individually prove most efficient and are then advised in which subject to specialize.

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Clipping.

From the Elmira Star Gazette we quote as follows: A pretty wedding took place Saturday evening in the parlors of the First Baptist church, made beautiful with potted palms, Myrtles, baskets of flowers, and pink and white cosmos, when Gladys, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bromley, and Henry Malcolm Priest, of Chicago, were united in marriage. Rev. William T. Henry, who united the parents of the bride in marriage twenty-five years ago, performed the ceremony, the double ring service being used. The maid of honor was Miss Ruth Smith, of Spencer, who wore white tulle over white satin with rose trimmings and carried pink roses. The bridesmaids were Miss Alice Sturtevant of Penn Yan, who wore rose taffeta, and Miss Florence Lisle of Elmira, wearing lavender taffeta; both carried colonial bouquets of pink roses. Little Miss Polly Bullard was flower girl; she wore white and carried a basket of white mignonette.

The bride's gown was white satin lace, her veil being fastened with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses and maiden hair fern. Henry Lot, of New York, was best man. Messrs. Graham and Lovell of Elmira, were the ushers.

Before the ceremony the bridal party was entertained at a five o'clock dinner at the bride's home. Covers were laid for twelve. Miss Laura Smith, pianist, assisted by Miss Laura Wilson, violinist, played the wedding music.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the parlors of the church. The bride couple were assisted in receiving by Mr. and Mrs. Bromley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Priest, parents of the bride and groom. The young couple left immediately for Chicago where they will reside. Both are well-known in Elmira. Mrs. Priest is a graduate of the Elmira school and attended Elmira college for three years.

Mr. Priest, who is a M. I. T. '12 man, was for some time with the American Bridge Company. He is now located with the Rock Island R. R., of Chicago. Their many friends are heartily congratulating the groom and offering best wishes for the bride's happiness in their new home.

Thirty cows and a bull will be sold by auction at the farm of E. Paigson, Jr., South Chelmsford, on Saturday afternoon, October 7, at 1:30 o'clock.

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Born on Tuesday evening at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital, Groton, an 8-pound boy, Kenneth Benjamin, to Mr. and Mrs. George Cummings, of the Old Homestead.

The sad news of the passing away of Miss Mary G. Crutcher, who has been housekeeper at Pinehurst since the death of Mrs. Oliver Proctor, was received Wednesday. A week ago last Saturday Miss Crutcher left Pinehurst to visit relatives in Medford. On last Saturday she was taken ill with bronchitis, which developed into pneumonia, from which she died on Wednesday morning at about ten o'clock. The funeral and interment took place in Medford this week Friday afternoon.

The body of Benjamin Frank Clark of Malden was brought into town for burial on Wednesday. About eight years ago Mr. Clark was born in the house now owned and occupied by Mrs. Lizzie Baldwin in this village. At the time of his birth this house formed part of what was formerly known as the Hittinger estate. Mr. Clark never lost his interest in the town of his birth and was a frequent visitor at the home of George Clark.

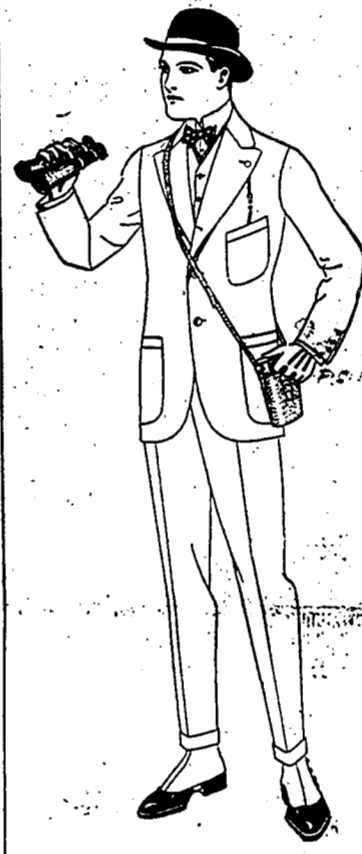
LITTLETON

Grange.

One of the most helpful meetings of the Grange was held on Wednesday evening when Mr. Wadsworth of the State Board of Education, gave an exceedingly instructive and practical talk on "The new movement in education." He made a survey of education on what is being done, what can be done for the good of the pupil and the community. He spoke of the junior high school which is a new departure being successfully conducted in Rochester, N. Y. The age limit is placed at twelve years, not under. A certain number of weeks is devoted to five trades or professions. Pupils work in these different lines, are examined in those in which they individually prove most efficient and are then advised in which subject to specialize.

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WESTFORD

Resigns Pastor. At the close of the morning service last Sunday the resignation of Rev. David Wallace was read. During the service the hymns, prayer, scripture reading and sermon were all chosen with special significance and were most impressive, particularly the sermon, the subject of which was "Preachers and hearers," the text being chosen from the opening verses of the fourth chapter of Timothy II. At the close of the sermon Mr. Wallace stepped forward and gave an earnest message to his people which was listened to with the closest attention. This, he said, was his parting word, as he should attempt no stereotyped farewell sermon next Sunday. After pronouncing the benediction Mr. Wallace, with Mrs. Wallace, passed out of the church and Moderator Arthur E. Day called a business meeting to order, to which all present were invited. The following letter:

To the members and adherents of the Union Congregational Church: Dear Friends—For the past year I have felt that the time had come when a change of pastors might be profitable for both sides. I have, therefore, received a call from the new Federated church of Assonet, Mass., I wish you would relieve me of my pastoral duties on Sunday, October 15. Sincerely thanking you on behalf of our entire family for the many and blessed privileges of our ministry among you, and earnestly praying that the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit might continue to attend you and crown your work with a larger measure of prosperity and usefulness. I remain, your servant in the bonds of Jesus Christ, David Wallace.

