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**"HARMAN'S DREAM"**  
Although Occurring Many Years Ago, It Came to Pass and Resulted in a Dandy Oil Well.

Away back in 1873, "Miles" Harman dreamed a dream. It wasn't the only dream he ever dreamed, and so for convenience this one is called "the dream of '73." That was long before Andover was an oil town, or a gas town, or a water town, or a Regents' town, or a Board of Trade town, or an incorporated town, or a good many other kinds of town that might be named. There was no oil excitement anywhere in this section. Richburg and Bolivar were but little more than farming communities, and Allegany county was noted only for producing the proverbial "leeks and maple sugar." But all the same there was crude oil right down under the spot where the Mutual Gas Company built their last derrick, on J. J. Warfield's farm, about two and a half miles easterly from this village. At least Mr. Harman dreamed that such was the case, and in his dream he saw what nobody would have believed would ever come true if he had published his dream with all possible faith in its fulfillment—visions of a flowing oil well, with all the activity, excitement and grease which usually accompany such things. Not only was the locality indicated, but also the exact spot, afterward identified by certain land marks.

When the Mutual Gas Company began operations here a few years ago, Mr. Harman told the members that there was oil at the particular point indicated by the dream, and stated that if they wanted a sure thing they had better drill the first well there. But dreams had never cut much of a figure in oil booms. The dream books didn't appear to contain any information about petroleum, and the Mutual Gas Company people were practical, business-like fellows and didn't believe in dreams anyway, and so the dream-hallowed spot was avoided as if it was a hoodooed place. But you couldn't convince Miles that the dream god had played him false, and he alluded to the matter often enough to keep the other members of the company in mind of the fact that he believed the oil would come up if the drill was put down where he wanted it. Finally, after having struck so many good wells that one dry hole wouldn't matter much anyway, a well was located just where Miles had seen the flowing well, without the slightest variation east, west, north or south. The six inch drill penetrated the earth exactly where the fairy drill had made the hole twenty two years before.

"Senator" Lynch was the contractor and driller, and the steel tool went down into the ground more rapidly than any other similar instrument ever did. Not a mishap, not a moment's delay from any cause—it seemed like boring in air instead of earth and rock—and in just ten days from the start the well was finished, with over thirty feet of fine oil sand, an abundance of oil and a good flow of gas.

The well was shot last Friday, and is to all appearances one of the best wells in this field. Immediately after the shot was exploded and the shower of oil had ceased, a sign bearing the words, "Harman's Dream—1873," was nailed to the derrick, the well was cleaned out and is now earning good money for its owners. The pressure of gas isn't quite sufficient to flow the well in perfect shape, but the members of the company say it will soon settle down to business, and they expect as good a producer as there is in all the Allegany field.

This company is building another rig on Ellery Updyke's farm, on which they now have two good wells, one of them being an extra good one.

You'll find those 25c sailors at Mrs. Mourhess'.

First-class bicycle for sale cheap. HENRY EPSTEIN, Farmers.

It will pay you to drive to town for your groceries. For instance, 7 lbs Oat Meal for 25c. Tea for 24c a lb, as good as you pay 40c for. Crackers 5 lbs for 25c. Ginger Snaps 4 lbs for 25c, and other goods in proportion at Ross' Cash Store. Butter and Eggs wanted.

**Our Band Will Go to Wellsville.**

The Excelsior Cornet Band of this place has been engaged by the music committee of the Centennial Celebration at Wellsville, to furnish music on Thursday, June 27. We are sure that those who attend the celebration will listen with pleasure to this band, and we congratulate the "boys" upon securing the engagement.

**If We Had Only Known About It!**

The wagon driven in 1817 from Berlin, Rensselaer county, to Alfred, by Deacon Nathan Lanphear, one of the first settlers in our town, of the valley bearing his name, is still in existence and was not placed on the retired list until the past spring. It is in the possession of Edson D. Clarke, of Andover. We think it should occupy a place in Alfred's exhibit at the County Centennial Celebration. Andover has not solicited it, and we are sure that our town committee can secure it if desired. Isn't it worth looking after?—*Alfred Sun.*

**Hornellsville Wants to be a Half Shire.**

A special election was held in Hornellsville Monday by the taxpayers of that city, to decide the question of bonding the city for a \$30,000 courthouse and city hall building. The measure was carried by a majority of 177. The Board of Supervisors will meet this week at Bath, when they will be asked to make Hornellsville a half shire. Two thirds of the court business of the county comes from Hornellsville, and when the fact is brought before them that the county will not be taxed one cent for a courthouse, it is thought that the proposition will be readily accepted.

**Federation of Literary Clubs.**

Last Wednesday a meeting of delegates from Woman's Literary Clubs of this county was held at Belmont and a County Federation of these clubs was organized. Delegates were present from eleven clubs, located in the following places: Cuba, Friendship, Belfast, Belmont, Wellsville, Andover and Alfred. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Hamilton Ward, Belmont; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Frank B. Church, Wellsville; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Keeney, Belvidere; Secretary, Mrs. F. L. Charles, Cuba; Assistant Secretary, Miss Reynolds, Alfred; Treasurer, Mrs. S. M. Norton, Friendship.

