

ALMOST SIXTY YEARS IN LEE

Death at 7 O'clock Today of Jas. V. Fletcher, Minister-Farmer of Sugar Creek, Iowa.

WIFE DIED YEAR AGO

One of Best Known Families in This Section Bereft of Highly Respected Parents.

Jas. V. Fletcher, a pioneer resident of Lee county, died at his home this morning near Sugar Creek.

The deceased was born at Little Hocking, Washington county, Ohio, March 12, 1831.

He was ordained in the Sugar Creek Christian church during the year 1882.

A year ago last January Mrs. Fletcher, wife of Rev. Fletcher, passed away. They were united in marriage at Cambridge, Ia., fifty-nine years ago last December 24th.

The following children were born to the union, who survive: Daughters, Mrs. Chas. Krumm of Sugar Creek, Mrs. A. E. Adams of Keokuk, Mrs. S. E. Thompson of St. Francisville, and Miss Frances Fletcher of Sugar Creek.

Funeral services are to be held Saturday afternoon at the Sugar Creek Christian church.

POWER DEVELOPMENT ON ST. LAWRENCE

U. S. Report Shows Some of the Important Projects Now Under Way.

Possibilities of water power development along the streams making up the St. Lawrence river drainage system received special consideration in a report on the surface water supply of the basin prepared by C. C. Covort, A. H. Horton and R. H. Bolster for the United States Geological Survey as Water Supply Paper 264.

The report shows that streams in northern Wisconsin and Michigan are as yet very little utilized and afford excellent chances for the development of water power.

All these streams drain a lumbering country from which the better timber has been cut, but the region is thinly settled and the second growth of forest has been so rapid as to prevent

ACKNOWLEDGE IT.

Keokuk Has to Bow to the Inevitable—Scores of Citizens Prove It.

After reading the public statement of this representative citizen of Keokuk, given below, you must come to this conclusion: A remedy which cured years ago, which has kept the kidneys in good health since, can be relied on to perform the same work in other cases. Read this:

Martin Kelleher, 415 N. Twelfth street, Keokuk, Iowa, says: "Six years ago I caught a heavy cold and soon after I began to suffer from pains in my limbs and back. My kidneys became weak and I had to get up several times at night to pass the secretions from these organs. For four or five years I continued to suffer in that way and despite all my efforts, I failed to get relief. One day a friend insisted that I try Doan's Kidney Pills and I accordingly got a supply at Wilkinson & Co's Drug Store. This remedy restored my kidneys to a normal condition and removed the backache." (Statement given August 13, 1906.)

Re-endorsement.

On May 4, 1910, Mr. Kelleher was interviewed and he said: "I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills just as highly today as I did some years ago. I have had no serious recurrence of kidney complaint."

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any great change in stream flow. Oconto and Peshtigo rivers are especially favored in sites for water powers owing to their steep slope and large discharge. It has been estimated that 32,000 horsepower awaits development along the Peshtigo.

In New York the state water supply commission has many important projects under way. Perhaps the most important of these is the contemplated dam across Genesee River at Portage, which will provide a storage reservoir with a capacity of 18,000,000,000 cubic feet.

Another important project is the Tupper Lake reservoir in the Raquette River basin, which, if the commission's plans are carried out, will have a capacity of 10,000,000,000 cubic feet.

The survey's report gives figures showing the flow of the rivers in the basin and notes the conspicuous features of each stream. The statistics have been gathered by daily observations extending over at least a year.

Germany May Come Over. BERLIN, March 9.—The German government says that it has not asked the United States to protect its interests in Mexico, but that if they are in danger it will send its own battle-ships and soldiers to the scene.

Japanese Rumor. HUACHUCA, Ariz., March 9.—Officers at the fort here today expressed the belief that the activity of troops resulted from the report that two transports of Japanese troops had left Japan for Mexico.

Conference Postponed. WASHINGTON, March 9.—Because of the president's departure today for Atlanta, a conference between Linnanteur of Mexico and Taft has been postponed.

