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Mosquito Netting—Best quality of mosquito netting, full width, black, white and colors ..... **10c** yard

**75c** for piece of 8 yards

Basement

### HARVARD

#### News Items.

A well attended meeting was held by the Woman's club music study class at the home of Miss Helen Stone on Wednesday afternoon, May 9. Mrs. William Haskell presented an interesting program on the life and music of Schumann. Descriptive pieces of the composer's music were given on the piano by Miss Stone and Mrs. William Haskell. Mrs. Harriet Thayer, Miss Margaret Thayer, Miss Edith Dudley, violin solo, Miss Eleanor Haskell, accompanied by Miss Stone; vocal solos, Mrs. Harvey Merrill, Miss Josephine Baker and Miss Elvira Scorgie. A musicale will be held at "Sunnyside" on Friday evening, May 25, at eight o'clock, when all who would be interested in hearing selections from the early composers which have been taken up by the class, are cordially invited.

Bromfield school ball team played two games this week. On Wednesday the Lawrence academy second team defeated the home team by a score of 9 to 3. On Thursday the game was played with the Littleton high school, going eleven innings, Bromfield winning by a score of 14 to 9. Both games were snappy and full of close plays. St. John pitched both games.

Tuesday evening the Grange were furnished an unusual treat in the shape of a visit and lecture from Mrs. George S. Ladd, of Southbridge, lecturer of the Massachusetts State Grange, and one of the best, if not the best, and most instructive speaker in the state. Her twenty-five years of work as lecturer of the State Grange and her wide experience in agricultural and economic research, not only in this state, but through the middle west, makes her especially competent to speak intelligently on subjects pertaining to food production. Those who did not hear her missed the treat of this year's program.

Mrs. Catherine Dickson passed her eighty-seventh birthday on Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. M. Bigelow. She enjoyed the day with gifts of flowers, fruits and various articles with good health and spirits.

Appearance has been entered by attorneys for M. McMahon, of this town, at the Clinton court, as one of the respondents for a bill of equity filed in the superior court by the overseers of the poor of Harvard to recover \$46.50, said to be due the town on account of Mrs. Mary McMahon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Snow have opened their summer home on Oak Hill for the present season.

Mrs. Maria Eaton is in declining health and has a trained nurse caring for her.

Mrs. Ella Cleaves, with two of her children, is staying for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cleaves.

Pupils of the grammar school have subscribed and sent six dollars to the fund for homeless French children.

At the Congregational church on Sunday Miss Josephine Baker will sing a solo. On the following Sunday, May

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We are offering unusual attractions this Spring for the man who is interested in good clothes. Our constant aim is to give good clothes, and therefore good satisfaction to our customers. We have a large number of satisfied customers and we are after a still larger number. One of the factors in our success is our reliability. It is worth a great deal to any customer to feel that the store you are dealing with is reliable.

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Men's High Cut \$3, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$6  
Men's Oxfords \$3, \$3.50, \$5, \$6

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You will find here a splendid display of the New Spring Shirts. You will find both the soft and stiff cuff styles in great variety of patterns.

We guarantee the colors in all our Shirts as perfectly fast. We have only the old fast-color materials in our Shirts.

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27, there will be no service, as union memorial services are to be held at the Unitarian church.

The feature picture for the motion picture show this Saturday evening will be Lionel Barrymore and the magnetic young actress, Marguerite Skirvin, in "The Quilter." It is a play of western ranch life. "The Quilter" has a smile and a tear for all.

### Public Safety Committee Notes.

Reports from 57 farmers received at the meeting Wednesday evening indicated that they proposed to plant 158 acres of corn, beans and potatoes, against 120 acres in 1916. Farmers desiring help for the summer, experienced or inexperienced, are requested to apply to the Worcester County Farm Bureau, through Arthur H. Furner, town director of Harvard. Those desiring college students are requested to apply to William J. Kerley and those willing to employ Boy Scouts about seventeen years of age should apply to A. C. Fuller. In each case farmers are requested to state wages they are willing to pay.

In regard to a proposal from a prominent Worcester county institution to take the surplus potato crop of Harvard for 1917 at \$1.50 per bushel, no action was taken.

Prof. E. L. Paine, of the Agricultural college, Amherst, called on poultry raisers in the town of Harvard, in view of the increased cost of feed that all flocks be continued, as present and future prices fully justify this course. He predicted one dollar a dozen eggs next winter.

In view of the planting season no meeting of the committee will be held next Wednesday, except in the case of emergency. To the honor roll of Harvard men joining the military corps read at the mass meeting Friday night should be added the names of James H. Morse of Still River, and that of Paul Jones. Mr. Morse is attending Colby university (Maine) and enlisted with a number of classmates in the 2d Maine regiment. Mr. Jones has enlisted in the state militia.

### Mass Meeting.

On Friday evening of last week a largely attended mass meeting was held in the town hall with Hon. Herbert Parker, ex-attorney-general, of Lancaster, and Secretary of State Langtry, as the speakers of the evening. Chorus singing of twenty-five voices, with Mr. Thayer as director, gave excellent diversion during the evening. Miss Baker sang as a solo, "The battle hymn of the republic," and Mr. West sang "Dixie," the audience joining in the chorus. A double quartet sang "The unfurling of the flag," a patriotic hymn written by Miss Clara Endicott Sears. Prof. Charles N. Pollard played the Harvard Boy Scouts march while the Harvard Boy Scouts conducted the speakers to the platform. Henry H. Putnam as president of the committee introduced the speakers and gave an outline of what our town is doing in the way of preparing for the war. A list of the volunteers from Harvard was read—Herman Thomas, Edw. Thomas, William Sheehan, Kenneth Whitmore, Harold Whitmore, Allen Barnard, James Fettes and Roger Morse. The reading of the names was enthusiastically applauded.

### Liberty Loan.

The First National Bank of Ayer gives notice that a committee is being formed to solicit subscriptions from this and neighboring towns to the U. S. Liberty Loan. Full particulars will be announced later.

