ANDOVER PERSONALS.

J. L. Williams was a Wellsville visitor Tuesday.

A. J. J. Mead has gone to Wellsville to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Will O'Connell were in Hornellsville Sunday.

L. G. Barton of Greenwood was a business visitor in Andover this week.

T. L. Padden was home for a few days this week. He had been in Buffalo.

Miss Lena Stenson of Oneonta is visiting her cousin Mrs. A. M. Burrows.

John Burdick of Ulysses was a guest of relatives in Andover this week.

Misses Lida Cook and Inez Hess spent Saturday and Sunday in Hornellsville.

Miss Amelia Baker and sister of Alfred were calling at G. W. Mead's last Saturday.

Miss Jennie Martin returned home Saturday night from an extended visit in Hornellsville.

Dr. Young and Charles Mourhess of Belmont were business visitors in Andover Tuesday.

Father Rengel attended the farewell services to Arch-Bishop Quigley in Buffalo, last Monday.

Miss Bertha Storms and a lady friend from Canaiice were calling at G. W. Mead's last Saturday.

Mrs. John Hollarn of Hornellsville and Mrs. Margaret Hanley of Olean visited at E. A. Donaldson's this week.

Mrs. H. S. Greene and son Kenneth were guests of her brother, William Knox, at Friendship, from Friday to Sunday.

Mrs. Jefferson Brewster returned home Mar. 3 from an extended visit, with her mother and other relatives in Findlay, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Gray attended the funeral of Clark Hendee at Purdy Creek last Wednesday.

Mrs. Grace Smith left for New York Monday. She will also visit Philadelphia before her return. Miss Mae Mosher will be "hello" girl until her return.

Miss Bertha Mead entertained about 20 young people at her home last Thursday evening. One sleigh load and one "buggy" load. A fine time is reported by all present.

E. A. Donaldson attended the funeral services of the late Mrs. Joseph C. Kysor at Wellsville last Wednesday. Interment in the family plot at Hornellsville.

Mrs. E. M. Barber and grandson, Frank Barber of Decatur, Mich., are visiting her sisters, Mrs. W. B. Hall, Mrs E. C. Martindale, Mrs. Angeline Cartwright, and the family of her brother-in-law, J. C. Green.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from Maple Grove Hive No. 188, L. O. T. M., our beloved sister, Ida H. Leland; therefore

Resolved, That this Hive has lost one of its faithful members and whose absence will be greatly felt at our meetings.

Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to God, we will ever cherish the kind and gentle memory of our departed sister, and sympathize with the bereaved family, commending them to the Divine Father for strength and comfort in their darkest hour.

Resolved, That our Charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, and these resolutions placed upon the minutes of this Hive, and published in the ANDOVER NEWS and a copy sent to the bereaved family.

IDA WILLIAMS,
CLARIA CRANDALL,
LUFANNIE WILLIAMSON,
Committee.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to give our heartfelt thanks to the kind neighbors and friends who so kindly aided us during this our great bereavement in the loss of a kind wife and mother; and especially do we wish to thank Rev. C. H. Harrington for the sympathizing words, and the Andover choir for the singing; also the Lady Maccabees and all others who sent flowers.

R. HOWLAND,
CHAS. HOWLAND,
MR. & MRS. JERRY UPDYKE,
EARL HOWLAND.
Elm Valley, N. Y.

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Allen's Foot-Ease. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Swollen and Sweating feet. At all druggists & shoe stores, 25c. Ask today

THEY GUESSED RIGHT.

People Who Have no Kick Coming Usually Grumble Loudest.

The Cross Fork News never guessed nearer than when it said: "Strange, isn't it, that the ones who kick on the local newspaper are the ones who borrow it from their neighbors, or who owe several years subscription. Those who subscribe and pay are satisfied, but those who sponge it hardly get their money's worth. If you are not a subscriber you are not supposed to know what is in the paper or what is not in it, and you have no kick coming." Ninety-nine times out of a hundred, this will prove them.

