The Chenango Union.

Local Intelligence.

Railroad Time Tables.

N. Y. & O. MIDLAND.

OSWEGO TRAIN.—Leave Norwich at 7:03 A. M.; Plasterville, 7:15; North Norwich, 7:28; Sherburne Four Corners, 7:38; Smyrna, 7:53; Earlville, 8:30, Smith's Valley, 8:41; arrive in Oneida at 11:30 A. M., leave at 2:30 P. M.; arriving in Oswego at 7:30 P. M. Returning, leave Oswego at 6:45 A. M.; arrive in Oneida at 12:15, and leave at 2:00 P. M.; Smith's Valley, 6:43; Earlville, 6:10; Smyrna, 6:31; Sherburne Four Corners, 6:43; North Norwich, 6:56; Plasterville, 7:03; arriving in Norwich at 7:15 P. M.

ONEIDA TRAIN.—Leave Norwich at 2:40 P. M.; Plasterville, 2:54; North Norwich, 3:07; Sherburne Four Corners, 3:19; Smyrna, 3:38; Earlville, 4:02; arriving in Oneida at 7:00 P. M. Returning, leave Oneida at 8:30 A. M.; Earlville, 11:30, Smyrna, 11:44; Sherburne Four Corners, 11:57, North Norwich, 12:05; Plasterville, 12:12; arriving in Norwich at 12:30 P. M.

GOING SOUTH.—Leave for New York, 8:35 A. M.; arrive from New York, 8:45 P. M. Leave for Walton, 1:30 P. M.; arrive from Walton, 11:00 A. M.

AUBURN BRANCH.

GOING WEST.—Leave Norwich at 1:30 P. M.; Frankville, 1:48, Plymouth, 2:03; Ireland's Mills, 2:18, Lower Beaver Meadow, 2:27; Beaver Meadow, 2:35; Otselic, 2:07; Grumb Hill, 3:30; DeRuyter, 4:22; Cuyler, 4:41; Truxton, 5:03; arrive in Cortland, 5:15 P. M.

GOING EAST.—Leave Cortland, 6:45 A. M.; Truxton, 7:25; DeRuyter, 8:09; Dellwyter, 8:20; Grumb Hill, 9:25, Otselic, 10:01; Beaver Meadow, 10:29 Lower Beaver Meadow, 10:34; Ireland's Mills, 10:41; Plymouth, 10:57; Frinkville, 11:10; arrive in Norwich at 11:30 A. M.

ITHACA & ELMIRA EXPRESS.—Leave DeRuyter at 7:15 A. M., arriving in Cortland at 8:40 A. M. Returning, leave Cortland at 6:30 P. M., arriving in DeRuyter at 8:00 P. M.

MIDLAND AND SYRACUSE & CHENANGO.

Leave for Syracuse, 7:50 A. M., arriving at 11:00 A. M Returning, leave Syracuse at 4:00 P. M., arriving at Norwich, 7:20 P. M., and connects with the D. L. & W. train for Binghamton.

DELAWARE LACKAWANNA & WESTE N.

GOING NORTH —Freight and Accommodation, 3:55 A. M.; Utica Express, 7:15 A. M.; Freight, 10:25 A. M.; New York and Philadelphia Express, 6:40 P. M

GOING SOUTH.—New York and Philadelphia Express, 11:25 A. M.; Freight, 12:00 M.; Freight and Accommodation, 6:40 P. M.; Binghamton Express, 7:42 P. M.

Personal.

Hon John F. Hubbard and family returned last week from a residence of two years in Brooklyn, and will locate permanently in Norwich Old friends and new ones will welcome Mr Hubbard and family to their old home.

A complimentary dinner has been tendered to Cyrus B Martin, Esq, late proprietor of the Newburgh *Journal*, by a Committee of prominent citizens of that city, previous to his departure for his future residence in Norwich The letter of the Committee expresses the regrets of the people of Newburgh, at the separation with Mr Martin and his residence of sixteen years among them, with wishes for his welfare A feeling response to the invitation, from the recipient, names Friday, the 20th inst., as the day on which the gathering will take place, at the United States Hotel

Curtis Crain, of Scranton, Pa., was in town last week, and was cordially welcomed by old friends.

William S. Hewitt left on Thursday of last week, for the South, in pursuit of health Letters received from him indicate that Will looks upon the bright side of life, and is hopeful He intended to witness the withdrawal of the troops from the State House in Columbia S C., on Tuesday of this week.

Dr W H Per, of Scranton, Pa., is visiting with his father-in-law, Hon. John Shattuck, of this town

Rufus Moses, of Sodus, is visiting friends in his old Guilford home, and other localities in this County

Little Harry Follett, aged eight years, only son of Judge Follett, has been suffering during the past few days from a disease in the head, and fears were entertained by his friends that it might prove fatal Dr Gray, of Utica, was summoned on Monday, in consultation with Drs Mosher and Bellows, and we hope that there are good grounds for hope that the little fellow will soon recover

H L Marsh, one of our most respected citizens, who has during the past week been a sufferer from pneumonia, and whose illness for a time was alarming, is convalescent

Our former townsman, O C Burnham, who has for the past year been engaged in business at Allentown, Pa, has disposed of his stock in that place, and returned with his family to his old home, where they are welcomed by many friends.

