Doing what can't be done is the glory of living.

OUR TOWN

Self is the only prison that can ever bind the

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600 BOOKS FOR THE NEW LIBRARY

What Do You Think of the Idea?

Right at the start, let me set you straight on one point: I am not a candidate for any office nor am I seeking jobs for any friends or relatives. But I do want something-FOR NARBERTH. And at the risk of someone saying to some else, "Officer, he's in again," I'm going to take a chance and try and start the ball a-rolling.

Here's the project in a nutshell: A contribution of 600 new books to The Narberth Library, which, as the builder would say, "is now in the course of construction" at the new Community Center-the Y. M. C. A.

No, I am not going to give the 600 books myself and I am not going to ask anyone else to do the Andrew Carnegie act. But if 25 of us will each do his or her part we can put those 600 volumes on the library shelves within a year, and not one of us will have to sacrifice a single lamb chop or one box of strawberries.

Here's the plan: 25 of us; each give 2 books a month; 50 books a month; 12 months to the year; 600 volumes

Mr. H. C. Gara is the Y. M. C. A. frank enough to name that "one permanager that is looking after the son," and his initials were R. L. S. Library. He's on duty every Tuesday

If you'll go in on this proposition send me your name—that's all. Send or take your books to Mr. Gara any Tuesday night.

Frankly, I want your name to pubthe list is growing from week to week.

will say, "He's trying to get his name in the paper." Someone will probably say the same thing about you when your name appears in the list.

But we should worry. I'm a whole lot more interested in Narberth getting a good, well-stocked Public Library than I am in what someone thinks about my writing a letter to the paper and signing my name; and I believe there are a good many more who feel the same way.

Next week-and the editor has promised the necessary space-I'll tell you how you can get good, new books-new publications and old, worth while works in new dressesat ridiculously low prices. In the of Mrs. Gaskell's famous story of meanwhile-between now and next Monday night

WHO WILL JOIN ME IN THIS LIBRARY PROJECT? E. A. Muschamp.

MRS. NEARING TELLS WHY WO-MEN SHOULD HAVE THE VOTE.

A good sized audience heard Mrs. Woman Suffrage last Tuesday evening in the Y. M. C. A. Community Center. It was one of the monthly meetings which the Woman Suffrage Party of Narberth has inaugurated and planned to continue until the regular election next November, when it is expected that the question of Woman Suffrage will be on the ballot. Mrs. Nearing spoke in Narberth some weeks ago, but it was an afternoon meeting and a number of people who were anxious to hear her, but were unable to at that time, were on hand Tuesday evening. George M. Henry, burgess and president of the Civic Association, presided.

Mrs. Nearing's talk was a plain statement of why she believed that women who wanted to vote should have the vote; why she believed that the viewpoint which women would inject into democracy would be beneficial to all society, and finally, why she believed that women would be benefited by the interest they would develop in social and governmental questions, which must, she said, of necessity give women a broader outlook upon life.

Touching on the question of what has been accomplished by women in states where they have suffrage. Mrs. Nearing pointed to the enactment of child labor laws, legislation shortening the hours of labor for women, the

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STATION GROUNDS STILL DIRTY.

The grounds around the railroad station continue to look very much like picnic grounds-on the morning after! Can't we all be a little more thought-

ful when we open letters, while waiting at the station for trains.

It isn't only the paper that you drop over the railing or the placard that you tear down and throw on the ground-its the example you set others. Everything you do has a conscious or unconscious effect on some one.

For example: The other day one of our local clergymen walked up to one of the bulletin boards and tore down a placard announcing some affair at his church that was past-and flung it on the ground! After witnessing such an incident one is apt to be a little skeptical when the clergyman in question preaches on cleanliness.

Thoughtlessness-that's all. What's the remedy?

Think! Remember that every piece of paper you drop is just one more piece; it may be the fifty-fifth piece that morning, or it may be the precedent for fifty-four pieces that are to

there won't be any first piece or fiftyfifth piece. Don't blame the other fellow; re-

NARBERTH CHILD LIFE CHAPTER.

The members of the Narberth New Child Life Chapter held their monthly meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Friday, the 26th. Following the usual business a paper on "Obedience" was read by lish in Our Town; I want to show how Mrs. F. Stites, another on "Play," by Mrs. P. Loos; both papers commanded much attention by the mem-I haven't any doubt that someone bers, and evoked some discussion.

A paper on "Punishment" will be the topic of the next meeting. The members of the chapter wish to take this opportunity to extend a hearty welcome to all mothers who can attend the meetings.

Mrs. C. P. Fowler, Chairman Press Committee.

THE LADIES OF CRANFORD.

Quaint Play to be Produced by King's Daughters, March 12

The annual play to be produced by the Junior Circle of the King's Daughters, the evening of March 12, in Elm Hall, is a clever dramatization "Cranford." It is a picture of the quaint and interesting happenings in a small English village about seventyfive years ago.

The characters and the 1840 costumes are of chief interest, but Mrs. M. B. Horne in dramatizing the story has extracted a dramatic interest and has staged it with tact and skill.

There are thirteen persons in the production, twelve girls and one boy cast as follows:

Miss Matilda Jenkyns, (the Rector's daughter), Achsah Wentz; Miss Mary Smith, (her visitor), Linda Jacoby; Miss Jessie Brown, (a new resident). Ethel Ridge; Miss Pole. (a friend of Miss Jenkyns), Carol Justice; Mrs. Forrester, (born a Tyrrell), Florence Jacoby; Miss Betty Barker, (a retired milliner), Mrs. S. T. Atherholt; The Hon. Mrs. Jamieson, (a leader in society), Maizie Simpson; Martha, (maid to Miss Jenkyns), Mary Peebles; Peggy, (maid to Miss Barker). Ruth Prescott; Mrs. Purkis, (a country woman), Mary McCarter; Little Susan, (her daughter), Sadie Simpson; Jennie, (a country girl), Anita Miller: Little James, (a small boy), Donald Laird.