### New Advertisements.

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TOWNSEND

Center. On last week Friday night, about midnight, Mrs. Colby was returning in his auto from a dance in West Townsend, he discovered fire in the blacksmith shop of Joseph Temple, situated on the cross road between Upper Main street and the Pithburg road. He hastened to the Methodist church ringing the bell and giving a general alarm. The fire department responded with chemicals, it being useless to go with the steamer. The building, which was burned to the ground, was owned by Ellis Sanders. The cause of the fire is unknown. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen W. Keefe are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son—Stephen William, Jr.—weighing eight pounds. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fessenden were in Boston last Saturday evening, a parade given in honor of Field Marshal Joffre. At the Methodist and Congregational churches appropriate services were held in the observance of mothers' day last Sunday. At the Methodist church Mr. Galloway of the Boston University, took for his text "And there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother." At the evening service Carl Farrar sang a tenor solo, "Tell mother I'll be there." At the congregational church the pastor's theme was "The spirit of motherhood," and the choir sang "My mother's bible." Both churches were decorated with white carnations and other white flowers. On Thursday, May 10, as the rural carriage was silencing the mail in the afternoon, "Dan" in his faithful horse was taken sick at H. H. Jenkinson's mail box, but was able to be led home, where he was taken worse and passed to his well-earned rest at 6.15. "Dan" entered the mail service on April 17, 1910, which gave him a term of years and 24 days in the service. In the cold of winter or in the summer's heat he was always at his post of duty, drawing the mail wagon from mail box to mail box, willing to do his share of the work. As the carrier's route is 25 7/10 miles long, and he has to go on the route 292 days a year, "Dan" in traveling his half traveled 26,554 miles. Neighbors' night was observed at the Grange meeting Monday evening. Ashby Grange furnished a very pleasing entertainment, after which supper was served in the banquet hall in charge of the local Grange feast committee. Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Higgins and assistants. The entertainment program consisted of vocal selections, illustrated songs with tableaux, the red lights being used very effectively. Spicy readings and a monologue were also given during the evening's program. There were 150 present, including fifty from Ashby Grange; other visitors were present from Fitchburg, Ayer, Groton, Littleton, Waltham and Brookline, N. H., Granges. Harry N. Spaulding, of Boston, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Spaulding, of this town, has enlisted in the 10th Corps Cadets, regiment of engineers, Boston. Private Emil Westing, of Company I, 9th Massachusetts regiment, who has been stationed in Fall River, has spent two days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Westing. West. Ellen Pratt has returned from a visit to relatives in Leominster, and since her return has been suffering from the severe cold which is so prevalent in this community. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lich, of Cataraugus, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Whitney, of Rochester, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boustell of Bayberry hill. Mrs. William Winchester has returned to the Squannocook Inn after a brief visit to relatives in Taunton and Onset. Samuel Wares is quite ill as a result of a severe cold and has been confined to his home on the Pithburg road. Mrs. Carrie Chase has left Mrs. Cook and is at present employed in Harvard. Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Homer, of New York, have arrived at their summer home here for a part of the season. George Bostock, chauffeur for Mr. Homer, has arrived at their cottage on Main street, where the rest of the family will join him later. James L. Flynn, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been superintending improvements on his cottage on Main street. Mrs. Rebecca Kaddy, of Groton, is spending a few days with Mrs. William Webster, of Josselynville, and Mrs. Ernest Kaddy, who has been with Mrs. Webster for a few days, has returned to her home in Revere. Mrs. Clapp and her daughter Rena, of Cliftondale, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Waite. Rev. Joseph McKean will preach on Sunday morning on the topic "A peculiar invitation," and in the evening on "How a narrow and prejudiced disciple had his religious horizon enlarged." Y. P. S. C. E. as usual. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brynton and son Randall, of Providence, R. I., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Adams. Three brothers, Clarence and Ashbel Streeter, of this village, and Ralph Streeter, of Nashua, N. H., celebrated their birthdays on May 16 and a pleasant party was held at the Streeter home in Josselynville on Wednesday afternoon, when a few of the friends and neighbors joined with the family in celebrating the event. Ice cream and cake were served and Clarence Streeter, the oldest brother, cut the elaborate birthday cake. The brothers were the recipients of numerous birthday cards and the day proved one of pleasure to all. Miss Maud Hodson, of Reading, has been spending a few days with Mrs. Charles R. Morgan. Mrs. Lucy Thompson has closed her home for a month and is visiting relatives in Sharon, Vt. Miss Emily Orr, who was called to town by the death of her aunt, Mrs. Sarah Hodge, has returned to Somerville, where she is employed. A very impressive service took place at the Baptist church on last Sunday morning when three candidates, Mrs. Warren Elliott, Miss Ruth Bennett, and Miss Ralph Davis were immersed in the baptism by the pastor, Rev. Joseph McKean, who followed the ceremony by a striking sermon on "The true meaning of baptism." As it was mothers' day a large number of the audience wore the floral symbol, and at the evening service Mr. McKean preached on the topic "What we owe our mothers."

