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BOXBOROUGH

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week, and No. 2 school was closed on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Some of the ladies opened a canteer

at Library hall last Saturday for the benefit of the snow-shovelers. Hot cofee and cookies were served. The Grange gave a very pleasant leap-year party in the town hall on Tuesday evening. The ladies did the

thonors in fine style, taking the initia-tive during the social hour, when dancing and games were enjoyed.

Ralph Smith is working as fireman on the Boston and Maine railroad

naking his home in Worcester. Mrs. William Withington is reported on the sick list.

Mrs. Ada Durkee will spend the early part of the week with friends in

A number from here attended the neeting of the Apple Growers' association held in West Acton on Wednes

At the special town meeting held in the town hall on Monday evening it was voted to appropriate \$2000 to de-fray the snow bills. An article to set aside the appropriation of \$500 for the Hill road was passed over. The ques-tion of the consolidation of schools was discussed, but was not voted upon. The committee appointed at the February meeting was instructed to reo bring in at that time plans and cost of building, transportation, etc.

Harry Fitzgerald is the latest in-fluenza patient. Mrs. Fitzgerald and three children who have been ill with the influenza the past week, are much

On Monday evening a number of the ladies, taking advantage of the absence of the masculine element at the town meeting, met at the home of Mrs. Mabel Robbins to practice a little at cards. For the past few months there has been keen rivalry, but the odds have been on the side of the men, so the ladies decided that it was high time to apply a remedy. A strenuous evening was spent mastering the science of the great game, and the ladies now feel confident of their ability demonstrate the fact that it is to demonstrate the fact that it is 99.9% efficiency combined with a little bit of co-operation, rather than long and continued practice that really counts. Refreshments of coffee and cakes were served by the hostess. The Ladies' Aid will serve a baked

bean supper in the vestry of the church on Friday evening. The Woman's Missionary society will neet at the home of Mrs. William Furbush on Wednesday afternoon, March 10, at 2.30 o'clock.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

To the Editor:

The reference in your last issue to the Paul Revere church bell, with its "perfect key of A," recalls some per tinent facts concerning the old bell. Judge Worcester in his history of Hollis (page 248) says that in 1821 "a subscription was raised by the people of the town of near \$740 for

the purchase of a bell weighing 1263 lbs. and that it was bought and hung the same year. This bell proved to be of a very fine tone but afterwards i was unfortunately cracked, and taken down and sold, and the one now i and hung in its place.

The old bell was in use till 1855 when on the 28th day of April it was noticed that it was cracked. The tone of this bell was exactly on the key of A and musicians sometimes tuned their instruments by it. In those days Price's hall in the building on the Main street corner, burned before the Cran-ford Inn was creeted, was the meeting place of the local singing class.

Ireneus Franklin of Nashua was the

teacher, and when nearly through with for nine o'clock, he would often stop short saying: "See how we have flatted from the key, for the bell never tells a lie"

To those near by the volume of sound made by the cad bell did not eem as great as that produced by the present bell, but its sound penetrated much further and under favorable conditions could be heard as far away as the Mason hills. The people at Mason considered it the heraid of an approaching storm when they could ear the Hollis bell.
"E. J. C." a correspondent of the

Hollis Times twenty years ago, appear to have had a personal acquaintanc with the old bell, from whom these facts are gleaned. He says also that The old bell was hung on a wooder yoke and was not very well balanced eing much harder to ring than the present one. A short fleshy man named Kennedy, a tailor by trade, who lived on the east side of the Common bid off the ringing of the bell one t furnished coat and vest off often in a vain eneavor to 'set the bell'."

Among the singing school pupils

were some of the Tenney girls, one of them being my mother, and she often spoke of the musical tone of the old bell and told an interesting story of its history after it left Hollis. It was with regret that the bell was given up. It was believed to be ruined. It was cracked for about three inche running in a straight line from the projecting rim, which gave it a rasping sound, entirely destroying its original tone. In the trade for a new bell it was counted as old metal, and a sinall sum per pound was allowed. From subsequent events it appears, however, that the old bell was really worth more than the new bell, and it is not improbable that the dealer was ware of the fact.
This story was often told by those

who were members of the singing school held in Price's hall, and there are doubtless many Hollis people of later generation who are familiar with it. Among the boys of that singing class was Charles Parker, who in the early seventies was a passenger conductor on what was then known as the Boston & Providence railroad. One day, when his train was running through that part of Boston known as the Back Bay district, he heard, as he passed from one car to another, the familiar tone of the old Hollis bell. There was no mistaking the key of "A." He could not believe it was the same bell because he knew it has been sold as old metal nearly twenty years before. He concluded that it was another bell on the same key, and yet it had such a fascination for him that every day on his run out of Boston he tarried on the car platform while the clock in the church tower struck the hour of five. The sound of that bell was in his ears after the city was left far behind, bringing to his mind boyhood scenes that were pleas ant memories. Finally he was filled with the belief that it really was the Hollis bell, and one day when off duty he followed the sound and actually found it in a modern church edifice. The ragged edges of the break had been filed away, restoring its old melody, and today its tones are re-sounding through the city streets just as they sounded to our fathers and grandfathers across the fields and hills of Hollis nearly a ce<u>n</u>tury ago, Frederick A. Hubbard. Greenwich, Conn., March 4.

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Saturday, March 6, 1920

WESTFORD

Three more carloads of apples have been shipped this week, one by Perley E. Wright and two from the Drew

The Edward M. Abbot hose company held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening. A supper was served by Messrs, Sutherland, Walker and Millis. It was pronounced a good and a balance in the treasury.

older residents and a G. A. R. veteran, who has been sick with pneumonia, following influenza, is reported better at his home on Groton road. His faithful physician managed to cover the long distance through the drifts each day to his patient's home, which in some of the weather last week was an undertaking.

Mrs. S. B. Watson is ill at her home and under the doctor's care with in-

Mrs. C. W. Dickey, who has been spending the winter weeks at the Congregational parsonage, has returned to her home in Dunbarton, N. H. Her daughter, Mrs. Brownsey, accompanied her mother home for a visit.

The Ladies' Alliance of the Unitari- in this town. an church will meet at the home of Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Thursday after-Death. moon, March 11. This date has been arranged for instead of Saturday, March 13, as given in the printed program. Miss Mabel Drew will have the program in charge.

W. R. Carver started for a trip south on Wednesday. He expects to spend several weeks with his sister, Mrs. Preston H. Skidmore, and her family, who are spending the winter in St. Augustine, Fla. Later, Mr. Carver may go to Daytona and other points

Arthur E. Day has the sincerest ympathy of his many friends, owing to his continued illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian A. Cameron and the Misses Elinor and Marjorie Cameron are enjoying a southern trip of several weeks, going to Porto Rico,

Mrs. William C. Roudenbush is able to be out again after a ten-days' sick-ness with the prevailing influenza.

Fred H. Meyer, R. F. D. carrier, and his assistant, A. W. Tuttle, have been able to get over the entire route this week. Last week's weather, with the amount of snow and drifts made it a physical impossibility to cover the route some days, however plucky and persevering a carrier might be, and forhearance and nationce should be the only expected thing from those on the route until conditions improve.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congrega tional church will hold an all-day meeting on Thursday of next week is the vestry. Mrs. A. W. Hartford and Mrs. J. E. Knight will be the hostesses and the usual good attendance and good time may be expected.

Mrs. Perry E. Shupe, of South Mer rimack, N. H., has been a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Perley E. Wright for several days.

The next meeting of the Tadmuck club will be held on March 16, and not on March 9, as given in the calendar. The change of date is to accommodate the speaker, Mrs. Herbert A. Querney of the State Federation, and a decided favorite with the Westford

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. O. L. Brownsey will take for his subject "The christian imperative." Communion will follow the service. For the Sunday evenings in March preceding Easter, April 4, the general subject will be "Phases of the christian life." There will be several speakers for each evening. These eveming services have been proving intersting, with good attendance, considering weather conditions, and being well

The members of the W. C. T. U. will George A. Walker, Friday afternoon of

four week will cost the town about \$2000.

The morning trains on the Stony Brook have not been able to make schedule time lately. Last Saturday morning the first and only train did not arrive until nearly ten o'clock, and on The next meeting of Wednesday morning, owing to a derailed car in Ayer there was no train until ten o'clock. Some passengers the regular time gave up going and to be announced. returned to their homes.

Mrs. Mann, living at the Miller farm on the Forge Village road, is reported

School sessions have been able to keep schedule this week. The scholars are being carried in open sleds and barges on runners.

Dairymen's Meeting.

The dairymen's meeting at the town hall, Wednesday; under the charge of the County Farm Bureau deserved a much better attendance than traveling conditions permitted. Both speakers, Profs. Jones of Amherst Agricultural college and C. B. Tillson of the farm bureau, gave able and interesting talks. The first hour was devoted to "Homegrown feeds to reduce grain bills." The principle points were growing more legumes, thinner planting of silo corn to get more ears, testing seed to insure such planting, and use of varieties which will mature. The next subject, "Feeding for milk production," put stress of balanced ration and use one, with plenty of substantials and of more than one kind of grain in the abundance of pie. The committee for ration. After a basket lunch fertilizers the recent dance reported all bills paid were discussed. The use of acid phosnd a balance in the treasury.

J. Everett Woods, one of Westford's lder residents and a G. A. R. veteran, was advocated. Nitrate of soda as a top dressing on grass was commend-

The closing half hour advocated demonstration work, for several present admitted being unable to tell just what results they had from fertilizers by failure to leave an unfertilized or unlimed strip. An unusual feature was here added to the program in the shape of a visit to George F. White's new barn, equipped with the latest ideas in stanchions, drinking cups, box stalls, cement floors, etc. The thor-oughbred Ayrshire stock which won a long string of prizes at the fall fair brought great admiration from the visitors, who saw this enterprize as fine thing for the future of agriculture

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Wright are mourning the death of their five-yearold granddaughter, Helen, the only daughter of their son, Frank W., and Mabel (Miller) Wright. Two sons, Walter and Donald, are left to the bereaved parents. The little girl died at her parents' home in Lowell last Sunday, of lobar pneumonia, following influenza. She was a bright, lovable, little girl and was in her first year ir school, and the greatest sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents, especial ly those friends in Westford, where Mr. and Mrs. Wright were born and brought up. The funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. Ambrose Jenkins, of the North Chelmsford Congregational church, officiating. There was beautiful singing by Miss Hadley, of Lowell, and the little casket was embowered with flowers. The little schoolmates sent a beautiful spray of flowers. bearers were Everett Miller, Willard Millis, Charles Miller and Warren Wright, all uncles of the little girl. The body was brought to Westford and placed in the receiving tomb at Fair-

About Town.

view cemetery.

The Brookside branch electric railvay, which has its terminal at the postoffice. West Chelmsford as the result of ice blockade for nearly a week commenced picking their way towards Brookside, where help from the Abbot Worsted Company are out in generous force in an effort to relieve congested Brookside by getting back to the old and nearer terminal.

The George W. Bussey farm at Brookside has been sold to the Abbot Worsted Co. The farm has about orty acres of land, house and barn. Of the farm about twenty acres is woodland. The house is one of the oldest in town and dates back to the early history of the water power in Brookside, which dates back to 1734. We recall when the house was occuby Thomas Adams sixty-fly years ago, who owned the saw and grist mill, and the railroad station was called Adams' mill. This old house was remodelled by the late Hiram H Decatur. Part of the farm was used at one time as a muster field for the

old 6th regiment. Miss Ebba Habberman, reported as seriously injured at the Brookside mill and later taken to the Lowell hospital, is now reported out of dan-

The past masters' night at th Grange and address by Charles M. Gardner, past master and lecturer of the State Grange, was postponed because the bad traveling wouldn't post-Righ hard work with shovels and postponed debate was called from the picks is being done to dig out the calendar. Resolved, "That we should meds and the gutters. The road to adopt the proposed league of nations restford depot has had a lot of work as sent to the U. S. senate by Presi-dent, the drifts being six feet deep in dent Wilson." W. J. Rafter opened The Cummings road is closed for the affirmative with a scholarly to a great republic

to travel. It is estimated that the paper, and W. R. Taylor, the second affirmative, said that he believed it. Rev. W. A. Anderson and S. L. Taylor played the trombone for the negative. We are unable to report who did win out for all hands were talk

The next meeting of the Ladies Sewing circle and branch Alliance of the Unitarian church will be held or Saturday afternoon, March 13, at 2.30 who started for the morning trains at Leader, Miss A. Mabel Drew; subject

> Some of our roads are still close for travel, being drifted with snow from every blow. The Stony Brook is one of those roads that catches th blow wherever it doth go. We car still see the top of Daniel H. Sheehan's auto truck amidst the drifts. It has been three weeks since it moved except as the winds flip flap reef th

William C. Edwards, Sr., has pur chased the William Lurren property at Westford corner. It will be occu pied by Mr. and Mrs. Hale, of Low ell. This is a reversed version of the sale of this property and the correct

At the farm bureau meeting of Wednesday Prof. Jones and Charles B. Tillson were two live wires wh knew the connecting links of subjects, and while it is regretted that there was not a larger audience, yet the small gathering was one of the most responsive that ever sat for in struction in Westford town hall.

It is expected that the next farmer institute will be held in Tyngsbord ome time this month, provided the car tracks are thawed out from North Chelmsford to Tyngsboro, which have been closed all winter. If not, the next institute will be held where there s a thawed line.

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The following is a report to th

Westford board of health, showing the amount of work done during the month of February by the public health nurse, Miss Eva M. Lord, ing, owing to the icy conditions of the There were 59 cases of influenza and tracks, making it very inconvenient for 17 cases of chicken-pox reported; 2 the townspeople at large, especially for cases of scarlet fever were carried those who live out of town and are over from last month; quarantine has employed here at the suspender fac-been lifted and the 2 homes fumigationy and Samson Cordage Works. ed; 3 children sent home from school with chicken-pox; 77 visits were made to communicable diseases, 19 nursing visits, 15 observation and advisor from school visited in their homes paby welfare visits 18 and prenatal 4 50 children in the different school vere examined for minor ailments: children taken to Lowell to dentist ether given for minor operation.

Mrs. William Baker is ill with nard cold at the home of her sor John Baker.

Rev. Endicott Peabody, of Grotor vas unable to attend the service in St. Andrew's mission on last Sunday wing to the condition of the roads He will, however, be present on Sun day and deliver the sermon.

John May, a former resident of this village, recently passed away a his home in Hudson.

Graniteville.

Both masses in St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning were celebrated by Rev. J. Emile Dupont who also conducted the Lenten serv ices that were held in the same church on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

The regular meeting of Court Gran-teville, F. of A., was held in its rooms on Thursday right with a large number in attendance.

The "movies" on Monday night at racted the usual large number wh thoroughly enjoyed Billie Burke in "The misleading lady," while the Lloyd comedy "At the old stage door" was certainly a scream. The Pathé Weekly also proved to be highly interest

Henry Provost, a well-known over seer of the Abbot Worsted Co., is con fined to his home by illness.

Although the snow lies deep in al parts of New England, the first signs of spring have come in the departure of the big league baseball clubs for the southern training camps. In a few weeks the snow will have disappeared and the minds of the local fan will turn to baseball. It is expected that the Westford A. A. will put team on the diamond during the ing season, and with A. W. Hartford again at the head of the sport, and other fast teams in the surrounding towns, the games will surely be lively There is still a great deal of sick-

ness about town. The weather has moderated a triffe and it is hoped that March will make a better showing than February.

There are 5,516,163 persons in the United States over ten years of age who cannot read or write. Of this total 4,600,000 are twenty years of ago or more. Over 58 percent are white, and of these 1,500,000 are native Americans. Not very creditable to those who pay in advance, when

SHIRLEY

Miss Doris White returned on Monay to her studies at Framingham formal school.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grenfell and daughter Marjorie, and Harry Brockelman were over Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman.

George Pomfret and sons, of Waver ley, spent the first of the week at the ome of his parents, Mr. and Mrs Richard Pomfret.

Miss Gladys Petersen has returned o her former position at the Samson Cordage Works.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will hold its regular meeting next Monday evening in the vestry. A fine supper will be served at 6.45 o'clock. At eight e'clock the meeting will be open to the public. when Dr. Bernard W. Carey, deputy state commissioner of health, will giv an address on the subject of contagious diseases, which will be of vital interest to the community. The public is cordially invited to meet and hear Dr Carey.

Mrs. Minnie L. Allen and Mrs. Abbie Wells have been chosen delegates rom Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R. the state convention to be held in Bos ton on Tuesday. Mrs. Lavonne J. Edgarton and Mrs. Clemantine A. Somes re alternates; the latter is of Boston. Mrs. C. R. White, who has been ill

Mrs. Chaisson, Fredonian street, is ili with pneu**monia**. Lois May is the name given to the

daughter born on Sunday afternoon February 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Myror W. Woodbeck, of North Shirley. The woman's bible class met last Tuesday evening with Mrs. Mae E

oddington. The Ladies' circle of the Congrega ional church met last Wednesday with Mrs. George S. Wells.

Mrs. Ione Giffen spent the week of he school holidays with relatives in

Boston. The Fitchburg and Leominster stree railway have run no cars through this town since las: week Wednesday even

The Alpha Association of Past Noble Grands will meet on next Tuesday afternoon with Prosperity lodge of eominster. Supper will be served a

LaForrest J. Carpenter, a forme ell-known resident of this town and also a former member of the board years, was last Monday elected as selectman, overseer of the poor and as-sessor in Sandwich, where he now re-

sides. Shirley post A L. will hold a dance his Saturday evening in Odd Fellows hall at eight o'clock. Coleman's or chestra, of Fitchburg, will furnish the

music. A daughter, 914 pounds, was born on Wednesday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pelote.

Mrs. C. R. White, who has been if for several weeks, is much better and able to be out. Mrs. White expects to resume her dancing classes on Saturday, March 13;

The Altrurian club will meet or next week Thursday afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. John G. Co-nant. The program for the afternoon will be the club magazine and cur-

Joseph Allen has sold his residence to Michael Bulger, who buys for a home. Mr. Allen, with his family will move to Leominster.

The Ladies' circle of the Congregational church met, on Wednesday with Mrs. G. S. Wells. Mrs. E. H Allen addressed the meeting on th International college of Springfield.

A son was born on Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cormier. Shirley post, A. L., start a drive or

Monday Monday to raise the sum of \$400 by public subscription. This amount is needed at once to make necessary ex-terior and interior repairs on their clubhouse on Main street. This, in all probability, will be the final call of our home defenders for funds and it is needless to say that Shirley will as usual answer the call by going over the top. The following committees have been chosen by the post to canvass the town: Business men, Arthur C Annis; Samson Cordage Works, Rus sell Jones; Shirley Center, Harold Blenkhorn, Thomas Evans, Lewis Bradford, Arthur Holden; State school, Horace Del Grosso, Mr. Coleman; President Suspender Company Harry O. Bangs: French residents Alexander and Felix Gionet, Marce Boorgoic: Polish residents, John Esie lionis; house-to-house, G. Stanley Wells, George Morin, John Peneseau; publicity agent, Stanley F. White treasurer, J. W. Desmond.

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action imperative.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Bradford have moved to Ayer to one of the louses on West Main street, near the Ford & Lyon garage, where they will remain until road conditions become better, in order to be near to Mr. Bradford's work at the quartermas ter laundry at camp.

The Center primary and grammas schools opened on Monday after a vacation of one week. Miss Lucy B. Lamkin of Cambridge, the new teacher at the primary school, began her duties at this time.

No service was held at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon on account of the difficult traveling.

Miss Vera Bradford, who has been spending a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Bradford, has returned to her school in Everett.

Miss Lucy B. Lamkin, the new prim ary school teacher, is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E

Mrs. Hattie P. Holden and Rober H. J. Holden are prolonging their stay at the home of Mrs. Mary O. Barnaro at the Village until road conditions

WEST ACTON

News Items.

Emery Whitcomb, who has been

The funeral services for John Mac-Gregor were held at his late home on Thursday afternoon, Rev. Hugo Perdelwitz attending. Acton lodge, I. O. F., attended in a body and gave the burial service of the order. The bearers were C. G. Durkee, James Grimes, F. Z. Taylor and Bertram D. Hall all who had been fellow workmen with him, and also brothers of the order. The body was placed in the receiving tomb at Mt. Hope.

Thomas Nelson of the U.S. naval service is enjoying a ten days' furlough at the home of his brother-in-law, D. day was made a very happy and pleas-H. Adams.

Thomas Newsham is again at work

for W. J. Costello. Announcement is made of the marperformed in the home of Mrs. Clay-ton Taylor in New Bedford by the brido's father, Rev. George L. Michel-The population of our community son, pastor of the Baptist church here, has increased by thirteen births since Mrs. Taylor is a sister of Mr. Michel- December 8.

son with whom his daughter has been lishing of a newspaper makes this making her home. Cochrane will reside in Providence.

