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## Abraham Lincoln Was Assassinated 50 Years Ago

Account of the Horrible Crime Committed Fifty Years Ago Next Thursday Taken from the New York Herald of that Date.

Fifty years ago next Thursday, April 14, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated and an attempt was made upon the life of Secretary Seward. The New York Herald of April 15, 1865, containing a detailed account of the assassination which we copy below.

The President was very cheerful and hopeful, and spoke very kindly of General Lee and others of the confederacy and of the establishment of government by Virginia.

All the members of the Cabinet except Mr. Seward are now in attendance upon the President.

I have seen Mr. Seward, but he and Frederick were both unconscious.

EDWIN M. STANTON,

Secretary of War.



ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Last proclamation. It is highly interesting historical matter and a valuable relic. We wish it were possible for us to produce the entire issue, but have to be content with giving the following extracts.

War Department.

Washington, April 15—1:30 a. m. General Dix, New York, arrived at about 9:30 p. m., at the theatre, the President, while in his private box with Mrs. Harris and Major Rathbone, was shot by an assassin, who entered the box and approached the President.

The assassin then leaped upon the President, brandishing a large dagger and made his escape in the rear of the theatre. A pistol ball entered the back of the President's head and penetrated through the head. The wound was fatal.

The President has been insensible since it was inflicted, and is now in a precarious condition. At the same hour an assassin, entering the President's apartments, and under the pretence of having a prescription for the Secretary's sick chamber, immediately rushed to the President's sick chamber and inflicted two or three stabs on the forehead and two on the face. He hoped the wounds may not be fatal. My apprehension is that they will prove fatal.

The nurse alarmed Mr. Frederick Seward, who was in an adjoining room. He hastened to the door of his father-in-law, when he met the assassin, who rushed upon him one or more dangerous wounds. The recovery of Frederick Seward is not probable that the President will survive through the night.

General Grant and his wife were advised to be at the theatre this evening, but he started to Burlington at six o'clock this evening.

A cabinet meeting, at which General Grant was present, the subject of the country and the prospect of a speedy peace was discussed.

Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning, April 11 10:30

Topic: The Leaven in the Mass. Federated Meeting Baptist Church 7:30

## THE ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

Annual Treasurer's Report and Statement of Board of Education of Andover High School, 1914-1915.

The Board of Education of Andover High School Dist. No. 1, of Andover, N. Y., submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the school year beginning April 8th, 1914, and ending April 1st, 1915.

Balance on hand from previous year	\$1,712.99
Raised by taxation	5,638.83
June 5. County Treasurer	39.16
July 23. John Common, Supervisor, mortgage tax	39.16
Sept. 16. Note	597.08
Oct. 6. County Treasurer, Library books	27.98
Oct. 7. Note	995.00
Nov. 15. County Treasurer—Academic quota	100.00
Academic attendance	52.99
Non-resident Tuition	475.51
Bank tax	351.53
	\$9,910.95

Disbursements	
Teachers' Salaries:—	
L. C. Sterner	\$1,180.17
Bessie Harvey	174.00
Gladys Thomas	759.50
Florence Taylor	145.00
Loretta McQuade	137.75
Isabel Mackay	420.00
Ruth Seabury	385.00
Marjorie Armstrong	350.00
Julia Lynch	505.25
Carolyn Hinchey	487.75
Mary Snyder	487.75
Gladys Estabrook	359.00
	\$4,792.17
Almond Crandall, Janitor	\$282.50
Empire Gas and Fuel Co., fuel	442.40

1914	
Apr. 10. Lydia Benton, Int. on bond	3.60
W. L. C. Sterner, express	1.85
14. Evelyn Hough, Int. on bonds	14.40
23. L. C. Sterner, postage and expense to Rochester	6.00
May 14. Comstock Pub. Co., 1 set two Vol. Hdbks. Nature study	4.50
C. C. Birdchard and Co., Pubs. Coda and Express	4.76
Clark and Norton Mfg. Co., repairs on engine	.75
F. D. Rice, rent of piano 7 months	21.00
June 3. Howard Hann, trip to Wells-ville with valve of gas engine	1.00
Collin D. McCarr, cleaning and repairing clock	1.00
July 13. J. D. Cheesman and Co., supplies	5.15
J. H. Backus, notice of annual school meeting and printing annual report	27.95
Mrs. A. C. Crandall, laundry	9.35
Aug. 1. Alle. Mutual Tele. Co., telephone bill	3.25

July apparently bushy, with a large mistake. Laura Keane and the leader of the orchestra recognized him as J. Wilkes Booth the actor, and a rabid secessionist. Whoever he was, it is plainly evident that he thoroughly understood the theatre, and all the approaches and modes of escape to the stage. A person not familiar with the theatre could not have possibly made his escape so well and quickly.

