

### W. C. T. U.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Andover meets the first and third Thursday in each month.

"The smallest effort is not lost; Each wavelet on the ocean tossed runs in the right tide or the flow; Each rain drop makes some floweret blow; Each struggle lessens human woe."

The darkest hour in the history of any young man is when he sits down to study how to get money without honestly earning it.

Mrs. Helen Campbell, author of "Prisoners of Poverty," is taking a post-graduate course in social economics at the University of Michigan.

"There are two things needed in these days—first, for rich men to find out how poor men live, and, second, for poor men to know how rich men work."

Sixteen of the Samoan group of islands have been evangelized entirely by native missionaries. The drink traffic is as usual the greatest hindrance to their work.

A single brewery in the northwest provinces of India, where so many millions suffer from hunger, daily uses an amount of grain to form malt for beer that would feed 20,000 each day.

The use of cigarettes and tobacco in other forms is plainly increasing among the young. The harmful effects of tobacco upon boys cannot be overstated. I have personally known many students whose capacity for intellectual work has been well nigh destroyed, and who have been brought to the verge of idiocy by the use of tobacco. The physical effects are too well known to need discussion. I am amazed that the church, that society, that parents treat with apparent indifference this menace to all that makes life worth living. I do not hesitate to say that I believe the "tobacco curse" is as threatening as the liquor traffic. I most heartily endorse the efforts to make more stringent the laws against the use of tobacco by young or old.—A. C. Hill, Principal Cook Academy, Havana, N. Y.

### INDEPENDENCE NEWS.

Sunday was a lovely, spring like day.

Items are scarce as early piety.

Mrs. Henry C. Coleman of Alfred Centre, visited old friends in town last week.

While Mr. DuRay Livermore was splitting wood one day last week, he had the misfortune to cut a painful gash in one of his feet, and is now laid up for repairs.

See here, friend Norris, you are altogether too modest, for in your rambles about town taking notes concerning "Andover's activity," you ignored the excellent work done in the News office and the large subscription to the paper. Now that won't do, for the old axiom is, "Give the devil his due," and as you nearly always do your own "devilish" as well as the most of the mechanical work on the paper, I consider it my duty to call the attention of the dear public to your merits as a necessary fixture to the success and future progress of "Andover's Activity." Selah.

GUMPTION.

[Thanks, friend Gumption. But you know we are very modest. However, you have stated the case so well there is little need of further comment.]

### GREENWOOD NEWS.

Greenwood has a bard. We also have a lady Maccabee lodge, with 14 charter members, which was organized on Friday evening of last week. A lady organizer from Michigan was present and favored a large audience in Swan's hall with a brilliant lecture. Success to the Lady Maccabees.

Alexander Putman, who has been ill a long time, died Feb. 9. Funeral services at the Putman school house on Sunday, the Rev. J. H. Cheesman officiating. Mr. Putman will ever be kindly remembered by his many friends in this vicinity.

Arthur York invited about 30 of his friends to his home for a party last Friday evening.

M. E. Cotton and wife were treated

to a surprise last Thursday evening. About 40 couples walked in and took possession while Emmett was at the store. A jolly good time is reported.

The drama at the Christian church last week proved a financial success, over \$25 being realized. "Uncle Josh from Vermont" was what did it.

Last week a 9 1/2 lb. girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith.

Rev. Mr. Peck of Ingleside is holding a series of meetings in the Putman school house.

The Latter Day Saints occupied the Christian church a few evenings last week.

Mrs. A. Woodard is on the sick list. Parties from Canisteo and Greenwood joined in a dance at Swan's hall recently.

Mrs. Chas. Baker has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stephens.

Mrs. B. S. Brundage was brought from Hornellsville to her home in this village on Wednesday of last week, and is reported quite comfortable, considering the seriousness of her case.

J. F. Baker, president of the Epworth League, was sent as delegate to the convention at Olean last week.

Mrs. Karnahan, a revivalist from Jamestown is holding a series of meetings at the Gully church.

The Bennett's Creek society met with Mrs. S. S. Cross on Thursday, the 15th.

Mrs. and Miss Jackson have returned to their home in Machias.

Mrs. Nancy Mead, who has been visiting relatives in this town and Jasper, will return to her home in Fenton, Mich., this week.

Geo. Guinn and Shuby Tuller of Hartsville, spent Sunday of last week with Ray Cummings.

An oyster supper will be served at D Parshall's on Wednesday evening of this week.

Mrs. Van Etten returned to her home in Corning the first of last week, after spending a few days her daughter, Mrs. A. Wilson.

This town was well represented at the Farmer's Institute held at Canisteo.

Mrs. Henry Streeter has moved back on her farm.

Fred Davis is spending a few weeks in town.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Freeland of Hornellsville attended church here Sunday.

John Brundage has moved his family to the Stephens farm and will work for Wm. Porter the coming season.

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