First of Troops Arrive. GALVESTON, March 9.—The first detachment of troops arrived this afternoon when the Fourteenth Coast artillery reached here on a special train over the Southern Pacific.

Will Cost Millions. WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Taft will ask the next session of congress for an appropriation to defray the cost of the war maneuvers now going on along the Mexican border. No one knows just what the cost will be.

Diaz Still Alive. SAN ANTONIO, March 9.—"Deny emphatically the rumor that President Diaz is dead."

This message was received today from Enrique Creel, by the Mexican consul here.

SIDNEY FIRST THROUGH DRAW

Old Diamond Jo Boat Went South This Morning Shortly After Eleven O'clock to St. Louis.

WILL BE DRESSED UP

Captain John Streckfus Aboard First Craft to Move in Local Waters During This Year.

The steamer Sidney of the old Diamond Jo line was the first boat to pass through the draw of the Keokuk and Hamilton bridge in 1911.

The steamer left the lower lock of the canal shortly after eleven o'clock this morning and steamed southward. Capt. John Streckfus and the party of other steamboat officials here yesterday were aboard.

The Sidney is to be taken to the Carondelet boat yards at St. Louis, and on her return here will have an interior that will not resemble her former self.

The Sidney has been in the canal all winter with the Dubuque. The latter boat will be overhauled here and necessary repairs made before Captain William Burk and his crew arrives to take the boat into the St. Louis-Burlington trade.

CALUMET BAKING SCHOOL. On Friday, Mrs. Stanley will serve Sunrise cake and gingerbread. Also nut bread and bacon muffins.

On Wednesday a very large crowd was in attendance, and in addition to the regular program, Mr. Biggs showed the comparative test of the Calumet Baking Powder with one of the high priced trust baking powders, proving the superiority of Calumet in strength, keeping qualities and the small amount and healthfulness of the residue left in the food.

CELEBRATING HIS 78TH YEAR TODAY

M. F. King, Sr., Remembers Some of the Early Times in Iowa When Indians Roamed.

M. F. King, Sr., is celebrating his 78th birthday anniversary today and is hale and hearty, destined to live to celebrate many more of them. He has been a resident of Keokuk but a few years but has lived in the state of Iowa since 1851 when he came here from England.

Mr. King was born in 1833 in West-cire, England and served three years in the Twenty-first Iowa during the civil war.

Summitville. Pat Hancock and wife of Keokuk arrived in our village Thursday for a visit with relatives.

Pearl Webster returned to his work in Keokuk Tuesday, after having spent several days with his wife. Mrs. Webster is able to be about the house, although her health remains in a very delicate state.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bear of Keokuk, were callers at this place last Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Steven returned to Keokuk Thursday after having spent a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Henry Phillips.

Mrs. Robert Branson was a visitor between trains Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd spent last Sunday at the Coulter home.

We are expecting a wedding in our town. Are you wise?

IS YOUR SKIN ON FIRE? Does it seem to you that you can't stand another minute of that awful burning itch? That you MUST be cooled? That you MUST have relief? Get a mixture of Oil of Wintergreen, Thymol, and other soothing ingredients, as compounded only in D. D. D. Prescription.

ST. PATRICK WAS BORN IN FRANCE

So Says Rev. Monsignor Flavin, Who Knows History of the Patron Saint of Ireland.

THE YEAR '92 THE DATE

Many Well Known Sons of Erin Stumped by Question Put to Them in Des Moines.

Where was St. Patrick born? The question agitated Des Moines Irishmen yesterday and brought to light many opinions on the birthplace of the patron saint who drove the snakes from Ireland and provided an anniversary on which Hibernians all over the world may banquet and parade in honor of the "auld sod."

Continuing the Des Moines Register and Leader says: The approach of the saint's birthday made the question pertinent. Judge Hugh Brennan, presiding judge of the law division of the district court, was called upon for information.

"Well, now, I guess I'll have to look that up. It beats me," said the judge. "Some people say Scotland, some England, some Ireland and some France. It doesn't make much difference where he was born. He was a decent sort of a fellow wherever he was born and would have been as good in one place as another. But I am glad he was good in Ireland."