There are three acts and two scenes. All plays given by the Junior Circle are to raise funds for specific charitable purposes. Show your appreciation by being present at Elm Hall on March 12.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

named persons remain unclaimed in the Narberth post office:

gie Smith.

Edward S. Haws, P. M.



THE FIRESIDE

By Lady Narberth

Mrs. A. K. Siler entertained her friends at "500" Wednesday evening in honor of her husband's birthday (the number of year's not being publicly announced.) Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Anderson, Miss Mary Haines, Mr. Howard Hagar, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Livingstone, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. E. Pattison, Jr., Miss A. W. Mory, Mr. Frank Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nickerson. Ladies' prize was awarded to Miss Haines. Gentleman's prize was awarded to Mr. Lesfollow. If we all think before we act ter Nickerson. Refreshments were served.

The celebration continued on Sunday, Mr. Siler's birthday, when Mr. member what Robert Louis Stevenson and Mrs. E. Uhler, with S. E. Uhler, at the end of the year! Will you join said about having one person to make Jr., Miss A. W. Mory and Mr. G. A. good-and Stevenson was honest and Bisler all of Philadelphia, were guests at a birthday dinner. Mr. Siler says: "It is great to grow old-er if every birthday is to be like this one."

> Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Seibold, with heir son, L. Eastwood Seibold, of the Girard Estate, entertained last Monday evening in a novel manner at a fete de Champs Elysees. The supper table had for a centerpiece a miniature scene showing an old French garden fete at the time of Marie Antoinette. Small bisque urns and fountains of many sizes and designs were arranged in formal fashion, filled with ferns. smilax, narcissus, lilies-of-the-valley and tiny lavender primroses. In the midst of this were small gilt refreshment tables and chairs, about which stood ladies of the court, with their large skirts of pompadour silks, and the gentlemen, with jewelheaded canes. These figures, which were the favors, held gold cords running to the place cards. The table was lighted from a huge dome of French rose silk and fillet lace festooned with smilax. Following the supper, Mr. Seibold gave a costumed impersonation of Valeska Suratt, followed by a Chinese prayer song and temple dance, also in costume. Mr. Seibold will be remembered as writer of Narberth's Historical Pageant. He was recently elected a member of the "Plays and Players.'

> Miss Bertha Piggott, who a year ago resided here with Mr. and Mrs. W. Arthur Cole, while attending Drexel Institute, has been appointed teacher of domestic science in the Philadelphia public schools, and has once more come to live with Mr. and Mrs. Cole. Miss Piggott is Mrs. Cole's sister.

Mrs. Frank Prescott, of Essex avenue, entertained the Thursday Review Club last Thursday afternoon.

The last Narberth Assembly dansant in Elm Hall was one of the most delightful of the series.

Carroll Downes, Sr., of Woodside avenue, has been in attendance at the National Educational Association meetings at Cincinnati during the past week, where he was familiarly termed "everybody's friend" in the reports: given by the "Times-Star." Downes is a member of our local school board and is one of the earnest group of workers who are doing their

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NARBERTH MEN TO HEAR "BILLY" SUNDAY.

Two hundred tickets have been almen to attend the "Billy" Sunday meet-Letters addressed to the following ing next Sunday evening. Get your ticket from Revs. Swift, Van Ness or Koppel. All welcome. Women read Miss Florence Fallon and Mrs. Mar- Church Bulletin Boards for special serTO BASE BALL FANS.

Last year Narberth set a pace that won the Main Line League Base Ball Championship "hands down"-and we were all proud of our town team.

Narberth-Quality base ball cost real money and should not have been retailed at the price of a cheap substitute. The directors of our Athletic Association were philanthropists.

This is an era of moral consciousness, and I maintain that each fan who supported the Narberth team last year was guilty of getting more than he paid for.

last week, the Athletic Association is about \$350 in debt. Now, let's get was perfect, as was the sostenuto and together and pay the right price!

will be cancelled.

have to shoulder the burden-and who violin technics likewise thoroughly is the man who will allow another enjoyed the varied program, and esmutually enjoyed for a whole season gio," Paganini's "La Viennois" and without at least volunteering to pay Kreisler's "Caprice Viennois" and his just share?

counted as a continual guest.

Personally, I don't believe there's a fan in Narberth who will rise for the count.

I do believe every one of the followers of the game will want to do 2nd, through whose efforts the recital what is right for him to do-pay the right price for value received. Some will be glad to pay more.

Let all send in their checks to Carden Warner, treasurer, before next Monday, that this deficit may be take our place on the bleachers to promised for the coming season.

W. Arthur Cole.

NARBERTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIA-TION.

From a financial standpoint the year 1914 was a bad one for base ball the country over. Necessarily Narberth shared in the general depression, apathy or anything you want to term it. Receipts fell far below normal in spite of the fact that the team excelled any that had previously represented Narberth. The consequence is that the association is in debt to the extent of about \$350, and appeals to its stockholders for help.

The N. A. A. will not finance a base ball team this year, and you will not be called upon for further contributions. If you will help to the extent of your ability—even one dollar will welcome-and we all do a little to assist, the association will be enabled to close its books with a clean record, and with the consciousness of having done the very best that was possible under unforeseen conditions.

We have no way of raising this money excepting by appealing to our stockholders and friends. It is hoped that you may see your way clear to lending your aid even though slight. Kindly remit to Carden Warner. treasurer, Narberth.

The Directors.

PICTURES IN THE HOME.

