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ANDOVER PERSONALS.

The Easiest Sure to see Copy Name in Print—Press.

Mack Crandall went to Hornellsville Monday.

Dr. W. W. Coon of Alfred was on our streets Saturday.

P A Shaw of Alfred Station had business in Andover to-day

Mrs. J. Lougherborne and daughter made Wellsville a visit Tuesday.

Mrs. John Davis left this week for West Virginia to join her husband.

Attorney Rice of Friendship was in Andover Monday on legal business.

M. A. Crandall was selling sugar tools in and around Cuba last week.

Geo. Madison of Belfast was a Sunday caller on Miss Stephens this week.

Mrs. O. J. Warren of Cuba was at the home of M. A. Crandall's last week.

Rev. Dr. O. U. Whitford of Westerly, R. I., made the NEWS a friendly call Monday.

Mrs. Everett Watson and two children of Cleveland, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bronner.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crittenden of Hallsport were guests of Mr. and Mrs N. Perkins' during the past week

Mrs. T. B. Miner and Miss Mae Stephens were in Belfast in attendance at the Firemen's Ball there Tuesday evening.

Miss Blanche Pease of Greenwood visited her cousins, Lizzie and Cassie Boyd and Mrs. Geo. Hartrum, at this place, last week.

A. B. Burrows passed Sunday last with his brother Frank, at Amherst College. He will take in the big New York town before his return home.

Earl Hibbard of Saltrising returned to his position in the Life Saving Station at Quonocontaug, R. I., Tuesday. He was in Andover a few days while on his vacation.

Mrs. Wm. Pardon entertained about thirty friends at her home Thursday evening, to a progressive euchre party. Refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable time was spent by all.

J. W. Richardson went to Canajoharie Tuesday morning, to bring his daughter, Mrs. Wilson, home. She is again ill, and it is thought best to have her here among home people for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Newell Baker had a sort of reunion at their home last Saturday night. All their children, thirteen in number, with their families, stayed over night with the "old folks."

Mrs. J. A. Travis came from Washington Thursday, to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Spaulding, both of whom are sick, the latter, however, rapidly recovering from the result of a fall some weeks ago.

D. D. Jackson of Omaha, Neb., is visiting his father, N. V. Jackson, and sister, Mrs. E. A. Stearns. He expects to remain here for ten days or two weeks. This is the first time in seventeen years that Mr. Jackson has been home.

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J. C. Greene Places in Andover Free Library a Frame Full of Choice Army Relics.

Jesse C. Greene has kindly placed in the Library for a few weeks, a valuable collection of army relics, which will interest say and all to look over. Most of the articles were obtained by Mr. Greene himself while in the service, and were carried home by him. A number of people have been refused this collection for placement in other institutions, but the specimens are too dear to him to be given away or for money to purchase. Following is a list of the relics:

Lieut. L. W. Brundage and J. C. Greene.
J. C. Greene.
Uniform buttons.
Certificate of deposit State Bank of Tennessee, $10.
Fifty cent script of the bank of the State of South Carolina.
Confederate currency.
$1 of the Bank of the State of Georgia.
Receipt for prisoners of war.
Lincoln's campaign badge of 1860.
Part of star of battle flag of the 85th N. Y. S. V.
Piece of overcoat worn by J. C. Greene, in Andersonville and Florence prisons, on the bottom of which can be seen nits of grey backs from said prisons.
Roses picked in Washington, N. C., April 21, 1863.
Sutler's Ticket.
Mrs. J. C. Greene, nee Theoda Boyd, carried through the entire war.
Sergeant J. C. Greene, Co. H, 85th Regiment, N. Y. S. V.
Corporal Fulton Bundy, Co. H, 85th.
Corporal Ed. L. Seaman, Co. H, 85th, died in Andersonville July, 1864.
Corporal Geo. H. Brown, Co. H, 85th, died at Andersonville, Sept., '64.
Forks and spoon used by J. C. Greene during the war.
Twenty-fifth anniversary of J. K. P. Coon, printed on piece of Andersonville stockade.
Barracks No. 2, Elmira, N. Y.
Waist belt worn through the war by J. C. Greene.
Hard tack issued at Acqua Creek, Va., in 1863.
Grape shot, picked up in front of fortification where the 85th fought at battle at Fair Oaks.
Minie ball.
Pocket book carried by Capt. J. A. Brown through the war.
Letter from Capt. Brown.
Key to Rebel ammunition box.
J. C. Greene at time of enlistment, Sept. 2, 1861.
Bottle of water from the river Jordan, where the Saviour was baptized.
Rebel sash captured in battle at Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 16, 1862.
Rebel canteen bought in Charleston, S. C., Sept., 1864.
United States canteen.