O'Grady Stumped. "Where was St. Patrick born?" repeated Dan O'Grady, the pioneer coal merchant. "You've got me. People differ on the question. I would have to look up history again to be sure. Well, at any rate, he came to Ireland, and that's enough for me."

"I wasn't present," said Joe Donaghue, the big policeman at the Rock Island station, "firmly, and so I can not be quoted as an authority. I think he was born in Ireland, and why not? That reminds me of a story. You see, Pat O'Brien and Mickey Casey were climbing down a ladder at 6 o'clock. Pat says to Mike:

"Will you tell me now, where was St. Patrick born?" "Says Mike to Pat: 'Was he for shorter hours and more pay, or was he not?'" "He was," says Pat.

"Then," says Mike, "he was born in Ireland."

"And I think he was." "Well that is a hot question," answered Jerry B. Sullivan, the well known democrat, with his hearty genial laugh. "We are up in the air on that question. It is a doubtful question. I doubt if anybody knows or ever will know. Everything in Ireland dates from the great wind that swept over that country. We will have to go back farther than that for St. Patrick's place of birth."

An Authority. If you want facts go to the Rev. Mr. Flavin of the St. Ambrose Catholic church. His history of St. Patrick reads like the second book of Caesar and you remember dimly about all Gaul being divided into three parts and Casar—or was it St. Patrick?—who was in thither Gaul.

At any rate Mr. Flavin says he was born in Gaul and thither Gaul at that and places the question beyond dispute that his birthplace was in southern Gaul or France.

"He was born in Gaul," said the monsignor, "and was probably born in the year 92 since he came to Ireland when he was 26 years of age. Just what part of Gaul was his birthplace is not known but I am inclined to believe it was France."

HOW THE VOTE STOOD TODAY Nobody Elected at the Ballot For U. S. Senator From Iowa.

DES MOINES, March 9.—The joint ballot for United States senator today resulted as follows: Kenyon, 44; Deemer, 54; Porter, 51.

PERSONALS. Mrs. Ira E. King of Stillwater, Minn., is visiting with Mrs. Jno. T. Perkins.

Chris Haffner of Donnellson was a business caller Thursday.

CITY NEWS. Twenty traveling men were turned away from the Keokuk Hotel last night because of no place to put them, was the report of Manager Bateman this morning.

John Wirtz, Jr., has conveyed to Herbert P. Schmidt lot 3, block 27, Estes addition.

Thomas J. Phillips has conveyed to R. C. McIlwain lot 12, block 34, Mason's Lower addition.

Bargains, All Bargains

Good Homes Cheap, Sure To Be Taken

8 lots and 6-room house, Bet. Concert and High and 17 and 18 \$4,200. 2 lots, 50x140, 10-room double house, 917 and 919 Carroll \$1,800. 1 corner lot in West Keokuk 5 room cottage on car line \$1,400. 8-room house between 6 and 7 on Des Moines \$1,800. 5-room house, 2 full lots on car line, cor. of 14th and Morgan \$2,200. "Call and Talk it Over, Then Buy."

5-room house, lot 70x100, 3rd and Carroll \$1,600. Will sell house and 35x100 lot \$1,250. 2 1/2 lots, Block 18, Reids Addition \$1,050. 6 lots on Franklin, Bet. 10th and 11th, inside, \$1,600 each, corners each \$1,800. All lots of these properties lay level and nice. 10 modern homes from \$2,400 to \$6,000.

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THE WORLD'S MARKETS

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Broomhall Cables. LIVERPOOL, March 9.—Notwithstanding the bearish American government and the decline of American stocks on the curb in New York, together with forecast of larger Argentine shipments, this week the market opened steady at 1/4 decline. There was some support on less favorable reports from India. During the morning the market developed heaviness and prices declined 1/2 to 3/4 with some realizing on favorable reports from Argentine and cheaper LaPlatte offers, but just before mid-day there was further slight support and although the market was dull the continent was bidding for cargoes which were offered at 1 1/2 to 3 decline. At mid-day market was generally easy and 1/4 to 1/2 lower than yesterday.