The Missionary Circle of the Baptist church met at the home of Misses Nellie and Fannie Wetherbee Wednesday afternoon of this week.

The telephone exchange is very leasantly ensconced in their nev e a great convenience to subscriber who will no longer have to climb the hard staircase to pay their bills, as well as others.

Word has reached here of the recent death of Edward S. Rich, son-in-law of the late Rev. I. C. Knowlton, and who with his family made their homere many years during the residence of Dr. Knowlton and family here. Mr Rich was a very genial and kindly man and well liked by a large circle of friends. He died at Jameica Plair and the body was taken to New Bedford for interment in the Knowlton Alice Knowlton, died while the fam y lived here. He leaves one son Vellington and two daughters, Mrs. P. H. Nash of Weston and Mrs. Ar

hur Rogers of Winchester. Let us all take our courage in wo hands lifted high and trust "Old Sol," for the next few weeks for the emoval of our discommoding diffi

culties. Rev. and Mrs. Hugo Perdelwitz are

the happy parents of a baby son born Sunday, February 29. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Beach went Rowley Tuesday to the funeral of Mrs suffering from an attack of jaundice Beach's brother-in-law who died from for some time, is still confined to the a paralytic shock. The wife is left house. oorn the day of the funeral of husband and father.

> Raymond Gallant and Endora Lee residents of this village, were married at Athol Saturday, February 28. They ire to reside in Athol for the present. Daniel McDougall has recovered from his recent severe sickness and resumed work at Hall's shop,

Mrs. Mary J. Clark was one of th come too often. Sunday they only counted nineteen for her. Although not enjoying the best of health the ant one for her by the presence of her son Emery and family from Newton Her son Carlos and wife who live in Detroit attempted the trip to be preriage of Elinora Etta Michelson of ent but were stalled at Buffalo and New Bedford and Albert Cochrane of returned back to Detroit. Many Providence, R. I. The ceremony was

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for Boston; Rev. George Hubbard

for Lawrence; Edward S. Ralston, of

Fall River for Fall River, New Bed-

ford and Taunton; Rev. M. B. Pratt.

of Worcester for Worcester and Fitch-

Pittsfield; Rev. E. Tallmadge Root

Connecticut-Rev. R. E. Todd, of

Hartford city survey supervisor; Prof.

A. J. Myers for Hartford; Rev. Rollo

Kilburn, of Hartford rural survey

Maine-Rev. J. Harrison Thompson

of Concord, city survey director; Rev.

C. O. Gill ,of Hartland, Vt., rural sur-

land, rural survey supervisor,

Vermont-Rev. C. O. Gill, of Hart-

The cities which are to be surveyed

cluding Greater Boston; Worcester,

Springfield, Pittsfield, Lawrence, Low-

Haverhill. In New Hampshire the

cities to be surveyed are: Dover,

Somersworth, Portsmouth, Laconia,

Claremont, Keene, Exeter, Manches-

ter, Nashua, Concerd, Derry, Roches-

ter, Lebanon, B in and Franklin. The city survey will take in the fol-

lowing places in Vermont: Burling-

ton, Rutland, Bennington, Bellows

Falls, Brattleboro, St. Johnsbury

Springfield, Windsor, Barre, Mont-

In Massachusetts, Malden has al-

ready been completely surveyed;

The Lynn survey began on February

7th with 700 Friendly Visitors; and

in process of preparation. In Wor-

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Boston,-George F. Harvey, form-

erly assistant divisional secretary for

New England in the Interchurch

World Movement has been elected

State Field Secretary for Massachu-

announcement just made here. The

tary of the American Board of Com-

missioners for Foreign Missions of

the Congregational church, was chair

man, and the following were mem-

bers: Rev Dr. Isaac Ward, Pastor of

the First Presbyterian church: Rev.

W. E. Waterbury, Asst. State Sec-

of the Congregational Movement; and

Rev. J. R. Magee, Pastor of St. Marks

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retary, is to set up plans in the state

M. E. church of Brookline.

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appointment was made by a sub-com-

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pelier, Newport and St. Albans.

of Boston, rural survey supervisor.

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date are as follows:

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rey supervisor.

Protestantism upon the religious

LITTLETON

News Items. The lyceum motion pictures will be resumed on Tuesday evening, March 16. Note the date. Also, watch the paper next week for announcement of opening program.

The Catholic club will hold a social donce in town hall Wednesday even-ing, March 17. Music by Dunfrey's crehestra of Lowell, four pieces.

There will be a supper and enterternment in the Congregational vestry next Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Congregational club. Supper will be served from 6.30 to 7.30 and the entertainment will follow at bridges and railings \$6000; snow exeight o'clock. The program will consist of musical selections by Miss Irma Durkee and other artists and a talk by Mrs, Emma K. Lemley on her recent trip to California. The committee in charge will be Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hill.
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kimball, Mr. and
Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde
Crane, Mrs. Thomas Stephens and mowing common and library grounds Miss Gertrude Sanderson. It is hoped \$50; town counsel \$150; liability inthat the public will come out in large

Rev. Carl G. Horst is expected to occupy the pulpit at the Unitarian church the coming Sunday.

E. N. Robinson and E. H. Robinson attended the funeral of their cousin. Dr. Charles H. Holcombe of Brookline, N. H., last week Thursday.

Miss Alice Hosmer of Concord is spending the winter with her sister, churches, and was liberally patronized.

Mrs. Ruth Prescott Rice and three children, of Roslindale, are at John

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb who have been in California for two months, have started home and are expected in Littleton next week.

J. H. Whitcomb is able to get out of doors every pleasant day and is now making rapid improvement.

William Burnham is reported on the gain, but not yet able to sit up much. Another week or two at the hospital will probably be all that is necessary for his recovery.

On Monday afternoon the Woman's club will meet in the Unitarian vestry at three o'clock. The program will be under the direction of the nature Mrs. Harriett Upham Goode, of Sharon, will give an illustrated lecture on "Personal experience in birdiand." All persons having any articles for the Near East relief are requested to leave them with Mrs. Alice P. Hartwell. It is hoped that the members will invite friends to this

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Death,

Rev. Elihu Loomis of Centerville and fourth paster of the Orthodox Congregational church of Littleton passed away at his home Tuesday, March 2, at the age of 96 yrs. 4 mos. and 19 days. Funeral services were held Friday from his late home in the forenoon and from the chapel of the Union Congregational church on Columbus avenue, Boston, in the afternoon. Rev. Mr. Loomis is survived by his wife, four children, Judge Elihu Loomis and Rev. Samuel Loomis, D. D., sons by his first wife, a son and a daughter by his second wife, also five

Mr. Loomis held the longest pastorate of all the ministers settled over the Littleton church, covering a period of sixteen years and extending from October, 1854, to November, 1870. During his residence here, in 1867, his first wife died. In their interests and affection for each other Mr. Loomis and his Littleton parish have never been separated. Until very recent years he has visited Littleton and attended the church here occasionally and at the age of ninety years addressed the congregation from his former pulpit, expressing tenderest memories of his associations

with church and people.

Many years ago his interest in this church found expression through the gift of a substantial sum of money to be used for the support of the pastor, and in other ways Mr. Loomis has continued to keep close to the hearts of his people to whom he endeared himself during his long service as

LUNENBURG

News Item.

James L. Lawrence and daughter Miss Goldie, of Gilend, Mich., who have been visiting their sister and aunt, Mrs. Julia E. (Lawrence) Longley, have returned to their home, starting on the homeward journey last week Friday, stopping over Sunday with friends in Erie, Pa., and continuing the trip on Tuesday.

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Town Meeting.

Monday morning, March I, dawned bright and beautiful, with mild and even temperature—an ideal day for the long anticipated and much talked of annual town meeting. At 5.45 the meeting was opened by Ralph Whitcomb, town clerk, and voting began by Selectman Ernest G. Carswell, who east the first ballot. Others followed in quick succession. At 10.15, with nearly 100 voters in attendance, the

meeting opened for business.

Officers elected were as follows:
Moderator, James L. Harrington; selectman and assessor, 3 years, George H. Whitcomb; town clerk, treasurer and tax collector, Ralph L. Whitcomb; school committee, 3 years, Howard C. Rudderham; I year, Arnold C. Dickinson; constable, James L. Harrington; tree warden, James S. Gilchrest; auditree warden, dilines S. Gilenst, during the C. Lewis L. Harrington; library trustees, Ebenezer Bailey, Fannie C. Graves; electric light commissioner, 3 years, Flint H. Boutwell; 1 year, George C. Demers; license question

No 85, Yes 38, A matter which has for some time attracted the attention of the people of Lunenburg and has been pretty thoroughly discussed pro and con, was the sale of the electric light plant. Of 88 voters only 9 voted against the sale, and not a word of protest was heard. The Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Company made a written offer for the plant holding good until April 1, 1920 and the offer was read before the meeting. It was voted by a large majority to accept the offer and the selectmen were given instructions to

complete the sale. Business was then rushed forward

rapidly and most liberal appropria tions were made, which will probably bring a much higher tax rate than usual in Lunenburg.

It was voted to pay 1½% on tax collections, the same as last year; Memorial day \$175, N. G. Bigelow authorized agent to expend it; Old Home Week \$100; band concerts \$200, selectmen to expend the money; cutting brush by the roadside, under the direction of the tree warden, \$300; chools, including teachers' salaries transportation, tuition, fuel, supplies etc., \$15,747.13, an increase of \$4000 over last year; support of poor \$2000 North school note \$1000; tuition for mechanical training \$200; highways pense \$1000; town officers \$2000; general expense \$1500; interest on notes \$550; fire expense \$300; inspection of meat and cattle \$700; enforcement of law \$800; soldiers' relief \$100; Ritter

surance for town employees \$300; fire hydrant, Bakerville, \$40; state and county tax, the amount leyled; town hall \$500, making a total appropria-

tion of \$35,197.72.

The men cast 140 votes for the town officers and 25 women for school comnittee, much smaller numbers than

vere registered in either class. Dinner was served at twelve o'clock by a committee of ladies from the two

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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said decased to MICHAEL H. SULLIVAN 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 eleventh day of March A. D. 1920, 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, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nine-teenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

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Teams of "Friendly Visitors" Making Important Religious Canvass — Rural Life Also Under Microscope — To See Where Church Stands

Boston:-The Friendly Visitors are way the huge mass of material will abroad in New England. If you be kept constantly up-to-date. haven't seen them in your city yet, The surveys are to become the you soon will.

And they will have their representatives, too in the towns and the vil- pulse of the nation. lages, right down to the smallest

They are after facts! Facts about the churches, facts about the people, facts about the homes the people live in, facts about the amusements the people go to, facts about the business the people work at—a census, in short, of the community-but a friendly census! And it's not the government census! It's the big, nationwide survey of the Interchurch World Movement.

Why does the Interchurch Moveburg; Rev. A. C. Ferrin for Spring-field; Rev. Frank N. Swaffield for ment want the great mass of data that will be collected in this way? So that the religious needs of every community can be pictured with graphic vividness-and above all with accuracy-and then completely taken care of on a community basis.

Just whatever the community needs in order to put its Christian life on the highest level will be supplied. But these things will not be done by one church, or by each church in its own way, but by all the churches cooperating as a unit under the Interchurch World Movement.

This community idea has never been tried so widely before. America has not had the habit of thinking as communities. Each welfare agency has worked its own parish, but they have never co-operated as a united force. Now this innovationwhich is quite likely to have miraculous results—is to be injected into big enterprises of American Protestant-

The Interchurch World Movement, through these painstaking surveys, aims to study the entire Protestant field. It goes to the Protestant churches of each city and smaller community and offers itself to direct the surveying of that city. It has three different surveys in which it tries to interest the churches-three "lines" that it seeks to "sell" them. A community can take one or all. But unless it voluntarily wants a survey made, after finding what the survey means, the Movement keeps its hands off. No survey is attempted against the will of the community.

The three surveys are a church survey, a household survey and a block survey.

It is under the household survey that the Friendly Visitors come into operation. The Friendly Visitors are simply the big community teams of canvassers, especially trained by the Interchurch Movement, but supplied by the local churches, who cover the entire city in the work of collecting data. They are called Friendly Visitors so that everyone will understand that their purpose, and the object of the whole enterprise, is fundamen tally friendly.

It is an undertaking of good will, with friendly assistance to the community, as its aim, by means of sensible, practical methods-all for the purpose of making Protestantism more business-like, more progressive.

The block survey determines the human and physical character of mittee of the Massachusetts State very block in the city. From this survey will come great city-wide Dr. D. Brewer Eddy, Associate Secremaps, disclosing all sorts of fascin-ating bits of information about the city, for map-making is one of the important sub-functions of the Interchurch World Movement. As many different maps are made as are required by the different phases of conditions in the city which the block survey brings out.

The survey of the rural communities, country towns and villages below 5,000 population, is going forward just as fast, perhaps a little faster in some sections, as the urban survey. In the country districts, the Friendly Visitors are men who travel about in each county, representing the Inter-church World Movement, visit the towns and villages and collect the information needed.

The first step in this part of the work had to be a determination of what constitutes the church parish. In some parts of the nation, the boundary lines of the community itself had to be discovered. But in most parts of New England, it was assumed that the townships, whose irregular boundaries indicate intended communities, were still the community territory. In but a few cases in Massachusetts for example, was it found to be otherwise.

In fixing the parish territory, the method followed was to take the most distant parishioner from the church building geographically, as the outermost boundary of the parish.

One thing is already certain—the surveys will become an annual occurrence. As Rev. Dr. H. O. Hannum, city survey director for Boston. says: "the survey is here to stay." Street Congregational church, Boston.

Each year it will be repeated, with a Similar conferences are to be held checking over of facts from the sur-about the same time in every state in vey of the previous year, and in that the Union.

Reason in His Preferences.

Seth Slicker likes to take chances on doing business with a perfect stranger. Seth has lived in our community so long that a stranger is the only kind of a man he can hope to fool,-Washington Star.

Some Kickers.

"Some men pride themselves on being great kickers," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "and they never will concede that the mules are their superiors."

LEG SAYED

Captain in 26th Div. wounded at Chateau Thierry, tells of service rendered by "Y"

Boston, Mass.—That his leg was saved at Chateau Thierry by the prompt and fearless action of a Y. M. C. A. secretary, is the statement of Capt. Walter W. Austin, 47 School st., Brookline, Mass., who has just received his discharge from the 3rd Bat., 104th Inf., 26th Division. The "Y" man is T. B. Lathrop, pastor of the 1st Congregational church in Branford, Conn., a church which is soon to celebrate its 275th anniversary. Mr. Lathrop returned in January after nearly a year of service with the Yankee Division in the front lines, and marched with his men in the parade, April 25th. For his conspicuous valor at the field dressing station on the outskirts of Tourcy Mr. Lathrop has been recommended for the Distinguished Service Cross by Major James H. McDade, also of the 3rd Battalion, who will return next week to his former position in the advertising department of the Boston Transcript.

"The 3rd Battalion, 104th Infantry went forward on July 18, 1918, at two o'clock in the morning. The towns of Tourcy and Gievry were taken from the Germans in our advance that day. I was wounded at about five o'clock in the morning by a high explosive shell, a fragment of which passed through both thighs, tearing the left of Waterville, rural survey supervisor. Rhode Island—Rev. Vernon Rice for leg badly. I was taken from the field by the stretcher bearers to a aressing Providence; Rev. Rollo Kilburn of station in charge of Capt. Kirkpat-Hartford, Ct., rural survey supervisor. New Hampshire—Rev. H. B. Catlin, rick, M. C. of Lynn. He had raised the flag of the army Red Cross over a stone culvert under the road. The Boche observers had spotted the flas and the place was under a terrific and constant shell fire day and night. Fortuntely there were no direct hits during the time Capt. Kirkpatrick was n Massachusetts are: Boston, instationed in the culvert, nearly 48 hours.

"When I was brought in there were ell, Fall River, New Bedford and 16 other cases lying on the earth under a stone arch where the doctor was working by candle light. If it had not been dry weather for several days before we would surely have been out of luck. A little rain fell that morning but not enough to get in under the shelter.

"The Captain finally came to me and attended to my wounds. The left leg he could not do much for and he said that if I were not rushed to a hospital I would certainly lose the leg. It was quite a problem to move me from that protected place to a hospital where I could get surgical attention. The motor ambulances could Newtonville, Salem and Somerville are not back up to the culvert. The shells were falling as thickly as rain on every side of us. Before I was wounded I never felt fear of being church World Movement, is making under fire but believe me with both legs smashed I was scared cold to go out where the shells were breaking.

"Mr. Lathrop, the 'Y' secretary with our battalion, was assisting Capt. Kirkpatrick in his care of the wounded. He was at work every minute of those 48 hours of the advance in that place. The moment the doctor or dered me to a hospital, without an in Rev. George F. Harvey Begins State stant's hesitation, Mr. Lathrop picked me up in his arms, walked out of that culvert, and barely escaping death a dozen times, placed me in a motor ambulance that was about to leave for the rear.

"If as I understand, Major Mc-Dade has recommended Mr. Lathrop for the Cross, I for one am here, o setts in that Movement, according to any place, to back up that recommen

ADOPT "Y" HUT SYSTEM

A. E. F. inspires Chinese.

Paris (By Mail)-Sixty-nine Chinese Y. M. C. A. secretaries have been so impressed with the work of the Association among the armies of the Allies that at a conference recently held at Versailles, they decided that similar methods should be adopted in China. The use of huts like those used so effectively in the Army camps will bring the work of the "Y"

in China directly to all the people

whereas now it reaches chiefly the higher classes. Chinese coolies by the hundreds of thousands were used in the labor units in France, and these men for the first time came into contact with the work of the Association. Native secretaries were provided as far as possible.

Some of these, it was decided at the conference, will remain in France and some will go to Great Britain to study in schools of practical arts.

There were thirteen students, a many preachers, half a dozen teachers, a cowtester and a boy scout sec retary among the professions repre sented at the conference. The men came from widely separated parts of the republic, Manchuria, Shanhing, retary Baptist Convention; Rev. John Toukien, Szecherin, Chi-Li, Tukien, Checkieng, Kavahning, Kiangson, Shansi, Auhnier and Hupeth.

EXPORTS DRAMA TO FRANCE

In the month ending April 22 the Y. M. C. A. Entertainment Bureau and the Overseas Theatre League repastor's conference, scheduled to take place March 8 to 10 in the Park cruited in America and sent abroad 126 American entertainers to be added to the force of 657 American and 150 French artists playing for the

On June 7, 1769, Daniel Boone, with Prettily Expressed. five other hunters from North Car-A young nephew of mine adores his olina, reached Red river, Kentucky. grandmother. He is intense in all They were the first white men to exthings and in school, which is new to plore the territory, forbiddingly called him, the little arithmetic taught him by the Indians "The Dark and Bloody appealed to him more than anything else. Last week his grandmother had her seventieth birthday. He handed her his little gift and, kissing her, said, "Dear grandmother, I hope that you Acoma, N. M., an Indian village, is will like this, and that you will live elder than St. Augustine, first European settlement in America. Acoma is to add another cipher to your age."-Exchange.

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Saturday, March 6, 1920

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GROTON

James T. Bennett is recovering from an attack of the grippe.

Funeral services for Miss Dorothy Criproid, who died last week Wed-trons influenza and its compli-cations, were held at the chapel of St. Margaret's school, Waterbury, Conn. had a beautiful silk covering on which present. tovely flowers had been sewed as a tribute of affection by her schoolmates. On Saturday afternoon at two o'clock services were held in the Groton School chapel. Rev. Dr Endicott Peabody officiated, assisted by Rev. Sherrard Billings. The bearers were sixth-form boys from the Grotor School. Mrs. Griswold and he daughter Catherine are in New Haven at the home of Mrs. Griswold's brother, where Mr. Griswold will join them soon as arrangements can be made For his absence from the school for a trip to the south, where they will remain until April.

The regular meeting of the Middle sex Rebekah lodge was held on Tues-day evening. After the business meeting Miss Elizabeth Gibson, who has en out of town for some time past, was presented with a past noble grand collar from the lodge by Mrs. Nora Folkins. Miss Gibson responded in appropriate words of acceptance, after which she gave an interesting talk on her experiences while visiting in St. Louis. Mrs. Arline Bishop was installed in the office of conductor by Mrs. Folkins. Following this ceremony there was a pie social, which was much enjoyed by all. The lodge is planning to give a public supper and entertainment in Odd Fellows' hall on Wednesday, March 31.

Mrs. Laura Woods Chaplin and he husband and children are all sick with the influenza at their home in Leom The communion service will be ob

served at the Congregational church Mrs. George McKee and Miss Eliz-

aboth Gibson have returned after a visit of several months with their sister in St. Louis, Mo. Henry Wennberg is so far recovered

that he is beginning to take up his work again. Mrs. Norman Beers, who has been very ill with the influenza, is improvchildren also had lighter at-

tacks, but are better. Miss Helen Forbes returned to her hool in Lancaster last Sunday after n enforced vacation account of sickness. After being con-fined to her boarding place a week, she then came home to regain her health. The last week was vacation

George Starkey has been sick with a hard cold, but is better and returned on Tuesday to his work in Ayer.