The Ladies' Literary and Social circle held an extra meeting at the reading-room on last week Friday afternoon, when a number of the members and one guest, Mrs. Joseph McKean, present. The president, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, presided, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Mabel Wilson, pres.; Mrs. Abbott Hodgman, v. p.; Mrs. Fred A. Patch, sec. and treas.; Mrs. Fred A. Patch, Mrs. Charles E. Patch, program committee. At the close of the business meeting a pleasing program was given. A social hour and refreshments followed, after which they adjourned until October. Doris Tenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tenney, has been quite ill the past week. Deaths. James King, one of the old residents of the town, passed away on last week Thursday night after a few days' illness of bronchial pneumonia at the home of his sister, Mrs. William Webster. He was a native of Townsend, his parents being the late James King, a civil war veteran, and Mary A. (Wares) King. He was aged 64 years, 10 months, 28 days, was unmarried, and is survived by his brother, William King, and a sister, Mrs. William Webster, of this village, and a sister, Mrs. Ella Clapp, of Cliftondale, and a number of nephews and nieces. King's early days were spent on a farm on the shore of the pond, but about thirty-five years ago the family moved to the King farm on the Pithburg road, owned and occupied by Mr. Brown and family, where they lived until the death of his parents. About five years ago the farm was sold and since then Mr. King and his brother have lived with their sister in Josselynville. Most of his life was spent in farming, and being married to his wife, Mrs. Webster, he devoted himself to his home life and enjoyed the affection of a large number of nieces and nephews, who especially in their childhood days enjoyed their summers "on the farm." Funeral services were held at the Baptist church at 1.30 o'clock Sunday afternoon and were attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends. Many beautiful floral tributes, including a large arrangement of flowers, were presented and surrounded with beautiful floral tributes. Rev. Joseph McKean officiated and the choir rendered two selections. The bearers were Frank Farnsworth, Joseph Thompson, Elbridge Harwood and Charles Hosley, and the interment was in the West Townsend cemetery. Mrs. Sarah E. Hodge, a native of this village, aged 87 yrs. 11 mos. and 3 days, died on Saturday morning of bronchial pneumonia, after only three days' illness. Funeral services were held at her late residence Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Joseph McKean officiated. The bearers were Mrs. Harriet Stukney and Miss Emma Adams sang two selections, "Some day we'll understand" and "Nearer, my God to thee." The bearers were F. D. Parsons, Augustus Bruce and Alexander Reed, and Henry Adams. The body was laid to rest in the family lot in the cemetery here, and her last resting place was beautified by a profusion of the beautiful blossoms which she loved. She is survived by no near relatives, but has many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Charles Priest of Roxbury, the Misses Maria and Ellen Burbank and Mrs. Mary Holyoke of Hudson, Mrs. Henry Farrar of Greenville, and Miss Emily Orr of this village, and John Kiddle of Ayer, and a number of grand nephews and nieces. Mrs. Hodge was the daughter of Enoch and Sally Kiddle of Josselynville and her early days were spent in the home of her parents on the farm. Thomas Hodge of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where she lived for seventeen years, but after the death of her husband, she removed to North Adams, where she lived for several years, returning here about twenty years ago. Mrs. Hodge was a woman of strong personality and independent spirit, a gentle woman of the old school, and although handicapped by ill health and deafness, her domineering spirit was unappreciated over the infirmities of the flesh until the last. Harbor. Cornelius Keefe has returned from a week's visit with his aunt, Mrs. Carmichael, in Forge Village. Ernest Cordeau has given up his position in West Groton and with his family have moved to the Harbor. George Burrage has recently purchased an Overland runabout, and William Buckley a Ford. Karl Newhall sailed from New York recently with a Harvard hospital unit for France. Mrs. Sara T. Locke, who has been visiting at Pinehurst, left for Boston the first of last week, from which city she will return to St. Louis, Mo. Harold Gray, after a few days' visit at home, returned to New Haven, Conn., to join his regiment, the fifth Connecticut Volunteer Cavalry, Troop D. As soon as the new conscript law takes effect the regiment will be mustered into federal service. An exhibition of work, both oral and written, was given by the pupils of the Harbor school on Tuesday afternoon of last week. Some excellent history recitations were given by grade eight. Booklets and drawings displayed were very attractive. Parents and friends who attended felt that much credit is due pupils and teacher, Mrs. Bray. Several from the Harbor and Cape Corner attended a lecture on "Cauldron" given by W. W. Rees of the Agricultural college, at Mervin Hodgman's on May 10. Mr. Rees was accompanied by Mr. Abbott, agent of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, who spoke briefly about the organization of a branch of this bureau in Townsend. Plans are being made to hold a meeting for this purpose at an early date. The As You Like It club met on May 8 with Mrs. Ralph Blake. The afternoon was spent in sewing for the Red Cross. Hereafter the garments will be given out at the club to be taken home by the members to finish. The club will then be able to carry out their usual program. Two new members were admitted to the club at the last meeting, Mrs. Helen Proctor and Mrs. H. K. Foss. The next meeting will be held on May 22 with Miss Hester Burdette. HOLLIS, N. H. News Items. Ralph Lovejoy is at home from Durham for a few days. The Home Economic club held a meeting on last week Friday. Miss Bates talked on economical dishes, which could be made. Tuesday evening the Grange held its regular meeting. Prof. Prine of Durham spoke upon the farm and conservation of the food supply, advising the raising of more grain and staple food products. The married members gave the single members a treat of popcorn, popcorn balls and candy. Albert Fields of Amherst is spending a few days with his grandfather, William J. Mills. Robert Bean spent the week-end in Boston. The Woman's club held its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon and

gave up its program for the Red Cross work. Mr. and Mrs. Almond A. Wheeler, Miss Louise Stratton, Miss Emma L. Van Dyke and George F. Van Dyke returned Wednesday from Florida. LITTLETON News Items. A. H. Gilmore and family, of West Acton, have moved into their summer home at the trotting park, known as Uncle Tom's cabin, and Mr. Gilmore is busily engaged in the training of colts. The G. H. Barkers have recently installed a telephone at their residence on King street—21-13. Mrs. Henry Hurd, of Rochester, N. H., has been the guest of her brother, George W. Canney. Leaving Littleton, she will visit Elinor Canney and family in Arlington Heights, and other relatives in the vicinity of Boston. Miss Hatch, of Exeter, N. H., is the guest of Mrs. S. E. Abbott at the Blossoms. Mrs. Foster Dole entertained as a mid-week guest her former teacher in elocution, Miss Adelaide Noyes, of Lowell, who with several other ladies from the same city attended the Woman's club play on Tuesday. Mrs. Minnie T. Johnson came home last Saturday from Winthrop, where she has spent the winter with her aged grandmother and an aunt. Conant & Houghton are building a garage below the webbing factory and it is generally understood that they will erect a commercial building on their Adams land at the common to be used as a garage, and J. M. Hartwell is expected soon to establish a thoroughly equipped Ford service station, so that the public will be well accommodated. Mrs. Stacy C. Bates, who possesses a rich, well trained contralto voice, has kindly consented to sing in the quartet which is giving such splendid entertainment at the morning service of the Congregational church. At the evening meeting in the Congregational vestry, Sunday May 20, G. A. Cook will be the leader, and the subject for consideration is "The value of good cheer." Rev. William C. Brown will be the preacher at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning, occupying his former pulpit, and giving the present minister an opportunity to visit his son at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and to preach in the Troy church. Rev. William C. Fairfield left Friday by auto for the Mohawk Trail and will return on Monday. Mr. Brown has so few Sundays to spend in Littleton his friends and former parishioners will be glad of an opportunity to hear him. "The young people's guild will meet as usual at seven o'clock, N. H. The congregation of the Unitarian society, irrespective of party standing, put itself on record last Sunday as favoring prohibition during the continuance of the war as a most effective war measure. The coming week is known among Unitarians and others as anniversary week in Boston, with a notable series of annual meetings extending throughout the week. The opening meeting, Sunday evening, at 7.30, will be in Symphony hall, the anniversary sermon preached by Rev. 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The Wheeler Ames place on Willow Dale was recently sold at public auction for \$2400.—Paul H. Wilson has accepted a position as assistant foreman in the wood-working mills with the Loring Mfg. Co., of Worcester.

William Gay, son of Deacon and Mrs. H. H. Gay, has enlisted in the artillery.

Misses Ruth and Dorothy Stevens spent the week-end with relatives in Wayland.

Clifford Folkins has been confined to the house with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sheedy went to Medford Hillsdale last week, where they have taken apartments.

Mrs. Frank Mason, who has been sick for some time, is a patient at the Groton hospital.

Mr. Sturges of Groton School, conducted the service at the chapel in West Groton last Sunday morning.

Miss Ethel K. Bruce is visiting relatives in Lakewood, N. J.

Miss Mary Parmenter has returned to Groton after an extended absence, having been staying with her invalid father in Wayland.

Mr. McFarland moved his family on Monday from the Haley place, just beyond the railroad bridge, to the cottage belonging to Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Peppercorn, which has recently been occupied by Allen Messing. It is reported that a family from Worcester by the name of Moshier have rented the Haley cottage.