Settling —On Thursday of last week, Mr Bingham and other officers of the D L. & W Railroad, with Dr G W Avery, of this village, passed north over the road on a special train, for the purpose of settling with the victims of the Gouldsboro collision on the Centennial excursion train, which occurred on the 30th of October last. Mrs David B. Pierce, of Hamilton, whose husband was killed, and herself seriously injured, receives $5 000 damages. Albert Thorne, Sherburne, injury to arm, $300. Miss Williams, Sherburne, scalp wound, $200. Mrs. B. F Merritt, North Norwich, injuries to spine, $300 Settlements with other victims of this disaster, heretofore made by the Company, have been already mentioned by us, and it is understood that nearly all of the claims arising from this unfortunate affair have now been adjusted.

Village Matters —The Trustees have contracted with Charles E Ford, for painting the front of the new Engine House on South Broad Street, and the work is now being done Price, $8 50. C H Holmes has the contract for lighting the street lamps, at $15 C E Ford and C. Rindge will have the care of the Engine House and apparatus, and will receive $15 for their services during the year

The appropriation for lighting Hill's clock tower proving insufficient for that purpose, the project is abandoned.

On Wednesday afternoon of this week, the Fire Department took possession of their new quarters

Knights Templar.—At the annual convocation of Norwich Commandery, No. 46, K. T., held on Friday evening, April 6 h, 1877, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Eminent Commander—R. Gage Berry.
Generalissimo—David Shattuck.
Captain General—Charles W. Lanpher.
Treasurer—D. E. Comstock.
Recorder—H. M. Ashcraft.

After the transaction of the usual business, the Sir Knights, numbering upwards of fifty, repaired to the American Hotel dining room, where Sir Knight Bliven had prepared a banquet, to which ample justice was done by his brethren. It was a pleasant gathering, and all enjoyed the annual reunion

Library Association —A meeting of the Directors of the Norwich Library Association was held at the rooms of the Society, March 30th, when the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

President—William S. Howitt.
Vice President—R. G. Berry.
Secretary—L. J. Brooks.
Librarian—George A. Thomas.
Assistant Librarian—Charles L. Ferry.
Lecture Committee—W. S. Howitt, Charles H. Stanton, George M. Tilson, Charles L. Ferry, L. J. Brooks.
Library Committee—W. H. Stuart, W. F. Jenks, George A. Thomas.
Auditing Committee—T. D. Miller, J. K. Spaulding, Nathan L. Hayes.

☞ "Dolph" Palmer, the popular caterer to the public, has disposed of his interest in the restaurant at the D L. & W. depot in this village, to Mr Slater, formerly baggage master at the station of that road, who has taken possession

Remember —Lovers of Music, and warm Maple Sugar, will not fail to attend the meeting of the Young People's Association, at the Baptist Church, this (Thursday) evening All are invited.

Court Proceedings.

Criminal business in the Court of Sessions was pretty lively last week. We continue our record from the point where we left off in our last:

The People agst. Benjamin Chase, indicted for keeping a disorderly house in Smyrna. The evidence showed that Chase was living with a woman not his wife, but failed to sustain the charge that he kept a disorderly house in the legal sense of the term. He was acquitted. District Attorney Knapp for the People, Isaac S. Newton for Defendant.

The People agst Joseph Potter, indicted for obtaining six cows under false pretenses. Verdict of not guilty. Knapp for the People, Geo. W. Ray for Defendant.

The next case tried was that of John Wait and William Lyon, indicted for assaulting and robbing George Crossman. This case excited great interest, and the Court House was crowded during the trial. The Defendants were arrested on the affidavit made by Edmund Hill, who was present at the occurrence, and it was upon his testimony that the District Attorney mainly relied for a conviction. When placed upon the stand to testify, Hill flatly refused to answer questions, on the ground that his testimony might tend to criminate himself. Other witnesses testified to the fact that Wait and Lyon were seen in company with Hill and Crossman shortly before the crime was committed, but there was no direct testimony to prove that they committed it, and they were therefore acquitted. The case was conducted by District Attorney Knapp for the People, and by Newton, Tillson and Church for Defendants.

Immediately after the conclusion of the above case, the trial of Edmund Hill, indicted for the same offense, was moved. The trial was concluded about four o'clock Saturday afternoon. Judge Prindle charged the jury somewhat at length, and called particular attention to the refusal of the prisoner to testify on the trial of Wait and Lyon. The jury were out but a short time, and returned with a verdict of guilty. The Judge then sentenced Hill to Auburn State Prison for eight years and three months. It is understood that steps will be taken to secure a new trial.

