

5/8 Farm Fireside.

Gleanings by Our Country
Correspondents.

PEASE.

Miss Ida Santema of Hull, Iowa, is expected home this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hubers, December 26, a girl.

Miss Sennie Van de Riet is at present employed at the H. A. Hubers home.

Frank Kuperus is able to limp around again, but still has a very sore foot.

Steven Kiel has returned home from Raymond, where he has been working since July.

Miss Fanny Van de Riet, who was visiting relatives and friends at Prinsburg for a few months, returned home last week.

Miss Katie Kuperus, employed as telephone operator at Sioux Center, Iowa, is spending her month's vacation with her folks here.

John Kuperus, the Misses Katie and Ida Kuperus, Gerrit Ruis and Fannie Timmer spent New Year's evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Timmer.

James Brinks boarded the Tuesday morning train for St. Paul to resume his studies at the Macalester college after spending the holidays at home.

We understand that G. Brink was summoned home, so instead of going back to Ashland, Wis., to resume his studies, left here last Saturday for his home at Prinsburg.

S. Droogma and H. A. Hubers drove to Green lake on Monday evening to see Chas. Murray in connection with the new road and returned the next day.

Two new shareholders in the Pease Co-operative creamery were recently added to the list, viz., W. M. Carpenter and S. DeBoer, and we understand that Otto Minks is also about to join us. The annual meeting of the creamery will be held the later part of this month—the date will be given later.

H. A. Hubers recently purchased 40 acres of land from Leroy Dayton. This forty is not adjoining Henry's farm. Henry was in need of a road, so he got up a petition and was granted a cartway between the old Chas. Murray farm (now belonging to S. DeBoer) and L. Kempton's farm. Both these parties were allowed \$75 damages and S. Droogma \$37.50, of which Milo township pays \$110. The balance is being paid by other parties who are benefited by the road, while J. Nyenhuis has given the land for the road along his farm.

OPSTEAD.

About eight inches of snow fell last Saturday night.

Our local potato buyers, Holm & Kalberg and John Kalberg, may ship some more potatoes in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Haglund entertained a few of their friends at dinner last Sunday. All who were present report having had a nice time.

Mrs. Ole Sagstad, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry Ellgren, during the holidays, returned to her home in Duluth on Monday evening's train.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Swedish Lutheran church held their annual sale last Friday evening of many useful articles. A neat sum of money was realized.

Hans and Carl Peterson, formerly of this place, who have been spending the last few years in the far west, are again at their mother's, Mrs. Anna Peterson, in Opstead.

Mr. and Mrs. John Skretting entertained a few of their many friends and relatives at a bountiful supper last Saturday evening. The evening was spent in the usual way of social intercourse.

Oliver and Tenens Johnson are hauling logs to Zimpel's sawmill for a man from Iowa who bought the 80 acres that Mr. Nash used to own. This Iowa man intends to move here in the spring and make his future home.

GLENDORADO.

Mae Bachelor visited last week at the J. S. Wasmuth home.

Lavis Halvorson spent New Year's day with Frank and Tom Hubbard.

George Balder and Harry Case spent the holidays with their folks in Duelm.

The blizzard of Sunday has blocked the roads, making hauling impossible for at least a week.

Oscar and John Daline passed through this burg on New Year's day looking up a cordwood job for Halvorson Bros.

Stella Penrod visited with Cora Hubbard from Wednesday until Friday. Stella has been employed for the past 18 months in St. Cloud.

Route 1, from Ronney has been moved to Foley and is now Route 4, Foley, so all the patrons on route 1 will get their mail on route 4, Foley.

Here's hoping that we may do better in the year to come than the year

gone by and let's get acquainted through the columns of this progressive paper, the Union.

Photographer Dayton took the picture of Halvorsen Bros.' camp, No. 1, last Saturday. The boys had the horses taken and two of the largest loads of heading bolts ever hauled to Foley.

The program in district 33 at the Gust Carlson schoolhouse was in every way a success with the exception of a selection sung by seven girls. If Cora Hubbard had not helped them out the failure would have been worse than it was.

SPENCER BROOK.

The dance was very well attended and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Miss Bengtson from Roseau county is here on a visit to her brother, John Bengtson.

Mrs. Lois Chapman is quite sick with throat trouble. A doctor was called last Saturday.

Wm. Nichols is very sick with stomach trouble. Dr. Ostedahl of Cambridge was called last Friday.

Wellington King has been quite busy hauling beans to Isanti the last week. One load brought him \$120.

S. P. Babb started on Monday for Brookings, S. D., where he will visit awhile and will then go to Tenstrike for an indefinite time.

Miss Vivian Smith came over from Cambridge to attend the dance and, owing to the storm, was unable to return home until Monday.

E. E. Ellingwood drove to Isanti on Monday afternoon with his daughter, Emroy, and friend. They took the evening train from there for Minneapolis.

