

# THE ANDOVER NEWS

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## OUR KEYNOTE:

"If There is not a Way, Cut a Way."

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The civilized world to-day is one vast schoolroom. Which class are you in?

Successful men are those who persevere and it is never too late to begin.

Tastes differ. That's the reason we didn't marry the other fellow's wife.

Every person has a heart, but some people keep theirs locked up in cold storage.

Shake out another reef of your patience. Spring will surely be here when it gets here.

Talking "clean up" is a good thing, but "doing it" puts you in an advanced class.

Prize fighters? Whisper softly—they are angels compared to the butchers of Europe.

It's passing strange how poverty stricken we all become when the tax assessor is abroad.

Naming the baby is always a pleasing occupation, but it's always advisable to get one first.

Time was when a close fistid cuss was vulgarly termed stingy. Now he is a financial economist.

If the responsibility for this war cannot be located elsewhere, doubtless it will be saddled onto Eve.

When a woman takes a man for better or worse, time generally elaps an emphasis on the worse.

An exchange says "a corkscrew is sometimes used in opening an argument." Funny how names change.

If it is true that dead men tell no tales, some people will have a lonesome time after they shuffle off.

This world is full of regulators, the only trouble being that the regulators seldom regulate themselves.

If the war continues much longer leap year will be shorn of all its advantages to our sisters across the water.

It's quite becoming in a man to refer to his own insignificance, but it's a tearing insult for the other fellow to mention it.

Intelligence craves knowledge of local affairs. You have the intelligence and this paper supplies the knowledge. Come across.

It is quite safe to get out your fishing tackle but wisdom suggests the annexation of an overcoat as a precautionary measure.

The fellow who talks the slimiest of other women is usually the most jealous of the good name of his own sister. Judging others by his own standard, you know.

If you want to keep your wife in ignorance of your flirtations with other women just tell her all about them. Chances are she won't believe a word you say and will simply size you up as a boaster.

When a millionaire gets caught looting a railroad or a bank it is often considered a financial indiscretion. And when a poor devil steals a pig to "keep" his family from starvation he is immediately branded a thief. Fact and an everyday one, at that.

A dollar will buy twenty nickel smokes, and you'll puff them all away within a week or less. And that same dollar would buy an encyclopaedia of knowledge if invested in a subscription to this paper. Mount a little higher on the ladder, brother, and toss us a plank.

## GET DOWN AND PUSH

Every town has its men of wealth—its prominent citizens—people who are looked upon as the community leaders. And as they lead, so will the community be.

If you have accumulated a competency and are enjoying that life of ease to which you are entitled, it is time for you to think of your community—of your children—of your neighbor's little ones.

Andover needs your strength, your assistance. Get down and push.

The generation that is passing away started you on the road to affluence—pushed you along life's pathway—headed you for that goal which you now enjoy.

They gave you a push—and your own energy and perseverance and determination did the rest.

Now you are on top and a new generation is springing up and they have an ambition to achieve.

But their goal is a long way up, and the road is steep—and there are many obstacles to be overcome before your children and your neighbor's children may hope to reach the goal of their ambition.

The community standard in vogue when you were a boy was doubtless high for those times, but the same standard is hopeless to-day—a relic of the past—an impossibility of the future.

To maintain its relative position in the world your community must prosper, and grow, and expand.

And your children are confronted with these changing conditions.

To hold your town down to the early standard is like cutting the throat of your faithful dog, or casting your bank book into the flames.

But advancing its material interests is like casting the loaves and fishes to the hungry multitudes.

You are successful—the past has enriched you of its wealth—the future is one of peace, for you.

But what of the children of to-day—what of those growing to manhood and womanhood only to be forced to meet the serious problems of a few years hence?

What of the future of your own descendants?

A retarded commercial spirit, a throttled community growth—all portend a struggle with adversity in the years to come.

Other men of means and prominence will act, and other communities will forge to the front and prosper—and if your community simply remains stationary it will soon be subsisting on the crumbs that others cast aside.

What are you going to do about it—you men of means and the ability to act?

Are you going to "Get down and push?"

Are you going to assist your children, as your fathers assisted you?

Are you going to give your town a shove to the front—a boost that will mean prosperity for the future?

A town that is worth living in is worth boosting.

And all good citizens should be boosters—in fact, the really desirable citizens are boosters.

This world is moving at a rapid pace and America leads the van.

Do you want to see your children marching well up to the front—in the position of honor—or would you prefer to see them ambling along in the dust of more progressive people?

The great opportunity for commercial and community advancement is here now—is looking for a word of encouragement from you—is waiting for your action.

But by the time your sons reach man's estate opportunity will have marched on—and into the waiting embrace of other communities.

That is, unless you act now, and to some purpose.

One hand may not raise a stone, but many hands make light work of the heaviest burdens.

There are many hands in Andover—hands capable of performing wonderful feats in community building.

Perhaps yours are two of those hands.

But what are the many hands doing?

Are they pushing—shoving—boosting to the front?

Or are they pulling—dragging—retarding the growth of Andover and her people?

What are your hands doing, brother?

## Sign Boards on the Up-road

By Hamilton B. Williams

Here speaks a stalwart soul: For me the highest, formost goal, I want to find myself.

The very stars will guide me when I come to the turn of the Board, and God will light a torch for the souls who come unspurred by bribe or goad, but seeking hungrily themselves.

The worldlings drunk on froth say with a twist of the mouth: why chafe the back with the Load—come royster with the multitude.

Throw down the cup, forswear the yoke. (But the ghosts of the future also spoke.)

I may miss the gauds, the purple ways, the painted joys, by the measure of worldlings fail . . . but I've seen myself in Him; and in His face my face though dim.