Mr. Wallace came to this church in February, 1910, from Presque Isle, Me., therefore completing a pastorate of six and one-half years. Other pastorate have been in Lunenburg, Massachusetts, N. H., and in Northern Vermont. Mr. Wallace has served this church with the greatest loyalty and fidelity, ministering to its people in their joys and sorrows with a sympathetic, scholarly christian gentleness and without lacking in the saving grace of a sense of humor.

To his new field he carries the sincerest good wishes of the members of the church and parish and of the townspeople. In all his work he has been ably and faithfully supplemented by Mrs. Wallace, who has done such good work with the young people. Mr. Wallace occupies the pulpit on Sunday and a good congregation is hoped for.

Center. Mrs. Gertrude C. Skidmore is having her summer home painted white with green blinds which with its pretty setting of trees will be most attractive when finished.

J. Herbert Fletcher shot a fox on Tuesday in the Parsonage woods region. Sir Reynard was an especially good specimen and had a fine brush.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sutherland and Alfred Sutherland enjoyed a trip to Campden, N. H., the last week of September and returning Monday. The trip was made with Mrs. Sutherland's sister, Mrs. Charles Clark and husband of Somerville in the latter's automobile. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Marden and son Everett, Mrs. Marden being a sister of Mrs. Sutherland and Mrs. Clark, also other kinspeople in the vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland and son are pleasantly remembered as former residents in town, living in the Westford depot neighborhood. Young Mr. Marden's engagement has recently been announced to Miss Elizabeth Munroe Pickering of Campden and who is proprietress of the Pinehurst hotel. The wedding will take place in the late autumn.

Mrs. Edwin Heywood, who for many years lived in the Chamberlin Corner neighborhood, was in town on Tuesday, visiting old friends. Miss Freida Stiles is assisting at the central telephone office.

The first meeting of the season of the Elmwood club took place on Tuesday afternoon, October 10, and not on October 9, as was inadvertently stated in last week's issue. The meeting will be a reception to the new officers and will be confined to the membership. The Germania orchestra, of Lowell, will furnish instrumental music and Mrs. Fred L. Roberts, a devotee of the club, will sing. The incoming president, Miss Alice M. Howard, will give an opening address. The meeting will be held in the Christian church, where the officers-elect are expected that the attractive new club calendars will be ready for distribution at that time.

Westford friends are glad to hear of good reports from Mrs. H. Bert Walker at the Lowell General Hospital, where she recently underwent a serious surgical operation. Hopes are entertained for her return home some time next week.

At the recent Fletcher family reunion in Boston John M. Fletcher, son John H. Fletcher, and grandson John G. Fletcher, of Westford, were among the family group at the dinner and exercises was John H. Wilson, son-in-law, and his wife, Edith Fletcher Wilson, Miss Emily F. Fletcher was also present from Westford.

Some especially fine specimens of Wolf River apples were brought into the postoffice this week, which even in this town of good apple growing would be hard to beat in color, form and size. These were from the Frank C. Wright's orchards and one weighed fifteen ounces and the other one pound.

The board of selectmen has issued orders to the street police officers to look for young boys to their homes who are found on the streets after nine o'clock at night. This order was issued after complaints had been made to the selectmen that means the installing of a curfew law in the town.

to repair the Old Man of the Mountain in the Franconia Notch. As is well-known, this famous freak of Nature, the outline of a great rugged face with masses of rock, has been scaling off a bit where the rock forms the forehead and spoiling the outline. The New Hampshire legislature has appropriated the sum of \$27,000 in an attempt to repair the defect. The men as seen at work from the highway appeared like some kind of busy crawling animals.

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held their regular meeting with supper at their headquarters on Boston road on Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Knight served an appetizing supper of cold meat, escalloped potatoes, rolls, coffee, pies and fruit. It was suggested that the company move its headquarters to the old academy building and the committee was appointed to investigate the advisability of this change and report at the next meeting.

The first meeting of the season of the fraternal lodge, No. 102, of the Congregational church met at the home of its president, Mrs. Sarah W. Loker, Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Charles D. Colburn is becoming one of the efficient lady auto drivers, driving her Ford machine each day to carry her son and daughter to and from school.

About Town. The first ice of the season was seen Monday morning—not quite up to early skating drowning ice.

Alice and Arthur O'Brien, of Framingham, were visitors Saturday and Sunday with their son, James H. O'Brien, Stony Brook road. They will be remembered as the children of Arthur O'Brien, so well remembered as a scholar at the old Stony Brook school. He passed away several years ago.

Daniel H. Sheehan has a new auto truck and took a large party to ride last Sunday. His truck will prove convenient in distributing his wheat from his incorporated 50,000-acre farm in Virginia.

Mrs. Edwin E. Heywood, of Arlington, is with the Houghton G. Osmonds, visiting those who for so long were neighbors with the Heywoods for years lived on their farm near Chamberlin's Corner.

