TOWNSEND

Mr. and Mrs. George Sullivan, known as the Tianita midgets, are making preparations to enter the rabbit farming industry,

Mr. and Mrs. Galen A. Proctor on B. C. Cummings attended the Pomons Wednesday observed the third anniversary of their marriage. Miss Mary Schraff of New Haven,

Conn., was an over-Sunday guest at Adney Gray's. The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this of cement and the other parts of wood newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except and steel. It will take about six weeks

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to those who pay in advance, when the price will be \$1.50. The high cost of everything connected with the pubishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

Grange in Pepperell on Thursday. Capt. Baker is with Clarence Joss olyn in the Harbor store. Work on the stock sheds that are to be built at the leatherboard mill has begun. The foundations are to be

to complete the work. Frank Fleming of Portland, Me., has the contract Wallace Dustin is working for his brother, Harry Dustin, who has charge of a fruit farm in Wilton, N. H. Miss Hester Burdett, Mrs. Florence George Gilchrist has entered the employ of the B. & A. D. Fessenden Conant, Mrs. Minnie Knight and Mrs.

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The recapping of the flume is among the improvements at the leath-erboard mill. The As You Like It club held its

regular meeting with Mrs. B. C. Cum, mings on Tuesday, April 13. Business meeting was omitted. The afternoon was pleasantly spent at whist. The

next meeting will be with Mrs. Hannah Foss at Sachem villa.

On Saturday evening of last week he As You Like It club gave a supper at the Old Homestead. About thirty guests were present and thoroughly enjoyed the abundant food. Mrs. Geo. Jones was chairman of the supper committee. Mrs. Galen Proctor was in charge of the after dinner speak ing, following which there were readings by Mrs. Charles Noyes and R. B. Adams. Mrs. Noves gave an original sketch full of wit and filled with lokes and hits relative to those present Dancing and cards completed the program of a most enjoyable evening.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Mrs. S. E. Abbott spent Tuesda vith her Exeter friends in Boston. The Merry Go Round club will mee with Misses Margaret and Olive Thach

or next week Thursday afternoon. Mrs. T. N. Ayers has been very sick with an attack of gallstones, but is reported convalescent.

F. A. Hosmer is decidedly on the gain although still so weak that he sits up only twenty minutes at a time.

George Wood has returned from Groton hospital and is fast getting his strength. He has been the recipient of many favors and much attention from friends and organizations which he has appreciated highly. Mr. Wood hopes to resume duties at the garage in the course of ten days.

From a recent issue of a Worcester paper we quote the following item of interest: "At a meeting of the leading Holstein breeders of the state held a was formed, holding its first sale in There are no clothes more stylish, more May when a hundred head of pure bred Holsteins valued at \$50,000 will dignified, in better taste than these new ones be sold. J. H. D. Whitcomb of Littleton was chosen a committee to select the animals."

· A supper of which the committee in charge may well be proud was served o about a hundred people in the ves try of the Congregational church Wednesday evening, and this was followed by a vocal duet and encore by Rosa and Frances Hill well sung and accompanied at the plane by Elizabeth Hill. Mrs. Emma K. Lemley of Bos-ton was at her best in one of her famous travel talks, in which she described her recent automobile trip to California and back and many features of her winter sojourn in the west, clothes are all-wool and perfectly tailored. concluding with a vivid word picture of an Easter sunrise meeting she attended on Mt. Rubidor, near Riverside, Cal. Mrs. Lemley held her audience as it by magic from introduction because it enables you to keep on looking plauded at the close of her very enertaining and interesting discourse.

At the Woman's club meeting held Monday Mrs. Hattie Robinson, Miss Fannie Sanderson and Mrs. Estelle Cook were appointed a nominating committee. The next regular meeting of the club will be held April 26, when Reciprocity day will be observed.

We are sorry to learn that Col. Edward Fletcher of California has recently sustained a compound fracture of the leg in an automobile accident. Eleanor Chalker, who has oeen sick The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes is now convalescing.

Mrs. Ewing's mother, Mrs. Sharpe, has been off duty because of sickness. Mrs. Amelia Wakefield is recover-

ng from an attack of the grippe. Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Christie were among the guests present at the 1883 class banquet given in honor of Dr. Leonard Wood at Hotel Somerset on

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Conant are

Mrs. Emma K. Lemley was the guest of Miss Martha Kimball the

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whitcomb and daughter Jean, of Arlington, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Stewart and son Craig of Worcester, are weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb, remaining for the sunset party on Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Mrs. Thomas Stephens and Mrs. C. A. Kimball were mong the Littleton people who at tended the Pomona Grange meeting in Pepperell on Thursday.

Baby Ruth Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Wilcox, has today three living great-grandfathers, two great-grandmothers, two grandfathers and two grandmothers.

The feature picture at the lyceun next Tuesday evening will be Pauling Frederick in "Sold."

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BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wetherbee vis-ited relatives in Worcester the first of

Mr. and Mrs. Byam of Chelmsford were Sunday guests of Mrs. E. L. Bar-

Frank Cobleigh has given up his position with W. H. Furbush, where he has been the past year, and is now working in Boston.

The Hager brothers of Clinton made a short visit at the Hager homestead this week.

Andrew Walker is visiting his sister in Spencer. Carl Swanson, whose house and barr

were destroyed by fire early in the winter, has decided to rebuild. The chosen site is on the opposite side of the road from the former buildings or nigher ground. The Harry Clark farm has been sold

The Clark family have only lived there a short time. Soon after Mr. Clark bought it he was hurt in an automobile accident and died from injuries sustained. Mr. Murchie of Harvard was the former owner.

Robert Cunningham has a new auto and intends to use it daily in going to Cambridge, where he teaches in a bus-

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At the regular meeting of the Grange last week Friday evening the play, "Rosie, the tailor," was given play, "Rosie, the tailor," was given with the following in the cast: Wendell Burroughs, Prescott Burroughs, George Bernier, Perry Burns, George Richardson, Emil and Anton Swan-son, Mrs. George Richardson, Mrs. Leon Wetherbee, Priscilla Hager. It was well given and much enjoyed. Wendell Burroughs as the colored gentleman, made a decided hit with the audience. Refreshments were

Prescott Burroughs, deputy, inspect cd Maynard Grange last week. This Crange was also represented by Rev and Mrs. George Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson, Miss Mabel Wetherbee and Waldo Livermore,

This week Friday evening at a special meeting the first and second degrees will be conferred on a class of ten and the third and fourth degrees will be given at the next regular meeting, April 23.

Miss Emma Nichols of Lexington will speak on the interchurch more ment in the church vestry Friday April 23, at two o'clock. All are in

ited to hear her. The concert given Saturday even ng for the benefit of the Sabbath school was well attended. Miss Elsie Hartell proved a delightful reader The music was provided by George Bernier, soloist, accompanied by Miss

Dean.

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WESTFORD

Center.

Westford friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Boynton note with interest that they are now located in Harvard, where Mr. Boynton is superintendent of an es tate. For several years Mr. and Mrs Boynton have been at Red Gate farm, a large estate in Medfield, and this move brings them nearer their home

We often hear the question when the office of the public health nurse is mentioned, "How much benefit is her N. Y., where she is teaching. In the course of a recent address at the afternoon session of the recent farmers' institute in Billerica Dr. Jones of the State Board of Health, speaking on "The public health nurse," said her work did not show off in the speciacular manner of the firemen in their runs in response to an alarm, and then proceeded to give concrete instances of the results of her preven-tive work. He told of a city where the lessened number of cases of typhoid if reckoned at \$200 per case more than paid all board of health expenses; also of another place where the lessened amount of diphtheria offset all expense of preventive health work.

The road oil ordered by the selectmen has arrived which promises elimination of the dust nuisance later in the

H. V. Hildreth and not Edward Fisher recently received the silk flag Saturday, aged seventy-two years. He in behalf of the town, presented by was a native of Westford, the son of Mrs. Agues Parker of Boston, of the Mr. and Mrs. Levi Trull, long time W. R. C. Mr. Fisher was detained in honored residents of Westford Corner Lowell on legal business at the time Besides his wife, Mrs. Jennie A. Trull and Mr. Hildreth was in attendance at he leaves three children. Mrs. Thomas an officers' M. S. G. outing in Boston Kittredge, of Ayer, Frank Trull and and was able afterward to go and re- Miss Ella Trull, of Lowell, and four ceive the gift of this flag in behalf of the town. Westford was one of five towns to receive one of these flags.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Shupe return next week to their Westford home for the summer.

L W. Wheeler was in attendance on Tuesday at the gathering of the Massachusetts State Tax Collectors' association at the United States hotel, Boston. Some good speakers followed the dinner on matters of vital interest concerning taxation were discussed.

The high school play is scheduled for Friday evening, May 20. This is a pretty two-act comedy-daram entitled "Mr. Bob."

A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Strong of 'he Drew

to New York with his large truck, should make us feel like attending this loaded with wool for the Abbot Wors- demonstration. ted Company, being gone about five

attended the annual guest evening of the Acton Woman's club on Wednesday evening.

At the Unitarian church on Sunday Harry Needham, of the First Univer-salist choir, Lowell, will be the solo-It is expected that Mr. Hussey

While the final papers have not been passed, a real estate transfer of much interest this week is the sale of the moved to the Lowell General hospital. William R. Carver place at the Center to Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Hil-

The musical afternoon of the Tadmuck club takes place on next Tues-day afternoon at the Congregational vestry. There will be a Victrola concert and several brief papers on the lives of the composers whose selections are given; also, two little girls in costume will give folk dance. The afternoon is in charge of the music committee, Mrs. W. R. Taylor, Mrs. C. A. Blaney and Mrs. C. H. Wright.

The April social of the Congrega tional church comes next week Thursday evening. This is in charge of Mrs. H. M. Gumb and there will be a salad and cold meat supper and a good entertainment of music and readings.

Mrs. William H. Pollock was obliged to go to the Lowell General hospital week for further surgical treat-

Alliance.

The members of the Alliance held their meeting at the home of their president, Mrs. Alma M. Richardson on Thursday afternoon of last week. Mrs. George Lawrence and Mrs. Har old W. Hildreth read an excellent pa-per on "The God who cares." It was the annual meeting and officers and committees were chosen for the ensuing year. Mrs. Richardson resigned as president after seven years of efficient service. During that time she has been present at all the meetings and always had the best interests of the Alliance in view, and while not president, promises her help as far as

The following officers were chosen: Miss Ruth Tuttle, pres.; Mrs. Alma M. Richardson, v. p.; Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, treas.; Miss Austrice Flanders, rec. sec.; Miss Eva Fletcher, chairman of the postoffice mission and cheerful letter work; Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth, religious intelligence; Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Miss Alice M. Howard, Mrs. George Lawrence, Mrs. H. W. Hildreth, directors; Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. Eben Prescott, Mrs. J. H. Fletchor, Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth, directors of the Whitney fund.

About Town.

The Abbot Worsted Company are g on building several houses on the highlands of Brookside for the benefit of part of the help at their Brooksido mili. These houses will be built on Chandler field as it was callwhen owned by the late Levi F. Fletcher. This Chandler field and the original owner have quite an interesting history, which Mr. Lyndes, of Lowell, as a relative of the Chandlers, is familiar with.

tween the residences of S. L. Taylor and Amos Polly. In trying to avoid the rough, frozen ruts in the middle of the road they turn for relief to the unfrozen ditch which looks like the resort of "safety first." but which proves to be a deep mud trap clear to the hubs. This mud hole spring is not large enough to swallow out of sight the whole auto, but as it is enough of it goes in to make it necessary to couple on a motor to draw it towards the north star. The remedy for a few rods of this ditch is to dig out the mud and fill it with stones. There are plenty of stones in the north part of the town and some elsewhere. Seth Banister has been doing some bridge grafting on trees girdled by mice. We notice a small pine tree on the farm of W.R. Taylor that was girdled by the mice. Does anyone know enough to know whether this pine could be bridge grafted and if so that way would it be best to bridge it. pine trees even Hoover couldn't econ-omize sufficiently to provide for such Mr. an emergency.

Thomas Nowrocki and family of Brookside, have moved to Munson. Mr. Nowrocki recently sold his farm to the Abbot Worsted Co.

John A. Taylor writes from North Dakota that on Easter morning the spring weather was only five degrees above zero. That is some linger in the lap of spring.

Mrs. C. R. P. Decatur has returned home after spending several weeks with her daughter Luanna in New Rochelle,

Mrs. Helen A. (Burke) Coughlin died at her home in North Chelmsford on Monday. She was a native of Westford and was one of six children of Dennis and Abigail (Wholey) Burke and received her early educa-tion in the old No. 8 district school close by. She had many friends in Westford and Chelmsford, who regret her early passing. She was a devout attendant at St. John's church, North Chelmsford. Besides her husband, Daniel J. Coughlin, she leaves her father, Dennis Burke; two daughters, the Misses Barbara and Ruth Coughlin; a brother, George H. Burke, of Westford, and four sisters, Mrs. George Morris, of North Chelmsford Mrs. Clarence Wiley, of Vermont, Mrs John T. Kelly, of Lowell, and Miss Catherine Burke, of Westford.

Alpheus N. Trull died in Lowell last granchildren. The funeral was from the home on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. A. G. Lvon, minister of the Pawtucket Congregational church, conducting the service. The bearers were John H. Stanley, A. N. Hart, Dana B. Hart and Herbert Q. S. Hopkins. Burial was in the family lot in the West Chelmsford cemetery.

The Massachusetts Agricultural college and Middlesex County Farm Bureau will give a demonstration in bridge grafting of trees girdled by mice at the farm of William E. Wright on this Saturday afternoon at 1.30, by Prof. W. W. Chenoweth of the Agricultural college. It has been estimated by good authority that a half million dollars' worth of damage was done to fruit trees in Middlesex county by mice Perloy E. Wright is making a trip girdled on the W. R. Taylor farm,

Allister McDougal has a new latest mproved power sprayer, which lacks Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rouden-only drawing home bush and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler station to be useful. only drawing home from Westford

The Drew farm have purchased a carload of materials for bushel boxes This looks like apples this year.

The Abbot Worsted Company are still exploring for a supply of water for their houses at Brookside. The latest trial for sufficient water is in he swamp near the residence of M.

L. McGlinchey, Westford Corner.

Joseph Lee died at the Lawrence hospital recently, aged 65 years, months. He was a native of England but nearly all of his life was spent in this vicinity. He was a familiar fig-ure in-West Chelmsford, Westford corner and Brookside, where he had many friends. He was a most genial companion and true and lasting in his friendships, and was active in the so-cial life of the community. We shall miss his familiar good nature. He eaves two sisters, Mrs. William C. Edwards, of Westford Corner, and Mrs. Caroline Pulsey, of Lowell. The funeral took place last week Thurs-day afternoon from the home of his sister, Mrs. William C. Edwards, Rev William E. Anderson conducting the Flowers were abundant and service. appropriate. The bearers were Frederick, William and Walter Edwards and Capt. John J. Monahan. Burial was in the family lot in West Chelmsford, where the committal prayers were read by Mr. Anderson.

Franiteville.

With the arrival of better weathe and now that the roads are more passible Rev. J. Emile Dupont, curate of St. Catherine's church, who has been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. LeDuc for the past few weeks, has returned to the parish house in North Chelmsford. The amount of work that Rev. J. E. Dupont was called upon to do during his brief stay in town should be ample proof of the necessity of having a resident pastor here. If it was not for the pastor's foresight in allowing Rev. J. E. Dupont to remain here during the stormy weather when the cars were out of commission, this part of the parish would surely have been forced to fore-go church services. The pastor, Rev. C. P. Heaney, celebrated both masses in St. Catherine's church last Sunday for the first time in several weeks. The members of the Holy Name society received holy communion in a body at the first mass.

The members of Court Graniteville, F, of A., held their regular meeting on Thursday night with a good attend-

Sunday being a fine day, bicycles, autos and baby carriages were out in full force, while many were out walking and enjoying the spring-like weather.

D. J. Sullivan, the local station agent at the Boston and Maine depot, has been spending the last few days with friends in Hadley.

Harry Carbo, local telegraph operator on the second shift, is now sta-

Miss Lillian Dailey of Cambridge An average of several autos a week has been a recent guest of Miss Alice become mired in the apparently bot- Harrington. Miss Dailey is a telegraph somless ditch on the Lowell road be operator at Grafton, N. H.

Joseph Belland, a highly respected resident of this village, died at his ome here on last Saturday, after a rief illness, aged 43 years. Besides brief illness, aged 43 years. his wife he leaves two daughters, Rose and Yvonne, and one son, Lee Belland; also, several relatives in Canada. The funeral took place on Tuesday morn-ing, April 13, and was largely attended. At nine o'clock a funeral mass was celebrated in St. Catherine's church by Rev. J. E. Dupont. The choir, under the direction of Miss Mary F. Hanley, sung the Georgian chant. The bearers were Arthur Brisson, Joseph Carpentier, Hermingile Brule, Joseph Tupin Burial took place in St. Catherine's cemetery this village.

Forge Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pendlebury and family will move to Pawtucketville, Lowell, this week, where Mr. Pendlebury has been working for several months. The family will be great When food gets so scarce as growing ly missed from the social life of this

> Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clough, of Amesbury, the latter formerly Miss Mabel Sanborn of this village, announce the birth of a son, Maurice Edwin, on April 10.

> Mr. and Mrs. Fred Naylor and famlly will leave next week for Harrisville, R. I., where Mr. Naylor has accepted position. He has been employed by the Abbot Worsted Company as over-seer for several years. On Thursday afternoon he was pleasantly surprised when all the members of the room of which he was in charge, gathered together and presented him with an electric lamp and coffee percolator. It is with regret that the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Naylor and family learn of their intended departure and they have the good wishes of all in their new home.

Experience Party.

An experience party was held in St Andrew's mission on Wednesday evening. A short concert program opened the party, the first number being a selection on the violin, cornet and piano by the Misses Caroline, Pamelia and Mildred Precious. A song, "Let the rest of the world go by," by Miss Annie Orr, accompanied by Miss Edith Spinner, was the second number, fol-lowed by a piano duet by the Misses Edith Spinner and Lillian Hunt; Miss able.

Ruth Kavanaugh read "In Leigh valOn the whole after I have made a ley" very effectively and responded to careful study of the cost, and knowing an encore with a humorous selection; what I do of the way the work was Miss Mildred Precious rendered a vio-lin solo, "The lost chord," accompa-nied by Miss Caroline Precious. The was done by town help instead of by closing number was a selection by the contract, and I make this remark beMisses Precious. After the concert
the Misses Adelaide Hosmer and
Gladys Baker, who were in charge of
been more wise to have had this work the party, turned in the money collected, and as the name of each mem-ber was called who had earned a dollar she related her experience or in other words the manner in which she had earned her share. Light refreshments were served by the Ladies' Sewing circle, after which dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. A large sum was realized from this party and was turned into the treasury.

GROTON

Road Report.

The following report was issued by the selectmen at the special town meeting last week: TOWN OF GROTON

Report received by the selectmen Saturday, April 3, 1920. Hereby sub mitted.

Frank A. Torrey, George T. Stevens, Amos L. Ames, Selectmen.

Commonwealth of Massachusett Department of Public Works State House, Boston

April 1, 1920. Frank A. Torrey, Chairman, Board of Selectmen, Groton, Mass.

Dear Sir: For your information, am sending you herewith copy of communication dated March 23, which I have received from District Engineer Pillsbury, relating to cost of construc-tion of the Ayer Road in Groton.

Groton Town and County Work, Ayer

Yours truly, A. W. Dean, Chief Engineer.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Massachusetts Highway Commission Boston, March 23, 1920.

Chief Engineer, Dear Sir: I respectfully submit perceith cost data of the work done to date by the Town of Groton and Middlesex County on the Ayer Road in Groton which your engineers have been advising the county and the town

Our advice developed into pretty close supervision and close attention with regard to the management. We did not furnish an experienced resident engineer because there was none available, although the town would have been willing to pay for one. We did, however, secure an inexperienced engineer who was on the work most of the time under the immediate direction of Mr. Lawrence, who is one of Mr. Sabin's engineers.