The pictures that hang upon our walls do much to make or mar the beauty of our homes. It is important that they be of a character to encourage good cheer, depicting joy, kindness, and beauty, and as another has aptly said: "Let them be of genuine worth. Let us put the family portraits into the attic, and keep the faces of our loved ones in our hearts. Let us also banish all the pictures of dead ducks and dead fish from the diningrooms. Let us be careful also in choosing pictures of people, remembering that they are to be our daily companions. Let us prefer a blackand-white print of a good picture in a narrow oak frame to a poor oil-paintlotted to Narberth churches for the ing in a frame of heavy gilt. Let such pictures as we have be cheerful and

Mr. and Mrs. Donald N. Frazier, of Boston, are visiting at the home of vices for them. Men leave on 6 P. M. Mrs. Geo. H. Gifford, 310 Woodside avenue.

THE HENRY SUCH VIOLIN RECITAL

Was a Rare Treat for Narberth

Mr. Such's recital last Friday eveing was enjoyed by a large and very appreciative audience. The program was admirably chosen to illustrate different styles of composition, and gave Mr. Such ample opportunity to exhibit his splendid technique. His con-As informed in a letter sent out trol of the bow, in the difficult spiccato bowing of Bach's "Praeludium," staccato in Spohr's "Adagio," with its The cheapest one can buy minor difficult runs in chromatic octaves and league base ball is twenty-five cents a thirds, the trilled double harmonics game. Last year we bought tickets and left hand pizzicato passages in for twenty games at fifteen cents each. Paganini's "La Clochette" were at Let each one at least pay the differ-once the admiration and despair of ence between fifteen and twenty-five the many amateurs present. The tone cents—ten cents a game or \$2 for of Mr. Such's Guadagnini violin is exthe season-and the association debt cellent, and even when the strings are muted, wonderfully penetrating. Those If we don't do this, individuals will present who were not familiar with pay his way to an amusement pecially applauded the Spohr "Ada-Tambourin Chinois." As a final en-Stand up, if you are willing to be core, the audience was favored with Sarasate's arrangement of the favorite Ninth Nocturne of Chopin.

The thanks of the Civic Association and of the community generally are due to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Rudolph, was brought about.

The success of this event proves that it is possible to give entertainments of a high class in Narberth, in spite of our proximity to Philadelphia. Many have expressed the wish that in cleared away before we once more future more efforts may be made to bring to our community artists of esencourage the local talent team tablished reputation. We have made an excellent beginning, and have no doubt that with the encouragement received on this occasion, other really 'worth while" entertainments will fol-

THE NEW Y. M. C. A.

There seems to be a widespread misunderstanding -- or possibly a lack of definite understanding-of the real conditions at the Y. M. C. A. community center at Forest and Haverford avenues.

The building and facilities are there for the use of any citizen of Narberth or vicinity-regardless of age, sex or creed-who will come to the building and pay for what they want of what the association may have to offer, just as one would go to the grocer's or druggist's and buy and pay for what they get, with the exceptions that a number of public-spirited citizens annually subscribe various sums of money, which enables the money. association to sell certain privileges to the applicant at a sum amounting to much less than the actual cost-thereby putting the use of the building at a figure within the reach of

Mr. Hampton, the secretary, is on duty from 10 A. M. until 10 P. M., and in addition. from 7.30 to 10 each evening, one of the seven managers is present. who will review with callers the whole of the present plan of working in general and his own specific committee work in par-

The building is being made the headquarters of most of our local organizations-both of men and women-making it in fact, what in theory has long been tried for, a REAL COMMUNITY CENTER.

"I would have then our ordinary dwelling-house built to last and built to be lovely."—Ruskin.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

TO ALL NARBERTH MERCHANTS.

From a number of our residents we have recently received complaints against your employes crossing lawns and stepping into flower beds, in the course of their work of taking orders and delivering goods. There is no personal ill-feeling toward you or your employes, either on the part of the persons making the complaints or on the part of OUR TOWN in calling the matter to your attention-but that will not protect the lawns and save the flowers.

We will say, however, that several of the persons who have made complaints have said very frankly that they will not buy goods from merchants who will not respect their wishes. In other words, if you will not stop your employes trespassing on lawns and flower beds, these residents will stop buying from you.

The foregoing paragraph is printed simply because we want you to understand just how keenly people feel about this matter.

This is the season when the grass begins to come back to life and the young plants start poking their noses up out of the earth. You can appreciate how folks will feel toward you when one of your employes walks on some tender, young sprouts, if you will picture in your mind how you would feel if, just after you had arranged an attractive display of your goods, one of your customers were to come along and knock the whole thing over with his foot.

The best kind of an advertisement is a pleased customer.

A frank talk with your employes on this subject will go a long way toward winning the friendship of every resident.

Attractive lawns and gardens invite the best sort of citizens to Narberth. The more self-respecting people that move into "our town" the more goods you sell. That's just plain common sense and arithmetic.

NARBERTH LIBRARY.

anything to say on the subject.

WHAT MAKES A FRIENDLY **GARDEN?**

By R. A. Pope, Landscape Gardener and Specialist in the Design of Model Communities, Retained by The Narberth Civic Association to Supervise Its Improvement Work.

Some time ago I visited two gardens in Salem, Massachusetts. One of them was a formal garden, geometric in arnot the slightest suggestion of a sympathetic garden spirit.

The other garden, of more ancient lineage, was an interesting contrast to the first, for there was no formality in its planting. The box-bordered walk was overgrown here by a magnolia, there by an old lilac; flowers sor, expecting to be inspired by the peeped from the hedge and nodded at royal atmosphere that must be a part dens of our own New England, as one along the pathway; shrubs inter- of such a place. And how disappoint- well as from the more ancient ones mingled with old-fashioned herbs and ing the garden was! It seemed as of Europe's cottage and manor homes, blossoms, and the eye passed happily from shade to sunshine, and from sunshine back to shade.