Earl Babb and George Stafford drove to Cambridge last Saturday and returned on Sunday. They report several mishaps and tipovers. The roads are very bad.

WEST SPENCER BROOK.

New Year came in pretty cold but the sun shone, so it made it a little more pleasant.

H. W. Prescott and family spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. James McKenzie.

C. A. Babb hauled his beans to Princeton last Tuesday and sold them to A. E. Allen & Co.

We had another big snow storm last Saturday night and Sunday, which makes the roads hard to travel.

David Anderson, who is working for Jim McKenzie, is taking a two weeks' vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Prescott were called to Princeton last Saturday by the serious illness of Mrs. Prescott's mother.

The dance given by the Woodmen at the Brook last Friday night was well attended and a jolly good time was had by all.

A lively bunch went to Princeton a few days ago and on the way home they tipped over. Swedes and Irish, groceries and hog feed were all mixed up in a heterogeneous mass.

DISTRICT NO. 50.

James Franklin was calling on neighbors Sunday.

We are anxiously awaiting the establishment of a parcels post.

E. M. Fiero is on the mend and hopes to be on deck in a few days.

Everybody was out plowing the roads for the mail carrier on Tuesday.

Roy Fiero is still helping E. M. Fiero until he is able to do his own chores.

The young lady who has been keeping house for Will White left last week for her home in Minneapolis.

J. H. Mosher, one of the faculty of the Minneapolis business college, was here visiting relatives over Sunday.

There is a fortnight's vacation in district 50 this year, the teacher having gone home to spend the holidays.

The roads were badly blocked New Year's day. Consequently there was very little social intercourse between neighbors.

THREE CORNERS.

Grandma Nelson is making her home with Elick Nelson for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tomlinson expect to soon move to somewhere west of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edmunds spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patten in Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert King and children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sausser.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lambert and children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson King.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Libby and children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Byers.

Mrs. Ellen Hyndman and son, Bert, have a nice new house built, their old one having been burned.

Miss Johnson has returned to her school after spending Christmas va-

cation with her parents at the brick yard.

Eugene Cartwright has rented the Absalom Ellenbaum place and expects to soon move onto it.

Mrs. George Patten and son, John, and daughter, Thora, spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Will Leathers.

BALDWIN.

Grandma Way has been on the sick list.

Mrs. O. A. Dorff has been ailing for the last week.

Ernest Trunk spent New Year's day visiting friends in Princeton.

Frank Way spent the week end at the Winkleman home in town.

We are in hopes that the new year will not bring us any more snow. We have enough for fine sleighing until spring.

Misses Iva and Pearl McCracken returned on Friday from Minneapolis. Miss Pearl consulted an eye specialist while there.

Miss Pauline Trunk entertained a few of her friends on Tuesday night. The young people spent the evening in dancing.

Miss Daisy Looney and Jasper Pierson spent Monday afternoon with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Looney.

Jesse Angstrom arrived on Thursday from St. Paul to spend a few days with his mother, Mrs. J. Angstrom, and family.

A large crowd of the young people from this vicinity attended the dance at Spencer Brook on Friday night. Everyone reports a royal time.

Henry Dorff returned to Minneapolis on Wednesday after a few days visit with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Olsen and sons, Nels and Henry, were entertained at dinner at the McCracken home on New Years.

GREENBUSH.

G. E. Raiche visited from Monday evening until Wednesday at Charles Raiche's.

The west school of district 4 will open on Monday, January 8, after the Christmas vacation.

On account of the bad weather the correspondent found it difficult to get very much news, but hopes this will not happen again.

Mrs. O. Derry and son, Joseph, departed on Saturday for Rogers, Minn., where they will spend a few days with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Raiche, Pearl O. Labissonniere and Elmer Duquette spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. George E. Raiche and family.

George Raiche, who has been very ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. Charles A. Raiche, is now able to be out and around, and has moved into his own residence.

CROWN.

Ida Lemke of Minneapolis is visiting here.

Gertie Giese spent Sunday with her parents here.

Emma Kriesel is visiting her folks for a few days.

John Haas made a trip to Minneapolis last week.

A number of young people attended the dance at Spencer Brook.

Rev. Polster and family were visiting Henry Kriesel on Friday.

H. Fraser of Minneapolis spent a few days hunting in this locality.

Chas. Krouse was a pleasant caller at H. Stoeckel's on Sunday night.

Walter Haas has returned to Minneapolis, where he is attending business college.

Amelia and Esther Hiller, who attend the Princeton school, spent their vacation here.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Polster, where they spent a pleasant evening. Refreshments were served.

BLUE HILL.

The party at the hall on Saturday evening was well attended as usual.

Anton Olson has been taking treatment for stomach trouble in Princeton.