The county engineer has asked for the cost details. Anticipating this and because it was a large plece of work for a town with practically no experience to undertake, we had a fairly close record kept while the work was I am submitting this in the

following form: The costs were not kept sufficiently in detail to separate between the vari us items some expenditures which are listed under superintendent, timekeeper, etc., and tools and supplies It was necessary to take this from a statement in the annual report unles ill the payrolls and every bill was audited, and we had no time to do that, and it would have cost so much that I do not think the expense would be warranted. The costs do not in clude any portion of the payment for the new steam roller. Nothing was paid for rental for steam roller obtained from the state, but every actual exconditure which the town made in connection with the use of the steam rollers has been included. There still remains considerable work to be done The road is to be extended 2000 fee o the Ayer line, a little work is to b done on the roadbeds where the sur-face has already been laid. There may be a little patching on account of bi tumen being applied very late in th season. Some washouts on fresh sur faces may occur which will have to be repaired. Catch basins and culverts have not been finally completed so that quantities of excavation, borrow different sizes of pipe, etc., as well a proken stone and asphalt are complet only as far as the work has progressed but the entire expense up to date a far as we have been able to learn is included, but we have not a positive

broken stone has a weight calculated from truck measurements, and the borrow pits were not sectioned, load neasurements being taken there Excavation price of \$1.26 per cubic

yard is low for this kind of work such work having cost in some instances considerably more.

The gravel (borrow) price of \$2.12

per cubic yard is a little higher than usual, but this is due mainly to difficulties which could not be prevented such as up hill hauls over soft roads and very unsatisfactory labor condiions, and the pits were not easily worked as there was a lot of top material that had to be removed and re-handled. The length of the hauf was handled. The length of the hauf was about 1.7 miles on the average so that with all these considerations I do not feel like criticising this cost.

Ledge price of \$4.71 was low for this kind of ledge which was very difficult to drill being soft and seamy and shalow cuts and very poor face.

The price of broken stone \$3.63 1/2 is

a reasonable cost. The stone came from two sources, local and from commercial quarries on the cars to Gro-ton. There was great difficulty in getting delivery on broken stone, and nuch additional cost was due to these delays; otherwise, the cost would be considerably reduced, but this neither the selectmen nor the superintendent of streets were responsible for as every possible effort was made and every-thing possible was done to get better results on deliveries. The freight conditions here are difficult because there s a freight received only once in two

. The asphalt was purchased under an arrangement which provided for both the delivery and application being made by the dealer and at an advan-tageous price. The selectmen in some way succeeded in obtaining prices lower than usually obtained last season.
Catch basins, \$80.19, were done by

contract and this included all the materials as well as the labor and is a easonable cost. The different sizes of clay pipe were

laid at an ordinary expense under the conditions. Culvert repairs, \$52.55, were for the purpose of saving money, it being more economical to make these repairs than to replace the culverts at those

The cost of the guard rail is reason

done by contract. I am borne out in this statement by the fact that the cost has probably been less than if the work had been done by contract, and the superintendent of streets has gained a lot of valuable experience by which the town has profited.

There has been actually constructed

and very nearly completed 12,000 feet of road or 2.27 miles of road. Besides this there has been roughly graded about 2000 feet on which there renains to be done additional work of grading, gravelling, and surfacing.

The portion which is practically completed figures at a rate of \$34,085 per mile. Every foot of it requires a foundation. In some instances such work, no more difficult than this, cost \$40,000 per mile.

As it would be of some interest would state in regard to the completion, we cannot estimate the cost at this time. The county should be able to calculate this but there remains about 2000 feet, and it will probably cost about \$15,000 as there is heavy grading; also, ledge work to be done All tools and supplies remaining unused have been listed and valued and their value not included in the above cost, nor does the above cost include the expense of crushing and teaming stone used by the Groton School department, for which credit has been

Yours respectfully F. S. Pillsbury, District Engineer.

Cost of Work 1919 Summary of Cost per Unit Excavation, 6800 cu. yds., at \$1.26 Borrow (gravel), 7730 cu. yds., at \$2.12 edge, 700 cu, yds., at \$4.71 3,297 92 Broken stone, 11,000 tons, 39,990 31 at \$3.635 Bitumen applied, 53,200 gallons, at 14c 401 50

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Guard rail \$77,371 74

LITTLETON

News Items.

Chester M. Hartwell, formerly Detroit, Mich., has recently been raised to the head of the Chicago office, a sition far in advance of that from which he was promoted. He has already assumed his new duties. short time ago Mr. Hartwell visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell, when he was in the east on business pertaining to his present position. Mrs. Kelly, of King street, spent the mid-week in Fitchburg.

Mrs. F. S. Pingry is at St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua, N. H., making ery satisfactory improvement from an operation which she underwent the last of the week. Mrs. Pingny's daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Bruce, of Townsend Conter, is in charge of the house work at the Pingry home.

Mrs. P. J. Smith and son Monroe have been visiting a few days with her nother in Leominster. We understand that Warren Nixon,

of Ayer, is in charge of his uncle Herert Wing's farm. E. C. Jones'is confined to his bed with a heavy grippe cold.

At a special meeting of the King' Daughters, held with Mrs. Walter Tit comb, Tuesday afternoon, the circle voted to hold an attractive food sale and sorve tea and ice cream in the Congregational vestry on Friday afteroon, April 30, from three to five clock. This is to take the place of o'clock. he usual Easter fair. Thomas Stephens went back to his

ork on Wednesday after an enforced neation of three weeks on account of The Woman's club entertained the

Included, but we have not a positive children up to the seventh grade on calculation on them as finals have not been taken on the surface and the local tiers were furnished by the school



children, Misses Linscott and MacFay den, students from Lowell Normal school, in the story-telling department, told stories, the president recited a poem, and ice cream and cake were served. The program was given under the direction of Mrs. S. B. Hubbard. Mr. Fuller, grammar school teach

er, attended the junior high school teachers' convention in Bridgewater last week-end. He is spending the holiday season at his home in Falmouth. Miss Blanche Savage is visiting her

rother in Manchester, N. H., a few lays,

We understand that the grammat chool is to have a graduation in the town hall this year for the first time. Conrad Jones is at home and now ttends the high school.

The high school play last week Friday evening drew a large audience that crowded the hall. The farce, "Mr. Bob," was exceedingly well produced for an amateur cast by the fol lowing persons: Parkinson Oddy Elizabeth Pickard, Rosa Hill, Margaret Hartwell, William Leahy, Charlotte Woodbury and Donald Outhuse. Much credit is due not only to individual members of the cast, but also to Mr. Kizlin, instructor in manual raining, who did the coaching. Proceeds were for the benefit of the man ial training department of the high chool.

Robert Hartwell of New Hampshire State college was at home for the week-end.

The Back-Log sunset party of Mon day. April 19, offers for attractions dancing for the children from four to six o'clock, supper at six, and dancing for adults in the evening. The music will be furnished by the Colonial singing orchestra of Waltham.

The Merry Go Round club is pre-paring a play for presentation in the near future. The club will meet next week, April 22, with Misses Margaret and Olive Thacher.

The Union Association of Congregational Churches will hold the spring meeting with the South Acton church. Three delegates will be chosen to represent the Littleton church besides the pastor, the clerk and the Sunday school superintendent. An attractive rogram has been arranged. The general topic for the morning session will be "The church a factor in the com munity," and in the afternoon "The Congregational world church movement" and "The inter-world church movement." Littleton should send one of her large delegations to the meeting in this nearby town on next Wed-

"Our civilization and the christian church" will be the subject of Mr. Cleland's sermon on Sunday.

Hon, F. A. Patch is back from Florida in time to get a taste of our lingering winter. He is making some epairs and changes in his house on Foster street which he and his sister, Miss Ewings, will soon occupy.

Miss Mary Marshall, of Greater Boson, has been the guest of Mrs. Amelia Wakefield this week. Miss Lawson, nurse, is successor to Mrs. Beach at Harry Hume's. Mr

Hume is reported as making steady im-

A collection of nesting boxes and birdhouses from the Massachusetts Audubon society is on exhibition in the reading-room of the Reuben Hoar library. Volumes of special interest relating to the coming Pilgrim ter-centenary will be found in the delivery

Mr. Conary, of Waltham, will speak at the meeting of the Grange on April 21. A farce will also be presented by members of Ayer Grange, and a lunch will be served. New Advertisements

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News Items.

Mrs. Helen Jay and daughter Paul ine went to their home at Malden on Friday of last week. Mrs. Jay is ex-pected here again this week to make of indefinite length with her sister, Mrs. Jennie McDonald, Nashua

At the meeting of Prescott Grange at the hall on Friday evening of last week Past Master Ellen Miller pre-sided, in place of Master George H. Stewart, who was ill and unable to be present. Following the routine of business the full hour was given to a talk by Principal Whitmarsh, who spoke of Italy. An account was given both instructive and entertaining, of the method of obtaining control of her own land, with much of the past history of the country. He also spoke of the manner in which the European map was being re-made, and related many vital facts concerning the present-day situation both at home and His talk was thoroughly appreciated by the small number present and it was regretted by those attending that a larger number were not there to be benefitted by the able dis-

The poultry fanciers of the town are bowailing their bad luck in getting as many young chickens as they had more than 40% hatch, against 60 or

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tanner and family returned here from Somerville the early part of the week, their household goods coming through by truck Monday. They are to occupy the Sargent house on the Nashua road, near the home of her aunt, Mrs. McDonald.

There was an attendance of about twenty interested farmers and orchardists gathered at the Richardson farm on Saturday afternoon, to take in the demonstration of tree grafting. The work was carried on by John H. Hardy without the assistance of the County Horticultral agent, Mr. Jenks, as expected. Mr. Hardy, who has given practical demonstration in his own town, Littleton, as well as many of the surrounding towns, showed the various kinds of grafting, from the common grafting with scions, or top-grafting, budding, bridge grafting to repair damage from mice during the winter, and grafting in top of trees to unite two limbs and prevent the tree from splitting.

Charles Rankin, a former mill work man here, is now heard from in De-troit, Mich., and states he may go farther north to Winnipeg, Canada, which was his home before coming to Massachusetts.

The construction company now a work on the building for the electric power plant for the paper mill, also have the contract for the new dam above the bridge, the work of which will be under the supervision of Supt. Hever. The plans are now made for its building this fall, and 5000 barrels of cement have been contracted for. The dam is to be built parallel with the bridge, and between the bridge and the present dam, and will be seven to nine feet higher than the old structure, causing the flowage over certain tracts of land toward Groton as anticipated and provided for some

Col. Daniel Booth of the Soldiers' home at Togus, Me., was a recent visitor here coming from Nashua, N. H., where he was staying with relatives for a short time. Col. Booth is 76 years of age and was known as the "boy bugler" of the 1st Massachusetts Cavalry of the Union Army at the time of the Civil war. He is the bugler at the Soldiers' home at the present time.

Encouraging reports are given concerning the affected arm which has been causing Miss Elizabeth McNayr so much trouble and pain and her friends so much anxiety. In the opin-ion of the specialist consulted by her at Boston on Friday, the treatment which the arm has been having is the proper kind, and the recovery of the use of the arm is probably only a matter of a short time, with continued

Miss Dorothy Richardson is expected here next week, about April Los Angeles, Cal., to visit her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Richardson and other relatives, at the Richardson farm. She is to make the journey across the continent in the care of Miss Mabel Spooner, who has been spending the winter with her George Spooner and family. They intend to go to San Francisco and remain over night before starting for the east, leaving Los Angeles about April 15. Miss Spooner, who has often been a visitor here with her sister, Mrs. H. N. Tower, will first go to her home at Annisquam.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R. will observe April 19, as Soldier day, the program for the afternoon being in charge of Mrs. H. N. Tower and Mrs. Fred S. Bancroft. It will be held at the home of Mrs. H. N. Tower and it is expected that some of the Pepperell boys who were in France last year may be present to give short talks on their experiences. The committee will serve refreshments.

Edwin Walker has been at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Whiker, Mt. Lebanon street, the past

A newly elected music supervisor for the public schools of the town was recently appointed by the school board. Miss Annie H. Palmer, who has beer acting as music supervisor in the schools of Ayer and Shirley, and in her home town of Manchester, Conn., will enter upon her duties on Wednesday, April 21, giving one day in the week to this town.

The cooking department of the domestic science class in the schools has been moved to the former quarters in the old Tarbell street building, which was at one time very well fitted up for that purpose. This move is deemed advisable in order that pupils may have better facilities for individual The sewing classes will be conducted as formerly.

Town schools will close next week on Friday, April 23, for a one week

Richard Attridge, a former resident up to about twenty years ago, has been in town from Livermore rails, Me., the past week, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Dorsheimer, who resides on Tarbell street in the former home of Mr. and Mrs. Attridge. Although quite aged, he was recognized by many of his former. friends without difficulty.

Miss Alice Butterfield of Dunstable officiated as cashier in the store of E. E. Tarbell, last week, during the absence of Mrs. Bertha Boynton, who the home of her father during

most of the time. Negotations are being made by J ayenue, through the administrator of few days this week in Boston.

the estate, Ray Willoughby. He was and and the deal will probably be consummated, although the papers have not yet been passed, but the sale has the approval of the heirs, it is under-Mr. Williams is to occupy the house as soon as the family of Fred formed her that she had passed Morse, now living there can find a suitable rent elsewhere.

Miss Doris Baker was at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker, Heald street, over Sunday, from her duties as a waitress in Leominster,

Leigh Tower, son of former Principal A. O. Tower, now teaching and studying at Amherst college, was in town over the week-end as the guest of his uncle, H. N. Tower.

Rev. B. W. Rust, who returned here to preach on Sunday, went to Boston again on Monday morning, to attend the final session of the Methodist con-

home, according to late letters. With he already occupies one of them his friend, Mr. Douglass, he was to A food sale will be held by leave California about April 12, coming to Utica, N. Y., where they would stay over for some few days. He may arrive here the latter part of next week, if they are able to carry out their plans.

A demonstration in pruning was given in the young apple orchard of Gusthey are not averaging taf Anderson on Thursday of last week. This has been from the first 65% of other years. Too much cold under the direction of the Amherst weather during the winter, they say. Agricultural college, and the demon-stration which was seen by a few, was made by Prof. Van Meter, of that college. But for the very cold day more were planning to come to receive the valuable instruction and practical, orchard suggestions. The announcement of the date set was delayed in reaching Mr. Clarke gives a brief summary of Mr. Anderson, and only a few could the manner in which he has passed be notified in the short period before the day set.

Miss Carrie Blood, who has been attending the Lowell Commercial college since last September, finished her course and was graduated from that nstitute on Friday of last week. She has been taking both the bookkeeping and banking course. She was immediately offered a position in the office of a Lowell firm, and has commenced her

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Everts and daughter Carolyn, from Brighton, are expected here for over Sunday and the 19th, a holiday in the city. Mr. Everts has recently purchased a property in Newton, and they are to renove there about June 1.

Mrs. Florence Willoughby, who was at her home for a few days last week, returned the latter part of the week to Raymond, N. H., to stay with her laughter.

Miss Leora Blood has been at her home on Heald street for the past month, suffering with a sprained knee. As soon as she is able she expects to eturn to her school duties in Lowell. Mario de Mesquita, the young Dartmouth student who has been visiting in town, returned to Hanover, N. H., on Saturday of last week.

On last Saturday forenoon the signal of two blasts recalled the driver of the engine horses to the engine house for fire extinguishers. The grass of the field near the home of Mrs. S. J. Richardson, High street, had been set on fire by some children play-ing near, it is thought. When the flames became a menace to the peace of the residents, if not to the safety of the residence, an alarm was sent in by telephone. A quick response soon put an end to the trouble without serious damage.

So many of our Pepperell people have been brought into contact with the head nurse at the Nashua Memorial hospital, Miss Wallace, that it will be of interest that she left her duties the past week long enough to attend the national convention of nurses in Atlanta, Ga., which was held there Wallace was to leave Nashua on Sun-

Miss Hazel Soule is expected home from Worcester for over Sunday and the holiday on Monday.

Mrs. Addison Woodward was in E. S. Durant had an unusual experience, for the old horseman as he is receiving a knock-out blow from the hoof of a horse he was leading on Sunday. Only the fact that the horse

had no shoes on saved him from a worse mishap. The kick came unex-pectedly, landing direct on the jaw, and for a time Mr. Durant must have felt as though he had encountered a Dampsey, and been laid low. Several stitches were required to be taken by the physician who was hastily sum-Mr. Durant was out and about again on Tuesday. The household goods of David

Sharp which were to have been loaded on the cars for their new home in Maryland, where he has been working. were delayed here this week by the freight embargo.

Rev. E. M. Slocombe was in town over Sunday with his family at the Child place where they have lived this winter. They are making plans to remove soon to their summer cottage on Oak hill. Mr. Slocombe has been engaged for the past few weeks in clerical work for the Unitarian association in Boston, who have established a relief commission for the suffering people in the Far East.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Maxwell, who have wintered with their son, Paul Maxwell, in South Natick, are to open their house on Oak hill this week, it is expected.

F. B. Simmons and Mrs. Edward Hammond were called to Dorchester last Saturday by the news of the death of their sister, Mrs. Joseph Cress. Mrs. Cress had been stopping at the home of her son, Herbert Cress, during the inter, being out of health, but was just preparing to go back to her own home at Round Hill, N. S. Mrs. Cress mother of nine children. She has frequently visited here in town, her last stay, in company with her husband, being last fail, at about Thankestules. ime. The remains were taken to her old home in Nova Scotia.

Rev. George F. Durgin and wife, who have been in Boston in attendance at the Methodist conference, came to their home here in the west part of the town on Monday. Mr. Durgin only expects to be able to make a short stay, being obliged to return west shortly, after a visit with relatives in Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Green were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harrls Tarbell, motoring up from Waban, Mrs. Lucy Page has been at her old home on the farm for the week past, her daughter, Mrs. George Greenhalgh remaining here with her.

A recent communication from Miss man with sufficient time, ambition and and yard help \$23.60. They want: ability to attend to constantly needed chauffours \$33, double horse teamsord position in Hartford, Conn.; states that she has been taking a civil servent to the control of Alice Lawson, one of our high school graduates of last June, now filling a good position in Hartford, Conn.; states that she has been taking a civil service examination. A letter received from Boston from the commission inexamination with an average of 80% for the whole. The subjects were spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, let-She is now expecting a notification of an appointment, although that may depend on the number of vacancies; also, how many others had passed the same examination ahead of her. Her ambition is to be commended, and the congratulations of all her friends will be extended to her in her ad-

vanced position, wherever that may be. The two cottages belonging to the estate of the late 1. A. Hall, of Brookline, N. H., situated here in town on Cottage street, were recently purchased by Kemp & Bennett, who have now Charles H. Jewett is en route for disposed of them to M. C. Lane, as

> A food sale will be held by the Ladies' Aid society of the Methodis church on Friday, April 23, in the vacant half store adjoining the millinery store of Mrs. E. F. Copp.

It is understood that Supt. George B. Clarke has taken the Fraser house in Chapel place, and will occupy it with his widowed mother. Mr. Fraser reserves two rooms for himself.

Superintendent's Report.

That Superintendent Clarke of the public schools has been quietly but thoroughly familiarizing himself with conditions and needs of our schools is apparent by the recent report given at meeting of the school committee the nine and a half weeks of term time since the commencement of his service the first of January. Up to March 31 he had spent twenty-six days in the schools here in town of day when schools were in session. His records show 104 visits to class rooms during that time; 45 being at Main street, 34 at the high school, and 25 conference at Boston university on aim now being to make the number "Teacher shortage" on February 6; a 200. rural conference on the "Teacher crisis" at Worcester Normal on March 19; a convention of high school principals in Cambridge on March 25, and meeting of county superintendents n Worcester on March 28. He is also taking a course at Clark university which meets every Saturday morning.

In his report Mr. Clarke spoke of familiarizing himself with the details the schools-collecting the names of the pupils by buildings and grades pupils on barge routes, data concern ing training and experience of teachers, copies of teachers' programs, in entory of books suitable and in condition for use, and collecting such data as to courses taken by pupils in the high school as should be on file in an efficient high school office. His plan is to follow such study and tabulation in the later months of the year with such tests, standardized and otherwise, of certain subjects in certain

grades as time permits.

Mr. Clarke says "Miss Palmer has accepted the position of supervisor of music. Among other advantages this give a creditable performance. Miss Rust; theme, Palmer accepted at nine dollars a

this school year."

Mr. Clarke also advocated the return of the cooking class under the iomestic science department to the Tarbell school, where the facilities for individual work by pupils would be better, and this has since been accomplished. The rooms were well fit-ted up in Mr. Paull's term of office and the only immediate need, it would seem, were new locks and keys.

Mention is made of the visit of Rob-Nashua several days of this week, ert P. Trask, county club agent of the visiting her mother, Mrs. Kendall, at the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculthe Memorial hospital, who is failing. Trask's plan was for an exture. Mr. Trask's plan was for an exture. Mr. Trask's plan was for an exture. hibition at Grange hall in May of the work of the Home Economics club. also plans to come again some time this present month to start garden and plg clubs among the boys and girls.

Mr. Clarke recommends a larger enrollment and hopes for a more prosperous season in these, especially inder the supervision of the director recently appointed by vote of the own, and appropriation made for ame. It is also hoped to carry through a successful canning club dur

ing the summer.