Wandering along the pathway, which seems always to cling about an for order was proved by the uniform old, old garden, I came to a little-teahouse set deep in the shade of side of the path. Here was Nature conifers, through an opening in which I could look out across the blue sunlit her winsome, wistful efforts to free waters of the bay. And in this quiet, simple spot, I realized perhaps more poignantly than ever before, the real meaning of garden atmosphere. There was no great display of flowers, no framework, in the shape of walls special contrasting of color masses. even a pergola had been needed to make this garden sheltering and extremes Nature's garden atmosphere sweet. Yet all one's senses were appealed to. The old-fashioned blossoms gratified the sight; the lilac, so fraught with memories and old associations, gave its fragrance; the wellworn pavement of the garden path, with its soft moss-filled crevices, satisfied the sense of touch, while the sound of one's footsteps mingled with the rustling of the leaves and became somehow imbued with the peaceful spirit of the place.

How few such gardens there are: The real garden, in this country, is a rare thing-rare because our ideals about gardens have not been right. We have either been indifferent altogether or have cared so much about making a good showing, an imposing or picturesque display, that we have we had the true love of gardens and to the apple-tree. But what shall this neighbor inquired, in that picturesque the real purpose of them at heart, it walk be made of? Never of concrete, phraseology of his. would not occur to us that they were of course, for that would be too things to show off or to boast of. We should be more likely to keep in them the same degree of personal privavy that we have come to want in our living rooms-and what is a garden save a living room out of doors?

For many years our houses were over-furnished, over-decorated, encumbered with bric-a-brac, arranged for effect instead of comfort. So in our gardens many of us have made the same mistake. We have concentrated our efforts on sundials and geometric flower-beds, on rock gardens and arbors and lily pools, because we look at, to talk about, to show to our tree or a lilac bush, and then on either don't you know. neighbors, rather than because of the side plant not alone perennials in their intimate beauty and relaxation that qualities, the means rather than the flowers of our own finding. Then, by end. And that is why we have so way of linking all these to our house, often mistaken the unusual or eccen-The idea of a library for Narberth tric for the beautiful, and obtained arbor, planted with our favorite Convery glad to hear from all who have homes, plants and fittings don't make and tempting to the taste. And when gardens. A picture has meaning. a

room has the true home spirit, a gar- phere is found. Take, for instance, den has atmosphere, because of the personality of the artist. They are not collections of objects; they are materials so chosen and so arranged as to express an individual conception of beauty, intimacy or friendliness.

By the same token, the size of the garden has nothing to do with its atmosphere, except in so far as it rangement, planted with carefully limits or suggests the kind of beauplaced masses and color contrasts. It ty. For instance, in a small garden was a skilfull, luxurious example of we cannot get grandeur; but we can the modern gardener's art. Yet in create picturesqueness, intimacy and spite of its beauty of color and its romance. On a large estate, on the wealth of flowers, it lay bald and contrary, we can get broad, inspiring shadowless and uninviting, giving one landscape effects and wonderful vistas. Thus each style of garden has its own peculiar attributes which it days. He was recognized by all as a is the mission of the gardener and most affable companion, a loyal friend landscape architect to successfully and a master gardener, and his genial develop and evolve.

I visited the King's garden at Wind-long outlived him. though the ideal had been to secure the maximum amount of color and son. But the chief is this: that the quantity of flowers, for the perennial spirit is of more value than the matewalk was nearly five hundred feet in rials, and that what our gardens need drinking in the peculiar fragrance length. The insistence of the desire is not things, but atmosphere.—Reslope and width of the long bed on each in complete restraint, in spite of all

Now, it is possible to have a formal garden and yet have a friendly spirit. Passes." by using the formal lines only as a -always a subtle and elusive thingvanishes, and we are left with mere indeed. 'Pippa Passes!'" colors, lines and spaces, bereft of soul. We may admire the garden, but we bor. no longer feel it, for there is little johns, eh? Tough luck!" room for emotion in a mathematical. scheme.

How can we get the play of light and shadow, the sense of mystery and repose, that go to make up garden atmosphere? of whatever old and beautiful things ing! Only fancy! are around us with which our garden apple-tree around which we may build ing. Possibly in the orchard or small fruit my feelings, you know.) garden there is a bit of old box border you never read the classics?" that we can use to plant our walk this character. Brick would be more literati. Surely you comprehend." appropriate, especially if it is old, with the edges crumbling a little and the any of this in the neighborhood it will ness. be just the thing for our garden walk. proper order as to height and color, we may build a simple Colonial grape our garden structures are built and our flower-beds, hedges and vines are planted, we can ask Time's aid to

soften and enrich it all. So kind a friend is Time to both architect and gardener, that its blessings more than counterbalance any ravages the years and weathering may bring, and even the most severe and unattractive garden will grow mellow and alluring if left long enough to its own devices. Nevertheless, we must try to so design our grounds that we shall anticipate by art some of the softness and harmony of age, and by freeing us from the impression of individual things, give a perception of the garden's spirit and of the personality of which it is the expression.

This matter of individuality is an important one, for a definite conception, an artistic soul, is always behind material things where garden atmos-

the work of Robert Bradley, to whom may be attributed many of the most beautiful old gardens of Salem and Newburyport. After serving his gardening apprenticeship to an English lord, he came to this country toward the end of the eighteenth century and settled in Newbury, Massachusetts. He was the father of eleven children, but seems to have taken his responsibilities somewhat lightly, for he was fond of his cups to a sorry degree, and was more of an adept at playing the violin, for which he had great repute, than supporting his family. Yet in spite of this he was an expert gardener, and commanded the fee of a dollar an hour-a large sum in those personality found a permanent expres-I remember with what anticipation sion in the fine old places that nave

From the friendly, sheltering garwe of to-day may learn many a lesprinted from "The Craftsman."

NARBERTH NEEDS A LIBRARY.

