ANDOVER PERSONALS.

A. B. Burrows was in Buffalo Sunday.

J. Atwood was in Hornellsville Sunday.

D. P. Regan was up from Wellsville Sunday.

Ed. McLoughlen was up from Wellsville Sunday.

L. D. Bronner and wife were in Hornellsville Tuesday.

Miss Emily Barney went to Delmar, N. Y., Sunday for a few days.

Ed. Donaldson and children were Alfred Station guests Sunday.

Miss Katherine MacKay visited her mother in Buffalo over Sunday.

Mrs. Dan Walker and child of Wellsville were in Andover Monday.

Wm. Lanphear and Mary Joyce were in Hornellsville Tuesday.

Rev. V. L. Eggleston was in Wellsville two days last week on business.

J. W. Howard and J. R. Crandall of Alfred had business in Andover Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hoard of Alfred were calling on Andover friends Saturday.

Mrs. L. M. Holbert of Spring Mills called on Mrs. Spencer Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Crawford of Angelica is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lane, for a few days.

Ed. Donaldson was Telegraph operator during the ice harvest at Prangen Switch.

Mrs. J. S. Hughes of Short Tract visited her daughter, Mrs. Lane, Monday and Tuesday.

Conductor Waterman of Binghamton visited his daughter Mrs. C. W. O'Donnell, Monday.

D. H. Rogers of Alfred was in Andover Monday looking for a pair of heavy draft horses.

O. G. Brown of Alfred University was the guest of Miss Jennie Church Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Wood of Wellsville attended the party at Prests Opera House, Tuesday evening.

The Prangen Bros. finished cutting ice to-day. A breakdown Sunday delayed the work one day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dennis of Jasper were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Porter Thursday and Friday.

Wm. A. Wood, a former Andover resident, is now selling agent for the Pittsburg Plate Glass Co., in Ohio.

Miss Carolyn Hincher remained over Sunday in Wellsville after the teachers association meeting, guests of relatives.

P. S.—L. C. Van Fleet went as far as the river (Niagara) toward Texas, when he became homesick, and returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richardson were guests of his brother, Walter Richardson and family Friday and Saturday.

George H. Bassett and daughter Sarah of Addison are visiting the families of Mr. Bassetts brothers, John C. and Frank M., this week.

The word "Shawmut" is an Indian name and means "living fountains." It is the name of the peninsula on which Boston was founded.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark and daughter of Wellsville were visiting at the home of his sister, Mr. C. F. Davis, Saturday and Sunday.

C. B. Lever, L. C. Van Fleet, Jas. O'Leary, Jr., Walter Hammond and Mr. and Mrs. John Deming took advantage of the Niagara Excursion Sunday.

Clark Richardson was home from Belfast, Saturday and Sunday. He is with the B. & S. Surveying Corps. Miss Florence Smith of Wellsville came with him.

Mrs. H. M. Ackley of Penn Yan, returned home Sunday morning after visiting at the home of her cousin, H. M. Bennett several days. She is the wife of the proprietor of the Penn Yan Express.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Crandall, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Remington, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bassett of Andover, were in Wellsville Wednesday to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Ira Crandall.

Messers. Peter Garvin, Edward Horan and Misses Minnie Horan, Rose Garvin, Catherine Deane and Gertrude McGrath were in attendance at the O'Connell-Riley wedding at Rexville, Wednesday.

All kinds of perfumes cheap at Mrs Mourhess'.

At the Sanitarium.

Dr. B. Williamson of Friendship made professional calls last Monday and Friday.

Mrs. S. S. Lane of West Clarksville is a recent guest.

Dr. C. M. Post of Alfred made a professional visit last Friday.

S. S. Lane and Son Lloyd visited Mrs. Lane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hoard and Miss Jane Bardeen of Alfred, called on Mrs. Spring Saturday.

H. B. Chase of Alfred, called on Mrs. Spring Sunday.

L. Spencer called on Mrs. Spencer Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Slocum called on Mrs. Spencer Saturday.

Thad Tannery and daughter Marjorie visited Mrs. Tannery Wednesday.

Miss M. A. Denton of Elmira called on us Saturday.

Mrs. Wesley Gorton of Corning visited Mrs. Tannery a few days ago.

Mrs. V. L. Eggleston is convalescent.

Home for Ten Days Visit.

N. S. Wells came home Sunday from Du Bois, Pa., to pass a ten days vacation with his wife and mother. He is meeting with good success as mechanic for the B. R. & P. locomotive works at Du Bois.