Corn market was neglected and nominally unchanged. Price Current, Cincinnati. Price Current says weather in central regions generally mild and spring-like and absence of serious alternate freezing and thawing encouraging to outlook of wheat condition probably slightly improved and promise bountiful yield of normal conditions in future; roads better in many sections, but interior movement grain still very light.

Daily Range of Prices. CHICAGO, Ill., March 9.—WHEAT—90 1/4 90 3/4 89 1/2 89 1/4. May 88 1/2 88 3/4 87 1/2 87 1/4. July 87 1/2 87 3/4 86 1/2 86 1/4. Sep. 87 1/2 87 3/4 86 1/2 86 1/4. CORN—May 48 1/2 49 1/4 48 1/4 48 1/2. July 49 1/2 49 3/4 48 1/2 48 1/4. Sep. 50 1/2 50 3/4 49 1/2 49 1/4. OATS—May 30 1/2 30 3/4 30 1/4 30 1/2. July 30 1/2 30 3/4 30 1/4 30 1/2. Sep. 30 1/2 30 3/4 30 1/4 30 1/2. PORK—May 17.37 17.45 17.27 17.37. July 16.47 16.62 16.47 16.62. LARD—May 9.07 9.12 9.05 9.12. July 9.02 9.07 9.00 9.05. SHORT RIBS—May 9.37 9.47 9.32 9.45. July 8.95 9.05 8.95 9.02.

Estimated Car Lots. Estimated receipts: 15 wheat; 242 corn; 105 oats. Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, March 9.—Hog market opened steady; receipts 25,000; left over 3,400. Light, \$6.85@7.20; mixed, \$6.75@7.15; rough, \$6.60@6.80; heavy, \$6.85@7.05. Cattle—Receipts 6,000; market slow. Sheep—Receipts 15,000; market steady. 9:00 a. m. Market: Hogs 5c lower. Light, \$6.85@7.15; rough, \$6.00@6.75 mixed, \$6.75@7.10; heavy, \$6.90@7.00; pigs, \$6.50@7.00; bulk, \$6.85@7.00. Cattle and sheep markets steady. Beef, \$7.00; cows \$2.50@6.10 stockers, \$4.25@5.95; Texans, \$4.95@5.85; calves, \$5.25@8.75. Sheep, \$4.40; lambs, \$4.70@6.40. Hogs closed steady, 5c higher than early and shade lower than yesterday. Mixed, \$6.75@7.15; good, \$6.85@7.00; rough, \$6.60@6.75; light, \$6.85@7.20. Cattle—market strong to 10c higher. Sheep—Market steady.

Local Grain Market. KEOKUK, March 9.—The following markets, furnished by the O. A. Talbot company: No. 2 Wheat, red \$.82. No. 2 Wheat, hard \$.75. No. 2 Wheat, hard \$.80. Mixed oats \$.25. Corn \$.39.

Local Live Stock. KEOKUK, March 9.—The following live stock market furnished today by Joseph Haubert: Hogs—Good butchers, \$6.75. Sheep—Butchers, \$4.00. Lambs—\$5.00. Calves—\$5.50 to 7.50.

New York Produce. NEW YORK, March 9.—The produce markets are as follows: Butter, creamery, 25c. Process—Special, 18 1/2@19c. Eggs—Fresh, gathered, westerns firsts, 17 1/2@18c. Fancy boxed fowls, 14 1/2@15 1/2c. Dry packed springs, 14 1/2@16c.

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BALL PLAYER HAD NARROW ESCAPE

George Manush Caught in a Burning Building and Nearly Met Death the Other Day.

Friends of George Manush, the popular baseball player, who has been spending the winter at Vicksburg, Miss., will be sorry to learn that he lost everything but a shirt and the trousers he had on, when the building burned down in which he was living, and they will be glad to learn that he escaped without injury. The Vicksburg Post had the following account of the happening:

It was almost miraculous that a number of persons were not burned to death about 3 o'clock this morning when the home of Magruder, Hoxie, on South Washington street, was burned.