The 101st session of the North Middlesex conference of Unitarian and Congregational churches will be held in Tyngsboro on Wednesday, October 11, with a very interesting program. More than a century and a half has passed since the spirit of this church pointed to high ideals. The town, though small in territory and population, is large in native grandeur, as the Merrimack river in its charming course divides the territory of the town, but leaves undivided beauty. These autumn days should convene a large conference.

The large unused barn on the old Lyle place on the Lowell road, Brookside, is being repaired to match the improved farm house, the summer home of Miss Ella Wright.

A large boarding and lodging house for children is being built on the Hillman farm overlooking Long Sought-for pond. The farm is now owned by a Boston lady of wealth and this is her overflow for humanity.

John A. Taylor writes from North Dakota that the wheat crop is good. The yield is from five to ten bushels per acre; some not worth threshing, rusting badly under to extreme wet and hot weather. Potatoes have averaged from thirty-five cents per bushel to ninety cents, and are liable at most any sunrise to rise again.

The Unitarian Alliance will hold its next meeting on Thursday afternoon, October 12, at 2.30 o'clock. Subject: "The church made by the Pilgrim Fathers and how it became Unitarian"; A. Mabel Drew.

The expected debate at the Chelmsford range last week did not get off for several reasons. First, one of the debaters was taken sick; second, one was not very well; third, one was out of town; fourth, one forgot all about it. It therefore has been postponed until the debaters recover back to being present.

David Polley, of Lynn, was in town last Saturday and Sunday, visiting his brother-in-law, Dr. Fred W. Polley, Baptist, and Robert Polley, of North Chelmsford, they motored to Arlington and Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright attended the Rockingham fair this week.

Mrs. J. D. Sallee and baby, of Lowell, are visiting at the Old Oaken Bucket farm. Mr. Sallee is teaching in the Lowell high school.

Some folks are picking and eating strawberries at the Old Oaken Bucket farm and frozen ice not far off.

The recent order of the selectmen against profanity is very nearly correct English as it relates to conduct. Enough that some of us break it. The selectmen are trying to hit with the hammer, but to sit on the rail of a bridge or other place of public resort and utter profanity for the sake of the "so smart," is very liable to fetch the individual up against cheap ideals.

The general inquiry is "Where are the pheasants to be shot?" The open season for the pheasant has been told that there was no danger of extermination, and lo, we are up against it in the first round. If it was worth the trouble to shoot the pheasant, then it was worth while to protect them with both hands. But the open season and closed season is protecting it with one hand and shooting it with the other.

The next meeting of West Chelmsford Grange will be held on Thursday evening, October 12. Confering of degrees by regular officers and men's society, staff music, Grace quartet, vocal solo, Miss Bertha Bilson.

At the recent primaries the following republicans were nominated to look after the interests of the party in town: Herbert E. Fletcher, Sherman H. Fletcher, John H. Wilson, Harry L. Nesmith, Julian A. Cameron, Harold W. Fletcher, Frank L. Furbush, William L. Hall, and Edward T. Abbot. Edward T. Abbot, Charles S. Edwards, Samuel L. Taylor, republican town committee; Alfred W. Hartford, Harold W. Fletcher, delegates to the county convention; Edward Fisher, delegate to state convention, democrat.

The W. C. T. U. held the October meeting at the residence of Dr. Blaney. The theme for the evening was conducted by Mrs. Clarence Hildreth. After the refrain of the usual business the president, Mrs. Janet Wright, with her usual to the point view, presented Mrs. David Wallace with remembrances of her spirit of take-hold in the cause of temperance and righteousness. Mrs. Wallace responded with tearful effect. All this because of the fact that it is valuable to soon to leave town.

Death.

Charles Andrews, a former resident of Lowell and Westford, died suddenly last week Wednesday at his home in Dorchester. He was stricken with apoplexy while at work, and death followed shortly. While in Lowell he was employed at the Lowell & Kilgus machine shops. He was a native of Westford, moving here from Lowell, he owned the farm on Stony Brook road now owned by W. R. Taylor, and is well remembered by the Stony Brook Valley residents. He was attentive to business, temperate in habits, frugal and economical. He was a member of Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F. and Knights of Pythias, who will be survived by a wife, Ada; a son, Edward, and a brother, George. The funeral was from his home in Dorchester last week Friday. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Charles Burton of the Stoughton street Baptist church. A delegation from Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F., attended and performed the funeral services at the grave. The bearers were Charles Rosander and Amos Russell and Arthur Clark of Chelmsford, Middlesex lodge. Burial was in the Edson cemetery, Lowell.

Historical. The Keyes family was the oldest family in actual settlement in Westford. As early as 1664, then Chelmsford, Solomon Keyes was in possession of land on Francis hill. He came from Newbury where he married Frances Grant in 1653 and had a family of ten children. The home now standing was built by him in 1665. It was well built and was a fine workmanship, but it is in a neglected condition and is not owned by any of the Keyes family. When the home and farm was in the Keyes family they were all well to do people and thirty as long as any of that family owned it. All of the American families in New England are descended from this family.

Solomon, 2d., was born in 1665. Westford was made a town in 1729. This second Solomon had a son born in 1701, named Solomon, 3d., who was wounded in the battle with the Indians at Lovewell's pond, near Fryeburg, Me. In 1724 he, the third Solomon, married and had eight children. Solomon and David were born here. He settled in Warren, Mass.