Sales of Real Estate.—In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, Albert F Gladding, Esq, as Referee, sold at the office of I S. Newton, Esq., on Saturday last, the real estate of Smith Steere, Jr., in the east part of the village, including lands purchased by him of the late Charles York.

No 1—Including south half of Fair Grounds—twenty-eight acres—struck off to Isaac S. Newton, for $2,050.

No. 2—North half of Fair Grounds, and north to the Grove—thirteen and one-half acres—I. S. Newton. Consideration, $2,625.

No 3—What is known as the "Slaughter House" lot, east of Steere's Grove, including the lands between that and the river—thirteen acres—to I S. Newton, for $1,025.

No 4—Steere's Grove, 8½ acres, to D Maydole, for $1 500.

No. 5—West of the Grove to the Midland Railroad track, bounded north by Maydole Street—seven acres—to I S. Newton.

The Steere homestead, on East Main Street—six by twelve rods—to Hazard Boldin, for $3,000.

The building near the Midland depot, on the south side of East Main Street, occupied as a saloon, to Thomas O'Conner, for $1,000

House and lot on Adelaide Street, to George W Ray, Esq, for $700.

Balance of houses and lots, north and south of the Midland depot, struck off to I S. Newton

The total amount of the sales was $23,860.

A Big Thing.—A bill has been introduced into the Assembly authorizing the formation of a pipe company, for the purpose of laying an oil pipe from Northwestern Pennsylvania to the Hudson River. It is the intention to lay the pipe through Chautauqua, Erie, Cattaraugus, Allegany, Chemung, Schuyler, Wyoming, Tompkins, Tioga, Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Sullivan, Orange and Rockland Counties. The bill gives the corporation power to lay the pipe under or across any river, water course, street, road or highway in such manner as not to interfere with the legitimate use of the same; and also through any city or village it may be convenient or necessary to pass through. In case there is any disagreement between the owners of the lands used and the company in regard to the lease or price of the same, the damages are to be assessed according to the provisions of the Railroad act of 1850. Any person who may damage the property of the company the bill makes liable to pay a fine three times the amount of the damages inflicted. The trustees assert that they will begin to lay the pipe twenty four hours after the bill becomes a law.

A New Store.—E. B. Bossler has opened a new Dry Goods Store in the Slater building next to Mitchell's Drug Store. He had a formal opening on Tuesday evening. Mr Bossler has an attractive stock of new goods, and announces his intention to sell cheap. He has associated with him Mr. W. H. Bishop as chief salesman, and we have no doubt that their beautiful goods and polite attention to customers will draw a large trade. We invite attention to his new advertisement in another column.

Soap.—Gardner, the "Soap Man," held forth at the Methodist Church on Sunday evening. No services were held at the other Churches, and the spacious edifice was crowded at an early hour. Those who had heard the Professor discourse upon the soap question, in his street lectures on former occasions, were equally well pleased to listen to his remarks on the temperance reform Rev. Messrs. Crydenwise, Scoville and Haynes also made brief remarks, and a collection was taken up.

☞ While the roads generally have been muddy during the past few weeks, it has been gratifying to those driving on East Main Street, between Silver Street and the Midland Railroad, to notice the improvement made by the village Trustees last year, in filling the road bed with stone. Where it was formerly a dread for teamsters to drive with heavy loads, it is now a pleasure, so smooth and firm is the track.

☞ Charley Dimmick does not propose to be outdone by any one in his line of business. He has recently purchased and placed in his watch repairing establishment an American Combination Lathe, for use in watch repairing. This lathe is a very delicate piece of machinery, and with its use Charley will no doubt find it much easier to do his work. It is worth taking a look at.

☞ Wilson's Opera House Company have been playing during the past week, at Hughson's Opera House, to fair houses. The Company left for Cortland on Tuesday afternoon, and will commence a series of entertainments in Ithaca on Thursday evening. They have given very general satisfaction during their brief stay in Norwich.

☞ As the Delhi noon train was approaching the Peake's Brook bridge, on Monday of last week, a little girl was seen by the fireman waving a signal. The train was stopped, and it was found that the eastern abutment had been undermined by the high water

☞ A wheezy hand organ—the first of the season—was heard on our streets on Thursday of last week. And then the boys said spring had come, and went for marbles.