Claude Farwell has been at home this week with neuralgia and a grippy

Mrs. Connolly is much better in health this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jaquays returned last Monday from their visit to Mr. Jaquays' parents in Stratford, N. Y. Miss Edna Jaquays, a sister of Mr. Jaquays, accompanied them on their return trip and is visiting them.

At the military whist party on Wedtables. The first prizes were won by Mrs. Ella P. Woolley, Mrs. Henry Johnson, W. B. Gale and Appleton The prizes were sets of writing utensils—pens and pencils in Prolders and erasers.

Sydney Carkin, son of George Carin, who has had a good position at Camp Devens, is now ill, and the dococcupation in the

open air for him. Mrs. Herbert W. Taylor is another of those on the sick list among us.

Mrs. Mark Blood is confined to the house with a bad cold.

The latest report received from Mrs. Arthur Tuttle is that she is improving ziowiy.

their daughter Jessie attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Simonds A. Mitchell of Lynn on Tuesday, February 24. Mr. Mitchell Mrs. Shattuck's brother.

Miss Jessie Shattuck is ill with the vailing epidemic and is under the Loctor's care.

On Thursday, March 4, the marriage of John Gronski, an officer in the U. S. ervice, and Miss Helen Henwize Groton was solemnized by Rev. Wil-Ham J. Reardon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft were mong the well-known Bostonians who attended the opera of "Traviata" on Tuesday night, when Galli-Curci, Galeffi and Schipa drew a large audience. Peter Fallon is recovering from fron of the stomach. e very sick woman at this writing. Rev. Arthur V. Dimock preached at Congregational church last Sun "A summons to liberty, with tue consideration of its limitations.

to expected that Mr. Dimock will sach again on Sunday. Dr. E. Glison has been at home al days, suffering from a bac

supper at 8.30, followed by their parish meeting. All members of the parish are urged to be present. Mrs. Peterson will entertain the

The following item is taken from the Buffalo Evening News of Thursday, February 26: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Black announce the engagement of their daughter Olive to Arthur Hugh Mason, of Hartford, Conn. nouncement was made to a number of friends at an informal tea given by Mr. and Mrs. Black on the afternoon of February 24 at their home in Buf-

Robert Cressey, of Beverly, has recently been the guest of Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Thomas Aitken has been ill in ed for a few days.

Mrs. Francis Lawrence has lately een entertaining Miss Barrett, of Bel-Mrs. Harriet B. Robinson is the ac-

companist for the Ayer Glee club. The snow which fell on Thursday of to travel, owing to the high winds which caused it to drift badly. Those who were engaged in clearing the road to Pepperell found their work undone lmost as soon as completed for a few days after. The dwellers on Chicoped row have taken a circuitous route through land of the late Zachariah litch, coming out on the road from epperell and thence proceeding to the

enter of the town.

On Tuesday evening, March 9, the Grange will hold a business meeting at seven o'clock in Grange hall. This will be followed by an open meeting. Charles M, Gardner, of Westfield, high priest of demeter, will give an ad-Mr. Gardner is a gifted speakdress. er and well worth hearing. There will also be vocal and instrumental music.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomons Grange will meet in North Leominster on Thursday, March 11, at oleven clock. Leslie R. Smith, master of the State Grange, is expected to be

Mrs. Herbert Woods is ill and her daughter Hattle is taking care of her. Mrs. S. W. Bangs, who has had such severe cold and cough, is now much improved.

The Sunday morning topic at the Baptist church will be the eighth and tenth commandments, "The sanctity of numan property and human rights.'

Friends of Miss Elsie Shattuck are pleased to hear that she is enjoying her position, which will last for sevweeks, as payroll clerk in the treasurer's office at the State Agriculural college, Amherst.

G. W. C.

On last week Friday afternoon the Woman's club held their regular meeting. At the business meeting is vas voted to contribute \$25 toward the support of the Soldiers' club at Ayer. here was a small attendance on account of the bad traveling.

The afternoon program was under the charge of the current events and literature section of the club, with Virginia Tyrrell, Mrs. R. M. French, of Hollis, read a paper on "Old colonial doorways. Beginning with the origin of the door she traced it from the times of the Indians down to the present day, showing pictures and cards illustrating he different kinds of doorways which she mentioned. She alluded incident ally to the old custom of leaving the latchstring out to show that guests were welcome, as drawing it in fas-

Miss Claribel Vickery read a paper "Life and women of colonial es." She mentioned the common times.' method of speaking of the early colonists as the Pilgrims, whereas the early colonists included not only the Pilgrims of the Massachusetts Colony, but also the settlers of Plymouth, the Dutch settlers in New York, and the English in Virginia. She spoke of the hardships which they endured in those times. Among the noted women of these colonies were Elizabeth Schuyler and Lady Washington in Virginia, while in New England, minded woman; Mrs. Anne Bradstreet wife of Gov. Bradstreet, an early poet ss, and Abigail Adams, wife of John Adams, a business woman, who kept er husband's accounts and manage is business while he was in Washingon, thus showing that not all the proressive business women of this coun ry belong to the nineteenth and later ousiness women in the New York and

Pennsylvania colonies.
Miss Elizabeth Lowe gave a talk on colonial music and played some selections as examples of it. Miss Lowe and six children from Miss Kline's room in the Boutwell school danced minuet. These children were Barbara Raddin, Louise Cunningham, Gertrude Philip Torrey, Adam Majenski and Robert Murphy. They were all dressed in colonial costumes. Miss Lowe's dress, a very handsome one. had been worn by Miss Georgianna Boutwell on the 190th anniversary of the signing of the declaration of in-dependence in Philadelphia. The comb worn by Miss Lowe was the one which Mrs. George S. Boutwell wore at her vedding.

The next meeting of the club will be on Friday, March 12. Mrs. Leach, of Walpole, fourth vice-president of the State Federation, will be the speaker of the afternoon

Clipping.

The following is taken from the Waterbury, Conn., American:

"Miss Dorothy Griswold, '17, of the 1920 of Saint Margaret's school, died at the school last night of endocarditis, following an attack of influenza. Funeral services were held in the school chapel this morning, the Rev. John N. Lewis, D. D., rector of the school, officiating. A number of favorite hymns were sung including "Jerusalem, the golden," "How firm foundation" and "For all the saints," by the school choir. In his address Dr. Lewis spoke of the way in which should be regarded by the christian, not as something to be feared and dreaded, but as the passing to a new and larger life. He spoke of lovely character of this young girl and of her influence upon the members of the school; an influence which will abide, though she herself is no longer with them in bodily presence Services will be held tomorrow morn

ng at nine o'clock at St. John's church "Dorothy Griswold was the eldes daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Clifford Griswold of Groton, Mass., where the father is connected with Groton School, She has been a pupil at Saint Margaret's for two years past, and af ter her graduation, next June, was planning to enter Smith college in September.

"A member of the school faculty

lovely character and very charming provided with a cottage, vegetables served by the host personality, she had made a distinct place for herself in the life of the in April, 1919, and places his damschool, and held many important of ages for this alleged breach of contract Willard Carman, fices, both in her own class and in the at \$3000. various school societies. All those who had the privilege of knowing her and being associated with her felt the influence of her beautiful character. the was a brilliant French scholar and nas taken a leading part in many French plays. She was of a most heerful disposition and won both the iffection and admiration of all her She will be greatly nissed in the school life, but her spirit of loyalty and devotion to all that was good and true in life will live on.' Besides her parents, she is survived by ner sister, Katherine, who is also a knife, 1 quart olive oil, 1 quart gin, 1 pint alcohol and 1 pint of wine. nember of the senior class." -

chool Notes

On account of sickness it was found occessary to postpone the regular of the school committee on Fuesday evening.

Miss Marsh has recovered from her illness and is back at her duties in

The public schools opened on Monday in spite of the fact that the roads re not yet entirely cleared. The rhetorical exercises that were

o have been given in the high school ast week Friday were given last Fri-Mr. Peters continues to be too ill to

attend to his duties in school. John Mosher, of the Trowbridge school, who has had double pneumo-nia, is slowly recovering, but has had the misfortune to lose his little three-

ear-old brother. Christine B. Rockwood, G. H. S. '15, has been in town visiting relatives and attended the Groton School play.

In another part of this paper the engagement is announced of Arthur H. fason, G. H. S. '05, who is located in Hartford, Conn., in the employ of the Firestone Tire Company. This is the same company by whom he was em-ployed before his enlistment in the ervice; though he is now in a different district.

Douglas White and Marion Andrews are ill with the chicken-pox.

Mansfield Branigan passed the crisis on Thursday morning, and we hope soon to hear of his recovery.

Elizabeth Bywater continues to improve, though still confined to the

Ralph Sargent seems a little stronger at the last news received from him.

About Town.

The Woman's club held their semi monthly meeting last week Friday afthere was a small attendance. The neeting was in charge of Mrs. Virginia Tyrrell. Roland Allen will take the shop of

Mr. Bywater in charge and his old patrons are much pleased as his work has been very satisfactory in the past. Charles Murphy, who has been janyear, has resigned.

The annual parish meeting of the First Unitarian Parish will be held in the church parlor Monday evening. March 8, at 7.30. It is hoped all memers of the parish will attend.

The Blood-Bigelow entertainment given on Friday evening, February 27, at Squannacook hall, was very much enjoyed by a large audience. Owing to the lateness of the train the entertainers did not arrive until nine o'clock. J. deVere Simmons, "the man of magic," won the children at once by talking to them and asking different ones to help him with his tricks. During the latter part of his program he did some stunts that held the attention of the older members of the audience. Miss Crosby, who sang manner, and her voice was sweet and clear. She sang several Scotch songs in costume. It would be most gratifying to the people of West Groton the only picture ever made on Alas-if in the near future they could have kan soil. Matinee at 3.30. the pleasure of attending another Blood-Bigelow lecture or entertainent in Squannacook h

The Ladies' Aid society will give a upper and entertainment in Squan-acook hall on Thursday evening, March 11. The supper will be served at 6,45, and the entertainment will be eight o'clock, Mrs. G. G. Harrington It is hoped that all who can will atend, as an unusually fine supper is being planned, and everyone enjoys suits. listening to an entertainment given by

Miss Kathleen McGowan is visiting her friend, Mrs. Brown, in Philadel

Frank Humiston, of East Jaffrey, N. H., visited Mrs. Martha Tarbell on ist Sunday, leaving for Boston on Monday.

The schools were closed every day ast week but Tuesday. Ella Ganley was ill all last week out is much better.

A. W. Adams attended the funeral of Mr. Champlin in Worcester on Wednesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Champlin were very near friends of Mr. and Mrs. Adams and often

risited them. C. E. Bixby had quite an experience while on his route to Lunenburg last Saturday. He left here at ten in the morning and did not return until ten that evening. time was spent in shoveling snow in order to be able to deliver the load of

grain to his customers. The Misses Ruth Mellish, Edith Wright and Freda Humiston went to Lowell on last week Thursday.

The annual meeting of the West Groton Water Supply District for the election of officers was held at Squannacook hall on Tuesday evening. C E. Bixby was chosen moderator, and the following officers were elected: Commissioners, F. L. Blood 3 yrs., Phineas Parker 1 year, to fill out A. W. Lamb's unexpired term; George H Bixby, treas.: Haven Wormwood clerk; Clarenco L. Thompson, auditor

HARVARD

The following is taken from the Boston Post of this week Friday morn-

Cornelius Lucey, of Haverbill, who describes himself as a farmer, in a suit entered in the Suffolk superior court, declares that agents or servants of Clara Endicott Sears entered his home in Harvard and removed 25 pictures and works of art beside furnipounds of bacon and 3 pounds of ba-

He says that he was engaged as terfield, is ill, and the meeting was head farmer at \$1800 a year, the contract to run from January 10, 1919, Sarah B. Barry. The work allotted tracks for traffic as far as the suspen-

On Monday evening, March 8, the says of her: Because of her unusually to January 10, 1920, and he was to be being completed, refreshments were initiation natish will have their natish lovely character and very charming provided with a cottage, vegetables served by the hostesses during a pleas-

He also seeks to recover \$5000 for the removal of personal property in the house which includes, according to his papers enumerated, a pocketbook containing \$35, 4 boxes of new lines handkerchiefs, a slik scarf, embroidcred table covers, a gold pen knife, 2 gold breast pins, locket and chain, 2 fountain pens, 2 pairs of silk stockings, 1 pair scissors, 2 silk waists, combs, 2 razors, 7 packages raisins, unused paring knives, a pair of silver candlesticks, 1 pound lard, 1 bottle preserves, 8 silver spoons, a butter

Still River.

Chester Willard had to kill his horse that was taken sick over a week ago, as it failed to get better. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Haskell have

taken little Myla Burnett, of Clinton, who lost her mother recently, for a few months.

Mr. Viles is able to be about with crutches, but is very lame. Mr. Dalby has had one of the nev one-pipe hot-air furnaces installed in

his house, and painters, are at work inside, so that it will not be long before the house will be done. Several of Andrew Walker's famly have been among the influenza suf-

ferers. There were no services at the Bapist church last Sunday, but it is hope that weather conditions will permit services being held on Sunday.

Miss Heyward, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gussman for several months, returned to her home in Willsborough, N. Y., Wednesday.

Fred Bateman has been suffering from some of "Job's comforters" on his neck, and has not been able to attend to his duties in Clinton for several days this week.

AYER

George S. Boutwell W. R. C. held its irst meeting of the year in Hardy's hall Thursday evening. Members wer present from Harvard and Pepperell Comrades Francis Lovejoy, Charles Stone and Daniel H. Dickinson were special guests. Mrs. Mary E. Young as installed as color-bearer by Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy, past department instituting and installing officer, Mrs. Young having been ill at the time of the regular installation. An invitation to attend service at the Baptist church Memorial Sunday was accepted. A request for an honorable discharge was received. The auditing committee will meet April 1 at 7.15 p. m., ious to the regular meeting in Hardy' hall. It was voted to furnish refresh ments at the Y. M., C. A. Sunday. The usual supper was served previous to he meeting. It was voted to continue the custom.

At a meeting of George S. Boutwell ost, G. A. R., Thursday afternoon, the remaining associate members-Oliver K. Pierce, Frank S. Pierce, William A. Wright, Thomas F. Mullin and George H. Hill, were declared life members and exempt from paying further dues from January 1, 1920.

The Strand this Saturday presents Bill Rogers in "Water, water every-where." The picture is a photographic reproduction of events that are trans-piring in thousands of small communities today as a result of prohibition The action of this new Goldwyn production is set in a small western mining town and for the most part concerns the manner in which prohibition alters the entire town and effects the lives of the inhabitants. Some highly original and rich humor that is certain to hit the bullseye characterizes this new release. Will Rogers says, "Litdrops of water that we used to think were only made for chasers are now the whole darn drink." Big V comedy. Sunday, "The girl Alaska,"

. As the result of the automobile accident on October 12, 1919, when Joswith the car of James Morrison of that forty-five years have not effaced. Boston in that city, three suits have His stalwart athletic form was fre-Boston in that city, three suits have been entered this week in the Middlesex Superior court at East Cambridge against Mr. Morrison. Joseph C. Anno is suing for \$10,000, while Matthew Anno and John Anno each seek \$2000. Attorney John M. Maloney represents the plaintiffs in the three

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bradford of Shirley Center have moved into one of the houses on West Main street opposite the Ford & Lyon garage, where they expect to remain until the snow

John Donion has had a small piecof cartilage removed from his left arm he operation being necessary as the of a fall several months ago which injured the arm. Dr. B. H. Hopkins was the attending physician.

Robert H. Irwin, who has been ill with the grippe, is able to be out again. Mr. and Mrs. Milan P. Cole, who

turned home on Thursday night. The Punch and Judy show given it hall last Saturday afternoon for the children was attended by about sixty children and mothers, who greatly enjoyed the afternoon's entertain Most of the ment. George H. Hill generously con-

> favors to the children. Mrs. John Traquair left on Friday morning for Chillicothe, Ohlo, where she will spend a week with Mr. Traquair, whose work has taken him to

that city for several months. Charles B. Scripture, Nashua street s out after an attack of a severe

Rev. Joseph F. Mohan, of Everett, former pastor of St. Mary's church, died on March 3, aged 72 yrs., 10 mos., 19 days.

John C. Guthrie has been ill with

nfluenza.

A good sized company attended the Ayer Branch Alliance on Monday. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. George H. Hill and was entertained by Mrs. Hill, Mrs. F. S. Bulkeley, Mrs. A. Lawrence, Mrs. W. E. Murphy and Mrs. O. P. Robinson. An appropriaion was made for the beginning of work for the next union fair and on new member was elected. The aftersupplies: sixteen pads were made and twenty-four two-inch bandages were cut and rolled. The pleasant social lement kept pace with the work of re, curtains, draperles, 14 rugs, 12 the busy fingers. Messages of condolence were sent to members who were

Frank Harmon, Roger Johnson, Willard Carman, William Porter and James Traquair attended the Y. M. C A. conference in Somerville last week Friday, remaining over the week-end.

The men of the Federated church will serve their annual supper in the vestry on Tuesday evening, March 9, at 6.30 sharp. An entertainment in charge of B. H. Tyrrell will follow. Price fifty cents.

Mrs. Jonas E. Andrews and Miss fennie Deal, of Pepperell, returned ome last Saturday after a visit with Mrs. Andrews' daughter, Mrs. Earl H Farnsworth.

Gorham K. Brooks visited his father at the Huntington hospital, Boston Saturday, where he has been moved to be treated by radium.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moriarty, of Waterbury, Conn., were in town last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Moriarty's father, Louis F. LaPointe. Mrs. William Charlton is ill with the grippe.

The Misses Mary E. and Margaret Griffin returned last week to their school in Fitchburg after a brief vacation spent with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Griffin.

Mrs. Roy Lawton has been ill with the influenza. A whist party, under the auspices of

Vesta Rebekah lodge, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood E. Ross last week Friday evening. Mrs. Bert K. Tweedie won the ladies' first rize, a china cup and saucer; Harvey Winslow captured the highest score for men, 54, and was awarded a cigar holder. The consolation prizes, a dozen clothespins and a pair of shoe aces, went to Miss Helen Stone and Alfred E. Yates, respectively.

Mrs. William U. Scruton and son Ralph, of Fitchburg, have been visitof Mr. Scruton's brother, Charles A. Scruton.

Mrs. Elmer J. Wood, of Harvard has been visiting at the home of Mr Wood's uncle, James M. Boutwell She visited her husband at the Clinton hospital last Saturday, accompa-nied by Miss Emmajene E. Boutwell. Say for the love of-what's the idea

any way? Can't you recognize a cash customer? Don't you know what one pell means? How about it T. W.? Good suggestions are always open to me Walter and I would glady comply with that suggestion of yours if I could only get five minutes of your time It seems almost impossible to get your attention as you are always so busy

talking to that popular waitress. I am

ready at any time, Walter, to give up a

your fair damsel and am sure we

rehearsal to attend Robin Hood with

would enjoy it.

Funeral. The funeral of Louis Francis La pointe was held last Saturday morn ing at ten o'clock at his late home on East Main street. Rev. Frank B. Crandall of the Unitarian church, which the deceased had attended for a number of years, officiated.

The body was taken on the 11.35 rain to Cambridge, accompanied by Mrs. LaPointe; her sister, Mrs. Austin Stone, of Somerville; Mr. and Mrs Louis LaPointe, Jr.; Miss Eliza Buckman, and Rev. F. B. Crandall. At the chapel in Mt. Auburn cemetery Mr. Crandall read the committal serv-The body was cremated in ac cordance with the desire of the de ceased.

Several relatives in Worcester, who planned to arrive on the eight o'clock train, could not reach Ayer until one o'clock, when this train was able to

To the Editor:

The passing of Admiral Peary of world-wide fame naturally evoked general interest. While the great periodicals have devoted many columns to recording his life and public service perhaps the writer can contribute a traw to this stack of information.

As a student in a college whose student body was so small as to allow intimate acquaintance of the students with each other we were associated with him for three years and have clear mental picture of his personality quently seen as he strode with unuswalks to the engineering and draughting rooms of Prof. Vose. His hair was thick and sandy and his general deindicated a quiet, studious His affiliation was with the nature. Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity that maintanied a boarding club for its members. To the statement that he was prominent and especially active in athletics made by some of his biog-

aphers, the writer takes issue. While he took the work in the gym asium required of all students he neither played on the college nine nor was often seen plying an oar on the iver. To the theory that prominence n college athletics contributes any hing to success in the world his life ffers nothing by way of corroboration.