Abbott Lawrence, a student at Lawrence academy, returned to his home in Maine last week to assist his father in farming on account of the scarcity of help.

Miss Nita Cowlishaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter I. Cowlishaw, Cambridge, was married last Saturday evening to Vermont Hatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Hatch. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Miss Erdine Cowlishaw, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, who will be remembered by the members of the Groton Woman's club as reader at their guest night, February 9. Mr. and Mrs. Hatch will live in New York city, where he is a member of a law firm.

On Thursday, April 26, Mrs. Mary W. Shattuck observed her eighty-second birthday and received much pleasure in the kindness of her friends and other guests.

Mrs. George H. McKee left town on the evening train last week Friday for a visit with her daughter in Medford.

Eight fighting parsons, every one of them more than seventy years old, every one of them a clergyman, were led into Gov. McCreary's office by a band of boys on Saturday afternoon and offered themselves as recruits, ready to enlist for any service the chief executive might ask of them.

Their action was even a surprise to themselves, for it was suddenly decided upon at the close of a little dinner party at Commonwealth hotel Saturday noon. The eight white-haired veterans had gathered around a small table in a private dining room and through the course of the talk of the day when they had been fighting, but not parsons. They talked of Confederate bullets that grazed and confederate bullets that had hit. It was not like other veterans' gatherings because these men had never known each other in civil war days. All were northerners, but no two had served the union from the same date. They had come together in response to a call of one of their numbers at the office to call themselves "fighting parsons." Among these eight veterans we find the name of Rev. A. M. Crane, of Malden, who was for a number of years the pastor of the Baptist church of Groton.

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Dr. William B. Parsons, Jr., was best man for Dr. Herbert Vermilye at his marriage recently at the First Hill, N. Y. church in New York. The wedding was another of those hastened by the war. The bridegroom and Dr. Parsons are both first lieutenants in the officers' reserve corps and both are shortly to be sent to France. Dr. Parsons' engagement to Miss Rose Peabody, one of the daughters of Rev. Endroit Peabody, Groton School, and Mrs. Peabody was announced last autumn after the return of Miss Peabody from France, where the young people were engaged in hospital work.

Mrs. Caroline Robinson (Webb) Sabine, mother of Stephen W. Sabine of this town, passed away at her home in Brookline Tuesday morning after a short illness. Mrs. Sabine was a native of Salem and was born August 22, 1846.

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Mrs. E. H. W. Wood is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Crook, at Nashua, N. H. Baptist church morning worship at 10 o'clock Sunday. The friendship of deities Sunday school at twelve. Evening praise service at seven. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30.

The work required for the merit badges—merit and public health, civics and pathfinders—was taken up at the meeting of the Boy Scouts last week. The work of the boys was approved by the court of honor and the badges will be awarded to the members of the troop by the court of honor. The members of the troop will take a census of the farms of Groton for the Middlesex County Farm Bureau at the request of the United States government. Every scout who conducts a garden and induces nine other people to do the same or to increase their acreage will receive special merit emblems. For the food production committee, pamphlets on "The vegetable garden" and "Poultry management." All who do not receive them can secure the same by notifying the scoutmaster.

Lawrence academy defeated St. Anselm last Saturday afternoon by the score of 7 to 1. Brainard and Hutchins starred for Lawrence.

The next meeting of the Grange will be held on Tuesday evening, May 22, which will be a reciprocity night. In charge of the officers.

There will be a special meeting of the Middlesex Rebekah lodge on Saturday evening, May 19, when each member is requested to make a special effort to be present. Mrs. Alice M. Rand, of Milton, president of the Rebekah assembly, will be the guest of the evening, this being her first visit to Groton.

Herbert J. Hynes has purchased a new Ford touring car which he expects will be delivered in a short time.

In accordance with instructions from headquarters a special meeting of the local of the N. E. Milk Producers' association was held on Thursday evening, May 10. The call issued by the central association for special local and county meetings was read by the secretary, together with the list of questions appended thereto. F. D. Lewis then made a report on the actions taken by the county meeting on May 7. In the course of discussion following Mr. Lewis' report it was noted that a decrease in dairy cattle in towns east of Groton during recent years has been enormous, and that it is still continuing.

Charles McKean has accepted a position as chauffeur for L. G. Strand, of West Groton.

Miss Helen Oleson, a graduate of Lawrence school, took dinner at the Groton Inn on Thursday and called on friends in town.

It is understood that Robert E. Sargent has accepted a position as manager of the farm belonging to James A. Bailey, Jr.

Woburny Howe, son of Rev. George W. Howe, has accepted a position in Lowell at the Merrimack Corporation. He was formerly engaged in the interests of the Stork mills of Manchester, N. H. When he severed his connections with that concern he was presented with a full jeweled gold watch and a diamond stickpin which will always remind him of their appreciation and high esteem.

Robert E. Sargent has decided to sell his entire teaming outfit, including the truck, Monday, May 21, as he has accepted a position and has no further use for the same.

Mrs. Jennie Hemlinway was operated on for polyps of the nose on Monday at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, N. H.

There is a game of baseball scheduled for Lawrence academy and Exeter at Exeter, Saturday, May 19.

The result of the canvass for funds for a school and district nurse has been most gratifying to the committee, \$300 being already contributed. The committee hopes to obtain \$1000 if anyone has been overlooked in the canvass the committee would be grateful if he would send his contribution to the treasurer, Mrs. George Hodgman.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sawyer are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Howard, who was born at their home in Somerville on Wednesday, May 16.

There will be a vesper service at Lawrence academy Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. Headmaster Clough will be the speaker. The public is invited.

Hazel Culver, the only child of the late Walter J. Culver, of Billerica, eleven years of age, one of the victims in the drowning accident on the Concord river, was the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Culver of this town, who have the sympathy of their friends in town upon the untimely death of this little girl. The accident occurred on Wednesday. At last reports her body had not been recovered.

Fiftieth Anniversary. On Friday afternoon of last week thirteen members of the Book and Thimble club met at the home of Mrs. George H. McKee to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. Mrs. Maria Park was the guest of honor at the meetings of the past year, when a vote of thanks was given her for filling the office as secretary. The roll call, with quotations, was then listened to, which was followed by the reading of an address written for the occasion by Mrs. E. A. Barrows.

Another anniversary. How swift the years come round. To age it seems but yesterday. Since we heard the festive sound. The year has been a true happiness. And have always felt true happiness. When the meeting day returned. This year is not exceptional. Progression combined with happiness. Is the record we can claim. May prosperity be with us. In the future years of the present. And the blessings that will last. The guests were then invited to enter the dining-room where delicious refreshments, tastefully arranged, were served by their hostess. The usual charming manner. She was assisted by Mrs. Maria Parkhurst and Mrs. E. H. Clark, who poured tea and coffee. A vote of thanks was extended to the hostess for the pleasant social gathering of the afternoon, which was enjoyed by all.