Don't Believe their Fake Stories.

Several Allegany County exchanges have been using as "filler" the last few weeks a lot of Andover Sick Mill talk. They know absolutely nothing about the matter whatever, as the Business Men's Association have wisely refrained from giving out any of the particulars. Some papers told last week before the people of Andover themselves knew what the cost of the building would be, the actual cost of its construction. Their guess was about as close as these things usually are. The NEWS will give you reliable information concerning these matters as soon as they are known by the business men themselves.

Christian Endeavor Society at Elm Valley.

The Rev. Chas. H. Harrington of the Baptist church assisted in the organization of a Union Christian Endeavor Society in Elm Valley school house last Sunday afternoon. Twenty three signed for the purpose of organizing under the name of the Elm Valley Union C. E. Society. The following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, Mrs. Richard Smith; Vice President, Olive Howland; Secretary, Margaret Osborne; Treasurer, Fanny Burdick; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Breese.

ELM VALLEY.

Our school has closed for a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs L. L. Canfield of Scio visited their daughter, Mrs. A. E. Beebe, last Monday.

A Christian Endeavor Society was organized Sunday after Sunday school.

Mrs. Nellie Breese of Wellsville was the guest of Mrs. Jennie Howland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dildine and little grandson of Wellsville visited Mrs. Mary Cole and family last week.

Wm. Wahl has moved back from Shongo on his farm which he has lately bought of Thomas Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Hemphill were called to Alfred Wednesday to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Cooper.

Pattie Hann of Cuba and Elna Hann of Coudersport were here to attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. R. Howland, also Almira Clair of Alfred attended the funeral of her sister and remained a few days with the family.

YOUR PEPSIKOLA has helped me more than anything I have taken in the past ten years, and I have had some of the best doctors in Northern Illinois. It is a grand remedy for dyspepsia. Please send me some more at once. A. Ladd, DeKalb, Ill. For sale by L. A. Burrows.

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

PEPSIKOLA is the only sure relief for Sick, Lost, Tired Stomachs. Quite frequently after breakfast if I have eaten something that does not agree with me I have a pain in the pit of my stomach, when I promptly take a PEPSIKOLA tablet and it always relieves me within half an hour. Frank Byers, No. 1 West 97th Street, New York. For sale by L. A. Burrows. 1

All kinds of perfumes cheap at Mrs. Mourhess'.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

Fewer gallons; takes less of Devoe lead and zinc than mixed paints. Wears longer; twice as long as lead and oil. E. J. Atwood sells it.

Poultry wanted A. E. STARR.

Vick's Seed.

We have the largest and finest assortment of VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEED ever brought into this city. Prices right.

Racine Hosiery and Hose Feet.

Pure Groceries.

A. A. McCARN,
CHESTNUT ST.

CHURCH NOTICES.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL.
Rev. S. D. Pickett, Pastor.

Rev. W. H. Rogers, ex-Chaplain of the 180th U. S. V., will supply the M. E. pulpit Sunday morning and evening.

Epworth League at 6 p. m.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening as usual.

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. "What Christ teaches about heart righteousness." Matt. 5: 20-48; 6: 16-18. Wm. Bines, leader.

Evening union service in the M. E. church at 7 o'clock.

Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. A missionary topic.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH.
Rev. E. J. Rengel, Rector

A Requiem High Mass will be offered on Friday at 6.00 o'clock for Father Murray.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction will be given at 7.30 p. m.

There will be a Month's Mind Mass on Saturday at 8 o'clock for Patrick McLoughlin.

The confessions of the children who have not made their first communion will be heard on Saturday afternoon.

The masses on Sunday will be at 8 o'clock and 10.30 a. m.

Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday are days of Fast and Abstinence.

THE BAPTIST.
Rev. Charles H. Harrington, Pastor.

The congregations have been unusually large during the last few Sundays and there is an increasing interest in all the services. The prayer meetings last week were well attended and there was a very deep spiritual interest in some of them.