During the world war he made a ecturing tour to the Pacific coast He was advocating the passage of a bill then before congress. Its object was to establish a department of aëronautics, the head of which was to have been a member of the president's cabinet. After his lecture in hind the wings of the stage. His pale anæmic countenance was quite notice-able, but was attributed to the icy veathering of eight trips to the Arctic egions,

Drawing the curtain of oblivion over Bert Peary we will descend to the commonplace and extend our sympathy to our New England friends who vere wrestling with Jack Frost and burrowing through snowdrifts of late January to make a passageway for the traditional ground hog. Here we vere enjoying spring-like weather with the robins and blackbirds the harpingers of spring. Indeed it is long since we have experienced a fall of now. The balmy air and genial sunshine have brought out crowds of boys o play marbles. Indeed the amount of precipitation has been so small that ears are entertained of a short crop or those who do not irrigate. three dry summers in succession it is to be hoped that the next crop will be more bountiful. D. H. Felch.

SHIRLEY

iews Items

Henry Wolfe, who has been at home on account of his wife's operation reently, has returned to his work at the Massachusetts Agricultural college.

Joseph J. Klaus, Jr., is confined by liness to his home at the Industrial

Fitchburg and Leominster street railway were able to open their AYER.MASS

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der factory on Wednesday, and on Thursday completed the work of clearng the tracks through town. It is expected that the end of the week will

see traffic resumed all the way to A rehearsal of the initiatory degree vas held at Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. r., Thursday evening, and another will e held on next Thursday evening. s planned to work the degree the folowing week. John E. Adams H. Lynch and Robert H. J. Holden been appointed to have charge of preparations for Fredonian lodge's

part in the Odd Fellows' parade in Boston next September. Charles W. Wolff is ill this week and absent for a few days from his

luties at the suspender factory. Through the republican national committee, Truxton Beale, former U S. minister to Persia, has offered \$10,000 in prizes for the best suggestions for the republican platform by young voters, twenty-five years or un The contest is now open and closes March 31. If any of the local young men are interested they may obtain further information as to the con-

In the pictorial section of last Sun day's Boston Herald appears a photograph showing government seeds being put up to be sent out to the farm ers throughout the country. Among others who are at work in the picture appears Wade G. Longley, of this town, who is employed at this work in Wash

test from Robert H. J. Holden.

ngton. Mrs. John Smith went Thursday to Boston to spend a few days with rela-

The Congregational church will observe communion this Sunday and will receive new members into their church.

The Alliance met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mae E. Coddington After the business of the afternoon was transacted Mrs. Sjavoll gave a talk on the Philippines. Her remarks were very interesting as she lived there for several years. Her husband, Capt. was road commissioner there as a civilian. A dainty lunch of sand wiches, cake, olives, candy, tea and

coffee was served by the hostess Mrs. Herman Prvyeski is suffering from a quinsy sore throat. New Advertisements

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Saturday, March 6, 1920 AYER

News Items.

A whist party, under the auspices of Vesta Rebekah lodge was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Millson on Thursday evening. The win-ers and score follows: first prizes, Mrs Thomas McGovern and Mrs. Henry W. fruit dishes, respectively, 42; Thomas McGovern, game set, 47; Henry W. Waterman, game set, 46; consolation, Miss Margaret McGovern, soap teddy bear; Walter C. Winslow, soap teddy

A whist party, under the auspices of Harbinger lodge, K. of P., will be held at the home of Frank B. Harmon on road and will have his office in the Thursday evening.

crippe, and has not been able to be at his dental office this week.

Miss Addie Harlow was taken on Monday by Dr. B. H. Hopkins to the Eliot hospital in Boston, where she underwent an operation on Wednesrecovering nicely from the operation,

Waldo Blood, who has returned from the South, has resumed his business of painting and decorating. All work promptly attended to.

Miss Margaret A. Dodge was given a surprise on Wednesday evening at her home on High street by her classmates of the high school, the occasion being her fourteenth birthday. Miss Hazel Miller presented her with a very nice pocketbook from her friends and many other gifts. Dainty refreshwere served. Games and music closed the evening.

The many friends of Mrs. Kenneth M. Wilson, who has been in St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, N. H., for the past month, will be pleased to know that she is able to sit up awhile each day and expects in a week or two to return to her home here.

Officers Blood and Pirone presented a petition to the selectmen on Monday asking for a substantial raise in salary. The petition was not granted as the appropriation made at the last town meeting is not large enough to warrant the raise, and it was felt that the matter should be handled at a special town meeting if at all. It is felt by many that as conditions have now become nearly normal again, and the local police are not overburdened work in connection with the camp, that a decrease in the size of

ranted than an increase in salaries. Mrs. Eli W. Carley, who has been ill with influenza, is improving.

The following rhetoricals were given this Friday afternoon at the high school: "The death head Hussars," Herman Allen; "Each of his own town," Margaret Morris; "The optim-ist," Irene McCollester; "Pa shaved ist," Irene McCollester; "Pa shaved off his whiskers," Homer Harrington; "Father William," Willard Carman; Scene from "Julius Cæsar," Lawrence Kennison, Philip Andrew, Lester Rob-"The house by the side of the road," Catherine Scullane; "Aristarchus studies elocution," Elizabeth Mc-Govern; piano solo, Ruth Griffin, Helen Stone, Christine Maloney; "The thirsty boy," Virginia Devaney; "Old Mother Hubbard," Evelyn Johnson; "Barbarians," Helen Stone; "The proud vegetables," Ruth Lynch; "For the Red Cross," Paul Chute; "She had meeting," Christine Maloney.

Mrs. L. S. Lacker of Watertown is having her cottage at Sandy pond, the Green cottage, wired for electricity by John F. Ryan, the electric contractor. Frew W. Hosmer has been making extensive improvements to the cottage this winter, including the addition of an ell. Harvey Winslow has built a fireplace and A. Paul Fillebrown is installing plumbing.

Federal income tax returns can be filed at the local court room on Tuesday from 11.30 a. m. to seven p. m with P. F. Kittredge, deputy collector. This will be the last visit of revenue officers to Ayer for the purpose of giving information on income tax before final date for filing, which is

Mrs. Walter Fletcher of Oak street will open her house on Monday, March 8, for an afternoon whist party from 2.30 to five, under the auspices of the Unitarian Girls' club with the following committee: Mrs. Benjamin Taft, chairman, Mrs. J. H. Atwood, Mrs. W. S. Beckford, Mrs. A. P. Fillebrown, Mrs. R. F. Murphy and Miss Lillian Wright.

The following real estate transfers were recorded last week from this vicinity: Littleton, Elmer W. Fletcher to G. E. Wood Pepperell, Mary A. Annis to H. C. Mason; Townsend, Henry B. Boynton et al. to A. G. Homer; Harvard, Ella M. Cleaves to Blanch D. Enierson.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Blood, who have been spending the winter in much-needed work. A large commit-Daytona, Fla., returned home last, tee was selected composed of promiweek Friday.

A freight car tipped over Tuesday morning near the overhead bridge, holding up east bound traffic for some time before the wrecking train could get it back on the rails. The ar was loaded with lumber. The delay in east bound traffe was such that the train which is due here about seven o'clock did not leave here for Boston until nearly 8.45. The other moraing trains were also late, one of them leaving a few minutes behind the soven o'clock train.

Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will hold a military whist party on Wednesday evening, March 10, in the dining-room of the Hotel Devens. Tickets nay be obtained from officers of the chapter.

Born on Monday a son to Mr. and Mrs. Eli Cornellier.

Mrs. Van Buren and Miss Austin, who were formerly connected with the cafeteria at the Soldiers' club on West street, have purchased a boarding. This very representative committee house in Springfield.

cleared so that traffic may be resumed also the citizens of Ayer and the sur-Saturday. At last reports a gang of rounding towns. It is to be the big men were at work on the tracks and meeting place for get together purhad cleared them as far as Shirley. Boxwen the square and the main gate communities. A comprehensive conat Camp Devons the tracks are buried beneath several inches of ice, and it seal these committees together for will be necessary to clear all of this distance by hand before the cars will be able to get through be able to get through.

tertainments, dances, social gatherings forums, lectures, pageants, games and other valuable means of profitably and

constructively building up the morals

and good fellowship of the people who live in these surrounding cities who

desire to partake of its privileges.

The constitution provides for a local

committee in each town, from which representatives will be elected to serve

on the central committee to manage

the affairs of the community center at the Soldiers' club as well as to take

neasures for community activities in

any or all of the towns. A finance committee consisting of Dr. H. B.

Priest, Eugene S. Barry, George H. Hill, George H. Brown and George R.

Wallace will regulate the expenditures of the social center and attempt to

place the institution on a good sound financial basis. It will be attempted

to make it as nearly self-supporting as possible. In order to start it has been necessary and will for some time be

necessary to have some liberal contri

butions from citizens of the various

towns to underwrite the debits due

The cafeteria is to be placed on a high level and good wholesome meals

served in an attractive manner and t

tions. The cafeteria opens formally

regularly at the club every day unde

cater to the desires of the public. Som

suites of beautiful rooms, formerly used for offices, will be rented to de-

All the facilities formerly connected

forms of recreation will help to make the life of the citizens and soldiers

the opening, Friday, March 5, the Fed

erated church will present a beautiful

entertaining drama, "The noble out-cast." It is bound to please the people

here as it has millions of others in th

past, being one of the old standard

music. In conjunction with the play

At the Federated church on Sunday

morning the sacrament of the Lord'

be the reception of members.

supper will be observed and there will

The members of the Methodist Enis

copal church over twenty-one years of

age are invited to vote at the Feder-

the electroal conference at the annual

Sunday school at twelve o'clock:

People's meeting at 6.30. A special

service will be conducted for the Boy Scouts, troop 1, under Mr. Tyrrell at

7.30. The four boys who attended the

Federated committee meeting will

Mid-week service on Thursday even-

be held at the parsonage on Monday evening at 7.30.

Preaching at the Baptist church on

Sunday morning at 10.45 by the pastor. Sunday school at noon. Preaching at seven in the evening by Chap-

The parish committee and the min-ister will be at the church after service

regularly on the first Sunday of each month to receive criticisms or sugges-

ions concerning their administration

the church. It is hoped that any who

church will give the proper officers

The Unitarian Laymen's league of

the Unitarian churches is taking a

census of church attendance for the four Sunday of March. Cards have

been sent out to every Unitarian

The services in St. Andrew's church

on Sunday will be hely communion

and sermon at 10.45, and Sunday

school at twelve o'clock. Dr. Endi-

cott Peabody will preach at St. Andrew's mission in Forge Village in the

afternoon at 4.30. Rev. Sherrard Bill-

ings, of Groton School, will preach at

St. Andrew's church on Friday even-lng, March 12, at 7.30.

The attendance of men at the Arm;

Sunday at Army Y. M. C. A.

the benefit of such suggestions.

church for the returns.

conference in Somerville last

men's class; women's

choir will sing.

twelve o'clock.

more enjoyable. On the evening

sirable tenants

new management and with a view to

Mrs. Mary Wesling of Townsend was before the district court on Thursday morning charged with drunken-It appeared that John Wesling her husband, and sixteen years her senior, had a quantity of cider in the cellar, and had banked up the bulk-head with snow. Mrs. Wesling, however, dug away the snow and got some of the cider, which she mixed with Jamaica ginger and drank, the result being her appearance in court Thursday morning. The court order-ed Mr. Wesling to destroy the remainder of the cider and continued the case until April 3.

Miss Emily Louise Nagle, milliner will hold her spring opening on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

A regular communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening at seven o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Farnsworth

left last Saturday for New York city Mr. Farnsworth has accepted the posi-

tion of general agent, freight depart undeveloped patronage and new equip road and will have his office in the city. Mr. Farnsworth was formerly The Ladies' Benevolent society will with the Delaware & Hudson railroad meet in the Federated church vestry for sewing and business at 2.30 p. m., Tuesday.

Dr. F. E. Gilson is confined to his home in Groton with an attack of the will be furnished to soldiers and civil lans at moderate prices. Food will be will be available for banquets, dinners and festivals for all local organizain Summit, N. J., where they lived several years ago. For the present Mr this week Friday evening at flyc o'clock and supper will be served that evening from five to eight o'clock. After that time meals will be served. Farnsworth plans to leave his house-hold goods in his house in Ayer. His brother, Herbert L. Farnsworth, will continue the coal business of Farns

worth Bros.

Harding H. Brooks, of Ashby, who leaded noto contendere, was fined \$15 y Judge Mortin in the United States district court, Monday, on the charge of having offered for transportation to with the club will be opened at the same time and the Soldiers' club will be available to all the citizens. Bowihe Boston and Maine one care of round-edge pine planks without hav-ing forwarded a certificate of inspecing tournaments will be conducted, pool and billards, dancing, and other tion by the Department of Agriculture Brooks is alleged to have offered to ship the lumber from Ashburnham, i his state, to North Tonawanda, N. Y. lovember 5, at a time when lumber in Ashby was more or less affected by gypsy moths and brown-tails. North Fonawanda, however, was not in the quarantined district.

The regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans will be held in Hardy's hall eight o'clock. It is hoped that a good number will be present, as there are some candidates to be initiated.

plays brought up to date. Only re-cently it made a fortune for its owners under the title of "The convict's daughter." In the cast will be Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Fairchild, E. C. Page, Floyd Mrs. Ruby Felch Smith and daugh-Lane, Fred L. Watts, Georgie Mason, Grace L. Bradshaw. The Ainstorn sis-ters of Worcester will furnish special ter Barbara return this week Friday to her home in Seneca, N. Y., after a wo-weeks' visit with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Arthur E. Felch. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lovejoy have and novelty tables. Soldiers in uniconcluded their duties at the Hotel form will be admitted free.

Devens and returned to their home or East Main street. Mrs. Morris Greenberg is ill with influenza. Junius Greenberg is able

to be out after his recent illness. Ayer Grange will hold a box party following the business meeting on next Wednesday evening. Every member is requested to attend. Each

lady is to provide a box lunch for two wrapped in a newspaper. ated church during the hours of the services for a delegate and reserve to wrapped in a newspaper. Major-General Henry P. McCain accompanied by Major G. L. Byroad held a conference with Major-General C. R. Edwards at army quarters, in the delegates will be elected to the general conference, which meets in May, Mr. Webb, Mr. Andrew and Mr. the presence of all the officers, advis Burgess have charge of the election on ing greater co-operation in detail work between Camp Devens and headquarters. The purchase of Camp George W. Burgess, leader of the men's class; women's class. Young Devens by the government as a permanent camp was discussed.

The Vesta Rebekah lodge will hold public whist party at the home of Rubert Green on Saturday evening,

R. M. Graham announces her spring week-Roger Johnson, William Por-ter, James Traquair and Frank Har-mon-will speak. The young ladies' opening of millinery in the Barry building, Ayer, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, March 13, 15 and 16,

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Other Ayer matter on opposite page

Soldiers' club.

ing at seven in the evening by Chap-lain Webster of the 13th Infantry now located at Camp Devens. Be sure to hear Mr. Webster this time. Capt. Dubois of the 36th Infantry will sing For several weeks the Soldiers' club located at Camp Devens. Be sure to has been closed on account of the War Camp Community Service national ofthe United States. On account of the increased population at Camp Devens it seems necessary for some action to be taken by the towns and cities located around Camp Devens to supply cated around Camp Devens to supply the least some of the activities formerly in the control of ice closing its activities throughout a solo. to provide wholesome recreation for the soldiers located at the camp. The best citizens of Ayer and the surround ing cities have recognized the value of providing profitable employment of the leisure time of these men in the service of Uncle Sam and have been busy for some weeks past trying to devise ways and means to take over the Soldiers' club and run it as a believe any policy of the administra-tion to be mistaken will use this op-Community center. It is the thought of these citizens that such an institution portunity to express such opinion; that any who have suggestions for efficiently managed might become ; improvement in the conduct of the great asset to the entire community. business affairs and services of the

J. O. Stutsman, national organizer for Community Service, incorporated, was sent from New York at the request of these citizens to assist in th organization of the citizens to do this nent people from all the surrounding communities as follows: George H. Brown, Ayer, chairman; Eugene S Barry, Ayer, treasurer; Miss Hazel A Irwin, Ayer, secretary; Matrin L. Cate Boston, Fred S. Parks, Fitchburg, Mrs. J. E. Thayer, Lancaster, Mrs. William Brown, Ayer, Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly, Shirley, Frank J. Lawton, Shirley, Dr. Endicott Peabody, Groton, Mrs. C. Z. Southard, Groton, C. B. Bigelow, Harvard, Rev. H. S. Merrill, Harvard, Mrs. J. E. Hartwell, Little-ton, Mrs. Hamilton Mayo, Leominster, Edward Osgood, Clinton, Dr. Herbert B. Priest, Ayer, John Hooley, Ayer, John Traquair, Ayer, Lucius Fairchild Ayer, Mrs. Robert L. O'Brien, Boston Harry Atwood, Ayer, R. D. Redfern Fitchburg, Clifton D. Wood, Leominster, George R. Wallace, Fitchburg

Mrs. Albert Smith, Lunenburg, Miss Clara Endicott Sears, Harvard, Mrs.

Anna Fessenden, Townsend, Marior

This very representative committee has field two meetings recently and

Y. M. C. A. on Sunday afternoons has been steadily on the increase. Las Sunday about eighty were present The 36th Infantry orchestra, with Secretary Earle at the piano, rendered a good musical program. A generous unch was served by the Eastern Star under the direction of the matron Mrs. Paul Fillebrown. The following organizations had previously served the men with lunches: the Federated church, the Baptist church, the Epis-

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Monday, March 8-GEORGE WALSH in "The Beast." Comedy. Ford Weekly.

Tuesday, March 9—"MICKEY." Comedy.

Wednesday, March 10 - CORINNE CRIFFITH in "Human Collateral." U-35. Thursday, March 11-WILLIAM S. HART in "The

Desert Man." U-35. Friday, March 12—TOM MIX in "The Speed Maniac."

Comedy. Twelfth episode of "The Invisible

Saturday, March 13—"The Blue Pearl," with FLOR ENCE BILLINGS, FAIR BINNEY and EDITH ARBUCKLE in "Out West." News.

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Board of Trade Meeting. The Board of Trade held its regu lar monthly meeting on Wednesday

very strongly of the need of coopera-tion among the merchants to carry this plan through successfully.

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Weekly Specials

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ORANGE MAR	MALADE, si	nall jar	10¢	Large	iar	154
HOMINY GRIT	^r S, Quaker, p	er package			: :	10¢
JAM, all fruits,	Monarch bra	nd, per jar				25¢
BAKING POW	DER, Ryzon	brand	1/2's 2	3 <i>e</i>	1 's	38¢
EVAPORATED	MILK, Bord	len's, per can			-:-	13¢
ARMY ROAST	BEEF, 1 pou	nd can	· · · · · · · · ·	• • • • •		26¢
SUCCOTASH,	Grayco brand	, per can				196
PEACHES, slic	ed, California	, Hume's, No	. 1 can			246
PRUNES, fancy	⁷ California, 4	0-50, per pour	ıd			284
LOGANBERRI	ES, finest fru	it, per can			,	420
BAKED BEANS	S, "Gold Seal	,, 		2 cans	for	25¢
STRAINED TO	MATOES, A	merican Bear	uty	3 cans	for	25¢
LARD, Swift's	Silver Leaf,	per pound				26¢
SALMON, Viole	t brand, No. 1	can	• • • • • • • •			336
SHRIMP, Gulf	pack, per ca	n	• • • • • • • • •			16¢
SARDINES, Br	una brand		• • • • • •	2 cans	for	25¢
NICE BACON,	per pound					35€
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White, representative from this dis-

A representative of the Community Chautauqua, which has presented its performances here twice in the past, was present and spoke to the meeting on behalf of the Chautauqua, explaining their methods and describing the program they could give if the program they could give if they came to Ayer. There was some discussion

qua with an advertising movement for he local merchants. A lunch of sandwiches, doughnuts coffee, cheese and cigars was served

Pastoral Letter.

To my people: Dear Friends— The matter of church attendance is in one way or another, the shame of the churches without exception. Occasionally one runs across the poor wretch who goes to church without fail because his superstitious imagination pictures a hell whose jaws are yawning to take him in if he doesn't. Far more common are those who while not exactly afraid, yet believe that they will accumulate credit in the next world if they go to church regularly in this. In all places and ill times, however, there have those, free from superstitious fear and a calculating selfishness, who hav regularly attended the church of thei hoice as one of the great privileges

Experience shows, unfortunately, that the old motives of fear and self-interest are far more powerful than a sense of privilege to induce people to go to church. The dismay of all churchmen is that as people are emancipated from their superstitions and purged of their self-interest they forthwith fall off in their church at-tendance. This rule works among all religious people. Compare, for example, the attendance in orthodox and liberal Jewish houses of worship.