The alarm was sounded in every quarter. Mr. Stanton was notified and immediately left his house. All the other members of the Cabinet escaped attack.

Cavalry were sent out in all directions and dispatches were sent to all the fortifications and it is thought they will be captured. About half-past ten o'clock this evening, a tall, well-dressed man made his appearance at Secretary Seward's residence, and applied for admission. He was refused admission by the servant, when the desperado stated that he had a prescription from the Surgeon General and that he was ordered to deliver it in person. He was still refused, except upon the written order of the physician. This he pretended to show and pushed by the servant and rushed up stairs to Mr. Seward's room. He was met at the door by Mr. Fred Seward, who notified him that he was master of the house, and would take charge of the medicine. After a few words had passed between them he dodged by Fred Seward and rushed to the Secretary's bed and struck him in the neck with a dagger, and also in the breast.

It was supposed at first that Mr. Seward was killed instantly, but it was found afterwards that the wound was not mortal.

Major William H. Seward, Jr., paymaster, was in the room and rushed to the defense of his father and was badly cut in the side by the assassin, but not fatally.

The desperado managed to escape from the house, and was prepared for (Continued on next page)

## JOHN HENRY KEMP

Life long neighbors and friends of John H. Kemp of Pingrey Hill were greatly surprised at the news of his death on Monday afternoon at 1:30. Mr. Kemp was convalescing slowly from an attack of bronchial pneumonia, when the strain upon the heart became too severe and with but brief warning he passed away.

Mr. Kemp was born in a log cabin on Pingrey Hill not far from the place of his death, on what is now the Dean farm. Practically all of his life was lived within a mile and a half of his birthplace. He was born on Oct. 7, 1834, and was thus in his eighty-first year.

In 1857 he was married to Laura Lewis of Andover. Most of their married life was spent on the farm where he died. Mrs. Kemp passed away six years ago on June 9, 1909. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kemp joined the Methodist church in Andover under the pastorate of Reverend Mr. Games. Of the children born to them three died in infancy. Frederick Arnold, Frederick Arnold and Hulda Francelia. There remain a daughter, Mrs. Jennie Kemp Hitchcock and children, John and Laura, and an adopted son, John Kemp, Jr., and family. Also sharing the burden of affliction are two brothers, Geo. Kemp, aged 92 years, and Newton Kemp aged 72 years, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. L. Ackerman of Wells-ville.

A man of stalwart character, beloved within his family circle and highly esteemed in a large circle of friends, Mr. Kemp had his life invested in the "things of good report." The church to which his interest and those of the family were connected always found him ready to assist to the best of his ability. His life-long effort to leave the record of a clean life has been accomplished. Funeral services were held at the house Thursday afternoon, Rev. F. M. Baker officiating. Interment at Elm Valley cemetery.

E. C. Langworthy, labor repairing engine, 2.60  
Home Enterprise Co., use of Auditorium, 15.00  
Gridley, Fuhrman and Martin Co., hardware supplies, 3.89  
Oct. 5. Jason Hunt bond No. 11 and Int. on bonds Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15, 138.00  
7. Burrows National Bank, bond No. 11 and Int., 708.00  
17. Andover State Bank, \$800 note and Int., 600.00  
Nov. 2. Evelyn Hough, Int. on bonds Nos. 16, 17 and 19, 10.80  
6. Milton Bradley Co., kindergarten supplies, 23.72  
Baker Bros., hardware supplies, 9.84  
F. W. Burrows, Treas. water tax, 37.30  
J. H. Backus, printing vaccination notices, 14.70  
L. C. Sterner, taking school census, 5.00  
W. S. Clark, labor repairing ventilator, 1.25  
Bacon and Vincent, erasers and crayon, 5.00  
Jesse S. Phillips, consultation, 3.50  
Florence S. Earley, postage, supplies and filing Collector's bond, 3.41  
7. Andover State Bank, note, 1,000.00  
Dec. 2. C. W. Williams, Janitor's supplies, 4.82  
J. H. Backus, supplies, 1.50  
Alle. Mutual Tele. Co., labor batteries and supplies, 3.20  
Gridley, Fuhrman and Martin Co., labor and Hdw. supplies, 13.10  
L. C. Sterner, expense to Albany, 24.25  
14. J. D. Cheesman and Co., flag, 3.00

1915.  
Jan. 8. Brundage Drug Co., supplies, 23.42  
Richard Hammond, truant officer, 10.00  
L. C. Sterner, Atlas and express, 3.30  
Milwaukee Dustless Brush Co., brush, 4.50  
News Printing House, commencement programs, 1.75  
Rand and McNally Co., Maps, 25.80  
Milton Bradley Co., supplies, 5.00  
Feb. 17. J. Harvey Backus, 3 lbs. paper, .25  
Mar. 20. Gridley, Fuhrman and Martin Co., Hdw. supplies, 2.15  
A. M. Burrows Sons, oil and supplies, 7.74

## REVOLUTIONIZE WORK FOR PROHIBITION

Army of College Men Will Make House-to-House Canvass in This State—Send Congratulations to King George.