It is myself I want to see, myself I want to be. For with myself I'll have to hide where my tent's pitched in the fields of the days to be in the vast eternity.

I must follow the gleam that shined in my dream—I must go by the Trail that my Friend has made to the Dusk or Dawn, to the Silence or Song . . . and I'm going on.

I'm going on.

Thus saith the Lord. Whatsoever is against woman suffrage based on war and strength and courage will be the Beautiful is of the will of God, and any man may know he is God's mouthpiece, who utters these things.

Moses came down his hill with certain propositions of human conduct and said. Thus saith the Lord. He was right because the same propositions were right.

We may not sit nor stand, despair nor look behind, but on Horizons open as we climb.

Thus saith the Lord. If the world-deed, plan, project, program is right, be assured that God will bring it to pass.

Right is never unprofitable, wrong is never profitable, by all standards, weights and measures.

We are not only rewarded for righteousness, but by righteousness. We are punished for evil, and by evil.

Being right is sufficient reward; being evil is a subtle but terrible punishment.

Some people may delude themselves by thinking that sin has no consequences. Foolish hallucination. To be evil is punishment. A person may live a frivolous, flimsy, paltry, gross life and seem to be very joyous. To be this sort of life is sufficient punishment.

A starved soul is the tragedy of tragedies.

If we refuse the fellowship and cultural power of Jesus we affirm that we desire to be left to stay in the sludge and dark, that we are content to be small and paltry, that we prefer the jungle and the brotherhood of the vulpine and wolf.

Jesus' function is to lift, to illuminate, to inspire, to cause us to fall in love with life. He shows the beauty of life. Who rejects his fellowship affirms a disinclination to live.

If the soldier (says Lyman Abbott) takes Havelock and Wellington for his ideal, and the politician Gladstone, the lawyer Marshall, then the person wanting to live a big, broad, right life must take Jesus.

He is ourselves when we grow up.

Among the Suffragists

Colorado is credited this year with having a reactionary legislature. Therefore, so argues the anti-suffragist, woman suffrage is a failure.

New York also has this year so reactionary a legislature that a noted social worker, Mrs. Florence Kelly, has called the labor bills before it "a garbage collection of refuse laws from other states."

Must we therefore conclude that manhood suffrage is a failure and that in spite of the proverb, one swallow does, after all, make a Summer?

An agitation is now on, so say the imperialists, against independence among the Filipinos. An agitation is now on in this country among certain leisured women against political independence.

Gladstone, when they told him that the farm laborers in England did not want to vote, said: "Then give it to them to save their souls." Lincoln when they told him that the slaves did not want freedom, said: "That only shows how much they need it."

The Mayor of Terre Haute and twenty-four others were found guilty by the jury on April 16 of conspiring to secure a fraudulent election. The press report noted as the most important fact in connection that the trial had cost the government \$12,000.

This illustrates the mental habit men have of ignoring moral issues in favor of financial ones. The suffragists claim that women, because of their immediate connection with health and morals, rather than with the balance sheet of the ledger, would introduce into government by voting an influence which would tend to give to morals and health their proper share of government attention.

According to Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade thirty-three thousand women had registered in England up to the end of March for special war service. Six thousand of these had declared themselves willing to work in armament factories.

In the readjustment of human values bound to take place after the war is over, the arguments



## SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. V. L. Eggleston will speak at the regular morning service at 10:30.

Bible School at 11:30.

Friday evening meeting at 7:30. Leader, Mrs. Emma Robinson. Topic, "Paul." Also study the sixteenth chapter of First Corinthians, especially the thirtieth verse as the text for the Sabbath morning sermon is taken from this verse.

Remember the special offering to be taken for Christian Endeavor work.

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Hamilton B. Williams, Minister

For the 16th of May at 10:30

Let us enjoy the privileges that a day of religious cultural opportunities affords. We're seven days further on—on what elevation?

The federated meeting will be held in the M. E. Church.

At this hour Mr. Baker will flame a torch for the guiding on the Road.

In regard to the Adult Bible Class.

Mr. Williams' Class will go into session immediately after the close of the morning service. This plan should make possible a much larger attendance.

To do the most we may.

This is the plan of the church. We want to be servicable to

every person in the benefit of life and for Of the King's Kingdom.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. W. H. Randall

### Sunday Services

Sunday morning service

Sunday School 11:45

The Young Peoples Society will hold their service afternoon at 3:00.

The Young Peoples Endeavor will be held session room at 6:30.

The Federated Service churches will be held E. church, Sunday, 7:30.

The Mid-Week Meeting

The mid-week meeting church will be held on evening at 7:30. Come together let us study the our God.

Sunday School Association

The Allegany Synod Association met at Wednesday of this week. M. Baker and a delegation his church and Rev. Randall and a delegation church attended the session.

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W. F. O'Connell, Postmaster



It's always hit or miss with the people—but generally Miss

—Mrs. D. M. Green has been with la grippe the past weeks.

—Mrs. Henrietta Allen died Almond Sunday morning, aged years.

—C. E. Brown is having a new Main street.

—The Forum discusses "The View" this week and article in the series.

—Mrs. C. J. Swachamer, a resident of Bolton, passed from life at her home at village May 5th.

—The annual meeting of the legany Baptist Association held in Belmont Wednesday Thursday, June 2nd and

—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pomeroy welcomed a little son, Kenneth, at their home on Street, Friday morning, May

—John McMurray of Friday aged 77 years, died Sunday the evening of May 3rd, the home of his daughter, A. Johnson.

—Tramps have cost the village Warsaw \$1800 in the past weeks. Since the first of May 322 persons have been in and kept over night.

—Twenty-six settings of the English Ring-Neck pheasants have been received at the Rod and Gun Club. They will be placed under hens and when old enough will be liberated in the wood