

Political Advertisement

**FOR SECOND TERM**  
**FRANK H. PUTNAM**  
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—For—  
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8th Middlesex District  
Primaries, Tuesday, Sept. 7  
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## House Dresses

For Morning and Afternoon Wear

SPECIAL AT \$2.50 EACH

The Ready-to-Wear Section of our Great Under-priced Basement has arranged for a Special sale of House Dresses at this remarkable price for next week.

The house dress today assumes a new importance, not simply a garment to do the work in—because fashion has given them attention and now their trim stylishness makes them acceptable for all day home wear.

Cut from fine ginghams or percales of carefully chosen patterns, neatly trimmed—firmly sewed buttons—well finished button holes.

These dresses have been selling regularly at \$3.00 each.

Merrimack Street Side

### PEPPERELL

#### News Items.

The Frank West post, A. L., will hold a dance at Prescott hall on the evening of September 6, Labor day. Music will be furnished by Broderick's orchestra of Lowell.

Mrs. George V. Herrig and daughter Rachel returned to Somerville on Thursday of last week.

L. Gerald Shattuck left here for Portsmouth on Saturday, where he expects to be under treatment for malaria for some weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Rust from Cliftondale were the week-end guests of their son, Rev. Benjamin Rust, and family.

Mrs. Georgianna Kimball returned home last week from Franklin, N. H., where she has been staying with a relative. The sad news of the death of her only son, Arthur Kimball, in July, had already become known to her friends in town. Mrs. Kimball was with him during the last days of his life. He was nearly forty years of age, and had been a resident of a suburb of Wakefield for some years, and was a highly respected Christian gentleman. The cause of his death was heart trouble. He is survived by a widow, who resides in Wakefield, and by his other of this town, being an only child, and leaving no other immediate family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shattuck have moved from the Tarbell tenement on Cottage street to the house of John O'Toole on Groton street.

Mrs. George Williams came from West Groton with her three children, including her little three weeks' old daughter Dorothy, visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Boulla, over Sunday.

Miss Marlon Merrill returned to St. Johnsbury, Vt., last week, but it is expected that she may give up her position there and take one nearer her home.

Mrs. Carroll Robbins and daughter Mildred passed a few days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby at Leominster. Carroll Robbins went over to spend Sunday and return with them.

The Misses Lucy and Myrtle Graves of Alexandria, Va., have been the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Rust at the Methodist parsonage.

Howard Steltz of the Nashua River mills recently returned from a stay at his old home near Philadelphia, Pa., and quotes fruit as plentiful and cheap. The peach crop is a good one and cantaloupes were selling for a cent apiece. Potatoes could be bought in quantity for seventy-five cents a bushel and other vegetables in proportion.

#### Church Notes.

Services at the Methodist church next Sunday will be held at 10.45 as usual, with preaching by the pastor on the theme, "The way to worship." Church school at noon. At 7.30 the theme at evening worship will be "The withered fig tree." On Tuesday evening prayer meeting, subject, "Answering God's want ads."

Rev. Mr. Rust, who has been taking a theological course at the Boston university is expected home the latter part of this week.

The service at this church last Sunday was unusually inspiring. The sermon was filled with spiritual sugges-

tions and the music was excellent, the solos rendered by Miss Lucy Graves, a visitor at the parsonage, being of superb quality. Miss Graves has a cultured voice of great power, and has been chorister at her home church in Alexandria, Va., and a member of a choir at Washington, D. C. Her singing was appreciated by a large audience.

Services at the Community church will be at 12.10 on Sunday morning and the pastor, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, will preach. Church school at noon.

Acting on the suggestion of Rev. F. E. Webster, preacher at this church during August, the trustees of this church have caused to be printed in the portfolio of the edifice, the following motto: "In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity."

The committee on the Community Motion Picture Service, which was to have commenced September 10, find it impossible to comply with the state requirements in order to secure a building permit, making it necessary to postpone the opening entertainment to September 17.

#### Change of Firm.

A recent change in a manufacturing plant here in town makes a promising industry more than ever a local one. The business firm called the Pepperell Braiding Co., established here something over thirty years ago, has been recognized as one of good growth, employing at the present time about 75 hands. The business was established by Mr. Jenkins of Providence, R. I., who, with others of that city and of Orange, this state, officered the company. During most of these three years, the management has been under C. A. McGraw, as superintendent. There are something over a hundred plants, operated and financed by Mr. Jenkins, and other business men, scattered throughout New England, and the product goes to every part of the United States.

At a meeting of the Pepperell Braiding Co. held at Boston, August 26, the following officers were elected to succeed the former officers, who had resigned: Charles A. McGraw was chosen president; Edwin D. Walker, treasurer, and Albert F. Parker, clerk.

By this change the Pepperell Braiding Co. is entirely controlled, as it is already operated by Pepperell people, and the town can feel assured of the continuance of the business here in town.

The name of the firm is to be retained and the management will continue the same as before, under Mr. McGraw, who has amply demonstrated his ability, as well as his wider interest in affairs pertaining to the interests of the town during his residence here as a townsman. It is understood that no changes are to be inaugurated by the new firm, except in the holders.

#### Political Advertisement



**Gardner W. Pearson**

Candidate for

**Second Term**

—AS—

**Senator**

7th Middlesex District

Senator Pearson's record:  
1892, Commissioner to Revise Election Laws.  
1894-1898, Postmaster of Lowell, resigned to  
1898, Serve in Spanish War.  
1899, Alderman of Lowell.  
1911-1914, The Adjutant General of Massachusetts.  
1916-1917, Again Adjutant General.  
1919-1920, School Committee of Lowell.  
1920, Delegate to Republican national convention.  
1920, Senator, Member Committee on Legal Affairs and Military Affairs, Chairman, Committee on Public Health.  
**PRIMARIES, TUESDAY, SEPT. 7**  
Gardner W. Pearson, 69 Clitheroe St., Lowell



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## Your Idea of a Fall Hat

Is probably something like one of these new styles we are showing. Many particular men are going to stick to Guyer Hats this season for they know what they can expect in Guyer values. They know our idea is to give them headwear that meets with their ideas—in both character and cost.

Prices from \$3.50 to \$8.50

Our Fall Caps are both lined and unlined. Many with unbreakable visors.

Prices from \$1.00 to \$3.00

## Fletcher Bros.

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Ayer, Mass.

The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes and Walk-Over Shoes

*Geo. H. Brown*  
RELIABLE CLOTHIER  
AYER, MASS.

## Final Clean-Up Sale

The season is fast drawing to a close and we desire to dispose of our Stock of Spring and Summer Suits, Furnishings and Low Shoes before our Fall Goods begin to arrive. Many lines have received a still further cut in prices in order that they may go quickly.

**MEN'S SUITS**  
Spring and Summer Suits  
Balance of our stock of Suits. All our regular reliable brands of good cloth. A further reduction is now made.  
All at a  
**33 1-3% DISCOUNT**  
from the original low price marked on the sale tag.  
This means all  
\$25.00 Suits, now for **\$16.33**  
\$30.00 Suits, now for **\$20.00**  
\$35.00 Suits, now for **\$23.50**  
\$40.00 Suits, now for **\$27.00**  
\$45.00 Suits, now for **\$30.00**  
\$50.00 Suits, now for **\$37.50**  
Many of the above suits are the new doughe breasted models in fancy mixtures and blue serges so popular for the young men.