In his report Mr. Clarke says "The efficiency of a school system is very largely contributed on three factors: Course of study, teachers and equip-ment. Probably my predecessors have done all that could be expected along these lines. The adoption of the Baltimore county course of study secured interests have been uppermost, and his by Mr. Benner last summer is proving liself one of a number of great acomplishments of his during his short term of service. It contains a num-ber of admirable features, and I find the teachers have generally familiar

ized themselves with it. "The salary schedule in effect last September would not secure the quality of teaching desired under present conditions of teacher shortage. present salaries offer a more suitable salaries we should see that we have latter is residing at Riverdale, near better teaching, by securing stronger teachers and better personalities when changes occur, and impressing on old-er members of the force the im-all his old parishioners portance of continued professional

"Consideration of the equipment of the schools comprises books and con-ditions in the buildings. Study of the noon on the rural survey. book inventory shows that a number of excellent recent texts have been jects the text in use is far from the best, and some subjects, as writing, are not supplied at all; also, arithmetic in other grades.

"It is evident that an over-conserva-

cent period refrained from any major
repairs. Walls are grimy, woodwork
Post of April 6 is a very clear demonnnocent of paint, windows and doors stration of how the consumer pays by their looseness cause loss of heat wage raise. and breakage of glass, leakage of fauimproperly attended to. This latter, 15 percent raise and the dealers claim with accumulations of dirt in ventilation stacks, seriously affect the sani- per ton to offer the men 8 percent tary conditions. Janitors leave to teachers such dusting as is done. Few rooms have a clock. The high school sufficient janitor supervision would render possible the supplying of paper towels and liquid soap, which would now be in danger of gross waste. Some don't know much about delivering of the furniture which was secured coal, but it don't seem as though it new with the buildings is now in condition such as to call for renewal.
Striking among these conditions is the accumulation of dirt and litter, which by the way, includes quite an amount of good books and supplies in the attic at Groton street."

The pastor will preach at the Com-munity church at 10.30 in the morning on Sunday, and at the evening service at seven o'clock. Church school will convene at noon. The conlonger. Twelve new members appeared at the Sunday school last week.

At the business session of the church school last Sunday two delegates, Miss oulse Walker and Miss Margaret Nowell, were appointed to represent Louise this school at a meeting of the Epsilon Tau society of the Rollstone church, Fitchburg, on Friday afternoon of this week at 4.30. There was social and the making of surgical dressings for the use of Rr. Paker in A supper followed at six o'clock.

The regular meeting of the Community Church Workers will be held in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon, April 22, at 2.30. Work or aprons and articles for the coming church fair in July will be resumed.

at Groton street. The present meeting was the fourth committee meeting Thursday of last week seven new mem. At the meeting of the society on attended here. He also attended a bers were admitted to the society, the

> A church supper, will be served at eight o'clock under the direction of Mrs. Green, chairman of the April committee.

Church night was observed last week Thursday evening, the committee being Miss Lydia Waite, Mrs. Jane Bennett and Mrs. Cook. There was the usual fifteen-minute song service, followed by all uniting in the study class cial games followed at nine o'clock.

On Tuesday evening, April 20, the regular program for church night will pe replaced by a session of the Sunday school teachers' normal class, followed by the conference of teachers and workers.

The April meeting of the Woman's Missionary society will be held with Mrs. Drawbridge on Wednesday afternoon, April 21, at three o'clock. Miss Anna L. Boynton will speak on the work of the Y. W. C. A. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

At the Methodist church, Sunday should enable us to prepare that part morning worship at 10.45, with of the graduation program so as to preaching by the pastor, Rev. B. W. "Who are sinners?" Church school at noon. A meeting for boys in the chapel and girls in the "The evidence is noticeable of the parsonage at 6.45. It the evening, at falling off in results through not having an appeal to a special teacher of drawing and hand work, but do not expect to be able to secure one the remainder of the illustrated with the stereopticon,

sixty fine slides being used, On Monday the Epworth league convention will convene in Leominster, with probable attendance from this

church On Tuesday evening the pastor will speak on "Courage."

On Thursday afternoon, at 2.30, the Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. Arthur Morrison, Lowell street.

meet with Mrs. Logan, High street, at that he and Mrs. Merrill are to leave

Rev. B. W. Rust returned on Tues lay afternoon from attendance at the Methodist conference in Boston, havdetained there somewhat longer by his appointment of assistant China, where he is to enter the mis

The re-appointment of Mr. Rust to this church for another year gives universal satisfaction. In the one year of his pastorate he has familiarized himself with the people and the conditions of the town to a large extent, making himself popular with old and young His earnest endeavor for the best welfare of the people of his church and the community has been recognized Although an indefatigable worker along all lines, his church and church eccomplishment there has been appreiated.

Mr. Rust mentions meeting at conference some of the former pastors of this church, although many have been called up yonder to rest from their abors. Among the more recent deaths those of Rev. James Sutherland, Rev. Joseph Candlin and Rev Arthur W. L. Nelson were spoken of Rev. Putnam Webber and Rev. George Sanderson nave taken superannuated relations with the church the past year. loucester. Rev. Alfred Wood, superannuated a few years a to, was present

On Wednesday Mr. Rost returned to Cambridge to the Middlesex county conference of the inter-church work, where he was to speak in the afterone of those assisting in making the survey the past summer in towns in

LITTLETON

How the Consumer Pays.

"No adjustment of the strike today of the 350 teamsters, chauffeurs, helprs and yardmen employed by the local wholesale and retail coal dealers is in view. Not a delivery was made tive policy is nothing new in the is in view. Not a delivery was made buildings. Few towns fail to equip today. The suffering from cold among buildings with new furniture when the householders is said to have been crected. This was done here only in considerable. The strikers ask for a part, when buildings were erected it is percent wage increase and a reductiventy to thirty years ago. School tion of the working hours from fifty-buildings should serve their purpose four to fifty hours a week. The emat least sixty years. This period is ployers say they recently raised the being shortened by the care the build-price of coal one dollar a ton so as to ings are at present receiving, and the meet an eight percent increase, which apparent gain is being neutralized, the men reject, and add that they Testimony points to the present run cannot grant a further increase with-down conditions, particularly dating out again adding to the retail cost of Orin Williams, ir., for the purchase of has been taking a short vacation of a the committee ceased to employ a Chauffeurs \$28.75, double horse teamseparate janitor in each building, a sters \$27, single horse teamsters \$24.15

Kind reader, pause a moment and do that they raised the price of coal \$1.00 practically half what they ask, cannot grant the 15 percent without another raise.

Now the highest raise asked is \$4,25 per week, and from that the demands grade down to \$3.00 more per weel Now what about the dollar raise. We would be rushing things very much to which would pay the largest amount asked for. We are rather of the opin-ion that the man that did not come pretty near delivering that amount per day would have a slim hold on his job

The same thing is in practice all thong the line, but not many cases are so bodly evident as this. V. T. E.

HARVARD

News Items. Charles L. Clay, a former superintendent of schools here, died in Little-ton, N. H., on April 12 at the age of seventy-five years after a short illness. The funeral took place in Littleton, N H., on this week Thursday,

The next meeting of the Woman's club will be held in the town hall on Tuesday, April 20, instead of on the regular club afternoon, which comes on a holiday. It has been decided to omit children's day this year, the pro gram for the afternoon being in charg of the chairman of thrift, Mrs. Arthur N. Calkins. It is expected that there will be a demonstration of different kinds of labor-saving electrical appliances at this meeting.

On Monday evening, April 19, the men of the Congregational church, will serve a supper in the lower town hall at 6.30. At eight o'clock Miss Grace Sage will read "The country cousin. This is a chance to hear a fine reader at about one-fourth the usual price, and all who have heard her say it is too good an entertainment to be missed. Tickets are on sale this week.

The feature picture at the motion oicture show this Saturday evening in the town hall will be Mae Marsh in "Sunshine alley," by Mary Rider—a play of the heart. The quaintest play of a quaint actress; she is great, and Goldwyn people have the best. I could tell you lots of good things she does

but come and see for yourself. Friends of F. Cedric Webster will e pleased to learn of this success in the business world. He began his work last Monday with Armour & Co., as manager of their branch house at Gioversville, N. Y.

The wedding of Miss Sarah Louise lones, daughter of Jeremiah Jones, to Basil Hazard, of Pratt's Junction, is to take place on Saturday, April 24.

The announcement of the coming wedding of Miss Lucy Droxler to Fred erick Joyce, both of this town, is an nounced. Congratulations for both he young couples are in order, The American Legion will meet or

Saturday evening, April 17, at the Hapgood Memorial at seven o'clock. The Grange will work the third and fourth degrees on Tuesday, April 20 Mrs. Madeline Sargent, of Ayer, visited from Wiednesday to Friday this week with her mother, Mrs. Parker. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Macauley have

ng the winter in Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Coffin, who has for several sea sons been a resident at Orchard End has rented "High Hills" of Dr. Paul Thorndike for the coming season.

opened their house here after spend-

Rev. Harvey C. Merrill will preach at the Unitarian church on Sunday Mr. Merrill has tendered his resignation as pastor of the church here, to The Ladies' Ald society will hold a take effect during June, and this has food sale at three o'clock in the store been accepted by the parish. Mr. Mer-Friday evening the Helpers will about town who will be sorry to learn

At the Congregational church or Sunday, Rev. Mr. Hayes, of Boston who made such a good impression with his hearers last Sunday, is to preach

On Sunday evening the Congrega-tional Men's club will hold their regu-

ar monthly meeting.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that he subscriber has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of he estate of ELVIRA S. BOWMAN late of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, leceased, testate, and has taken upon tself that trust by giving bond, as the aw directs.

delight that trust by giving bond, as the aw directs.

All persons having demands upon the state of said deceased are required to shibit the same, and all persons inebted to said estate are called upon o make payment to OLD COLONY TRUST CO., Adm.

17 Court Street, Boston, Mass. April 17, 1920. 3133

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of MARY F. SAWTELLE late of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, 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 required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to ELISHA D. STONE, Adm. Ayer, Mass., April 12, 1920. 3t33

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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 BYRON H. LAWS late of Townsend in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by CHARLES A. LAWS who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of April A. D. 1920, at nine o'clock in the atternoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire.

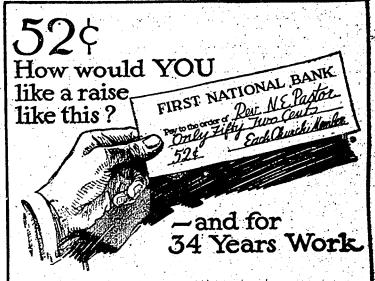
Court.
Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this fifth
day of April in the year one thousand
nine hundred and twenty.
3t32 F. M. ESTY, Register.

DON'T think that because your stomach can digest food you are proof against indigestion. The most important digestive work is done by the bowels, liver and kidneys. Unless these are active and work in harmony, you are in danger of self-poisoning.

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But 80% of the ministers receive less income than government economists figure as a minimum for the support of an average family.

When hospitals need money they enlist the support of the ministers—and receive it. But when sickness visits the minister or the

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members of his family they must be treated in a

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And of these pitifully inadequate salaries, how much do you contribute? Nothing if you are outside the church; an average of less than 3c a day if you are a church

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GROTON

Nows Items

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hartt, of New N. H., have been visiting Mrs. Harit's sister, Mrs. James Bennett.

An alarm was given last Sunday morning at about eleven o'clock for a grass fire on land owned by Edwin Clark. The fire was extinguished be-fore it had done much damage.

Mrs. Craig and her son, with Mrs. Craig's sister, were in town last week, staying with Mrs. Arthur A. Wood. Mrs. Craig and her son spent several months in Groton while her husband was stationed at Camp Devens, and remained here for some time after Colonel Craig went overseas.

Mrs. Nathaniel Thaver, Mrs. F. S. Whitwell and Mrs. Robert Lovett went over to New York for the luncheon on last week Thursday at which Miss Anne Morgan entertained 300 members of the Devastated France Committee at her home on Madison avenue. Mrs. Pierpont Morgan presided at one of the tables, at which was Maurice Casenaove, head of the French High Commission. Miss Morgan and Mrs. James Lawrence had a large send-off when sailed from New York for France on Wednesday. Mrs. Nathaniel Emmons was one of the Lawrence family party going over to see Mrs. Lawrence off. It is about a year ago since she mailed on her previous visit of some months spent in the devastated France regions where she did such great good

Mr. and Mrs. S. Warren Sturgls have had cards out for a reception with music on Tuesday at the Beacon street house, Boston. Mrs. Sturgis has had soveral similar entertainments at her house during the winter. One espe-cially enjoyed was that at which Mile. Gondre sang: The family have an all-the-year-around home in Groton, but to Boston last autumn to occupy the Sleeper house on Beacon street to present their older daughter. Miss Susan Sturgis. The young girl made her debut at a tea in November and later a number of dinners were given

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Peabody and Mi. Davison, one of the prominent ones of the week, took place on Friday of this week at the Groton chapel. Rev. Endicott Peabody, who officiated, has been headmaster of the Groton School since 1884. Mr. Davi-son, who graduated from Groton and then went to Yale, organized the first naval aviation unit at the Davison place, Glen Cove, Long Island. Later place, Gien Cove, Long Island. Later the unit was taken over by the United States navy. He was disabled from war service by an injury, the result of a fall from a scaplane at Huntington, Long Island. Later the young officer was awarded the navy war cross. For a time he was studying law at Columbia. Miss Peabody has a sister, Mrs. William Barelay Parsons, Jr. (Rose Peabody), living in New York, which will be the future home of the young

The New England Associate Alliance will meet at the Unitarian church in West Newton on Thursday, April 22.

On Thursday evening, April 8, the supper and entertainment at the Unitarian church was held. The supper table was decorated with flowers, and baked beans, brown bread, scalloped fish, rolls, coffee and fancy pies were served. At the entertainment the children gave the spring festival, which consisted of music, dancing and speaking, and was symbolic of the awaken ing of the spring. The stage was dec-orated with flowers. After the children's entertainment came a farce "Hiram Jones' bet," in which the characters were taken by Mrs. Lura Adams, Mrs. Ella P. Woolley and Mrs. Fanny Harrington. The supper and enter tninment were both successfully planned and managed.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will noid a sowing meeting, supper and entertainment on Thursday, April 22, in the church parlor. The sewing meeting will be at 2.30, the supper at 6.30, unpanied by Miss Dodge at the piano. the Congregational church will hold a ing at the Congregational church was der the direction of Mrs. Charles Earle and her assistants. At the entertainment Rev. Sherrard Billings of Groton School will give an address in which he will speak of his experiences while a chaplain in France.

William Freeman, who has been suffering from abscesses in both ears, and who was operated upon at St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua by Dr. Kittredge, is improving, but is not expected to re-turn home for a week or two yet.

Leonard Dodge and Richard M. Shaw have returned from a trip to Providence and Mr. Shaw has now zone to Montana on business.

The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except to those who pay in advance, when the price will be \$1.50. The high cost of everything connected with the publishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Borry sympathize with them in the loss of their daughter, Mrs. Florence A. Campbell, the wife of George H. Campbell, of Nashua, N. H., who passed away last Wednesday evening. Besides her husband she leaves three sons, Charles B., of Washington, D. C., George H., Jr., and Fred Campbell, of Nashua, N. H. It is particularly hard for Mr. and Mrs. Berry as they now have no living children Though Mr. Berry attended the en-campment of the Massachusetts veterans of the civil war last week he was taken sick and was obliged to return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay McKean and family moved on Thursday into the apart-ment on Elm street recently occupied

by the O'Connors The Farmers" and Mechanics club will hold their meeting on Tuesday evening at which the committee appointed to interview the state secre tary of agriculture relative to state aid for the coming fair will report. A representative of the department will be present to talk over matters pertaining to fairs and exhibits. The secretary urged the committee to make every effort to solicit the farmers to and exhibit their products at the local fairs. All members are requested to attend and refreshments will be

There were seven tables at the milltary whist party for gentlemen at Odd Follows' hall on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. James Lawrence was at her home here last week for a short stay before her departure for France, on Wednesday of this week...

A party of guests from New York coming to attend the Peahody-Davison wedding on Friday arrived by a special train which followed the regular nesday.

8.15 morning train. They had break fast at the Groton Inn and then wen to Groton School. The Boston guest arrived on the eleven o'clock train at Aver and motored to Groton. Jerome at the Peabody house since the arrival of the wedding gifts.

The Community clu met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Silas North-rup. They passed the afternoon in ewing and enjoying a social time to-Refreshments There was a good number of members present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Anna Folkins on Wednesday, April 28.

It was voted to omit the Wednesday vening meeting at the Congregational church next week since the spring meeting of the Middlesex Union assoof Congregational churches at South Acton is to be on the same day.

At the Baptist church on Sunday, April 18, the pastor will take the first of two topics on the great interchurch movement now in progress. "The back-May 2, one billion dollars in five years for world evangelization missionary and educational work." The next topic will go more into detail of this stupendous task and how it is to be applied.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Social circle of the Baptist church on Wed nesday afternoon, April 7, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Sumner Bangs, pres.; Miss Mary L. Parmenter, vice pres.; Mrs. Herbert C. Rockwood, sec.; Mrs. Reorge T. Stevens, treas.

The regular meeting of the Grange was held last Tuesday evening. After he business meeting the entertainment began with singing in chorus by the Grange. Then George Lee Bixby gave a talk on the question, "Is it better for the farmers to buy their grain in the the farmers to buy their grain in the west or to raise it on their farms?"

He was followed by others who discussed this topic, Later on Dr. E. B. Branigan gave a fine talk on dental hygiene. An invitation was received and accepted from Prescott Grange of Pepperell to neighbor with them on May 28 and furnish the program. A special meeting will be held this week on Saturday evening for the conferring of the first and second degrees and for the election and installation of officers

by the men's degree team. The Middlesex-Worcester Pomon Grange met with Prescott Grange in Pepperell on Thursday of this week.

The first degree will be worked by the

regular officers and the second degree

Mrs. Maria Bowers is visiting in Brookline with her son Leon and his family. Mrs. Maria Sawyer is visiting elatives in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis and family moved to Littleton last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Aitken have loved into their new house on Powder

House road. A meeting to close the affairs of the public safety, committee of Groton will be held in the lower town hall on Wednesday evening, April 21, at eight p. m. The treasurer will make a final report as written notices will not be

sent out. Members will please bear in mind the date of the meeting. Mrs. W. M. Tyrrell and Mrs. Nesbit Woods were chosen as delegates from the Woman's club to attend the annual meeting of the state federation of Women's clubs in Springfield on May

Mrs. Durant is suffering from a bad attack of rheumatism and is at DreA. G. Kilbourn's hospital for treatment Dr. Ayres' hospital is again open.

18-20,

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice O'Connor moved from Groton on Friday, April 9. going to California instead of to chicago, as was the first report.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Danielson and family left town last Monday on their

way to New York, from where they sailed to Europe. Mrs. George Mason has returned to Groton after spending the winter in

Townsend. The music at the service in the eventhrough the evening song service, and also gave a solo on the saxophone accompanied by Mrs. Dimock at the piano.

Richard M. Shaw has just returned to Grofon after a four weeks' sojourn in Rhode Island, where he has been giving field demonstrations in bridge grafting in connection with the Rhode Island State college, and experienment station. He states that 25% of the apple trees in Rhode Island orchards have been girdled by mice the past winter; one man alone suffering a loss conservatively estimated at \$75,000. Mr. Shaw left on Thursday for Billings. Montana, where he will deliver addresses before the Montana Stock Breeders' association annual meeting. From there he will go to Helena and other western points in connection with his editorial work for the Northwestern Stockman and Farmer and several farm organizations.

Charles Austin Murphy passed away at the home of his son, David E. Murphy, as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage on Sunday, April 11, at the age of eighty-five years. Mr. Murphy was born in Boston on October 10, 1834, the son of David and Mary Goss As a boy he lived in Vermont and later returned to Boston where he received his education in the public schools and acted as page at the state house. He straveled extensively and in 1849 went to California He returned from California to enlist in the civil war, where he served the covernment as master of supplies, being stationed at Newbern,

In 1870 he married Ellen White Ashby, of Salem, and made Salem his home for about five years, until he moved to Groton. They had three children, Mary E., David E. and Jennie A. Murphy. With the exception of eight years, when he and his family lived in Manchester and Gonstown, N H., he was a resident and voter of this town. He was interested in village improvement and built and gave Champney street to the town. He was a member of the Baptist church for over

Mr. Murphy was a man well read and showed much interest in topics of the day. Much of his later life he spent in reading, and during the late war he kept well informed.