The year of 1912 has started well as to cold—30 below zero on Tuesday morning and we all felt it.

Our mail carrier, John Bishop, should have lots of praise for getting through on his route last Tuesday.

Another of those delightful snowstorms arrived on Saturday evening and the beautiful drifted considerably.

This year is leap year and all the marriageable young men will have to be on their guard or else take to the tall timber.

A brave young man from Princeton manfully made his way to Blue Hill on Sunday through snowdrifts, etc. Must be some attraction.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Berg of Great Forks, Montana, spent Thursday night of last week visiting Mrs. Berg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle, and returned to Montana on Friday. They had been to Minneapolis to attend the funeral of Mr. Berg's father.

THE ENGLISHMAN'S BATH.

Not So Very Long Ago It Was an Unknown Institution.

We boast ourselves a cleanly people and are apt to scorn the foreigner who does not daily perform the ritual of the tub. Yet, the British Medical Journal points out, it is not so long ago since we had the reputation of being an exceptionally dirty people. In the year 1800 there was not a single private house in London provided with a bathroom.

A witness stated before the health commission about the middle of the last century that the only two occasions on which one of the laboring classes was washed all over was immediately after birth and after death.

Even at the present day our contemporary doubts if dirtier people could be found anywhere in the world than among our lower classes. "A French workman would be ashamed to wear the clothes in which the British laborer goes to his daily work. There is nothing that tramps who apply at workhouses think a more brutal tyranny than the enforced bath."

In the middle ages, we are reminded, our dirt and squalor were the theme of comment by foreign visitors. Three centuries ago what most struck a Portuguese traveler in England was the fact that the English gentry never washed. Erasmus has left a picture of the dirt that prevailed in the houses of noblemen.

It is not difficult from this to imagine what the state of things must have been among the poorer classes. At one time both men and women who were careful of their complexions cleaned their faces with a dry white linen cloth, because it was believed that washing the face with water made it more susceptible to cold in winter and to tan in summer. The story of Lady Mary Wortley Montagu's hands is too well known to be repeated. Johnson said he had no passion for clean linen, and even the fine gentlemen of his day were far from scrupulously clean in their persons.—Westminster Gazette.

RATING THE GIRLS.

Terms Young Naval Officers Use in Fixing Feminine Beauty.

The younger officers in the navy, and the gallant young midshipmen especially, have a method of their own for recording feminine beauty, and they use it on many occasions. This is a system of estimating the attractiveness of a visitor by a sliding scale from 2.5 to 4, which is the system of marking at the Naval academy.

One particularly attractive girl was walking along the deck of one of Uncle Sam's big warships on a day when it was open to visitors when she overheard two midshipmen say:

"I'll give her a 3.5, anyway. She comes nearer to a 4 than anything I've seen yet."

Of course she did not understand what this conversation was about. If she had she would have felt rightfully flattered, as a 3.5 is an excellent mark and one rarely given.

A 2.5 means passable. That is the lowest mark that will pass at the academy. If a girl is attractive and jolly, but without any particularly striking beauty, she is put down as a 2.5.

Before a girl can be spoken of as deserving of a 3 she must be very pretty indeed. To merit a 3.5 her beauty must be striking. It is seldom any girl, no matter how beautiful or attractive, merits a 4. This is the perfect mark, the very best that can be obtained. It is seldom given by midshipmen to more than one girl in his whole career in the navy.—New York Herald.

An Eye Opener.

Always have a glass medicine dropper and a bottle of rosewater in the medicine chest and in your traveling bag. Then when you get a foreign body in your eye you will be spared much pain and discomfort if the following very simple and harmless method is pursued: Put into the medicine dropper six drops of the rose water. Pull down the lower lid and float the liquid on the surface of the injured eye. After the rosewater has been in the eye for a few seconds use the empty medicine dropper to suck out the liquid, and the foreign matter will come with it.—National Magazine.

Diplomatic.

At the time that Frederick II. used to sup with his French philosophers he demanded of them one day, "What would you do if you were the king of Prussia?"

Every guest tried a flattering and witty rejoinder. When the Marquis d'Argens' turn came he said: "Sire, what would I do? I would sell my kingdom and acquire a small province in France."

An Aggravation.

"I wish," said Mr. Growcher, "that Mr. Jabber wouldn't use that phrase, 'Well, to make a long story short.'"

"Why?"

"It invariably serves merely to make the story that many words longer."—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

Human Faces.

Dreadful limits are set in nature to the powers of dissimulation. Truth tyrannizes over the unwilling members of the body. Faces never lie, it is said. No man need be deceived who will study the changes of expression.—Emerson.

Untenable.

"By the way, why do you permit your children to believe in fairies?"

"I can't tell them there are no fairies and then expect them to believe in microbes."—Exchange.

In life, as in chess, forethought wins.—Charles Buxton.

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