The line is as follows: Solomon, 1; Solomon, 2, born in 1665; Solomon, 3, born in 1701; Danforth, 1, born in 1740, married Sarah Curtis, of Warren, Mass., was a colonel in the revolutionary war; Thomas, 5, born in 1774, married Margaret MacArthur, settled in Chelsea, Mass., and was a member of the committee for the Vermont railroad; Henry W., born in 1810, married Emma F. Pierce, daughter of Carlos Pierce, of Stantstead, Canada, the great Jersey cattle breeder, he was a merchant in Newbury, Vt., was twice nominated for governor of Vermont by the democrats about fifty years ago and was defeated, was interested in railroads and became wealthy as president of the Passumpsic division of the Boston and Maine, was also at one time president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad; Henry W., born in 1862, a lawyer, lives in Haverhill, N. H., was a democrat until the democrats got run away with Bryanism and live in a silver mine in 1896, he became a republican and a few weeks ago was nominated by the republicans for the office of governor of New Hampshire.

William H. Lynds, Lowell.

Grantville.

The body of Arthur Boucher, the young man who died on the ice at the hospital as a result of falling on an ice hook while working for the Boston Ice Company in North Chelmsford on last Saturday morning, was removed to the home of his sister, Mrs. Ernest Dumont, of this village, last Saturday evening. The body was sent to Canada on Monday, where burial took place.

Harry Quinn, a former resident here, who has been ill at his home in Somerville for the past several weeks, has recently been moved to the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston and the latest reports of his condition is that he is on the dangerous list with no hope for his recovery.

Rev. Samuel Dupertuis preached at the Methodist church last Sunday afternoon on the subject, "Christ, our God." The sermon had its setting in the book of Ruth and was heartily appreciated by the congregation.

Both masses in St. Catherine's church last Sunday were well attended by Rev. Henry L. Scott, who gave interesting sermons on "The observance of the Sabbath." He also announced that the first of the October devotions would be held on Friday evening at the usual hour.

Thirty cows and a bull will be sold by auction at the farm of E. Paignon, Jr., South Chelmsford, on Saturday afternoon, October 7, at 1.30 o'clock.

Death.

Mary Ann Padnanna, aged nineteen years, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gaschinski, died suddenly and unexpectedly in bed early last Saturday morning. She was apparently all right and in good spirits the night before and did not complain of any illness. During the night her condition grew worse and she was found sleeping with her, heard her struggling for breath and hastily aroused the family, but Mary was dead. Besides her father and mother, she leaves a sister Flora and two little brothers, Frank and Antonio. Dr. W. H. Sherman was called and viewed the body, and owing to the sudden death of the case was referred to the coroner. Dr. Frank S. Bulkeley, of Ayer, who ordered the body to the rooms of J. A. Healy, undertaker, where an autopsy was held. The autopsy was performed by State Medical Examiner McGrath, of Boston, assisted by Dr. Bulkeley, and Drs. W. H. Sherman, C. A. Blaney, G. V. Wells were in attendance. Dr. McGrath pronounced death due to natural causes.

The funeral of the deceased took place from her home here on Monday morning at 8.30 and was well attended. At nine o'clock a funeral mass was celebrated in St. Catherine's church by Rev. Henry L. Scott. The regular choir was in attendance, and under the direction of Miss Mary P. Hanley, sang the Gregorian Chant. There were many floral tributes. The bearers were Linga Oliva, Giuseppe Oliva, Antolnio Notte, Salvatore Cerillo. Burial was in St. Catherine's cemetery.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Miss Lillian Robinson is attending Lowell Normal school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Shattuck of Leominster spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newell.

Mrs. Coleman, of Somerville has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. W. E. Conant, this week.

F. P. Plummer of Marblehead is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stephens of King street.

Glenwood advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman in a kitchen and a detailed drawing of a Glenwood range stove. Text includes: 'All you have ever longed for in a range is found in the Plain Cabinet Glenwood. It's made in natural black iron finish—so smooth and easy to clean—the "Mission Idea" applied to a range. A room saver too like the upright piano.' and 'J. J. Barry & Co., Ayer'.

The Board of Trade will meet in the town hall next Monday night.

The annual harvest supper will be held at the Congregational vestry on next Wednesday evening, beginning at 6.30 o'clock. This will be followed by a literary and musical entertainment. The Newtown hustlers are on the committee and they intend to have the supper up to standard. All hands come and help make this a crowning success.

The annual sale at the Congregational vestry will take place on the afternoon of November 21, on the following evening there will be a supper and entertainment.

Mrs. Annie Smith has been spending several weeks with friends a little north of Plymouth, N. H., where she enjoys life in a tent.

The Women's club will hold their opening meeting on Monday afternoon, October 9, at 2.30 o'clock. The meeting will be open and all the women of the town cordially invited to attend. The members will please bring their membership tickets for the first few meetings so that the treasurer may be able to obtain a correct list of members. According to a vote taken by the club the date for the payment of dues is fixed for the annual meeting, or before July 1, so that the first dues need not be handclipped in their work by too great an uncertainty as to the funds available. It is hoped that all dues will be paid at the opening meeting if possible. Miss Agnes Smith, of the home economics department of the Massachusetts Agricultural college, will speak on the topic "School lunches." As she is a native of this town, an unusually helpful lecture and the club extends a most cordial welcome to visiting ladies.

