

THE ILLUSTRATED BUFFALO EXPRESS



A COLONY FROM THE ABRUZZI IN BUFFALO: A VIEW ON ROMA AVENUE. Originally the street was called Hickman street, but there is no K in Italian and so the name was changed.

FROM ABRUZZO TO BUFFALO

A Colony which the little Italian Town of Pescasseroli has sent to this City.

HAD BEGINNING IN 1883

Then the first Pioneer came, soon others followed, and now there is a thriving Community in Kensington.

In these days when the Italian Diaspora is making large gains upon our soil...



WHERE THE CHILDREN OF THE ROMA AVENUE COLONY GO TO SCHOOL. Annex to Public School No. 21.—The photographs of the colony are by George H. Campbell.

The royal house of Savoy, our interest in Italy is quickened, and we are asking: Where are the Abruzzi lands whence comes the title of this royal prince?

The province of Abruzzo lies near the center of Italy, directly south of Umbria, with Perugia for its chief city, and directly east of Latium, where Rome lies...

But it is not alone the most fertile of this fair land whose affections turn toward America. Its peasantry, too, cherish an interest in our country...

ian Baptist minister, the Reverend Ariel Bolchini, arrived in 1883 to work among his own people in Buffalo...

Another friend and pioneer from the same place is Paolo Gentile, who has been four sturdy years to his adopted country...

The little colony, thus founded, grew in size until it now fills Roma avenue, Edison avenue and a section of Florence avenue...



IN THE COLONY FROM THE ABRUZZI IN BUFFALO: THE RISING GENERATION.

lives from Lake Erie and comparing the bristly lampoon which the weather man has been getting out to use this spring with the balmy side of his own land...

It is a curious fact that all of these people have come from one little village in Abruzzo...

To go back to the beginning, which is to the days when Greece was sending out those little bands of pioneers to establish outposts of her splendid civilization upon the globe...

COMING OUT OF CHURCH: A TYPICAL GROUP OF THE ABRUZZESI IN BUFFALO.

two classes of the men, women and children of the congregation, and they are now studying their own languages in the parish.



WHERE THE COLONY CAME FROM: PESCASSEROLI. The picture, from a postcard, shows one of the entrances of the town.

concrete construction, as the manufacture of concrete blocks is one of the industries of the neighborhood.

The school which the children attend is an annex to public school No. 21. It is held in a building on the corner of the main street and the street which has been converted into a school.

To visit the colony one goes out to east Delavan avenue, past one of the most beautiful public schools in Buffalo...

From left to right, Signor Arcangelo, Signor Salsariti, Signor Gentile.

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AS IN OTHER ITALIAN COLONIES IN BUFFALO, YOU CAN SEE GOATS.

In the temple of Our Father, was taken sick and died. Mario took, in memory of her, erected a city, which he called Placenza. After several centuries, the Romans in a war with these people destroyed this city...



THE REVEREND GIUSEPPE BINGELLI OF BUFFALO. Pastor of the First Italian Baptist Church.

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THE "VECCHI" OF THE COLONY FROM THE ABRUZZI. From left to right, Signor Arcangelo, Signor Salsariti, Signor Gentile.

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Well, that night at 11:45 we crossed the line at the mouth of the Amazon river, and next morning, promptly at eight bells, the same boat and red flag were sighted. We slowed down and heaved, also a long white boat; his daughter Amphitrite; also his private secretary, Davy Jones; Dr. Bill with his medicine chest (kill or cure), dentist, chief justice and chief of police...

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