**SUMMER SHIRTS**  
We have a large stock of good quality Summer Shirts in the new fancy colorings, and also in plain whites. They come with or without collars and are laundered and the soft French cuffs.  
Some Special Prices for This Sale  
\$2.00 values marked **\$1.39**  
\$2.50 values marked **\$2.00**  
\$3.00 values marked **\$2.50**  
\$3.50 values marked **\$3.00**  
White Shirts with collar attached, \$2.00 grade **\$1.39**  
Fancy Shirts with collar attached, \$1.75 grade **\$1.39**  
Sport Shirts, fancy and blue chambray, \$1.75 and \$2.00 values for **\$1.39**  
Khaki Shirts With Collars  
\$1.50 grade for **98¢**  
\$2.00 grade for **\$1.50**

**SHOE DEPARTMENT**  
Men's Oxfords  
Price reduction on our entire line of Men's Oxfords in both black and brown colors. All our best makes of good shoes that were marked very low at the original prices. All at a reduction of **20%**  
from the regular marked price.  
\$7.00 Brown Oxfords, now **\$5.60**  
\$7.00 Black Oxfords, now **\$5.60**  
\$9.00 Brown Oxfords, now **\$7.20**  
\$9.00 Black Oxfords, now **\$7.20**  
\$12.00 Brown Oxfords, now **\$9.60**  
Ladies' Patent and Gun Metal Pumps  
Two lots of Ladies' Patent and Gun Metal Pumps in medium and low heels, marked down to  
\$7.50 Pumps, now **\$5.50**  
\$8.50 Pumps, now **\$6.50**  
Special Prices on Men's Work Shoes  
**\$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.00**  
Men's Scout Shoes  
**\$3.25, \$4.50 and \$5.00**

**SUMMER UNDERWEAR**  
We have many lines at special prices for this sale. Some lines at prices even less than present wholesale prices.  
Men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, a 75c value for **50¢**  
Men's Nainsook Shirt and Drawers, a \$1.00 value for **70¢**  
**UNION SUITS**  
At Special Prices  
A regular \$1.50 grade for **\$1.00**  
A regular \$1.75 grade for **\$1.25**  
A regular \$2.50 grade for **\$2.00**  
Porosknit Unions, \$2.00 grade for **\$1.50**  
Gibbs' Athletic Suit, regular \$1.85 garment for **\$1.50**  
Boys' Union Suits at special low prices **75¢ and \$1.00**

## "To Ayer to Trade"

NOTICE—THIS STORE CLOSSES EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 12 NOON

Local Agent for  
**Lewando's**  
Laundry and Dyehouse

**Geo. H. Brown**  
Reliable Clothier







SHIRLEY

News Items. Arthur C. Annis, clerk at C. R. White's store, is on his vacation and is spending this week with friends at Revere.

old Sidleau, Josephine Beaudin, Harry Read, Amy Bailey, Mrs. Philip Ross, Rita Sinaud and Lorraine Bodah. Miss Ida Stalder, who won a five-dollar gold piece given by Rev. C. A. Cordier, and a waist given by the Miller Co. of Fitchburg, was won by Helene Doucette, an umbrella given by Mrs. Michael Bulger was won by Marion Bulger, a cut glass vase given by Mrs. C. R. White was won by George Morin, a lined scarf given by Mrs. Sylvain Bodah was won by Sylvain Thomas, a manicure set given by Lucienne Pontbriand was won by Emily Hebert, a cut glass dish given by Mary Landry was won by Annie Bulger and Anna Quinty gave a handbag that was won by Charles Hanson.

REPUBLICANS OF THE SIXTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT consider Edward B. Eames Governor's Council

Unless you want the district turned over to the Boston machine... Eames' opponents say he would in increase the salaries of the Legislature. He did. He believes the representatives of the people should be paid a reasonable salary by the state and not by the lobbyists and interests.

REPUBLICANS OF THE SIXTH COUNCILOR DISTRICT consider The Deadly Parallel

CHARLES S. SMITH of Lincoln EDWARD B. EAMES of Reading... Selectman 21 years. Ran for selectman three times and was defeated each time.

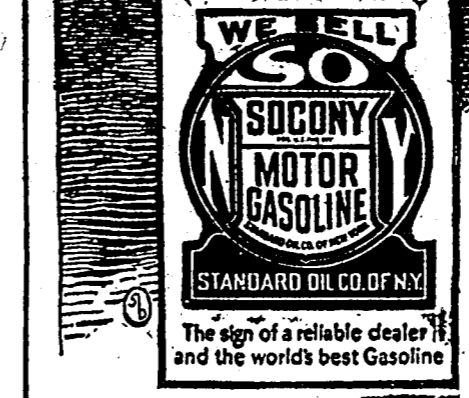
Vote Next Tuesday... For a man who has the confidence of his constituents, who has supported the policies of Gov. Coolidge, and will work in harmony with the next governor, Channing H. Cox.

First Parish Notes. Services at the First Parish (Unitarian) church on Sunday at 11 a. m. Preacher, Norman D. Fletcher. Subject of sermon, "The influence of the individual." The text is found in John 10:10, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Political News. The "salary grab" bill, passed by the legislature of 1919 in spite of the veto of Governor Calvin Coolidge, found an uncompromising opponent in Senator Charles Sumner Smith of Lincoln, who is now a candidate for the governor's council.



The home of Longfellow, the most beloved of American poets, in Pittsfield, Mass.



The sign of a reliable dealer and the world's best Gasoline

Every motor highway and by-way throughout picturesque New England and New York is a part of the long "Socony Trail".

PITTSFIELD is a favorite rendezvous for those motoring through the beautiful Berkshires. And, as in other similar meeting places throughout New England and New York, the familiar Socony signs of supreme motoring service are there.

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Every Gallon the Same... The Standard Oil Company of New York has grown hand in hand with the automobile industry. It has standardized gasoline quality, and by large-volume production has made it available everywhere.

Advertisement for Groton Fair, Sept. 24 and 25. Features include: Big Exhibition of Fruit and Vegetables, Horse Racing, Athletic Meet, Dog Show, Live Stock and Poultry, Big Midway, KNITTING YARNS, A Variety of Beautiful Shades, HANLEY & CO. Forge Village, Mass.

Advertisement for ECZEMA! featuring a portrait of a man and text: "Money back without question if BUNT'S Salvo fails in the treatment of ECZEMA, DRY SCALD, RING WORM, ITCH, or other itching skin diseases. Try a 75 cent box at our risk."

Advertisement for Piano Tuning by WILMOT B. CLEAVES, Phone 20, HARVARD, MASS. Pianos For Sale and Rent 1913.

Advertisement for Trolley Express, Receiving Station, Office of CHAS. H. HARDY, Central Ave. Ayer, Mass.

Advertisement for FRANK S. BENNETT, Successor to ARTHUR FENNER, Insurance Agent and Broker, Main Street, Turner's Building, AYER, MASS.







**TWO DOLLARS A YEAR IN ADVANCE**  
**GEORGE H. B. TURNER, Publisher**  
 Watch the Date on Your Paper.  
 The date with your name is stamped on the margin and shows to what time your subscription is paid, and also serves as a receipt.  
 The daily labors of the Bee, awake my soul to industry; Who can observe the careful Art, And not provide for future want?  
 Saturday, September 4, 1920

**AYER**

**News Items.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith moved on Saturday from their home in Fitchburg to their new home in the employ of George M. Brown, of Fitchburg. He has a position with the Marshall Farm, fruit growers, at Lunenburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore W. Barry and children, Theodore and Lucy, left Tuesday morning for a trip of several days to the White mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Conrad of New York have been guests of Mrs. Conrads' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanders of Holmes street.

Mrs. Etta Pitts of Lecomister was a guest of her cousin, Mrs. D. W. Fletcher, over the week-end.

A daughter was born on Monday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Winslow of Columbia street extension.

A competitive examination for positions of clerk and carrier at Ayer postoffice will be held here September 11. The entrance salary is \$1400 per year with promotion of \$100 every year until a maximum of \$1800 is reached.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently from this vicinity: Ayer—David F. McCarthy ex. to W. P. McCarthy; William E. Murphy to D. W. Fletcher; Edward M. Stone to W. E. Murphy; Grotton—George W. Thomas tr. to J. B. Radwin; Shirley—Carrie E. Miller to E. Richardson; Westford—William L. Woods to Frederick A. Hanson, land on Porge Village road.

The Ayer Branch Alliance will meet at the home of Mrs. Elmer Duncklee, Oak street, Thursday afternoon, Sept. 9, at 2.30. Hostesses, Mrs. Duncklee, Mrs. Nellie Kittredge, Mrs. Harriet Lapointe and Mrs. Frances Lapointe.

Baptist—Preaching at subject, "The baptism of the holy spirit." Sunday school at 12 m. Preaching at seven p. m., by Rev. D. Rider. E. P. Y. P., Tuesday at 7.30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 7.30 p. m. The inter-church picnic of the Federated and Baptist churches held at Long pond, Littleton, was a success. The sports in charge of Secretary Earl of the "Y" were carried off very satisfactorily. In the ball game the Federated nine defeated the Baptists 8 to 7.

Mrs. Charles Fisher of Riverside, Conn., is a guest this week at the home of Mrs. Laura Briggs.