Utica, N. Y., April 5.—Plans were formerly launched at a meeting of the Prohibition State executive committee, held at Prohibition headquarters, Saturday, which, it is expected, will revolutionize the work in New York. From 50 to 100 college men will be placed in the field. These men will make a house to house canvass of the voters, securing pledges of these men to support only candidates committed to State and national prohibition. The college boys will enlist in this volunteer movement and be paid army wages, \$25 per month and expenses. Each soldier will endeavor to secure 1,666 voters to sign agreements. This is a part of a nation-wide movement which involves the enlistment of 3,000 college men and the securing of 5,000,000 enrollments. In addition 100,000 copies of a Prohibition monthly paper will be placed in the homes in New York State. A campaign fund of \$1,500.00 will be raised, \$25,000 of which will be secured by September 1.

The following telegram was sent to King George of England: "Congratulations on your stance for prohibition. America will soon follow your example."

The following telegram was sent President Woodrow Wilson: "In behalf of the thousands of Prohibitionists in New York State, in behalf of suffering humanity, including the hundred thousand who must fill drunkard graves annually so long as the liquor traffic continues, we urge you to follow the example of all English speaking peoples, Russia, France, Ireland and other countries and initiate a movement for national prohibition."

A concentrated effort will be made in the Thirty-sixth Congressional District to elect a Prohibition Congressman to succeed the late Sereno Payne.

Chairman O. S. Bishop president and the following members of the committee were present: Secretary Neil D. Cramer, of Elmira; Treasurer, Charles B. Scholefield of Utica; Edward S. Dean, of Batavia; John G. Passage, of Schenectady; Fred Lockwood, of Hannibal, and Professor Claude Duval, of Salway. Charles E. Dealing, of Carthage, was a visitor.

Baker Bros., labor and Hdw. supplies, 1.55  
F. S. Earley, Secretary's salary, 35.00  
Balance on hand, 1,493.13  
\$9,910.66

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Education,  
FLORENCE S. EARLEY, Secretary,  
JESSE S. SNYDER, Treasurer,  
Andover, N. Y., April 1, 1915.

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL VILLAGE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given, that a special village election will be held in the Village Hall in said village on the 27th day of April, 1915, between the hours of one o'clock and 5 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of voting upon the following proposition, said proposition having been by a resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Andover, New York submitted to the electors of said village to be voted upon at said special election.

Following is the proposition so to be voted upon: Shall the Board of Trustees of the Village of Andover, Allegany County, New York, be authorized to expend the sum of Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars to pay for the cost of grading, draining, curbing and paving Greenwood Street from Main Street easterly to the corporation line, in said village and 75% of the cost of such construction and improvement to be paid for by the village, and 25% of the cost of such construction and improvement to be paid for by the owners of the lands adjoining that portion of Greenwood Street so to be improved, and that portion so to be paid for by the owners of the adjoining lands to be apportioned and assessed in accordance with the provisions of section 166 of the Village Law, and shall the Board of Trustees of said village be empowered to borrow upon the faith and credit of said Village of Andover, N. Y., the amount of the village's share of the cost of such construction and improvement not to exceed in the aggregate 75% of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and issue bonds therefor to be paid in twenty equal annual installments with interest payable annually, and that a sum be raised annually by tax upon the taxable property of such Village of Andover sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Dated at Andover, N. Y., April 7th, 1915.

E. J. ATWOOD, President  
C. W. WILLIAMS, Trustee  
J. M. HARRIUM, Trustee  
A. O. TUCKER, Clerk.

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The Firm of Stetson, Jennings & Russell of New York City have issued the announcement of the admittance to the firm recently of Atty. Wm. C. Cannon. This firm is counsel for the great Morgan interests and many other large financial concerns and are at the top in the legal profession. It will surely be pleasing news to all Andover people to learn of the advancement of a former Andover man, a gentleman who was raised in this village and numbers among his friends the entire population. The News extends congratulations to Atty. Wm. C. Cannon.

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