The deceased leaves two children, David E. Murphy, of Groton, and Mrs. Fred Lane Mathes, of Beaufort, S. C.

and six grandchildren, all of this town The funeral services were private nd were held on Tuesday afternoon at his late residence, Rev. S. W. Bangs officiating. The interment was in Gonstown village cemetery on Wed-

Mr. Murphy's familiar figure and pleasant, courteous manner as he greeted his friends and acquaintances Ayer and motored to Groton. Jerome he is no longer here, but the gener- our coal dealer and would be perfectly shattuck has been the officer on duty osity which characterized him as a right and proper if the coal users were citizen and a neighbor will make his life a pleasant memory.

G. W. C. The regular meeting of the Woman's was held on Friday afternoon, April & Mrs. Shaw, the president, opened the meeting by reading a poem from the Federation bulletin. An invitation for the president and two other members of the club to attend the meeting of the Ayer Woman's club on April 21 was announced.

The entertainment program for the afternoon was in charge of the educa-tion section of the club, with Miss Ella F. Vickery as chairman. The Clover club and the Junior Economics club of West Groton, with their teacher, Miss Jessie Flynn, were present. Two girls from West Groton, Elizabeth Mc-Cann and Claire Duquette, played a ground for protestant America's world duet, and the club songs were sung religious forward movement to have by members of the two clubs. The pledged in the week of April 25 to Clover club held a regular meeting, Rosamond Cross, the president, pre-This club had an exhibit of work done, garments finished, stock-ings darned; etc. The West Groton club, with the one member of the Clover club who has taken the breadnaking course, exhibited bread,

eral)loaves of which were sold to the ladies present. Robert P. Trask, the Middlesex County club leader, was present and showed how to judge a loaf of bread with regard to its baking, quality, and size, using one of the loaves in the ex-hibit for this demonstration. Mr. Frask had brought lantern slides which showed 'club work done in the towns in Middlesex county, including school garden and canning exhibits, pigs that oys in the pig clubs had raised, breadmaking and sewing exhibits—in fact all kinds of work accomplished by the junior economics clubs.

The next meeting of the Woman's club will be observed as children's day and the tickets can be obtained of Mrs. Fannie B. Woods, the custodian. Members are entitled to one free ticket for every child in their families. Members who have no children are entitled more if they desire to do so. afternoon's entertainment will be given by Mr. Yarrick, of Boston, a magi-This meeting will be held on Saturday, April 24, in the town hall.

School Notes.

The essays written for the contest in which the high school pupils were offered the opportunity to compete for a prize to be given by the Woman's club are now in the hands of the judges, Mr. Hinchman and Mr. Bar-

Some time ago this column had ar extract from a letter written by Robert W. Bixby to the superintendent of schools, in which he stated that he had been attending the evening school in Lynn, where he is employed, and that with the credits which he hoped to receive for his studies while in the high school here in addition to the course he was taking, he thought he could get-a high school-diploma. A clipping was received recently from him, giving an interesting account of the graduat ing exercises in the evening schools of Lynn. A class of thirty pupils gradauted from the evening high school among whom was Robert W. Bixby who had taken the course in book keeping, and who delivered the valedictory, in which he spoke of the value of a business education, the preparation for which was given so bountifully by the city at its day and evening schools. Among the graduates that same evening from the evening grammar school was one pupil, who, though absent on account of Illness, was highcomplimented by the principal of he evening grammar school, who said of him that though fifty years of age and working hard every day, he had attended every session; not being absent nor tardy for a single session, and that he intends to continue his studies n the evening high school for the next three years. This announcement was received with much applause.

The Clover club met on Tuesday at Miss Vickery's. There were nine memhers present. The game and refreshe held on May 1. The game committee were: Miss Vickery, chairman Rosamond and Dorothea Cross, Mariai Andrews, Elizabeth Shaw and Estelle The refreshment committee were: Mrs. Blood, adviser, Ruth Paterson, Emily Wight, Rosle Majenski, atherine Freeman and Beatrice It was planned that those Palmer. who had not finished nor started their second garments should bring them o the meetings of the club, which will be held once a week, and sew. club played games and the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Blood's home on April 23. All present were sorry not to have Mrs. Blood with them at this meeting.

Under the direction of our nurse, Miss Cullen, a child welfare afternoon will be held in the town hall on Wednesday, April 21, at 1.30 o'clock. The first speaker will be Miss Evelyn Schmidt, who will speak on "The care of 'the mouth and its relation to health." -Miss May Bliss Dickinson. founder of the Girls' Health league, will speak on "Mothercraft." This program is arranged for the children of the public schools of Groton, who will be present with their teachers, but everyone interested in the welfare of our future men and women are in ited and urged to be present. Griswold, chairman of the school com-mittee, will preside. The lectures will be illustrated with slides.

To the Editor:

At the request of several good cit ens of Groton I am impelled to write a few words in regard to the coal sit-

uation in Groton I understand that Charles Z. South ard took up the duties of fuel admin istrator under war time emergencies, as a public duty and I am sure that no one will deny that he rendered valua-ble and efficient service at much personal sacrifice, without thought of pe

Since the close of the war and the cessation of war time regulations he has continued to administer the coal usiness of Groton as a private business, and as such he certainly is not loing it for his health. It is quite true that due to his efforts Groton has had very reasonable share of coal as compared with the quantities portioned out to other towns of similar size. This is to his credit and should be appreciated by the people of Groton. But a of the business which the above-mentioned good citizens are objecting to is the fact that they must pay for the coal before it leaves the mines. Whether this prepayment results in a lower price I do not know,

users of Groton are furnishing Mr Southard in advance with the capita with which he conducts his business on our streets will be missed now that This is very nice and convenient for willing parties to this business ar rangement; as they are not, and many of them are voicing indignant pro-

> The situation sums itself up in the very concrete fact, that if the people want coal they can only get it under the arbitrary terms and conditions laid down by one man, if they are not agreeable they can go without and

There is no other coal dealer in Gro ton, hominally Mark L. Blood is a coal dealer, but in reality and by his own statement he is merely Charles Z. Southard's feamster.

Many people in town are not finan-cially able to invest the price of two or three tons of coal for some weeks or months before they can get it delivered; shortage of labor and railroad freight conditions make it imperative that next winter's coal be ordered months ahead, and if Mr. Southard rules that if must be paid for before it leaves the mine it means that the poor er members of our communiy, who still are the majority, must pinch and save or else face a coalless winter.

I hope that Mr. Southard will

through your paper give an explana-tion which will clear up this situa-tion to everyone's satisfaction and particularly tell the public why they are compelled to lend him the money without interest to conduct his own personal coal business.

personal coal business.

As my own personal opinion I must say in heavie to Mr. Southard that I have visited many cities and towns in the past few months and in nearly all, and even those with water transportation, the price of coal is from twenty.

The following real estate transfers were recorded last week from this vicinity: Ayer, George J. Burns et ux, to G. E. Winslow, Ernest C. Ford to R. L. Hackett et al.; Littleton, Dorothy G. Space et al. to M. R. Sibley: Pepfive cents to one dollar per ton high-er than in Groton. Mr. Southard also

There was an alarm of fire last Sunday forenoon for a grass fire near the

Dr. Morrill, who purchased the F. F. Woods farm last fall, is getting it ready to occupy. The chimneys are being repaired and there has been a bay window added to the dining-room. The family are expected here about the first of May.

Mrs. Emma Gerrish and her daughter, Miss Gertrude, returned from Boston last week, where they have passed the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Hartt, who have been in Groton from Newport, N. H., left Monday morning for their iome after a few days passed with

Fred Porter, who has worked in G. E. Hodgman's market for many years, has purchased the business in West Groton of M. F. McGowan, and with his brother will run a market and also drive a cart to various places. Mrs. Nora Folkins has been quite

sick the last week, but is better at last Mrs. G. A. Durant has been ill and it the hospital for the past week, but s improving.

West Groton.

The relatives and friends of Robert William BRoy will be very much pleased and gratified to learn that he as a member of the graduating class was a member of the graduating class of the Lynn evening school. The exercises were held in the English High school half on Tuesday evening, April 6. Robert was one of thirty graduates to receive a diploma. We quote from a Lynn paper: The valedictory was delivered by Robert William Bixby, who spoke of the value of a business education, the preparation for which was given so bountifully by the city was given so bountifully by the city at its day and evening schools." A friend writes: "Robert has applied himself very earnestly to his work and studies since coming to Lynn. I am positive that he will 'go far' as the saying is, and he deserves much credit for trying." Mr. Bixby is employed as inspector at the General Electric works in Lynn. Some of the parents regret that at times it seems necessary for other than Groton schools

Lucile, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge, was operated upon for appendicitis at Groton hospital on

Monday evening of this week. William V. Bixby was very pleasantly surprised on Thursday evening of last week by ten of his friends, the occasion being his fifty-ninth birthday anniversary. Everyone enjoyed playanniversary. Everyone enjoyed playing whist and after that dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Bix-by, the hostess. Mr. Bixby received many gifts. He has lived at the farm house all his life, never having left it for more thanka month since his birth.

The faculty and teachers of the Worcester State Normal school gave a reception to Miss Isabel Murray, who recently was called there from the Tarbell school to teach English, About three hundred people were present. Miss Murray in delighted with her

George Hallet and his sister Martha of Barnstable were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hallet last week.

Rev. David Howie of Everett sup plied at the union church on Sunday both morning and evening. very interesting talk in the evening bout his experiences during eightee onths' service overseas with the "Y."

Mrs. F. A. Thomas recently gave a party in honor of the home coming of her friend, Mrs. Alfred Bunn, who has been spending five months in England All enjoyed a pleasant evening. Re freshments were served.

Mrs. M. E. Williams, Mrs. Carrio R Humiston and Miss Kate A. Tarbell ttended the funeral of their uncle, Albert Adams, in Shirley Center, or Saturday afternoon of last week. The two small children of Mr. and

frs. Fred Beauleau have been ill with pronchial pneumonia, but are on th oad to recovery. Robert, John and Carolyn Allen have seen ill and unable to attend school.

Mrs. Willard Balcom of Milford, N L, is planning to build a house near the cottage occupied by Mr. and Mrs John Robinson.

Mrs. L. P. Read and family of Clinton are visiting Mrs. Alfred Bunn at the new home of Mrs. F. A. Thomas. Mrs. M. E. Williams visited her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Worster, in Fitchburg on Monday.

The Ladies' Aid supper and social vere well patronized and enjoyed. After having some charades and songs Il foined in playing games. Mrs. C. E. Bixby was assisted by Sergt. Evans n directing the games.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams visited in Worcester on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jewett have

but it is plain to everyone that the coal returned from Bedford. They plan to

make their home here and are board ng at John Robinson's for the present Mrs. Carrie R. Humiston and her daughter Freda are visiting relatives

in Fitchburg. Mrs. Lester Whitcomb of Ayer vis-ited her cousin, Mrs. Oliver Hallet, on

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Friday of last week.

. The personal effects of Timothy Mc-Carthy were moved last Saturday to the town farm from his former hom on Washington street, recently taken over by Levi V. Berry.

Special communications of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday and Friday evenings, April 19 and 23. The Entered Apprentice degree will be worked on the first men tioned date, and the Master Mason de gree, with lunch, on the latter date.

The 3d Maine regiment, national guard, will go into summer camp this year at Camp Devens, which will also be the site of the R. O. T./C. infantry camps of the Eastern as well as the Northeastern department. Maj. George J. Holden, stationed at the Vermon Agricultural college, will command the infantry, R. O. T. C. camps, which will be held between June 17 and July 28 Probably two troops of cavalry from Rhode Island and the cavalry of the state of Vermont will go to Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., where the R. O. T. C. cav alry camps for both the Eastern and Northeastern departments will be held

perell, Eloise Grenier to W. A. Kemp ing to run the business on a twenty Bliss, Mary V. Sullivan et al. to M. H. cents per tow margin, which is ridicultivan; Townsend, Mary E. G. Hook ulously, low.

R. M. Shaw. td A. D. Tracy, Alice L. Stickney to A. H. Wilson; Lunenburg, William S. Walker et al. to Arthur S. Wilder land in northern part, Mary E. Kinney to Almont E Berry land on road to Lan caster, Eino Kauppinen to Nestor Soini et ux. land on Elizabeth street, Edith B. Baker to Elizabeth E. Ward land on Summer street.

> Thomas F. Walsh, of South Lancaster, formerly of this town, will write insurance policies in this locality after the first of May for the Northwesters Mutual Life Insurance Co. He will, however, continue his association with the Edison Packing and Sales Co., of Boston,

> A regular convocation of Bancroff Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held on Tuesday evening, April 20, at even o'clock. Work-Royal Arch deree. Lunch.

This Saturday the Strand presents Taylor Holmes in "Nothing but the truth," from Frederic S. Isham's vastly popular novel, and the stage suc cess of the same name. Suppose you had bet \$10,000 to tell for an entire week "Nothing but the truth," and when the only girl asked you if you wanted her for her money alone you had to say "yes." For a week Bob Bennett tried it and ran into more trouble than two mothers-in-law. Big V comedy. News: Sunday, Lillian Walker in "Love hunger," from the novel "Fran." A most interesting and dramatic story of mystery and ro-mance, relieved by some bright comedy. Matince at 3.30.

Petitions for trains from Worceste to Nashua, arriving here about one o'clock and returning from Nashua to Worcester, arriving here about 8.30 in the evening are being circulated in the different towns between these points Signatures are what count, so interest yourself and sign if you would like to ave these trains again.

Mrs. Alice Mead, of Washington street, has received passports for herself and niece, Miss Ruth Huntington to visit France, and has engaged passage on the Adriatic for July 3. Practically all the stores in town

will be closed all day on Monday. On Monday morning Stephen Gadrin of Pepperell and Tony Yosuse of the same place, were in court as the result of a party the preceding day. their children to seek an education in It appeared from the testimony that of cider on River street in Pepperel and consumed it. The result was a very effective jag, Stephen and Tony appearing on the street in that condition and using such language that the were taken into custody. The cour found them both guilty of drunkennes and imposed fines of ten dollars apiec Tony was also found guilty of disturb ing the peace and was assessed to

dollars additional on that count. Mrs. George E. Wood, of Littleton, has been visiting Mr. Wood's uncle, lames M. Boutwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stone, of Walham, have been visiting Mr. Stone's rother, Elisha D. Stone. Anthony R. Corey has been enter

cousin, Morris Labnon, of Berlin, N. H. Mrs. James E. Profit, of Bridgeport,

onn., spent the week-end here with er husband. Mrs. Robert F. Murphy is visiting sister, Mrs. Edwin H. Burkhardt

n Holyoke. ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Chinese are very fond of an extraordinary dish called "milhi," which s made of live new-born mice dipped

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-al-aw, next of kin and all other persons interested in the es-tate of BYRON H. LAWS late of Town-send in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument pur-porting.

tate of BYRON H. LAWS late of Townsond in said County, deceased.
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by CHARLES A. LAWS who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of May 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 said petitioner is hereby directed to give public netice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire.

Ourt. Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire First Judge of said Court, this fift day of Avril in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Draper has returned

home from the Waltham hospital. Harry S. Bray left Wednesday noon brief visit in Whitefield, N. H., his former home.

The regular meeting of the Unitarian Girls' club will be held with Mrs. Stella Farnsworth on Wednes-day evening, April 21. Mrs. Farnsworth and Mrs. Beverly will be the

The Grange worked the first and second degrees last Wednesday evening on a class of twenty-three candidates. The men's degree team did particularly fine work. A number of visitors were present. The spelling match was postponed indefinitely.

George S. Boutwell W. R. C. held a whist party in Hardy's hall last evening which was most enjoyable. There were seventeen tables. The hall was decorated with the American flag. With a score of 92 Shirley bore home the honors. The successful players were Mrs. Charles McDevitt, Mrs. Charles Stebbins, Miss Agnes Holden and G. Stanley Wells. The ladies were awarded sweet grass baskets and the men received packs of playing cards. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Dykes and Mrs. Philip A. Graves, who scored 36, were consoled with lemons and candy kisses. Ice cream and cake were served.

were served. William H. Clay, who has been in Salem for a few days, has returned to his duties at the store of the C. R.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Beverly

The fire department answered a still alarm for a chimney fire at the home of George Crawford on Wednesday

At the meeting of the registrars of voters on Thursday evening the following new names were added to the burg, accompanied by Francis L. Page, voting list: Julius Greenburg, Arthur, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. W. Nutting, Edison K. Ould, John T. Scully.

The shed which has stood at the corner of Park street and the state road to Fitchburg, and which was located there by James Pirone to be used as a gasoline and oil station, was burned to the ground about two o'clock friday morning. The shed was practicully empty and the loss will not be very heavy. The cause of the fire is unknown at present.

The twelfth annual concert of the Ayer High school will be held on Friday evening, April 23, at eight o'clock. They will be assisted by Americo Sardella, tenor, and Roselth Knapp Breed, reader.

John H. Parke, Pleasant street, was operated upon at his home Thursday morning by Dr. Quimby, of Boston, a specialist, assisted by Dr. Bulkeley. Work was started the first of the

week on the foundation for Dr. Priest's new house on Washington street. Mrs. Arthur D. Stroud and children. of Hudson, are at the home of Mrs. Stroud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam-uel J. Andrew.

William Leahy, of Forge Village was in town last Sunday.

Philip J. Livingston, of Boston, was at home for the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Andrew

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Burrill and Miss Mary B. Johnson attended the session of the New England confer-ence, Sunday, in Boston.

Last week Friday afternoon Donald Martin, young son of Kimball W. Martin, of Washington street, was the vic-tim of an accidental shooting. He and John Webb, son of Herbert J. Webb, were playing with an air rifle, which was accidentally discharged. The shot a dangerous wound, which threatened the sight of the eye. The boy was taken to St. Joseph's hospital in Nashna, where Dr. Nutter, the eye specialist, took charge of the case. It will be some time before he can tell whether he save the boy's injured eye. So far the signs have been favorable.

H. Webster Harrington, who con-*ludes his duties at Dwinell's grocery tore this Saturday, is to take charge f E. E. Gray's store in Leominster. He will serve two weeks at the local E. E. Gray store in order to learn the company's methods of business. Alred Oikle will take Mr. Harrington's place at Dwinell's.

Rev. John R. Chaffee has been apdinted to the pastorate of the First Methodist church in Jamaica Plain. He will conduct his first service there on Sunday. He will move his household goods next Tuesday. Before receiving his appointment to Ayer Mr. haffee was pastor of the First Meth-dist church in Dorchester. Mr. Chaf-

ng that time he has made many riends, not only among his own peoe, but among the people of the other hurches in town. His own church has gained in strength and memberduring his pastorate. His new harge is a growing parish affording him a larger opportunity for service his chosen field.

Dr. F. H. Gathercole attended the narterly meeting of the Massachu tts Society of Optometrists. A series flectures were delivered by four New York men whose services had beer especially secured for the convention.

An indoor picnic will be held in the vestry of the Unitarian church this Friday afternoon from four to eight. For the children and all others who have not lost the play instinct there will be provided means of merry mak-Sec-saws, shoot-the-chutes, a shooting gallery, a picture gallery, a ortune telling booth, and other simar devices will be, in operation. Picnic lunches will be sold so that those who wish may remain for the evening's performance. Ice cream, tonics and "hot dogs" will be on sale during the afternoon. At eight o'clock two short plays, and vaudeville will be given, erturing local talent both professional

and amateur. national conventions.

The citizenship class met Thursday Elections, primaries and the early history of the United States government were studied. The work is becoming very interesting and enjoyable.

The regular visits of the thrift chali man to the schools was resumed this week and Happy Jack has been made quite happy with the sale of thirty thrift stamps and three war stamps The two months' recess in the work was occasioned by the illness of the chairman and the very bad traveling.

The regular program for men at the army Y. M. C. A. will be held as usual next Sunday afternoon from 2.30 to four o'clock. There will be interesting music. The address by Secretary Dimock will be on the subject, "America on trial."

The entertainment for the K. of C. ball to be given in the town hall on Tuesday evening, April 27, is expected o be one of the best if not the best eyer given in a local hall. One of New England's leading concert tenors has been engaged and it is expected that feature the program, following her appearance in Boston on April 20. The to a very pleasant evening.

It is neighborhood day in the Woman's club next Wednesday afternoon The business meeting will be at 2.30 o'clock sharp. Members are requested to be early in attendance as there will be business of importance before the entertainment. Barton Pogue of Boston will speak on "James Whitcomb Riley." It promises to be a program of much interest.

John Traquair arrived home Saturday evening from a stay of severa weeks in Chillicothe, Ohio.

George W. Homer, the feweler, is out with a National Six touring car:

The attention of subscribers is call ed to the fact that the price of this Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Beyerly ed to the lact that the pitce of this returned home on Wednesday after a stay of a little more than two months in Florida.