Miss Alice Barrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Barrett, was operated upon last Saturday for adenoids by Dr. Frank S. Bulkeley.

Frank W. Palmer of North Woburn and Fred Currier of Somerville have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Allen.

Elisha D. Stone and daughter Esther have returned from a trip to Provincetown.

W. W. Pearson has sold his fifteen acre farm on the Grotton School road to a Mr. Colburn, who buys for a home and will move here soon. There is a story and half house, barn and henhouse; also, a small orchard. Mr. Pearson moved to Jamaica Plain some years ago. Fred A. Smith was the broker.

Dr. B. H. Hopkins and family returned home this week after spending about a month at their cottage at Newfound Lake, N. H.

Reports are still current about town that the General Electric Co. is to take over the plant formerly owned by the Chandler Planer Co. and now owned by the Reed-Prentice Co. of Worcester, but it is understood that the General Electric has done nothing definite about the matter as yet. It is understood, however, that the railroad has been given orders to fix up the siding, which goes to the building, which may be some indication of future developments.

It is planned to have in the hands of as many of the voters as possible before the primary of September 14 stickers for James Jackson, who is a candidate for state treasurer in opposition to Fred J. Burrell, the present treasurer. This, however, may not be fully accomplished, and those who wish to vote for Jackson may do so by writing in on the ballot in the blank space for treasurer "James Jackson of Westwood" and then placing a cross after his name. In this way a vote may be cast for Jackson as effectively as by the use of stickers.

Michael J. Hooley, half-brother of Patrick H. Hooley of this town, was in Ayer Wednesday. He was a resident of Ayer thirty-five years ago and was employed as a cabinet-maker and later worked for the railroad company. Evidently to that he had been a sailor in the British navy. He is now a member of Charles Mack & Co., a vendetta troupe appearing on the Keith circuit. They have just played three days in Worcester.

On Wednesday morning Mrs. Frank Whitehead was about to start out in her car, which was standing in front of the house, when she discovered that the car had disappeared. She at once telephoned to Chief of Police Beatty, who came promptly to the scene. On following the wheel tracks they located the car in the woods near the house, the engine still running. It is not known whether the car moved away by the force of gravity or with human assistance.

Other Ayer matter on opposite page.

**District Court.**

The assault and battery case of Geo. Sullivan against Jennie Sullivan of Townsend Harbor, which has been continued twice, was tried on Saturday morning. The complainant testified that on July 29 his wife after an argument with a stove lifter at him and that on August 2 after another argument she followed him onto the lawn and put her fist in his mouth to keep him from making any noise. A neighbor, Mrs. Campbell, testified as to the trouble on August 2 and said Mrs. Sullivan had both hands over her husband's mouth and that he was in a very nervous state as a result of the trouble, and that she took him to her home to recover. Constable Cooper of Townsend and Mr. LaFontaine, another neighbor, were also witnesses for the complainant.

For the defense Mrs. Sullivan testified that on July 29 there was no trouble at all and that on August 2 Mr.

Sullivan was on the lawn, screaming as the result of an argument, and that she had her hand over his mouth to quiet him. She testified that she was recovering from an illness caused by a fall down stairs and that she had been out of bed only two days when the first charge was made. Two neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, who saw the trouble on August 2nd, were witnesses for the defense, and corroborated Mrs. Sullivan's story.

After some inquiry into the family relations of Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, the court brought about a reconciliation between them, and pending the result of this the case was continued two weeks for final disposal. Attorney John D. Carney represented the government, and Attorney Robert H. J. Holden appeared for the defense.

On Monday morning James Murray of Littleton was before the court charged with assault and battery on the person of Beatrice of the same place. Both parties are employed in the rebuilding of the state road between Grotton and Littleton. The trouble arose through the fact that the defendant found fault with the food he was receiving on the job. The commissary was called in by C. Woodward, put the defendant out of the commissary building, and in the fracas that resulted a stone hit Beatrice in the head. The evidence tended to show that the stone was thrown by the defendant at Woodward, but that it went wide of Woodward and hit Beatrice and then bounced off against the building. The court found the defendant guilty and fined him ten dollars. Attorney George Wilson appeared for the defendant. The government having no lawyer.

On Monday morning also Fred J. Lanctot, 16 years old, of 14 Fairfield street, Lowell, was in court charged with larceny of a Dodge automobile from Ayer. Kimball of Littleton testified before. It appeared that Lanctot left home on his bicycle at Chelmsford and got a ride to Littleton on a truck. At Littleton Common he asked Kimball for a ride, and while the machine was stopped in yard at the Common he got out of the machine, got on the side and demanded the machine. Kimball gave up the machine without any argument, and Lanctot started off in the direction of Concord with it. He was pursued, but managed to keep out of reach until finally he came to grief against a stone wall not far from the Concord reformatory, damaging the front part of the machine considerably. Lanctot took to the woods after striking the wall, and after some search was captured by the Concord police, who turned him over to Chief of Police Reed of Littleton. Chief Reed brought Lanctot to Ayer and placed him in the care of Officer Blood, acting chief, during the absence of Chief Beatty, and on Monday morning he was arraigned in court. Lanctot admitted taking the machine, but said the revolver used was one of the glass revolvers in which candy is sometimes carried. He was placed under \$1000 bonds and will appear in the local court again on Friday morning when an agent of the state board of charity will be present to investigate the case.

On Tuesday morning Wassel Beileida of Porge Village was before the court charged with drunkenness and assault on Officer Sherlock of Westford on Sunday. Officer Sherlock tried to take the defendant into custody on Sunday, but met with some resistance on the part of him and his friends and gave up the attempt. The court found the evidence was not sufficient to support the charges and found the defendant not guilty. Attorney John D. Carney represented the defendant.

Daniel Cameron and William Profit of Ayer, charged with breaking and entering and larceny in the night time were arraigned in court on Tuesday morning, and pleaded not guilty. It is alleged that these two defendants took the Chandler touring car from "Proctor's garage, which was recovered in Montreal. Their attorney, George L. Wilson, waived any hearing of the case, and the court held the defendants for the grand jury in the sum of \$2000 each. They were later taken to the Cambridge jail.

Thomas Axworthy, who is claimed to be from Dover, N. H., was in court on Thursday morning charged with larceny. His case was placed on file and he was allowed to go on his way, which he said led to work.

**Weddings.**

Harley C. Earley of Nashua and Miss Gertrude B. Gleave were united in marriage Wednesday morning at eight o'clock at the bride's home on East Main street. Rev. Leslie F. Wallace performed the ceremony. Mr. Earley was a former resident of Ayer, where he was employed as clerk in the Ayer Hardware Company's store on Park street. Miss Gleave is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gleave of East Woburn and is a popular and accomplished young people of the town. She has been bookkeeper in the office of the Ayer Hardware Company's store since the company occupied their present quarters.

The young people left Wednesday morning on a wedding journey to Lake Umbagog, N. H. They will arrive their home in Nashua. The best wishes for their future happiness from many friends in Ayer accompany the young people on their journey.

Carl A. Schaeble of Cambridge and Miss Wilfred Patterson of Westford were united in marriage Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Burdell of Pearl street. Rev. Frank B. Crandall performed the ceremony using two rings. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Schaeble of Cambridge and is employed as a bookkeeper in the Boston and Maine railroad. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McDermott of Somerville. The young couple will make their future home in Ayer. They have secured an apartment in the house occupied by Mr. Burdell.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Ineson of South Acton announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Grace Julia Ineson, to Cornelius Charles Cullinane, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cullinane of this town. The ceremony was performed in the parochial residence of St. Bridget's church, Monday, by the pastor, Rev. Edward P. Crowley, and the double ring service was used. Miss Madeline Ineson of South Acton, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Matthew Cullinane, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. The bride was gowned in white net over white tulle, and she carried a shower bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid wore a dress of white georgette, with hat to match, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses.

A wedding reception and supper were held in the home of the bride's parents, after the ceremony. The bride and bridesmaid are both well known in this town, both being graduates of the Concord high school. Mr. Cullinane is now connected with the

American express company at Ayer, and his bride has been with the North Middlesex railroad. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Cullinane will make their home on Maynard street, South Acton.

**Sandy Pond School Reunion.**

The annual reunion of the Sandy Pond School association took place on Saturday afternoon at the old school building at the Willows. A large number of members and friends, many coming from a distance, attended the reunion. The room was beautifully decorated in yellow and white streamers and flowers.