We must, it would appear, make up our minds to accept conditions, for the present, as we find them. We must continue to teach that there is one and only one true argument for church attendance—the worth of divine worship itself. In this connec-tion we need to make it very plain that, since public worship is a cor-porate affair, every worshipper by his presence adds something to the value

of the service for everybody present. We must realize that in our refusa to appeal to fear and self-interest and in our determination to stake everything on the argument of the worth of divine worship itself we are accepting a handicap. It's a long slow task to teach men and women the idea of church attendance for its own sake. If religion is to hold its own this must be done and the sooner

it is done the better. If a congregation is to continue its existence it must appreciate its priv-ileges and respond to the correspond-ing duties. Perhaps the prophecy may be fulfilled that church union will come about by the gathering together Frank B. Crandall.

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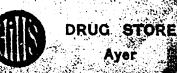
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On Tuesday evening, March. 9, the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association is to be held in the high school room, and as this is a meeting of vital importance relating to the health of the community a large attendance of the public is desired. Rev. Joseph McKean, West Townsend, will speak; also, Frederick Edwards, edu-cational secretary of the Massachusetts Tuberculosis league, will talk on "The modern health crusade." It is of interest to know that over forty cities and towns in this state have already enrolled 35,000 crusaders in the interest of health, many of them being teachers and scholars.

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross auxiliary at the home of the vice president, Mrs. Flora I. Atwood, Thursday afternoon, March 12, promptly at two o'clock. The members are earnestly requested to be present at this meeting and sew from two to four o'clock for local needs. At Lour o'clock a business meeting is to be held, at which time the officers for the new year are to be elected and Anancial matters relative to the dental clinic of last year are to be discussed.

On account of the bad traveling and | \$297.14; recreation, sickness the March meetings of the and Country clubs have been postponed until April.

At the meeting of Phobe Weston Farmer tent, D. of V., held Tuesday evening, it was voted to hold a food and May basket sale the latter part of

The following is the program for the Grange meeting to be held in Odd Fel-Tows' hall on Monday evening: Community singing in charge of T. E. Flarity; firing line—do you know? Victoria Swicker; papers, "How I would plant my garden," Hester Burdett, Nelson Birch: twenty-minute social in charge of Mrs. Ivora Austin.

The sad news has been received by telegram of the death of Albert Davis Turner, Monday at midnight, at his winter home in Orlando, Fla., after a lingering illness. Mr. Turner was a mative of this town, a civil war veteran, and was seventy-six years old. It is expected that the body will be brought to his home here, where the funeral services will be held.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon topic will be "Afraid to live." Junior Endeavor meeting, "Following that which is good," Master William A. Russell, leader. Union evening meet-ing will be held at the Methodist

Word has been received by relatives in town of the sudden death of John
J. McGuire at his home in Seattle. Wash, Monday morning, March 1, of a ruptured blood vessel near the heart. Some fifteen years ago Mr. McGuire left Townsend for Seattle for the benefit of his son Thomas' health, but the lad only lived a few years. After a few years he also buried his son Edward at the age of twenty-three years. Since going to Seattle Mr. McGuire had accumulated quite a large property, through his industry and effort. He was a good citizen, a kind husband and father, and made many friends while living in Townsend. He is survived by his widow, who was Mary Coffey, of West Townsend, before her marriage, and by one son. Clarence, aged seventeen years; two brothers. Thomas J., of Medford, and N. J. McGuire, of this Funeral services were held on Wednesday at St. Ann's church, Seat-

Lewis Morse was called to Framingham, Monday, on account of the death of his little grandson, Robert Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Hill and their three children were all ill with influenza.

The work that the Red Cross auxilfary has done in Townsend in the past Is worthy of the very highest praise and is still worthy of the good that is being done along the line of relief work in this town this winter. Coal, wood and groceries have been delivered and warm clothing contributed for needy, and in some cases a nurse has been provided for the sick, and at sures the public that they will continue roofs.
their help and relief work in town if Jan notified of such a need.

The officers of the Monday club entertained the members on Monday afternoon at a St. Patrick's party held at the home of Mrs. A. D. Fersenden. The members and guests came "wearring the green," and at roll call they responded with Irish wit quotations and stories. A reading, "What is the shamrock?" was given by Mrs. Annie Bliss, and Mrs. Eunice Bruce gave a reading about "Irish songs," and Mrs. John Piper a burlesque on St. Patrick. and Mrs. C. F. Worcester read "The workhouse ward." A word contest from the letters in green and St. Patrick was enjoyed with appropriate prizes awarded, and refreshments of green ice cream and shamrock cakes were served during the social hour. On account of the bad traveling and

sickness the Methodist L. B. S. will omit their regular meetings until further notice. The attention of subscribers is call-

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Town Meeting. There was a good attendance at the

town meeting which was held on Mon-day, March 1, in Memorial hall, and was called to order at 10.15 by George A. Wilder, town clerk. T. E. Flarity was made moderator and named Ernest Wilson and G. H. Tenney as tell-Charence W. Webster, member of the

board of selectmen from West Town-send, was defeated for re-election by Sond, was detended for re-electronic C. Winchester, a world war vaterun, by a vote of \$1 to 56. Everett W. Seaver would not stand for re-election to the board because of ill health. and George L. Whitcomb was elected in his place. Galen A. Proctor, a memer of the board from the Harbor, was defeated for re-election by Howard A. Doran, a world war veteran, by a vote of 80 to 38. This makes an entirely new board.

George Winchester and Howard Dowan were elected overseers of the poor. George A. Wilder was re-elected town clerk and town treasurer. F. B. Higgins declined nomination for re-election to the school board and W. C. Swinnington was chosen for three years. Harry C. Felch and Henry B. Hathaway were re-elected constables without opposition. There was a contest for constable from the east end of the town, William A. Cooper being elected with 43 votes to 26 for Wil-liam Robinnette, and 9 for G. H. Bodgett. Selectman Whitcomb would not accept election as assessor, and Mimothy Colley was named with the school of agriculture and home eco- to be about.

other two selectmen to make up the

The first matter of business at the ifternoon session was to vote that the electmen act as the board of health. Other officers elected were auditors, T. E. Flarity, Harry L. Whitcomb and Carl B. Willard. Later in the session Mr. Willard resigned and Dr. A. J. twood was elected in his place. Tax collector, Hudson A. Bray; lames L. Farrar and Abbott Hodgman; cemetery commissioner for three years, Frank B. Higgins; trustee of public library for three years, Rev. Alfred L. Struthers; tree warden, William W. Copeland; park commissioner, William A. Russell; trustees of Tucker fund, Dr. Richard S. Ely, Wilbur Z. Sherwin, Perry W. Sawtelle; highway surveyors, George H. Tenney, John E Donovan and Clarence A. King. It was voted to leave the long list of public weighers, cullers of hoops and staves, fence viewers and surveyors of wood, bark and lumber, to be appoint-

ed by the selectmen.

The following amounts were voted under the various departments: General government, \$2120.70; protection of life and property, \$2295.02; health and sanitation, \$655; highways and bridges, \$7521.75; charities, \$2907.50; education, \$20,000; public library, \$297.14; recreation, \$275; interest, \$650; town debt. \$1400; unclassified, \$600; soldiers' relief, \$200; special ap propriations for care of soldiers graves in the cemeteries of the town \$50; for brush cutting along the high ways of the town, \$250; for demonstration work in agriculture and home conomics, the money to be expended by and in cooperation with the county trustees of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau and home economics, \$150, making the total appropriations of \$39,372.11.

Art. 11. For the consideration of a was voted that all matters pertaining to a new valuation be considered at special town meeting to be called by the selectmen March 20, at two p.

The selectmen were chosen a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Under article 13, it was voted not to paint the school building at the

Under article 15, 16 and 17, it was voted to accept from Henry A. Miner of Somerville the sum of \$100; from Mrs. Addie E. Gilson's will the sum of \$50, and from Mrs. Abbie A. Barber the sum of \$100 for perpetual care

of their family lots in cemetery.. Art. 19. The selectmen were auth-orized to arrange with the state highcommissioners to repair the town's part of the state road at West

Art. 20. To abolish the office of sexton, was passed by a rising vote of

Voted to fix hedges on North road

and appropriated \$1200.
Art. 21. Galen A. Proctor elected a director for demonstration work in agriculture and home economes to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, under provisions of chapter 273, general acts

Voted that the selectmen and A. Dudley Bagley investigate further relative to contracting with the Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. relative to extending the street lighting system o Townsend Harbor.

Under article 22, voted to maintain the third electric street light on lower Main street, which since its installa-tion was maintained by C. A. Packard and to reimburse Mr. Packard for money already paid in maintaining

the same. motion of C. B. Willard the meeting voted to extend to retiring selectman Everett W. Seaver by a ris-"Our sympathy at this time ing vote: in his illness with the hope for a speedy recovery; that we acknowledge his efficient and faithful services during the many years as a public official and that a copy be sent to Mr. Seaver by the town clerk.

Harbor.

present a world war veteran's wife is Two of the stock sheds at the leath-being cared for at the Burbank hospi- erboard mill caved in last week, owing thburg, and the auxiliary as- to the heavy weight of snow on their Mrs. Lilia Hayward, Bayberry hill

James Bennett returned Wednesday eight from a two-days' business trip

to Boston. Mrs. Elizabeth Fletcher is under the doctor's care, but hopes to be about

After a successful theatrical tour Mr. and Mrs. George Sullivan returned o the Harbor last Saturday evening. Not until the second day of their ar-rival were they able to effect an entrance to their snow-bound villa. On the night of their arrival they were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cummings. Mr. and Mrs. Julievan were given the name Tianita Midgets by Ringling Brothers.

The favorite winter sport in this acinity is skilny. A paper petitioning for a Sunday

train was started in Greenville and circulated through the villages between that town and Aver. Let us hope that the petition will be granted. Mrs. Kloss, with her daughter, Miss Anna, expect to move to the Harbor sometime next week and will occupy the tenement in Cyrus Lane's house. where they will make it their home for the present. For five years Mrs. Kloss and her daughter have been living in the Fenway in Boston. Sev-Harbor school and was one of its most necessful teachers. At present she connected with the State Board of Education and has her headquarters n the state house.

Miss Janette Thebadoir, of Brock-ton, and Miss Eleanor Jones, of Nawere recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adney Gray.

Demonstration Work Report.

The following report of demonstra tion work in agriculture and home economics, for which the town a year ago appropriated \$50 for the year ending February 28, is of unusual in-

Galen Proctor, who was appointed director, has appointed a number of project leaders as follows: Agricul-ture, Mr. Cook; horticulture, Mr. 'ampbell; boys' and girls' clubs, Mr. Knight. The county agricultural agent has made 18 farm visits and the county horticultural agent 4.

The county agricultural agent has been present at three meetings of farmers for the discussion of miscellaneous problems, especially co-opera tive marketing. The county horticul tural agent has addressed two meetings of Finns, one in April and one in vovember, with a total attendance of

The county horticultural agent addressed a mass meeting of school children and their parents in April on C. T. McDormond, who was confined planting the home garden. There to his home for the past week with were in attendance 225. An extension the influenza, has recovered sufficiently

nomics was held December 9 and 10 with various subjects by members of bureau staff and specialists from the Massachusetts Agricultural col-

During the year an opportunity ha béen given people interested to attend various field meetings under the auspices of the bureau, including a farn management tour, two fruit excursions and a special apple and rops school. The latter was held in droton in January,

The home demonstration agent o the bureau has given four lectures two before the Parent-Teacher associ ation, one before the Monday club and one before a group of Finns, with a total attendance of 112.

The home demonstration agent has

nade six home visits and has attended frequent committee conferences. The home department of the bureau furnished one-half the extension school program in December.

Townsend was the first town in the county to have the benefit of a bureau's dental clinic. Between May and August 15, 80% of the school children received treatment and were given clean mouths.

A splendid record has been made in

club work. County club leaders have visited the town on twenty-nine different days during the year for or ganization, demonstrating, judging and training. The garden club of fiv members produced \$91.50 worth of vegetables. Four members of the pig club raised \$60 pounds of pork. Richard Hodgson received a two-days' trip the M. A. C. for high grade work Howard Knight's pig won prizes at the New England fair, Eastern States Exposition and Brockton fair.

The canning club of eleven member von a state banner and put up 1285 jars of fruit and vegetables. Hester Russell won a two-days' trip to the new general valuation of the town it college for high grade work in can-

The home economics clubs of fourteen members both won banners, and have made 514 loaves of bread and Gladys Domina welve garments. vas judged the champion bread-maker of the state. A bread demonstralon team won the county championship and represented Middlesex couny at the Eastern States Exposition. Townsend was the scene of a club

ield day for the northwestern section of the county. For the year ending February 28, 1921. Townsend at its town meeting held on last Monday made an appro-

priation of \$150. West.

Mrs. Clarence Sherwin and little son Wilbur, who have been ill with the influenza, are much improved.

Mrs. Davis, wife of the superintendent at the town farm, is still very ill. Mrs. Chester Shaw, who has been working in West Groton, has taken a

I. P. Sherwin, who has been very ill since Christmas, is reported as somewhat improved. Mr. Austin is quite ill at his home,

position in Boston.

uffering from a grippe cold. Charles Donley, who has been confined to his home for two weeks with an attack of the influenza, has resumed his duties as clerk at Boutwell's store. Henry B. Hathaway is still confined

to his home by illness, but is reported as improving. Daniel Coffey, who resumed his work at the Center after a few weeks' illness, is suffering from a relapse and is again confined to his home.

Owing to prevailing illness and bad raveling the mid-week prayer service at the Baptist church has been omited for the present.

Fred A. Patch has returned from 'ew days' visit with relatives in Brook Clarence Jodery has been spending a

few days' vacation with relatives in Boston and vicinity. George Winchester, son of Mrs. W.

C. Winchester, of the Squannicook Inn, is receiving congratulation of his friends on his election to the office of electman from this end of the town The other officers at this end were re

by the death of her sister.

Mr. Roach, who has been employed at Damon & Elchardson's mill, ha ntered the employ of the Fessender tompany at the Center.

Arthur Bruce, who was taken ill last week, has been taken to the town arm for care, as it was impossible to et any assistance at his home, wher lives alone. Damon & Hichardson's mill is still

out down on account of the impossi lity of log teams getting out. Miss Marion Boutelle has returned

her teaching in North Andover afr enjoying a brief vacation at the of her parents, Mr. and Mrs Frank Boutelle, Bayberry hill. Priscilla, the ten-year-old daughter

Mrs. Ethel Welch, is very ill with puble pneumonia, but at this writing is reported as somewhat improved Mrs. Martha Lawrence, her grandmother, who was employed in New Ipswich, N. H., is caring for her, as er mother is still ill with the grippe

Mr. Hadley and his two daughters were thrown from their sleigh Tuesday afternoon in the square, when their horse became unmanageable and broke away from the driver's control, running in a circle around the brick store, eral years ago Miss Kloss taught the but no damage was done to the sleigh and occupants, who landed in the deer

> Both Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gowan, at he Hodgman farm, have been sufferng from the grippe.

Miss Alice Seaver, who has been or the sick list for over two weeks, is able to be about again, but her mother, Mrs. George Scaver, although improvng, is still under the care of Dumas, a trained nurse from Nashua Miss Gladys Rawson, who has been

Stickney, has resumed her teaching in Athol. Mrs. Stickney, who has been ill with the grippe, is recovering. The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Baptist Benevolent society, which was to be held on Wednesday. will be omitted for a month on account

pending a week's vacation at the

nome of her mother, Mrs. Herman L

of illness and bad weather conditions. Thomas Smith, whose horses have been doing very heavy work during the entire month, breaking out the roads, had the misfortune to lose another of his horses last Sunday night. Finding the horse very ill in the night Veterinary Shaw was summoned, but it was impossible to save his life and the animal died in a few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Richards and their grandson, James Smith, are re-covering from an attack of the influenza.

C. T. McDormond, who was confined

The "Y" Water Wagon



The Way They Lined Up for Cold Water at Y. M. C. A. Huts to Quench th

THE "Y" IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Sixty Huts Now Being Operated by Red Triangle.

Prague, Czecho-Slovakia-Sixty Y M. C. A. buildings, staffed by fifty secretaries, are now in operation in Czecho-Slovakia, and plans for further extension have been approved by President Masaryk and his ministers. Huts are dotted over Moravia, Bohemia, Slovakla and that part of Silesia which is included in the new re-

public. Some of the stations are castles. others are barracks or private dwellings. At Komarno, the government turned over to the association a handsome building formerly used as the Austrian officers' clubhouse. Now the common soldiers write their let-

palatial walls. Every soldier in Czecho-Slovakia is familiar with the Red Triangle of the ticipation in the Far Eastern Olymp-"Y" and what it stands for. Interpreted in Czech, the four letters of of the assembling of the Chinese team the association are "Vojensky Domov"

The government through Pres-National Defense, Klofac, has aided tion. and backed the work at every turn. Buildings have been furnished at the expense of the government, fifty soldiers and several officers have been assigned to assist in carrying be effected during the coming year.
on the activities, transportation of A great rivalry in American athles men and material is granted, in adfree telephone and telegraph service. franking privileges on mail and other accommodations.

In connection with the "Y" "Domov' at Zilina, there is a Y. M. C. A. training school. New secretaries, officers and soldiers assigned from the army interested in the work are sent there for special courses.

Through an arrangement with the recently given an intensive ten days' on the sport program in the not far training, for work with the army distant future. The forenoons were spent in the class rooms where they not only took notes and received information on athletic games recommended for soldiers, but learned something of the history of athletics and outdoor

All the usual activities of the "Y" are found in the buildings. Quantities of writing material, specially printed in Czech are distributed. Italian and Czech discs work from tober was 3,598,282. morning until night. Moving picture shows, concerts, boxing matches and 170.88 worth of money orders were that he wanted aliens to be fairly lectures take place regularly.

can stunt games are very popular, entertainments was 357,650. During the summer, the government at Prague to the Y. M. C. A. The "Y" also used an attractive and commodious boathouse on the river.

in Czecho-Slovakia since last January. During the winter months, war kept them busy on two fronts. One front was against the Magyars on the Hunagainst the Poles in the Teschen coal attendance of 143,028. yar front presents many difficulties.

FAR EAST ATHLETES TO COMPETE

Contenders at Next Olympiad Will Come From All Over the World.

Boston - Athletes from China, Japan, the Philippines, and other Far Eastern countries may be contenders for honors at the seventh Olympiad to be held at Antwerp next August, and for a certainty will be formidable contenders at succeeding Olympiads, so keen has become the interest fostered by the Y. M. C. A. in these countries, In China, particularly, the interest in American athletics has caused a demand to come from all parts of this great new republic for a native National Amateur Athletic Association. R. A. Leake, physical director for "Y" at Foochow, China, reports

ters and see the movies inside its that "the need for this has grown during the past few years, owing to inter sectional athletics and China's par ics, held at Manila. On the occasion of more than one hundred picked men at Mauila, it was decided to make a ident Masaryk and the Minister of start toward organizing such a federa-A committee was appointed to draft and present such a constitu tion and bylaws. This has been done and it has been distributed for cor-

tion of the organization certainly will A great rivalry in American athletics has sprung up between China and dition to further courtesies such as Japan since the Chinese athletes out pointed the Japanese in the Far East ern Olympics last summer, although the meet was won by the Philippine

rection and criticism. The comple

Islanders. Skating and skiing have become popular in Japan, and although that country is called the Land of the to "Y" work and officials and civilians Cherry Blossoms, parts of it have heavy falls of snow and several weeks of splendid ice each winter. China has taken the hint from Japan, and an government, 75 athletic officers were Oriental Johnnie Nilsoon may appear

"Y" HAS BIG FINAL MONTH.

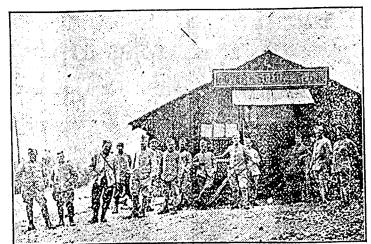
Boston.—The intensive use soldiers Phonographs with American, French, this country during the month of Oc- dians.

sold during the month, 1,686,144 envel-All the best Czech magazines and opes distributed and 1,46 entertain-Czech, French and English books are ments, other than motion pictures, to be found in every building. Ameri- [held. The total attendance at these

During the month the "Y" was unturned over a large floating bathhouse usually active in the "home sector" along athletic, educational and religious lines. A total of 517,591 persons participated in athletic games. The Y. M.C. A. has been operating In its educational work, the association conducted 9,406 educational classes, gave 542 lectures and loaned \$1.518 books.

The total number of Bible classes garian boorder in Slovakia the other for the month was 1,010, with an There also field region. The latter has been were held 1.691 religious meetings quiet for many months but the Mag- and 20,202 personal Christian inter-

The Poilus' Home



A Typical Foyer du Soldat-The Equivalent of an American "Y" Hut for French Army. The Y. M. C. A. Built and Maintained Hundreds of Those

Islamic Creed.

