

**INTERESTING OIL NEWS.**

Oil operations are the leading topics. The well on E. M. Livermore lot, 49, is in a fishing job on account of caving in. They should have used drive pipe. O'Hara & Co. are building a rig on R. McAndrew lot, 48. The Backer Oil Co. are building a rig on V. G. Graves lot, 50. Lynch & Co. have a rig complete on Wm. Deau lot, 51. This rig is one located from the north line of Lot 51, and close to this company's well on Keough lot, 46 which is a nice pumper in the Penny sand, with good show in lower strata. O'Hara & Co.'s well on Horan lot, 70, is a strong gasser in the Penny sand, with show of oil in lower sand, and considered worth more for gas than for oil, and has been purchased by the Mutual Gas Co. The Harold Oil Co. have a rig ready for the tools on Joyce lot, 94. We understand that Wm. Helm will rig up there this week.

In the West end the well on Briggs lot, Wellsville, is in and reported drilling has begun on Harrington lot, 120, Wellsville. Phillips Bros. have a well nearly completed on Lot 109. Appa & Co. have a rig on Tullar lot, 105. Segar & McCarn are drilling No. 2 on John Trask lot, 108. Phillips Bros. are drilling No. 3 on Macken lot, 92.

The pipe line is laid from Dyke to the pump station on Lot 91, and a portion of the new line is in. The pump station is nearing completion, and will soon be ready to drain the field.

J. A. Vincent, of Allentown, is rushing the rig building business with a full force of men. We consider affairs to be in elegant shape with several good companies here at work, and each department in competent hands. If the weather permits, there will be continual work all winter.

**What the Wellsboro Advocate Says in regard to W. W. Miller.**

One of the largest business transactions in this vicinity in years occurred yesterday, when Waldo W. Miller, of Andover, N. Y., a former citizen of this village, purchased the interest of the Jesse M. Robinson estate in the First National Bank of this village. Mr. Robinson was the bank's president at the time of his death. What that interest is has not been made public. Rumors are rife that it approached \$100,000. At a meeting of the board of directors, yesterday morning, Mr. Miller was elected vice president of the institution and will enter on his active duties at once. There will be no change in the management of affairs. This proposed move is but a consummation of a plan which met Mr. Robinson's approval in January last. This business change will be a direct benefit to Wellsboro. Mr. Miller will come here at once to assist in the work, and the first of April he will bring his family here to reside permanently. He is a man that any village would be proud to number among its citizens. Enterprising, successful, a gentleman in every sense of the word, he will receive a hearty welcome from old friends.

**ABOUT LUCK**

Good fortune is more the result of reason than luck—a good deal more. It doesn't answer to take chances on jewelry bargains unless you carefully examine the "bargains," for you are apt to get fooled. But you will be right in luck if you buy your Christmas jewelry at my store for I carry nothing but

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**OMER L. BARNEY.**

**WILLIAM OWEN'S TRAGIC END.**

Instantaneously Killed on the Main Street Crossing.

The people of this village were greatly shocked and saddened at noon on Monday by the tragic death of our highly-respected townsman, William Owen, who was instantly killed on the Main street crossing, while on his way from his place of business, G. E. Brown's gristmill, to his home. He was struck by pusher engine 379, Charles W. Rogers, engineer, which, coupled to pusher 295, driven by Ira Jones, was running down from Tip Top.

William Owen was born in Ayr, Scotland, July 1st, 1822. On July 15th, 1844, he married Miss Elizabeth Dickey, and they

"Have lived and loved together through many changing years," becoming the parents of seven children, of whom but three survive. They are: James Owen, of Andover; William Owen, of North Evans N. Y., and John Owen, of Ayr, Scotland. In 1887 the couple came to America, being brought hither by their son James, in whose hos-

pital home they have since been faithfully ministered to and tenderly cared for.

Mr. Owen was quiet and unobtrusive in manner; deeply attached to his comfortable and peaceful home, to the wife who was the sharer of his joys and sorrows for more than fifty-two years, to his children and grandchildren. He was much given to reading and was especially interested in the perusal of the newspapers which came regularly across the ocean from the land of Bruce and Wallace—journals which kept him in touch with the friend and scenes of auld lang syne. Eminently domestic in his tastes and associations.

"Far from the meddling crowd's ignoble strife, He kept the noisiless tenor of his way." rarely seeking to extend his circle of acquaintances. It cannot truthfully be said that he was widely known; but those who were intimate with him, with one voice, declare him to have been a genial and companionable man; while those who had business transactions with him knew him as an affable, accommodating and honorable dealer.