I chanced to mention to a neighbor the other day the superlative merits herself from this geometric bondage. of that excellent and absorbing work of the late Mr. Browning,

It was a pleasure to me to observe the way in which my neighbor's face hedges and paths enclosing the place lighted up, denoting a happy acquaintno wealth of garden furnishings; not and guiding us among its beauties, ance with the very pearls of litera-But when this precision is carried to ture. And I had feared that his mind was not of that order.

"Wonderful," I sighed. "Wonderful,

"Poor guy," commiserated my neigh-"Couldn't even catch a pair of

And yet that hapless man who confused "Pippa Passes" with a sordid game of poker is a most devoted father and a man of reputed sapience, for only recently did I hear it said of First we must use him, by an admiring friend-"Oh, he's imagination, ingenuity and make use wise." But such ignorance of Brown-

"Dear me!" I ejaculated, at the may be begun. Perhaps the first astounding termination of our converthing may be no more than an old sation anent the lamented Mr. Brown-"Goodness sakes! Mercy! Oh. a quaint and ancient-looking seat. gracious!" (I nearly lost control of "And do

"Whadd'ye mean, classics?" my

"Oh, the literati," I responded, with modern and percise for a garden of some heat, I fear. "The works of the

"The litter-who?" he asked, densely, "The literati, the literati, man." I form irregular. There is a certain snapped at him in a way which took kind of brick, of light reddish tone, him a bit aback, I fancy. "The masthat was used in the Revolutionary ters of English, you know." My neighperiod, and if there happens to be bor regarded me with sudden black-

"Say, are you a German spy?" he If not, we may find in a nearby brook demanded, with altogether uncalledsome flat, rugged stones which may be for roughness. I saw immediately and laid in the English pavement manner, quite clearly that he had misunderwith wide joints for moss or grass to stood me. My "masters of English" creep into. Perhaps we can lead our had conveyed an entirely erroneous pathway still farther to an old pear impression to his uncultured mind,

"No, no," I exclaimed, quite warmly. 'You confused my meaning, you know. By the literati I mean the truly great writers." My neighbor's brow cleared. "Gotcha," he beamed. "You mean the big boys, Robert W. Chambers and E. Phillips Oppenheim and the rest o' that bunch. You betcha! Sure I read the classics. I read 'em all." Now this deplorable instance illustrates the point I am by way of making. It evinces only too well, I fancy, the need of a library which shall lift

> there may be who will question my purpose. A fortnight ago, seeking out the only available public library in the village, I inquired of the person in charge, a gentleman with a name strongly reminiscent of some musical instrument, whether "Sesame and Lilies" graced his shelves.

> Narberth to heights of literary cultiva-

tion now sadly unglimpsed. And I say

this in all sincerity, although some

"Say that first again, please," he requested.

I spelled it out-"S-E-S-A-M-E."

"And who wrote it, did you say?" the gentleman asked. I had not said, but I did so upon his solicitation.

"Mr. Ruskin," I informed him, reverently. He looked doubtful. "What's his first name?" he ques-

"John-Mr. John Ruskin-'Sesame

and Lilies," I repeated, with great care. "Oh." he informed me, after a pause.

We're just out of that. I'm sorry." "No matter, no matter." I waved the disappointment aside. "Any other of Mr. Ruskin's works will do as well. Have you--'

"No, not another thing by Mr. Ruskin in right now," the gentleman interrupted. "You see, he hasn't been writing much lately."

The situation is quite obvious to all. fancy. Narberth needs a library. And will the kind editor put that terse sentence in those large, bold capitals, such as so profusely pepper the writings of our well-known anti-suffragist? This is the way I mean, you know. NARBERTH NEEDS A LIBRARY.

I have made myself clear, I fancy. I trust so.

Merritt Bond.

LADY NARBERTH.

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best to put Narberth in the front rank of surburban home towns.

Warren M. Wills, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting his uncle, Edward Haws, of Dudley avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Guvon W. Grav entertained the Saturday Evening Card Club at their residence, 100 Elmwood avenue. The ladies' prizes won by Mrs. E. C. Stokes and Mrs. Justice B. Morgan; the gentlemen's prizes by Carl B. Metzgar and Edwin P. Dold.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Greene entertained their bridge club last Friday

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Goodall spent several days in New York last week, where they went to attend the wedding of Mr. Goodall's cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. Rozo Brooks entertained a party of Philadelphia friends at a bridge last Friday evening

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News of the Churches

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Emerson L. Swift, Pastor.

The Teachers' Association will hold its monthly meeting at the church Friday evening. Miss Daisy Dean will speak in the interest of teacher training on the topic, "How to Know the Child."

Bible School Sunday morning at 9.45. Decision Day will be observed. Preaching and ordinance of the Lord's Supper at 11. New members will be welcomed.

We will receive 66 tickets of the 200 assigned to Narberth for the Sunday evening service at the Tabernacle for These will be distributed among the men of our church and congregation. This is an opportunity we have sought. Make your application to the pastor for yourself and friends early. There will be a service in the church at 7.45 for the balance of our congregation. Young People's Meeting at 7. Subject, "How to Make This a Happier World." Prov. 3: 13-

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Chris. G. Koppel, Pastor.

Sunday, March 7. 9.45 A. M. Sunday School Assembly. Bible study; classes for men and women. 11 A. M. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Reception of new 6.45 P. M. Epworth members. League, conducted especially for young people. 7.45 P. M. Public worship. Sermon by the pastor. Singing by the church chorus choir.

Strangers and friends cordially welcome.

"THE LITTLE CHURCH ON THE HILL" IS GROWING.

At the Quarterly Conference last Thursday evening the district superintendent commended the members and pastor of the Methodist Church for its splendid progress.

In eight months forty-four have united with the church by letter and profession of faith. Of these twentythree are men and young men.