**Allegany Baptist Association.**

The Allegany Baptist Association held its thirty-eighth annual meeting in this village last week. The attendance was not as large as usual, owing to various causes which were distinctly recognized, among them being the necessary change of time from the last week in June to the first. The exercises, however, were instructive and interesting throughout.

The following are the newly elected officers of the Association:

President, Rev. C. B. Perkins, of Wellsville; 1st Vice President, A. M. Taylor, Rushford; 2d Vice President, Miss Minnie A. Clair, Andover; Clerk, Rev. Nelson Reynolds, Friendship; Treasurer, Charles Stout, Friendship; Librarian and Corresponding Secretary, Chas. E. Davis, Wellsville.

**Quite Independent.**

Very many women have the matter entirely in their own hands whether they will in the future be independent, able to confer favors, and so command respect; or dependent, forced to endure privations, or be unwilling pensioners upon the charity of relatives who may give not only sparingly but grudgingly. The influence of a wife often turns the scale when her husband is considering the question of life insurance. If she understood that the Equitable issues policies which are simple investments guaranteeing certain returns if her husband lives, as well as full payment in case of his death, she would not rest easy until the business was finished. Write W. H. Crandall, Alfred, N. Y., for full particulars.

**The People's Annual Cheap Excursion to Portage Bridge.**

All along the line the people are watching and waiting for their annual pleasure excursion to "Picturesque Portage" and high bridge, and the popular Erie lines have arranged for Sunday, June 16. Music all the way and a concert at Portage by a good band. This trip is one of those delightful outings that one never tires of. Ample accommodations. Train will leave Andover at 10:25 a. m. Fare round trip only 75 cents. Let every one go.

**Death of Mrs. E. W. Chappel.**

Orpha C., wife of E. W. Chappel, died at her home in this village Thursday evening, June 6, 1895, of paralysis. Her age was 65 years.

Mrs. Chappel had been ill only a few weeks, but her condition had been such as to leave no hope of recovery.

The deceased was born in Alfred, this county. Her maiden name was Orpha C. Lee. The greater part of her life was spent in Andover, where she was well known and dearly beloved. She was first married to Wm. Bundy, by whom she leaves one son, who lives in Illinois.

She was married to Mr. Chappel about ten years ago, the marriage taking place at Wellsville, where she then lived. She went to Ulysses, Pa., the home of her husband. They removed to Andover in the fall of 1888, where they have since resided.

Mrs. Chappel had been a member of the Andover Baptist church for fifty-one years. She will be greatly missed by that society, from the fact that she was always very active in church work, ready at all times to do her full share in whatever was to be done for the good of her fellow creatures or the glory of God. She was also a member of the Andover W. C. T. U., in which organization, also, her good works were prominent.

The funeral services were held in the Baptist church last Saturday at two o'clock p. m., and were attended by a large number of relatives, friends and neighbors, who respectfully, but tenderly, paid the last respects to the memory of a good woman.

The afflicted husband and family have the sincere sympathy of the community in their irreparable loss.

**Grand Masonic Celebration.**

Evening Star Lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., of Hornellsville, last evening celebrated the 79th anniversary of its organization. District Deputy Grand Master John McDougall, of Hornellsville, and District Deputy Grand Lecturer John Camosh, of Corning, were present in their official capacity. The third degree was conferred upon five candidates. Invitations to be present upon this occasion had been issued to the members of many lodges in this section, and a very large attendance was the result. After the ceremonies in the lodge room had been concluded, those present were invited to the opera house, where a banquet was spread. Eating and speech-making occupied the time until about 2 a. m., and the occasion was pronounced the greatest possible success. About twenty five Masons were present from this place.

**Hereafter Ministers Must be Careful About Marriages.**

Ignorance of the law excuses no man, so it may be well for all persons to become familiar with the amended laws relating to marriage in this state. According to the provisions of one of the new chapters any person who marries a girl under the age of eighteen without the consent of her father, mother, guardian or other persons having charge of her person, is guilty of abduction and liable to punishment by fine and imprisonment. Any clergyman who, after Sept. 1, 1895, shall perform the marriage ceremony where the girl is under eighteen, without the consent of her parents or guardian, may be deemed accessory to the criminal offense. While the law does not exactly declare such a marriage void, it is easily voidable, being in violation of the law. Very few ministers will care to marry young persons after Sept. 1, without the consent of the proper persons, unless time has made an indelible impress on the face of the girl or woman. Sensible people and those of a high moral tone will not be apt to criticize adversely the new law on this subject.

The question is often asked, what is the reason that of all the fashion magazines published in America no other enjoys such a wide popularity as does *Etiquette*? There must be some intrinsic merit about this book, which renders it more fascinating to the average female mind than any other of its class. And aside from its attractive cover page, which immediately challenges our admiration, we are struck with the refreshing variety of its inner pages, which are fairly flowing over with new styles in every conceivable garment intended for ladies' and children's wear.

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