Next Sunday the Rev. E. L. Willis, district secretary of the State Convention, will preach both morning and evening. Mr. Willis is a pleasing speaker and has been abundantly used of the Lord. All are invited and will be welcome.

The Bible school still maintains its high average. The star pins are expected next Sunday. The delay was unavoidable.

The Prayer meetings last Monday evening were well attended and were excellent meetings. Friday evening the meetings will be at Mrs. A. M. Burrows and Mrs. Wm. Orvis or at some place to be announced Thursday evening.

You surely will not forget the Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Nearly 30 were present last Thursday evening and we hope for many more.

The Christian Endeavor Society meeting Sunday at 6 p. m., led by N. Perkins. Subject, "What Christ says about heart righteousness." 33 were present last Sunday evening. That's a fair attendance and yet there is a chair and hymn book for you.

Germain Swink entertained the C. N. F. organization last Friday evening at Swink's Hotel. The members speak of the banquet as a very palatable, elaborate affair and say that the evening was past in a very enjoyable manner.

Do not forget about the mission barrell the ladies are getting ready. If you have any thing to put in it send it at once to Mrs. Chas. Hann.

That manufacturers sale is still in embryo" and you'll be surprised to know the large number of things the ladies are receiving.

The annual missionary tea will be held at the parsonage next Wednesday evening. Just put that down in your calendar or pocket memorandum.

For Rent.

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

AUCTION.

The undersigned will sell at auction at his residence three miles west of Greenwood village and one mile north of the old Catholic church, known as the Alva Richards farm, near J. T. Atkins', Tuesday, March 10th, 1903, at 1 o'clock sharp, five good cows, three good work horses, a colt, two years old this spring, a Champion mower, horse rake, flat land plow, side hill plow, shovel plow, spring tooth harrow, cultivator, lumber wagon, new lumber wagon, Merrill Stevens' make, of Greenwood; two set double harness, set light driving harness, swell box cutter, open buggy, grain cradle, grindstone, set platform springs, two set whiffletrees, neckyoke, 10 hens, 15 potato crates, a few house furnishing goods, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms of Sale: Sums under $5, cash; over $5, nine months time, on good, approved interest-bearing notes.

ALVAH EDWARDS.
CORNELIUS O'HAGGAN, Auctioneer.

FOR RENT.—Farm of 50 acres. Gas for fuel and lights. Inquire of
2t A. R. WRIGHT.

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.

Quarterly Report OF THE Andover State Bank,

at the close of business on the 26th day of February, 1903.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$38,467 89
Due from approved Reserve Agents	10,558 34
Banking House and Lot	5,200 00
Mortgages owned	3,000 53
Stocks and Bonds	1,000 00
Specie	2,734 18
U. S. Legal Tenders and Circulating Notes of National Banks	4,370 00
Cash items, viz: Bills and Checks for the next day's exchanges	717 88
Furniture and Fixtures	1,030 00
	$68,148 82

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in, in cash	$25,000 00
Surplus Fund	5,000 00
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	1,855 25
Due Depositors	56,038 57
Unpaid dividends	39 00
Reserved for taxes	46 08
	$88,148 82

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 36 South 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 true and correct in all respects, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and they further say that the usual business of said Bank has been transacted at the location required by the banking law (Chap. 689, Laws of 1892), and not elsewhere; and that the above report is made in compliance with an official notice received from the Superintendent of Banks designating the 26th day of February, 1903, as the day on which such report shall be made.

JAMES OWEN, President.
J. M. BRUNDAGE, Cashier.

Severally subscribed and sworn to by both deponents, the 4th day of March, 1903, before me.
CRAYTON E. EARLEY,
[L. S.] Notary Public.

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 Madrids, 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.

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For Sale or Exchange.

My residence on Center street. Price low and easy payment.

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than other cereals because it's different. It's better! There is something about the flavor that everybody likes. The 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 testing of cereals. "It" is already to eat by adding milk or cream. You can eat "It" three times a day. At grocers everywhere.