Franklin S. Pingry called the path-er to order, using the old bell formerly used to call the pupils of the school to their classes. After a brief word of welcome by Mr. Pingry, the audience and Rev. Frank B. Crandall pronounced an invocation.

The business meeting was held. The report of the treasurer, Daniel W. Fletcher, was especially gratifying. The final act of the business meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected: Oliver K. Pierce, pres.; Mrs. Bruce Pingry Bruce, sec.; Daniel W. Fletcher, treas.; Mrs. Nettie P. Brown and Mrs. Lucie Richardson, entertainment com.; William Landry, janitor; Miss Jennie Nixon, supper com.

Prayers were said by the pastor, and the association's business meeting was held. John Donlon a member of their board to serve in the place of the other, the late Patrick Donlon, and elected him to serve as secretary of the board of trustees.

A program, pronounced by many the best ever given by the association, followed the business of the afternoon. Those who took part in the program were Miss Winona G. Nay, soprano; Miss Katherine Taber, cornetist, and Miss Verno D. Wright, reader, all of Somerville; G. A. Howard of Brookline and Miss Etta Green, accompanist; Mrs. Lucie E. Richardson and Mrs. Ellen A. Barrows of Grotton. The program follows: Songs, Miss Nay, accompanied by Mr. Howard; history of the schoolhouse, Mrs. Richardson; cornet solos, Miss Taber, accompanied by Miss Green; poem, Mrs. Barrows; songs, Miss Nay; readings, Miss Wright; cornet solos, Miss Taber; readings, Miss Wright; singing of "America," cornet and piano accompaniment, by the audience.

Miss Nay's work was keenly appreciated. She received enthusiastic applause and was the soul of generosity in her generous gifts to the school. She used a trumpet model cornet. She played the following selections: "Sea flower polka," "Georgine polka" and "Let the rest of the world go by." The reader, Miss Wright, was a delightful entertainer. Her selections were, "At the movies," "Husbands for sale," "Telephone romance," "If I could be by her" and "Little brown baby."

Mrs. Richardson's historical sketch of the various school buildings occupied by the Sandy Pond school brought back happy memories to those who had known the old buildings and was of great interest to all members of the association. In accordance with a custom of years' standing, Mrs. Barrows favored the audience with a poem composed by her in honor of the occasion. Her physical vigor in getting to the meetings each year from her home in Grotton, and her mental vigor in her eighty-second year, would do credit to a person of half her years.

The afternoon was crowned with sociality. Dainty refreshments were served. In the evening dancing was enjoyed until midnight. Miss Green, pianist, and John H. Murphy of Fitchburg, violinist, furnished the music.

The list of out-of-town guests registered were: Mrs. Ellen A. Barrows, Mrs. Maria C. Sawyer, Grotton; Mrs. Robert C. Eames, Miss Inez M. Eames, Mrs. George W. Warren, Mrs. Gardner C. Bowman, Worcester; Mrs. A. W. Dodge, Jr., H. P. Blood, Fitchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Kennie P. Fletcher, Grotton; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Stiles, Oliver Richardson Stiles, Westminister; Mrs. Kate E. Hazen, Shirley; William Roche, South Acton; Mrs. Mary D. Boutelle, Dorchester; Edward F. Robbins, Fitchburg; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Elliot, Shirley; Mrs. Annie Silva, John Silva, Rockport.

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 The golden days of "District school" From the days that are no more.

We imagine the grades of scholars Marching at the school's check,  
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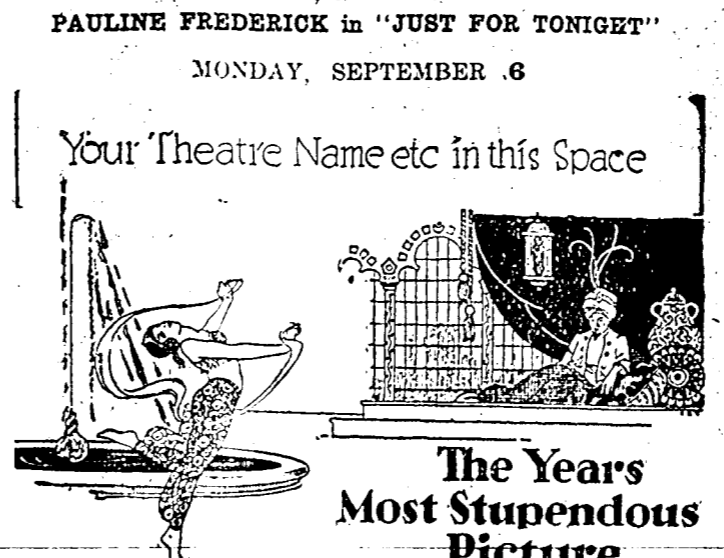
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quests of the board of trade would receive attention, as there has been some additional work installed on the W. N. & P. division since the date of this letter, it was decided to leave the matter on the table for the present.

The committee for the annual outing reported that it would be held on Wednesday, September 15, at the Marlborough Club, and it was held last year. A number has already been engaged and plans have been made for an even more successful outing than that of last year.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Clinton Board of Trade for hospitality extended to the Ayer Board of Trade in connection with the outing on August 1, and an invitation was extended to the Clinton Board of Trade to attend Ayer's outing on the 15th.

After the meeting, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

**Death.**  
 Miss Harriet Elaine Fletcher, a former resident of Ayer, passed away at her home in Worcester, Saturday morning. She had been an invalid for about six years and had been confined to her bed for several weeks in her last illness.

Miss Fletcher was born in Littleton on August 25, 1858, the daughter of Rufus B. and Sarah (Whitney) Fletcher. Her parents died permanently in Ayer when she was ten years old. Her early education was secured in the Littleton and Ayer public schools. Ayer was her home until about twenty-five years ago when she went to Worcester and made her home with her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Welch, up to the time of her death.

Miss Fletcher was well known to the older generation of residents of the town. She was a devoted member of the First Unitarian Church. She took a prominent part in church activities, serving as a member of years as a member of the church choir and as a teacher in the church school.

The deceased has three brothers, Daniel W. Fletcher of Ayer, Edward P. Fletcher of Shirley, and Samuel W. Fletcher of Shirley, also one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Welch, of Worcester.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at eleven o'clock at the First Unitarian church, Rev. Frank B. Crandall officiating. The burial will be at the Fletcher fam-

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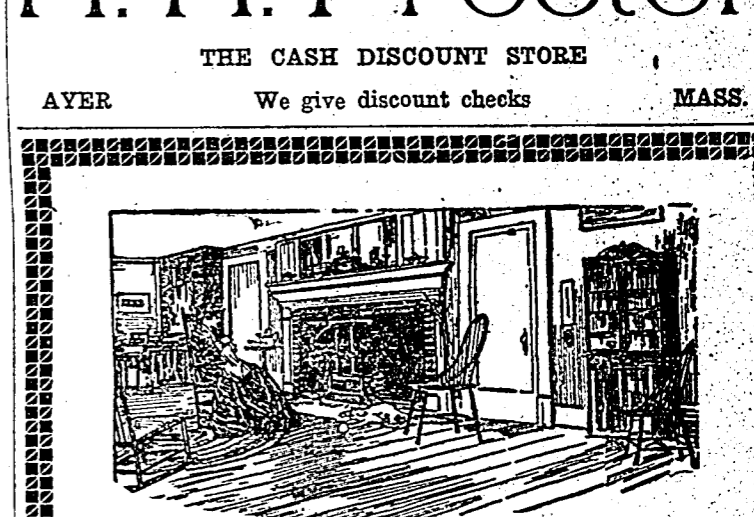
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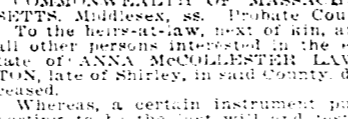
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### LITTLETON

News Items.  
Rev. Gail Cleland, pastor of the Congregational church, will take for his subject Sunday morning, "Japan in the East." The church will have Thursday evening meetings will be resumed next week, when a more effective program of work for the year will be discussed.

The next meeting of the Merry-Go-Round club will be held with Mrs. Helen Gilman Patterson at the Lodge, Thursday, September 3. The club held the annual card party on Oak Hill Tuesday evening under most favorable circumstances, a full moon, clear air, and enough dampness to make the spread of fires impossible. About thirty-five were present and all entered joyously into the spirit of the occasion. Roasted corn, toasted marshmallows, and other delicacies constituted the appetizing refreshments of the evening. From the large below the fire on the hill showed up wonderfully, making a brilliant and very pretty display.