Worthy of Censurse.

The increase of the appropriation for seeds from $270,000 to $300,000 should be condemned by every honest taxpayer, of whatever political faith. It is a useless expenditure of money that as a rule is worse than wasted, as the seeds are more damage to the recipient than good.

What it Means.

We're tired of answering questions! "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer" means that you don't have to paint your house so often, and you don't have to use so much paint. Costs less for the job and you don't have to do the job so often.

The new paint is not new at all. It's the biggest-selling paint in the United States, and the firm that makes it is 149 years old.

Devoe Lead and Zinc—fewer gallons than mixed paints, wears twice as long as lead and oil. E. J. Atwood sells it.

The demand for Pepsikola, the famous dyspepsia remedy, is growing rapidly and the sale bids fair to exceed that of all other indigestion remedies combined. 25 cents. For sale by L. A. Burrows.

Ladies' and gent's clothing cleaned and dyed. Also chenille curtains and carpets, in the best possible manner, at the Hornellsville Steam Dye Works, C. G. James, Proprietor.

Dyspepsia-bane of human existence. Burdock Blood Bitters cures it, promptly, permanently. Regulates and tones the stomach.

For Rent.

The Kate McTighe farm, within two miles of this village, 154 acres, with or without dairy. Inquire of C. L. Farley. tf

For Rent.—Farm of 50 acres. Gas for fuel and lights. Inquire of
2t A. R. Wright.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve.

The only positive cure for blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, cuts, burns, bruises, eczema and all abrasions of the skin. Dewitt's is the only Witch Hazel Salve that is made from the pure, unadulterated witch hazel-all others are counterfeits. Dewitt's Witch Hazel Salve is made to cure-counterfeits are made to sell. L. A. Burrows, Andover.

Help Wanted.

Girls to learn weaving. Paid while learning. Liberty Silk Company, Hornellsville, N. Y.

Billiard and Pool Rooms.

Havana Clippings,
Bull Durham,
Sweet Burley,
Duke's Mixture,
John I. Nicks,
Long Cut or Foil,
Polar Bear,
Oronoco,

and a splendid assortment of fine cut and plug tobacco at prices which defy competition.

H. E. MINER & SON.

CHURCH NOTICES.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Rev. S. D. Pickett, Pastor.

Rev. V. L. Eggleston will preach Sunday morning, in the absence of the pastor. Subject, "Illustrations from an Old Testament character."

Epworth League at 6 p. m.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

THE SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST.

Rev. Stephen Burdick, Pastor.

Regular preaching service at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

Bible-school following the morning service.

Junior Endeavor meeting in the session room at 3 o'clock p. m. Saturday.

Prayer-meeting every Friday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

THE PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. Hiram D. Bacon, Pastor.

Sunday morning service at 10:30.

Sunday-school and young people's class at 11:45.

Christian Endeavor at 6 o'clock. Subject, "What Christ teaches on Blessedness." Matt. 5: 1-12.

Evening service at 7 o'clock—the regular monthly union service.

Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. "The power of the few." Judges 7: 1-7.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH.

Rev. E. J. Rengel, Rector

The ashes blessed this Ash-Wednesday morning will be distributed again on Sunday after both masses.

There will be Stations of the Cross and Benediction on Friday at 7:30 p. m.

The masses on Sunday will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m., with Benediction after High Mass.

The offertory will be for the Negro and Indian Missions.

Next week will be Ember week.

A Requiem Mass will be offered tomorrow morning for Joseph Rengel.

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THE BAPTIST.

Rev. Charles H. Harrington, Pastor.

The church was filled, nearly every seat occupied, last Sunday evening. The congregational singing was hearty and devotional in spirit. The after meeting was marked for its deep power, and all responded to the request to talk to Jesus. There were several new requests for prayers.

The four cottage prayer meetings last Monday evening were well attended and the reports from several tell of voices heard in testimony that have not been heard before.

The church bell rang at 9 o'clock Monday night, and a large number united in prayer for the salvation of men, and the quickening of spiritual life. The bell will ring again at 9 o'clock Friday night. All who will are invited to respond to the call.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. We hope for a large attendance. "Jesus the Bread of Life" is the topic. All are invited.

The pastor will preach Sunday morning on "Who touched me?" a sermon on the gospel of hope.

Evening, union service at the Presbyterian church.