The fire department answered a still of everything connected with the public of the lact that the pitce of the lact that lishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

William H. Clay, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, Sergt. Pomeroy Edwards, of George Crawford on Wednesday night. The fire burned into the partitions around the chimney and caused a loss estimated at between \$50 and \$75. It is understood that a clock stood near the chimney and that the heat caused one of the weights to drop. This noise aroused the family, who upon investigation discovered the fire.

At the mostling of the registrars of burg, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Frederick E. Small, of Fitch-William H. Craig. Gorham K. Brooks has been enter

taining his brothers, Lemuel and Harding Brooks, Jr., of Ashby. The Army Y. M. C. A. building has been newly painted outside the past

Vesta Rebekah lodge will initiate : class of fourteen candidates on Wed-nesday evening. Supper will be served and the district deputy president and suite of Leominster will be present.

The whist party given by Ward Sev en last Saturday evening in the Odd Fellows lodge room netted eight dolars, which will go toward new regalia for Ward Eight. The prizes were won as follows: Ladies, 1st prize, box writing paper, Mrs. Henry W. Waterman; 2d, loaf sugar holder, Mrs. Philip A. Groves; consolation, aluminum salt and pepper set, Mrs. Lester G. Corthell: men's, 1st, pack cards, Alfred Yates; 2d, box Edgeworth tobacco, Henry W. Waterman; consolation, bachelor's buttons, well wrapped. Home-made candy was served.

Miss Edna Charlton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Charlton, is ill with influenza.

Leon Van Vleit, who was well known in town, died this week of heart disease. Mr. Van Vleit was a noted 'cellist and was well known here, having appeared in a number of concerts.
The functal was held on Friday morning at his late home at 72 Westland avenue, Boston.

The cottage house on Bligh street, formerly owned by Harlow & Parsons, and later owned by Fernanti Pasquale, was sold on Tuesday to John McDowell of this town. The sale was made by James Pirone.

Alpheus N. Trull, of Lowell, died last Saturday at the age of seventy-two years. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Trull was the fathof Mrs. Thomas Kittredge, East er of Mrs. Main street.

H. J. Webb is greatly improving the appearance of his two houses on grading the lawn about them and is making preparations to build a side-

Mrs. Eli W. Carley left on Thursday noon for a stay of several months with her son, Dr. Arthur Carley, in Dayton, Ohio. On Tuesday evening Mrs. Carley was tendered a surprise and farewell party at the home of Mrs. Livingston by members of the Current Events club and friends. Mrs. Carley was presented with a fine leather traveling bag as a souvenir of the occasion The evening was spent with music and

rames, and refreshments were served. The fire department was called out brush and grass near the remount station. The fire probably started from fires left by the section hands of the railroad. e began his pastorate in the Feder-ted church here two years ago. Dus-The extent of the fire was

slight, The morning subject at the Baptist church on Sunday will be "The Good Samaritan." Sunday school at noon. Preaching at seven in the evening subject. "Our hope in the crisis of B. Y. P. U. on Tuesday evening at 7.30. Prayer meeting on Thursday vening at 7.30.

James H. Fifield and Anna B. Wilcox, both of Nashua, were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage on April 15, Rev. James T. Rider, Jr., oficiating.

James T. Rider, Sr., of Havre De Grace, Md., has been visiting the Bap-tist pastor for the past week. Other Ayer matter on pages 4 and 6

Mrs. Charlotte Hall passed away last Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry A. Bixby, on East Main street. Bright's disease was the immediate cause of her death, but Mrs. Hall had been in poor health for a number of years and had been con-fined to her home as an invalid for the last few years. Her age was 78 years,

months and 25 days.

Mrs. Hall was born in Newtown, Wales, on March 15, 1841. She passed her girlhood in her native place. Up-The primaries will be held in the town hall Tuesday, April 27, from four to 6.30 p. m., for those who wish to vote for the election of candidates of political parties for delegates to the ernment as postmaster. Soon after Mr. Hall's death, which occurred thirafternoon with Mrs. Mary B. Johnson. teen years ago, Mrs. Hall came to Ayer to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Henry A. Bixby.

course during the years she resided in Ayer. To those whose privilege it was to know her in her home she present-ed a noble example of patience and trust in the midst of much suffering So constantly were her thoughts for others and so busy were her hands in kind services to others, that she seemed to be oblivious to her own lot. For many years a Unitarian in faith, she found peace for her soul in the reverent and trustful atmosphere of her church. Although her infirmity deenuren. Annough her infirmity de-prived her of the privilege of attend-ing the services of the church in Ayer, she was a devoted member of the church and of the Ayer Branch Alliance. Her loving loyalty to both was expressed by generous gifts and by the

work of her hands.

Mrs. Hall is survived by a son, William H. Hall, of Chelmsford, and two daughters, Mrs. F. W. Park, of South a New York prima donna will also Chelmsford, and Mrs. Henry A. Bixby

of Ayer. . The funeral took place at Mrs sale, of tickets is approaching the Hall's late home on Tuesday afternoor limit set for sale and everything points at 1.30. The floral tributes of fond respect were many and beautiful. The flowers, enfolding the casket, typified the fondness with which the deceased was surrounded in her lifetime. Rev. Frank B. Crandall, minister of the First Unitarian Parish church, offici-

Immediately after the service the relatives left with the body for North Chelmsford, where the interment took place in the Hall lot in the Riverside cemetery. Mr. Crandall read the committal service.

The bearers were Harry and Edgar Parkhurst and Joseph Warren, of

Chelmsford, and Stanley Crysler, George Goodchild and Sherwood Cogins, of Lowell.

Pierre Authier, formerly a resident of Ayer, died at the home of his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Authler, in Webster, Sunday morning... He had. suffered the weakening effects of tub-, erculosis for a number of years and finally succumbed to its attack. Mr. Authler was forty-one years of age. He was formerly employed by the Boston and Maine railroad in the accounting department at north station, Boston. He and his family occupied the Farnsworth house on Pleasant street, lately the home of Fred A. Farnsworth From Ayer the family moved to Lit-tleton and thence to Shirley. For some time Mr. Authier has been unable to work and has been engaged in a brave

struggle to regain his health.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bertha Authier, a daughter Helen, who has been making her home with her uncle, Herbert Farnsworth, two stepsons. Reginald and Allan MacDonnell two brothers, George and Henry Authier, a sister, Mrs. George Brunelle

and his parents.

The funeral and burial took place Tuesday in Webster, Mr. and Mrs Herbert L. Farnsworth and Miss Heler Authier were present from Ayer.

Older Boys' Conference,

On Saturday, April 24, an older boys conference will be held in Ayer for boys of high school age and adults from Ayer, Boxboro, Concord, Concord Junction, Forge Village, Granite ville, Groton, Harvard, Lancaster, Lit-tleton, Lunenburg, Maynard, Pepperell, Shirley, South Acton, Townsend, Townsend Harbor, Still River, West Acton. West Groton and West Townsend. The conference is undertaken jointly by the churches of these towns and the state Y. M. C. A. The purpose of the conference is to awaken in the boys from this district a sense of their several responsibilities to the home, the school, and to the church.

The parish committee of the First Unitarian Parish church have given the use of the building to the conference. The morning and afternoon sessions will be held in the church. The Ayer Branch Alliance and Girls' club of the church will serve the dinner in

The program follows: Unitarian Church

Unitarian Church

9.39 Registration
10.00 Devotional period
Rev. A. V. Dimock

10.15 "The meaning of the conference"
G. R. Merriam, Boston
10.45 Papers by older boys:
Theme—"An older boy's responsibility"
To the Church Roger Johnson
To his Home Lawrence Kennison
To his School Ralph Richardson
Blackboard Discussion
Led by Mr. Merriam
11.45 "The older boy in the church"
Rev. A. J. Gammack, Fitchburg
12.30 Dinner
Menu—Chicken patties, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, pickles, ice cream, cake, coffee, cocoa
Army Y. M. C. A.

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To Adult leaders' conference
Led by H. W. Gibson

State Boys' Secretary Y. M. C. A.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island

To "From the manger to the cross

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Unitarian Church

Les Devotional period

Rev. A. V. Dimock

Business

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Resolutions
Address—"A call to live"
H. W. Gibson
Adjournment

Unitarian Church.

Sunday service: 10.45, regular fices and sermon. Offertory solo, hear thy voice," Lang, Mrs. Sargen hear thy voice, Daub, William the Preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the minister. Subject, "The hireling

Ilppings.

The following clipping has been re ricelved from a Los Angeles, Cal., paper:
"State Forester G. W. Homans and col. Edward Fletcher of this city were niured in an automobile accident into this afternoon (April 2) on the Bernande-Escondido highway, when Col. Fletcher's car crashed into another nachine.
"P. G. Reddington, United States

orester, the third occupant of the car, scaped serious injury. The cause of the accident was re ported to have been the sudden ap-

pearance of a machine which turned into the main highway from a side was announced that Homans had a broken pelvis bone and that his spine was injured. He was taken to a

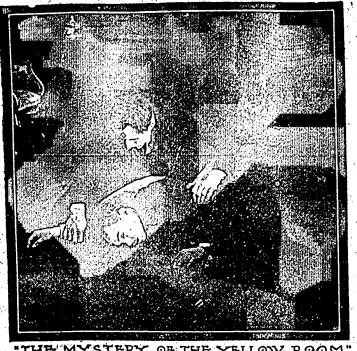
hospital at Escondido suffering intense pain.
"Fletcher was brought to a hospital here. He has a compound fracture of his right leg and several wounds on his

head and body.
"Fletcher, who has been active in plans for reforestation of state lands had been taking Homans, Reddington Danaher and Mayor Connell of Al ouquerque, N. M., on a trip through san Diego county, where it is intended to plant many trees on spaces that are new denuded."

Col. Fletcher is well known in Ayer and Littleton. Mrs. Fletcher was Mary Bachelder of Ayer. The following clipping was taken

Owing to her ill health, Mrs. Hall back from France with any form of the colors of the Camp Fire Girls, tord, hot water front. F. H. GATHER was deprived of much social inter-

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Sunday, April 18—LILLIAN WALKER in "Love Hunger." Matinee at 3:30 P. M.

Monday, April 19-TOM MIX in "The Feud." Keystone Comedy. Wednesday, April 21—CORINNE GRIFFITH in "Deadline at Eleven." Century Comedy. Current Events. Thursday, April 22-HARRY CAREY in "Overland Red." Big V

Comedy, Friday, April 23-EUGENE O'BRIEN in "The Broken Melody." Vitagraph Comedy. Two-reel Western Drama: Saturday, April 24 MADGE KENNEDY in "The Blooming Angel."

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so is vying with his associates in bonus proposals. If it were not for political rivalries there would be no bonus proposals. rivalries there would be no bonus Fox, Mrs. George L. Osgood and Mrs. fegislation. Neither party dares to let William H. Reynolds. The success of the other one get ahead of it. No man the party was due in great measure in office dares to leave a more generous proposal open to the fellow who may be his opponent next November 1. Reynolds. The success of the party was due in great measure to the management of Mrs. Lucius C.

caps, or in monetary payments, or-better still in both—can be too much

suit the Herald.

But the country is in no shape to stand the bonus now. It can not issue another block of bonds without seriously impairing the weakened status party by outsiders. of existing issues. As for new taxes, the whole community is groaning through the high cost of living-under existing schedules. It may be good fun to wring the pocketbooks of the rich, but when the public at large comes to pay for transportation and apartments and countless services which represent investment, it has to old for a share in resources already depleted.

Stop the bonus! Write to your sonator and representative that this is no time for him to vote for it. Public burdens are everywhere sufficiently heavy as they are now. Give us a little time to catch up.—Editorial.

Dance.

. The local troop of Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls held a successful dancing party at the Soldiers' club on from the Boston Herald of Tuesday, last Saturday evening. The hall was attractively decorated with the colors Owing to her ill health, Mrs. Hall back from France with any form of the scouts, red and white, and with back from France with any form of the colors of the Camp Fire Girls, was deprived of much social inter-

dered with a low fence with artificial tulips entwined and with Easter lilies at the ends.

About eighty couples attended. Many of the parents of the young peo-But efforts in this direction do not appeal to the politician. There are not enough votes in it. He wants to win favor with the larger number, and were fancy caps, tillp wands with con-

> masters. Mrs. Fairchild took charge of the situation in the half and by her tact forestalled any intrusion into the

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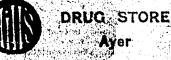
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Article 2. To receive and hear the report of the committee appointed a the last annual town meeting to con-sider and report on the salaries of the town officers, and the consolidation of the several town offices. The report of the committee is as follows:

The committee appointed by the moderator under article 12, of the warrant for the annual meeting "to warrant for the annual meeting consider the salaries and a consolida-tion of town officials and report a some future meeting in not more than three months" respectfully submits following report:

Article 12 was as follows: "To fix the salary of the town officers, or take any action thereon." Under this ar-ticle the salary of the collector of taxes was raised from \$250 to \$500 and the remainder of the article was referred to a committee of three voters; not paid town officials, to be

appointed by the moderator.
We have construed the vote as affecting the following town officers: Town clerk, selectmen, overseers of the poor, assessors, town treasurer, auditors, registrars of voters and election officers. We have not included the collector of taxes because the town by vote has already fixed his salary; nor the water commissioners because it has not been customary to consider this article as applicable to them; nor officials who are now un-

we divide the report into two heads, to wit: 1. Salaries. 2. Consolidation

Taking up the matter of salaries first, there are some general considerations applicable to all town offices which ought to be kept in mind in passing upon it. The town system of government has been the special pride of New England from the beginning. The town meeting is the nearest approach to a pure democracy that exists in modern times. The holding of a town office was considered not only an honor but a duty by our ancestors, and penalties were imposed for failto accept an office to which one ure to accept an office to which one had been duly elected. It may safely be said that town officers in small towns are seldom paid adequate compensation for the services they are required by law to perform if the compensation paid in private employment for work requiring similar knowledge and time be taken as a criterion. Men differing widely in capacity are elected and each brings to the office a desire to devote his whole knowledge to the performance of his official duties. In public as in private employment, some men are worth more than others but in public employment the compensation must be fixed for the office rather

The public, like every other employer, must recognize changes in condi-tions. The present salaries were fixed in most instances many years ago and it has been customary each year to vote the same salaries as the preceding year with little or no discussion. But the amount of town business has greatly increased, more time is requir-ed for town work and more money expended. And, above all, the pur-chasing power of the dollar has so diminished that the salaries have been in effect-reduced nearly 50%.

In view of all these considerations

we recommend the following salaries: 1. Town clerk, \$100. This is in addition to the fees provided by law-for various services and his salary as registrar of voters. This is an increase of \$60. 2. Selectmen, \$200 each so long as

a separate board of overseers of the

poor is elected.
3. Overseers of the poor, \$50 each These two boards in Ayer almost always are identical in membership. The present salary is \$125, not divided. It is our intention that the salary of each member of the joint board should the separation being for statistical purposes.

statistical purposes.

4. Town treasurer, \$400. This is an increase of \$100.

5. Assessors. Chapter 135 of the General Acts of 1919 is as follows
"Section ninety-nine of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine is hereby amended by striking out the word 'two,' in the second line, and substituting the word-three-so as to read as follows: Section 99. Each assessor shall be paid by his city or town three dollars and fifty cents a day for every whole day in which he is employed in that service, and such additional compensation as the city town shall allow. (Approved April

The effect of this statute is to give the assessors \$3.50 per day which the town cannot interfere with. We have no information as to the number of days the assessors are employed and consequently do not know what their statutory compensation amounts to. In the absence of such information we can make no recommendation for additional compensation. It has been customary for a good many years for the assessors to receive the same sal ary as the selectmen and, so far as we are aware, they have never been paid by the day.

6. Auditors, \$25. This is an increase of \$15. 7. Registrars of voters, \$50. This

is an increase of \$30.

8. Election officers, \$5 per day This is the same as had been paid for many years until the last election or two when \$10 was paid. We believe

that \$5 is enough for the work. Consolidation of Offices

Under Chapter 248 of the General Acts of 1919, a special commission of three persons was appointed by the governor to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns. This commission has filed its report, recommending certain changes in the law, which report is before the legislature. Among other things it deals with the consoli-

dation of town offices.
In our opinion, it would be wiser for legislature than to act now, because summer. During Mr. Long's pastorate town to await the action of the the power to effect consolidation is likely to be increased. At the present time very little in the way of such consolidation can be done by direct vote of the town. Some practical concolidation may be done indirectly by electing the same person to several but that is a matter for the voters as individuals and not as a

It is now, however, within the power of the town, upon the passing of cer-

1. Appoint the town treasurer collector of taxes, instead of electing a collector of taxes. 2. Have the selectmen act as over-

burg, gave a very interesting talk on Keefe, Irene M. F. McGuire, Ruth W. week-end her work overseas in connection with Morse, Charles H. Reynolds, George ua Gray.

partments as it may determine,

part of the matter referred to us. think it would be well if the selectmen would print in the next annual report any changes in the law permitting increased consolidation which may be made by the present legislature, together with any recommendations they may see fit to make, and insert an appropriate article in the warrant for

the next annual town meeting.

John M. Maloney,
Lyman K. Clark, Thomas F. Mullin.

April 13, 1920.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vot discontinue all town ways within the present boundaries of Camp Dev-

Art. 4. To see if the town will a cept Chapter 240 of the Acts of 1920, entitled "An Act to permit, under pubsports and games on the Lord's day.'
The Act reads as follows:

Section 1. In cities and towns which accept the provisions of this act it shall be lawful to take part in or it witness any amateur athletic outdoor sport or game on the Lord's day between the hours of two and six in the afternoon as hereinatter provided.

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Sec. 2. Said sports or games shall take place on such public playgrounds, parks or other places as may be designated for that purpose in a permit or council in cities or by the selectmen in towns: provided, that if under any statute or ordinance a public playground or park is placed under the exculsive charge and authority of any other officials, said officials shall, as to such playground or park, be the licensing authority; and provided, further, that no sport or game shall be permitted in a place, other than a public playground or park, within one thousand feet of any regular place of worship.

Sec. 3. Such sports or games shall be

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Sec. 3. Such sports or games shall be conducted subject to such regulations and restrictions as shall be prescribed by the mayor and city council in cities and by the selectmen in towns, and the same shall be stated in said license or permit.

permit.

Sec. 4. This act shall not be construed to prohibit participation at other hours on the Lord's day in other outdoor exercise not involving the element of contest, nor shall it be construed to permit horse racing, automobile racing, boxing or hunting with firearms.

Sec. 5. No admission fee shall be charged directly or indirectly and no business or other enterprise or collection shall be conducted at any such sports or games.

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Sec. 6. The respective authorities described in section one may at any time and without previous notice revoke permits to conduct such sports or games if they have reason to believe that any provision of this act, or any regulation or restriction prescribed under section three Is being or will be violated.

Sec. 7. For the purposes of this act an "amateur" sport or game is defined to be one in which the contestants do not receive and have not been promised any pecuniary reward, remuneration consideration whatsoever, directly or indirectly in connection therewith.

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Sec. S. This act shall take effect for the current year in any city upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council or body exercising similar powers, and upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters of any city voting thereon at the municipal election in the current year, or in any subsequent year, it shall take permanent effect in such city. It shall take effect in any town upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon in an annual or special town meeting, and the selectmen of a town shall, upon the petition of not less than ten percent of the registered voters thereof, call a special town meeting for the purpose of voting upon such acceptanca

Sec. 9. In any city or town the voters of which have accepted this act as above provided, the act shall again be submitted to the voters at the municipal election held in any year subsequent to the year in which the act was accepted as aforesaid, provided that a petition to that effect, signed by not less than ten percent of the voters, is filed with the city or town clerk not less than thirty days before the election. If, upon such resubmission a majority of the voters voting thereon vote against the act, it shall cease to have effect in that city or town until reaccepted by the voters as provided in section eight.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money in addition to that appropriated at the last annual town meeting for the police department.

TOWNSEND

Center. church will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon in the pas-tor's room, and at six o'clock a supper was served in the vestry to the members and their families. In the even ing a free social and community sing was held in the vestries.