Edwin A. Cox has sold his estate including "Bonnie Brook" and the two large cabins on the west side of Lake Umbagog, to Mr. Samuel Cambridge, who will take possession about the middle of September and make this his permanent home. Mr. Sargent is conducting a large apartment house, "The Washington" in Cambridge, and formerly was proprietor of the Laurels, a hotel in Fitzwilliam, N. H. Mrs. Cox, who will leave town about the middle of this month, and make their home in Barre, near their son, Warren Cox.

Among the pictures of state officer aspirants published by the Sunday Herald is that of Russell A. Wood of Cambridge, who spends but a little time at the residence of his father, James A. Wood, of New Estate road. Loyal Nashoba lodge has appointed a committee to make all necessary arrangements to hold another minstrel show this year, to be held October 29-30.

At the regular meeting of Conant, Houghton & Co., Inc., and Employees' Co-operative association, held in the town hall, Wednesday evening, August 26, a committee was appointed to make plans for an open meeting, September 24, to celebrate the first anniversary of this association, particulars of which will be announced later. After the usual business P. Brigham of New York spoke on "The expert trade in the elastic web," referring to the many uses of the web in the expansion of this line of goods into foreign countries, which are now open for American goods. For entertainment Mrs. Bertha Chalker played a piano selection and Miss Irene Robinson of Holyoke, Mass., who is visiting Miss Mabel Dowdes, sang very acceptably and was much enjoyed by all present. After refreshments, a whist party was held in which Mrs. F. Schmitz won first prize and M. Stoune took the consolation prize.

Beginning next Sunday the regular services of the Baptist church will be resumed. Rev. P. Macdonald, formerly of Lowell, now a secretary of the Massachusetts Anti-loon league, will be the preacher at the morning service and will conduct the service of the Lord's supper. Sunday school will open as in all past or present seasons and teachers are urged to be present at the first Sunday.

The B. B. service will be held at 8.30, with a song service in the vestry. The church choir does for the Christian, B. B. service next Thursday at 7.45 p. m.

The following persons registered as voters last Saturday: Helen A. Tidman, Clara J. Hutchinson, Caroline E. Gardner, Mary V. Gardner, Grace M. Edwards, Fannie L. Brown, Catherine K. Gibson, Grace B. Smith, Annie H. Sanborn, Mrs. George A. Sanborn, Mrs. George H. Houghton, Marion W. Flagg, Ethel W. Phillips, Mrs. M. Blodgett, Asa B. Sanborn, Mrs. V. Field, Maud K. Phillips, Mrs. H. B. Prouty, Clara J. Gardner, Mrs. E. Houghton, Florence A. Wood, Mrs. D. Hubbard, Alice B. Hartwell, Mrs. George H. Houghton, H. W. Hartwell, Mrs. A. Ames, Nellie E. Johnson, Julia E. Adams, Dorothy P. Coe, Mrs. Mary H. Robinson, Mattie E. Kimball, Anna H. Brown, Cora J. Spens, Edna W. Davis, Hattie R. Hays, Mrs. George M. Wood, Gail Cleland, Mrs. H. Prouty.

The regular meeting of the Littleton Historical society will be held in the lecture room of the public library at 8.30 p. m., Monday, Sept. 6. It is hoped that every member of the society will be present at all other people who are interested. J. A. Harwood will read his great-grandfather, Nathaniel Harwood, one of the prominent citizens of this town, a hundred years ago. Mrs. A. E. Conant will read the life of her great-grandfather, Thomas Harwood, one of the prominent citizens of New York. Mrs. H. B. Prouty will read the life of her great-grandfather, John Harwood, one of the prominent citizens of New York. Mrs. A. E. Conant will read the life of her great-grandfather, Thomas Harwood, one of the prominent citizens of New York. Mrs. H. B. Prouty will read the life of her great-grandfather, John Harwood, one of the prominent citizens of New York.

### LUNENBURG

News Items.  
The full term for all the schools in town will begin on Tuesday, September 7, and will continue through the end of the school year. The school board has decided to have the school year begin on Tuesday, September 7, and will continue through the end of the school year.

Alexander Gregory has bought the Frost place on King street of the J. F. Moore heirs, and plans eventually to make his home there.

Mrs. J. M. Hartwell, Miss Margaret Foster, Mrs. Bertha Prouty and guest, Mrs. Reed and Miss Fannie Sanderson went to the Republican rally on Bruves' field, Saturday and listened with interest to the splendid patriotic program.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Conant and Miss Grace P. Conant attended celebrations in Provincetown, Truro and Plymouth last week on Tuesday to Saturday, inclusive, and are very enthusiastic over every feature that came within their observation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Robinson and their children will attend the Robinson family reunion at Montoro, N. H., on Labor day.

Miss Miriam Conant is spending this week with her home people at the "Common."

The R. L. Lovelace family of Worcester, who spent several summers in town several years ago, called on friends here last Sunday.

All Littleton schools open next Tuesday morning.

Mrs. L. C. Gillett and son Lewis are visiting in Salem.

Mrs. Arthur K. Peck, who has spent the summer with her people, the W. H. Tenneys, went back to her Brookline home Tuesday. Mr. Peck returned at that time from the west where he has been lecturing at the Chautauque meetings.

The King's Daughters will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Paul L. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dixon of Livingston avenue, Lowell, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ethel Madeline, to Albert James Knights, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Knights, of Littleton. The wedding will take place in the early fall.

**Bold Hold-up.**  
One of the boldest and most defiant deeds ever perpetrated in Littleton took place Sunday noon when Fred J. Lanctot, so-called, giving his residence as 14 Fairfax street, Lowell, demanded Foster Kimball's auto at the point of a revolver, and obtaining the same, got out of town, was caught by police at Concord Junction, brought to Littleton, and given over to Fred C. Reed, who placed him in Ayer lockup, there to await a hearing the following morning.