The entire household and the roomers were asleep, and the fire department was almost on the scene of the fire, before the sleeping inmates were alarmed.

The fire originated from a fue in the roof of the two story frame building, which is owned by the Helgason Brothers.

Mr. Hoxie had a lot of furniture for his family, and also for some boarders, whom he has been housing for a year or two. Mr. George Manush, the well known ball player, who had an apartment in the burned building, had the most narrow escape from death. He was the last man to leave the burning building. He lost his \$40 watch and all

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Want Column

WANTED. WANTED—Man for the position of caretaker at the Y. M. C. A. athletic field for the summer. Apply at Y. M. C. A. office, Fifth and Blondeau streets, Keokuk, Iowa.

WANTED—Bids for the refreshment privileges at the Y. M. C. A. athletic field for the summer. The Board of Control retains the right to reject all bids. Address H. E. Ratcliffe, Y. M. C. A. Bldg., Keokuk, Ia.

WANTED—A girl or boy for dining room work at Prescott's Restaurant, 24 South Third street.

WANTED—An experienced chambermaid at the Royal Hotel.

FOR SALE. FOR SALE—A fine imported Percheron stallion, 5 year-old, coal black; weighs one ton; first-class, sound. Poor health cause for selling. Geo. W. Gardner, Vincennes, Iowa.

FOR SALE—Reasonable lot and a half. Address "S," Gate City.

MISCELLANEOUS. A GOOD AGENT wanted in every town to represent an old established life insurance company that makes a specialty of temperance risks; low rates and liberal contract to capable man. Address S. Wilson, 263 Broadway, New York.

Iowa National Guard to go to the Mexican border and witness the maneuvers. Their expenses will be paid.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The services of the militia of Mississippi were tendered to the war department today for service on the Texas border.

NEW YORK, March 9.—Fifty army ambulances and 150 mules will leave this city tonight by special train for the army camp at Galveston. Three hundred tons of other stores were sent south on the Old Dominion liner late this afternoon.

DISPENSATION NOT RECEIVED No Announcement Made Here Permitting Catholics to Eat Meat St. Patrick's Day.

Catholics of Keokuk are interested in an edict which has been published from the Chicago diocese to the effect that a dispensation has been secured whereby meat may be eaten on St. Patrick's day this year, it falling on Friday.

Up to the present time, no such announcement has been made in this diocese, and although there is much comment and speculation it is not believed that a dispensation will prevail here.

Following is a Chicago dispatch in this regard: Catholics may eat meat on St. Patrick's day even though it falls on Friday this year. A special dispensation from Archbishop James F. Quigley granting this concession was read in all of the churches in the city Sunday morning. This is the first time that such a ruling has been made in the diocese of Chicago.

The Rt. Rev. Paul P. Rhode in explaining the new ruling said: "The Holy See recently decided that when St. Patrick's day falls on Friday any archbishop may at his discretion permit meat to be eaten on that festival in his diocese. It so happens that this is the first time that this ruling has been applied in Chicago. A similar ruling was made by the Holy See regarding the eating of meat on Christmas when that day falls on Friday.

"This concession was made to enable the Irish Catholics to celebrate to the fullest extent their only national holiday."

Humor and Health. There is nothing like a sense of humor to keep one in good health, says a medical contemporary, but it would be well had we been told at the same time how this excellent gift is to be acquired. Could anything be more tantalizing than to know how to cure oneself and yet be unable to grasp at the means?—Lady's Pictorial.

To Clear Mahogany. Mahogany and other hard woods can be kept in good condition by wiping off with a chamois skin wrung from cold water and immediately polishing with a dry piece of chamois.

LATE AFTERNOON BULLETIN [By The United Press.] DES MOINES, March 9.—A telegraph received here at two o'clock this afternoon by Adjutant General Logan invites all the officers of the