Besides the above relics, Mr. Greene has at his home a number of others, which could not be placed in a frame, of equal interest.

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We acknowledge receipt of an illustrated pamphlet announcing the fifth annual personally conducted European tour of the Brookiyn Chautauqua Union. The main tour of Scotland, England, Belgium, France, and the Paris Exposition costs $260 for 38 days, including all necessary expenses. There are attractive side tours to Switzerland, Germany, Holland, and Italy. Also to Ober-Ammergau to witness the Passion Play.

The party sails on the Anchor Line steamer City of Rome June 30. The tour is personally managed by the tourist agent, F. C. Clark of New York, London, and Paris, and is organized and accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Gillette of Cortland, N. Y.

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ELM VALLEY.

Wesley Osborn took a trip to Mauch Chunk last Monday, returning Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Howland have been visiting in Nile and other places.

Chas. Church of Yearkees Hill has moved in the tenant house of Wesley Osborn and will work for the latter the coming season.

John Lever and Hermon Church of Andover visited William Hann Saturday.

Artie Dayton visited in Wellsville and Stanards Saturday and Sunday.

A. J. Dayton's house caught fire last Thursday morning but was soon put out. It damaged the floor badly.

John Lever visited the school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hann were called to Standards on account of sickness in the family of their son Wilson.

Lizzie Will was home over Sunday.

A few young people of Andover passed Saturday evening at the home of Wm. Hann.

W. A. Howland was home over Sunday.

TIP TOP.

Wm. Persing of Cuba, agent for the Home Comfort Steeel Range Co., visited C. N. Capen one day last week.

F. M. Lee was in Hornellsville on business Wednesday of last week.

John Cook is reported as improving slowly from the shock of paralysis he had about two weeks ago.

We are glad to note that C. N. Capen, who has been confined to the house the past week with grip, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Lanphear and Mrs. Lois Langworthy visited friends at Alfred Wednesday last.

Jerome Potter and wife visited their daughter, Mrs. Alvin Baker, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Green, a couple of days last week.

W. E. Baker, wife and daughter, Miss Esther, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Langworthy at their home one day last week.

F. M. Lee has hired W. H. Green for the coming season to assist him on his farm. You are lucky, Frank, W.H. is a first class hand.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Martin and children were visiting Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nat. Bennett, at Almond, Thursday of last week.

Miss Marie Langworthy and Miss Mae Baker visited Miss Mary Whitford at her home at Alfred Station over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Baker and their daughter Hazel visited friends in Hornellsville last Friday and Saturday.

W. E. Baker attended the auction sale at Alfred Station last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Deming visited at F. M. Lee's Thursday last.

Thomas Burdick, Alva Randolph, F. M. Lee and B. S. Baker took in the Farmers' Institute at Andover.

Joe Kelly, operator at O P Tower, visited his home in Hornellsville Friday last.

F. M. Lee was auctioneer for L. M. Emerson at his sale at Alfred Station last Friday. Frank is a good one.

Clark Rogers and Miss Ethel Boyd visited Miss Mabel Lee at her home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Burdick's oldest son, Elwood, was injured so badly last week from falling on the ice that it was necessary to call a doctor.

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Church Notices.

Union service at the Seventh-day Baptist church next Sunday evening.