Norwich School Moneys —From the apportionment recently made by the Commissioners, to the several School Districts in the town of Norwich, we copy the following:

No. of District.	No. of Children between 5 and 21 years.	District Quotas.	According to No. of Children.	According to Average Daily Attendance.	Library Money.	Total to be paid to Districts.
1	1,121	$762 00	$313 24	$330 07	$41 16	$2,453 47
2	62	60 80	20 18	28 24	1 17	109 39
3	61	50 80	40 32	37 30	2 34	130 76
4	51	50 80	39 43	36 07	1 68	127 98
5	27	50 80	10 55	15 55	99	80 89
6	38	50 80	27 51	21 65	1 39	101 35
7	34	50 80	21 01	24 97	1 25	101 03
8	30	50 80	14 19	26 01	1 23	92 23
9	31	50 80	24 05	26 01	1 23	104 18
10	18	50 80	13 04	16 19	68	80 69
11	215	51 80	20 98	27 51	1 06	100 35
12	37	50 80	19 56	21 43	89	92 20
13	357	50 80	32 53	32 58	1 28	99 99
14	28	50 80	12 28	15 47	1 03	94 56
15	24	50 80	12 37	14 28	88	83 33
16	17	50 80	12 20	18 64	92	82 36
17	5	50 80	3 00	4 75	18	59 33

☞ The hotel of Crispill & Elmendorf, at Mooreville, Delaware County, was burned on Wednesday morning of last week, with its contents. John Smith, of Pine Hill, a guest, being unable to escape, perished in the building, and his remains were recovered in the afternoon of the same day. The premises and contents were insured for $5,000.

☞ At a meeting of the Canal Board, held in Albany on the 4th inst., Edwin Smith of this village, was re-appointed Superintendent of the Chenango Canal. A reduction of $300 was made in the salary of each Superintendent—notwithstanding which Mr. Smith will see that the "ditch" is properly cared for.

☞ At the Oneida Charter Election, held last week, the entire Democratic ticket was elected by large majorities, with the exception of Street Commissioner.

☞ The annual session of the Wyoming M. E. Conference commenced on Wednesday of this week, at Honesdale, Pa.

THE SPIRITS!

Remarkable Manifestations!—Materialized Spirits Appear and are Recognized!—Table Lifting—Floating Hands, &c.

During the last three weeks we have several time heard of mysterious and remarkable spiritual manifestations performed by a lady medium residing about two miles from Norwich. Our informant, who is a firm believer in spiritual phenomena, stated that the manifestations were of an extraordinary nature, but that the seances were for the present private, and only a few intimate friends were admitted. He had not been present himself, but had obtained his information from a reliable gentlemen in Norwich, who had witnessed the manifestations, and to whom he referred us for information.

We called upon the gentleman named, who announced his willingness to relate what he had seen and heard, simply stipulating that for the present the names of the parties should be kept secret. It appears that some three or four months since the lady in question was developed as a medium, and from the first showed remarkable powers. Tables were lifted by invisible hands and balanced in the air for a period of a minute at a time, and in some instances two or three persons sat upon the table while thus suspended. There were also evidences of attempts at materization, and a cabinet was, therefore, constructed, by inclosing the end of a hall with heavy boards, leaving only a door-way. "This cabinet," said our informant, "was so thoroughly made, that not even a mouse could enter except by the door." A heavy cloth curtain was hung in front of the door-way, and no person could enter or leave the cabinet except by pushing aside that curtain. The medium occupied the cabinet during all seances, the spectators being seated in a row a few feet from the cabinet. The light was turned down, but still was not so low but that the features and form of every one in the room could be plainly distinguished. Under these conditions the spirits made their appearance. The first was a female form, with long flowing hair, who glided about the room, and was recognized by several. Next a male figure pushed aside the curtain and stepped from the cabinet with a violin, upon which he began to play, at the same time dancing to his own music. This figure was quickly joined by a female, and the two continued to dance and move about the room for some time, and finally retired into the cabinet. On another occasion the materialized form of a young woman came from the cabinet, and was quickly recognized by several persons present. This form passed forward to where an old lady was seated in the audience, and embraced and kissed her The old lady says it was her daughter, who has been dead for several years. She was deeply agitated at the meeting, and wept convulsively for some time.

Another feature of the manifestations was the appearance of detached human hands, which came through the solid curtain, and after remaining stationary for a time, floated out into the room above the heads of the audience, and then vanished. At another time human feet were distinctly seen upon an ottoman in the room, although no person was near the stool.

But we have not time to enumerate all the marvellous feats that are performed through this medium. It is said by her friends that her powers are not yet fully developed, and that in the near future still more remarkable manifestations may be expected. Our informant believes that everything he saw and heard was genuine, and scouts at the idea of "humbug" or deception. We publish the substance of his statement as he gave it to us, and leave our readers to form their own conclusions. We shall from time to time publish what is seen at these seances, and related to us by responsible parties, but for the present shall refrain from comments.

Oxford.—James T Hill has been appointed Game Constable in place of William L. Daniels, removed from town.

W. J. Redmond has interred thirty-three persons in our cemetery for the past year, ending April 1st, 1877.

The Baptist society of this village have extended a call to Rev. Mr. Baldwin, of Albany. The gentleman has accepted and will remove here about the first of May.

Some of our boys walked to Norwich Monday for recreation, and they had to show the names on their shirt fronts before the authorities wouldn't believe they were tramps.