Foster Kimball had taken his father to H. J. Couper's residence after church and was driving back alone on Great road towards the Common. Just as he was coming into the village a strange man on foot held up his hand and asked for the driver's license. Kimball thought that he was not carrying one and said "You don't mean it!" The man replied "Give me the car or I'll put a bullet through your head." Kimball turned his car towards the nearest house, stopped the engine and tried to get the key but missed it and they leaped from the auto to secure aid. Lanctot shortly started on his mad drive, but Kimball and Robert Sanderson following him in the driver's automobile, were close upon the thief when the Dodge car, which had passed from Common to center and up Foster street, struck a tree near the Michael Healy place, knocked off a hub, smashing a mud-guard, springing the front axle, thus rendering the car and interfering with the speed. When Lanctot reached Richard T. 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News Items. Miss Bertha Pierce, who formerly resided here on the Pierce farm with her uncle, Walter Pierce, is expected to start from her home in Anoka, Minn., about the middle of this month. She is to make her home with her sister, Mrs. M. C. Lane, on her arrival. Mrs. Myron Murphy and son from Worcester visited relatives in town part of this week. Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Child and family are expected here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bowman over Sunday, while en route from Ogunquit, Me., to their home at Hudson. Hainsford Dewar is out with a new Pierce-Arrow automobile. Ernest Nash and wife from Chelsea have been at the home of O. M. Nash the past week, their daughter having spent a part of her school vacation here. Miss Pauline Harlow of Harvard and Miss Miriam Harlow of Boston were the guests of Mrs. Otto E. Olsen last week. Mrs. Maude Silker and son Raymond, about the middle of this week, returned from their summer outing on Cape Cod and at Brockton. A daughter, born at the Hahnemann hospital at Worcester to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Locke Dow, on August 27, is to be called Jane Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. George Shaw are occupying their new purchase, the Buck house on Pleasant street, moving last week. Mrs. Richard Cotton and son Edward, returned home on Thursday of last week from several weeks' stay in Prince Edward Island. The ball game of Sunday afternoon was Pepperell vs Fitchburg, the score being 8 to 0 in favor of the home team. Sullivan featured for the Pepperells. The board of registrars will be at their room at the town hall on Saturday, September 4, from 7.30 to 10 o'clock in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lawson started on Saturday for Edgecomb, Me., for a week. Mrs. I. F. Margeson from Roxbury has been staying with Miss Vida Patch, who is arranging to close her house and visit with relatives in Groton, Ayer and Bolton, for a few weeks' change. About twenty members of the Boys' and Girls' clubs here under the care of Mrs. Leroy Shattuck, Dana Merrill and Supt. of Schools, Mr. Clarke, attended the last field day of the series of this branch of the Middlesex County bureau work, which was held at Groton on Tuesday last week. They were conveyed in the auto truck of the Pepperell Spring Water Co. On Tuesday last week Mrs. Irene Tarbell Attridge filled an engagement at the fair given under the auspices of the Ladies' Charitable society at Hollis, N. H., her readings being spoken of as very well received. The J. A. Lawrence family picnicked at Lake Massapog Tuesday, two of the grandchildren, Lester and Warren Lawrence, being in camp there with other Boy Scouts. Frank Messer is taking a vacation of this week from the grain delivery team of I. J. Rowell. The Girls' Canning club met on Monday as usual last week, and as the schools commence so soon, this will be the last meeting for a time. One member of the demonstration team, which was to go to Waltham, failing to make due preparation, the other members did not go, as planned. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bell on Wednesday, August 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartwell, the parents of Mrs. Bell. Little Miss Dorothy Dow from Worcester is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. F. W. Lovejoy. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stewart have moved into one of the Jewett tenements on Main street, as the Wrights have moved on Brookline street, it is said to have been sold to out-of-town parties, friends of Mr. Wesselles of Park street. Mrs. William Jewett entertains the East Village club next week on Wednesday afternoon. A timely subject for discussion will be "Canning and Pickling." Miss Gertrude Cherry has returned from Worcester, where she passed her two weeks' vacation from her duties as clerk at the First National bank. A. A. Shattuck took a rare outing and spent the week-end with his son, Russell Shattuck, and family, at Paxton. Miss Katharine Lawrence came from Lunenburg, accompanied by her father, A. A. Lawrence, Wednesday, and is the guest of Mrs. John Bennett, where she is convalescing very nicely. Dr. Arthur A. Tower is expected here from Hartford, Conn., the latter part of this week. Members of the Woman's club, who have not received their tickets, may procure them at any time of the treasurer, Mrs. L. R. Qua. Mrs. H. E. Beale, of Boston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. N. Andrews. The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid society will be held at their rooms at the Methodist vestry on Thursday afternoon, September 9. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fleming went to Portland, Me., last week Thursday, returning here on Tuesday on business connected with the specifications for the rebuilding of the covered bridge. A quiet marriage ceremony took place at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday forenoon, the contracting parties being Miss Mildred L. Lohnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Lohnes and Ralph Shattuck, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Shattuck, all of this town. Rev. B. W. Rust performed the ceremony in the presence of a few witnesses, as the couple were unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Shattuck left by auto for a trip to Hampton Beach, N. H., following the ceremony. The new concrete bridge over the Hinesett river at Blake's mill is completed and opened to the public. It is the only concrete bridge in town and is suitably strong for a twenty-ton load. The arch of the bridge is 46 feet, and the width is an 18-foot road-

bed, with a four-foot sidewalk. The grading has been finished, as the bridge is higher than the old structure, and the arch is a very slightly piece of workmanship, and reflects credit on the contractor, Frank W. Fleming, and his men. Mrs. Nell McWilliams and her mother, Mrs. Hill, have been at their home on Franklin street, from Lawrence. Harry O'Neal spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. James O'Neal, Groton street, motorists here from Greenfield with friends. Edward Hotchkiss, from Los Angeles, Cal., spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Morgan at Parkview farm. Miss Glensy Green returned home on Friday of last week from a two-weeks' stay with relatives at Concord, N. H. Chief Dexter received a notice on Wednesday morning, about eight o'clock, from Louis Cushman, a Polanders living on Parker's hill, that his seven-year-old son John had been missing since the afternoon before. He was last seen by two small companions about the dam, near Parker's mill at East Village. After some search the body was discovered in the wheel-pit, where there was shallow water. The medical examiner, Dr. Bulkeley, from Ayer, was summoned and pronounced it an accidental death from drowning. Services were held Friday morning, with burial in St. Joseph's cemetery. A tower of 125 feet is being erected at the east side of the dam under construction for the paper mill company, from which a chute will be arranged to carry the cement to its place in the dam, across the river to the west side. The foundation for the penstock is nearly completed to the highway bridge, and the blasting nearly done. Miss Florence O'Neal started Thursday from Greenfield, and from there is to join her brother Harry and a party going by auto to Niagara Falls. Miss Clara Caldwell and brother, Louis Caldwell, are to start this week to motor home from Bridport, N. J., where they have been spending several weeks. Waldo Morgan is to join them in New York and take the trip home. Mr. and Mrs. Leo B. Russell (Miss Irene Bolla) are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born at Lawrence on Monday, August 30. Mrs. Amos Boulla was summoned to Lawrence on Sunday and will remain with her daughter for some weeks. Walter O'Neal is at a Boston hospital, for an operation for the tonsils. Mr. and Mrs. Parke Struthers and little daughter, who have been at the Fairview farm, Mrs. Struthers' old home, for two weeks, left on Monday for New York. They were to sail from there on Wednesday for Porto Rico, where Mr. Struthers has a position in a university of Porto Rico. Mrs. Louise Dunton and Mrs. Elsie Copp went to Moncton, N. B., the latter on a visit to her mother, for a few weeks' stay. Mrs. George Mahoney returned to her home in Middleboro on Friday of last week. Henry Wright, who has been spending some weeks with friends here, returned to Hartford, Conn., last week. He has some intention of wintering in the south. Constance Parker, who has been visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hartwell, in Springfield, during the school vacation, is not expected back until a short time after the fall term commences probably about September 12. She recently had a fine outing and auto trip to New York in company with Mr. and Mrs. Hartshorn and family, and Mrs. Mason. The Community Church Workers will meet on church parlors, on Thursday afternoon, September 9, at 2.30. A special session of Prescott Grange is to be held this week Friday evening, when the third and fourth degrees will be conferred. At the meeting of the Grange on September 10, the past master of the State Grange, Charles M. Gardner, is to be present and give the address. Rev. J. B. Lewis, with his wife and a party of friends, motored here from Lowell on Saturday of last week. The car was operated by the former music teacher of the public schools in town, then Miss Mildred Brennan. An auto accident occurred on Tuesday evening on the hill on Oak Hill street just beyond Hovey's corner. The cars collided on the curve, the Ford driven by Miss Mildred Lohnes coming up, and the car of Mrs. Dunbar, operated by her son, Garfield, going down. It is claimed the Lohnes car had no lights. The occupants of both cars were uninjured, but the Dunbar auto was badly damaged. Miss Margaret Boynton returns to her school duties at Dedham on Monday. Mrs. M. M. Pond and daughter, Miss Helen, returned on Thursday from Jewett, N. Y., where they have been spending the summer. Miss Ruth Cushing returned on Wednesday from Pennsylvania where she has passed the summer in Social Settlement work at a Girls' institute. Miss Dorothy Fairchild also returned from the Girls' summer camp at Fairhaven this week, and both will remain with Mrs. Cushing at the farm, until the opening of Wellesley college, the last of September. The Community Service girls held their final festival for the summer at the home of the president, Miss Elizabeth H. Park street, on Monday evening. It was an outdoor gathering with bonfire and corn roast as the features of the evening. The number present was unusually large, about twenty-five gathering to enjoy the last summer meeting. Miss Elizabeth Wright returns to her duties as teacher in Boston on Monday. Mrs. Martha Bancroft, who has been a guest at the Fitch homestead, enjoyed a motor trip to Boston Tuesday, in company with Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Wilbur and brother, Frank Fitch. Mr. and Mrs. Dean from Cambridge moved into the Pike house at the junction of Tucker and Hollis streets, the latter part of this week. Mr. Dean is the present manager for the Electric Light Co. Mrs. Ann Davis fell on Wednesday and sustained a fractured leg just above the ankle, and was taken to St. Joseph's hospital for treatment. The knee of the same leg was injured not long ago. The A. A. Tarbell house on Railroad square has been leased by Mrs. George Dodge of Ayer, and it is understood will be opened to boarders. Funeral Services. At the funeral services held for the late Mrs. Sarah Patch on Friday afternoon of last week, there was a large gathering of friends and neighbors,