C. E. meeting at 6 o'clock. Led by J. D. Cheesman. There was a large attendance last Sunday evening.

The boys and girls will not forget the Junior Christian Endeavor Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Returns for the manufacturers' sale are being received. The ladies are planning for a big time.

We have been asked about the special meeting. When? and How? We cannot say at present. We are waiting the leadings of the Spirit. Then we will have meetings. The present indications are encouraging.

We expect the pins as a reward to those who have attended for six months will be on hand next Sunday. If you are one of the faithful ones in attendance bring your silver pin and exchange it for the new one.

Poultry wanted. A. E. Starr.

WALL PAPER FOR 1903.

MANY NEW STYLES. I am prepared to furnish one or more rooms, halls, churches, etc., with Wall Paper, Moulding and Decorations on short notice. 1903 patterns are extra nice.

A. A. McOARN,
CHESTNUT ST.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society.

A continuation of the marvelous growth which has characterized the Equitable Life Assurance Society in every year practically since its organization is shown in the forty-third annual statement now presented to the public. During 1902 the society experienced one of the most successful and prosperous years in its long and honorable history. Not only did it write a larger volume of business than ever before and make a larger gain in amount of insurance in force, but every item of its statement shows unimpaired vigor and indicates that with the flight of time it is becoming stronger and better able to carry out the obligations entered into with its policyholders to the letter. Its new issues for the year exceeded $281,000,000, indicating a gain over the preceding year of over $35,000,000. The enormous amount of work involved in securing this new business can better be appreciated when it is remembered that of all the life insurance companies operating in the United States only nine are credited with writing in a single year more than the amount gained alone by the Equitable over the preceeding year. Over $113,000,000 was added to the amount of insurance in force, which, at the close of 1901, reached the marvelous total of $1,292,446,595. Only seventeen life insurance companies in this country have a larger amount in force than the gain made by the Equitable in a single year.

In the year 1902 the Equitable received premiums amounting to $53,932,423, or over one million dollars a week, and indicating a gain of $5,220,420 over 1901. Its total income amounted to $69,007,012, and it paid to its policyholders and their beneficiaries $29,191,251. Of that amount, $15,281,962 was for death claims, $7,305,641 for matured endowments, annuities, and deferred dividend policies and $4,477,924 for dividends. The amount of income laid by was $26,758,911, which shows a creditable increase over the preceeding year.

The financial strength of the Equitable has always been its prominent feature, and no diminution was shown last year in this respect. Its assets now amount to $359,395,538, or $28,355,818 more than a year ago, while the surplus increased by $8,998,455 to $75,127,497. The surplus earned during the year was $8,476,379. All in all, the forty-third annual statement of the Equitable is fairly entitled to rank with the best in its history and to be considered highly encouraging by officers, agents and policyholders alike.

ADAM DAVIDSON & BRO.

New Shirt Waists—sizes 32 to 44—in black, black and white, Shepherd checks—exceptional value for $1.00.

Flannelette Waists to close at 39c and 75c.

Closing prices on all Flannel Waists.

Waistings—another lot just opened of White Madras, Cheviot and Fine Lace Stripe P. Ks. They are the cream of the market.

Closing lot Ladies' House Jackets at 50c and 75c.

New Corsets.

New Veilings.

New Laces.

House Wrappers.

Walking Skirts.

Dress Skirts.

Spring Suits.

The fine Cambric H. S. Drawers at 25c are going fast.

Closing prices on all Winter Underwear.

ADAM DAVIDSON & BRO.,
HORNELLSVILLE, N. Y.

To make hens lay, feed ground beef scrap. Sold by A. E. Starr. tf

You Will Like "It" Better

than other cereals because it's different. It's better! There is something about the flavor that everybody likes. "It" is pure selected grains from which "It" is made go thru a scientific process originated by food experts, making it the most healthful as well as the best tasting of cereals. "It" is already to eat by adding milk or cream. You can eat "It" three times a day. At grocers everywhere.

Coughs and colds, down to the very borderland of consumption, yield to the soothing, healing influences of Dr Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Bananas!

Large choice Bananas and Florida Oranges constantly on hand at the Drug and Variety Store.

O. E. VARS,
GREENWOOD ST.

Fox's Market.

Just at present we are making a big run on our two specials

Home-made Sausage,

Home-rendered Lard.

We are putting out Pork Sausage that is PORK SAUSAGE. The kind that tastes like more.

