

WEST NEGLECTS ITS FULL DUTY

People There Are so Accustomed to the Presence of Consumptives That They Pay Little Attention.

LETTER FROM KEPPORD

Recently Visited the Western and Southern States and Made Observations on His Trip.

A. E. Keppord, state lecturer on tuberculosis, who was in Keokuk last winter and spoke in the High School building, has recently returned from a visit to the south and west and has the following to say of the way that part of the country has grown to look upon the consumptive:

Recently it was my privilege to visit the west and south with special reference to a study of climate and altitude in the treatment of tuberculosis. I visited Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Trinidad, in Colorado, Dalhart and El Paso in Texas, and made inquiry with reference to New Mexico. It was a revelation to me. Though I had known that climate is but a small part in the treatment of tuberculosis, yet I was not prepared to find that it is of so little value unless other things are equal.

I found that large numbers of consumptive going to these climates were sooner or later disillusioned and that climate was a mirage on the desert, and instead of securing relief and betterment the conditions were such, if they did not have abundant financial resources, as to oppress.

I also found that while the people who inhabit the west are as generous and human as will be found in any other country, yet they have become so accustomed to the white faced throng, that there is an utter disregard and contempt on the part of some for this large hopeless class. It is pitiable to meet these persons with wasted and weakened bodies and hectic flush on the cheek, and to hear the rasping, racking cough that must shortly terminate their unfortunate lives; and yet so many of them have gone to these climates and placed such a great burden upon the various communities that they are regarded with suspicion immediately as they arrive. It is not uncommon to hear the remark, "There goes a lunger," "He's a lunger," "She's a lunger," or similar appellations.

Indeed so serious and acute has this condition become that mayors of cities asked me to use all my influence in keeping the advanced consumptive at home, and even early cases are not desirable unless provided with an abundance of money. If one considers just what these western communities have to contend with it may be readily seen that a vast problem has been imposed upon them. They can hardly be blamed when these eastern countries are spewing their consumptive poor upon them in vast numbers annually, exhausting all the resources of charity and public beneficence. And as I have urged in the past, so do I desire to urge with greater power, that the consumptive remain in his own community to take his treatment. He should not go west or south unless he is provided with a great amount of money and can take his friends with him so as to preclude the possibility of homelessness.

Another observation which I made is that Iowa furnishes almost as good a climate as the countries which I visited. True, one may be more comfortable where the sun shines more constantly, and where the weather is moderate, but all in all, Iowa's climate is exceedingly beneficial if rest, good food, fresh air, and as much sunshine as may be possible, are furnished to the person suffering with tuberculosis. Let me utter this warning note, stay at home and take your treatment in your own state. Follow the instructions of your physician to the letter, be under control, and there is as much hope for you in Iowa as any place on earth.

Oldest Hotel Man. WATERLOO, Ia., Dec. 21.—W. A. Moon, the oldest hotel man in Iowa, has sold his hostelry in Nashaw to former Sheriff Sherwood of New Hampton, formerly landlord of the Central house there. Moon is seventy-five years of age and has been in the hotel business forty.

Britt Burglar Sentenced. BRITT, Dec. 21.—Judge Clark sentenced Gus Rheims to twenty years in the penitentiary for a burglary committed near here.

Ingredients of Ayer's Hair Vigor: Sulphur, Glycerin, Quinin, Sodium Chloride, Capsicum, Sage, Alcohol, Water, Perfume. Anything injurious here? Ask your doctor. Anything of merit here? Ask your doctor. Will it stop falling hair? Ask your doctor. Will it destroy dandruff? Ask your doctor. Does not Color the Hair

"THE OLD SCRATCH."

How the Evil One Came to Be Popularly Known as "The Old Scratch."

One of the many familiar names of his satanic majesty is "The Old Scratch." It is undoubtedly due to the fact that scratching is so disagreeable that people thought it no worse than the evil one. A scalp full of dandruff keeps one scratching all the time; not only disagreeable but considered very inelegant in polite society as it should be—because one ought to keep the scalp so clean that it would not itch. To cure the scalp of dandruff effectively, use Newbro's Herpicide. It kills that germ that creates the dandruff, which is preliminary to falling hair, and, finally, baldness. No other hair preparation kills the dandruff germ. Herpicide also is a very delightful and effective hair-dressing. So'd by leading druggists. Send 10c in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich. One dollar bottles guaranteed. McGrath Bros., special agents.

