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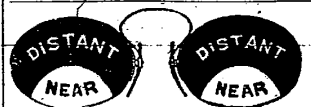
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## HERE'S OIL NEWS.

THE ANDOVER OIL FIELD WILL SOON BE THE SCENE OF LIVELY OPERATIONS.

A Large Number of Leases Being Taken in This Vicinity, and Drilling Will Follow—The Mutual Company's Latest Well is a Crack-a-Jack.

The oil well recently finished by the Mutual Company on the farm of J. J. Warfield is a better well than even the most sanguine person would have expected. In twenty-four hours ending last Friday it produced over 27 barrels of oil. We say "over 27 barrels," but just how much more than that amount might be difficult to determine. A tank such as is found at every producing oil well gauges an average of three barrels to the inch in depth. The tanks are somewhat larger at the bottom than at the top. The Warfield well pumped nine inches of oil into the bottom of the tank during the time above mentioned. There are probably few, if any, better wells than this in the Allegany field. While it is not probable that the flow will continue at this rate, it would seem an assured fact that it will diminish to such an extent as to make the well anything less than a "jim-dandy" in daily production.

A test well is to be drilled in what is known as "Shovel Hollow," which is some distance north of any territory yet developed. The well is to be located on the farm of Patrick Boyle, and will be put down by a syndicate of oil men, among whom are the Mutual Gas Company, E. Harris and K. S. Black of Scio, J. A. Wetherby of Wellsville, Michael Lynch, Jr., of Andover, and others. Mr. Lynch has the contract for drilling the well. It has long been thought that a test well in that locality would demonstrate the presence of oil, and it is hoped the well about to be drilled will open up a large tract of new and valuable territory.

During the past few weeks a large number of new leases have been taken in this vicinity. There has been a "boom" in land leasing at least. Leases have been secured on South Hill, Shovel Hollow, and at various other points covering a large extent of territory.

An oil operator said to a News man early this week that considerable drilling will undoubtedly be done here in the immediate future, and as the price of oil is such as to induce extensive operations, we can be reasonably certain of much activity from now on.

The News will keep its readers posted on developments, and we hope to have much interesting matter concerning the oil field.

### Operations in Detail.

Among those who have been securing leases here are A. B. Cottrell of Alfred, C. Lester and A. A. Woods of Richburg, the two latter gentlemen, with Dr. N. P. Brainard of this place, comprising the Woods Oil and Gas Company; "Tom" Welch of Bolivar; Alva York of Allentown; Michael Lynch, Jr. of Andover; E. Harris and K. S. Black of Scio; J. A. Wetherby of Wellsville; Whitcomb Bros. of Scio; Phillips Bros. of Allentown, and others.

The Woods Oil and Gas Company have a rig up on the farm of Uriah Davis and will have the drill started in a few days.

The Mutual Gas Company has a rig up on M. H. Harman's farm, about four miles south of this village on the Quigg Hollow road. They expect to start the drill within a few days and are looking for gas.

The well to be drilled on Patrick Boyle's farm in Shovel Hollow will be started within three or four weeks. The rig timbers are now being cut.

A. B. Cottrell and C. Lester are building a rig on the east side of Uriah Davis' farm, and will soon start the drill there.

At the Mutual Gas Company's well on the James Redmon farm the drillers have had a fishing job, and slow progress has been made with drilling thus far.

Cleanse your coffee pot every morning before making "Heart's Delight" coffee.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly a remarkable preparation and nothing like it has ever been produced. No matter how wiry and unmanageable the hair may be, under the influence of this incomparable dressing, it becomes soft, silky, and pliable to the comb and brush.

## More Double Track Talk.

Engineers are now at work surveying the route for double tracking the Erie from Hornellsville to Salamanca. They now have the stakes set as far as Belvidere and will reach Salamanca in a few days. Officials say that before another winter the double track will be laid, and that, if the harbor at Dunkirk should be opened up, it is the intention of the company to extend the double track to that city.—*Empire Gazette.*

### Fire Insurance Company's Officers.

The Farmers' Alliance Co operative Fire Insurance Company of Steuben county held a meeting in Canisteo last Wednesday and, among other business, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:  
President—S. Mead, Greenwood.  
Vice President—P. E. Stephens, Greenwood.  
Secretary and Treasurer—James A. Atmy, Hartsville.