We are also selling out our home-rendered Pure Leaf Lard as cheap as you can buy store lard, and is acknowledged to be a far superior quality.

A full line of everything kept in a first-class market can be found here at prices that are decidedly correct.

See Saturday's bargain counter.

JOHN E. FOX,
Main Street, Andover, N. Y.

RINGS ARE MORE FASHIONABLE

now than ever, and the more the merrier. It is impossible for a well dressed women to have too many rings. We have provided for the demands of fashions and have placed in a large new stock. Call and see them.

When that Watch balks call at my store and let me fix it up. I guarantee all my work.

FLOYD C. VARS.
All goods sold hand-engraved free of charge.

Wash Goods.

Our customers are buying them earlier this season than ever. Why? Because of the larger assortment to select from and those who have to hire garments made find it almost impossible to get a dressmaker without engaging her a month ahead.

We bought our entire line of these goods four months ago. They have just came in and far exceed our expectations in point of attractiveness.

Among them are Mercerized Oxfords and Etamines, Egyptian Tissues, Pine Apple Cloths, fine Dimities, fancy Cords, Silk Ginghams.

Choice Striped Ginghams and Seersuckers at 12½c, 10c and under.

Samples promptly mailed to out of town customers on request. In ordering please name style goods wanted and color.

ROCKWELL BROS & CO.
ROCKWELL BLOCK MAIN STREET
Wellsville, New York.

Absolutely Reliable....

When you set your time by our clock, you feel pretty sure that you have absolutely the correct time. That's because it's our business to know all about the time of day, and see that our clock tells the truth.

The same principle applies all through our business. Everything we have tells the truth, means just what it says, and is just what it seems to be. This is a good thing for you to remember when you need anything in our line.

H. MOURHESS, The Andover Jeweler.

Fine watch work and repairing given the most painstaking attention.

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A Trip to the West Indies.

BY REV. E. J. RENGEL.

At the repeated request of the ANDOVER NEWS, which has always been so obliging to me, I have prepared the following sketch of my recent trip to the West Indies, hoping that it may prove interesting to its readers. After visiting these places I realized how difficult it is to describe a country which beggars description, and, therefore, hold Messrs. Mosher & Backus responsible for taking so much valuable space in the paper that I welcomed most heartily at Kingston, Jamaica, and Havana, Cuba.

Asking your indulgence, I am,
Respectfully yours,
EDWARD J. RENGEL.

On Jan. 15th, after one of the coldest days of the present winter, the "Kaiserin Maria Theresia" sailed from the North German Lloyd pier, foot of Third street, Hoboken, with nearly 300 passengers aboard, bound on a cruise to the West Indies, under the personal direction of Frank C. Clark, ex-United States Vice Consul at Jerusalem, who had arranged the trip.

The twin-screw steamer Kaiserin Maria Theresia (9,500 tons), of the North German Lloyd Express Service, had been especially chartered for this cruise. She is a floating palace, and one of the fastest and most comfortable ships afloat. She is 546 feet long and her horse-power is 17,000.

A comfortable, wide staircase leads to a vestibule situated on the upper deck. The walls of this apartment are decorated in rococco, white with gold, and with porcelain panelings in allegorical subjects and landscapes. The middle part of this apartment is pierced by a skylight that leads from the main dining-room to the deck above. The walls are lined with comfortable sofas of light green leather and with tables, and this vestibule affords a pleasant and airy retreat for passengers in bad weather, of which, however, we had almost none. A wide staircase takes the passenger from this vestibule on the upper deck to the promenade deck, there ending in another vestibule of generous proportions, the arrangements of which are the same as of the lower vestibule. From the upper vestibule one enters the forward smoking-room, the walls and ceilings of which are decorated in early German Renaissance, with oak panels. Another smoking-room is on the after-part of the promenade deck, the walls and ceilings of which are of mahogany and covered with rich paintings.

The drawing-rooms, smoking-rooms and dining-rooms are large and handsomely furnished. The promenade deck is exceptionally long and wide, and was often used for dancing, games and concerts. The bridge (or sun) deck proved very attractive during the warm, bright days and starlight nights on the Caribbean. The promenade deck, which is covered its entire length, is 310 feet long.

The safety appliances on this steamer have been devised with particular care. Besides the double bottom with which the steamer has been provided, the hull is divided into eleven water-tight compartments by ten carefully constructed bulkheads, reaching to the upper deck, and there are twenty-two large life-boats. The captain's bridge is provided with an enclosed pilot house as a matter of protection in bad weather, and the entire steamer is lighted by electricity.