The Sunday School shows the most remarkable advancement with an increase in total enrollment from 101 to 214. The gain in the adult and Intermediate departments of ninetysix has resulted in more than doubling the average attendance. The 113 additions represent a net gain, forty-five per cent. being men, young men and

The superintendent, Mr. Chasles E. Kreamer, has associated with him an active and progressive staff of teachers. Special emphasis is being placed upon present evangelism and Bible

The presidents of the Ladies' Aid Society, the Epworth League and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society all reported having doubled the membership of their respective societies.

The finance committee reported current expense receipts increased 100 per cent. over last year. The heavily increased budget is being fully met. The parsonage indebtedness was decreased \$200, and \$400 spent upon re-

Greatly to the delight of the board the pipe organ committee reported the expectation of dedicating the organ the third Sunday in March free of debt.

The church unanimously petitioned the presiding bishop for the reappointment of Mr. Koppel as pastor. Two churches in Philadelphia have extended invitations for him to become their pastor, but he has expressed the desire to remain in Narberth.

The following elections were confirmed: As trustees: Charles E. Kreamer, Frank H. Prescott, David D. Stickney, Abram D. Souder, Fletcher W. Stites, James A. Scott, Nathan E. Smedley, J. W. McAuliff, Robert E. miners, giving mothers equal rights Pattison, Jr. As stewards: Edward L. Redrick, James T. Howenstine, Dr. the age of consent. Francis W. Sadler, John T. Darlington, Earnest C. Anderson, Frank R. Smith, Charles W. Clewell, Aldine K in the suffrage movement, will speak as I am leaving this section in a few Siler, Charles L. Jenkins, James G.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH.

Sundays: Early Mass, May to Sep-Mass, October to April, inclusive, 7.00 A. M.; late Mass, 9.30 A. M.

Masses on holydays: 6.30 and 8.30 A. M.; Masses on weekdays, 8.00 A.

Lenten and other evening devotions, 8 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. John Van Ness, Minister. Sunday, March 7. The regular hour of the Sabbath school is at 10 A. M. To-day this will be preceded by a fifteen minute song service conducted by Prof. William T. Melchior.

At 11 A M, the pastor will conclude the series of sermons on Malachi preaching on the theme, "The Book of Remembrance."

The meeting of the Junior Congregation at 7 P. M. will be led by Helen

Duff and Grace Nevin. At 8 o'clock, meeting for worship.

Gospel service.

On Monday evening, March 9, the Men's Club is arranging for a mass meeting for men only. The principal speaker will be Mr. Samuel W. Foster, who has been very successful in evangelistic work and in conducting gospel meetings. Every man in Narberth is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

On Tuesday, March 9, from 3 to 5 P. M., a Dime Social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held at the home of Miss E. M. Posey, 203 Essex avenue. In connection with this social there will be a 'Home Bake." All ladies invited.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

Rev. Andrew T. Burke, Rector. Sunday services

8 A. M.—The Holy Communion. 9.45 A. M.—The Sunday school. 11 A. M.-Morning Prayer and Ser-

4 P. M.-Evening prayer.

MERION MEETING HOUSE.

House Lane.

Merion Meeting House is opened for worship every First-day at 10.30 A. M. Visitors are cordially welcome. On second month, 21st, the Quarterly Meeting Visiting Committee will attend Merion meeting.

MY HOUSEHOLD.

My household shall be taught, besides the fear of God, at least one thing: the art of living for the good of this their town; that they must seldom speak of its deficiencies, and only then at home and with the thought to set things right; that they must often speak of its advantages, and when they travel they must lose no chance to spread its name in good repute-or they shall move elsewhere to live.

Edwin L. Quarles.

COMMUNITY BIBLE CLASS.

On account of the suffragette meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Building on Tuesday evening of this week, the Monday evening and spent a very profitable hour in studying a portion sharp. of the book of Acts.

This book will form the basis for our study during the spring months. Saturday as the Narberth team travels The method pursued does not take the to West Chester to play the strong place of the Sunday School lesson, nor West Chester Y. M. C. A. team. does it encroach upon it, but it will help in the preparation and under standing of it, and will make more efficient church and Sunday School workers.

The attendance has been very gratifying and the interest growing, which speaks well for our town, when so many come out to study God's word.

There is a place for you, will you fill it next Tuesday evening at 7.45

MRS. NEARING TELLS WHY WO-MEN SHOULD HAVE THE VOTE.

(Continued from First Page) protection of employes from dangerous machinery, improving the condition of with fathers over children, and raising

Miss Mary Winsor, of Haverford, who is one of the best known women at the next meeting which will be held weeks. House is about 34x34 ft. Tuesday evening, April 6.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

You are all invited to attend a meeting of the FARMERS' INSTITUTE tember, inclusive, 6.30 A. M., early for PHILADELPHIA COUNTY and THE FLORISTS' CLUB of Philadelphia in HORTICULTURAL HALL, Friday, March 5, and Saturday, March 6, 1915. EXERCISES PUBLIC and FREE to

> Afternoon sessions, 2 to 5 P. M. Evening sessions, 7.30 P. M.

FROM ALL ANGLES

The Narberth Main Line champions defeated the strong West Park team of Philadelphia. The game was exciting from beginning until the final whistle blew, the first half ending at 9 to 8 in favor of the visitors, but the Narberth team came back strong in the final period and won out by the score 26 to 19. Jean Davis, of the locals, led in the scoring with three field goals and six fouls. He was closely followed by Vernie Fleck, who caged three field goals in the final half. The game was rough and hard fought, the referee, Dr. Hoffman, finding it necessary to call numerous fouls.

In conjunction with the big game the Narberth second team defeated the West Park second team in a fast game by the score 22 to 19. Colwyn Humphreys was easily the star with seven field goals to his credit. Some were caged from very difficult angles. Clarence Humphreys was next with three field goals and four fouls.