At the meeting of the school committee on last Saturday evening several important matters were considered and acted upon. The state law relating to vaccination, "A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate granted for cause stated therein, signed by a regular practicing physician that he is not a fit subject for vaccination" will be enforced, and the superintendent was authorized to see that this law be carried out before the opening of the winter term, December 4. The regulation relating to admission to grade one was changed to read "That pupils be admitted to the first grade only in September, unless qualified to take up the work of the grade."

No child shall be admitted to the public schools whose age shall not be six years by the first of January following the opening of the fall term. The superintendent was appointed chairman of an attendance department to consist of the superintendent, his clerk, and the regularly appointed attendance officers. This is to carry into effect a recent law relating to the keeping of census records not formerly required.

Officers were elected by the Intermediate C. E. society of the Congregational church last Sunday as follows: Margaret Conant, president; Caroline Conant, pianist; Elizabeth Pickard, pres.; Anna Showe, v. p.; Charlotte Pickard, sec.; Hayward Houghton, sec. If pleasant the meeting of Sunday will be held outdoors on the hill behind the village. The members and any boys or girls who would like to join will meet at the church at three o'clock and start on the walk to the village place.

There will be an illustrated lecture at the evening service in the Congregational vestry on Sunday evening. The subject is "Springtime in Japan." The slides are remarkably beautiful. Time, seven o'clock. The topic cards with the names of leaders until January 1 will be distributed.

Miss Anne S. Buckley, of the Woman's Board of Missions in Boston, who spoke in Harvard on Thursday and in South Acton on Friday, will be in town on Saturday evening, September 30. Mr. and Mrs. Priest will be at home to their friends at 217 West 72nd street, Chicago, Ill.

Miss Alice Howard joined Prof. Barton's party for the sixty-mile excursion to the Hoosac tunnel on last Saturday and Sunday. Leaving the train at Charlemont, the company took auto busses over the Mohawk Trail to Coxsack and returned the next day. Barton gave an illustrated lecture on the geological features of the trip. The next morning the tourists ascended Mt. Greylock for the first time. Mr. Howard was the view clearer or better in any of Prof. Barton's excursions. All were enthusiastic over every feature of the trip.

On Tuesday evening, October 10, the ladies of the Baptist church will hold an entertainment and pie social in the vestry. Mrs. Helen Kelly will favor the audience with musical selections and C. F. Watts will give humorous readings.

United Workers.

Mrs. J. H. Kimball opened her home to the United Workers Wednesday afternoon for the first meeting of the season with twenty-two present. Mrs. W. E. Conant, president, called on Mrs. Coleman, of Somerville, her guest, to lead evening devotional exercises. Miss Selma S. Conant, chairman of the program committee, introduced the new text book, "Old Spain in New America," with a few explanatory remarks. Mrs. F. S. Kimball gave a report of the every-member canvass committee which made sixty canvases and personally invited the ladies to join the society or continue membership and help on the good work of the organization. At this time the speaker of the afternoon arrived. Miss Evans, of Boston, field secretary of the Home Missionary society, gave a splendid account of protestant missions among the Spanish people in Porto Rico, Cuba, and New Mexico. Mrs. J. C. Alvord gave current events, speaking chiefly of activities in the war sections of Europe. With the repetition of the Lord's prayer in unison the meeting closed.

Reception to Elderly People.

The Forget-not circle of King's Daughters wisely selected Tuesday afternoon, October 3, for their annual reception to elderly friends. The day could not have been more fair and mellow. In harmony with the weather, every feature of the entertainment was carried out very happily, and the hospitality of the charming hostess, Mrs. Paul L. Brown, prefaced the reception most auspiciously. Thirty guests responded to the invitation and thirty-one King's Daughters graciously attended them.

After the exchange of greetings Mrs.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, is visiting Massachusetts for two days. She is coming in touch with a number of clubs "which have accomplished some specific results, either socially or educationally, and is receiving information as to how the work was done. It is interesting to know that Miss Evans selected Littleton as one of the places to visit and has learned from our ex-president, Miss Alice M. Howard, what the Littleton club has accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bromley have announced the marriage of their daughter Gladys to Henry Malcolm Priest on Saturday evening, September 30. Mr. and Mrs. Priest will be at home to their friends at 217 West 72nd street, Chicago, Ill.

The oldest man present is nearly ninety-four years of age, and the oldest woman is nearly ninety.

Death.

On Sunday, October 1, George Edwards passed away at his home in Salem. He was born in Littleton in 1849. In the house now occupied by Alexander McDonald at the depot. He was a son of Peter and Elizabeth Hartwell Edwards, and his early boyhood was spent in this town. At the age of seventeen years he went to Worcester to learn the brass moulder's trade and lived there for many years. In the year of 1870 he was married to Mary Ireland, a sister of the late James W. Ireland of this town.

The deceased is survived by his widow, a son, three grandchildren, two brothers and a sister, Henry F. of St. Louis, Peter C. of New York City, and Mrs. Lizzie Stevens, of Cambridge.

He united with the M. E. church in 1874, and all through the years to the end his was a consistent christian life. Too much cannot be said of the fine character of this brave, kind-hearted man; in the home life he was ever the devoted husband and father. It was said by those who knew him best that he never spoke a cross word.

For many years he was an invalid, but during all his suffering he was patient and always appreciative of the ministrations of his devoted wife. Of a quiet and retiring disposition he lived his christianity, and by his example impressed all who came in contact with him with the value of a "good faith," and truly "None knew him but to praise."