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.

Reduced Prices on Watches.

I have reduced the prices on all the best makes of watches, including the Elgin, Waltham Hamilton and Hampden movements, also numerous other makes, from 10 to 25 per cent. less than competitors' prices, for the next two weeks. Now is the time to buy a watch at a bargain—not a bargain counter watch. My watches are all new designs.

My thorough knowledge of watch repairing enables me to guarantee my work in the most positive terms.

All goods sold at my store hand engraved without extra charge.

F. C. VARS.
Watchmaker, Jeweler and Engraver, Main St, Andover.

YOU NEED NOT

hold off longer buying dress goods because of a lack of something to trim with.

We received last week a heavy invoice of the very best and most approved style of trimmings including Appliques, galoons laces, All-overs, Medallions, Ornaments, Ingrape and other patterns, Jet, etc.

A profuse and rich display of Lace Collars, especially in the Arabian.

New Dress Goods now arriving from our last week's New York buying.

ROCKWELL BROS & Co.
ROCKWELL BLOCK MAIN STREET.
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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.

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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.

After six days ashore, we gladly bade farewell to "terra firma" to rest for a few days on the calm waters of the Caribbean Sea, whilst we steamed nearly a thousand miles to Kingston, Jamaica, where we arrived on Tuesday morning, Jan. 27th. Here we found our first mail since leaving home, and it was the most welcome of ports on that account. The ANDOVER NEWS of Jan. 14th was among the cheerful bundle of good things brought to the ship before we landed.

Kingston is the capital of Jamaica, which is the largest and most valuable of all the British possessions in the West Indies. Jamaica has an area of 4,193 square miles, is 144 miles long, 49 miles wide, and has, according to the last census, 706,394 inhabitants. The highest mountain is 7,560 feet high, and rivers abound, furnishing beautiful cascades. A pure atmosphere and the glowing tints of the tropical sun, with magnificent scenery, waving forests, never-failing streams and constant verdure, unite in making this one of the most romantic and highly diversified islands in the world. There are numerous mineral springs, many of them possessing valuable medicinal properties. Kingston has 50,000 inhabitants, is lighted by electricity and gas, has asphalted streets and a complete electric car service, a theatre, several churches, fine public buildings and large markets. The Blue Mountains, seen on entering the harbor, form a beautiful background to the city. The highest point is Blue Mountain Peak, which is 7,560 feet above sea level.

The chief points of interest are the Parish church containing the tomb of Admiral Benbow, Parade Garden, Streadwick's Marine Garden and Kingston Market. To these may be added Constant Spring Hotel, Streadwick's Marine Garden Hotel, and the Myrtle Bank Hotel at which our noonday lunch was provided. Here, too, in addition to the electric cars, we saw the first steam engine and railroad cars since leaving America. The custom of first, second and third class coaches still finds place, the last being little better than cattle cars, tho no one seemed to care, as all the passenger cars were needed to carry our immense party to Spanish Town, one of the points of interest. The coaches are divided into compartments, each accommodating a dozen people, who sit facing one another.

In the evening Captain Wetten had provided a dinner in honor of the birthday of Emperor William II., with the following menu:

S. S. "KAISERIN MARIA THERESIA"
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 1903.

Hors—d'oeuvre a l'internationale.
Green turtle soup a l'imperiale.
King fish, Melted butter, Caviar sauce.
Fillet de boeuf a la Prussienne, Sauce ravigote.
Breast of turkey a la regence.
Vol—au—vent a la diplomate.
Brunswick asparagus a l'allemande.
Punch a la Emperor William II.
Truffed capon, Pears, Cucumber salad.
Blanc—manger a la Berlin.
Ice cream a la nationale, German cake.
Fruits. Desert. Coffee.