The Islam creed embraces belief in the prophets and apostles Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Mohammed, but the Moslems consider Mohammed the "most excellent creature of God."

Not Much Credit Coming to, Them. Jud Tunkins says he knows two men, and maybe three, who bragged about not bein' profiteers, simply because they never had a good chance.

scolded him for getting into fights with other boys, and told him it would be better to stand a little picking on than to be fighting half the time. One day he came home with garments soiled and torn and explained that he had been in a fight because he had refused to take a dare. After a heated argument with his mother about it he

your boy to be a coward!"

As Jimmy Saw It.

mother's way of thinking. She often

James was too pugnacious to his

1PHONY HALL MEETING DRAWS-3000-EPISCOPALIANS TO HEAR FOUR BIS.

College Students Now Being Reached by Nation-Wide Campaign

Three thousand people packed izing the Episcopal young people of Symphony Hall Thursday evening of the colleges in and around Boston. last week for a mass meeting, to There are ten colleges within the Behind him came another man with



REV. BYRLE T. OSBORN Back From Service, is Now Organizing Work Among Students

the Episcopal Faith. packs, wearing quaint Dutch caps and broad black neckties; tall girls in silk tassels; a few old women with between the ages of sixteen and little muslin caps, and again young twenty-one in order that prominent women with small black velvet caps. All, however, singing as one voice, to the accompaniment of the magnificent Symphony Hall organ, the stirring hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching as to War;" and all my" as they made their way to the Training Corps, the subject of "Chrisfront seats or ranged themselves on the platform behind the four bishops cently by Professor Vida D. Scudder who were to supply the program of Wellesley College. Deprecating

Hon. Philip S. Parker, Lay Chairman of the Central Committee, acted as presiding officer. In introducing the speakers, Judge Parker said that the message of the Church's Call was "Go Ye; therefore, into all the world, and see that the Gospel is preached;" meaning to see that the Gospel is preached to the man around the corner as well as to the people in foreign lands. "The purpose of this movement," he said, "is to bring out the latent forces in every parish, to make each Episcopal group in the community 100% strong

in Church attendance and in giving. Bishop Herman Page of Spokane, in the United States were making of one of the missionary bishops of the Y. M. C. A. benefits in the camps when Church, briefly reviewed the work the War Department took over wel- which is being done in all parts of fare work on November 1 is indicated the country for those who are far by the report of the National War from central organizations. He es-Work Council on its final month of pecially stressed the successful minauthority just made public. The total istrations of the Episcopal Church to attendance in Army Y. M. C. A. huts in the Negroes and to the Sioux In-

> Bishop Charles Henry Brent, Western New York, told his audience. treated for the reason that he was once an alien himself. Recalling the figures of Washington and Lincoln he urged all within the sound of his voice to accept these great leaders as pattern citizens in the matter of both "These men, life and action. said, "were masters of their circumstances, never the victims. As one looks over the country today and sees its irritated and irritable condition, one feels that many men who ought to be self-possessed are somehow losing that fine control of their powers and faculties which is necessary to the poised, capable and loyal citizen, and that we are in great danger as a nation of becoming, not the lord but the miserable victim of our circumstan-

"It is for us, however, to face with calmness and not with panic or hysteria the situation as we find it, with the assurance that our problems are no greater and no more intricate than they were in the past, and that if we have the courage, we have just as much power and ability to deal with the questions which confront us for solution as our forefathers

Bishop Lawrence took for the text of his remarks at the meeting the recent report of the State Commission on the necessaries of life, and showed that a direct relationship exists between the high cost of living and Christian ideals, in that a proper sense of stowardship would make us all eager to produce and to work. It is just because the average man

tee of the Nation-Wide Campaign, is quite naturally talk about things doing very effective work in organ-which they are really interested."

With frowning brows a famous ar-

tist was transferring to canvas the beautiful highland scene before him, and furlously wishing that the spectator who was breathing down the back of his neck would go away. But that spectator was a "sticker." "Man," he said presently, "did ye never think tae study photography?" "No." enapped the artist, as he went on painting. "I wonder at that noo," exclaimed, "Gee whiz, mother, I said the spectator. "It's a hantle shouldn't think you'd want to bring up | quicker as well's bein' mair like the place."

demonstrate their enthusiastic sup- Diocese, four of which were originport of the Nation-Wide Campaign of ally founded with distinctly religious the Episcopal Church in Massachu- tendencies. The students come to setts. A thrilling feature of the these institutions of learning to study meeting was the entrance, promptly from one to eight years, and many at eight o'clock, of a vested choir of of them are friendless and without 600 men and women who formed a church ties while here. Yet quite a cross as they made their way up the large proportion of them would be centre aisle and on to the platform. called Episcopalians by reason of At the head of the procession was a their early training. From a census re-At the head of the procession was a their early training. From a census reman all in white bearing the jewelled cently held, it has been found that cross of the Church of the Advent. no less than 1200 students indeed belong to this church group. Recogan American flag held high. Then nizing this, Mr. Osborn has improved followed the long line of singing chor- the opportunity to put over the mesisters in their picturesquely varied sage of the Church's Call through the vestments. Not boys and men only, colleges, and Simmons College, Tufts but tiny girls with hair down their College, Wellesley College, and the Institute of Technology already have courses of meetings planned with the special object of emphasizing to students in their midst the purposes and the message of the Campaign. Next Tuesday evening Mr. Osborn will himself speak at Tufts College on this subject. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Trinity Parish House, Mr. F. C. M. Wei, a student at Harvard, will talk on "Woman's Work in

the Church in China," under the aus-

pices of the Simmons girls who are

interested in the Campaign, and next

Sunday at Wellesley, Miss Eleanor A.

M. Gamble, Professor in the Depart-

ment of Philosophy and Psychology,

will give a talk to the Wellesley girls. Even more important, perhaps, than work for young people in college is work with boys and girls of the preparatory school age. Recognizing this as a part of the work of the Church's Call, Rev. Sherrard Billings, Senior Master of the Groton School, has been appointed Executive Secretary to organize Life Work Conferences throughout the Diocese. There are to be eight or nine of these conferences held between March 15th and March 25th, and to these conferences and suppers, the rectors are college gowns with Oxford caps and asked to send picked boys and girls speakers may put before them the Call of the Church to life work in the ministry, the mission field, social service, nursing and allied vocations.

In the series of meetings held in St. Paul's Cathedral Rooms, under seeming, indeed, "like a mighty ar- the auspices of the Church Officers' tian Education" was discussed rethe Church as "a club for morality," Miss Scudder pointed out that what we need at this time is a vital realization of the old doctrines, and the determination to apply them to social problems. "Theology," she declared, is people thinking religiously." To make the old doctrines to which we are pledged in our Church vital to our young people, we must throw



HON. PHILIP S. PARKER Who Presided at the Great Symphony Hall Meeting at Which Four Bishops Spoke.

aside our reserve, that reticence on which we in New England have long prided ourselves. New England, to be sure, was not always reticent about things spiritual. There was a ime when people thought much and talked much about their souls. We, in our reaction from that, seem to have lost all ability to speak about religious things, but we must learn how to do this again. We cannot relegate to teachers in Sunday School all talk about things religious. I see no reason why two people who are interested in religion might not as well discuss the Trinity as Lansing's roply to Wilson, at an afternoon tea, if they are so minded. Vagueness and reserve," Miss Scudder insisted "are not the only reverend attitudes." The speaker then pleaded for more courses in Christian theology to be offered in schools and colleges, and quoted Cardinal Newman as having said that theology is culture. She also made a strong case for the utilization of Christian experience and Christian biographies in the teaching of young people. "I would put biographies of Nowman, Pusey, Fox, Wesley and Donald Hankey, as well as the Christian mystics in the reach of all growis not doing the same amount of ing boys and girls. The revival towork as before the war, and is con- day of mystical reprints is a thing for suming more luxuries, that the cost which we ought to be very grateful. of living has so advanced," he said. For religion is contagious, and peo-The Rev. Byrle J. Osborn, who is ple inevitably become interested in connected with the Central Commit what they talk about just as the

> View From High Points. At mountain stations, where one is above the greater part of the lower. dust-laden layers of the atmosphere, more stars are visible than at sea level. Some recent observations at Mt. Wilson by Van der Bilt show that the limit of unaided vision there, without even the aid of screens to shut off the light of the sky, is at about the seventh magnitude—that is, the faintest stars that can be seen on the mountain are two and one-half times brighter than can be seen at sea level

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-taw, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of LOUIS A. TARBill, 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 HENRY F. TARBELL of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex without giving a surely on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be heid at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the eighth day of March A. D. 1920, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should in the forenoon, to show cause you have, why the same should

man, Representative Cooper, as the not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each wrek 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, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eightent that you for the centh day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

3125 F. M. ESTY, Register.

thousand nino hundred and twenty.

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

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

You are hereby cited to appear at a
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not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed
to give public notice thereof, by pubishing this citation once in each week,
for three successive weeks, in the Littieton Guidon, a newspaper published
in said County, the last publication to
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SOME FACTS AND **FANCIES ABOUT** THE PHILIPPINES

There Has Been Much Misrepresentation in America About People and Conditions.

By MAXIMO M. KALAW,



less evening dress and accosted him with the inquiry, "I suppose you are Japanese, sir?" The man addressed replied, Then you must be Chinese," she

said. Maximo M. Kalaw. "No. I am not. am a Filipino," he replied.

"How's that?" asked the lady. "I hought they were all savages living in "Well, I'll tell you how I came here,"

he said. "A month before I left the Philippines I was living in the woods, but the American Governor decided to catch as many wild men as possible, train them and send them over here. So here I am, just as you see." And the St. Louis lady actually believed

That is what you would call fancies about the Philippines. The fact is, nowever, that the 11,000,000 Filipinos and their ancestors have been civilized and Christians for 300 years; that the non-Christian population, according to the census of 1918, is only 500,000, and even these are not all uncivilized.

Another fancy is that not until the coming of the Americans were school buildings seen in the Islands, roads built, or substantial houses erected. Do you know that for hundreds of years the Filipinos have had colleges and schools and that the University of Santo Tomas is only twenty-five years older than Harvard? That as early as 1866, out of a population of 4,000,000 people, there were \$41 schools for boys and 833 for girls? That in 1892, eight years before the coming of the Americans, there were 2,137 schools?

"To grant self-government to Luzon

under Aguinaldo would be like granting self-government to an Apache reservation under some local chief." Thus spoke a former President of the United States during the Fllipino-American war. Exaggeration could be an excuse at a time when the dignity of the American people demanded the extinction of Filipino opposition, but do you know that the Philippine Republic, before the American occupation of the Islands. had the approval of prominent Amerieans who were on the spot—like John Barrett, Director of the Pan-American Union, who compared it favorably with the Japanese government? That Admiral Dewey considered the Filipinos better fitted for self-government than the Cubans? That they had drafted a constitution at Malalos which elicited the approval of distinguished Republicans like the late Senator George F. Hoar? That before the coming of the Americans they had produced national heroes like the martyred Jose Rizal, pronounced by a Republican congressman, Representative Cooper, as the

People have pictured an ignorant mass of Filipinos, illiterate, poor, living a life of servitude for a few wealthy land owners and foreigners, with no houses or farms or property of their own. Do you know that 70 per cent, of the people above ten years of age can read and write and that this percentage of literacy is almost as high as some of the states of the Union That it is higher than in any country of South America, higher than the literacy of the Spanish people, and unquestionably above that of any of the new countries recognized in Europe; Do you know that there are a million and a half farms in the Philippines and that 96 per cent, of these farms are owned by Filipinos. In other words, that out of the 11.000,000 Christian Filipinos, 8,000,000 of them at least live on their own farms, with houses of their own, independent of any absentee landlord or foreign master? That 91 per cent, of the urban property consisting of houses and lands is owned by the natives of the Philippines, and mly 9 per cent, is in the hands of forligners? Yet these are facts cabled by Acting Governor Charles Emmett Yeaer to the War Department from the cent census estimates,

Having solemnly promised the Filiinos their independence and having ione before the world as the champion of self-determination, the Filipino people cannot understand how America an consistently refuse to make good hese promises.

CLIMATE OF THE PHILIPPINES.

The Philippine Islands have a mildly tropical climate. The nights are cool and sunstrokes are unknown. The temperature record for the past thirty years shows an average of 80 degrees

In Hard Luck.

Jackle was invited to our house the other night to a birthday dinner. He ate heartily of the first courses, and when dessert was presented he sighed and remarked: "I'm afraid I'm running out of appetite."-Exchange.

Cork Hint. If you need a cork and cannot go

HARVARD

News Items, . . Mrs. Fiske Warren's daughter, Mis-Marjorie, Warren, one of the season's lebutantes, sailed for Europe, nesday, to join the contingent of Miss Anne Morgan in France.

Mrs. Emily Whitney Huse sailed ast week aboard the Lapland en rout to Germany, where she will join her husband, who is in the U.S. serv-ice there. Lieut. and Mrs. Huse expect to remain abroad some time.

George Ryan arrived home on las donday after a prolonged visit with is brother, Ithel Ryan, in Farmington, Me. The snow-bound ckept him there two weeks. The snow-bound conditions

Next Tuesday evening the member. of the Congregational parish will hold their annual meeting. The time of calling the meeting is seven o'clock. Adjournment will be taken and supper served, after which the regular business of the meeting will be taker

Miss Lillian Frost, our town nurse reports for February the following: Bedside calls 142, school visits 10, child welfare visits 14, prenatal visits ; a total of 170 visits.

On last Monday evening a baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck, (Hazel Hardy). Our town nurse proved her usefulness and efficiency by taking full charge of the

Both churches will hold service on Sunday. At the Congregational church service will be held in the vestry as usual, which place is proving very popular as a meeting place during the severe weather.

There will be a union meeting of the Unitarian and Congregational Men's club on Sunday evening in the town hall. Supper will be served at eeven o'clock by a joint committee. The speaker for the evening will be Dr. Roland B. Dixon.

Charles Newton Pollard and Herbert A. Thayer were present at the opening of the Chicago Opera Company season in the Boston Opera House, Monday evening, and heard a remarkably fine rendering of the beautiful opera of La Gloconda. Both Mr. Pollard and Mr. Thayer are conirmed opera lovers, the former going to many in both Boston and Germany latter has heard most of th great singers for the last thirty years.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

Miss Ellen Clark writes from Northfield seminary that they have had to close the symnasium, music room and reception room there on account of he coal shortage, and the spring that supplies the school with drinking water is so low that the pupils are allowed but one glass of water each at a

Mrs. Robert M. French went to Groon on last week Friday and read a paper on "Colonial doorways" before the Woman's club there. Despite the roughness of the day—one of the worst we have had this winter-Mrs. French now-shoed to and from Hollis station The trains were very late both ways

Francis Cave, who has been work ing at a lumber camp near New Ips-wich, has been quite ill with the prevailing epidemic. He was taken to his sister's in Amherst, where he is naking a good recovery.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Strong, of Waltham, Mass. February 22-Ruth Inez.

Charles Clinton and his sister Bertha left Friday morning for their home in Chester Basin, N. S. They will go by boat from Boston. Mr. Clinton has not been home for six years, and it is four years since his sister has been there,

Mrs. William Stimson returned from two of her grandchildren ome with her.

Clara Smith went back to Durham n Wednesday. Hazel Lougee has returned to her

chool work at Plymouth Normal chool. Miss Farquhar spent the week-end n Fitchburg.

Erving Simonds, who has been hom bree weeks on account of illness, re urned to Durham on Wednesday.

Walter Hayden has purchased ractor. George Messer returned to his son's

Cambridge, Monday, after spending week at his home here. The Woman's club meeting for this eck was postponed until later.

Charles Clinton visited friends in ownsend the first of the week.

Mrs. Henry Stimson has been ver and Ruby Dickerman has been in New Ipswich caring for her: Mr. and Mrs. Stimson are at the lumber camp there, and both and their children have been ill, but all are improv-

Mrs. Charles Wilshire is reported as being III.

Perley Howard has been visiting rith William W. Worcester. Charles Woodin is on the sick list;

lso, George Frost. Misses Celia and Mabel Duncklee ave been in Lyndeboro, caring for their two brothers, who have been ill. They have recovered sufficiently to be

Willis Spaulding, who was quite ill with the influenza last week, is gain-

Dorothy and Ruth Hardy, children

of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hardy, are ery ill with bronchitis. James Walsh went to Hudson last Sunday to attend the funeral of his

nother. Mrs. William Murphy, Hollis depot, s seriously ill, threatened with pneunonia. Mrs. Francis Lovejoy is car-

Miss Marion Worcester, of Cambridge, Mass., one of Hollis' popular young people who spend their summers here, has been elected vice-president of the class officers of the senior class at Radeliffe. These officers are distinguished as the most prominent girls in the class, and will wear a red tassel on their academic caps instead of a black one as their badge of, office.

Miss Florence Tait returned to Brighton, Mass., last Sunday, after pending a week's vacation at home. Mrs. Laura Clark came home from Northfield, Mass., last Saturday, for a

Mrs. Flora Hardy went to Milford ast Saturday and visited her cousin, William Gangleff, who is ill, until Tuesday morning, going from there

o Boston for the day. There was a chimney fire at William W. Worcester's last week Friday norning at 7.30. Mr. Hildreth saw he smoke from the telephone office, and calling help, started for the house. stated that the smoke was the blackest and largest volume that he had ever seen pouring from a chimney, and suddenly it shut off, as if a over had been placed over the top of the chimney. The cause of this he found was that Mr. Worcester had an extinguisher right at hand, and Mrs. Worcester knew how to use it.

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No Such a Winter for Years, The whole town is agreed upon one

juestion, that is that such a winter has not been seen for years if ever and last Friday was about the worst yet. The wind blew a gale all day filling in the roads about as fast as they M. Maeterlinck, Children's life of the vere broken out, and it was very cold to add to the discomfort. No attempt was made to break out any but the roads most used. The road by Andrew Jewett's has been closed, also closed, also the Witch's Spring road at the northend. Merrill's lane was not shoveled out till Saturday and it took five men all day there. Sunday the road from Andrew Snaulding's up to Perley Lund's was dug through drifts higher than a man's head and it was not until Tuesday afternoon that the road by Charles Colburn's was broken out.
The main road to Nashua was in such a condition that the mail carrier did not get through for three days and the mail coming from Brookline and Pepperell was not delivered for two days. The schools only kept one full day last week.

Grange.

The Grange held their regular meeting Tuesday evening. It was an open meeting that all might hear F. E. oburn, assistant state highway commissioner. The program opened with discussion on some of the articles in the town and school warrants that was interesting and instructive, and at times quite spirited, music by the trange and a reading by the master. The lecturer then introduced Mr

oburn, who gave an illuminating talk

on state highways and their mainte-nance. He began his remarks with a resume of the work from 1905, when the bill was passed providing for this work on highways, of its progress and been put 'hrough. The expense of the was also given and showed the advantages derived from good roads He also said there were only six towns in this county who did not accept state aid last year-four of these had now dition they did not need it, and Hollis was one of the other two. Mr. Co-burn did not arge this upon the town unduly, and said he could realize the lack of help had made the work on the roads here almost impossible, but even that might be overcome. He was glad to answer any questions and many availed themselves of the privilege. Mr. Coburn also spoke of the white pine blister or rust, and the federal law that current and gooseberry oushes must be destroyed, the govern ment doing this and paying for the

A social hour and dancing ended the

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

evening.

Miss Frances Farnsworth has been recent visitor in West Newton, Mass Miss Florence Farrar has returned

o her work at Boston.

Miss Mary Brown of Waltham has been spending a few days at her home on Milford street, Arthur Cook from Nashua has been

recent guest in town. There has been no schools for the past week owing to trouble with the boiler, but it has been fixed and school

egan March 1. Mrs. Julia Barnaby has been called to Littleton, N. H., by the sickness of er parents.

Mrs. Katherine Cady has been a recent guest in Waltham, Mass. .The roads about town have been in

were kept busy shoveling the past him so long, is to give up his position week. The blacksmith shop at the residence of Harry Williams collapsed un-der the weight of the snow last week.

'ery little damage was done. Miss Hazel Goss, who has been at New Haven, Conn., is at her home for

Mrs Ella Rockwood is sick with the prevailing distemper and under the

octor's care. Mrs. Lora O'Hern, Mrs. Eva Elliott and two children and Mrs. Pearl Elliott have been spending a few days

Mrs. Walter Fessenden and William Bailey have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John P. Bailey at North Hampton, Mass.