This was the home in which Mr. Clark, with his adopted family, started o'er the briny deep on a tour of rest, pleasure and education, all happily combined. After a couple days the cold of the Northern climes was forgotten and summer clothing began to take the place of the coats and blankets of winter. Very agreeable at first, the heat became intense and most uncomfortable before many days. After four days on the ocean, having during that time sighted but one vessel in the distance, we arrived on Monday morning, Jan. 19th, at Charlotte Amalie, the capital of St. Thomas. This island is one of the three in the West Indies belonging to Denmark. It is thirteen miles long and three miles wide, with a range of hills running east to west. It is an important coaling station, and derives its principal revenue from the export of bay rum. Charlotte Amalie is located on three hills, and we were much impressed with the cleanliness and general appearance of the city. Two old castles, called Bluebeard and Blackbeard, overlook the town. Lovely views are obtained from the hills behind the town, of the harbor and adjacent cities. The roads are kept in good condition, and pleasant drives can be taken to visit the Tuter Estate, Moqueto Bay, etc. Charming boating and fishing excursions can be made in the harbor. There are several clubs here, and visitors are always welcome.

Leaving here the same evening we steamed direct to the island of St. Kitts, where we arrived the following morning, landing at Basse-Terre. This island was named by Columbus after himself, "Christopher." It has an area of about 68 square miles and is one of the oldest British possessions in the West Indies. Here are found a great many varieties of ferns. Basse-Terre is the principal town on the island. The chief sight is the square, possessing a fountain and several royal palms and banyan trees. There is a good restaurant, a well-stocked reading-room and a fine cathedral. The tomb of Sir Thomas Warner, the founder of the British Colony, is at Middle Island Church. The drives are fine, thru beautiful sugar plantations and gorgeous tropical growths. Mount Misery, the highest peak of the central ridge of mountains, 3,711 feet above sea level, is a mass of rock projecting from the lip of a large crater, the descent into which is a work of some toil. Volcanic action is by no means extinct, there being a short distance up one side of the crater hundreds of sulphurous jets too hot for the hand to be held over them. After heavy rains the bottom of the crater becomes a lake several acres in extent, with a mean depth of five or six feet. Across the main ridge there is a pathway practicable for mules or ponies, which served for communication between the English settlements on the opposite side of the island at the time when it was partly in French occupation. Brimstone Hill, standing close to the shore, and looking as tho pitched there out of the crater whose bowl it would about fill up, has upon it the remains of magnificent fortifications no longer applied to any use. Before the days of rifled artillery the fortress was looked upon as impregnable—the Gibralter of the West Indies. St. Kitts has a population of about 30,000. An informal reception was tendered to the passengers at the Governor's palace during the afternoon, and Mr. Clark reciprocated by inviting those who had entertained, and the officers of a naval school ship then in port to dinner, and a ball on deck in the evening.

Leaving at 3 a. m., a journey of 60 miles brought us to St. John, Antigua, another of the British possessions, whose chief attractions are the Cathedral, the Public Library, and the Governor's palace. We left St. John at 6 p. m., and steaming 210 miles arrived on Thursday morning at Fort de France, capital of Martinique. It is the seat of government of the colony and contains a Military Hospital and Naval Arsenal, and a well-built "dry-dock. One of the important points of interest is the fine marble statue of the beautiful Empress Josephine, situated in the middle of the town. It was on this island that Josephine was born in a sugar mill, the family home having been destroyed by fire a short time before.

The extreme length of the island is about 50 miles, and the breadth at its widest point is nearly 13 miles. The climate here is delightful, the thermometer averaging about 75 degrees during January and February. The north wind prevails here chiefly, and owing to its influence atmospheric disturbances are a rarity. Martinique is mountainous and of volcanic origin. Mount Pelee, 4,500 feet high, is the loftiest in the island. The last eruptions took place in 1871 and on May 8th, 1902. The ascent of Mount Pelee takes a day, and is very difficult. At the summit there are always thick mists. The only lake on the island was Las Palmistas, situated at the top of Mount Pelee. The rarest fruits abound thru the year, and the people subsist largely on bread fruit, guava, oranges, plums, cherries and apricots. Turtles are numerous, but game is rare.