Prof Gillman's concert Tuesday evening last week, was a first-class affair and delighted the audience in every particular, with the exception of its length, it being late when the concluding piece was performed. We are sorry to state that the concert was not sufficiently patronized to pay the the Professor for his time and trouble.

Mr. James H. Hull, residing on the East hill, met with a painful accident in his sugar bush, on the 31 inst. He was driving into the woods on a sled, which upset and he was thrown on to some stubble with a large sap tub top of him. One or two ribs were fractured and he was considerably bruised, but is now on the gain.

Mr and Mrs. J. G VanWagenen celebrated the tenth anniversary of their wedding at the St. James last Monday evening. A large number of relatives and friends were present and they came "down with the tin" handsomely. Warm sugar and other refreshments were served in the dining room, while dancing and other amusements took place in the parlors. A very social time was had, the host and hostess making it pleasant for all.—*Times.*

Sharburne.

At the end of 8,300 games of checkers, between Ingalls and Addison, Ingalls is still seven ahead.

Miss Hannah Hickey, of Norwich, is engaged to teach the summer term of school in the Cook district.

The river bridge above the Quarter was so damaged by high water, last week, as to render it impassable for some days.

Three coal jimmies were run off the coal dump at the Quarter, Saturday last. The coal dump and jimmies were both somewhat injured.

Mr. A. C. Lathrop, Architect, of Utica, was in town Thursday, in consultation with the building committee, with a view to drafting a plan for the improvements to be made on Christ Church.

Easter Day, commemorating the resurrection of our Blessed Lord, was a happy day to the parishioners of Christ Church. The weather was unexpectedly mild and pleasant, animating not a little the spirits of all. The Church was tastefully decorated with cut flowers and growing plants, and it is certainly not too much to say that the music was of a high order. The sermon was upon the glorious theme suggested by the day, the resurrection of all in Christ hereafter to a bliss-ful immortality.

A severe accident happened Wednesday, about noon, at Baker's Saw Mill. Mr. Henry Wodden, who is employed in the mill, while moving a board from the carriage, was thrown upon the saw and sustained a very severe injury. The saw made a gash about three inches in length on the back of the arm, sawing one of the bones in two. The injury is one from which the unfortunate man will be some time in recovering. We understand also that he has a family depending upon his labor for their support.—*News*

[From our Correspondent.]

Hascal G. C. Reese, a reformed liquor dealer, and now a licensed preacher of the Methodist persuasion, delivered an extempore sermon in the M. E. Church last Saturday evening.

It should be the duty of the Fire Department during the coming summer, to meet together for drill and practice, oftener than they did last season. If not, they will get too rusty for use. The Engine and Hose Companies contain some excellent material, and by taking a little trouble they can put themselves in first rate shape. They would not regret the time spent in practice, if chance should ever bring them into competition with the Hamilton or New Berlin boys again.

Mr. Wm. Chambers, of Princeton College, preached in the Congregational Church last Sunday morning. Although the discourse was his maiden effort, it was pregnant with rich thought, and interspersed throughout with apt illustrations. Mr Chambers seems very much in earnest. His manner is dignified, his appearance prepossessing, and he possesses those elements of character that adapt themselves harmoniously to clerical labor.

The Union meeting held in the Congregational Church, Sunday evening, was largely attended, although there was not quite so much interest manifested as upon former occasions. Rev. Mr. Burnside preached an excellent sermon.

Harvey Hubbard has removed to New York. Sherburne is sorry to lose him.....Stephen Tinker, of Michigan, is visiting relatives in town....L-Fever now occupies the old stand of Rafferty Bros....Mr. Wooden, who was so seriously injured a few days since by a buzz saw, is considered out of danger.....School vacation next week.....Doolittle and Daniels will continue in the hop, butter and potato business. Their office is with White, Smith & Co.....Arthur Coats intends to make things lively in the grocery line....."Hank" Griswold is breaking horses for the saddle.....Rev. James Chambers is visiting in Brooklyn.....H. E. Storrs is in town.....James Whitford has a badly injured hand.....Endeavors are being made to have the next meeting of the Chenango County Teachers' Association held in this village.....Gen. Rowland is making large quantities of maple sugar.....Baker's new residence bids fair, when completed, to be one of the finest in this vicinity.....We hear that the labors of Rev. D. Ballou, with the Universalist society in town, are being abundantly blessed.....Horseback riding will be all the style, during the coming summer.....One "blue glass" cure in town.....A. D Williams carries on a boot and shoe trade at the harness shop of Charles Rosbrook. Mr. Williams is a steady, reliable man, and should meet with success.....We are sorry to announce that Henry W. Church, of the firm of Church Bros., died last Monday morning of the measles. Mr. Church was a young man of exemplary habits, a kind husband and father, and a good citizen. It is perhaps needless to add that his loss is severely felt in his circle of friends, which comprises this entire community.....Mrs. Andrew Freeman died Monday P. M., at 5 o'clock, of hemorrhage. Mrs. Freeman was an estimable lady in every respect, and her loss is deeply felt.