Food Committee Report. Recent investigations show that a considerably increased average is being planted in Groton, but there still promises to be a shortage of grain and other crops, for livestock. It can be admitted that Groton, a farming community, is at present self-sufficient only in hay, milk, eggs, apples and potatoes. But there is still time to plant corn and beans. The obligation is perfectly clear, it is not merely a matter of helping things along; it is a serious matter of necessity. A good many think that they cannot do more because they have "made their plans." Half the world has discovered recently that plans often have to be revised quickly and that there is no merit in sticking to an old plan if there is a better one to follow. Just now there is only one plan that commands itself to thinking men—"make the count" and it is to do "the little more and how much it is." Translated into terms of farming this means more planting in Groton of corn and beans. If such a program runs counter to your plans the merit will be in changing your plan; if not, a profit is more; the need is a crying one.

The committee has this week placed seven Boston high school boys for farm and garden work in Groton. It stands ready to receive any number of boys if there is a demand. Plans are going forward for conservation in a few days pamphlets in regard to spraying will be sent out, and in due course after that instructions in regard to canning and storing. The Woman's club has kindly appointed a committee to assist the food committee in this work.

Groton School, which expects to can a large quantity of corn and tomatoes, offers to handle similar work for anyone in the town at cost. W. S. Hinchman, chairman.

Liberty Loan. The First National Bank of Ayer gives notice that a committee is being formed to solicit subscriptions from this and neighboring towns to the U. S. Liberty Loan. Full particulars will be announced later.

G. W. C. The annual meeting of the Woman's club is held on Friday, May 11. The president, Mrs. Marion Torrey, presided. After the reports of the recording and corresponding secretaries and the treasurer were read, Mrs. Torrey gave the notice of the annual meeting of the club in the library, literature relating to the feeding of families, conservation of foods and household economics of which she hopes the families of the town will take advantage.

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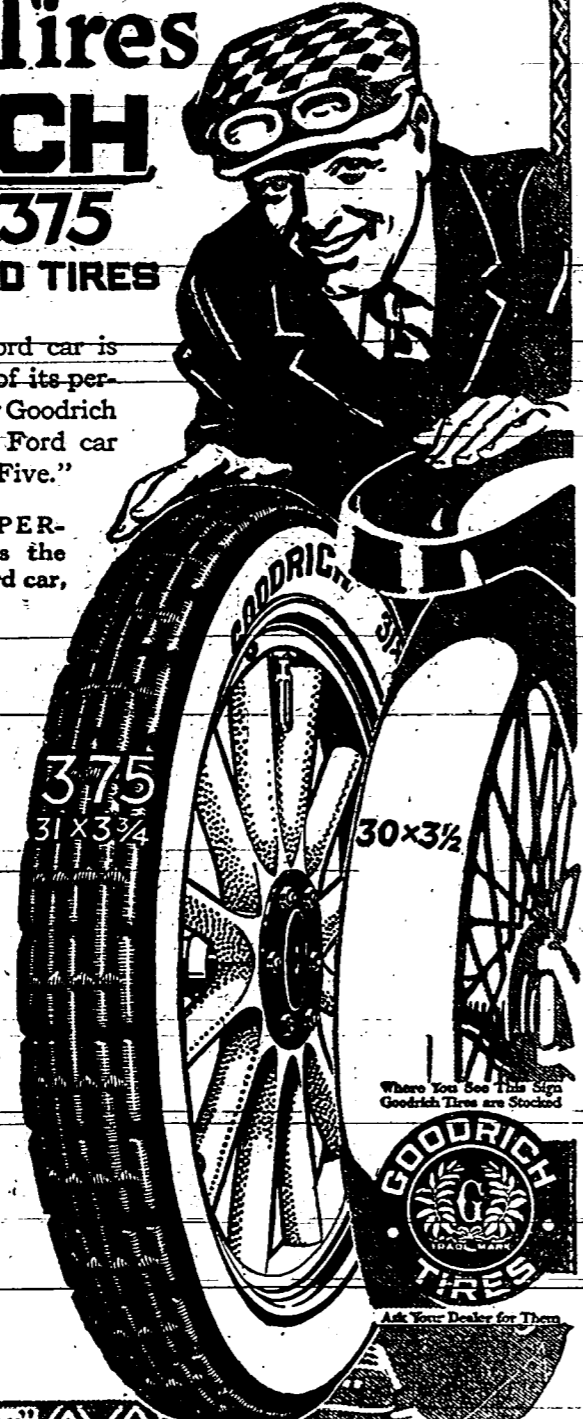
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of FRANK H. BELMONT, late of Peppercorn, in said County of Middlesex, deceased: Whereas ARTHUR P. WRIGHT of said County of Middlesex, administrator of said estate, has presented to said Court his petition for presenting and there is a debt claimed to be due from the estate represented by him, in each installment amounting to six hundred and 95 one hundred dollars, in favor of Henry E. Bohrens of Fitchburg, and praying that he may be authorized to pay said debt or so much thereof as said Court may authorize. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of May A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioners are ordered to serve this citation by mailing a copy thereof to the heirs-at-law of said deceased seven days, at least, before said Court, and by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McFintre, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen. F. M. ESTY, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of GEORGE S. WRIGHT late of Peppercorn in said County of Middlesex, deceased: Whereas, CHARLES H. BANISTER and GEORGE H. BIXBY, executors of the will of said deceased have presented to said Court, their petition representing that there is a debt claimed to be due from the estate represented by them as such executors amounting to five hundred and ninety-five dollars, by Florence M. Flint as administratrix of the estate of Susan M. Foster, and praying that they may be authorized to pay said debt or so much thereof as this Court may authorize.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of May A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioners are ordered to serve this citation by mailing a copy thereof to the legatees and devisees under said will seven days, at least, before said Court, and by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McFintre, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen. F. M. ESTY, Register.

SHIRLEY

News Items. The school children in this town gave \$7.65 to the French orphans' fund. Misses Annie and Nina Holbrook spent the week-end visiting relatives in Framingham. Dorothy Jubb spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mrs. Charles Hart in West Acton. Elmer H. Allen has had the two-passenger body taken off his Ford car and has had it replaced by a five-passenger body. The Preparedness cooking class met on Wednesday with Mrs. Rose Brown. Mrs. Roy Birchstead and her youngest daughter, Fanny, left on Thursday a stay of two weeks with her brother, Chester Walker, of South Royalston. Mrs. Edna Boynton, of Leominster, accompanied her. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Regan, of Harvard road, attended the funeral of William Regan in Littleton on Tuesday. He was a brother of Patrick Regan and met with a fatal accident in Chelmsford last Saturday night which caused his death. It appears that in company with a number of friends he was returning from Lowell in an auto, and when in the vicinity of Chelmsford he stepped from the running board of the auto before it came to a full stop and struck his head with considerable force against a rock. His death was caused by a Lowell hospital but only lived an hour. He is survived by his wife, who is also a sister of Mrs. Patrick Regan, and two young daughters.