Services in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 10:30; Sunday-school at 12; Mission Band at 3; and Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Sunday morning, M E Church, Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, Number 7. Vanity Fair, Trial of Faithful, His Triumphant Death, "Being Dead Yet Speaketh."

Sunday morning at the Baptist church the pastor will preach on "Ownership." Sunday school at 11:45. Junior C. E. at 3 p.m., and Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 p. m. You are invited, if not regular attendant elsewhere.

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Every month thousands—every year millions—are hurried to untimely graves by insidious, deadly consumption. Don't trifle with your cough, or your lung trouble. Cleveland's Lung Healer will cure you. It has a longer record of cures than any other lung remedy. We will give you a free sample bottle. Large bottle, 25c. L. A. Burrows. 3

We Were Took.

That full-sized man with a number 10 shoe, and a heart as big as a bushel basket, L. A. Burrows, blew into our sanctum, the other day, with his camera on his arm, and a firm determination in his head, to take the pictures of our press department. He said he wanted us to see ourselves as others see us. The result is a fine photograph of the finest power press in Allegany county. Just ask Low. to show it to you when you are in his store, then come down and see what a fine reproduction of the original it is.

Rod and Gun Club, Attention!

A meeting for organization will be held at the Depot Friday night at 7.

Notice to Those Concerned.

If you are owing Mrs. Mourhess anything, will you please call and settle before March 10th?

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New Assurance Issued	203,301,832.00
Income in 1899	53,878,200.86
Assets December 31, 1899	280,191,286.80
Assurance Fund ($216,384,975.00) and all other Liabilities ($2,688,834.03)	219,073,809.03
Surplus	61,117,477.77
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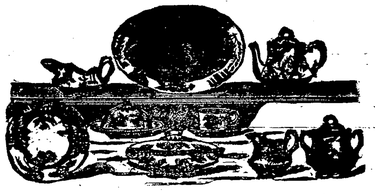

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CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. V. L. Eggleston, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday-school at 11:45; Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Thursday evenings prayer meeting of the church.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.—Rev. W. B. Wagoner, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday-school at 12 m.; Junior League at 3 p. m.; Epworth League at 6:30. Prayer meetings Thursday evenings of each week.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. C. M. Janes, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday-school at 12 m.; Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m.; Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Prayer meeting each Thursday evening.

BLESSED SACRAMENT, ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Rev. T. A. Murray, Pastor. Masses at 8 and 10:30 Sunday morning.

SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST.—Rev. Stephen Burdick, pastor. Preaching every Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Sabbath-school following. Junior Endeavor 3 p. m.; Christian Endeavor 7:30 p. m. Prayer meetings Friday evenings.

SOCIETIES.

Mutual Tent, No. 18, K. O. T. M., meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month. Benj. S. Brundage, Commander; Tim Hyland, R. K.

Maple Grove Hive, No. 188, L. O. T. M., meets second and fourth Saturday evenings of each month. Belle Gallagher, Lady Commander; Dell Rollins, Record Keeper.

Addover Lodge, No. 558, F. & A. M., meets first and third Monday of each month. E. F. Stearns, W. M.; B. S. Brundage, Secretary.

Andover Lodge, No. 786, I. O. O. F., meets every Tuesday night. L. A. Burrows, Noble Grand; I. H. Backus, Secretary.

Edward Seaman Post, No. 481, G. A. R., meets first and third Saturday evening of each month. T. N. Boyd, Com.; E. K. Carpenter, Adjutant.

Woman's Relief Corps meets first and third Saturday evening of each month. Mrs. Flora L. Mosher, President; Mrs. M. Fowler, Secretary.

Andover W. C. T. U. meets first and third Thursday afternoon. Mrs. H. C. Coleman, President; Mrs. E. Everett, Secretary.

Catholic Mutual Benefit Association meets the first and third Monday evening of each month. John Daley, President; P. W. Curran, Rec. Sec.

Andover Lodge, No. 820, I. O. G. T., meets every Monday evening Mrs. R. B. Burrows, C. T.; J. M. Mosher, Secretary.