Christopher Columbus discovered Martinique June 15th, 1502, landing at Corbet, near St. Pierre. The most interesting excursion for tourists was, previous to May 8th last, via La Trace, a beautiful road thru the woods joining St. Pierre and Fort de France. On either side were seen giant ferns and huge parisites clinging to the branches of gigantic trees, the whole woven together by creepers of extraordinary grace. The streets in the towns are very narrow, and thru them a gutter of water flows from the hills. In the early morning you will see these streams alive with people—babies being bathed in them, and many of the inhabitants taking their morning "wash." These gutters are fed from mountain lakes. Cleanliness is everywhere conspicuous. We remained here in port over night and started next morning for St. Pierre, the modern Pompeii, where 40,000 lives were extinguished in a moment by the terrible eruption of Mt. Pelee on May 8th last. It would be as impossible to describe the ruins as to conceive the awful destruction without having seen the city in its beauty. St. Pierre was the counterpart of Fort de France, but larger and more important. On May 7th, 1902, urged by the city authorities, the Government sent a band of scientists to examine Mt. Pelee. Returning they declared there was no danger. Thursday, May 8th, was proclaimed a day of thanksgiving. At 8 o'clock, while the people were assembling to give thanks, the eruption took place. Poisonous vapors settled upon the city, and in a few minutes all life was extinct. The gases taking fire, accompanied by explosions and earthquakes, the entire city was soon in the hands of the destroyer, fire, and night fell on a city in utter ruin. Contrary to expectations St. Pierre is not covered with lava, but a rain of ashes and mud has fallen over the city, covering it from five to fifteen feet in places, burying the thousands of dead who perished in its destruction. The solo survivor was a prisoner in a dungeon which was so far underground that the poisonous vapors did not reach his prison cell. After four days he was rescued, but he lived only a few days, despite the assertion that he is still alive. The priest who attended him after his deliverance, testified to his death. People who lived in the surrounding hills are now claiming to be the "solo survivor," and exhibiting themselves as such to the American public. One of these accompanied our cruise from Fort de France and pointed out the place where he alone had kept life in the midst of death.

Leaving the fated city at night, a journey of 90 miles brought us to Kingstown, the capital of the island of St. Vincent, where we arrived on Saturday, Jan. 24th. This island is another of England's possessions and is 18 miles long and 11 miles broad. A ridge of mountains passes along the middle, and from the highest peak called "Souffriere" (about 3,000 feet), came the dreadful volcanic eruptions of March 26th, 1812, and last May, when ashes were blown as far as Barbadoes, over 100 miles away. The island is rich in ferns. The Botanical Gardens were the first established in the West Indies, in 1764, and are truly wonderful. The foliage is something which cannot be imagined by any one who has not beheld the verdure of the Tropics.

To be continued.

OUR NEW INDUSTRY.

An Unexpected Additional Expense of Several Thousand Put up by the New Company Without a Quibble.

The fairness and integrity of the projectors of the new silk mill was evidenced by their recent message to the Business Men's Association to proceed with the erection of the mill building. This can be understood when it is known that the association agreed to build the building and put in engines and boilers for $10,000. When the estimates were received it was found that the building would cost over the $10,000 without the power and site. The New York men were informed of the situation and immediately agreed to stand for the amount in excess of the $10,000 and furnish their own power. That the gentlemen interested in the Rochambeau silk company are interested in Andover's future will be seen, for the extra amount they will pay will be in the neighborhood of $5,000.

The message came to sign contracts for the building and this the Business Men's Association did with the Olean Supply Co., last Monday, they being the lowest bidders. The work will be commenced immediately and pushed to a rapid completion. Andover was certainly fortunate in securing an industry whose management was in the hands of such honorable gentlemen.

John Dixon's Child Dead.

The funeral of the four-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, of Hartsville was held at the Blessed Sacrament church Wednesday, the interment taking place in St. John's cemetery.

ANNUAL WATER REPORT.

Receipts and Expenditures to March 1st.

$636.39 IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

The Village Board on Account of Water Works System Since March 1, 1902.

DISBURSEMENTS.