RECK'S GROCERY SPECIAL.

New groceries, mince meat, plum pudding, fruits, vegetables, Casino brand canned goods just received. Place your Christmas order at our store. Both phones.

CITY NEWS

—Suit cases at Ewers, McCarthy Co.

—Low prices on sleighs at Sheswoods.

—Fresh halibut and trout at Jos. Haubert's, 709 Main.

—Don't miss the opening bill at the Colonial Thursday night.

—Christmas perfumes from 10 cents to \$3.00 at Engelhardt & Co.

—Dan John's for oranges, candy, nuts and groceries for Christmas, 826 Main street.

—See Dodge's program on another page, in this paper.

—M. W. A. dance tomorrow night. Ague's orchestra. All rights reserved.

—See the Christmas display of fruits, candies and nuts in the windows at Immegart's grocery, 706 Main street.

—A night of Biographs tonight at Dodges.

—Business is very brisk about the city yesterday and today, business men reporting a nice trade. The holiday rush is on in earnest at the present time.

—Nice, green northern-grown, spruce Xmas trees at Wolfe's, 708 Main St.

—Hear, "Oh Where is My Wife Tonight," the companion song to "My Wife's Gone to the Country," at Dodge's tonight.

—Three performances Thursday night—7:30, 8:30 and 9:30. Colonial Theater Beautiful.

—Come in and get our prices on Christmas presents before buying. Engelhardt & Co.

—Good assortment of good and durable toys, all first-class at Wolfes.

—Holiday special for Wednesday from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. Regular 50c, 60c and 75c finely decorated Haviland & Co. Limoges. French China, small salads at 27c each. Limit of one to a customer. Duncan-Schell Furniture Co.

—The climbing of Bank street hills has been made much easier since the salting of those inclines yesterday.

—The hard ice and snow have been turned to slush which makes it easier for the animals with big loads to pull.

—The depot men are experiencing the heavy holiday rush too and at present are kept exceedingly busy with the handling of many express packages, which become more frequent at this time of year.

—A noticeable falling off can be seen on the hotel registers of the city, many traveling men and others, going to their home towns to spend the holidays with their families.

—Mrs. William Corder of 518 South First street, is confined to her bed by tonsillitis.

TURKEYS SHIPPED TO EASTERN MARKET

The S. P. Pond Company of this City Made Heavy Shipments to New York and Other Cities.

That the S. P. Pond Company of Keokuk assists largely in supplying the eastern market with poultry was demonstrated during the past week by the unusually large shipment made by that firm. "We shipped 475,000 pounds of poultry last week," said Manager F. H. George, today, when asked regarding the heavy shipments. "Of this amount about 300,000 pounds were turkeys." This large outlay of poultry will likely go to gladden the hearts, and incidentally appease the appetites, of thousands of New York's poor, while a large portion will be distributed to other eastern cities.

Her Dainty Number 9's!

CEDAR RAPIDS, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Jennie Benson, a stenographer, was attacked by a thug on the streets at night on her way home. He grabbed her purse, but she hit him over the head with a new pair of shoes she was carrying and he fled, dropping the purse.

Yield of Cider from Apples.

One ton of apples will usually yield 150 gallons of cider.

CITY NEWS.

—Special prices on all our shoes for the holidays. Star Shoe Store.

—The case of H. R. Collins, guardian, vs. Elizabeth Schell was settled with speed in the district court this afternoon. It was to have been the first jury case of the week, but the defendants withdrew their pleas and default was entered for the plaintiff. The possession of two notes of the sums of \$600 and \$850, the former note between Mrs. Mary Much and Elizabeth Schell and the latter between Miss Mary Much and Elizabeth Schell. The court was the holder of these instruments during the past year and will now be turned over to H. R. Collins, guardian.

—See our Men's house slippers, they are bargains at 75c to \$1.25. Star Shoe Store.

FUNERAL OF JULIUS SPIEGEL

Well Known Former Keokuk Business Man Laid to Rest in Chicago, the City of His Retirement.

KEOKUK PEOPLE THERE

Funeral Services Were Conducted by Rabbi Stolts—Business Career in Keokuk Recalled.