The Girls' Glee club of the high school will present the operatta, "The feast of the red corn," in Memorial hall on Friday evening, April 23. Those in the cast include Helen Tarbell, Sadie Moulton, Mildred Stearns, Irene McGuire, Louise Drake, Bernic D. Bachelder: Dorothy Bliss, Edna Bush, Annie Dudley, Marjorie Hesel ton, Lucie Reynolds, Nancy Richards, Ruth Russell, Emma Arlin, Alice Barnes, Cora Farrar, Ruth Morse, Doris Kenney, Ruth Stearns, chorus; Beatrice Arlin, Florence Higgins, Mamie Johnson, Marie McMaster, Gertrude Meade, Beatrice Nelson, Lillian Swicker, dancers; music, orches Tickets will go on sale at A. B. Wyman's store on Tuesday afternoon April 20, at two o'clock. A social

hour will follow the operatta. It is expected that the new Meth odist minister will be in town and occupy the pulpit on Sunday morning

April 18. The Dorcas class of the Methodis church held their regular meeting this week with Mrs. Rachel Birch. After he business meeting a social hour was enjoyed and a dainty lunch served by the hostess. The members sent a shower of message postcards to Mrs. Hattie Misner, one of their members,

who is ill. It was regretted that Rev. John O. Long, pastor of the Methodist church and student at the Boston university was unable to occupy his pulpit Sun day morning on account of being ill. He was to have preached his farewell sermon, as he expected to leave Bos on this week for his western home in Illinois, where he plans to spend the he has gained many friends in town

who express much sympathy for him in his illness and wish him Godspeed in his future pastoral work. In his absence the Methodist congregation worshipped with the Congregationalists at the morning and evening services. At the evening service Rev. A L. Struthers preached on "The Sunday evenings in Christ's life." Mellaphone

elections were rendered by John J

Piper during both services. T. Turner Goodwin attended the Methodist conference held in Boston The members of the Monday club seers of the poor, instead of electing Tenney's, when Mrs. Ewing, of Lunen-burg, gave a very interesting talk on

clerk of such officers, boards and de- Red Cross relief during the late war S. Shepherd, Ruth E. Stearns, Carey it may determine.
In the country of Roumania. She dethere is merit in the scribed the condition and customs of suggestion that the town business the Roumanians in a very vivid manshould be more concentrated than it is at present, but on account of pending ery and handlwork of the peasant legislation we do not recommend any turther action at this time on that followed during which refreshments were served by the hostess.

> At the Grange meeting on Monday evening the first and second degrees were conferred upon a class of seven candidates. The first degree was conferred by the regular officers and the second by the men's degree team, with Wiley Swinington as master.

The Parent-Teacher association held their regular meeting in the high school room on Tuesday evening, when Mrs, Julia S. Balley, the drawing su-pervisor, spoke on "War artists," espe-cially the English, French and Canadian artists, and of the valuable knowledge derived during the war and since the war from pictures por-traying scenes and battlefields. Interesting pictures were shown by Mrs Bailey during her talk, which she desports and games on the Lord's day." ert Copeland rendered vocal bass solos with Mrs. Copeland as piano accompanist, and Frank B. Higgins gave a gratifying report of the play recently given for the benefit of the association, and he also presented the net proceeds check. A vote of thanks was given the teachers and all others who in any way assisted in making the enertainment so successful.

The dental clinic opened on Tues day at the Center school building, in what was formerly the dinner room, which has been furnished with couch, window draperles, wall pic chairs and magazine table in addition to the necessary dental equipment. Dr. E. F. Sullivan and Dr. Saunders of the Forsythe dental college are in attendance. Dr. Sullivan was in charge of the clinic last summer and gave excellent satisfaction Miss Ella Wilder is clerk and lady assistant. The following committee from the Red Cross auxiliary, Mrs. R. G. Fessenden, T. E. Flarity, Supt. Bacon and Mrs. Frank Miller, have been co-operating with the board of health in establishing the clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilder are r celving congratulations upon the birth of a son on Tuesday, April 13.

Master Roger Bacon is recovering rom an attack of the mumps. Miss Lizzie Whitcomb is entertaining er niece, Pearl Whitcomb, of Newtonville.

J. Lilibridge and family, who hav been living this winter in Cliftondale, have returned to town and at present are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Waite.

Mrs. A. S. Howard, Mrs. A. L. Struthers and Miss Lizzie Whitcomb have been chosen delegates to represent the Congregational church at the spring meeting of the Middlesex Union Association of Churches to be held on Wednesday, April 21, in South Acton.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon topic will be "The do and do

In the lower branch of the state legislature on Monday the committee on water supply unanimously reported in favor of the Townsend water bill. This action of the committee indicates that the legislature will pass the bill in due season.

Dennis Coffey, of Pennsylvania, is enjoying a visit with his family in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dudley and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dudley and their famiies spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. William S. Dudley.

Mrs. Mabel Birch left this week for New York, where she will visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Morgan, of Leominster, spent the week-end at T. T. Goodwin's, Mrs. Morgan remained for few days with her mother, who is ill. Mrs. T. E. Flarity has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Louis Streeter, and family, in Waltham.

Memorial hall was well filled last astic audience that thoroughly enjoyed the three-act drama, "Civil service," which was one of the best ever given in town, and which was finely presentolicited well merited and long applause and the high moral tone of the play is deserving of special mention. Especially pleasing musical selections were rendered between the acts by the Townsend orchestra, who also furnished music for the dancing which folowed. Ice cream was on sale durng the evening. The net proceeds of \$110 was for the benefit of the Parent-Teacher association.

The net proceeds of the recent sale held by the ladies of the Methodist hurch were \$18.50.

At the meeting of the Grange on Monday evening it was voted to conribute \$25 toward the school garden prizes.

Miss Helen Higgins, teacher in Everett, Miss Gertrude Higgins and student friend, Miss Bertha Thompson, of Framingham Normal school, came ome to attend the "Civil service" play last week Friday evening, giver the benefit of the Parent-Teacher association, and remained over Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Higgins. It is of interest to know that Miss Gertrude Higgins was he winner in the try-out for the leading lady's part in the class play, "Eliza comes to stay," to be presented by her class in the school sometime in May. Miss Higgins was one of twelve conestants for the part.

Miss Violet McKenzie, teacher at Passale, N. J., and friend, Milton Ry of Arlington, N. J., have been ing a week with Miss McKenzie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. McKenzie.

Mrs. Etta Rockwood, who has been spending the winter months with her daughter, Mrs. Clara Heselton, has returned to her home at South Brookline.

School Notes. The following is the honor list of

the high school, second half of the winter term: Highest honor list, Alice B. Barnes, Dorothy V. Bliss, Daniel B. Ormsby, Persis Ormsby, Ruth T. Russell, William A. Russell, jr., Harriet R. Shepherd, Mildred E. Stearns. Special honor list: Edna E. Bush, Jane Clark, Helen B. Cook, Wendell B. Cook, Louise Drake, Annie B. Dudley, Cora M. Farrar, Hazel M. Farrar, Eleanor R. Litch, Lucie E. Reynolds, were pleasantly entertained Monday G. Eldon Saunders, Doris T. Tenney afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fred Honor list: Ernest E. Barnes, Ruby L. Elliott, Muriel C. Gilman, David

E. Swinington, George E. Tidd.

Honors for the coming high school graduation were recently announced as follows: Valediction, Miss Mildred E. Stearns, salutatorian, Miss Dorothy ing, were held at his late home on Main V. Bliss. Among the remaining memers of the graduation class, Miss Alice B. Barnes and Miss Annie B. Dudley were respectively third and fourth in scholastic standing. For the elective parts, the class chose, Miss Emma B. , Miss Edna E. Bush and Miss Ruth E. Stearns.

Baseball schedule, high school, sea son of 1920: April 19, Lowell H. S. at Lowell; April 24, Pepperell H. S. at Pepperell; May 1, Ayer H. S. at Townsend; May 8, open; May 15, Fitchburg H. S. 2d at Townsend; May 19, Groton School 2d at Groton; May 22, Pepperell H. S. at Townsend; May 29, Ayer H. S. at Ayer; June 5, Groton H. S. at Groton; June 12, Fitchburg H. S. 2d at Fitchburg: June 19, Groton H. S. at Cownsend (pending); June 26, open.

The high and grade schools will enjoy Patriot's day, April 19, as a holi-day and also a vacation season from Friday, April 23 to Monday, May 3.

Miss Bertha Boynton left Thursday for a few weeks' visit to relatives in Lowell.

Miss Martha Jones of Mason, N. H., is spending a few weeks at the Squan nacook Inn. Donald Pierce, who has been stop-

ping for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wise, has returned to his nome in Brookline. Miss Eva Sawlor left Friday after-

noon for a brief visit with friends in Boston and vicinity. Charles Stickney of Nashua has been stopping for a few days with his sister, Mrs. Ivers P. Sherwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott, who have been assisting at the town farm this winter, during the illness of Mrs. Davis, have returned to their home on Bridge street.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Whist club, which was to be held at the reading-room Thursday afternoon, was omitted on account of the death of Ivers P. Sherwin as a mark of respect to the several members of his family who belonged to that organization.

Daniel Ormsby has been on the sick list at his home here this week.

Mrs. Katherine Foley, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Fitchburg, has returned to her tene nent in the house occupied by Roy Brown and family.

Little William Arthur Boutwell, ir., the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boutwell, is very ill with rheumatic trouble since his return from Burbank where he was under treatment for several weeks for a mastold

Mrs. Daniel Coffey has been assist-ing at the home of Mrs. Annie Fessenden at the Center this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Glazier, who with her sister, Mrs. Clara Perkins, has been spending the winter in Fitchburg, was at her home, last Saturday, making preparations for their return to the village in the near future, as soon as Mrs. Perkins is discharged from the Burbank hospital, where she has been under treatment for several weeks.

Mrs. Sarah Winship, who is employ ed in this village for a few weeks, spent the week-end at her home in lver.

Nelson Hart, who has been visiting in Nova Scotia for the past week, has returned from his trip and arrived at is home on Monday morning.

Edward Jodery, who is employed at Vose, spent the week-end in Worces-

Mrs. Mary Tucker and family have moved from their home to West Groon, where Mrs. Tucker and her daugher will be employed.

Mrs. Frank Farnsworth is enjoying campbell, of the Center.

The last meeting for the season of he Ladies' Study club was held on Monday evening at eight o'clock in the reading-room with eleven members present. The vice president, Mrs. E. J. Lees, presided over the meeting, and sisted by local talent. The play was the annual election of officers followed well acted and a credit to the dramatic ability of each one taking part and an urer's reports. It was voted that the ionor to F. B. Higgins, Townsend's same board of officers serve the coming season, re-electing Mrs. Alexander duction, and who had a part in the play. After each of the acts the cast treas.; Mrs. Charles Hodgman, Mrs. Herman L. Stickney, Mrs. E. J. Lees, program com. The meeting was then turned over to the executive committee, Mrs. Fred A. Patch, Mrs. Charles E. Patch and Mrs. Oscar Lovering, who served ice cream and cake and salted nuts. One of James Whitcomb Riley's unpublished poems was read by Alice Seaver and a social hour was ley for the past three years and have enjoyed and the party adjourned at an early hour until the afternoon of the life of the town.

second Monday in October. The Ladies' Liberal Aid society held their regular monthly meeting on sday afternoon at the home of

Mrs. Martha Adams. Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway was called to Ashby on Monday by the death of her little granddaughter, Nellie Hardy, aged eight years, who died of influenza, and a little son in the family is still seriously ill with the same

Clarence Jodery, who has been oarding at the home of Mrs. Mary Robbins, has gone to Peterboro, where

no will be employed. Mrs. Wilbur Scales, who with her husband are stopping for the present at Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scales, visited relatives in Shirley last week, and Miss Josie Warner from Pepperell has been a recent visitor at the Scales home.

Mrs. Mary Davis, who has been with ner brother, Augustus Bruce, through he winter, is boarding at the home o Mrs. Martha Hildreth at the Center. Alice Seaver was in charge of the brary work at the reading-room on

Saturday afternoon and evening. A large number from here attended the play, "Civil service," given at Memorial hall at the Center Friday vening for the benefit of the Parent reachers' association and report excellent work on the part of the performers and a good time in general. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pratt and son from Leominster have been recent vis-

tors at the home of Mrs. Ellen Pratt. W. A. Boutwell's store was closed from two until four on Saturday afernoon during the funeral services of Ivers P. Sherwin, as a tribute of repect to the former owner,

H., who has been spending the winter in Florida, is stopping for the present

week-end with his mother, Mrs. Josh- music.

Oblinary.

The funeral services of Ivers P Sherwin, who passed away Thursday morning of last week of acute Bright's disease, after three months of suffero'clock, and were attended by a large gathering of relatives, friends and neighbors, and a delegation from the North Star lodge, I. O. O. F., from the Center, and representatives from the Masonic lodge from Ayer were also in attendance. The service was conducted by Rev. Joseph McKean of the Baptist church, and two solos, "Face to face," and "I know that my redeemer liveth," were beautifully ren-dered by Mrs. Gertrude Jewett of Milford, N. H. The burial was in the West Townsend cemetery and the bearers Were Clarence Sherwin, Alden Sherwin, Dr. R. S. Ely and Charles Donley of this village, and Charles R. Stickney of Nashua, N. H.

Quite a number who were unable to

attend the service at the home joined the funeral party at the cemetery and attended the Oddfellows' commit tal service at the grave, conducted by Chaplain Henry Miller and when the final farewell was taken the body was left lying amid a profusion of most beautiful flowers, which covered not only the new-made grave, but the entire lot, a mute expression of the love and sympathy of many relatives and friends. Among the floral offerings from various organizations was a pedestal of flowers from the Chalmers Ignition company of Flint, Mich. the firm of which he was employed, and pieces from the North Star lodge, I. O. O. F., the Fitchburg Sportsman's club, the Brotherhood, the school children and the whist club. Ivers Parker Sherwin was the oldest

son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Z. Sherwin, and was born in this village, August 11, 1877, and practically his entire life has been passed here, where he has been prominent in the business and social life of the place. He attended the public schools and was a graduate of the high school, class of 95. After carpentering with his father for a time, he went into active business life, buying the brick store on Main street in 1904, where he carried on the business of a general store for hard work, have obtained results far fifteen years, also serving as postmaster most of that time. Two years ago he sold out his business to W. A. Bout-well to enter the employ of the Chaimres Ignition Co., Flint, Mich., provng a popular and successful traveling salesman until ill health, following ar attack of the "flu" last winter, greatly impaired his strength, but his ambition and will power kept him "on the job" until stricken with his fatal illness just after Christmas.

He was taken to Burbank hospital for special treatment, accompanied by his devoted wife and every effort wa nade to save him, but in spite of all that care and devotion could do he lodge of Masons at Ayer, and a mem-ber of the Sportsman club of Fitchburg, being an enthusiastic horseman and automobilist.
In June of 1904 he married Agnes

Stickney, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stickney of this village, two brothers, Clarence and Alden fellowship among its members, fellow Sherwin, and a sister, Mrs. R. S. Ely, workers and the community. all of this village, and the entire family have the deepest sympathy of the community in their bereavement, and he will be sadly missed by a wide cir-cle of friends and acquaintances.

Among those from out of town pres nt at the services were Mr. and Mrs Charles B. Stickney, Una Walker and Mrs. Eaton from Nashua, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Normand and son of Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. White, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Loveland and Mrs. Eva Eaton from Ashby, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Wallace of Cambridge, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pratt from Leominster, Prof. James Vose from Shelbourne Falls, Alvah Levy of Fitchburg, Mrs Mrs. Frank Farnsworth is enjoying visit from her mother, Mrs. Daniel Gertrude Jewett of Milford, N. H., amphell, of the Center. Mrs. Blanche Hatwell of Waltham, Mrs. Alice Stickney of Nashua, N. H., and John Hines of Boston, a representative from the Chalmers Company's Boston office.

News Items Sergt. and Mrs. Coddington and amily moved to Camp Devens on Wednesday, where living quarters were provided for them by ernment. This is in compliance with the recent orders of the war department that all non-commissioned officers must reside permanently at the Consequently, all missioned officers in this locality will reside at Camp Devens as soon as quarters for them are ready. Mr. and Mrs. Coddington have resided in Shirbeen active in the church and civic

David and Josephine Lash entertained about thirty of their school friends at their home on Center road last week Friday evening. Games were played refreshments served and the evening proved one

joyment from start to finish. John Beach left town this week with his wife and son Erwin, who is a stu dent at the Fitchburg high school, to locate at Cooper Mills, Me., where he has bought a large farm of 150 acres of woodland and tillage. Mr. Beach

was formerly an electrical engineer. Miss Madeline Desmond, who has en spending two weeks at her home in town, has returned to her school duties at the Academy of Assumption

Wellesley Hills. A daughter was born on Monday a the Clinton hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Plorce Shurtleff. Mr. and Mrs. Shurtleff have apartments in the Whitaker ouse on Chapel street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rich have rented the house vacated by the John Beach family.

Rev. S. F. Goodheart and family vill move the latter part of this month into the house on Center road pur chased last fall by the Congregational society from Mr. Nickerson. The H M. James family, who now occupy that house, will move into the house which will be vacated by Mr. Goodheart, and vhich has been the Congregational parsonage for the past forty years. The reason for the change is the fact that Mr. Goodheart desires a more restful and quieter location. Mrs. Goodheart, with daughter Esther, sail for England on the Leyland liner Win-nifredian, from Boston, May 8, to visit ier parents, and will return next September.

Mrs. Alice Stickney of Nashua, N. Shirley post, A. L., will hold a dance in Odd Fellows' hall on this week Saturday evening. Ted Wheeler's or Mr. Little from Springfield spont the chestra; of Leominster, will furnish music. The post will also hold an-other dance in Odd Fellows' hall on

Monday evening. Leo Hanon's or-chestra of Fitchburg will furnish the muaic.

George Holden, of Clark road, is seriously ill with bicitis of the left arm. His son Lester is assisting with the chores and general work. Mrs. Percy Gale, of Medford, is

visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Annie Tewksbury.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church parish was held in the church vestry on Monday evening Elmer H. Allen was chosen moderator and Mrs. E. H. Allen, clerk. The following officers were elected: Harding M. James, treas.; Edwin H. Conant. auditor; Elmer H. Allen, Walter Knowles, Roy Birchstead, parish com. Waiter Mrs. Alice L. Wright, Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Martha J. Conant, finance com.; Mrs. Roy Birchstead, Mrs. H. M. James, Mrs. Margaret Brockelman, membership com.; Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. H. W. McCoy, Mrs. William Van Tassell, music com. It was voted to raise the salary of the pastor from \$1200 to \$1500 per year.

Miss Mabel Victoria Gionet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gionet, will be married on Monday at St. Anthony's church to Napoleon J. Rouisse, of Fitchburg. In view of this fact a shower was given Miss Gionet at her home last week Thursday evening. Besides a miscellaneous assortment of gifts Miss Gionet was the recipient of a chest of silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kemp, who have been staying with Mr. Kemp's father at Woodsville, are moving into one of the tenements at the White place in Woodsville, owned by the estate of L. W. Phelps.

The President Suspender Company

Public Band Rehearsal.

band gave a complimentary public re-hearsal in Odd Fellows' hall last Sunday afternoon. It was decidedly a community event, fully 400 of the townspeople being present to enjoy the program which was brim full of inspiring selections. Only six months ago the band was organized with Davis S. Boyden as director, and with the co-operation of the members of the band and by constant application and beyond the expectations of the most critical. It certainly was a big surprise to the large audience present who was responsive and appreciative to the several numbers rendered which varied from the popular to the classical.

Miss Mildred Archibald was in charge of the ushers, who comprised Misses Minnie Stanton, Mary Mat-thews, Ceclia Hodgman, Hazel Dinsmore. Elaine Love and Flora Shepard, all employees of the President Suspender Company.

The results of Sunday's concert

must have been gratifying to David that care and devotion could do he Lash, general manager of the Presisuccumbed to the fatal disease in dent Suspender Company, who original about two months after his return to nated the idea of starting a band from his home. He was a member of the the employees of his company, and North Star lodge, I. O. O. F., St. Paul whose generosity and encouragement has been the real incentive for the band to reach the goal of success. Incidentally it might be well to state that the objects of the band are threefold First, to encourage the study of music among its members; second, to give public and private performances for who with their son Roger survives him. charitable purposes and affairs of a public nature; third, to promote good

Nearly fifty club members and in-vited guests attended the Altrurian club meeting on Thursday of last weel at the home of Mrs. Edwin H. Co nant. This was anniversary day, o the observance of the club's twenty seventh birthday. Miss Howe, the president, presided, and the regular business was disposed of. As has be fore been stated, the club voted to sell their plane, which is now in the school room of the fifth and sixth grades Mrs. Mary W. Hazen and Mrs. Amy C Wheeler are a committee to make dis position of same.

The club members were requested not to forget to pay to the treasurer, Mrs. Weare, or to the treasurer of the ways and means committee, Mrs. Evans, the sum of one dollar toward de fraying expenses for children's day This is in accordance to a vote passed some time ago. It was also voted to omit guest night.