Services were held at his late home in Salem on Tuesday afternoon. The burial was in Westlawn cemetery, Littleton.

Government control of the telegraph, telephone and postoffice service has now been authorized by law in Frugary. Provision has been made for the entire organization of these public utilities as soon as the government can perfect arrangements for taking them over.

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SHIRLEY

News Items. Mrs. Joseph Allen spent the week-end at the home of her sister in Cambridge, returning with her nephew to remain for an indefinite time.

Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Bridgman and family closed their summer home on Center road last week Friday and returned to Brookline for the winter.

forced by trouble with his teeth to withdraw. We must devote from our chronological order here and insert a word about another member of the earlier band, whose name we have only recently learned.

lady, H. A. Johnson, W. A. Gardner, Howard H. Johnson, Jr., and carriage horse, H. A. Johnson 1st, W. Gardner 2d, best single carriage horse, W. Gardner 1st, H. A. Johnson 2d, pony rig, Miss Maud E. Johnson 2d, etc.

SECRET WORTH BUYING. Mr. Rounder (at police station)—Can I see the burglar who was arrested for breaking into my house last night? Chief (hesitatingly)—Well, I don't know. What do you want to see him about?

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GROTON

History of Groton Band. The Dunstable band was one of the numerous bands which played at the celebration of President Arthur's visit in Boston.

THE PAPER FAMINE

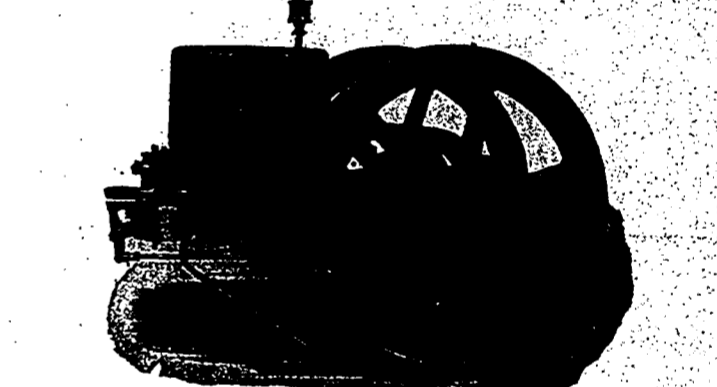
The price of paper, which has advanced from 100 to 200 percent or more over the price of a year ago, is at present the greatest menace to the newspaper industry.

STATE LAWS A PUZZLE

The fish and game commission is in a quandary over the conflict between the state's game laws on shore birds with those of the federal government.

PREMIUMS AWARDED

The premiums awarded at the fair last week were as follows: Class 1, plowing—L. M. Upton 1st, Moseley Hale 2d.



NEWS

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"On their return from a trip Mr. and Mrs. Strand will reside on Walnut street, Clinton, and will be at home after November 1."

Friends of Mrs. Emma Atherton were invited to know that she is now at home on Mr. and Mrs. James Murchie in Boxborough.

At the annual meeting of the Harvard patrol and of the officers were elected for the current year. New members were added to the society. Mrs. N. A. Dill, Mrs. Frank Sawyer, Mrs. M. J. Fisher, Mrs. Abbott, Frank Abbott and Reuben Reed.

Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Maynard, Mrs. Mary A. Maynard, Miss Haggood and Miss Hartshorn took a party over the Mohawk trail returning on Sunday.

The burial service for Mrs. Myra Hosmer Stevens took place in the cemetery on Monday. The funeral service was held at West Grove cemetery at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Stevens was a native of this town and spent many of her years here.

"Harvest Week" will be a feature at the Woman's club exchange from October 16 to 21. A harvest menu will be served at the exchange at 11:30 and 8 o'clock each day, and there will be on sale an attractive lot of jams, jellies, canned products, fruits, old-time cooking, candles and many other articles.

The opening meeting of the Woman's club held on Monday in the upper town hall, was observed as a special day. The exchange of gifts and the address of the president and one delegate from each of the clubs of the neighboring towns of Ayer, Clinton, Groton, Littleton, West Groton, and Tyngboro were present.

The president, Mrs. George F. Cobb, opened the meeting by giving to the members and their guests. After a brief business meeting which followed, she presented Mrs. Perkins, who spoke of the club's work in the past, alluding the close attention of her audience for an hour.

In a concise manner she traced the evolution of the club, from the days of savagery, when she was little more than a slave, up to her present prominent position in the home and society. Not content with the home and society, the woman is pushing forward toward a higher ideal, and in this struggle she is seeking the co-operation of her sisters, so that the noblest and best of the country women would join together in clubs.

One object of the Woman's club is to help women both individually and collectively in the development of their own lives. The club is a place where women can find help and encouragement in their home and community. The two things which Mrs. Perkins urged most strongly upon club members were service and usefulness. Every member should be willing to do something and forget herself in the doing, nor should she be discouraged if she does not get the results she expected. "Does not lie in reaching the goal, but in taking the right path."

If tempted to unkind criticism let her remember that she is not her fellow-member is working. "Let her be a little kinder than seems necessary."

The speaker admonished her hearers not to neglect their homes, reminding them that "the virtuous woman looketh well to the ways of her household, and she is strengthened in the management of the home. Mrs. Perkins' gracious manner won the hearts of her audience. A reception and tea followed.

