















## NEW YORK NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF.

### Paragraphs of Interest to Readers of Empire State.

News of All Kinds Gathered from Various Points in the State and So Reduced in Size That it will Appeal to All Classes of Our Readers.

A religious revival has been inaugurated in Newfane, Niagara county. Only two Batavia school teachers have declined to renew their contracts.

Rochester and Suburban Jitney company filed a certificate of incorporation.

It is estimated that more than \$250,000 will be expended in new buildings in Tonawanda.

Twenty-two Olean teachers have so far declined to sign the contracts for the coming school year.

Major W. A. Wadsworth of Genesee has received 5,000 pine trees to be set out on his estate.

Fire on the Nash farm at Denmark destroyed the buildings and burned to death several head of stock.

Majority Leader Brown said in Albany that appropriations for the barge canal would be only \$3,700,000.

Girl graduates of Dunkirk high school have decided not to expend over \$3 each on graduating gowns.

William H. Rice, one of the owners of the Post-Star of Glens Falls and widely known in the Adirondacks, died there.

The conservation commission announces the resignation of Game Protector M. S. Smith of Chautauque county.

At Buel, near Canajoharie, the Presbyterian church, which was more than 100 years old, was burned to the ground.

Ground was broken on Lake avenue, Rochester, for the new Nazareth academy building, which will cost \$175,000.

At Marcellus, near Syracuse, the Crown mills have completed an order for 150,000 yards of khaki for the British army.

Fellow townsmen of Homer E. Snyder, the retiring Victor postmaster, gave a banquet in his honor at the Victor hotel.

Fire in the Cronk garage in Utica did damage amounting to \$25,000. Of 36 autos in the place only 12 were removed in time.

Senator Mills' bill, designed to strengthen the present law against false advertisement, failed to pass the assembly in Albany.

Dr. Harry F. Tannor of Medina was elected president of the Eighth District Dental society, at its annual meeting in Buffalo.

Within the past two weeks 130 new members have been taken into Canisteo's Methodist church following a revival in that village.

An applicant for a marriage license in Olean was asked where he was born. "In Canada," he answered. "In what part of Canada?" inquired the Edwin S. Calkins and Dr. Clarence Fessenden, both of Syracuse, have been indicted for alleged misuse of the mails in connection with a land company.

Walter H. Knapp of Canandaigua, who has been appointed one of the three new state tax commissioners, has served two terms as judge of Ontario county.

Party lines were cast aside in Albany when the bill intended to exempt Christian Scientists from the law requiring the licensing of physicians was defeated.

Warrane Burnham, 35, slashed his throat at an Illion boarding house and was found dead. He had been employed by the General Electric company at Schenectady.

Norma Nethaway, the ten-year-old daughter of a Che-hire, Ontario county farmer, probably was fatally injured when she fell from a wagon and was run over by it.

Governor Whitman signed a bill amending the penal law by providing that householders over 21 years of age may keep firearms for the protection of their families.

Governor Whitman has signed the Mills bill, which will allow defendants in divorce cases instituted outside the state to remarry in the state five years after the decree.

John Volthausen, a Binghamton merchant was killed by an Erie passenger train at Riverdale. He had alighted from a local and was crossing the westbound track when struck.

Middleport's water supply, installed at an expense of \$100,000 a few years ago, is reported to be falling. A new bond issue of \$15,000 for a further supply is said to be contemplated.

Orders were issued by the department of agriculture, effective on April 19, altering live stock foot and mouth quarantine in New York by making Cortland county restricted area.

Because of criticisms of her ability as a housekeeper, Mrs. Andrew Gracello of Lackawanna threw herself in front of a moving Lake Shore train, but was rescued just in time.

Twelve-year-old Claudia Schultz, a daughter of Principal Schultz of the Portville high school, was criminally assaulted by an unknown man as she was returning from a children's party.

—Leo. M. Frank, convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan, in the state of Georgia, has lost his fight for life in the U. S. Supreme Court. No other avenue of escape remains through the courts. The state pardon officials might relieve him.

—A bill is before the legislature increasing the tax on dogs from one to two dollars and fixing a rate of \$4 to \$5 for additional dogs. It should be made a law so that sheep breeders can have a little better show by the consequent reduction of the dog crop.

—The portion of the Cayuga canal connecting Cayuga lake with the Erie canal will be opened for navigation on May 15. At the same time the Erie and Oswego canals will be opened while the Black River canal will be ready for business on June 1. The Champlain canal will be opened May 1.

—The tenth annual music festival at Cornell University will be held in Pailey Hall on May 6, 7 and 8. Among the artists who will appear are Florence Hinkle, soprano, Evan Williams, tenor, Signor Pasquale Amato, baritone, and Clarence Whitehill, bass. The Chicago Symphony orchestra has been engaged for the entire festival of four concerts.

—Walter Gower, aged 23 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gower of Auburn, died Wednesday morning after a brief illness. He was suddenly taken ill Tuesday evening while at his work as elevator man in the Metcalf building. Death was doubtless due to an acute attack of heart trouble. He is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters.



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