The entertainment was in charge o Miss Lura A. White, assisted by Mrs Conant, and consisted of readings by Miss Beatrice Greene, of Fitchburg and songs by Mrs. Stanley F. White accompanied by Mrs. Lewis Bradford Mrs. Lindenburg, upon request of the president, gave a brief account of thrift work. All stood up while Mrs. Bradford played "Nearer my God to thee," in memoriam of the club members who have passed on to a highe

life. The social committee, Mrs. Wheeler Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Codding ton and Miss White, served refresh ments of sandwiches, coffee, clives, ice cream, cake and candy. All shut-in members were sent ice cream and cake.

The next meeting will be held on April 29, instead of April 22, and Mrs. Feorge Minot Baker, State Feedration president, will speak on federation work. Place of meeting will be an

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CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank all kind friends and neighbors for their assistance and many acts of thoughtfulness at the time of our recent bereavement, and for sympathy shown. MRS. MARY BLOOD and Family.

Pepperell, Mass., April 14, 1920. CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all kind friends and neighbors for their sympathy shown at the time of my recent bereavement, and for the many helpful acts and the flowers sent during the illness and death of my husband. I particularly wish to thank the members of Prescott Grange for the flowers sent during his linness and at the time of the services, and for their kind assistance at that time.

MRS. JENNIE MODONALD. East Pepperell, April 13, 1920,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of JOHN McCARTHY late of Shirley in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intescounty of suddlesse, deceased, interacte, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called, upon debted to said estate are called, upon

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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY E. G. BLOOD 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 HARLAND H. BLOOD of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of April 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 pbblishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayor, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of April in the year one thousand mine hundred and twenty. Littleton, Mass. State Road



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HOLLIS, N. H.

Mrs. Ellen Nichols went to Fitch urg Monday to care or a lady who is

George H. Hardy was in town Suniay from Nashua. Ernest Woodin, who was brought

nome from Nashua ill last week, is

George Burge of Chicago was in own last week, Mr. Burge is a son of town last week, Mr. Burge is a son the late George Burge of Nashua. Frogs were heard recently and the wild ducks are flying over. A large flock of the beautiful evening gross-

beaks have been seen in the center.

Miss Minnie Colburn, who has been spending the winter with her sister in New York, came home last week. Miss Colburn had an operation on her left hand for a form of rheumatism before coming home that somewhat de-layed her coming. The hand is doing finely. Mrs. Chapman, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman,

is assisting her for a time. Fred Coburn of Nashua was a visitor in town Sunday.

Alex Guynanick, of Hollis, who was rraigned in Nashua police court for drunkenness some weeks ago and who told Judge Clancy that he had been drunk for three years all the time and was drunk then and who later was fined in court for neglecting to feed and water his cattle for several days while on a drunk in Nashua, was last week attached by the Hillsborough County Commissioners for \$62 for the oard of his father at the county farm. The commissioners claim that the father was sick in Hollis and that the son represented they had no money. The father was taken to the state hospital at Grasmere at the county ex-pense. He is now in the almshouse here. The commissioners claim that the day before Guynanick claimed to be penniless he deposited \$1000 in Nashua bank.

Miss Helen Worcester returned to the Cambridge Girls' school Monday,

The birthplace of Joseph Worcester the lexicographer, in Bedford, that has been owned by a family named Nichols for a good many years, has been sold to Hudson parties.

Frank Hardy, who has been employed at the Hill hardware store in Nashua, has come here to work for his brother-in-law, Edward Hills.

Word has been received in town of the death at St. Petersburg, Fla., of George E. Melendy, a nephew of the ate Mrs. Alfred Farley of Hollis. His father, George Melendy, was a native of Amherst. Mr. Melendy graduated from Dartmouth in 1885 at the age of 21, studied architecture abroad and was the designer of many artistic buildings in Orange, N. J., where he and his sister, Miss Helen Melendy, who survives him lived. Interment was in the family lot in Amherst.

The members of the W. R. C. who attended the annual encampment of their order in Concord last week pronounce it the best they have ever attended. It was estimated that near ly 300 were in attendance. The six organizations represented there joined Thursday night in the only public function of the encampment in a camp-fire at the auditorium at which he principle speakers were Gov. John H. Bartlett of Portsmouth and Major Frank Knox of Manchester. At the olection of officers of the W. R. C. at the closing session Mrs. Clara M. Smith of Hollis was elected a member

of the executive board. Miss Mildred Rogers, who has been

spending several weeks in Brookline ame home Monday. Rodney T. Hardy with his son Rod-

ney and Mr. Wilson were at the bunalow over Sunday. John Bell of Cambridge, Mass., spen Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs Frank Bell.

Rev and Mrs R M. French and Wilbert P. Farley were chosen as delegates to the 34th annual meeting of the Hillsborough county association of Congregational churches at Derry on April 20.

Mrs. Anna Bell returned last Sat urday from a two weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wilson at Fitch. ourg, Mass.

Miss Grace Hayden from the Critenden home, Boston, has been a

Edward S. Cave has sold his place, known as "The ranch," to Joseph C. Hague of Arlington, Mass., and Herbert R. Tully of Dunstable, Mass. The deed has been passed and they will take possession April 24.

The local branch of the Red Cross nave given \$25 to the Near East fund. The program at the Grange next Tuesday evening will be competitive, competing with the one given at the last meeting. The loosing committee will furnish "eats" at the following

Mrs. Augusta Sweetser was in town or the day Monday.

Miss Annie French, who has been nending the winter with her nephew Rev. R. M. French, and family, went back to her home in Kingston, Mon-Mrs. French accompanied her

David Bean spent Sunday in town ith his son Robert. This was a las fisit for some time as he is going to Albany to work.

William Sanders and family moved nto the Charles Hale place the first f the week.

Raymond F. Lovejoy, radio operator n the U.S.S. Epitacio Pessoa, reached home Friday, April 9, in time to cele-Baltimore, Md.

and generate her own electricity and D., with the introduction by John H. will have the house and barn wired Finley, L.L.D., and "A potent military

Nashua hospital for observation and with the salute to the flag. Tea and cake was served and a social time en-Mrs. Frank Twiss, who has been in niddle of the week, as there was nothing that could be done excepting to nake her comfortable.

Hazel Lovejoy, who suffered a severe getting over it finely.

Willard Franklin Scott is the name of the little boy born to Mr. and Mrs. larence Scott Gladys Wright went home April 1

the has been working for Mrs. Wor-Herbert Cameron of Nashua is a

charles E. Hardy's painting their buildings.

Avalon Rebekah lodge met Monday night. They are rehearing for inpection that takes place soon.

Burton Clement, who has been work ing for the American Optical Com any, Southbridge, in the shipping de

partment, was at home over the week end. Mr. Clement has been ill with tonsilitis at the home of his brother in Medford. He came up to Boston to be examined to have his insurance papers made out. While making the xamination they found a spot on his right lung caused by boing gassed when overseas. He is now at Parker also spoke at the Sunday school and Hill hospital, one of the Peter Bont Brigham government hospitals, for reatment, and they think he will eventually come out all right. He has the best wishes of his many friends in

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Nichols were in town Monday looking after the mprovements that are being made or their house, which is one of Hollis' old estates. This property was originally owned by Col. Samuel Hobart, who was treasurer and register of deeds for Hillsborough county. Having contracted to furnish gunpowder for the state he removed to Exeter. In 1801 the place passed into the hands of Dr. Benoni Cutler and continued in the

possession of his heirs until 1885. Vernon Davis, youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Davis, has been critinal Mrs. Charles Davis, has been critically ill in Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, Md. The child has never been strong and was taken ill while visiting his grandparents. At one time his life was despaired of, but they the trouble in the stomach and he is now at home much improved, and as warm weather comes on it is hoped he will gain rapidly.

Mrs. Elizabeth Russell, who has been spending the winter with her cousin, Dr. Daniel Emerson, and famly, in Lynn, will open her house again on Saturday, April 17.

An interesting meeting of the Woman's club was carried out Wednesday afternoon. It was Mothers' day meeting, Mrs. Willis C. Hardy having it in charge. The program opened with two vocal solos by Mrs. Philip Baker, a lumber song and a cradle song. Mrs. Baker has a very sweet voice and the songs were much enjoyed. This was followed by reading—the first was given by Mrs. Elizabeth Worcester, An experiment in motherhood," by Eleanor Austruthers, "The 'mothers," by Maurice Maeterlink, Miss Eaton, extracts from "Women wanted," by Mabel Potter Daggett, were read by Mrs. French, and Miss Rogers gave a review of some of the chapters of "Man, woman and child," by Minot J. Savage. Miss Mildred Rogers read the "Mother's rainy day," by Flor-E. Hayes. Club tea was served ence E. Hayes. by Mrs. Hardy, Mrs. Flagg, Mrs. Haz-ard and Mrs. Verder.

Socially and financially the church supper last week was a success and the young people who had it in charge are to be congratulated. The tables were loaded with all sorts of good things. The entertainment consisted of a piano solo, Clara Wright; vocal solo, Doris Lovejoy; reading, Carrie Brown; piano duet, Doris and Hazel Lovejoy; college songs by the young people with Mrs. Ladd at the plane. This was followed by games and a social time. They cleared \$17.80.

Five new members were initiated into the local W. R. C. Tuesday afternoon, after which a delicious lunch of rolls, sandwiches, cake, tea and olives was served, under the direction of Mrs. Lelia Pierce and Miss Kate Hurd, and a social time enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clement of Medford, Mass., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clement.

George Ladd went to Lakeport Tues day as his mother is still very ill. All schools in town began Monda; with all the teachers present.

Miss Annabell Young is friends in Hardwick, Vt. Mrs. Walter Stickney is in a hos

Club Contest Winners.

A complete list of state, county and town winners in the boys' and girls' lished and sent out from the head quarters at Durham. Hollis winners were: State winners—Bread making project, Hampah Burton 1st, Roslin Willoby 2d; county winnersmaking project, Hannah Burton 1st Roslin Willoby 2d, Bernice Lovejoy 3d; canning project, Hannah Burton 2d. Alice Burton 3d; home garden project, Audrea Gagnon 2d; pig project, Franklin Worcester 2d, Robert Baker 3d; sewing project, Audrea Gagnon Town winners-Hollis-canning pro ject, Hannah Burton 1st, Alice Burton 2d, Florence Pineo 3d Kathryn Baker 4th, Audrea Gagnon 5th, Marguerite Rule 6th, Irene Farley 7th, Rober Baker 8th, Marion Sanders 9th, Ber nice Lovejoy 10th, Florence Howe 11th home garden project. Audres Gagnon 1st; pig project, Franklin Worcester 1st, Robert Baker 2d, Theodora Jambard 3d; potato project, Chester Lund 1st, Woodbury Bell 2d, Lawrence Reed 3d; sewing project, Audrea Gagnon 1st, Hannah French 2d. Kathryn Baker 3d, sweet corn project, Adeline Gagnon 1st. The young people are to be congratulated on heir interest along these lines and the good record they have made.

Club Meeting.

There was an interesting meeting of the D. A. R. at Mrs. Flora Hardy's Saturday afternoon. Roll call was an swered by present day poems, as follows: "The out-of-doors man," Edgar A. Guest, Miss Eaton; "Ballard of hard luck Henry," Robert M. Service, home Friday, April 9, in time to cetebrate his twenty-first birthday with his
home people. He will be at home for
a time as he hopes to get a situation
on some other boat that will make
shorter trips. He had been away from
home six months on this trip. Easter
Sunday he was the guest of Dr. Lowell
Beed at Jacobs Heart 1, Robert M. Service,
Mrs. Powers: "The scum of the earth,"
Worcester: "Grin," Robert M. Service,
Mrs. Powers: "The scum of the s and his sister, Beryl Reed, at Springfield, Mass.; an article no Americanization—the other side of Mrs. May T. Worcester has installed the case," by John Kerlamer, was Ars. May T. Worcester has instituted in the case, oxtracts from "Behind the case of the ca Finley, L.L.D., and "A potent military pot," The meeting, which was in charge of Mrs. May Worcester, closed joy with music on the Sonora, during the time.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Percy Betterley and wife, from Wor cester, Mass., spent the week-end with Mr. Betterley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Betterley. Ernest Nye, from Sandown, N. H., spent the week-end with his father,

Mrs. Silas Wheeler and family spent Saturday in Milford.

Wills Hughes has returned to the Peck farm in Pepperell to work. He ntends to remain there until late in

Mrs, Ellen Swett, who has been

spending the winter at the home of her brother, George Needham, in Milford, was in town on last Saturday. She intends to return soon for the ummer. 🕚 Mrs. W. B. Mitchell, of Manchester, spoke very finely on Sunday morning at the Congregational church. She

it the evening service her subject was the inter-church movement. Rev. Edward Kelley is attending the Methodist conference in Haverhill this week. Mrs. Kelley and Master Arthur

are spending the week at their summer camp in Merrimack, Mass. George Nyo and wife are among those who have been attending the Methodist conference in Haverhill.

There will be services the same as isual at the Congregational church on Sunday. Someone from out of town vill occupy the pulpit in place of Mr

Louise Fessenden has recently spent few days in Popperell. Miss Mildred Bailey returned home with her for a ew days' visit.

Mrs. Minnie Holcombe has been pending a few days in Temple. Mrs. A. W. Burton, of Leominster

tina Holcombe and daughter. Mrs. Clara Russell was in Milford last Saturday to a meeting of the farm

bureau. Mrs. Stephen Barnaby entertained the South Brookline Social club on last week Thursday afternoon. The usual good time was enjoyed by all and the usual dainty lunch served.

There will be a meeting of the Hills ore Pomona Grange in the Grange hall on Friday, April 23. The after-noon session will be open to the public. Mrs. Thomas Bennett, of - Ayer, Mass., is visiting her daughter. Mrs. harlotte Wright.

Willie Hobart, of Nashua, has been recent guest in town.

William Hamolisky has been spendng a short vacation with friends in New York city.

Mr. Emerson and housekeeper, Mrs. Ford, from North Chelmsford, Mass., have been spending a few days at Mr Emerson's summer home. Mrs. Ford's eyes are still bothering her.

Miss Ethel Taylor has been a recent isitor in Nashua. Mrs. Annie Bailey, of Pepperell, was

he guest of Mrs. Walter Fesesnden recently. Miss Annie Worden, of Pepperell

has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Blanche Farnsworth. Mrs. Edna Hall was called to Quincy lass., this week by the illness of her nother, Mrs. Ricker. Mr. Hall and

wo daughters will stay at the home of L. W. C. A. Hall while she is away. Ralph Greeley has been drawn on he grand jury and Fred Rockwood on he petit jury.

Mrs. Grove is doing the housework or Mrs. Emma Dunbar while she is iway. Mrs. Authea Campbell, who has been

has returned to her home and is quite Albert Mayou has been on the sick

list the past week, but is now able to Mrs. James Farnsworth and little a most delightful manner. Mr. Stet son Edgar have been recent visitors in

Pepperell.

Wright have been recent visitors in that every number received a hearty Hollis. Mrs. Etta Rockwood, of South Brookline, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Clara

Haseltine, in Townsend, has returned to her home for the summer. The many friends of Henry Abbott, of Jersey City, N. J., extend to him and his two little children their sym-

Forace Hall is able to be out and atend to his duties at the store.-

ttle daughter recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilkins. At the meeting of the G. C. Com nandery in Nashua last week Mrs. Hattie Pierce was chosen past noble grand, Albert Pierce, ward of outer

sate, and George Nye, herald. Miss Jessie Farnsworth has return

bunch of Mayflowers picked in town this year and she kindly remembered one of her friends in the village with Dr. George L. Perrin and family

who have been spending a few days at their summer home, have returned to their home in Brookline, Mass. George Jenness, of Nova Scotia, who has been visiting his brother, Wallace Jenness, has gone to Wallingford,

Conn., to visit his brother Grank. Mrs. Charles Russell is at the home of her sister, Miss Juliet Gilson.

There will be a dancing school ball at the Daniels academy hall on Friday evening, April 23, with music by the Odd Fellows' orchestra of Nashua.

Misses Lillian Parsons, of Gloucester, Mass., and Mildred Dodge, of West Groton, have returned from their vacation and resumed their duties as teachers. They will board this term at the home of Mrs. Charles Gilson. Miss Katherine Bryan returned one day late from New York city, where she had been visiting, and began her school work on Tuesday.

The usual large party attended the dance last week Friday evening, a number being present from Hollis, Pepperell and Milford. The baseball team will not run any more at present During the afternoon meeting of the omona Grange here on Friday, April 2?, John E. Miltimore, of Derry, will speak on the boys' and girls' club work

wishes to raise a club here. He will also visit the schools, Mrs. Emma Dunbar has been spend-The child born last week to Mr. and

Mr. Miltimore has been appointed leader of this club work for 1920, He

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LUNENBURG

On Wednesday afternoon, April 7 the Woman's Missionary society of the Methodist church held its annual meeting and election of officers with the following result: Mrs. T. C. Martin, pres.; Mrs. S. L. Harrington, v. p.: Mrs. M. G. Barton, sec.; Mrs. Lucy A. Jones, treas.; Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Addie Gilchrest and Mrs. Lottie Adams, work committee.

Hattie D. Stone tent, D. of V., met in their hall on Monday evening, when reports were given by the delegates to the state convention, Mrs. J. P. Gilchrest, Mrs. Flora Farnsworth and Miss Ruth Gilchrest. A very pleasant

and profitable meeting was reported. Three names were added to the vot ing list on last Saturday night-James A. Deming, Thomas H. Eckfeldt, Jr. and Thomas W. Symonds.

The annual canvass of the town by the assessors was about completed last week and expect to finish this week The greatest change they have found is the continued falling off in poultry yards and a large reduction in the number of milch cows, owing prob ably, to the high cost of grain and the increased price of labor.

On Thursday evening of last weel the Woman's club observed its annual meeting known as gentlemen's night. There was a good attendance of mem bers of the club, but several of then had no "gentleman" available, as there was not so large a number of them as it was hoped there would be. But those who were there seemed to enjoy the evening very much. There was fine program of music and readings. Clarence W. Stetson, executive secretary, and Fred R. Earle, social secretary of the Army Y. M. C. A. at Camp Devens, furnished the musical part in son gave several numbers upon musical glasses and steel disks which Mrs. Ella Rockwood and Freeman pleased the audience so thoroughly encore, to which he most cheerfully responded. He also sang songs and told humorous stories in a very pleas ing manner which "brought down the house," especially the jokes upon him

self.
Mr. Earle's music was also very much appreciated and his talent and skill was shown in piano solos and also as accompanist for Mr. Stetson. A rispathy in the death of his wife a few ing vote of thanks was unanimous for

both gentlemen. Miss Ethel E. Emerson, in a charm-Gertrude Mabel is the name of the of the sketch of the little English title daughter recently born to Mr. slavey, "Cinders," in which she held the closest attention of her audience. hroughout the whole story, and re ceived a hearty applause. Refreshments were served of sand-wiches in great variety, hot coffee and

delicious harlequin ice cream and very pleasant social hour followed. Miss Jessie Farnsworth has returned to her school in Merrimack, Mass. and Miss Ester Farnsworth to her school in Watertown, Mass.

Miss Marion Stiles has returned to her school duties in Nashua.

Mrs. Celia Powers, who has been visiting friends in New York city, has returned home.

Mrs. John Andrews picked the first burch of Maylorgers related in the school of Maylorgers related in the second in the sale, as it will be well worth your while. Otls H. Forbush, auctioneer.

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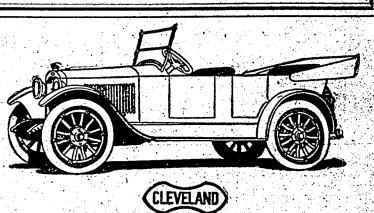
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The crowning feature, however, came after the sermon when the tak-

ing of the covenant and the reception

probably without parallel in the religious history of the town. When those who were to be received arose to take the covenant, it was an im-

pressive sight, and all the aisles of the

hurch were crowded with the long

lines of those who came forward to

receive the hand of fellowship from

the pastor. One hundred thirty-four

were received into the membership of

After the taking of the covenant came the ordinance of baptism, which

was administered to six young people

in token of their consecration to the

rule in the new church since its or-

ganization, but this gathering, in point

of numbers, probably exceeded any

morning congregation ever assembled in the church previously. The audi-

torium, which seats a few over 500

The Easter service marks a new step forward in the religious history of the community, and demonstrates again

the larger common basis of the faith

There is no creedal basis for mem

bership in the new church except the promise to accept as a "bond of union

ceptance of the following covenant:

teachings of Jesus Christ," and ac-

"Recognizing the divine purpose in

organized religion in the world for the

worship of God, the services of men

and the establishment of the Kingdom of Christ on this earth: We, the un-

dersigned, hereby covenant with God and each other, that we will do all in

power to conserve these great

"That we will be mindful of the

That we will be loval to this church

penses of its work and support, and we will walk together in brotherly

strength and guidance to the great

Tuesday, April 20, will be observed

as children's day by the Woman's

club, and the committee have succeeded in obtaining C. Everett Wallace as

entertainer. The program will consist

usually pleasing, and other entertain-

entertainment for children, under Mr. Wallace at four o'clock. Any adult

may also attend by payment of the

The civics committee of the club

aunders' hall. There will be added

The committee on the club enter-

God of all mankind."