The President Suspender Company distributed this week among their men, 100 bushels of seed potatoes for planting. The company delivered the fertilizer for the potatoes about two weeks ago. The employees pay one-half the wholesale price for the potatoes and fertilizer, the company paying the other half. In addition the company has given a number of acres of ploughed land to all employees who desire same for planting. The C. E. society of the Congregational church will sell popcorn and ice cream at Depot square on band concert night.

Howard Fuller, selectman, has gone to a hospital in Providence for an operation. Miss Ethel L. Peabody, of Harvard road, entertained over the week-end and Sunday Miss Bertha Stone, of Somerville, a former resident of this town. At the Congregational church on Sunday morning the pastor will preach on "Hunger." Praise service with sermon at 6.30 in the evening in the vestry. Mr. Corley and family will arrive in town next month for the summer and will reside in the church parsonage.

Lloyd Clifford, Jr., and Eleanor Elizabeth, young son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd C. Weare, of Watertown, are visiting at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Weare, Sr. Patrick and Maxim Glonet have enlisted in the navy and have been assigned to the battleship Virginia. Patrick was in the army and recently returned from Mexico. He was transferred at his own request. Mr. and Mrs. Leon D. Mudgett attended the funeral Thursday of Miss Emma Erban, of this town. Miss Erban was known to a number here. The Male Glee club of Ayer, sixteen voices, will appear at Oddfellows' hall next Thursday evening, under the auspices of Peppercorn lodge, I. O. O. F.

The fire engineers have organized as follows: Joseph Murphy, chief; Guy R. Cook, clerk; Charles J. Stebbins, manager of Engine hall. Mrs. Helen McCoy leaves Thursday of next week for her old home in Nova Scotia and will be present at the wedding of her sister, Miss Effie Hanna to James Purdy. Mrs. McCoy will return home in about a month. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie J. Mossman and family are this week moving from Fitchburg to Warner, N. H. Mr. Mossman transferred his wood turning business a short time ago to Warner. Mrs. Mossman and three children are visitors this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Conant.

Miss Bessie Dadmun is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. David A. Weston, of Peppercorn, this week. The Altrurian club will hold its annual and final meeting of the season next Thursday at the home of Mrs. Abbie J. Wells.

The shareholders of the Shirley Co-operative Bank have elected the following officers: D. Chester Parsons, pres.; Chas. W. Marshall, vice pres.; H. H. Lynch, clerk; W. H. Wilbur, treasurer; J. M. Stevenson, W. H. Wilbur, C. W. Marshall, H. H. Lynch and C. F. Marshall, directors for three years; D. F. Guozey, A. C. Annis, one year.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Holland are entertaining at their home Mrs. Rebecca Eglewicz of Woburn. At the meeting of the Choral society held Monday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church all the money in the treasury, \$7.50, was paid to the Shirley branch of American Preparedness. The Choral society has not held a meeting for the past seventeen years and is now practically out of existence.

Our worthy townsman, William C. Ann, reached his eightieth birthday Tuesday. Mr. Ann enjoys fairly good health and is interested in all current topics. At the meeting of the board of selectmen last Saturday evening the following chairman of the different committees recommended by the selectmen's safety committee were appointed: F. W. Holden, finance; Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, co-ordination of aid societies; A. G. Dunn, food production and conservation; E. S. Pratt, home guard and recruiting; L. H. Bradford, fire department; Dr. Lilly, hygiene, medicine and sanitation; C. H. Weare, Jr., emergency help and equipment; Walter Knowles, publicity.

The four-act comedy, "Dad's girl," was staged before a large audience Wednesday evening in the hall under the auspices of the Special Aid society, and it proved a big success. The play was given under the direction of Mrs. Lucius Fairchild of Ayer. Indeed it is only just to say that Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild were the characters, who were ably assisted by Archer Nutting, Ruel Scruton, Marion Young, Blanche Whitney and Lillian Baker of Ayer and Earl Merriman. The ushers were Mrs. Letitia Mudgett and Miss Ruth Knowles. Home-made candy was sold between the acts by members of the cast and during the evening Miss Doris White and Sarah Stevenson gave piano selections. The entire entertainment was under the sole supervision of Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, whose efforts were crowned with success. The Oddfellows very kindly gave them the use of the hall.

There are a few old plays which apparently defy the changes that take

place in the form of dramatic attractions. They are presented year after year and are always welcomed by the theatergoers. Such a play is "Human Hearts," which will be presented at I. O. O. F. hall on Monday evening, May 21. The story of the play is familiar. The injustice suffered by Tom Logan and his final vindication forms the theme of the piece and the comedy is furnished by the laughable characters of Jim Mason, the tramp, "Limpy," the newsboy, and Mose, the faithful old colored servant.

Center. Miss Marion L. Holden, of Templeton, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden. John W. Evans is expected home from Pennsylvania this week for a vacation with his family. Mrs. A. S. Burnham, of Revere, has returned to her summer home at Woodville.

The next meeting of the Matrons' Aid society will be held with Mrs. Margaret Harris on Tuesday afternoon, May 22. The meeting last week was held at the home of Mrs. Bessie Euxton at Woodville. Albert Adams is rapidly improving from his recent illness.

The Girls' Sewing Guild met last Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Etta Holden. The next meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 19, at the home of Mrs. H. F. Grout. Mrs. Anna F. Dakin, of Cambridge, spent a few days last week at her summer home at the common. Mrs. A. A. Adams spent the week-end at the home of her father in Lunenburg.

The Matrons' Aid society and the Girls' Sewing Guild are planning a joint entertainment to be held soon for the benefit of the Special Aid society. Mrs. Almond Winsor of Brookline spent last week at the home of her father, Albert Adams.