Peter Parkey, who is at work at ynn, spent the week-end at his home n South Brookline. Freeman Wright trapped a very nice

fox last week. The announcement of the marriage of Miss Edna Frances Easter to Chas. Edwin Dockrill on Saturday, February 21, at Arlington, Mass., has been re-ceived by the friends in town of Mr. lockrill. He has spent many of his summers here and has a host

appiness in his new life. The South Brookline Social club net with Mrs. Lucian Farrar at her home on Thursday afternoon, February 26. A very pleasant afternoon was passed. The hostess served a very dainty lunch during the after-

riends who wish him success and

Swan Palmorquist died at the County hospital at Grasmere last week. Palmerquist has worked many years in town at the Fresh Pond Ice Company works. About four months ago he suffered a shock and was taken to the Grasmere hospital, where he stayed until his death. He leaves one

The baseball boys will run a dance Miss Mabel Drown and friend, Mr. Bryson, of Newton, were guests over town meeting night, Tuesday, March 9. A good time is assured. the week-end at the home of her par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Drown,

The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except Franklin street. Mrs. W. C. Shattuck has had a prosto those who pay in advance, when the price will be \$1.50. The high cost trating illness from the influenza, from which, owing to her former poor of everything connected with the pubhealth she is but slowly recovering. ishing of a newspaper makes this Miss Gertrude Raymond visited the past week with relatives and friends action imperative.

Books Added to Library. The following is a list of books re

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S. C. Bryant. I am an American.
Elva S. Smith. Peace and patriotism.
Smith and Hazetin. Christmas in legend
and story.
Burroughs. Leaf and tendril.
E. Eggleston. The beginners of a
nation.
S. A. Drake. On Plymouth rock.
A. M. Earld. Customs and fashions in
old New England.
E. S. Brows. True story of Lafayette.
Story of American Indian.
E. I. Farrington. Practical rabbit
keeping.

E. I. Farrington. Practical rabbit keeping.
M. P. Thomson: History of Finland.
John Faris. Makers of our history.
R. G. Usher. Pilgrims and their history.
Story of the Pilgrims for children.
Elva Smith. Good stories for boys and girls.
Boy Scouts book of stories.
S. Coville, Jr. Boy Scouts in the wilderness.
C. H. Ernst. Blind trails.

bee. S. O. Jewett. Betty Leicester's Christ-A. T. Curtis. A little maid of Bunker Hill. Blanchard. A Girl Scout of Red

A. E. Binnchard. A Girl Scout of Red Rose troop.

I. W. Lippincott. Bun—a rabbit.

I. B. Famous. Tommy Turtle.

T. W. Burgess. Adventures of Johnny Chuck.

Adventures of Peter Cottontall.

Adventures of Buster Bear.

Osseph Lincoln. Capt. Dan's daughter.

J. H. Porter. Dawn.

The tie that binds.

L. Walton. Oscar Montague Paranolea,

anc Austin. Dr. Lebaron and his daughters.

Jane Austin. Dr. Leonion and modern daughters.
Irving Bacheller. The light in the clearing.
Zane Grey. The border legion.
Grace Richmond. Red Pepper's patients.
Gene S. Porter. A daughter of the land.

Funeral.

The funeral of the late Dr. Charles Holcombe was held at his home on las week Thursday afternoon. It was pri rate, but for one hour the friends could view the remains of their be loved doctor and friend at one o'clock rayers were said by Rev. Edward P Kelley, and Mrs. Kelley read Tenny "Crossing the bar." me" and "Nearer my God to thee

were sung on the grafonola. The body reposed in a heautifu teel-gray casket, covered with beautiful flowers, of which he was such a lover: After the services the body was taken to its last resting place and placed in the beautiful pure snow blanket covered with the beautiful flowers which were a silent re minder of the love and respect in which he was held. The bearers were Clarence Russell, Perley Pierce, Alpha Hall and George Nye. More and more does the town realize the loss that has come to them, in the many homes where his medical skill was unequaled in the library where his interest was always so highly shown, and in the after by E. B. Soule. town where so loyal a citizen as the doctor was, is hard to replace. The entire town mourn with the bereaved

amily in the loss of their dear one. Friends and relatives from Aliston Boston, Cambridge and Leominster attended the funeral.

PEPPERELL

The committee of Acoma Rebekah odge, who are arranging a social lance for the evening of St. Patrick's day, March 17, among other excellent features, have secured Mack's orchestra, of Leominster, six pieces, to fur-

nish the music on that occasion. Mrs. F. H. Parker has been out o the electric office a few days of this returned to his accustomed work on week, Mrs. Mary Bartz Gibbons act- Monday. ng as substitute.

The public library was closed saturday. February 28, out of respect to the late Dr. Holcombe, who was treas-shattuck is now employed by the Forbes Lithograph Co., Chelsea, where during their sick time, is now staying for a short time with her sister. Mrs. year ago. He has had an artificial Louis Shattuck, at the Center. foot adjusted to take the place of the foot crushed by the elevator, and gets about very nicely and was looking in

excellent health. G G Tarbellis still confined to bi nome from the effects of the attack of influenza he suffered during the winter, although it is hoped he will be

able to get out once omre after the severe weather abates. W. A. Kemp is out again, following his attack of the influenza a week since. It is wondered if his plan of selling out materializes, if Pepperell will be without a feweler. One reason a very bad condition and gangs of men that Mr. Kittredge, who has been with

> entirely to his insurance business Tanning manle trees was being car ied on last year about this date. Easter less than a month away, April outlook for a large display of spring styles in ladies' hats seems rath-

er out of the question. News was received by Mrs. N. W. Appleton from Mrs. Mary (Woodfin) Carr, of North Easton, of the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. James Woodfin, in Marblehead, last week, Mrs. Carr was one of the popular high direction of their teachers, presented school teachers here at one time, boarding with Mrs. Fred Bancroft, Heald street. The graduates of the class of 1902 recall her with pleasure. Those who also met Mrs. Woodfin speak of her fine personality and R. W. Drawbridge as the lively direction of his "dumb" choir, or the ones abounding hospitality. She has resided most of her life in Marblehead, with the exception of about ten years, while her daughters, Mrs. Carr and lelogram." "indulgence," Miss Helen Woodfin, now a teacher in Danvers, were being educated when she removed to Cambridge. Much Scouts enacted one charade very credsympathy is felt for Mrs, Carr by her itably. Taken altogether, the evening

n Nashua on last Saturday by request len, Miss Helen Wiley and Miss Amy f the new mayor. How about a simi- Aldrich, should feel well satisfied with ar day here, where sidewalks in the the result of their planning and work, illage have not received any atten- as well as the ones arranging for the tion from shovels or snow plows for a fine charades, where much good work week at a time. Nashua residents was manifest. claim that the vicinity of the central are station looks like a northland Woman's Club Meeting. Eskimo village, the piles of snow representing the igloos. They had beter take a walk on snow shoes through he western part of our town, so say he residents there.

the first time on Tuesday after her liness of three weeks or more with the nfluenza. Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Nutting came

in Melrose and Attleboro, and writes there is even more snow there than J. A. Frossard has so far recovered his usual health after his attack of the influenza as to be able to go out on sunny days. He received a communication that his shipment of machines had arrived at Kalamazoo, Mich., and anticipates going there to set them up

long a lourney! Few festivities are listed in the prograin for the town, owing partly, no doubt to the Lenten season, as much as to weather conditions.

The intelligence was received here by friends this week from Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby, Leominster, of the death on February 26 of their three-year-old daughter Harriett. The cause of death was septic poisoning following an illness from scarlet feve and influenza. The two older children Lorraine and Russell, were also ill with scarlet fever, but in a milder form. At present Mrs. Willoughby is just up from an attack of influenza, and the youngest child, an infant of about six months, is seriously ill with bronchial pneumonia. This little one, it will be remembered, had preumonia ast fall, when only about three weeks old, at which time it was given up by the physicians. Mr. and Mrs. Willoughby, who were formerly Pepperell residents, have the sympathy and

thought of their many friends, Miss Mary Connig, of Fitchburg, was the guest of Mrs. E. J. Darling, Foster street, during her school vacation

last week. Miss Anna Boynton came home from Troy, N. Y., on Thursday afternoon of last week, accompanied by her mother, who was called to Troy some weeks ago by illness of her daughter Although still rather weakened by her attack of pneumonia Miss Anna was able to walk out to call an some of her friends during the warmest part of Monday.

The current events talk at the lion Monday afternoon by Prin-Whitmarsh was interesting as usual, although the speaker termed it "light-weight," as he was to speak again on the topics of the day at the ommunity church vestry at the gathering of Sunday school workers on Tuesday evening. E. J. Darling, foreman of repairs

at the paper mill, is out again after a

three-weeks' stay at home on account

of illness, diagnosed by his physician as two-thirds exhaustion from too close attention to his duties, and onethird influenza. It seems probable that it will be some time before he resumes his duties on repair work. his absence the work has been looked Friday evening of last week was not especially well adapted for social or

business gatherings, but the girls of the Hope circle proved their good inerest by meeting together at the home of Mrs. J. A. Saunders with their teacher, Miss McNayr, sixteen being present. A guest of the evening, Ruth Marshall, from Fitchburg, made the evening doubly pleasant, and assisted ery much with the games and enterainment. After the usual business

period games and music, with refreshents, took the remainder of the time to the pleasure of all. Frank Marston, who has been hav ng an enforced vacation from his duties at the Charlestown navy yard, on account of an attack of jaundice,

The Misses Margaret and Flora Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Shattuck spent | Boynton spent the week-end at home part of the week of the recent holi- from their respective teaching duties

> Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kleinburg have taken the upper tenement recently va-

cated by Miss Aldrich on Pleasant street.

Community Church Supper. Although not one of the largest gatherings, for obvious reasons, 100 people or thereabouts who walked, kied, waded, or struggled to reach the Community church vestry on last week Thursday evening were amply

rewarded, and the evening is called one of the pleasantest, socially.

The supper was of the "Washington order," handsomely decorated Wash ngton pies, adorned with the historic therries, being prominent on the bill f fare. For the remainder there was fine menu of cold meats with mash ed notato macaroni, rolls, cakes and well decorated with miniature cherry

branches, looking very real.
The program of the evening held many excellent features, chief among them being the pleasure of once agair hearing Rev. and Mrs. Drawbridge in duet. There were plane soles by Miss Mary Butler, which received praise, and several classes, under the charades which exercised the wits of those assembled. All who witness "dumb-crambo" as enacted, will not soon forget Mrs. Bennett as the elaborate planist, though soundless, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge as the lively director of his "dumb" choir, or the ones who composed the same. The younger entertainers, in presenting "parellelogram," "indulgence," "sing-song," "comfortless" and "prohibition", took their parts remarkably well. The Boy Scouts enacted one charade very credfriends in town in this sudden be-reavement. was an unusually social and enjoyable one, and the committee, Mrs. Heald "Snow shoveling day" was observed Mrs. Maltman, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Al-

Mrs. W. H. H. Bradley was out for showed a good degree of interest and he first time on Tuesday after her perseverance. The skies were favor-

fill her engagement as reader for the afternoon. Mrs. Irene Attridge sented to act as substitute, and the change proved not only satisfactory. but pleasing to her audience. The se-lections given by Mrs. Attridge were exceedingly well chosen, being ciently varied to produce a well-balanced program. From a critic's point of view Mrs. Attridge has rec gained much in elocutionary ability, and from the view point of her friends tertaining, winning merited praise

from all. Her first selection was "Amanda's wedding," in darky dialect, and the encore, "Ode to a manikin," a .musical selection, in which she was accompa-nied by Mrs. J. O. Bennett. A second reading was entitled, "Leap year mishaps," and an encore, "The fun that Adam missed." The third selection was humorous, entitled "Uncle Jim and in the mills as soon as he receives permission from his physician to take so the liniment," and again the reader-graciously responded to an encore, giving a more thoughtful reading, acc panied by music, "Old friend wife." Inconclusion she gave the musical selection in darky dialect, "Saucy-faced. Sapphira."

The musical part of the programa onsisted of two solos by Mrs. C. E_ Marchant, who responded to encores: also, a piano solo by Mrs. J. O. Ben-

nett, who also granted an encore. The program was closed by singing by the club, "Battle hymn of the republic."

To Give Employees a Bonus. The following letter has been sent tothe male employees of the Pepperell Card & Paper Co., the granting of which means approximately \$12,000

o \$15.000 a year: Fellow Workmen: The management of the above company has al-ways had in view the welfare of its employees. Before the war this company held

annual field days for all of its em-

ployees and their families, but during the duration of the war conditions were so much changed it was impossible to carry through anything of this nature. At Christmas time, 1919, they secured for each and every employee in life insurance so that the families who depend upon your salary should e protected in case that the breadearner should be taken away. The management believes that this was one of the biggest strides that this company has ever made toward wel-fare work. Now they come to you voluntarily and agree to pay to you a. bonus of 10% on your wages dating back to January 1, 1920, to Decem-ber 31, 1920. This bonus is to be paid July 31st and December 31st. Any person entering the employ of the company three months, or more, previous to the dates of payment shall ceive a bonus of 5% for such time, and if they continue to work shall receive the bonus of 10% the same as all other employees on December 31st. That is to say, a man entering our employ May 1st, or before, shall receive a bonus July 31st, if he works continuously, of 5% on his wages, and if he continues to work until December 31st he will receive 10% bonus from August 1st to December 31 and 5% for the back three months of his-

come deceased, the bonus shall be paid at that time to his family or rela-We do this as we realize your splendid co-operation to carry on the business of this company through these-very hard times and we hope that you will become so closely connected with the interests of this company, which are also your interests, that this may

wages on which he had already beem paid 5%. Any man leaving our em-

ploy before these dates specified for

payment forfeits all rights to this

bonus, but if any employee should be-

continue from year to year.

Rainsford, Deware, Pres. On Monday morning, March 15, at 9.45, there will be a large and attractive sale by auction held at the farm now occupied by Mrs. J. L. Wentworth and known as the Pope farm, 36 Pope lane, Danvers. The sale includes 15 cattle besides all the farming tools and small tools used around the place. Oties H. Forbush will be the auctioneer.

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CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends who at the time of the recent loss of our dear one so kind-ly extended their sympathy by words, deeds and beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Clintina Holcombe, Mrs. Minnie Holcombe, Miss Marion Holcombe.

Brookline, N. H., February 28, 1920. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of AUGUSTA F. WOODS late of Dunstable in the Country of Middlessex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby directed to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to HORATIO N. TOWER.

East Pepperell, Mass., March 1, 1920:

HORATIO N. TOWER, Executor.

LAWRENCE PARK, Executor. Concord, Mass., March 3, 1920. 3t27 COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS, iMiddlesox, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons inter-ested in the estate of JAMES NORKUS late of Shirley in said County, deceased,

Addrich, should feel well satisfied with the result of their planning and work, as well as the ones arranging for the fine charades, where much good work was manifest.

Woman's Club Meeting.

Members of the Woman's club were represented in good numbers at the meeting held on Tuesday afternoon at the vestry of the Community church, although attendance in some instances showed a good degree of interest and persevorance. The skies were favorable, but the paths were not.

In the absence of the president, and the duties of the vice president in the program, Mrs. May Tarbell acted as presiding officer by request, As was announced last week Mrs. Coultor, of Manchester, was unable to

to the store to get the right size, take son Ola, who is in very feeble health. from their new home in Woonsocket, racation of two or three weeks. an old cork and soak it in boiling R. I., last Saturday, remaining over The burial was in Everett, Mass., Andrew Jowett assisted at Andrew Sunday at the home of his parents, water for fifteen minutes. It will then Spaulding's while Willis Spaulding was where he has a wife and daughter Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Nutting. fit any bottle ill with the influenza.

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Saturday, March 6, 1020

PEPPERELL

News Items.

Prescott Grange did not hold the other unfavorable conditions, the master of the Grange, Mr. Stewart, frank-By admitting himself "snowed in," and many others probably sharing his one no more advanced in years, and plight, who lived any distance from in all respects is a matter for sincere the Main street of the town. The address to have been given by Principal Whitmarsh will no doubt be given later. The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange meets in North Leom-inster on Thursday, March 11, the State Grange Master, L. R. Smith, to be the principal speaker. If it is not zero weather, with no snowstorms, and the train service can be depended upon, some of the Grange patrons are planning to attend.

March 1, what may we expect on March 31? Since March "came in like a lamb."

Logging operations at the different lots in town are practically at a family whom she came home to care standstill, owing to the great depth of Willard Smith, who was intending to have a busy winter putting He estimates he has abount 1000 ties He estimates he has abount 1000 ties all ready for hauling, which he has not day afternoon. Plenty of sewing with seen for about two months, and may

Main street school building, gave up sandwiches and wafers. The number the rooms in the double tenement present was somewhat smaller on achouse of Mr. Annis, Pleasant street, count of the illness in many families which she has occupied for some and the rough walking. years, and has taken rooms with Mr. Mrs. Eleanor A. Hayward sustained from Wolfboro, N. H., where she spent and Mrs. L. P. Shattuck, Townsend injuries by falling while coming down several months with the home people.

Letters received from Mrs. M. E. of the influenza. Mrs. Dora Reed, the walked out so far. It is not known nurse, who came to be with the familly during their sicknesses, was her- lost her balance from weakness. an operation in one of the Boston hos- created quite a temperature, and the pitals last week.

D. W. Hazen is reported as quite comfortable and seems on the gain. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, who are still with him, are proving excellent in caring for him. Miss Della Kemp is also remaining here for the present, Miss Ethel returning to her duties the office at Ayer last week.

One of the victims of influenza last week was the little son of the late Edward Mosher of this town, George about three years of age, who resided with his step-father and moth-Mr. and Mrs. Denault, at Tarbell's mill, East Groton. His death was caused from pneumonia, his older brother also being ill, and the younger Denault children. The body of the child was brought to the Pepperell receiving tomb at the time as the roads badly blocked, and were this and Mrs. E. B. Soule over Sunday week taken to their former home in Brookline, N. H., where he will be buried with his father.

Miss Emily Doyle, the district nurse, is at present with Mrs. H. N. Tower. High street, since March 1. Mr. Howand, assistant superintendent at the mills, also has rooms there, and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, who recently came from Carthage, N. Y., to be employed at the finishing room at the mill. The restaurant at the mill comes in very

Miss Elizabeth Shattuck is having a prolonged vacation at her home on

and second degrees are programed, but possibly it might be added, "weather ermitting," as the two meetings in

a serious operation performed on his nose and nasal passage in the head at under the treatment. of the hospitals in that city. She is not in good health this, winter, and ed to the fact that the price of this the anxiety is trying to her. She was newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except the anxiety is trying to her. one was newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except to those who pay in advance, wher Edward Duffey while he was in Grothe price will be \$1.50. The high cost ton, recently, from Newton, where he of everything connected with the pubnow has employment.

Mrs. A. J. Saunders, who is spend- action imperative. ing the winter in Rowley with her daughter, Mrs. William Foster, and family, celebrated her eighty-four years' anniversary on Sunday, Februcelebrated her eighty-four ary 29, this being but the twenty-first occasion when she could claim an anniversary. The day was passed pleasantly, Mrs. Saunders being in very health. She received many rectings and remembrances to mark

'the event. Miss Barbara Bancroft, who been having several weeks of the real old-fashioned grippe at her home, is sonce more out again and expects to resume her duties at the office of the Braiding Company next week.

The date of the telephone operators' dancing party this year is set for May 13, probably feeling safe that the snow banks may be gone by that time. Mrs. James Dunn went to Boston or Wednesday on a shopping trip.

Miss Helen Whitcomb came from her school in Watertown last week for a vacation of one week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon

The public library will not be open

on Sundaya during the month of March on account of the small supply of coal.

Joseph Patterson returned last Satfrom the Memorial hospital. where he underwent an operation two weeks previous. He had a tiresome experience reaching home, the noon train being about two hours late, and on his arrival here he did not wait for the conveyance, but feeling impatient the conveyance, but feeling impatient of Mr. Drawbridge, with a talk by to get home, he walked, the whole be- Mr. Whitmarsh and entertainment uning something of an ordeal for a sick He is reported as gaining now. however.

O. B. Olsen has had a large flock of partridges which he has been feeding Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, Mrs. H. N. since the deep snows came. They Tower, Mrs. Minnie Green, press; Miss came regularly for their rations up to Gertrude Carter, Mrs. Loon Richard-the last storm or two, and since that only a few have appeared. No pheasmats are reported to have been seen ward. Harry K. White, Edward L. Tarbell, scout. probably perished during the severe

weather with no place to feed. Mrs. Addison Woodward was in Mrs. Addison Woodward was in morning, at the task." Church school darkness?

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Mrs. Kendall, who is still at the Memorial hospital. Mrs. Woodward also visited at the home of her son Roscoo and wife.