Before the ice cream course, all the lights were turned off, and the immense dining room, seating 250 people, was in utter darkness except for two minature lighthouses on the center tables. When the orchestra, which always played during lunch and dinner, began "Torgauer March" by Koing Fredrich der Grosse, the fifty stewards who serve at table marched down the staircase from the saloon above. The first carried a large Chinese lantern and bore the flags of America, Germany and France. Following these came the others carrying alternately the illuminated ice cream and the pastry. The illuminated ice cream consists of a candle inside of a frozen form of colored water, surrounded by the portions of cream. The pastry barers carried Chinese lanterns as well as the cake. They all marched thru the aisles of the dining room amid the applause of the passengers, the lights were again turned on, and the cream and cake were served. The dinner lasted two hours, and was followed by a grand ball on deck.

Leaving Kingston next morning, a run of 80 miles brought us to Port Antonio, one of the most delightful spots on the itinerary. It is a winter resort, beautiful beyond description with its abundant foliage and picturesque landscape. It is an ideal place to rest from winter's blasts.

At 9 p. m., we started for Santiago to begin the historical part of our journey. As the sun rose from his ocean bed on Thursday morning, it brought to light the famous Morro Castle at the entrance to Santiago harbor, where we passed over the Merrimac. Santiago, Cuba, is the oldest city in America, founded by Valasquez in 1514. This city, practically unknown to us before our late war with Spain, became in a short space of time the subject of greatest interest and importance. Here was settled the last struggle of the war, when Admiral Cervera's ships were sunk, the wrecks of which may be seen as the vessel passes up the harbor, steaming near the point where our gallant Hobson sank the Merrimac, and in view of that ancient fortress, Morro Castle, now used principally as a prison. Landing at Santiago we were conveyed in carriages to San Juan Hill, where President Roosevelt made the famous charge with his Rough Riders. We examined the trenches, stood under the Tree of Peace, and recalled the days which are now a part of our National history. The rest of the day was spent in an inspection of the city and its suburbs. The mountain scenery is beautiful, and a good view can be had, from the hills at the back of the city, of the recent battlefields. The houses are nearly all one story high, the walls of which in most cases are made in limestone, painted in every possible color, and many of them are in the last stages of decay.

Leaving Santiago, the steamer followed the route taken by the Spanish fleet, passing the spot where our ships gave battle and where still lie the wrecks of Viscaya, Oquendo and Colon. Then our course was along the coast in view of the high mountains which skirt it. We steamed seaward to avoid the many small islands and reefs which line the shore and take a westerly course along the northern coast of the island of Cuba.

Saturday noon, Jan. 31st, we arrived at Havana, the capital of Cuba, and the principal and largest city in the West Indies, passing Morro Castle at the entrance of the very fine harbor. Adjoining Morro is the lighthouse, built in 1573. Another of the prominent landmarks is La Punta, an old fortress situated on high ground above the city. The small boats that conveyed us to shore (as the steamer is so large that it must anchor from a quarter to two miles from the docks) passed within twenty feet of the ill-fated Maine, whose mast lifts itself above the waters in which she is buried, like a finger of warning.

The houses in Havana are mostly one-story high and built entirely with a view to comfort. The windows, instead of having panes of glass, have light iron railings. The interiors have marble floors, many of them with a court in the center in which flowers of all colors are growing. The streets are very narrow, but there are several fine thorofares, one of the finest being "The Cerro." The principal business thorofare is called the "Calzada de la Reina," on which are the large stores and shops, the shopkeepers displaying most of their wares on the sidewalks.

The Prado, which is the Fifth avenue of Havana, commences at the water front, opposite Morro Castle, and runs almost across the city, being practically a succession of narrow parks, with club houses and fine residences on either side. There are several fine churches, among them the Cathedral, nearly two hundred years old, where the remains of Columbus are supposed to be interred. The theaters astonish one by their size and elegance. The principal theaters are the Tacon, Payret, Nuevo, Lico, Verano and Cervantes. Some have five galleries, and the Tacon, which is the largest and finest, can accommodate 6,000 persons at a ball, or seat 3,000. The Circo de Jane is a fine circus and can be opened at all sides and on the top.