March 11, 1902.	
D. K. Porter, taps and supplies	$8 75
Lever & Stearns, teams and rebate	4 00
L. A. Burrows, rebate	1 67
Mosher & Backus, "	1 25
Mrs. Frank Snyder, rebate	1 25
H. J. Atwood, supplies	1 15
N. S. Beebe, labor	1 50
March 28.	
Mosher & Backus, printing Report	2 62
April 5.	
A. M. Burrows' Bank, account Ludlow Valve Co.	1 55
April 11.	
D. K. Porter, labor, tap and supplies	18 46
May 2.	
M. J. Gray, labor	3 90
O. E. Vars, rebate	3 50
June 5.	
D. K. Porter, taps, labor and supplies	57 40
J. O'Leary, rebate	2 00
H. Mourhess, "	3 00
July 2.	
Lever & Stearns, rigs	2 00
Aug. 8.	
D. K. Porter, labor and supplies on extension	29 69
United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co., pipe for extension	130 60
H. S. Greene, labor	2 45
F. Cole, "	2 70
Sept. 2.	
W. W. Miller, interest on Bonds to Aug. 1, 1902	576 00
Sept. 8.	
A. M. Burrows, Bond No. 4	400 00
H. P. Deegan, sand and lumber	2 34
J. Ingraham, labor on extension	11 16
F. Davis, "	1 75
H. D. Smith, "	12 78
A. Hoard	1 35
H. Carr, "	11 16
A. R. Richardson, freight and express	8 58
Lever & Stearns, rigs	1 50
Oct. 2.	
D. K. Porter, taps and supplies for extension	48 68
Oct. 13.	
A. B. Richardson, express	2 76
H. J. Atwood, supplies	58
Kennedy Valve M'f'g Co., gate	6 50
United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co., castings	2 42
H. Bennett, dray	65
Nov. 10.	
D. K. Porter, taps and supplies	17 00
J. F. Wilmer, examination of water plant and recommendation	75 88
Lever & Stearns, rigs	3 00
H. W. Boyd, labor	3 30
J. O. Leary, "	55
Dec. 4.	
G. M. James, rebate	1 20
F. W. Smith, labor on calcination	23 10
H. Carr, "	22 38
Robert Ingraham, "	9 00
F. Davis, "	2 25
W. Calhoun, "	75
Lyle Hunt, "	1 50
F. Ingraham, "	18 30
Fay Stephens, "	9 75
Geo. Calhoun, "	8 00
H. D. Smith, "	32 33
W. Jenkins, "	75
D. K. Porter, taps and supplies	17 41
Dec. 9.	
J. Driscoll, blacksmithing	2 5
Jan. 2, 1903.	
Lever & Stears, rigs	1 00
N. Perkins, leather	80
Porter & Richardson, taps and supplies	10 75
Feb. 6.	
F. Ingraham, labor	3 75
H. D. Smith, "	1 32
Feb. 28.	
W. W. Miller, interest on Bonds to Mar. 1, 1903	368 00
	$1,775 48

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand last report	$998 89
Water rents, taps, etc	1,412 79
	$2,411 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per statement	$1,775 48
Balance on hand March 1, 1903	636 39
	$2,411 87

A. B. BURROWS, Treasurer.

Dean Factory Report.

Following is the statement of the Dean factory for 1902:

Number cheese made,	1,447
Number pounds cheese made,	60,079
Number pounds milk received,	592,868
Number pounds of milk for one pound of cheese,	9.86
Ratio,	.009301
Average price of pound cheese, 10 1-5	

H. M. HACKETT.

The "girls" of the Woman's Relief Corps will give their annual 10-cent supper Saturday night next, March 7th, at their hall, from 5:30 o'clock till all are served. The public invited.

Dayton Working Shoes.

We take pleasure in announcing that we have secured the sale for this vicinity of the celebrated DAYTON SHOES. This is the most famous line of Working Shoes in the country. They stand without an equal for hard service. They are made of the toughest, strongest water-proof leather, and put together so as to never rip or pull apart. We have put in a complete assortment of them. Six different styles. The "Driller," the "Railroad Shoe," and Seamless Styles. The prices run from $2.25 to $3.50, and corking good values every one. Come in and see the line. They are sure to please you.

Douglas Fine Shoes.

Ten styles for spring are here, each one a beauty. Douglas the King of Shoemakers never turned out such swell shapes before. Douglas makes more three and three and a half dollar shoes than any other manufacturer in the world. His shoes are world beaters in every way; in style, in fit, in service. Won't you call and take a look at them?

CANNON BROTHERS,
ANDOVER'S CASH HOUSE.

ORANGES.

We have secured a few boxes of oranges of exceptionally fine quality These are positively the finest of the season. Larger and sweeter. The price is unchanged. Let us have part of your grocery trade. We guarantee everything we sell.

H. H. Williams & Co.