Keokuk was well represented in Chicago yesterday at the funeral of Julius Spiegel, a former well known Keokuk business man who for years conducted the Spiegel Bargain House between Sixth and Seventh on Main street. Among those in attendance at the funeral were: S. S. Lowitz and family, Joseph Carvalho, Mrs. L. Solomon, and Mrs. M. Vogel and family. Services were conducted by the Rabbi Stolts, one of the best known of Chicago Jewish ministers, and were largely attended by friends of the deceased and family.

Mr. Spiegel died at his home in Chicago Friday, death being caused by paralysis. He had himself retired, and lived just long enough to see his three sons, Phillip, Joseph and Maurice firmly launched in successful careers.

The life of Mr. Spiegel was marked by a successful business career. For nearly twenty-five years he was known as one of the city's leading business men and lived here until about seven years ago, when he moved to Chicago. He is well remembered by many people in Keokuk for it was here that he reared his family and it was in this city that he mourned the death of his wife, who passed away about fourteen years ago.

"He was a hustling business man," said Joseph Carvalho upon his return from the funeral this morning, "and a man who will be remembered long in Keokuk even though he has now passed away."

Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum sets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment cures the most obstinate cases. Why suffer. All druggists sell it.

PERSONALS.

Professor Albert Zoellner left this afternoon for Quincy to conduct his music class.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sawyer of Montrose were Christmas shoppers in the city today.

E. E. Duncan of Carthage was in the city today on business.

J. H. Cole left Sunday for San Antonio, Texas, called there by the serious illness of W. A. Spain, who is his son-in-law.

M. E. Flynn of Burlington is in the city today.

William Payton of Macomb is stopping at the Keokuk this afternoon.

H. E. McCoy leaves tonight for Hoxie, Ark.

Jesse Baker leaves tonight for Dallas, Texas, to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Jennie Walters leaves Friday for Chicago to spend Christmas.

Miss Myrtle Davidson will leave next week for Evansville, Ind., where she will visit.

Francis P. Elliot, the well known St. Louis novelist, who has been visiting in the city with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Payne, left this afternoon for his home.

Marc L. Parsons will arrive home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Almer E. Parsons.

Any skin itching is a temper-ester. The more you scratch the worse it itches. Doan's Ointment cures piles, eczema—any skin itching. At all drug stores.

His Ear Sewn On. GARNER, Dec. 21.—Officer Gifford had his ear bitten off by a horse. He took the ear in his hand and walked to a doctor's office. The surgeon fastened the ear on his head and says it will grow on.

Nodaway Church Burned. NODAWAY, Dec. 21.—The Presbyterian church was burned to the ground with a loss of \$10,000. The fire started in the furnace room. The parsonage was saved by the firemen after a hard battle.

Plymouth Man Dead. PLYMOUTH, Ill., Dec. 21.—Jacob King died at his home here from a stroke of paralysis after a week's illness. Deceased was in the 75th year of his age and a veteran of the civil war.

Frozen to Death. STERLING, Ill., Dec. 21.—Robert Cunniff, a farmer, residing five miles south of here, was found frozen to death on the bank of the Rock River. It is believed he perished while hunting.

COBDELLA: Gold Medal Flour is cheapest—it's best, too—more loaves to the sack. EUPHORIA.

AN EXCELLENT REMEDY.

Will Break Up a Cold in Twenty-four Hours and Cure Any Cough That Is Curable.

The following mixture is often prescribed and is highly recommended for coughs, colds and other throat and bronchial trouble: Mix two ounces of Glycerine, a half ounce of Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure, and eight ounces of pure Walsky. These can be bought in any good drug store and easily mixed together in a large bottle. The genuine Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure is prepared only in the laboratories of the Lead Chemical Co., Cincinnati, and put up for dispensing in half-ounce vials.

THOMAS J. LOFTON A FORMER CITIZEN

Word Received Today of His Death in Florissant, Colorado, the result of Injuries.

Three years ago Thomas J. Lofton, a former well known resident of Keokuk, was injured in a runaway and this morning at his home in Florissant, Colorado, his death occurred as a result of the injuries he sustained in this accident. The news was contained in a telegraphic dispatch to his half-brother, Ed. S. Lofton.