Woman's Club Notes.

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ade candies.

Large congregations have been the

the roll of the church society.

fellowship of Jesus, the Christ,

persons, was practically filled.

of christians.

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Royal Hot Griddle Cakes

2 cups flour
14 teaspoons salt
2 teaspoons Royal Baking
Powder
14 cups milk
2 tablespoons shortening

Mix and sift dry ingredients; add milk and melted shortening; beat well. Bake on slightly greased hot grid-

Griddle Cakes with Eggs 1% cups flour
% teaspoon salt
3 teaspoons Royal Baking
Powder

2 eggs 1% cups mille 1 tablespoor on shortening Mix and sift dry ingredients; add beaten eggs, milk and melted shortening; mix well. Bake immediately on ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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Buckwheat Cakes

2 cups buckwheat flour
1 own flour
6 teaspoons Royal Baking
Powder
14 teaspoon salt
25 cups milk or milk and water
1 tablespoon molasses
1 tablespoon shortening

Sift together floure, baking powder and salt; add liquid, molasses and melted short-ening; beat three minutes. Bake on hot greased griddle.

Waffles.

2 cups flour
4 teaspoons Royal Baking
Fowder
3 teaspoon calt
12 cups milk
ense
1 tablespoon melted shortening

Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; add milk to yolks of eggs; mix thoroughly and add to dry ingredients; add melted shortening and mix in beaten whites of eggs. Bake in well greased hot waffle iron until brown. Serve hot with maple syrup. It should take about 1½ minutes to bake each waffle.

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Saturday, April 17, 1920

PEPPERELL

News Items.

T. F. Graham went to the Peter

The Men's club will meet in Grange hall on Monday evening, April 26. The most-interesting program of the year is promised.

John E. Pilcher, of St. Louis, Mo. has recently purchased from E. A. over next Sunday and the following Caldwell the property owned by him holiday, from Maplewood. on Elm street. Mr. and Mrs. Pilcher will continue to spend their 'summers here as formerly, and intend making some improvements shortly after their arrival in May.

Driver Lakin of the town team has been missed from the street a part of this week, as he has been restricted his home with muscular rheumatism. After thirteen years with the "blacks" the horses must miss him as much as the people. Godfrey La-valley has been acting as substitute

Ray Hackett started for Michigan this week to drive back some new Buicks in company with Lowell parties, this being the quickest way to get the autos here with the present

condition of the railroads. Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Spaulding have opened their home on Main street after a winter passed in Lebanon, N. H.

A. Keith, janitor at the Main street school buildings, has been kept at home a part of this week by ill-

Mrs. C. G. Heald was called to Wol-Whitbeck, who passed away on Mon-

Another interesting afternoon's talk on current events, carefully chosen audience, took place on Monday afternoon at the public library, Principal We note that Russell Shattuck, son Whitmarsh having the usual collector of A. A. Shattuck of this town, has tion from the doings of the week. As been made chairman of the school Special Town Meeting. no meeting had been held on the pre-ceding Monday, the regular attendants he has been town treasurer for some on these talks were more than usual-ly pleased to be present. The talks Che through the winter have been much enjoyed and thoroughly appreciated, and as a slight testimonial of this appreciation Mr. Whitmarsh was asked to accept a subscription to the new magazine, Asia. There will be no meeting at the rooms next Monday, this being a holiday.

On church night at the Community church the attendance was rendered a trifle smaller than usual by the stormy evening. All attendants were amply rewarded by an instructing talk on the building of the nation of .Italy, given by Mr. Whitmarsh. The sing was held at the commencement of the meeting, but no study class The program was in charge of Mrs. Drawbridge and Mrs. C. H. Miller.

Miss Lilla Gibson, of Philadelphia, is visiting her cousin, Mrs Lucy B. Page, this week, making a pleasant little house party of three-Mrs. Page, her daughter, Mrs. Green-halgh, and Miss Gibson.

Little Miss Eleanor Grenache wa one of the star performers at the fashion show in Nashua on Tuesday evening. She gave a Spanish dance and a sailor's hornpipe, both of which were applauded. In the city paper of the next morning special mention is made of the "solo dancing of Miss Grenache." The whole is spoken of as a most attractive and fascinating dance. Mr. and Mrs. Grenache and party of friends accompanied Miss Eleanor to enjoy the event.

The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this to her room with a threatened attack newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except of bronchial pneumonia. to those who pay in advance, when the price will be \$1.50. The high cost of everything connected with the publishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gray, Harold Gray and Miss Mary Scharf, who is visiting here from New Haven, Conn., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Adney Gray in Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaulbeck; of Allston, are to spend the coming Sunday and holiday in town with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson. The household goods of O. M. Nash

Miss Eva Shepardson has finished working in Tarbell's store and is at York, being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. present in the employ of the Pepperell Joseph Attridge, River street.

Assistant station agent Durgin of the W. N. & P. division is no longer having a room here with Mrs. Linville Shattuck, as the traveling permits his using his auto to go back and forth to his home in Dunstable.

E. S. Cleveland was called to Nash-Bent Brigham hospital for treatment on Monday. Mrs. Graham is staying ua, N. H., on Monday, as a witness in in Boston for a time to be near her the case of Harry K. White vs. Henry Blood, for alleged death of cow from accidental poisoning.

Lieut. Gerald Shattuck, U. S. N. was in town from Portsmouth, N. H. over the week-end. W. A. Shepardson is expected here

Mrs. M. E. Letender has returned

from Leominster and is settling her new home on Elm street. Miss Mildred Gibbs of the Nashua River Paper Company office force is now remaining in town instead of tak-

ing the trip each day to her home in Littleton. She has rooms with Mrs. Elizabeth Attridge. Acting on the advice of his physician, Leslie Parker has been going to the Massachusetts General hospital for treatment for the muscles of his arm. The X-ray showed that nothing more

can be done for it. Real estate seems to be on the mov this spring with numerous sales. It is Marshall, who has been living in Fitchburg for some time and working the past weeks when the weather was favorthere, is offered for sale, as the family have decided to settle there permanently. His house is well situated on Pleasant street and has been occupied for quite a time by Arthur Bartlett

The first Sunday service for some months was held on Sunday afternoon at the Oak Hill hall, under the leadercott, N. Y., Tuesday, by the intelliat the Oak Hill hall, under the leader-gence of the death of her father, John ship of Lyman Blood. It was largely a song service and other services will probably follow.

at her home on Oak hill for a day or and the freshman class of the high has passed the winter.

We note that Russell Shattuck, son board in the town of Paxton, where

Chester Card, who has been working at West Groton, has bought a Ford car to make his trip with.

George Wills, formerly employed a the Nashua River Paper Mills, has gone to South Windham, N. H., to

The Hope Circle of Loyal Girls will hold a meeting at the home of Ger-trude Webb, Woodside cottage, on Friday evening, April 23. Miss McNayr, their teacher, will be able to meet with them and a large attendance is requested, as there will be an election

Among those who took in the fashion ball given under the direction of Arthur Karr, at Nashua, N. H., on Tuesday evening, were Miss Dora

esting themselves in the disposal of a barrel of flour, which is to be given to meeting for the transaction of town the purchaser of the ticket with the business shall be held together on the

lucky number. The dance of the post is to be held on Monday evening. April 19. The chairman of the committee is Conrad Mack's orchestra of Leomin-

ster will furnish music. Wisner Park has taken several coms in the house of Mrs. J. A. Donnelly for the use of himself and family, who are to move here from Concord.

Mrs. Charles Card has been confined

With a shining sun and pleasant company the opening meeting of the East Village Social club was one of the most enjoyable. The pleasant rooms at Blakesmere were well filled with a congenial party on Wednesday with Mrs. Appleton as hostess and Miss Jordan presiding as president of the club. The topic of "Spring," althoughh borrowing "from the mor-row," was not so much out of place, and all the selected readings were on that subject. For music they had Mendelssohn's "Spring song," as most appropriate. Social afternoon tea fol-

were moved to the Keyes farm on lowed the program. Frank G. Kennedy made a flying call on business over Sunday from New

Supt. Tune, who has been attending and the Easter spirit.

brown-tail moths nests, gives warnover the town to considerable extent. Eighty nests were found by him on lownsend and Heald street properties and many other localities. He was moths were again endangering the or-Waltham alone. Advices from towns should be made of the dead leaves buildings, as one nest means many hundreds of the brown tail caterpillar later.

Mrs. C. E. Smith, who went to Chelmsford last week to visit relatives as Miss Delia Kemp was remaining here with Mr. Hazen, is expected back this week, preparatory to leaving for good, to take up her residence in Dra-

liven any baseball nine, at the game on Saturday afternoon at the playground. The Main street school "Tigers" played the Groton street school team, the score at the end of the ninth inning at six o'clock being 21 to 6 in favor of the "Tigers." They Cullinan manager and Harold Chase captain of the Tigers; and Henry Leary, manager, and John Reagan as captain of the Groton street nine The grounds on Saturday were not in the best condition, as the bases and plates were soft. The umpires of the game were Basil Deware and Leo Murphy. The two teams had another game on Tuesday afternoon all planled, but the rain prevented. It was postponed until Friday, after school hours. The game between the Tigers adapted for the pleasure of his two coming from Boston, where she school will be played on Thursday af-

Other Pepperell matter on page 3

By vote of the town at the regular annual meeting in February a special own meeting is called for April 20 following articles of the warrant, fol owing the choosing of a moderator: Article 2. To hear and act on the eport of the committee appointed to investigate repairing or rebuilding

Art. 3. To see what action will be taken in regard to raising money for

house of Constant Jagellowicky

business shall be held together on the fourth Monday in February, annually. Art. 8. To see what action will be taken in regard to settling a bill of

Unusual Church Service.

The church was beautifully deco rated with Easter lilies and potted plants through the efforts of a special committee under the direction of Mrs. Edwin D. Walker. Some changes in the order of the service, in which the choir participated, helped to make the occasion impressive, and added to the joyous note of the day. The anthems ere well rendered, and the proces sional, recessional, responses and antiphonal benediction were all unusual features, which added to the program

recently advised by Supt. Hatch of triloquist, which are said to be un ment sultable for adults as well as children. The meeting will be held at Prescott hall, the regular club chards, 3000 nests being found in nearer home, Harvard, Littleton and over last year. Strict investigation hanging to the trees, especially around

attraction offered by a table of home cainment to occur on May 28, have decided to present three one-act plays

naking snow paths.

Tuesday evening, were Miss Dora
Bean, Douglas Deware, Leo West and
Maurice O'Brien.

A meeting of Frank West post, A. L.,
was held in the rooms on Monday evening. Members of the post are interesting themselves in the disposal of a
esting themselves in the disposal of a

damages against the town. Art. 9. To see if the town will vote o accept the acts of the legislature, allowing games of ball, etc., on Sunday afternoons from two to six o. m. (This Act is printed in full under the special town meeting called for by Ayer on page six.)

members and friends of the Comand its significance in the new move-ment and to the town as a whole.

will hold a whist party on Friday evening, April 23, at eight o'clock at

entitled "Between the soup and the There was enthusiasm enough to enternoon, if the weather is favorable.

Main street and raise money there

Art. 4. To see what action will be taken in regard to naming Main street

nstruct the selectmen to lay out a to it. own way from Tucker street to the Art. 6. To make appropriations for

The morning services of Sunday April 4, will long be remembered by of the new organization, but especially because of the spirit manifested in it.

to the work of exterminating the ing to all property owners and partic-ularly the orchardists, to be on the alert, as the pest is again spreading the state moth department that the Groton, show a big increase in nests meeting commencing at three, and the

savoury," "Neighbors" and "The flow-er shop." This group of plays were ecently given at the Nashua theatre as a benefit for St. Joseph's hospital by the nurses and doctors on that staff and made a decided hit. The personnel chosen for the presentation here in town will ensure its success. SHIRLEY News Item.

Pierre H. Authier passed away at Pierre H. Auther passed away at the home of his parents in Webster last Sunday of tuberculosis. The fu-neral was held on Tuesday and burial was in the family lot at Webster. Mr. Authier was formerly a well known resident of Shirley, coming to Shirley with his wife about three years ago from Littleton to manage the Brookside Inn. For many years Mr. Authier service of the Boston and Maine railroad. Besides his wife he leaves a daughter Helen, ten years of age, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Authier; also, a sister, Mrs. George Brunnell, ill of Webster

Fred Quinty is very seriously ill at

his home on Fredonian street Guest day will be observed by the Alpha Association of Past Noble Francis next Tuesday in Odd Fellows' hall, Fitchburg. Dinner will be serv-

The ways and mean's committee of he Altrurian club will hold a military whist party on Tuesday evening, April 20, at eight o'clock in the municipal

Lester Holden has tendered his resignation to the board of health as the price will be \$1.50. The high cost inspector of slaughtering. Mr. Hol- of everything connected with the pubchool building.

Art. 5. To see if the town will his father he has no time to attend

Repairs on Shaker road are now being made by Asa A. Adams, road commissioner. A squad of boys and teams from the Industrial school are assisting in the work.

Misses Sarah S. Stevenson, Kathleen Miner and Oma Wolff leave on April 23 with a party from the Fitchburg high school, with Miss Mary Cushing Smith, of the Fitchburg high school, as guide and chaperon for a trip to Washington, D. C., and other points of interest en route and will be gone about a week.

All the public school teachers of the town have been granted an increase in wages of \$150 per year, to take effect at the opening of schoo next September.

The postoffice has been renovated throughout, much to the improvement of the office.

.The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except to those who pay in advance, when the price will be \$1.50. The high cost of the Baptist church com munity church of Pepperell. Not only of everything connected with the pubhis duties last Sunday. because it was the first Easter service lishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

Mrs. Charles W. Marshall is slow ly but surely improving very satisfac-torily, and is able to sit up in bed for a short time each day. Four new names were added to the

voting list at the meeting of the registrars of voters on Wednesday even-They were: Harvey McColles Joseph D. Credit, James Lynch Mrs. Stanley Payson and Miss Grace and William Roth. Col. Frank Perkins of the depart-Richardson of Keene, N. H., attended

of public records was in town Thursday making the annual inspectham on Tuesday. ion of methods employed in keeping the town records. At the meeting of Fredonian lodge,

I. O. O. F., on next Thursday evening, a rehearsal of the third degree will be held. All members of the third de-gree staff are requested to be present. APRIL first opportunity in the new church for At the meeting on Thursday evening the reception of members, and the of this week two new applications for beauty and magnitude of the result is membership were received.

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Breakfast Blend Coffee 41c lb. Hunt Supreme Pears 43c can Jaffee, Beachnut brand 24c pkg. Cluster Table Raisins 45c pkg.

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Prof. and Mrs. Carl Hoar and child

Burton Hoar of Boston spent the week and at J. S. Hoar's: The Philathea class held a social ind guest night in the church parlor Tuesday evening. There were plane solos by Mrs. Webster Blanchard and

of Williamstown and Mr. and Mrs.

were served. A very enjoyable even Mr. and Mrs. H. Benjamin Smith

are the happy parents of a baby son born at Deaconess hospital, Concord, the funeral services of an aunt at Wal-

Mrs. Fannie Porter is still quite sick at her home here.

George L. Towne, senior vice commander of Isaac Davis post, G. A. R. attended the department convention in Boston last week.

The old 6th Mass, regiment association meets in Memorial hall, Lowell, for the annual reunion April 19. Alonzo Joy is the only living member in this village now.

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Miss Hazel Mackave has returned to New York after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Steele

Mrs. Henry Brown, of Leominster,

Miss Mildred Evans, of Arlington,

pent the week-end at the home of

Aubrey Manktelow, John Farrar and Barnard Holden attended last

week Wednesday evening the meeting

Miss Florence Adams, who has been

in town during the last illness of her

father, Albert Adams, has returned to

and fourth degrees were worked.

her work at Mt. Holvoke college.

er mother, Mrs. J. W. Evans.

spent Wednesday at the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Ralph N. Graves.

New telephones have been installed at the home of Norman R. Graves and John C. Ayers, both being on the 16 linę. G. Lyman Snow was at his home on Brown road one day last week Mr. and Mrs. Snow have returned

pect to open their house here in about two weeks. At present Mrs. Snow is visiting in the vicinity of Boston. In addition to the third and fourth on Tuesday evening there will be an inspection by Deputy J. Henry Johnson, of Leominster. The supper comnittee for this meeting are Barnard

Manktelow and William Jubb.

from their trip to the south and ex-

The funeral of Albert Adams, the late home on last Saturday afternoon Rev. Howard A. Bridgman of the Congregationalist officiating. The necessity of worship, of prayer, and of fellowship; and we will endeavor, both bearers were a son, Edward G. Adams, of West Roxbury; two grandsons, Forrest B. Wing and Porter H. Adby precept and example, to promote of Brookline, and a nephew. of which we are members, that we will share in its worship and in the ex-Walter Gilchrist, of Fitchburg. Burial was in the family lot in the Center cemetery:> There was a profusion of ove.
"And this we covenant, looking for flowers brought by the many relatives and friends who gathered to pay their last respects to Mr. Adams. Mr. Adams was the last of his family, his sister, Mrs. Tarbell, of West Groton,

having passed away several weeks ago Miss Franziska Gay Schacht, o the twenty-five prettiest members of the sophomore class at Vassar college, who will carry the traditional "daisy chain" on class day this year. Miss Schacht will be remembered as a fre quent guest at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Briidgman.

· Horaco C. Harrls is having electric lights installed at his new home on Parker road. Dean E. Hewes is in charge of the work. Mrs. Ralph I. Evans has sold to Nor-

man R. Graves a tract of land border-

ing on Randlett avenue, which Mr.

Graves has been using as a pasture for

several years past. Charles Haskins, who has been visiting his son, George Haskins, in Barre has returned to his home at the North At the next meeting of the Grange, Tuesday evening, April 20, the third and fourth degrees will be worked or a large class of candidates. Holden is chairman of the committee who will have charge of the supper for this meeting. In addition to the degree work the program for the even-

and Mrs. Bessie Buxton. Benton Mackaye has been spending a few days with his mother, Mrs Steele Mackaye. Charlie Longley, of Millbury, and

Mrs. Charles Longley, who has been spending the winter in Millbury, were at Mrs. Longley's house on road over the week-end. Henry F. Grout, of Fitchburg, was in town last Saturday to superintend the moving and storing of his furni-

ture from the house recently sold by him to Horace C. Harris, Mrs. Almond Wing and Forrest B. Wing, of Brookline, and Edward G. Adams, of West Roxbur town the latter part of last week, re-turned home last Saturday afternoon.

HARVARD News Items. Mrs. Sarah P. Whitney celebrated

her ninetieth birthday on Tuesday at her home on Oak hill road. Many emembrances and the meeting of old friends and neighbors helped to make the day a happy memory. Mrs. Whitney, although blind for the past thirty years, has enjoyed life and the best of health until a few weeks ago. The attention of subscribers is called to the fact that the price of this

newspaper is \$2.00 per year, except

to those who pay in advance, when

of everything connected with the publishing of a newspaper makes this action imperative.

limbs.

News Items.

Still River. Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Tenney, of Bartlett, N. H., were guests of Rev. and Mrs. William Gussman a few days this week, and on Wednesday evening

Mr. Tenney led the prayer meeting. Mrs. John Heeley went to the Clinton hospital on Monday and under went an operation on Thursday. Mrs. Thomas Higgs is unwell, suf-

fering from lameness in one of her

Hubert Robinson, of Rochester, N Y., was a recent visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arna W. Robinson. We unintentionally omitted the following names from the list of chil-dren taking part in the concert on Easter, Sunday: Dorothy Gorham, Myla Burnette and Elbridge Edson, all taking their part fine, and should

Miss Adah Heeley, of Lowell, is keeping house for her father while A. A. Hutcherson is the new janitor of the Baptist church, commencing

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e given credit for so doing.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram D. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Cram attended the entertainment given by the R. A. C. Masonic fraternity at Concord Tuesday even-

Carlos B. Clark and wife of Detroit, Mich., are at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary J. Clark, who is quite sick.

Miss Mildred Moore; readings by Mrs. Walter Peterson and mandolin tions by Miss Moore. Refreshments of cake, wafers, ice cream and peanuts

Joseph Reed has gone on a business trip to Georgia. .. He expects to move his family there in the near future.

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