April 9, 1877. VIGILANTE.

About Quilts —A few weeks since we made mention of a patch-work quilt made by a lady of McDonough, in this County, composed of 2,646 pieces.

D. Willcox, of Troupsburg, writes us under date of March 25th:

"In yours of a few weeks since, I saw that a lady in Chenango County had a quilt that contained a little over 3,000 pieces. She has been beaten twice. One contains 7,240 pieces; and I had the pleasure this morning of viewing a quilt containing 8,332 pieces, regardless of the lining, binding or batting—simply the face of the quilt. It was pieced by Miss Emeline Edwards. When this is beaten we will try again. We are reminded of a man who owned a trotting horse, for which he was at a loss to find a name, but after considerable study he found one which suited him—Eight to Seven—after the Hayes Electoral Commission, knowing it would be sure to win. Troupsburg hills are hard to beat."

But see what the Utica *Daily Herald* says, in one of its recent issues:

"The patch quilt mania has been revived by old ladies. One in Chenango County made one composed of 2,646 pieces and challenged the world to equal it. Up steps a brave lady, Mrs. Wilder from Cardiff, the resting place of the giant, which will be remembered by some Uticans, and flings in the face of the Chenango County woman, a quilt composed of 6,270 pieces, or 2,624 more than her challenger. She says she never thought anything of making a 3,000 comfort The fight rested for a few days, and when both of the above had cried quits, Miss Maggie Seabold, of Syracuse, stepped to the front boldly with a bed kiver which contains 17,160 pieces, exclusive of binding and lining, or 10,890 pieces more than Mrs. Wilder's. That settles it. Maggie deserves the prize, a first-class husband to enjoy the quilt with her, and who has the good sense to prevent her from spoiling her eyes over another one of the same kind."

Afton —Our village presents a very busy appearance this week. Nearly everybody is at work. A number of new buildings are being erected.

On Friday of last week our much respected townsman, Elijah Hyde, who had been quite sick for some weeks, had a severe shock of palsy, which terminated in death last Wednesday, at 1 o'clock A. M. Mr. Hyde was one of the oldest citizens of this town, and much esteemed by all who knew him.

At a meeting of the members and congregation of St. Ann's Church, in Afton, held pursuant to notice, on Easter Tuesday, April 3d, 1877, the following gentlemen were elected as Wardens and Vestrymen for the ensuing year: H. R. Caswell, Senior Warden; N. B. Stowell, Junior Warden. Vestrymen—Harvey Hinman, C. A. Hyde, C. L. Seeley, D. A. Carpenter, J. B. Kirkhuff, J T Wilkins, Geo Knight, H. M. Swift.—*Sentinel.*

☞ Among the patents granted last month, we notice one to J. Preston, of Oxford, for Milk Strainers

New Berlin.

Considerable money changed hands here the first of April.

There are forty-eight names to be inscribed upon the Soldiers' Monument.

Good veal carcasses are worth 6@6½ cents per pound in the market.

Floral offerings decorated the chancel in St. Andrew's Church last Sunday.

A dog made a hole through the front window of Dimock & Matteson's store the other day.

On Monday last a large quantity of hops were delivered at the depot in this village, having lately been purchased for ten cents a pound. Where the joke comes in, these same hop-growers very early in the season were offered thirty and thirty five cents a pound and refused it.

Dr. Hazard by the skin of his teeth escaped what might have proved a serious accident on Tuesday night last. He was driving across the lower river bridge, when one of his horses, breaking through a plank, jumped forward and again broke through. It was with some difficulty that the horse was righted up, and although somewhat scratched, the Doctor thinks that he got out lucky.

A night or two since, a mean-looking rascal called at the residence of a citizen, and crowding himself in at the door informed the lady of the house that he generally asked for what he wanted, and it not given him he would steal it, and demanded something to eat. Of course he got what he wanted, and would probably have received what he did not want, if the man of the house had been there. It is well enough to watch these rascals or lock them up in case they are caught around here in the night. They are generally soaked with whisky, and consequently cocked and primed for any description of crime.—*Gazette.*

[From our Correspondent.]

Rev. Mr. Hawley started for Conference, Thursday morning of last week. He intended to visit among his friends in Pennsylvania the few days previous to Conference. Rev. Mr. Breckinridge supplied his pulpit on Sabbath last. It is earnestly hoped that Mr. Hawley will return to New Berlin for another year.

We have been informed that Rev. Mr. Chamberlain, of South New Berlin, will supply the Baptist pulpit until the Church shall find another pastor.

Prof. Gibbs closed his writing school on Tuesday evening of last week. We believe that he generally gave good satisfaction. Many of his pupils made much advancement in the art of penmanship. The prizes were awarded as follows: 1st prize, to Willie N Holt; 2d, to Sarah E. Todd; 3d, to George S. Larkins. The prizes consisted of beautiful pen drawings by Prof. Gibbs.