Carriages were in waiting to take us along the Prado, stopping to see the cemetery, remarkable for its many beautiful monuments. My personal point of interest was the Dominican Convent at the Vedado, where I found Sister Sibyllina, a former East Aurora parishioner, who has been there for two years. I remained ashore Saturday night, stopping at the Hotel Trotcha, the quarters of the American Evacuation Commission, and for six months the official residence of Gen. Brooke. There was no mattress on the bed, as that would be too warm, and it was surrounded with netting to protect against mosquitoes.

On Sunday morning, while the church bells were calling the faithful to worship, our ship steamed out of Havana harbor for a beautiful sail of 900 miles to New Providence, arriving after a day's journey at Nassau, capital of New Providence, the chief island of the Bahamas and another of England's possessions. Nassau has a population of over 10,000. The island has about 15,000 inhabitants in all. It is very attractive, with its tropical foliage, graceful palm trees and luxuriant vegetation. The translucent water is one of the greatest wonders of the Bahamas. The Sea Gardens, or coral reefs, near Nassau, are among the sights where marine fairyland exists in caves and grottoes of white coral, coral flowers, coral leaves and coral in every form of beauty, sponges, and gold and silver tinted fish. Lunch was provided at the new Colonial Hotel of the Flagler East Coast Hotel Company, one of the finest in the South. One of the important points of interest is the Lake of Fire. The lake is about half a mile long, formed out of a rock, and was formerly used as a reservoir for turtles. The drive along the seashore is very pleasant and refreshing. About a hundred of our party remained here, some of them intending to spend the balance of the winter in the South, others to return home via Florida.

As the shades of night fell over the ship, the whistle blew Farewell to the West Indies, and headed for home. Our diminished family drew more closely together, realizing that the day of parting was close at hand. A dance on deck helped to pass the first evening, and when morning dawned we were again alone on the deep. The heat lasted all day Tuesday, and it was not until Wednesday forenoon that we began to realize that the tropics were no longer our portion.

In spite of a rolling sea the young folks tripped the light fantastic toe on Wednesday night, until during the Virginia Reel the splashing waves drove all within. The last night on board had come, and, with mingled joy and grief, the last "Good Night" was said. The morning sun showed us the entrance to the welcome port of New York, and before noon the Kaiserin Maria Theresia had unloaded her cargo of human freight, in the glad arms of those who were awaiting her arrival on the dock. Once more the whistle blew "Farewell," the last "Good Byes" were said, and the West Indies cruise was over.

FIFTEEN KILLED.

Several Cars of Oil Explode at Olean, Scattering Burning Oil Into a Large Crowd of Spectators.

HOSPITALS FILLED WITH INJURED.

An Extra Erie Freight Train Breaks in Two and Comes Together, the Jar of Which Explodes an Oil Car.

(Special to the NEWS.)

OLEAN, N. Y., March 9, 1903.—The most fatal accident Olean has ever known occurred here to-night. At least fifteen people lost their lives in a most horrible manner by it, and the number may be still greater.

An extra Erie freight train was pulling thru this station at about 8 o'clock this evening, loaded with several carloads of refined oil and naptha. For some reason, unknown at present, the train broke in two, and the rear section collided with the head section about a quarter of a mile east of the East Olean station.

Near the point of the break in the train were several tank cars filled with refined oil and naptha. The force of the two sections coming together caused a slight explosion and set a tank of the oil on fire. A large crowd gathered around the burning tank to witness the burning car. The heat of the burning oil, after almost two hours, became so intense that other tank cars exploded, sending the burning oil and parts of the steel tanks into the midst of the spectators. At least 1500 people were in the immediate vicinity of the burning car, when the second explosion occurred. It was about 10:30 o'clock when it occurred. The burning oil spread out with such quickness that the flames literally enveloped the entire crowd of by-standers who were unable to escape, their clothing saturated with the oil.