Although the deceased left Keokuk about seventeen years ago, he will be well remembered by many of the citizens, for he was engaged in the butcher business in West Keokuk and was also a mail carrier under Colonel Root's administration. Shortly after going to Colorado he was married.

He was born in Hancock county Ill. R. Lofton, now deceased. He leaves a wife, one son, a step-mother, Mrs. R. B. Lofton, a step-brother, Ed. S. Lofton, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas E. Lee, of Centerville, and Mrs. William Crear, of Kahoka, Mo. The funeral will be held in Florissant and interment made there.

"My child was burned terribly about the face, neck and chest. I applied Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil. The pain ceased and the child sank into a restful sleep."—Mrs. Nancy M. Hanson, Hamburg, N. Y.

MADRIZ ELECTED; MORE TROUBLE

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ed himself with a coterie of personal friends including several foreign soldiers of fortune who will go with him in case he is forced to flee the country.

"I have issued instructions to Vasquez," he says "to come to terms with the revolutionists in order to prevent American intervention. If they accept Madriz, everything will be all right. If not, I will place myself at the head of the army. At the same time I will issue a manifesto justifying my attitude.

Since the advices saying that the Estrada forces are advancing, news has been delayed and the news of the battle may not be received until late.

"Had dyspepsia or indigestion for years. No appetite, and what I did eat distressed me terribly. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me."—J. H. Walker, Sunbury, Ohio.

DONNELLSON

Mrs. Charles Holdorfer and Mrs. J. H. Holdorfer were Keokuk visitors Wednesday.

Adrian Meinhardt of Keokuk visited home folks Saturday.

Miss Neva Hotop visited near Velle several days the past week.

Quite a crowd of our young folks attended a pie social near Franklin Station Saturday evening.

Miss Rosena Koch is laid up with a sprained ankle. While on her way home from practicing the Christmas exercises Friday evening she fell on the icy sidewalk with the above result. Her many friends hope she will soon be able to be about again.

Miss Alice Taylor of Centerville is visiting home folks.

J. A. Larson, the past several years our druggist, has gone to Colorado, where they will make their future home. Mrs. Larson and sons leave after the holidays. We regret to lose this family from our midst, but the Larson's health compels them to make the change. We wish them much success in their new home.

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JOHN FREDERIC FORMER CITIZEN

Passed Away at His Home in South Omaha on Early Sunday Morning From Pneumonia.

WAS WELL KNOWN HERE

Left This City Some Twelve or Fifteen Years Ago to Work for Armour Packing Company at Omaha.

John Frederic, a former well known citizen of Keokuk, passed away on Sunday morning at his home in South Omaha, Neb. at 4:25 a. m. after an illness of only a few days, death resulting from an attack of pneumonia. The body was brought to this city this morning and burial services will be held at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the residence of U. M. Downing at No. 1320 Orleans street.

Deceased was born in Keokuk, May 5th, 1858. He grew to manhood here and there are many who will remember him among the older residents. Some twelve or fifteen years ago he went to Omaha where he had a life position with the Armour Packing establishment in that city. He has been working for that concern for a number of years and was highly thought of by his employers.

He was affiliated with the Methodist church, the Modern Woodmen and was a life member of the Eagles of Omaha. He was a man of good social character and was much interested in the raising of fine poultry.

Those who survive him are a sister, Ella Morton of Seattle, Washington, and a son, Harry of Pickway, Ohio.

FRANKLIN.

Mrs. Henry Harnagel is very sick at her home, east of town.

The present cold wave seems to be a stayer, for it appeared two weeks ago, and is as strong as ever. During the time, the cold was nearly as severe as those of the past winters during February, for last week the thermometer managed to slip down to 10 below zero and since, zero weather has been the daily ratio.

Wm. Mehl, who had an operation performed at the St. Joseph's hospital in Keokuk about two weeks ago, returned home Monday of last week, and is now feeling the after effects as he is very sick with pneumonia, having caught cold during the trip from the Gate City.

Jacob Wiegner and wife moved into the Reitz homestead last week. Mrs. Wiegner who has been very sick for some time has so far improved as to be able to be around, but is not strong enough to do her work.

