ALEXANDER-CRAWFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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The oldest homes in Crawford, early building sites and cellar holes will be shown on the screen when our executive board meets Tuesday, 0ct> 21 at the home of the president. The colored slides were taken in August when Ethel Wallace, Lois Donnelly and Jane Dudley toured the town. The 9:30 a.m. sessions (held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month) are open to our members and potential members. Call Jane if you plan to attend so there will be coffeecake to go around. During this October meeting we will tape the Breakneck Mountain reports, and Ellen Fenlason's account of the family which produced the first baby born in Alexander. Bring a sandwich if you wish to stay through the lunch hour. Your hostess will have beverages and fruit for you,

Community residents and historians are invited to join our members on Wednesday, Oct. 1st when we make our 2nd ascend of Breakneck Mountain to revisit old cellar holes and wells where a former community once existed, Contact leader, Ruth Dwelley, for further information,

TUESDAY, OCT.14 is our fieldtrip to 'BIRDSACRE* in Ellsworth. Curator Chandler 5. Richmond and his wife will show us through the Cordelia Stanwood Homestead Museum (which is on the Bar Harbor road, just off Rte. I on the right). This lovely old home contains the original furnishings of the Stanwood family, and many artifacts of Cordless fascinating life (1865-1958) recorded by Mr., Richmond in the book Beyond the Springs which should be available at your library. We will probably lunch close by at Hilltop House* after which participants have the opportunity to walk the lovely trails at Birdsacre where Cordie did her nature research, or shop in the area before driving home,

Our appointment with the Richmonds is set for 10:30 am. We will be leaving the 4 Corners Schoolhouse (Alexander) on the Airline at 8:30 a.m. should you wish to travel with us. Otherwise, we'll see you there. (A donation at the door, following the tour, would be most appropriate.)

Our local CEMETERY RESEARCHERS (Dwelley and Winckler) report that Nelson and Madeliene Flood have been very helpful in their interesting research of *lost graves. We have also learned that Donald Frost, Evelyn Pottle ^and several others' are still trying to save the old Alexander Methodist Church from being demolished or crumbling away. We wish them success in reselling this fine historical building,

BIRTHDAY FILE: We are starting a ^postcard file' on birthdates of Alexander & Crawford natives 65 years or older. A birthday card made especially for each individual will be mailed **each** year from our society. Please address your postcards to the president. Remember to include the year of birth. (Postcards reporting addresses of former residents living elsewhere are also welcome).

APPRECIATION IS EXPRESSED to Margaret Jones for her secretarial assistance last issue and for the FIRST CLASS stamp; Audrey Ketner for her generous contribution which covered our Sept.-Oct. mailings; Dr. Albert Bailey and the Fenlasons for their thoughtful donations; and Constance Olson for the Winslow Homer print "lueberrying. We have also received a photostatic booklet compiled by Sarah Moffett entitled Early Alexander News 1873-1893

Please remember that our charter membership closes Dec. 31,1980. If you would like your name to appear on the charter membership plaque contact one of your officers. Membership ($1.00 yearly) will not again be due until Jan. 1982. You might consider a charter gift membership for a friend or relative. (We have 5 gift memberships so far). We will send their membership card enclosed in a hand-painted watercolor gift card indicating it is a present from you«

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