Andover Legion, No. 308, N. P. L., meets every Thursday evening. O. E. Vars, President; Mrs. O. E. Vars, Secretary.

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM.

Andover Free Library open every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3 to 5, and Saturday evenings from 7 to 10. The Reading Room is open to all every evening from 7 to 10, and on Sunday afternoons from 2 to 5.

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Address of Welcome.

[The following is a synopsis of the Address of Welcome delivered by Jesse S. Phillips at the opening of the Farmers' State Institute held in this village Feb. 5th. He said in part:]

It is a source of great pleasure to me to be accorded the privilege, upon this occasion, of extending, in behalf of Andover and her people, a most cordial greeting to the directors of the Institute, to the farmers and all here assembled. We as a town and as a people deem it no small honor that those having in charge the arrangements of these Institutes throughout the Empire State favored our village by holding this Institute within her borders. To you, therefore, we extend a hearty welcome, with the sincere hope that this meeting be a success; that the cause of agriculture in whose interests it is held be promoted, and that all who attend may carry to their respective homes new truths and new suggestions and many useful lessons which will enable them to better prosecute the work in which they are engaged.

It is peculiarly fitting that you should have selected our village as the place for this meeting. Andover is distinctively an agricultural town. The business interests of our peaceful and hustling village are sustained and made to thrive by the substantial farmers surrounding us upon all sides, whose well cultivated farms filling the valleys and dotting the hillsides glow with prosperity, the result of the energy, thrift and enterprise of the people by whom they are occupied. You will pardon me when I say we are proud of our village, with her churches, libraries and her schools. We point with pride to her substantial business houses, and her two banks managed upon a solid basis. A few years ago when financial depression was upon the land and many of our sister villages were suffering from panics and business failures, our business houses stood the test, survived the storm undisturbed, and, like the house built upon the rock, they fell not. From whence comes this support? From manufacturing interests? There is not a single factory in our midst employing five men. The business interests of this village owe their existence, their strength, from the sturdy farmers who bring to this village the fruit of their labor, the products of their farms. If any doubt that this is an agricultural stronghold, we need but refer to the records kept at our station, which bear witness that annually there are shipped from this place over 1200 cars laden with farm products.

Farming is indeed an honorable vocation. Men in all ages, in varied paths of life have paid deserved and eloquent tribute to farming, the noblest and most independent occupation among men. The farmer's work is broader than that of the artesan or mechanic, for many times the mechanic confines himself to the manufacture of a single article. But the successful farmer must be constantly employed. Each year he must diversify his crops and the nature of his work. His success and profit, in a large degree, depend upon the diversity of his productions and the constant occupation of his time.

The nineteenth century surpassed all preceding ages in research and invention, in progress and development. Our own land has been bound from ocean to ocean with rails of iron and of steel. The invention of machines and devices to lessen labor, the uses to which electricity has been applied are marvels of the age, and will be a wonder of succeeding generations. Farming too has been elevated to the dignity of a science. Advancement in agricultural interests and methods have been quite as marked, as advancements in all branches of human activity. Machinery and farm implements have been invented which, to certain extent, have revolutionized the methods of farming as compared with those of three score years ago. It is not long since when the farmer's implements were few and simple, chief among which were the plow, scythe, sickle or flail, which to-day are supplanted by the sulky plow, the mower, self-binder and steam thresher.

There are sold annually in the United States 130,000 self-binders valued at $15,000,000, and 180,000 mowers whose aggregate value will exceed $8,000,000. The farmer now conducts his farm upon a scientific basis. He has improved in mental culture. Agricultural colleges, experiment stations and farmers' institutes have been established, all of which are the product of the present generation, and have been instrumental in elevating his position. In his knowledge of chemistry, in granges, in fairs, in magazines and books devoted to agriculture, the farmer of to-day has the means of information which raises the standard of his occupation. These innovations have brought with them new duties which the farmer must assume and new problems which he must solve. We may rest assured that he will bring to the solution of these questions the courage, the conservatism and common sense which have characterized him in the past.

