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**The Wilcox Bargain Store,**  
HEADQUARTERS FOR  
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**HUTCHINSON,**  
EYE SPECIALIST, of Houseworth Optical Co., Phila., Oculists and Opticians,  
at H. Mourness' Jewelry Store,  
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1895.  
Free Examination.

**SUDDEN DEATH OF M. H. HANN.**  
He Expires Monday Night after a Very Brief Illness.

Monday night at about midnight death removed from earthly scenes one of the older residents of this place, and, perhaps, one of the most widely known citizens of this section—Michael H. Hann.

For some time Mr. Hann had been in poor health, and at times was not able to be about. During the greater part of the time, however, he was able to be upon the streets and attend to his duties about the house. Monday morning he arose at about the usual hour, but was compelled to take to his bed after staying up but a short time. He grew rapidly worse, and died within less than twenty hours. The direct cause of death was paralysis.

Mr. Hann was born in Otego, Otsego county, N. Y., January 16, 1820. He came to Andover in 1841. He was married April 17, 1844, to Anna Swain, who survives him. The couple were the parents of one son, E. James Swain, who died in 1881.

Mr. Hann's occupation for more than a quarter of a century was that of school teacher. He was an unusually intelligent and well informed man, and was an attentive student of political questions and all other matters that pertained to the general welfare of the people. He also made a close study of the Bible, and was doubtless as well informed concerning the Scriptures as almost any person we could name in local history.

Mr. Hann was one of the oldest members of the Andover M. E. Church. The date of his first connection with the church does not appear upon the records, but it is a well authenticated fact that for more than fifty years he had been identified with this church and its work. He was a trustee of the church and teacher of the Bible class in the Sunday School when the church edifice was the building afterward owned by Hale Davis, and which now stands upon the corner of Main and Greenwood streets in this village. Since that time this church society has erected two houses of worship—the one now owned by the Seventh Day Baptists and the brick sanctuary which the Society now occupies. Notwithstanding his advanced years and feeble health, Mr. Hann continued his activity in church matters, and at the time of his death he was the teacher of the Bible class in the same Sunday School where he labored so many years ago. He attended church and Sunday School last Sunday, and made the remark to his scholars that he would not be with them much longer. As a citizen, Mr. Hann was most highly respected. He was faithful in all the duties of life, and his family and many friends have the consolation of knowing that his work was well done. The funeral services will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 2 o'clock p. m., at the M. E. Church.

**Political Equality Convention.**

The Allegany County Political Equality Club will hold a Convention in the Andover Baptist church on Thursday, Dec. 5. The first session will begin at 10 o'clock a. m. and the afternoon session will begin at 2:30. It is hoped there will be a large attendance, and the public is cordially invited to be present, especially at the afternoon session. The full program is as follows: MORNING.

Call to order by President, Mrs. Ida K. Church, Wellsville.  
Report of Secretary, Mrs. Sara W. Freeland, Wellsville.  
Report of Treasurer, Mrs. Mary B. Miller, Andover.  
Business—Appointment of committees.

State Convention Notes, Mrs. Abigail Allen, Alfred.  
Report of Committee on Constitution.

Election of Officers.  
Club reports, town reports.  
AFTERNOON.

Music.  
Invocation, Mrs. Sarah G. Ross, Wellsville.

Words of Welcome, Mrs. Helen M. Brown, Andover.  
Then and Now, Mrs. Eliza B. Fries, Friendship.

The New Era (poem), Mrs. Sarah W. Freeland, Wellsville.  
Address, Mrs. Maude S. Humphrey, Warsaw.  
Report of Committee on Resolutions.  
Plan of Work—discussion by all.

**Edward Donnelly's Good Fortune.**

"I count this thing to be grandly true. That a noble deed is a step toward God."

The News is permitted to state a few facts in connection with what might be regarded as a strictly private family matter, but which contains an element of news that will please every person who is acquainted with the parties directly interested. In 1869, Edward Donnelly purchased the property now owned by him in this village. There was on the place a mortgage for \$2,000, which was owned by Rev. Father McConnell, formerly of this place, and Mr. Donnelly purchased the property subject to the mortgage. Father McConnell willed the mortgage to Bishop Ryan of Buffalo, and upon the former's death the Bishop came into possession of the same. Mr. Donnelly has always paid the interest but the principal still remained unpaid. Bishop Ryan was recently made acquainted with Mr. Donnelly's illness, and the further fact that the latter's advancing years and other circumstances would render it practically impossible for him to pay up the mortgage without great sacrifice. After satisfying himself as to the existing conditions, Bishop Ryan executed a discharge of the mortgage and the same was presented to Mr. Donnelly a few days ago, thus not only securing to him the property free of incumbrance, but also stopping the further payment of interest, which amounted to quite a sum each year.

Mr. Donnelly and his family are naturally much elated over the good fortune, but their friends, who are as numerous as their acquaintances, will insist that the parties directly benefitted shall not monopolize all the joy which comes from the good Bishop's kind act, and hearty congratulations to the Donnelly household, as well as praise and thanks for Bishop Ryan, will not be lacking among the people of this vicinity.

Don't fail to take advantage of Epstein's closing-out sale.

**Comstock-Hanks.**

Last Wednesday evening, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Hanks, of Wellsville, Dr. F. E. Comstock of this place and Miss Sara Hanks were united in marriage. Rev. A. R. Miller of Wellsville performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. G. M. James of this place. Mr. J. S. Phillips was best man and Miss Margaret Hanks was bride's maid. A large company was present, including many from Andover. A sumptuous wedding supper was served, and after receiving the hearty congratulations of those present the doctor and his bride left on train 5 for a wedding trip to Atlanta, Georgia, and other places in the South. They will return to Andover to take up their residence about the middle of this month, and are certain to receive a warm welcome.

**Deserved Success.**

In an article in reference to the Equitable's prosperity, the Baltimore Underwriter attributes its success, among other things, to the following consideration: "It has never for a moment been discredited as a company. A good reputation ought to be as invaluable to an insurance company as an individual. Now, the reputation of the Equitable has never been smirched. It has never been compelled to stand in the pillory of public indignation on account of the misdeeds of its officers. It has never been called upon by outraged policy holders to stand trial for the bad behavior of its management. Its record is clear, its reputation is unsullied." W. H. Crandall, Dist. Manager, will give further information.

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