In spite of the cold weather, spring politics, with the election three months away, seems to get to a boiling heat especially for the office of mayor. It is stated, that so far three candidates are in the field for this office, who are looking after their political fences, and if found lawful will be glad to serve the citizens of the town as their executive officer. A great honor.

A Merry Christmas to all the readers of The Gate City.

Everybody is invited to attend the annual Christmas entertainment at the Evangelical church Friday evening. The Sunday School will have a fine Christmas tree, a nice program has also been selected for the occasion. Admission free.

Eva Laisy is on the sick list, but improving.

Mrs. Frank Feys' condition at Adams, Neb., is getting more dangerous as the time passes, and she is now unable to take any nourishment outside of milk, and this must be fed through a tube. Her husband is also unable to work, he being a victim of rheumatism and in bad shape.

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EAGLES NOTICE. Members of Keokuk Aerle No. 683 F. O. E. meet at Eagles' hall Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock to attend the funeral of Bro. J. L. Frederic, of Omaha, Neb., aerle. LEO B. ANSCHUTZ, Worthy President. CHARLES NOAKES, Secretary.

FARMINGTON.

The annual election of officers of Mizpah chapter O. E. S. was held Friday night at the Masonic hall and the result was as follows:

Worthy Matron—Mrs. H. H. Turner. Worthy Patron—Dr. H. H. Turner. Asso. Matron—Mrs. C. L. Paisley. Secretary—Mrs. W. H. Knott. Treasurer—Mrs. John Jack. Conductress—Mrs. I. P. Brady. Asso. Conductress—Mrs. C. P. Franks.

At the close of the business session light refreshments were served Mrs. Wm. McDaniel of Victor, Colo., was an out-of-town guest.

At a recent business meeting of the Baptist Young People's Union the following officers were elected:

President—Miss Blanche Wells. Vice-President—Miss Ruth Merrick. Secretary—Miss Fay Hetzel. Treasurer—Miss Anna Beeson.

Miss Inez Boice was hostess to a small company of her young girl friends on Saturday evening, Dec. 11 in honor of her seventeenth birthday anniversary.

Miss Lotta Perry, who is supervisor of drawing in the Ft. Dodge schools, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Kate Perry.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Frank Brabham were held Saturday afternoon from the Methodist church. The deceased was born in Virginia in 1825 and came to Iowa in 1840. He is survived by his widow, five daughters and one son, all of whom were present at the funeral and whose names are as follows: Mrs. L. C. Hetzel of Farmington; Mrs. John Folker, of Oklahoma; Mrs. Flora Morris and Mrs. Wm. Cowden of Buxton and Fred Barham of Iola, Kansas.

Mrs. Alpha Ware left Thursday for Lincoln, Neb., to visit her sister.

Christmas exercises will be held Friday evening at the Baptist, Methodist and congregational churches.

W. A. Packer of Banaparte was a Farmington visitor Saturday.

BELFAST.

Mrs. R. Nelson was a Farmington caller last Saturday.

A. Anderson returned to his home after an extended visit in Colorado. We are having very cold weather at present.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Warferton of Wisconsin, are visiting relatives near Croton.

Turkeys are selling at 17 cents per pound at present.

Harold Molene and bride spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Molene of near Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Moline were Farmington callers last Saturday.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Baptist church at Croton Christmas eve. Everybody invited.

SUMMITVILLE.

Last Sunday night Almer Hawkins had the misfortune to fall and break his right arm. This makes the second time that young Hawkins has fallen. The first time he sustained injuries about the collar bone, from which he suffered severe pain.

Wednesday morning at four o'clock at her home east of this village occurred the death of Mrs. Will Phillips. Heart failure was pronounced the cause of her death. The funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at the Christian church. Interment was made in the Hickory Grove cemetery. Mrs. Phillips was the mother of seven children, one having preceded her in death. The following children are left to mourn the loss of their mother, of which two are married and living in this vicinity: Henry Phillips, Mrs. Walter Dunham; the other four sons are: Carl, Eddie and Charlie, and one single daughter Emma, living at home. The husband and children have the sympathy in their late bereavement.

The choir met at A. W. Dickson's house last Friday evening to practice. They will meet at Miss Winnie Comb's next Wednesday evening.

Little Paul Bloom of Kahoka is here visiting with his aunt, Mrs. Alvin Bellows.</