More than thirty families changed residence in town, on the first day of April.

Our Post Office has been removed to the south part of the Bradley block.

Seven licenses have been granted in town.

It is said that the lower river bridge is in a shaky condition. We think it must be true, as horses have broken through twice, within a week.

April 28, 1877. M. A. H.

Mt. Upton.

Now set your hens, make soap, sow you tomato seeds, and heave the old oyster cans out of your back yard.

The sap crop has been remarkably good for a week, and sugar ought to be cheap.

The last Mite Society of the season was held at the house of H. W. Curtis, on Tuesday night last, and was well attended, warm sugar being the attraction. About ten dollars was realized.

The Good Templars renewed their experiment of a free entertainment on Saturday night, March 31st. Warm sugar was passed around, at ten cents a dish, and was invested in by nearly all present. They will hold a Dime Society on some night of this week.

Thomas P. Jewell brought in a car load of horses from Canada last week, and has already disposed of nearly all of them.

"Dandy," a little dog belonging to Mr. Jewell, was found dead near the railroad track, a few mornings since, having evidently met with foul play.

Since our last, John Blackman has sold his house and lot to Mr. Seth Phillips, of Guilford.

Perry Rood has also bought of W. J. Sliter, the gothic house now occupied by Alvin Bennett; price said to be $1,000.

August Hack has opened a tailor's shop over Wheeler's drug store. He advertises to do everything pretaining to his business, well and cheap, and all in need of anything in his line will do well to give him a call.

Rev. E. P. Eldredge preached his farewell sermon, in this place yesterday. Rev. I. J. Bailey has accepted a call and removed to New Lisbon, Otsego Co.

There was talk some time since of raising a sum sufficient to stock the river with black bass. The project is a good one, and ought not to fall through.

The Otsego *Journal* advertises for a correspondent from this place. The *Journal* is small, but lively, and should be well sustained in the place where it is published. Let some Mt. Upton ink-slinger respond.

With the advent of warm weather, hydrophobia of a mild type has broken out among the young people in town. We saw a couple the other night who had run mad, and were biting each other in a very careless manner, with only a gate between them to prevent them from injuring each other seriously, and the malady is uncurable, too.

April 8, 1877. ***

Greene.—Rev. W. H Gavitt closes his labors as pastor of the Methodist Church on next Sunday.

A large eagle was discovered Saturday morning, sitting in a tree, in Chas. O. Davis's field, Genegantslet Corners.

Fresh butter is being brought into town, for which our buyers are paying from twenty to twenty-five cents per pound.

Easter services at Zion Church were marked by joyful ceremonies and rich floral displays, and the children's festival in the afternoon was a new feature which all enjoyed.

The ladies of Zion Church have presented Rev. A. W. Snyder with a very fine surplice and stole. He also received a substantial cash present at the offering on Easter morning.

Rev J. H. Sage, we are glad to learn, is now rapidly recovering strength and health, and that he expects to be in his pulpit again next Sabbath morning and evening, as usual. Until February last, this is the first sickness he has experienced in over twenty years, that has laid him aside from active duties.

At a vestry meeting of Zion Church, held on Tuesday morning, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Wardens, F. E. Barnard, F. Juliand; Vestrymen, W. F. Russell, Geo. Juliand, Lewis Juliand, Jos. E. Juliand, T. D. Welch, Maurice Birdsall, Uri Whittenhall, S. P. Thomas; Clerk, W. F. Russell; Treasurer, Jos. E. Juliand.—*American.*

☞ Mrs. W. G. Mandeville, at her green house on West Main Street, has now a choice variety of bedding plants, to which she invites the attention of ladies and others who have a taste for the beautiful in flowers. She has taken much pains in her selections, and can furnish plants in great variety. Give her a call.

☞ On Monday, the 9th inst., the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company still further reduced its rates to one uniform rate of twenty-five cents for ten words to any of its offices east of the Missouri River, including Omaha, Atchison and Leavenworth.

☞ James J. Belden, of Syracuse, was elected President of the Syracuse and Chenango Railroad, on the 31st ult.

A Heroine's Grave.

On Wells Hill, in Preston, hard by the centre of Chenango County, in a pleasant little cemetery, on a small, antique brown stone, the passer-by may read the epitaph of Widow Jane Hadley, born 1732, and died 1819.

The subject of this brief notice was a native of Lexington, Mass. Her father, Ebenezer Fisk, was an inn-keeper. Her three brothers were carefully educated in Cambridge College, while she, with her four sisters, (one of whom was the wife of the Rev. Dr. Cutler, of Boston,) were educated according to the tastes and necessities of that early day. Being able to read and write was thought sufficient for a woman. This she knew, and having acquired the culinary art as practiced then, she was taught skill and dispatch upon the spinning-wheel, and many and beautiful were the articles of snowy linen wrought out by her dextrous hand. And when the luxury of imported goods was denied her, she readily supplied herself with a lawn dress of matchless white, fine and nice, made from water-rotted flax of her own spinning.