Narberth High School have not played for the last two weeks as Capt. McCarter and several of the players were recently taken ill.

Narberth Base Ball team has entered the Main Line League. Mr. Fred Rose was re-elected president of the league. The towns to be represented are: Narberth, Overbrook, Wayne and Berwyn. A great fight is expected this year.

The Local High School has entered the Penn Relays. As they have started training already, they should be in the pink of condition by the time of the events. Some of the contestants are: Carrol Downes, captain: Snead Smith. Montgomrey Avenue and Meeting Dutch Cummer, Streak Lukins, Junior Winne, Meredith Chambley and others.

Bill Durbin, who played the first of the West Park game Saturday night, was unable to continue on account of a sprained ankle. Bill sustained this injury in the early part of the Haver ford-Swarthmore game.

Last Sunday the Girls' Basket 1" team was noticed in the sporting page of the North American.

The weather at Haverford must be near the zero mark. Look at Bill Durbin's picture in last Sunday's North

A big track meet is planned to be held early in spring in Narberth. The meet will be open to every one in the town, and special attention will be given to the classifications of the contestants. This movement was started by Robert Savill, and is now being taken up by the fellows.

Young Jack O'Brien, the noted Philadelphia pugilist, who acquired great fame as a fighter, appears every Saturday morning at the Y. M. C. A. to teach the young fellows gym work and the art of self-defence. This is a great chance for those who are athletically inclined, as the greatest asset to an athlete's career is his early Community Bible Study class met on training. Everybody at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday morning at nine o'clock

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HOW TO CARE FOR A LAWN.

An attractive lawn cannot be acquired in a few days. There is a saying among English gardeners that one hundred years are needed to make a fair lawn, and two hundred to make a good one. Many home-makers are disappointed in their lawn-making simply because they do not start right. The very best plan, when new land is to be used, is to grow a crop of potatoes one summer in order to get the soil into proper condition. Otherwise the ground must be plowed deeply, and harrowed repeatedly until it is thoroughly broken up. It is impossible to make the soil too fine. Your lawn may be seeded to ad-

vantage either early in the spring or the first two weeks in September. A still day should be chosen for sowing the seed—preferably a dull day. There is no economy in stinting on seed or in using any but the very best. It is wise for the amateur to buy a prepared mixture from a reliable seed-house, and it is well to remember that there are different mixtures for different locations. The kind of grass to grow on an open lawn may not thrive at all under trees or in very shady places A little rye is often sown with the lawn seed. It acts as a nurse crop, and also gives a green lawn within a few weeks.

Sow seed up and down the plot. and then across it at right angles, if you want to make sure of a good stand. Rolling comes next, and is highly important, although often neglected. The heavier the roller the better.

In spring a plentiful rainfall may ordinarily be expected, but if it does not come it will be necessary to keep the newly seeded plot sprinkled until the grass is up. As soon as a green mist covers the ground, look carefully for bare spots and reseed them.

There is danger in using the lawnmower too soon. When the grass is three inches high is early enough at first. Then one cutting a week will probably be sufficient. If the grass is short, the clippings will disappear in an hour or two. When the clippings are long, they should be raked up, but it is better to mow often enough so that the grass can be left where it falls.

However good their intentions, amateurs oftentimes damage their lawns by the manner in which they water them. Lawn-sprinklers look pretty, but the best way to apply water is to throw the nozzle on the ground or place it on a board and let the water run for half an hour or so in one spot, shifting the hose then to another location. If the water does not penetrate the soil four or five inches at least, the roots will be attracted to the surface, which is just where they are not wanted.

The best way to keep weeds out is to get a strong growth of grass, which will choke the weeds. Only two kinds can survive when the grass is thickdandelions and plantains-and the only reliable remedy for their extermination is to dig them up. A bare spot will result, but a little seed will soon bring grass there.

Old lawns may often be renovated by sowing seed freely just before a rain and by the liberal use of fertilizers. No lawn will keep in good condition perpetually unless it is fed. to use pulverized sheep manure or a manure may contain a few weeds, but it is of special value in making good grass. Commercial fertilizers may be obtained at any seed-store, and should be applied in the spring.

Sometimes a very poor lawn can be entirely transformed by covering it an inch deep with good loam, with which pulverized sheep manure has been mixed. With a little raking the loam will soon entirely disappear, and the grass will receive a stimulus that will last for several years.

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NARBERTH WINS AGAIN.

Last Saturday evening the first and second teams of the Y. M. C. A. defeated the first and second teams of the West Park Athletic Club, by the score of 26 to 19, and 22 to 19, respectively.

The first half of the Varsity team ended with the score in favor of the visitors, 10-9; but in the second half Narberth came back strong and completely wiped the visitors off their feet. Fleck is beginning to recover his eye for shooting field goals, having three to his credit, closely followed by E. Davis with two. The all around playing of Alan Kirk, Capt. Durbin and Jefferies, accounted for the wonderful come back of the second half. R. Robinson starred for the visitors with five field goals to his credit. Line-up:

Narberth 1st-A. Kirk, Humphries and E. Davis, forwards; Capt. Durbin and Kirk, centre; Jefferies and V. Fleck, guards.

West Park A. C. 1st-Ivory and Shields, forwards; R. Robinson, cenre; Mahoney and D. Robinson, guards.

Field goals-Davis, 2; Kirk, 1; Fleck, 3; R. Robinson, 5; Mahoney, 1. Foul goals-Durbin, 8 out of 10; Davis. 6 out of 9; Shields, 7 out of 16. Referee-Dr. Hoffman Hahnemann. Times of halves-20 minutes. Scorer and timekeeper-Earl F. Smith.