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No. 6418 Commonwealth of Massachusetts LAND COURT To Bertha Davis, of Webster, in the County of Worcester, and said Commonwealth; John J. Attridge, Mary A. Fitzpatrick and Irving J. Rowell, of Peppercorn, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; John M. Sliney, residence legal representative; and to all whom it may concern:

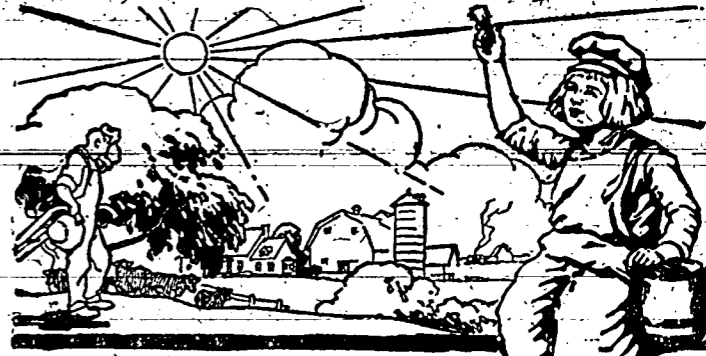
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Lewis E. Henderson, of said Peppercorn, to register and confirm his title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in said Peppercorn, and bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Cottage Street; Westerly by land of John J. Attridge; Northerly by land of Irving J. Rowell, and Westerly by land of Mary A. Fitzpatrick.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan. You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the fourth day of June A. D. 1917, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this tenth day of May in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen. Attest with Seal of said Court. (Seal.) CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder. 3137



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Whereas, at a meeting of the County Commissioners for said County, at Cambridge on the first Tuesday of January A.D. 1917.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of the town of Littleton, in said County, praying that King St. from Littleton Station to Littleton Common be relocated and specifically repaired, it was adjudged that said relocation and specific repairs are of common convenience and necessity.

Said Commissioners therefore give notice that they will meet at the selectmen's room in the Town Hall in said Littleton on the 20th day of June next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to locate accordingly and direct specific repairs thereon.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk. May 3, 1917.

A true copy. Attest: ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN, 3137 Deputy Sheriff.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the next of kin and all other interested parties in the estate of WALTER PIERCE late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, JOHN L. BOYNTON the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance the second account of his administration of said estate, and a distribution has been made for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the widow and next of kin of said deceased.

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 May A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by delivering or mailing post-paid a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

3136 F. M. ESTY, 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 HARRY B. FORTON late of Pepperell 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 PARKER J. KEMP of Pepperell 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-eighth day of May A. D. 1917, 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 the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

3136 F. M. ESTY, Register.

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

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

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-third day of May A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

3135 F. M. ESTY, 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 ALMIRA J. DEAN late of Pepperell 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 AUSTIN F. PAULI of Pepperell 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-second day of May A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

3135 F. M. ESTY, Register.

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A certain lot of land situated in the easterly part of Pepperell, Massachusetts, on the westerly side of the River Road, so called, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the southeastern corner of the premises at land now of formerly owned by George A. Mahony; thence running westerly by said Mahony land and land now of (formerly of) Thomas H. Murry and land of the heirs of Thomas Murry to a stone post at land now or formerly of George B. Haskell; thence northerly by land of said Haskell forty-one (41) feet to land now or formerly of James A. Elliott; thence northeasterly by land of said Elliott sixty-nine (69) rods to a stone bound at said River Road; thence southerly by said River Road twenty-nine (29) rods to the place of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed by Lemuel Parker to Patrick Foley by deed dated April 1, 1864, recorded in the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, book 936, page 254.

Said premises will be sold subject to all taxes, assessments, and priorities of whatever name or nature that may exist against said property. Terms of sale, \$100 cash or certified cheque at the time and place of sale, and balance upon delivery of deed within ten days at the office of said J. Ward Healey, 42 Main St., Leominster, Massachusetts. 3137

J. WARD HEALEY, Mortgagee.

To the County Commissioners of Middlesex County:

The Nashua River Paper Company, desiring to erect and maintain a dam across the Nashua River in the town of Pepperell in the said County on or near the location of its present dam to a height 208.54 (two hundred and eight and 5/100) feet above base level, whereby a way called Canal street in the said town between Saunders Corner and the bridge of the Fitchburg Railroad Company will be injured, hereby petitions your honorable board, pursuant to the Revised Laws, chapter 196, section 33, to change the grade of the said way.

NASHUA RIVER PAPER COMPANY, By GEORGE T. KEYS, President.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, to wit, by adjournment at Cambridge on the tenth day of May A. D. 1917.

On the foregoing petition, Ordered, that the Sheriff of said County, or his Deputy give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein that said Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the office of the Nashua River Paper Co. at East Pepperell, in said County, on Wednesday, the twentieth day of June, next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, by serving the Clerk of the town of Pepperell with a copy of said petition and of this order thereon, thirty days at least before said view, and by publishing the same in said County, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said view, and also by posting the same in two public places in the said town of Pepperell fourteen days before said view; and that he make return of his doings hereon to said Commissioners at the time and place fixed for said view and hearing.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

Copy of petition and order thereon.

Attest, WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk.

A true copy of the petition and order thereon.

Attest, ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN, 3137 Deputy Sheriff.

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George A. Litchfield and Robert T. Whitcomb are conveying their homes by illness and are under the doctor's care.

Miss Nellie M. Jewett entertained members of her Sunday school class at her home on last Saturday afternoon. Games were played and supper was served and a very enjoyable time is reported by all.

Another hike for the young people, the Boy Scouts, the Camp Fire Girls and any other young people who may wish to go, is planned for Saturday. They will be under the direction of the pastor of the Congregational church, and Massapequa will be their objective point. They will meet on the church lawn at 1:15 in the afternoon.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

The Potomac boys' brigade, recently organized, composed of young boys of the town, have already commenced to show good results of their training under the leadership of Carl Clifford. After school hours last week they armed themselves with rifles and other implements and as the result of their labors the lawn and surroundings of both the churches present a fine appearance. The boys feel proud of their work, as well they may, and the people of the town feel proud of the boys, too.

The South Brookline Social club held their last meeting of the season at the home of Mrs. Perley Pierce last week Thursday. Miss Leonora Bradley favored the members with several readings. Mrs. Eslie Shattuck and Mrs. Leticia Whitecomb, a couple of vocal duets. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

There was a well attended meeting of the Ladies' Aid at the home of Mrs. William Hall on May 8. During the afternoon a letter was read by Mrs. William Hall from Rev. John Thorpe, a former pastor of the Congregational church. There was also a reading by Mrs. Josephine Stiles, a recitation by Mrs. Luther Lawrence, and Mrs. Arthur Brown, and singing by all present. They expect to hold a strawberry festival soon.

The Grange held an interesting and instructive meeting on the evening of May 9, which was well attended, both by regular and visiting patrons. The program was in charge of the Whitcomb family and consisted of a piano duet, Grace and Alice Whitcomb; essay on "The flag," Blanche Hall; cornet solo, Mrs. Charles Smith; recitation, Helen Rockwood; hymn, Hazel Storer; essay on "Potatoes," Harlan Whitcomb; vocal trio, Mrs. Minnie Holcombe, Miss Grace Whitcomb and Hazel Storer. Mrs. Charles Smith, of the Women's Relief Corps and a Red Cross auxiliary. On the evening of May 25 Brookline Grange is to neighbor with Pepperell Grange, the program being furnished by the local organization.