Let the farmer be not deceived by the apostles of discontent, who with their fallacies and pessimistic doctrines seek to impress upon the toiling masses, that for them, under the existing order of things, there is nothing but darkness and despair. But let them rather be guided by the thought that, in spite of the vast changes which a century of progress has wrought, that human nature has remained unchanged; that perseverance, industry, sobriety, thrift and economy, will, in the future as in the past, succeed, while irresolution, idleness, drunkenness, and waste will necessarily fail. The good order of society, to a great extent, depends upon the intelligence and conservatism of the farmers of our country. To them can be entrusted the preservation of our free institutions; to them all classes and conditions must look for safety against the dogmas, doctrines and teachings of discontent, which endanger society and the body politic, and threaten the sacred rights of persons and property.

Death of Miss Ella May Crandall.

Miss Ella May Crandall, eldest daughter of Maxson A. and Mary S. Crandall, died at her home, Saturday morning, Feb. 24, aged nearly 25 years. She was a good Christian girl, showing in her every-day life that she was trusting in Christ, her Savior. She was a faithful member of the Seventh-Day Baptist church of Independence and a member of the Christian Endeavor. She always wanted to be found in her place doing what she could for her Master. She has been in poor health for six years but only confined to the bed for a short time. In all her sickness she has shown patience and meekness never complaining unless compelled to by severe pain. The floral offerings at the funeral showed the high esteem by which she was held. The flowers presented by the Sabbath-school and friends were many and beautiful. Besides a host of relatives and friends she leaves a kind father and mother, one brother, Roger, and two sisters, Celestia and Grace, to mourn the loss of a true and loving daughter and sister. The sympathy of he entire community is with the afflicted ones.

The funeral services were held from the church Monday, conducted by Rev. W. L. Burdick, assisted by Rev. I. L. Cottrell of Hornellsville, Rev. O. U. Whitford and Rev. J. Kenyon.

Subscribe for the ANDOVER NEWS.

ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL.

Miss Anna Sullivan was called to her home in Genesee, Pa., last week, her brother having been thrown from a wagon and quite seriously injured. She returned Monday evening.

How many of the readers of this column can give the number of the states in the Union?

The Columbian Society met at the school building last Monday night for the discussion of important matters, and next Monday evening there is to be another meeting of the Society at which a large attendance is desired. Time, 7 o'clock.

On account of the cold the attendance Monday was the smallest since the opening of the school year.

Nearly all the flower plants in the building were frozen during the cold spell. The teachers would be glad to receive others to put in their places if any one has any to spare, and there are jars enough in school for a large donation of plants.

School was closed Thursday and Friday, as the teachers attended the Annual Teachers' Association held on those days at Belmont. Among those present from a distance, were President Davis of Alfred University and Prof. Mark M. Maycock of Buffalo. The former was the speaker of the evening of the first day, while Prof. Maycock gave some very helpful talks on drawing. The next meeting will be held at Cuba Feb. 21 and 22, 1901.

On Wednesday of last week photographers photographed separately the different departments of the school. Some of the groups are specially fine.

The date of the next Regents examination is March 28, 29 and 30. Teachers' examination will be held in Cuba April 12 and 13.

Burrell Williams attends school with one arm in a sling, the result of a severe sprain.

Death of Samuel Bozzard.

Samuel Bozzard was a sufferer of paralysis about fifteen years. Sunday morning, Feb. 18th, he had a second stroke, and died the following Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at his residence in the town of Andover, where he had lived forty-three years. He was born April 7th, 1824, in the town of Independence. He was the oldest of five children. April 16th, 1848, he was married to Miss Mina Ann Crowl of the town of Addison, Steuben Co., N. Y., who died Oct. 26th, 1899. There is one daughter and three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, one brother, Charles Bozzard of New Hudson, and one sister, Mrs. Jane Baker of East Rushford, who survive him.

Funeral services were held at the late home of the deceased, conducted by Rev. W. B. Wagoner. Thus within four months were buried from this stricken home the remains of an aged couple and an infant great-grand-daughter.

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