The Narberth second team defeated West Park 2nd, in one of the fastest games of the season by the score of 22-19. The first glimpse of the score will give you an idea of the closeness of the guarding of both teams. Colwyn Humphreys was the star for the home team, having seven field goals to his credit. Line-up:

Narberth 2nd-Colwyn, Humphreys and Speakman, forwards; Clarence Humphries, centre: Harry Simpson and Ensinger, guards.

West Park 2nd-W. Simpson and Shields, forwards; Brinton, centre; Mahoney, Ivory and Robinson, guards. Field goals-Colwyn Humphreys. 7:

Clarence Humphreys, 2; W. Simpson, 2; Shields, 2; Brinton, 1; Robinson, 1. Foul goals—Clarence Humphries, 4; Shields, 7. Referees-Durbin, Haverford, and Town, Haverford. Scorer and timekeeper—Earl F. Smith. Time of halves-15 minutes.

SCHOOLS AND THE SUMMER VACATION.

Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, reiterates his belief in continued school activity of some kind during the summer months for most children. He says that "the schools should provide some kind of instruction for the children through what is now, in most cities, a long, wasteful vacation." He suggests that summer work should not continue longer than four hours-from seven or eight o'clock to eleven or twelve o'clock in the forenoon.

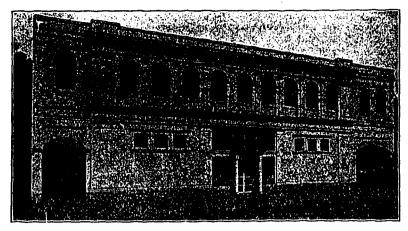
He adds that "the cost of adding the three months of school would be comparatively little. There would be no cost for fuel, the cost of attendance would be less, and the additional cost for teachers would not be in proportion to the number of days added. Whatever may be the terms of the contract, teachers are in fact employed by the year. Comparatively few of them use the vacation months in any lawn with fresh manure in the profitable way. For most teachers the autumn, but the plan has serious ob- additional months would not be a jections, apart from the fact that the hardship, especially if the school days manure is unsightly and malodorous. were shortened. Certainly this is true For one thing, it is sure to introduce if teachers could be relieved of a many weed seed. It is much better large amount of the unnecessay bookkeeping, report-making, and examinacommercial fertilizer. The sheep tion reading with which they are now burdened." His suggestions are somewhat radical, but they deserve well as from an expert.

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NARBERTH Y. M. C. A. MANAGER'S REPORT TO BOARD OF DIREC-TORS, MARCH 1, 1915.

E. E. Seaver, chairman of the Board of Managers of the Y. M. C. A. and Community Center, read the following report to the Board of Directors last Monday evening:

Total attendance for February....4560 Average day attendance for February 79 Average night attendance for February 113

Largest day attendance 184 Largest night attend-

ance 317 New members—Regular

New members—Boys' 10c-a-week

Financial Committee (Under management of Henry Rose)-Clarence L. Metzger, who was formerly in charge of this committee, has found it necessary to resign on account of moving away from Narberth. Henry Rose is is taking up the work. The committee is working out a plan for more contributing members.

Library, Religious and Boys' Game Room Committee (Under management of H. C. Gara)-Subscriptions have been entered for a combination of magazines, and a rack is being secured for them. The matter of boys' games is still a problem not yet satisfactorily solved. The library has not yet been moved down stairs, but will be during the coming week. Religious work has progressed, the Community Bible Study class is well attended every Tuesday night. A Sunday afternoon class for boys was under consideration, but it has been decided to defer the formation of same until the fall

House Committee (Under management of W. Arthur Cole)-A very attractive out-of-door sign, listing all organizations housed in the Y. M. C. A. Building, is in process of construction. It will probably be put up this month. New book cases have been installed in the lobby.

Social Committee (Under management of W. S. Horner)-"Community Night" which was the social event of February, was a success beyond expectations, over 300 being present. The Boys' Glee Club held a banquet in the Community room during the month. electing officers and planning to give a musicale at an early date. They expressed a unanimous desire to help our management in every possible way.

Membership Committee (Under management of Fletcher Stites)-This committee has been actively at work. They have been calling on the new arrivals in town and are fast getting into shape for a systematic campaign. They hope to build up our full membership to at least double its present number before the spring closes.

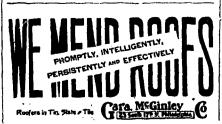
Gymnasium Committee (Under management of Robt. Savill)-The game room has been better patronized than ever before.

Gross receipts for the month of February\$156.00 Expenditures:

Pin boys . Lights 8.00

Total \$28.49 Net receipts for the month of

Our present system of Pin Boy service is unsatisfactory and we are considering hiring permanent service, weekly, rather than depend upon pickup service, which is found very unreliable. Basket ball has had a good month. Gymnasium class for Junior Athletic Association was started on the 27th. P. J. O'Brien has been secured as instructor, and had twentytwo in the class on the first day, and, if a physical instructor can be retained permanently, the class will be doubled in number without question. The Base Ball Association has met and laid plans for an A-1 base ball team to enter the Maine Line League, and although plans are not definitely settled, the outlook is promising for



a good season of outdoor sports.

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due.

As surely as Spring follows Winter, the soul of man will turn toward God in some hour of need. Alas for those who wait until the numbness of death begins to paralyze them!

If certainly some day, WHY NOT NOW, in the full tide of your life?
If God is worthy of any thought, he is worthy of our best thought.

EXERCISE YOUR HIGHEST FACULTIES, and give heed to re-

AS AN AID TO FAITH, GO TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY. In the Lord's house, on the Lord's Day, "Seek Ye the Lord."
Give Your Best Solf a Fair Chance.

And so I find it well to come
For deeper rest to this still room
For here the habit of the soul
Feels less the outer world's control;
The strength of mutual purpose pleads More earnestly our common needs;
And from the silence multiplied
By these still forms on either side,
The world that time and sense have known
Falls off and leaves us God alone,
—Whittier.

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