In 1754 she was married to Josiah Headley, (afterwards changed to Hadley,) and at once assumed the duties of landlady of an inn on the road from Boston to Lexington. It was then she learned how much she could do and suffer for her country, and the soul-stirring scenes of the Revolution were often related with pathetic tenderness in old age, to her grand-children. She saw with sadness the long line of "regulars," as they went to destroy the much needed supplies at Concord, and as she fled in haste she took her hands from the unkneaded loaf, and tarried not to wash, but clad in her camlet riding-hood, from the seclusion of the forest she saw with pain her country's foes move like a "giant snake," as she often said.

Her house soon became a rallying place for the friends of Liberty, and of such occasions she would say, "I did not stop to run; I flew to provide entertainment for their need." About this time her eldest son Josiah was prostrated with a fever; the ardent sons of Liberty filled the house and thronged the bedside of the sick; in a few days he paled in death, and who shall say this was not her offering to her country's cause?

She stood on Prospect Hill with a spy-glass, and witnessed the burning of Charlestown, church not excepted. Anon their wealth took wings and flew away, but she proved herself equal to any emergency. Her father-in-law gave her fifty guineas, and with that she purchased a home and moved to the forest.

Once and again her residence was changed; her last removal was from Brattleboro (where she buried her husband) to Preston. She came in June, 1810, in company with her son John and his family; and although seventy-eight years of sunshine and shadow had passed over her, like one of old her eye was not dim or her natural force abated. Specimens of her stitching, long held as keepsakes, were done without the aid of glasses. She had a kind and helping hand for all, and one who knew her well says she never knew her to speak a frowning word. Her Bible was her constant companion on the Sabbath, and when the close of life came she passed away as one who had caught a glimpse of the Invisible, and heard him say "Be not dismayed; I am thy God."

McDonough, April, 1877. E.

Smyrna.

April opens with splendid weather.

Rev. H. Fox preached his farewell sermon to his congregation at the M. E. Church last Sunday morning.

Prof. Dennis closed his week of singing on Sunday evening. The going have been bad, and the meetings have been slimly attended.

Maple sugar sells at from eight to ten cents per pound. A large amount has been made during the past week, and the sap still runneth.

Our great law-suit resulted in the acquittal of the defendant.

The next lecture before the Smyrna Literary Society will be given by Mr. O. D. Taylor, on Friday evening, April 13th, at the Congregational Church. Subject: "Saws." Thomas Randall, of the Sherburne *News*, lectures before the Society on Saturday evening, April 21st. Subject: "Tramps." Everybody is invited.

The many friends of Mr. J. H. Cook, of Central Smyrna, will regret to learn of the death of his son, Cephas B. Cook, which occured at South Canaan, Ct., March 20th. Mr. C. was a representative in the Connecnecticut Legislature, and much esteemed by all who knew him. He has been in poor health for several years, and the journeys to and from Hartford, and his duties there, were too great a strain upon his constitution. He died of consumption, in the prime of life, at the age of 41 years. The Hartford *Post* of January 6th has the following: "Cephas B. Cook is engaged in the brass and metal business in New York, but has been a resident of Canaan for several years past. He holds the offices of Justice of the Peace, School Visitor and Examiner, and is also a member of the Board of Education. He was born at Oxford, N. Y., and received a good academic education at the neighboring village of Norwich, in that State. While a resident of New York he took an active part in politics, but since coming to Connecticut has given most of his attention to business. He was elected to the Legislature by the Democrats, but is in no sense a partisan."

The New England Supper at the M. E. Church last Wednesday evening was a success in every particular. About twenty young people took charge of the affair, and the old time garments, and ancient dishes were of much interest to all in attendance. The proceeds were $32.50.

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White Store.—Maple sugar, ten cents per pound.

Mr. David Milks is quite ill with shingles.

Mr. Andrew H. Isbell has hired to Mr. Adolphus L. Greene.

The mud is drying, and the going is getting better for travel.

Beware of tramps and later bugs. They are commencing to travel!

No weddings, no births, no elopements, and no deaths, this week.

Sugar parties are now in vogue. There was one at the Church at the Union, Friday evening. A light attendance is reported.

The rope is broken which was used to raise the Republican flag, and now the banner has to remain unraised! The rope on the Democrat pole is also broken, and the flag hangs suspended at half-mast.

We notice the south side of the school house has been clapboarded anew. Mr. Gilbert Sherwood did the job. A meeting was held Tuesday evening for the purpose of taking steps towards repainting the school house. We have not learned the result.

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☞ Miss Jennie Berry, telegraph operator at the N. Y. & O. M. station in Walton, died on Saturday evening last, and her