On last Saturday H. D. Stone and family and his sister, Mrs. William B. Haeckel, went to the Mohawk trail. Stone's automobile, going via the Mohawk trail over the Hoosac Mountains, returning on Sunday.

The Tomb twins, who have been staying with their grandfather, Capt. Drury, the past few months, started for their home in Washington, D. C., Sunday, going with Grandfather and Mrs. Hutcherson took them to Boston by auto, where they took the Federal express to Washington.

Eliza Bateman entertained Mrs. George W. Perkins and Mrs. Cutler on Monday, the former addressing the Woman's club in Harvard that afternoon.

Frank Hunter, of West Newton, was the guest of his cousin, A. L. Hunter, Wednesday.

Mrs. Annie M. L. Clark, of Lancaster, was the guest of her cousin, Katherine L. Lawrence, last week.

Miss Mary Cummings, of Leominster, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sprague.

Joseph Stebbins, who has worked for Chester Williams several years, concluded his services there last Saturday, and on Monday moved his family and goods to a place he recently bought on the Shirley road in Lancaster.

Mr. Carruth has so far regained his health as to go out to ride.

Mrs. Mary Haskell went to Worcester last Sunday to see her mother, Mrs. Vaughn, who is quite unwell.

On Thursday afternoon a number of the ladies of the Baptist church attended a missionary meeting at the Congregational church in Harvard.

The Boston and Maine railroad have this week replaced the old milk platform with a new one, which is an improvement over the old.

Merrill Sprague is going back and forth to the Clinton high school on a motorcycle that he recently purchased.

George Willard has this week been filling a slot for A. H. McNeil, J. R. Bigelow and C. D. Keys.

For the third time within a few weeks, the streets of upper Washington street were invaded early Monday morning by nocturnal prowlers, whose evident intention is to reduce the inhabitants of this section of the city to a state of alarm and incidentally to keep them uneasy. It was not long after the witching hour of midnight that the latest excitement of the town was started by a party of four o'clock the unwelcome visitors were evidently getting their bearings.

At the latter hour Mrs. O'Keefe, sister of Mrs. Theodore W. Barry, heard someone about the outside of the house and heard a man trying to open the door and get in. She immediately turned on the electric lights in the hall, which evidently frightened the man away.

When last seen they were in the rear of the house with what seemed to be a bag, such as burglars carry, in one of the man's hands. Mrs. Barry called up the police station by telephone. Night officer James I. Mills quickly responded, but after a thorough search in the neighborhood he failed to find any one who might be the guilty person.

At about one o'clock the same morning Frank S. Bennett heard some men talking in the street. He went out to see what was going on and found a large tract of land extending to the railroad tracks and beyond with no house nearby.

The residents of this section are talking of installing a regular officer for night duty and something along this line is expected soon. The selectmen, after consulting with the Ayer Electric Light Company, have ordered the street lights kept burning until daybreak until Monday, October 9, when other steps will be taken.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.
On last week Tuesday evening,
while Miss Josephine was return-
ing home from the fair, she mis-
sioned her footing on the piazza and hurt
one of her ankles so severely that she
was confined to the house for several
days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunbar last
week entertained their daughter, Mrs.
Fingrey, and their granddaughter,
Miss Dorothy Kline, of Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bennett, with
their daughter, Mrs. Richard Wright,
drove to Greenville last week Wed-
nesday. Mrs. Bennett, with her
grandson, Norman Frost, remained
there for a visit of about a week with
relatives.

Friends here have received word
that Mr. and Mrs. William Scarritt
are the parents of another daughter,
born recently.

Mrs. Edward Parker, Mrs. Albert
Pierce, Mrs. Belle Hall and daughter
Blanche motored with Ralph Per-
kins to Fitchburg last week Wednes-
day and attended a theatre there.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Wheeler last
week Thursday entertained Mrs. Is-
abelle McDougall, of Goffstown, and
the Misses Gladys and Daisy Burns,
of Milford.

Michael Riordan one day last week
met with an injury to his arm, which
required eight stitches to close the
wound, and he has since been unable
to work.

Alexander Leouyer, who has con-
ducted a boot shop here for more
than four years, has for some time
given it up on account of poor health,
and has moved with his family to
Leominster.

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in every way and the committee in
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in readiness for the next meeting,
October 11, and on that same even-
ing the lady members are to have
their program ready also, so that both
programs are to be given on the same
evening at Groton. For the
last meeting the program consisted of
a piano duet, Grace and Alice Whit-
comb; reading, Blanche Hall; piano
solo, Miss Ruth Hill. For the
Whitcomb; reading, George Cady;
piano duet, Grace and Alice Whit-
comb; readings, Mrs. George Cady;
reading, Mrs. Clara Russell. At the
close of the meeting Clarence Russell
distributed a basket of very fine
peaches among the members present.

HOLLIS, N. H.
News Items.
Miss Mildred French and Miss Ruth
Hazard left town this week for
Wheaton college. Miss Hazard be-
gins her course, while Miss French
enters as a sophomore.

The Grange held its regular meet-
ing on Tuesday night in the town
hall. Hudson and Groton were rep-
resented by the local Grange and
furnished the following entertain-
ment: Piano solo, Miss Ruth Har-
wood; vocal solo, Miss Ruth Hill, and
a farce, entitled "The wrong lady."

