

Brick Yards."

March 24, 1864.

"Returned—Capt. Commodore P. Vedder has returned to his home in this village, from the war. We believe he is on a recruiting expedition. The Commodore looks well—none the worse for wear and tear his regiment; (the 154th) received at Gettysburgh. He makes an excellent officer, we have no doubt. Success attend him."

"Married. Hutchinson-Dellingham.—At Irvine hall, in this village, on the 17th inst., by Rev. T. W. Potter, Mr. Benj. F. Hutchinson, to Miss Mary F. Dillingham, both of Machias.

"Pettit-McCadden—In Franklinville, on the 21st inst., by Rev. L. H. Green, Mr. Geo. W. Pettit to Miss Jennie McCadden, both of Ellicottville."

March 31, 1864.

"Died. Gray—In Mansfield, Mar. 23, Mr. Andrew Gray, aged 79 years.

"Chamberlain—In this village, March 29th, after a short illness, Mr. Moses Chamberlain, aged 47 years."

"Bounty for Volunteers—On Saturday last, the town of Ellicottville, at a special town meeting, by a majority of 81, decided to levy a tax on said town, to raise a bounty fund for volunteers, to fill the quota, under the last call for 200,000.

Almost a fire—The dwelling house of Mr. P. V. Skinner, was discovered to be on fire on Tuesday forenoon last, but by the exertions of those soon assembled, the flames were got under control, without serious damage. The fire probably took from a defective stove flue in the garret."

"Good—Dan Bartlett has put a new covered carriage on the route from this village to Great Valley."

"Sickness—We regret to state that S. P. Cady, proprietor of Irvine hall, is confined to his room by severe illness. He is not, however, considered dangerously ill.

"Haverfield, who has been confined to his bed for a week with congestion of the lungs, and happy to state, is convalescing."

"An Indian killed by the cars. The name of Lewis.

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"Homans—At the residence of F. L. Stowell in Olean, on Tuesday of last week, of measles and congestion of the lungs, Fred S. Homans, aged 19 years.

"Purdy—In Little Valley, on the 5th inst., after a short illness, Mrs. Anna Purdy, wife of James Purdy, aged 77 years. The deceased leaves a large circle of friends to mourn her departure. She is a broken link of the past and the present generation. She has sat in her father's house in England, and heard the gospel preached by John Wesley, and saw and heard him threatened by the congregation for his belief. Mr. Wesley was then persecuted by the old Church of England; by almost all classes until he revolutionized the public sentiment on theology. She died in full faith of the power of the Redeemer to save all who will come unto salvation by repentance.—Com."

"An Indian on Gen. Grant's Staff—We notice that Ely S. Parker, a Seneca Chief, of the Tonawanda Band, and formerly a law student in this village, is Assistant Adjutant General, with the rank of Captain, on Gen. Grant's staff. Good luck, to you, Parker, what's become of the d—d Nigger?"

"Village Improvements.—The Catholic church in this village is to be enlarged, so as to accommodate about double the number it now does. The contract for the building of the new addition has been let to Mr. Abraham Gray, who is soon to commence the work.

"Distressing Fire in Carrollton.—We learn that the dwelling house of Mr. McMahon, in the town of Carrollton, was destroyed by fire on Friday last, and that his wife and two of his children perished in the flames. Mr. McMahon was badly burned, as was also another child. It is reported that two dwellings were burned. Mr. McMahon kept a boarding house, in the old building known as the Melvin house. We learn no further particulars." (Apr. 21st issue says fire was at Tarport.)

POWER OF THE PRESS.

The press is not only free; it is powerful. That power is ours. It is the power that man can enjoy. It was not granted by man, it was not granted for us by man.

Theda Bara.

Movie actress who is known followers of the silent drama for her portrayal of "vampire" role.

Fifty Thousand Men Now Are Flying Over Earth

To the average American, the plane still is a wonder, a miracle creation of magic. In Europe it has become so accustomed to it that children now talk of becoming "aeroplanes" as they would be of becoming "men." Counting both pilots and servers, there are more than 50,000 men now in Europe in daily flight above ground. The number is increasing from day to day and before long it is possible that the total will have reached 100,000. A thousand human beings taking air every day—and only six years ago Glenn H. Curtiss made his first flight down the Hudson river—wonderful feat chronicled in the pages of the world.

Traveling by Parcel Post

Though our parcel post is a new system, enabling us to send all kinds of strange things by mail, the English system can do one thing we have as yet not attempted.

An Englishman who was in London to reach a part of London which he was unfamiliar, called at a general post office to consult a clerk. Upon explaining his case, the clerk gave him the startling information that he could go by parcel post, the payment of three pence a day.

He was accordingly placed in the hands of a messenger boy who took him to his destination. The boy carried a printed slip on which was written a description of the parcel following.

Crookedest Railroad in the World

Up California's Tamaulipas crookedest railroad in the world, the eight miles of track that tangent is but 413 feet. In one instance the road makes five loops and ties two complete knots to attain an elevation of 1,000 feet. The end of the line is also a mile higher than the start and there is not one particular grade in the entire system.

Horizontal motion is used in level a temporary road, consisting of a single track, of iron and a flat bed of the structure the two ends and bent with one end at right angles to the other, and that end a taller than the other.