The scene around the wreck was heart-rending, the screaming of the sufferers being partly muffled by the roaring of the flames. Every doctor and nurse in the city were almost immediately at the scene, and as soon as it was possible to reach them the bodies were taken to the morgue and the injured to the hospitals. The intense heat made access to the wreckage nearly impossible, and many perished who were not injured by the explosions.

It is impossible at this time to tell exactly the number of the dead and injured. Fifteen dead bodies have been counted, and between forty and fifty more seriously burned, many of whom are in the city hospital while others have been taken to their homes in the various parts of the city. They are mostly boys and young men who were attracted to the scene by curiosity.

WILL PHILLIPS' NARROW ESCAPE.

Jumps From the Third Story of a Burning Hotel.

Word was received in Andover Thursday by relatives of W. H. Phillips that while stopping at a hotel Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the hotel in which he was staying burned. He, with several others were in the third story of the building when it caught fire, and escape was impossible. They remained at the window of his room, hoping that an avenue of escape would be afforded, but nothing came. There were no fire escapes or ropes to descend upon. Finally it came to a point where they must choose between being roasted alive, or jump to the ground, and run the risk of being instantly killed by the fall. They jumped. Mr. Phillips fortunately landed on a network of telephone lines about halfway down, and bounded from them into a deep snow bank, uninjured. Others of his party were less fortunate and were instantly killed. The report says twenty persons died from the fire.

THREE BABIES BURNED.

Elmira Anchorage Damaged by Fire Sunday Evening.

Three little babies were burned to death, and two girls, inmates of the Elmira Anchorage, were injured in a horrible catastrophy last Sunday evening. A fire, the true origin of which will probably never be known, caused the loss of life, as serious as any the annals of the Elmira fire department record. It is the general belief that an exploding lamp was responsible for the holocaust, but there is no way to know. Highly dramatic and pathetic scenes were enacted at this institution for wayward girls conducted by the local W. C. T. M. women that evening and the hearts of those who were working on the fire and about the place were touched by the affecting incidents of the fire.

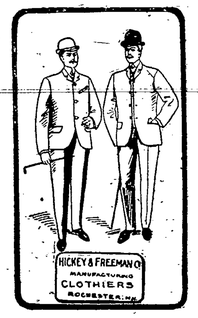
To make hens lay, feed ground beef scrap. Sold by A. E. Starr. tf

RUBBER BOOTS.

We received this week fresh stocks of Rubber Boots from three different factories, The Mishawaka, "Ball Band," the "Snag Proof" and the "Buckskin." These are the three leading boots in America to-day. We have sizes and widths to fit anyone, and our prices are as low as the manufacturers will allow. We have also the Woonsocket and Beacon Boots for those who wish a cheaper grade.

When you want Working Shoes remember DAYTONS'—the worlds best. Here are several styles, priced from $2.25 to $3 50.

Men's Clothing.



THE SPRING SUITS and light weight Top Coats are here. Our Clothing stock never so complete before. The season's choicest fabrics are shown, made up after Fashion's latest models The prices run from $5 to $15.

If you want something made to your special measure, we've a line of Hickey & Freeman samples that will do your eye good. We guarantee perfect satisfaction in our made-to-order department.

Boys' Suits.

The spring stock of Boys' Suits is also in, and we invite parents and the boys to look over our great assortment. The styles are extremely pleasing and the prices moderate.

House Furnishings.

A splendid stock of Lace Curtains priced from 75c to $5 a pair. The values at $1.50 and $2 are surprising.

Curtain poles of White Enamel, 15c complete. Oak ones 10c.

Great variety of Silkolines, Curtain Nets, Cretonnes, Velores and Draperies.

Pattern Curtains designed expressely for door windows.

CANNON BROTHERS,
ANDOVER'S CASH HOUSE.

SPRAY FLOUR!

Made at Niagara from straight Spring Wheat, which is brought by way of the Lakes very cheap and ground by the inexpensive electric power. No other Flour handled so cheaply from start to finish.

We guarantee every sack.

Other Patent Spring Flour will cost you 40c to 50c barrel more than this.

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