and among the relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Shattuck from Groton, Miss Hattie Robinson from Littleton, Mrs. Martha Randall, from Bolton, Mrs. Sarah May, from Bolton, Mrs. Alvin Wright from Ayer and Mrs. Isaac Margeson, a friend, from Roxbury. The pastor, Rev. B. W. Rust, gave tribute to the estimable qualities of the deceased and her steadfast Christian faith. Two selections were sung by Mrs. George W. Pierce and Mrs. Elsie Copp, "Some sweet day," and the "Christian's Good Night." There were floral tributes showing the high esteem of friends and relatives, including a spray from the Ladies' Aid society, the Methodist church and from the East Village Social club. Burial was in the Lawrence and Patch lot in Walton cemetery, the bearers being L. T. Wilson, C. M. Bolles, John Pierce and A. N. Morrison. A Follet Serenade. On last Saturday evening a gathering of about forty friends and neighbors met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Tower to give welcome to the newly-wedded couple, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Tower. They were scheduled to travel about 250 miles by auto and arrive about nine o'clock, but the difficulties of travel caused them to be delayed. The party had abundant opportunity to discuss the situation, along with the fine collation of ice cream and cake, and incidentally to offer the usual congratulations to another young couple, Lloyd Tower and Miss Gertrude Granton, saving some also for the other young lady member of the household, though not of the family, whose newly won ring and rather conscious manner, and evening of auto riding with a friend, were too good to be missed. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Everts, from Newton, in the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Tower a presentation was made to the parents of Mr. Tower for the young couple of a half-dozen solid silver spoons and gold coin, and suitable recognition was made by them for the absent ones. The travelers arrived on Monday morning. Mr. Tower started on his work as traveling salesman for a Boston firm of automobile accessories, Monday, leaving Mrs. Tower here for a few days. Special Town Meeting. On petition of twenty-eight of the business men of the town a special town meeting will be held on Friday evening to take action on repairing the covered bridge, which is considered unsafe for the heavier, present-day traffic. The meeting was poorly attended, only three of the petitioners being present, and not more than twenty in all. A survey had been made by Frank Fleming, of Portland, and plans made, which were submitted by him at the meeting. After discussion it was voted that a committee be appointed to consist of the selectmen and the road commissioner, and to report to the town at a cost of \$17,000, with provision for the payment of same. According to the survey made by Mr. Fleming, who will have charge of the work, new abutments will be built and piers. The line of the bridge will be changed on the curve, and a three-arch concrete bridge built, so that when the present structure will be discarded, an entire concrete bridge may be built. The work will be commenced at once, as Mr. Fleming has kept his crew of men here, who have been at work on the completed Blake bridge.

West. Mrs. Hazel Towle, who assists at the Spannicook Inn gave a dancing party to the guests of the Inn, and other friends of the Inn hall last week Friday evening and the occasion proved most enjoyable to all. Mrs. W. T. Cook also played a number of the selections upon the piano. Light refreshments were served during the evening and the dances were interspersed with popular and familiar songs by the assembled guests. The party was given in honor of Mrs. Cary and Miss Stilling, Mr. Niland and Mr. Barry of Somerville, and among the other guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Ryan from Somerville, Mr. Bedard, Mr. Hawley and Mr. Graves, guests of the Inn, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook of this village. Clarence E. Streeter, who boards at the home of Mrs. Mary Robbins, is spending a few days in Boston this week. Mr. and Mrs. Athos Elliott and Waldo Elliott of East Weare, N. H., motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd on Sunday and were accompanied by George and Frances Shepherd, who have been enjoying a week's vacation at their home. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Follette and Lewis Clark of Hubbardston were also Sunday guests of the Shepherd family. The news has been received here of the birth of a daughter, Irma Marjory, to Mr. and Mrs. Owen E. Barrow of Milton, N. H. Mrs. Barrow is pleasantly remembered as being any Hardy, teacher of the Intermediate school a few years ago. Miss Bertha Boynton has resumed her former position, assisting in the work at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abel G. Stearns. Two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson of Shackleford, Mass. Agnes and Helen, have been recent guests of relatives in town, as they are spending the summer in the east at present stopping with relatives near Boston. Burton Bruce from Forest Hills has been spending a few days with relatives in town and vicinity and is soon to join his family, who have removed to Mrs. Bruce's former home in Nova Scotia, where Mrs. Bruce is assisting in the care of her father, who is an invalid. The bell of the Baptist church was tolled Saturday noon, causing some excitement in town, most of the residents taking it for a fire alarm, but on investigation it was found to be the celebration of the ratification of Equal Suffrage. Mr. and Mrs. Gravelin and children of Rochester, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson this week. The public schools will commence the fall term next Tuesday, but the list of the new teachers is not yet ready for publication. Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch have heard from their son, Edward, that he is enjoying excellent luck trouting at the White mountains this week. Mrs. Albert Wilson of Main street returned Sunday from a few days' visit with relatives at Canobie Lake.

Mr. Fred G. Smith of Andover, N. H., who is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reynolds has been visiting in Boston. Mr. Niland, Mr. Barry, Miss Stilling and Mrs. Carr, who have been spending a fortnight's vacation at the Spannicook Inn, have returned to Somerville. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Godfrey spent Saturday afternoon as guests of the Richard Hartwells. Mr. Godfrey's sister Amy visited Miss Beatrice Woodbury last week. A good number of our townpeople attended the musicale given by Prof. and Mrs. John Craig Kelley in Hartwell grove last Sunday afternoon and listened with deep appreciation and genuine pleasure to several numbers of the program. Mrs. Kelley sang sweetly to accompaniments composed by her husband and had given two pleasing whistling solos when the downpour compelled the party to go inside the cottage, on the piazza, or reside home. Several selections that would have been given had it not rained, but the guests spent a social hour very pleasantly, during which light refreshments were served and the usual hospitality was enjoyed. The Kelley family broke camp, Friday, and returned to their home in Brookline. A little wild apple tree on W. H. Tenney's place, planted by Joseph Crane this season, has grown two Cravenstein grafts, each five feet and one inch, an unusual occurrence, orchardists tell us. George Ayers, who joined the navy a month ago, was at home from Newport, R. I., for last week-end. James Pace has joined the army and is now located in Virginia. A severe electrical storm, accompanied by high winds, vivid lightning, and deafening thunder visited our zone on Tuesday afternoon. It seemed as though disaster must follow in its wake, but we have failed to learn of anything serious within our township. We understand that one flash of electricity struck H. J. Couper's barn in the neighborhood of the bridge, but its only visible traces were in the few clapboards ripped out of place. Why So Much Poni? Mr. Poni's name has adorned the front pages of the daily papers of New England for the past month till a good many people are heartily sick of the display and wonder why so ordinary a crook is given so much prominence. So far as has developed thus far he seems to have done nothing but capitalize the very prevalent greed for big profits, the desire to get something for nothing, by simply making big promises and taking in money with one hand and giving with the other, which looked all right as long as it lasted and was all right, for Poni, while the money kept rolling in in sufficient volume. If he could capitalize the space he has occupied in the daily papers at usual advertising rates he could pay a hundred cents on the dollar and a large slice of the national debt as well. Mr. Poni was seeking money and not money and he has surely got the money all right. But why give so many thousands of dollars worth of valuable space to so insignificant a crook? Why not turn a little stronger light on the operations of the sugar trust which is reported to be buying in raw sugar at eleven cents and selling the refined article at twenty-two? A government investigating committee reported the other day that certain crooks were making a profit of from 70 to three hundred per cent on their product. Why not give these people a little front page scare-head publicity? They deserve it fully as much as Poni. Nobody was under any pressure to invest with Poni but we all have to have sugar and coal and we have to pay the price. Poni's victims may blame themselves for the greed that urged them to jump for the bait of a fifty per cent profit in ninety days and for the lack of judgment that made them have made it clear to them that no such legitimate profits were possible. The hundred millions of consumers of coal and sugar and lots of other necessities of life are helpless in the hands of the exploiters and need help. Brothers, give Poni a rest for a while and turn the light on other games. There is plenty of it. V. T. E.