The sympathy of our entire community goes out to those who mourn the loss of the beloved husband, father and grandfather; and all who believe—as the deceased believed—in the mercy and love of Almighty God, commend the bereaved ones for consolation to Him who hath said through his prophet, "I will be a father unto you;" and through his Son, "I will not leave you comfortless."

"For our dear ones, safe on the other side We give thee praise, O Lord, Though our hearts are sore for prayers denied, And our songs have a broken chord. Never the shaft of shame or sin, Never the blight of pain Shall come to the blest who have entered in, Where only love doth reign."

The funeral services were held at the house this (Wednesday) afternoon. Rev. G. M. Janes, pastor of the Presbyterian church (in the Christian fellowship of which the deceased stood), officiating. The closing of many of the business places of the village, the presence of our citizens in such numbers as to completely fill the house, the floral tributes, and the general feeling of sadness which prevailed, evidenced the regard in which Mr. Owen was held in this community.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**

Christmas dolls at Williams'. Read Benedict & Van Noy's ad. on the first page.

L. A. Burrows has something to tell you on the first page.

The highest price paid for turkeys this week, at A. E. Starr's.

The best oysters for that Christmas dinner may be found at B. S. Brundage's.

Cannon's last shot for '96 will interest you. Read it in "Cannon's Store News" today.

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**Board of Supervisors.**

An adjourned session of the Board of Supervisors convened at Belmont last week. About the first business was the passing of resolutions censuring the *Every Week* for its course during the last political campaign, and one vindicating ex-Supervisor E. J. Norton, of Scio, against the unjust charges made upon him during the campaign.

A bill was introduced providing that every town in the county should take care of its own poor while they remain outside of the poor-house. The bill is to take effect January 1st, 1898.

A report was made which was highly complimentary to Keeper Grunder and Superintendent Crandall, for having kept the county farm in such excellent condition.

A resolution was passed requesting the passage in the Legislature of the bill making the County Clerk's office and Sheriff's office salaried offices, and authorizing the Board of Supervisors of Allegany county to fix the compensation thereof.

After commending Dr. Barney for the able manner in which he performed the office of Chairman of the Board, the Board of Supervisors adjourned Friday afternoon *sine die*.

**Card of Thanks.**

To the very many friends and neighbors who have rendered assistance and have sought by kindly expressions of sympathy to render less poignant the grief which came to us in the death of our husband and father, we render due thanks, and assure them that we fully appreciate their services and condolence.

MRS. ELIZABETH OWEN, JAS. OWEN AND FAMILY, WM. OWEN AND FAMILY.

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**Quarterly Report OF THE Andover State Bank,**

at the close of business on the 9th day of December, 1896.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts, less due from Directors.....	\$41,681.12
Liability of Directors, (as makers).....	260.00
Due from Trust Companies, Banks, Bankers and Brokers, \$5,921.79	
Due from approved Reserve Agents.....	9,613.21
Banking House and Lot.....	15,535.00
Stocks and Bonds.....	6,000.00
Specie.....	1,000.00
U. S. Legal Tenders and Circulating Notes of National Banks.....	2,170.00
Cash on hand.....	2,593.70
Checks for the next day's exchanges.....	107.53
Other items carried as cash.....	11.65
Furniture and Fixtures.....	119.18
	2,150.00
	\$70,909.00
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in, in cash.....	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	3,000.00
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid.....	1,412.36
Due Depositors.....	41,496.64
	\$70,909.00

STATE OF NEW YORK, ) ss: County of Allegany, )

James Owen, President and J. M. Brundage, Cashier of the Andover State Bank, a Bank located and doing business at Main street in the village of Andover, N. Y., in said county, being duly sworn, each for himself, says that the foregoing Report, with the schedule accompanying the same, is, in all respects, a true statement of the condition of the said Bank, at the close of business on the 9th day of December, 1896 and they further say that the business of said Bank has been transacted at the location required by the banking laws of this State, and not elsewhere, and that the report is made in compliance with an order issued by the Superintendent of Banks designating the 9th day of December, 1896, as the day on which such report shall be made; that deponents' knowledge of the correctness of the foregoing report is derived from a constant familiarity with and inspection of the affairs of said corporation, and that said report and schedule were prepared under deponents' personal supervision.

JAMES OWEN, President, J. M. BRUNDAGE, Cashier. Severally subscribed and sworn to by both deponents, the 11th day of December, 1896, before me. CRAYTON L. BARLEY, Notary Public.

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