Mrs. Charles E. Eastman, of Chi-
cago, is spending a few days with
Mr. and Mrs. Gilman P. Huff.

LUNENBURG
News Items.
Mr. and Mrs. William F. Hills left
town last week Wednesday morning
for a much needed and well de-
served vacation. They visit Fall River
and other places of interest, expecting to
be gone one week.

Carl E. Brown and son Earl are
taking a ten days' vacation and auto
trip, visiting Montreal, Quebec and
other Canadian towns. Mr. Lewis has
charge of the postoffice while the
postmaster is away.

Ernest Proctor, who was so seri-
ously threatened with blood poison-
ing, is able to be out again, and his
arm is slowing gaining.

Harold L. Harrington went to Am-
herst last week to enter the Agricul-
tural college.

A large auction of farming tools,
machinery, horses and fifty-one thor-
ough-bred Guernsey cows was held
last Saturday at Sunnyside farm.
The auction was attended by
milkmen and farmers from the ad-
joining towns, a pair of black horses
sold for \$235, but the tools, machin-
ery, milk wagons, etc., went compar-
atively cheap. The price paid
for a cow was \$43, and the highest
was \$127.50, the next highest \$98, the
next two \$87 each, and others rang-
ing from \$40 to \$60.

Letters remaining unclaimed for in the
postoffice are for Mrs. Ella S. Stearns,
Mrs. R. D. Hutchinson, Mrs. Addie
Craw, Miss L. L. Loring, Mrs. M. Walsh,
M. M. Brooks, Jean Gilchrist, Mrs.
Massey, Harry L. Litchfield, Master
William Noid, Will Noid, H. O. Reed.

Octogenarians.
There are several octogenarians in
this town who are in good health and
enjoy life and good social time ap-
parently as well as ever. John Smith,
of Flat hill, eighty-seven years of age,
attended the old home week celebra-
tion on August 2, and the day follow-
ing with old friends and townpeople
and returned to his home at night
"just a little weary," but otherwise
feeling the worse for his day of recrea-
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Charles H. Cunningham, eighty-
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tableaux by Ethel Taylor, Mabel
Porter, Lilla Shattuck, Charlotte
Jensen, Mabel Poppel, Minnie Max-
well, Anne Berry, Frances Farn-
worth, Blanche Hall, in charge of the
latter. Mr. Drake, of Townsend, fur-
nished the ice cream.

Grange.
On account of not being able to get
some one to take charge of the men's
program for the meeting the Grange
on the evening of September 23, their
entertainment did not materialize, but
they have promised to have something

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at least their second year at some reg-
ular degree-granting American univer-
sity or college. Candidates having
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tember 3 and 4, 1916. A state com-
mittee of selection chooses the scholar
from among those who have passed
this examination. Application should
be made to the chairman of this com-
mittee, President A. Lawrence Lowell,
L. D. Harvard university. A memo-
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of the committee of selection, or by
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Sherwin of Townsend, County of Mid-
dlesex and Commonwealth aforesaid,
dated April 12, 1916, and recorded
with Worcester Northern District Reg-
istry of Deeds, book 292, page 525,
and Middlesex Registry of Deeds,
South District, book 444, page 344,
for breach of a condition of said mort-
gage and for the purpose of foreclos-
ing the same the first tract will be
sold at Public Auction on the prem-
ises hereinafter described, Friday,
October 20, 1916, at 10 A. M., and the
second described tract at twelve
o'clock noon on the same day, namely:

A certain tract of land with the
buildings thereon situated in the
westerly part of said Townsend on the
easterly side of the road leading
from West Townsend to Mason, New
Hampshire, bounded and described as
follows: Beginning at the northwest
corner of the granted premises at a
stake and stone, the same being the
southwest corner of land formerly oc-
cupied by E. D. Webster, deceased;
thence N. 73° 15' E. by said Webster
land three hundred and thirty-three
feet to a stake and stone; thence S.
18° E. by said Webster land one hun-
dred feet to a stake and stone; thence
S. 78° 15' W. by land of Wilbur Z.
Sherwin three hundred and thirty-
four (334) feet to the road above men-
tioned; thence N. 17° 25' W. by the
east side of said road one hundred
feet to the point of beginning.

Containing one hundred and twenty-
two square rods, more or less, and be-
ing the same real estate conveyed to
me by Wilbur Z. Sherwin by deed
dated December 16, 1909, and record-
ed with Middlesex South District
Deeds, book 248, page 358. Subject
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tive Bank of Fitchburg and any liens
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Also another tract of land with all
buildings thereon situated westerly
from Main Street in the northerly part
of Leominster in said County of Wor-
cester, bounded and described as fol-
lows, viz: Beginning at the south-
easterly corner thereof at a proposed
street fifty (50) feet wide leading
westerly from Main Street and at land
of Nellie E. Flint, said corner being
about 335.32 feet westerly from the
westerly line of said Main Street;
thence running N. 77° 15' W. by said
proposed street sixty-three (63) feet;
thence N. 12° 15' E. by land of Edwin
H. Bixby, one hundred twenty-five
(125) feet to land of Orlando W.
Goodwin; thence S. 77° 15' E. by said
Goodwin land sixty-three (63) feet to
land of said Flint; thence S. 12° 15'
W. by land of said Flint one hundred
twenty-five (125) feet to the place of
beginning. Being a part of the land
conveyed to Edwin H. Bixby and my-
self by Will F. Russell by deed dated
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