Mr. Mead has served several terms as President of this company, and did not desire another term. The members, however, recognizing the fact that much of the success of the company is due to his management, elected him in spite of his protest.

### L. E. Wiles, Dentist.

Will be at the residence of S. P. Robinson in this village, three days beginning Monday, Jan. 27, for the purpose of doing all kinds of dental work.

### Phonograph Concert.

F. W. Hark will exhibit one of Edison's latest improved phonographs at Prest's opera house Friday evening, Jan. 24. Don't fail to go and be entertained by selections from the noted bands and orchestras of the country, songs, comic speeches, etc. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Captain Sweeney, U. S. A., San Diego, Cal. says: "Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy is the first medicine I have ever found that would do me any good. Price 50c. Sold by O. E. Vars."

## Obituary.

John D. Burch died Jan. 10th, 1896, after an illness of nearly six years. His sufferings were great for two years, but he was very patient till the last. He was a resident of Allegany county over forty years, and of the town of Andover thirty-seven years. He was born in Dutchess county in 1818, and was aged 77 years, 8 months and 14 days. He left three sons: C. B. Burch, living in Michigan; W. H. Burch, living in Pennsylvania, and L. G. Burch, living in Andover.

### Card of Thanks.

We desire to return heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends, also to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Fowler, for the kindness shown during the illness, death and burial of a beloved husband and father. Such attentions were truly appreciated.

Mrs. J. E. Burch.  
C. B. Burch.  
W. H. Burch.  
L. G. Burch.

The *Illustrated Buffalo Express* recently said: "There a good many things which *The Express* does not go in for at all, but we shall always aim to be foremost in offering whatever (in newspaper limits) is worthy the attention and the thought of intelligent men and women." And we can say in all honesty that *The Express* not only aims to do this, but does it admirably. There is no more satisfactory paper to read, take it week by week, than *The Illustrated Buffalo Express*.

Among the fruit and flower novelties which 1895 brings us, we notice that the enterprising and reliable firm of James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y., are already calling attention to three, which seem to have won great favor where known. They are the double sweet pea, the only one in the world true to name, "Bride of Niagara," the "Early Leader Tomato," the earliest of all the early tomato family and sure to become a great favorite, and the already famous blackberry, the "Rathbun." By the way, any of our readers unacquainted with Vick's Floral Guide? Whether you are or not, send 10 cents to this firm at Rochester, N. Y., and get a copy. You can deduct this from the first order for seeds and the pleasure and information their guide will give you will certainly induce you to keep up the acquaintance.

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## IT TURNED OUT TO BE A Great Removal Sale!

Our intentions were to close out our business in Andover. Many of our leading citizens, however, recognized the fact that our popular Clothing Store is Andover's great enterprise, have used every honorable means to persuade us to remain. The will and sentiment of the people is stronger than the desire of any man or set of men. Many before us have bowed to the will of the people, and so have we.

One of our chief reasons for leaving this place was of our inability to do justice to our mammoth stock in our present small room. We succeeded, however, in leasing the great store owned by Mr. M. McTighe, now occupied by Mr. Ross, from the first of April next.

In order to make ours the grandest, the largest and the best paying business in Andover we have determined to put in our store an additional line of the very latest and best styles of

## SHOES AND RUBBER GOODS.

No doubt this will be happy tidings to every one who is anxious for Andover's growth and success. We have, however, more cheering news for the people of this vicinity. Our fall and winter stock is still too large, and we are bound to turn it into cash

### REGARDLESS OF COST.

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Don't delay, come soon. We can serve you better if you will call early. We are confident that by calling at our place you will agree with us that never before have you even dreamed of purchasing clothing so cheap as you will buy at this Great Removal Sale. A beautiful present will be given with every \$5.00 purchase or over. Remember this great sale will commence

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1896.**

**Epstein's Clothing House, Andover.**