News Items. The Shirley First Parish Branch Alliance will hold a neighborhood meeting at the Unitarian church, Thursday afternoon, September 9. Alliances from Fitchburg, Leominster, Ashby, Pepperell, Groton, Ayer, Littleton and Westford have been invited. Rev. Loren B. Macdonald of Concord will be the speaker. The afternoon neighbors and friends are cordially invited to be present. The following young ladies of Shirley have accepted positions out of town to teach school the coming year: Miss Madeline Logie will return to Maynard, Miss Gladys Annis to Holden and Miss Ethel Peabody to Fitchburg. Miss Sarah Stevens goes to Dedham, Miss Agnes Lynch left the first of the week for Winthrop and Braintree, New York. Miss Velma Giddings of Lewiston, Me., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Henry Burrage, on Leominster road. A large crab-apple tree loaded with fruit on Maple street was struck by lightning during the storm last Monday evening and split in two. Alexander Robey of Commonwealth avenue, Boston, resigned his position in the shops of the Federal Ordnance, President Spenser Co. last Tuesday and has returned to Boston. Mr. Robey received orders to report for the cross-country team at Harvard college next week, but may go to England instead. Harry Colver has moved to Fitchburg. Mr. and Mrs. John Pomfret are stopping with his father, Richard Pomfret, for a couple of days on their way back home from Connecticut. LITTLETON News Items. The regular officers of the Grange conferred the first and second degrees upon a large class Wednesday evening. Two weeks hence they will take the third and fourth degrees. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Prescott, of West Windsor, N. H., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. John H. Kimball, and family. The Ladies' Benevolence society of the Baptist church will hold an important business meeting with Mrs. Eleanor A. Flagg on next Wednesday afternoon. A large attendance is desired. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ramsdell, of Boston, spent last week-end with his sister, Mrs. George W. Whitcomb, whom he has visited for several years, the stress of business having admitted only of occasional calls. Dr. Adams has hired a room for his office of George Woods. Mrs. William Goddard and son Leonard have visited friends in Lexington a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gilchrist and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith of Cambridge, visited the Allen Smiths on their return from a goldenrod wedding at Forest Lake in Palmers. Mr. Adams, former teacher of drawing in the public schools, was in town this week, trying to interest people in oil investments. Miss Laurice Flagg will teach science in the Quincy high school this year, and will enter upon her new duties next week. The Flagg sisters concluded their summer services as musicians at Naples, Me., and returned home this week. With their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Flagg, they will motor to Orange today (Saturday) for a short outing at Mr. Burt's camp after which Mr. and Mrs. Burt and daughter will leave for Mr. Burt's field of school work in New York, and other members of the party will return to Littleton. Miss Myra Dodge will leave home on Monday to resume her teaching in

West Acton. Mrs. Rebecca Wambolt is visiting her children here. Mr. and Mrs. Bertram D. Hall and daughter Elizabeth, the Misses N. A. and F. E. Wetherbee enjoyed a pleasant outing the past week in autoing to Plymouth, Vermont, Chatham, Falmouth, Woodville and by boat to Oak Bluffs and returning stopped at Nantasket beach. They report most excellent roads the entire route. They were gone four days. Mrs. Stone of Danby, Vt., has been a recent guest at the home of Charles Hart. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stearns went to Haldimand, Conn., last week for a visit with Mrs. Stearns' sister. Their daughter Margaret, who had been there several weeks, returned home with them. Mrs. Mary L. Brown spent last week with friends in Leominster. Florian Fiske and wife of Newburyport have been recent guests at the home of Otis Mott. Miss Lucile Blaisdell was taken very sick Saturday with appendicitis. She was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Lowell, where a successful operation was performed and is reported as making a comfortable recovery. Rev. Isaac Grimes of Cambridge preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. F. R. Knowlton's family returned from Five Islands, Me., Friday evening. D. H. Hall and wife, with their son Stanley and wife, arrived home from Five Islands, Me., Saturday evening by the way of a trip through the mountains. Rev. Dr. J. Milford Payson and wife of Canton, N. Y., who have been touring through the New England states the past two weeks, spent Thursday evening at the home of his nephew, Stanley Payson. Dr. Payson is dean of the St. Lawrence university, Canton.

Ernest Banks and family of Nova Scotia are stopping at the home of Mrs. Banks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Beanson, and will remain here during the winter months. Mr. Banks is employed at present by S. F. Carlisle and Mrs. Banks is assisting at Wright's bakery. Mrs. Clara Pierce and son Emerson of Hyde Park have been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Edgar Hall, the past week. Edgar H. Hall and family, with Samuel Carlisle and family, started by auto for Five Islands last Tuesday.

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Westford. Forge Village. Mrs. Alexander Scott is spending a pleasant vacation at Princeville, Quebec, with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. James May and family are enjoying a week at Salisbury Beach. Miss Mabel Wyman, who was a recent guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett, is visiting relatives this week in Worcester, Clin-

ton and Westboro, before returning to her home in Camden, N. J. The Boy Scouts who accompanied Rev. Leslie Wallace to the Boy Scout camp on Lake Winnepesaukee, have returned to their different homes and speak enthusiastically of their week of camp life. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Orr are spending their vacation in Toronto, Canada. William Davis and Miss Ethel Baker, of Amherst, N. Y., are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis. Miss Helen J. Lord of the U. S. navy nurse corps, stationed at Chelsea, was the guest on Tuesday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lord. A daughter was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. William Kelley. Mrs. Albert Jones and two sons, of Worcester, was a recent visitor here. A service will be held in St. Andrew's mission on Sunday afternoon at 4.30.

Public Notice. My wife, Della May Gilbert, having left my bed and board, without just casual provocation, I will not contract with her any bills of her contracting.

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Brockelman Bros. MAIN OFFICE - FITCHBURG, MASS. U. S. Wheat Director's License No. 045,182 V. B. STORES IN FITCHBURG, LEOMINSTER, CLINTON, MASS. Miss Marion Fosbom of Hudson was in town this week calling on friends. Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Armstrong were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hall over Sunday. They were en route for a trip through the mountains during the week. Rev. Sidney Willis, a former pastor of the Universalist church here, was in town the first of the week, calling on former parishioners and friends. Mr. Willis had been attending the Universalist celebration at Gloucester. He is now the pastor of the church at Pittsfield, Me. George P. Parker was 83 years young Thursday, September 2, and was pleasantly remembered by members of Isaac Davis post, 138, G. A. R. and Woman's Relief corps, No. 62, by a postal card shower. Rev. George L. Nicholson and family have returned from their vacation. Mr. Nicholson will occupy his pupil Sunday. Ralph Gates has so far recovered from his recent accident he is expected home soon. James Conquest, who has been in the employ of Blanchard & Gould the last few weeks, has taken very sick at their lumber camp last week. He was conveyed to his home here where his condition was found so serious he was taken at once to the Concord hospital, where an operation was performed at once. His condition following is reported favorable.

BOXBOROUGH News Items. Marton Davidson has returned from a visit in Clinton. She found traveling in the sidecar of a motorcycle a very enjoyable way to go and return. At the special town meeting on last Monday evening it was voted not to discontinue any of the schools. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whitcomb and Henry Walker and friend attended the Redfield races on Wednesday, going in Mr. Whitcomb's auto. Albert Littlefield has gone to a Boston hospital to undergo quite a serious operation. His son Earle has arrived from Seattle, Wash. to take care of the farm while his father is away. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson have been visiting relatives in Alstead, N. H. Elizabeth Hager, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hazer, who recently had an operation at the Massachusetts General hospital, was visited by her father, Wednesday, and he found her rapidly recovering and expecting to come home in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Houghton, of Worcester, and Samuel Wetherbee, of Lincoln, were week-end guests at Walnut farm. Mrs. Norman Wetherbee has been quite sick the past week and her brother, Henry Wheeler, who is visiting here, is suffering from a severe carbuncle on his neck, which made an operation necessary. Thirty-eight women registered last Saturday evening. There will be another chance for those who wish this Saturday evening. Mrs. Chauncey Robbins is entertaining Miss Ella Small and Miss Baker from Provincetown. Wilbur and Thomas Steele and Roy- al Wetherbee have gone on a fishing trip to New Hampshire, going by auto. Burpee C. Steele has just returned from a trip to his Nova Scotia farm. B. O. Hager is taking a week's vacation from his store in Clinton and turning his attention to the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Duckers, of New York, are also at the Hager homestead this week. Mrs. Addie Loring has returned from Worcester, and is staying with Miss Mary Hager at Marlcock cottage.

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