Bruno Stein, eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stein, passed away in the hospital in Grassano last week and was buried on Sunday in the South cemetery.

Mrs. William Torrance and two children, of Winnipeg, Canada, were the guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Perley Pierce.

Mrs. Herbert Cory and son Harry, with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Torrance, moved to Mason on May 8 and witnessed the work of the third and fourth degrees at Fruitdale Grange.

Mrs. Etta Rockwood, Payson Burge and Edward Pierce attended the meeting of the County Pomona Grange in Peiham on May 9.

Mrs. William Shattuck was a Nashua visitor last week Wednesday.

Clarence Stickney, of Boston, was a week-end visitor in town.

Mr. and Mrs. William Patnaude, and Mrs. Louise Guttersen motored here from their home in Dedham last week-end, visiting friends and relatives in town.

The body of Edward Musser, who moved from here to Pepperell a few weeks ago, and who passed away suddenly in that town last week, was kept here for burial on last week Friday.

Ralph Perkins motored to Newton, Mass., last Saturday, carrying the family of Harry Smith back with him to their summer home here.

Ida Hughes went to Nashua on Monday to spend a few days with friends there.

Miss Alice Whitcomb and Wallace Jewett were Nashua visitors last Monday.

Milo Porter is confined to his home with the measles.

Clifton, Clarence and Philip Russell, with two friends, motored here from their home in Exeter and spent the week-end at the Russell summer home.

Eleanor Bailey, of High Bridge, was a guest last week at the home of Willis Ball.

Thomas Bennett is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. Wilson, in Shirley, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunbar entertained their daughter, Mrs. John Dunbar, of Fitchburg, over the week-end. Mrs. Dunbar returned to Fitchburg with her on Monday for a short visit.

Death. The body of Leola Burnham was brought here last week Thursday from the home of her mother, Mr. Charles Burnham, of Haverhill, Mass., and laid to rest in the South cemetery beside her father, Charles Burnham, who passed away only a short while ago. Mrs. Burnham is the widow of the late father, the family moved away from this town to Haverhill, and only a few days before her death Miss Burnham was stricken with acute illness, and she died on Thursday, her friends here informing them of her death. It was a shock to the friends and schoolmates when word was received that Leola had passed away, as her illness was of such short duration that many of her friends and friends here were informed of her death. It was a shock to the friends and schoolmates when word was received that Leola had passed away, as her illness was of such short duration that many of her friends and friends here were informed of her death.

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Miss Nellie M. Jewett entertained members of her Sunday school class at her home on last Saturday afternoon. Games were played and supper was served and a very enjoyable time is reported by all.

Another hike for the young people, the Boy Scouts, the Camp Fire Girls and any other young people who may wish to go, is planned for Saturday. They will be under the direction of the pastor of the Congregational church, and Massapequa will be their objective point. They will meet on the church lawn at 1:15 in the afternoon.

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Whereas, the administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented for allowance the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased, and a distribution has been made for a distribution of the balance in his hands among the widow and next of kin of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-third day of May A. D. 1917, 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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News Items. Mrs. Agnes Ray of New York, recently came to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Oak Hill. Her son, who is a reporter on a New York daily, has been on the Mexican border, but is now expected to be sent to the front in France.

perell grounds. May 23 the game will be between Townsend high and Pepperell high in Pepperell, on the playground. Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Parker motored to Old Orchard, Me., Sunday, having a few details to arrange concerning the finishing of a large summer cottage they are building for use the coming season at Ocean Park. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartlett for the trip, although with the frequent showers of the day and the cold weather the distance being over 225 miles.

A fishing party, including Fred Bennett, W. A. Kemp, James Attridge, Amos Boullia, and Mr. Campbell of Malden, started for Lake Winnepesaukee Wednesday morning in Bennett's auto. Tuesday evening in Central hall, there was a combined meeting of the Men's club and the Farm Bureau. Prof. Rucker, of the State Agricultural college, expert on poultry raising and keeping, held his one date open and it seemed desirable to unite the two meetings. Mr. Rucker is a native of Missouri and brings new, advanced ideas to this vicinity.

National Plans for Boy Labor. The plans of the government to establish an organization to utilize every boy between sixteen years and the age of enlistment, in agriculture and other industries, are being perfected. It has been brought to the attention of our townspeople by the appointment of Charles H. Jewett, Park street, as the director of this district, to act as local agent, and any one desiring to be the work of any applications for help from these boys during the summer, by the farmers, will be made to him. To expedite the work of mobilization the country has been divided into sixteen zones. Our state committee on public safety have arranged that the boys of the schools of Greater Boston and Merrimack Valley shall be released from school until October 1. There are 5,000,000 boys in the United States between the ages of sixteen and enlistment, and it is estimated that 2,000,000 have been idle during the war vacations. This is the result of the plan to enroll the boys of this vicinity for whatever labor they are able to do on farms, although those who have had manual training will probably be placed in shipbuilding yards. A state director will be appointed by the governor and the president of the Massachusetts Agricultural college, as chairman of a committee of ten, appointed to direct the work of the organization in this zone.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard, of New Bedford, were in town on Wednesday afternoon, May 15, and by the courtesy of the Littleton club enjoyed a most delightful entertainment. The "House of Mystery" by Van Dyke, was presented admirably, both in acting and staging. The large audience evinced its appreciation by most hearty applause. Mrs. Anna R. Merrill called the committee of nine, of which she is chairman, at her home on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. This committee was chosen by the D. A. R. early in April to assist in special aid or Red Cross work. Mrs. Merrill, not having a regular meeting, was unable to attend. Arrangements for working on certain afternoons at the D. A. R. headquarters will soon be made and various proposed plans perfected. Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held their annual meeting on Thursday afternoon, May 10. The annual reports were given by the different officers and committees. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Mrs. Isabel Smith, president; Mrs. Elizabeth B. Heald, vice regent; Mrs. Nellie M. R. Gutterston, treasurer; Miss Josephine M. Lawrence, registrar; Mrs. Charles W. Reed, cor. sec.; Miss Annie M. T. Edgerton, sec. pro tem; Mrs. Mary E. D. Edgerton, P. S. Boynton, Mrs. Laura B. R. Weston, Mrs. Annie C. S. Woodworth, Mrs. Ina B. Worcester, directors; Miss Anna P. Sawtell and Mrs. Carrie S. Tarbell, auditors. The weekly demonstration by Miss Hamilton, district nurse, will take place on Wednesday afternoon, May 23, instead of on Tuesday, as formerly. Time, four o'clock; place, Saunders' hall. The lesson will be on "The Review of all previous lessons." For other Pepperell matter see page three.

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