Mrs. Henry Bailey is out after a

long siege of the influenza, she and all W. A. Drummey......East Pepperell the children being sick at one time. Ray Willoughby, salesman for Boston grain firm, was in town at Mrs. Florence Willoughby's over the week

Mrs. Harriet Morgan Fulda, onco Pepperell girl, is heard from in New York in a new position as superintendent of a new sanatorium, situated hear 77th street, or in Central Park, west. She assumed her duties the first of March. The position of great regular meeting on last week Friday responsibility is not only an excellent evening on account of weather and one, showing as it does her rank as responsibility is not only an excellent nurse and superintendent in the city of smaller institutions, but carries with it a substantial increase in salary for

> The small daughter of ex-Lieut. Parke Struthers and wife has been named Jane, and the little miss and her mother, Mrs. Mildred Morgan Struthers, are reported to be doing finely.

Louis Caldwell has been at home on the sick list this week at Fairview farm, being taken while at school in Boston with a slight attack of the influenza,

Mrs. Anna Nutting will remain with her son, H. L. Nutting, and wife, while getting back her strength from her sickness, which followed that of the

In a motor for sawing, is obliged to nity associates was held with Mrs. J. wait for weather conditions to abate.

H. Holt and Mrs. Arthur Bannon at social chat made the afternoon pass all ot for one more.

Miss Amy Aldrich, teacher in the freshments of hot cocoa with cake,

Chase hill, Wednesday afternoon, on her way back home from the library Reed, who went to Dorchester at the She had been rather ill with a hard time of her son Walter's iliness, state grippe cold, and in the opinion of the she has been afflicted with an attack physician was hardly able to have self taken ill and obliged to undergo bones were broken, but the accident district nurse remained the night with her. Her son, Frank Braganson, of Franklin, was notified of the accident and her serious condition. It is expected that he may arrive the latter part of the week to make some plans for her comfort, and possibly remove her to his home when she is able to travel.

Mrs. M. A. Cuthbertson, who was called from Mrs. W. A. Kemp's to the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. J. Tierney, because of the illness of the latis somewhat expected back in town this week.

Miss Ann Jewell sustained injuries including a broken bone in the wrist from a fall at her home the latter part of last week. Ray Soule and Miss Florence Holmes were guests at the home of Mr

coming from Worcester. Miss Hattle Kendall spent last week in town, from Fitchburg. She was the guest of Mrs. A. H. Gilbert, and called on many other friends and former neighbors, attending also the church At present she is taking a short rest having been serving as attendant at the Home for Aged Women in Fitchburg for several months past. She somewhat expects to take a position as companion for an elderly lady outside of the home after her rest.

prolonged vacation at all the properties of the influenza in Bristol, N. ness from a grippe cold and is back at his work on repairing watches and the schools last week, as she expected. Clocks for W. A. Kemp, which it is understood to he may continue until the selectmen's room on March at his work on repairing watches and clocks for W. A. Kemp, which it is ing in the selectmen's room on March understood to he may continue until to receive further applications for kiddle." Ingalls Kittredge is out after his ill

son states that he somewhat expects to be discharged from the hospital after this week, although he will probably February were interfered with by the same.

Mrs. W. W. Gillespie is anxiously Kaulbeck, in Allston, for another awalting news from her son Wesley, week. His diet is receiving rigid at from Eric Pa, where he recently had tention and he is said to be feeling better, although not gaining in flesh

The attention of subscribers is calllishing of a newspaper makes this

Other Pepperell matter on page 7.

Church Notes.

At the Community church on Sun day there will be communion service at 10.45 with short sermon by the pastor. Preaching service at seven o'clock.

"Church night," which is to be inaugurated as a weekly feature, was held for the first time on Tuesday evening, a committee from the Sunday school, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Woodward and Miss Wood, having direction of the same. This promises to be an interesting and profitable addition to the activities of the church. The program on Tuesday evening was, 7.30 to 7.45 singing church hymns; 7.45 to 8.30, bible study class in the ladies' parlor, led by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, and current events discussed by D. L. Whitmarsh in the yestry; 8.30 to 9.30, entertainment and games in the main

In the church school last Sunday the boys' choir led' the singing. In the school contest Edward Durant and Geraldine Parker were awarded the highest honor yet given, which was the silver pin. Mrs. Addison Woodward's class had the banner.

The regular meeting of the Com-munity Church Workers will be held in the ladies' parlor on Thursday afternoon, March 11, at 2.30.

On Tuesday eyening, at 7.30, the econd "church night" will take place the bible training class being in charge der a committee.

At a recent business meeting of the Community church officials the fo lowing committee were appointed:

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at twelve. Meetings at 6.45 for boys in the chapel and girls at the parson age. At 7.30 the topic will be "Zac cheus."

Tuesday evening, devotional service theme, "Isaiah's vision.". Thursday afternoon, at 2.30, the La

iles' Aid society will meet with Mrs Lottie Shepherdson, High street. On Thursday evening, at 7.45, there will be a meeting of the Helpers at the

parsonage. On Friday evening, at 7.30, the Boy

Scouts, troop 2, will meet at the par sonage. The Hope circle will hold their next meeting with Aethra Winship on Fri day evening, March 12.

LITTLETON

News Items. Mrs. Frank Plummer and daughter Margaret, from Worcester, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stephens. Whitney Caulkins is spending his

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Greenfield, of Winchondon, are the happy parents of a baby.

F. H. Hill went to Marblehead or Monday and resumed his duties as superintendent, of schools. We hear on good authority that Rev

parish and it is hoped that a large congregation will greet him.

T. Esten is in Worcester on business and Mrs. Esten is visiting friends in Fitchburg.

Last Saturday morning was the coldest of the 1919-20 winter in some parts of the town, the mercury falling as low as 28° below zero. This week Tuesday it registered 6° and 8° below Miss Margaret Brown of the Wheelwith the grippe last week.

Rev. William C. Brown, who has een on duty for the Unitarian association in the southwest for the last five months, arrived home this week Mrs. Henry Brown is remaining very quiet following a bruise from a slight accident. Her daughter, Mrs.

Gordon, of Newton, is with her. Mrs. Patrick McNiff, her daughter Elizabeth and her sons, Peter and Edward, are convalescing from influenza Littleton friends of Mrs. C. E. Hav ens are sorry to learn that she is ill in bed with eczema at her home in

Colorado Springs. ' Auxil Ivison is expected home from Kentucky the fifteenth of this month. He hopes to remain permanently in this locality.

The opening service at the Baptist church after being closed with the other churches for two weeks in the attended. It is intended that beginning next Sunday the services shall be held in the main auditorium except on such Sundays as may be too cold. The community song service will be held as usual at 7.30 in the evening the purpose being not only to provide a pleasant evening, but to further the neighboriy interests of the people who attend and the general christian spirit for which churches exist.

Grange.

The Grange met on Wednesday ev ning and after a few matters of in-terest were acted upon a good pro-gram was given consisting of a piane solo by Mrs. Christine Daily; vocal solo, Miss Josephine Foley; talk 'Personal experience in canning," Mrs. Agnes Shedd; talk on "The best farm ever knew and what made it the best," Hon. C. A. Kimball; talk on The disadvantages of living on farm," Miss Martha Wainwright: 'Household hints," different ladies in the Grange, and the second chapter in

Grange members are reminded of the Pomona meeting to be held on next week Thursday in Kendall hall, North Leominster, which it is hoped will be well attended. Leslie R. Smith, of Hadley, state master, will give the iddress of the afternoon.

The sum of \$10 was realized from the poverty party and will be added to the educational aid sum.

Obituary.

On the 27th of February Mrs. Har let Sprague Whitcomb, widow of the late Oliver A. Whitcomb, closed her earthly life at the age of eighty-three years at the home of her daughter, Mrs, Hayward Hartwell, in Norwell. Mrs. Whitcomb had been sick for two eeks with influenza, followed by

ronchial pneumonia. The funeral was held from her ormer home, the present residence of Mrs. Ada Ireland, Tuesday afternoon, and Rev. Chester A. Drummond, of Somerville, pastor of the Littleton church eleven years ago, was the officiating clergyman. The interment was made in the family lot beside Mr. Whitcomb, whose death occurred in

June. 1894. The deceased was a native of Littleton, one of a large family of brothers and sisters, of whom but two survive her, Mrs. Mary F. Robbins, of Littleon, and George Sprague, of Philadel-phia. Besides these, a daughter, Mrs. phia. Hartwell; a son, Nahum H. Whitcomb, of Littleton; five great-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews mourn the loss of a beloved and most estimable rela-

ve. Mrs. Whitcomb is well known by the older residents of Littleton, for this was her home until recent years, when she divided her time between son and daughter, living with the former during the summer and with the latter the remainder of the year. To those who knew her intimately there is the a life of virtuous deeds and unselfish

ambition.

11 Mrs. Whitcomb's interest in Littleton, its people and its institutions was firm and constant although she lived nuch of the time out of town and ever khibited the spirit of contentment in whatever locality she made her home. She held a large place in the hearts of the Littleton people in whose society her presence was always a sweet

Think of working four years to live does. It roves under the ground for two or three years. Then it begins to bore a tunnel to the surface. That takes a year. Then it developes in an amazingly short time, but in five weeks At the Methodist church on Sunday locust sings and is happy for five forning, at 10.45, the theme will be weeks of sunshine after four years of

Home of the Circus. A school teacher was reading an exciting story to her group of youngsters about the jungle. In order that each child might understand clearly what the story was about, she said: Which one of you can tell me what the jungle is?" One bright little boy waved his hand in the air and the teacher told him to give his definition. He stood up before the class with a great deal of importance and said: "The jungle is where the circus lives."

To Have and Not to Hold.

An employee of the Century company was behind the counter one day when a roughly dressed man entered and asked if any stories were wanted. The stranger had the appearance of having just come off an emigrant ship. Anything he cared to leave would be handed to the editors, the clerk told him. The man turned and walked out: the Century company had lost Robert Louis Stevenson.-William, W. Ellsworth, "A Golden Age of Authors."

Wealth in Dead Sea Region. It is not generally known that ample quantities of bitumen occur in the C. G. Horst will surely be present on Sunday morning to preach to his new gathered and prepared for use in road making, and there is the advantage that it will be obtainable at much cheaper rates than those which now obtain in the Near East and in Europe. The material can best be applied by means of the usual tor-spraying machine.

Egg-Laying Mammal.

In Tasmania there is a species of mammals, the females of which lay eggs, from which the young are hatched like the young of birds. This is perhaps of the lowest order of mammals. They are about the size of a a few days after Mrs. Brown returned baby porcupine, are covered with strong spines set thickly all over their skins, and by way of a nose they have a slender and narrow beak of white

Receding China.

Generally speaking, a receding, weak chin is a poor sign in man and woman. It does not denote a warm nature, shows a lack of moral and mental force, and indicates that its possessor is easily discouraged. All the same, it does not do to sum up anyone from the chin alone. There may be other characteristics which counterbalance defects.

To Restore Charred Paper. Documents that have been charred by fire are rendered readable if collodion is poured over the charred paper. In a few minutes this dries and tough transparent coating is produced through which the printing can be seen. Bank notes and other papers thus charred have been treated in this way with success.

Somewhat Expensive Meal.

In central Africa in the diamond mines of De Beers a negro miner recently swallowed 21 diamonds weighing 347 carats. As the stones were worth from \$350 to \$500 each, this little dinner cost the mine owners \$105,-Mo. An X-ray is now used on the miners as they leave for the day.

Voice of Envy. Betty had tight curls and her greatest grievance in life was to have her hair shampooed. When she was shown

Great Men Superstitious.

Charles Dickens, Lord Macaulay and Max Muller are numbered among the great men avowedly superstitious Dickens refused to lie down on a bed unless it was placed due north and south, and he gave ample notice of his rule before arriving at a friend's house or a hotel. It is said he carried a compass in his baggage to make sure, and the slightest error had to be corrected before he would turn in.

Effect of Frost on Apples and Spuds. Certain varieties of apples are not appreciably injured by being frozen the frost is drawn out gradually. Apples will carry safely in a refrig erator car while the mercury is registering fully 20 degrees below zero. Pointoes being so largely composed of water, are easily frozen. Once touched by frost they are ruined.

Ingenious Picture.

There is in one of the continental picture galleries a painting called 'Cloudland." At first sight it looks like a huge repulsive daub of confused color, without form or comeliness. As you walk toward it, it proves to be a mass of exquisite little cherub faces like those at the head of the can-vas in Raphael's "Madonna San Sisto."

""Go 'to Halifax." • `

In England in the eighteenth century there was a peculiarly cruel judge who presided over the court at Hallfax, One of his practices was to order the accused executed and send his case to a jury afterward. To be sent to Halifax became equivalent to conviction. Hence the expression.

Worth Pondering Over. Did you ever hear of a man who

had striven all his life faithfully and singly toward an object and in no measure obtained it? Did ever a man try heroism-magnanimity, truth, sin cerity and find that there was no advantage in them, that it was a vain endeavor?—Thoreau.

Island Resembles Doughnut. Maiden island, in the southern Pacific ocean, is built like an elongated doughnut. Naturally, it is surrounded by the waters of the Pacific, but in the center of the island is a lake, the water in which rises and falls with the tide. Acres 16

Where Seagulis Roost, Seagulis do not always roost on the water, as persons familiar with the places say that thousands of gulls roost in trees on Big Duck, Little Duck and Old Man islands in Maine, and not only roost in trees, but nest in them as well. The same is true of many other islands along the Maine coast. The gulis of Boston harbor and thereabouts have particular roosting places on the water.

South China's Administrative City. Canton is the chief Chinese administrative and commercial city of South China. It is situated inland from Hongkong, 95 miles by water and 112 miles by rail, and is located in the fertile Canton delta country, in which COnverge the West. North and East rivers. In foreign trade Canton ranks third among Chinese ports, being exceeded in volume by Shanghai and Dairen.

Traveling Fingers. Typists' fingers are the most amazing travelers' in creation, and are capable of going tremendous distances without the fatigue that would come to the feet and legs in performing a similar journey. In ordinary typewriting the hand may travel, according to an expert 10,000 miles a year and not indicate any impairment in efficiency. This refers, of course to the average typist in an office.

Washing Enamel.

All dirty marks on white enamel should be rubbed with a piece of flannel moistened with methylated spirit. Then wash the enamel with warm soapy water, dry and rub with flannel sprinkled with whiting. Polishing with a dry duster completes the process. White enamel furniture treatd in this way from time to time retains its brightness for a long period.

No Need for Flag to Sag. A device that prevents a flag displayed on a horizontal pole from becoming tangled is described in the Popular Science Magazine. It is a wire rod that extends along part of the lower edge of the flag, to which it is held in place by a clip at each end. For large flags a hook passes through one of the eyelets of the flag.

"This is the end of my social career!" moaned Algernon, sitting up in bed. "I drank too much last night at the ball and staggered into every-"Scarcely, sir, scarcely," said body!" his valet apologetically. "Everyone's talking of you as inventing a new dance!"

Oh, for an Accident. Some diplomatists seem to achieve

great success simply by sitting tight and letting matters take their own course, something after the manner of the Arkansas farmer who retired in disgust, saying he believed he could make more money by accident than he could by farming .- Kansas City Star.

Had the Right Idea.

As Juanita and Charles were eating breakfast one morning they both asked at the same moment for the second helping. Having taught Charles that his sister must be waited on first, he said, "Well, ladies first and mans next."

Novel Umbrella Stand. A young lady says that her most emharrassed moment occurred on a rainy day recently, when she entered crowded street car with a sopping umbrella and accidentally rested the point of it in a fellow passenger's low shoe."-Boston Transcript.

How Mangrove "Travels." Trees have many methods of traveling and one of the most unique of these is used by the mangrove tree which walks in water. It is not uncommon to see a mangrove standing knee-deep in the water, with numerous arms reaching downward from the upper limbs. As soon as these take root, a new tree is started; thus the mangrove is said to walk.

Eggs of Various Kinds. The turtle living in the Orinoco lays eggs which are extraordinarily rich in oil. The Indians in British Gulana collect 25,000,000 yearly for making oil.

The eggs of many sea birds are excellent eating. The best of the lot is said to be that of the "murre." a bird which is very common on the Labrador coast.

Worth Keeping In Mind. By all means adopt the two old-time slogans, "Have a time for everything and a place for everything." If hung where they can be seen without eye strain these twin suggestions will do a world of good and will be remembered long after gay posters, which litter every place, have been torn down and consigned to the scrap

Utilization of Waste. A distinguished chemist once ob-served that "My lady writes tender sentiments to her lord with ink made from an old copper coffee pot on paper made from old collars." The utilization of waste products, which adds enormously to the wealth of the world, furnishes many such fantastic adaptations.

heap.

Green is Nature's Color. Green is a restful color. Oculists

say that of all colors green is the most friendly to the optic nerve. In lands where eternal snows or eternal white sands flash up their glaring re flections, men have to shade their eyes or go blind. But green grass never bothers the eye. One can stare a for est in the face all day with impunity. Nature's greens never get on our

nerves.

MARCH 5--6

Fitchburg's Big Market FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

SPECIALS Steak RUMP ROUND 25c.

MARCH

NATIVE PORK

Head 10clb. Feet 10clb. Butts 32c, 35clb. Shoulders 25clb. Fresh Hams 28c lb. Raw Leaf Lard 29c lb.

Smoked Shoulders 23c lb. Fresh Shoulders 19c lb. Whole Pork Loins 28c lb. Small Pork Roasts 28c to 35c lb. SPRING LAMB

Forequarters 30c lb. Hindquarters 37c lb. Short Legs 40c, 42c lb.

BEEF CHUCKS...... 15ϕ , 18ϕ , 20ϕ , 22ϕ lb. Boiling Beef 10c, 12c lb. Stewing Pieces 121/2c, 15c lb. Stew Beef 20c lb.

PRIME RIB ROASTS...... 20ϕ to 30ϕ lb. NATIVE VEAL SPECIALS—Extra Fancy Cuts

Stewing Pieces 15c, 18c lb. Forequarters 22c, 25c lb. Hindquarters 28c lb. Short Legs 30c, 32c, 35c lb. Shoulder Roasts 24c, 28c lb.

YEARLING FORES 20c lb. YEARLING LEGS 32c, 35c lb. YEARLING STEWING PIECES 15c lb. FULL LINE OF FANCY FRESH, SALTED, SMOKED AND

CANNED FISH, OYSTERS, CLAMS, SCALLOPS Real Camembert Cheese 47c each Laurel Lard 30c lb. 2 year old Strong Cheese 48c lb. Armour's 3x Oleo 43c lb. Sunny Corn 17c pkg. None Such Mincemeat 17c pkg.
Malt Breakfast (a carry-all bag free) 25c pkg.

Nemock Starch 10c pkg. FRESH CUT, TENDER LETTUCE 14c head Fresh Celery, Spinach, Ripe Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Sweet Potatoes, Cucumbers, Rhubarb, Cranberries

SPECIAL SALE—PEANUT BRITTLE

We make it in our own Candy Kitchen..... 30c lb. Gibraltar Yellow Cling Peaches..... 47c can Libby's Apricots 43c can Best Mixed Tea, 60c value..... George Washington Coffee...... 39c, 79c, \$1.37 can

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East Pepperell

SHIRLEY Born on last Sunday, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Woodbeck who

live in the Craft place on the state road in Woodsville, On account of the poor road conditions the social dance which was plan ned for Thursday evening, again had

to be postponed. Agricultural night was observed at he meeting of the Grange on Tuesday vening. The program for the lec urer's hour opened with a song by all followed by a very interesting talk on "Marketing" by W. A. Munson, the new director of the division of markets of the State Agricultural Department So far as production is concerned Mr Munson says that the outlook for 1920 is a gloomy one, and that the price of vegetables will be higher next summer A great deal of this difficulty is due to the lack of farm laborers and to the problem of arranging a satisfactory chedule of working hours for them Other-numbers on the program were talk on "Brooding and care of chickens," Elmer E. Wilkins; "Raising potatoes," N. R. Graves; "Five minutes

to laugh," John H. Farrar.

Mrs. Lizzio Reed Dean, wife of Dan iel A. Dean, North Cambridge, died at the Cambridge hospital of septic polsoning following treatment for a fractured limb. She was sixty-nine years of age and was born in Shirley, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Reed, now deceased, and a sister of the late Charles F. Reed of Ayer. She was educated in the Shirley schools and in Alfred university, and for a time taught state schools in New York. She had lived in Cambridge since early RAW LEAF LARD womanhood and was well known there, being a member of the Shepard Mémorial church. Besides her husband she leaves

con, Prof. Arthur D. Dean, Tech '95, and one sister.
Mrs. Dean was well known for her cautiful flower garden, the product of which she shared with neighbors and friends. She was a lover of books and literature, and her life was characterized by her unselfishness, faith in the world, and a devotion to the high-

Funeral services were held at her late home in Cambridge and were conducted by Rev. Prof. Winthrop Platner, of Shepard Memorial church. Mrs. Isabelle Melville song "Abide with me and "Nearer my God to thee." The body was placed in the family lot at Mt. Auburn cemetery in Cambridge.

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