

OLD SOLDIER MUSTERED OUT

M. L. Branch, an Honored Citizen of Denison, Answers Final Summons Sunday Evening.

IS BURIED AT BATTLE CREEK
Deceased Came to Iowa in Year 1872, Locating at Battle Creek—He Later Moved to Denison.

Mr. M. L. Branch, an honored citizen of Denison, departed this life on Sunday evening about 10 o'clock after a prolonged illness of bronchitis. His death was no surprise to his immediate friends and acquaintances as his vitality had been noticeably giving way for several days before his death. It perhaps is proper to say that his death was the result of extreme age rather than any specific disease. No man in the community has enjoyed the respect of his fellow men to a greater degree than Mr. Branch. He was a gentleman of high aspirations and his influence could always be counted upon in favor of the right on all public questions. Mr. Branch was not only a good man, but an agreeable man. While he stood for his convictions on all questions he was in no sense of offensive and he incurred the hostility of no one by the course he pursued.

March 2, 1872, he was born in Canada on the 29th day of September, 1827, and would have been 87 years of age had he lived until his next birthday. In 1861 he enlisted in Company C, 104th regiment Illinois Volunteers, in which regiment he served until Dec. 26, 1862, when he was honorably discharged on account of disability. Later he re-enlisted, this time in Company A, 154th New York Infantry, Volunteers, where he served until the close of the war and was mustered out June 23, 1865. During the time he served with the New York infantry he rose from the ranks until he held the office of second lieutenant.

On April 21, 1848, he was united in marriage to Miss Alzina Heath at Grazer Falls, N. Y. This union was blessed with six children, three boys and three girls. The three sons died in infancy and one daughter, Mrs. E. A. Brigham, passed away about thirteen years ago. Besides his devoted wife he leaves to mourn his death his daughters, Mrs. G. W. Smith, of Battle Creek, Iowa, and Mrs. E. K. Burke and one sister, Mrs. Charlotte, who is now 61 years of age, residing at Evansville, Wis.

The Branch family came to Iowa in 1872, locating at Battle Creek, where Mr. Branch engaged in business and for a time was mayor of the town. On Jan. 23, 1883, his wife passed away and in February he moved to Denison, where he has since resided, but for three years which he spent homesteading some land located in Nebraska. On Feb. 18, 1893, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Chapman, of Denison, who still survives him.

Mr. Branch was a devout and earnest christian and became a member of the Methodist church when residing in Illinois about thirty-two years ago. Although he has been in failing health for the past few years, he never missed an opportunity to attend services at the Methodist church when able. He took great interest in the affairs of the G. A. R. post and was always in attendance at the memorial exercises. He was well prepared for death and several days before his demise had made all preparations for his funeral. During his long illness his devoted wife was constantly with him, which was a source of great comfort to him.

Funeral services were held at the home of West Chestnut street this morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. J. L. Boyd, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating, after which the remains were shipped to Battle Creek for interment.

The Review joins with many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family in their hour of sorrow.

Wm. Maloney, of Vall, called on friends in the city Monday.

Robert Theobald was over from his farm near Astor Tuesday paying his taxes and calling on his many Denison friends.

Miss Fannie Lane, of Seattle, Wash., who is attending the State University of Nebraska at Lincoln, arrived in Denison last week for a few days' visit with Miss Erna Naev.

TWO MERRY TRAMPS.

With Twelve Helpers, Mostly Girls, and the Original Ernest Woods and Billy Ward.

Manager Krauth announces the return after twelve years of the original "Two Merry Tramps," who will appear at the Germania theater on Monday evening, April 5th. Messrs. Wood and Ward are well known theatrically from coast to coast, and even in olden days before the chorus, they drew big houses wherever they appeared. The press agent says the company now carries a dashing pony chorus with dazzling display of costumes, musical, new and tuneful. Much new and special scenery, and present new and real comedy together with large elaborate song play. A clean free from vulgar saying show, bringing a smile without a blush, and well worth attending. The prices are, for the first three rows, 75 cents; balance of downstairs, 50 cents; first balcony, 50 cents and second balcony 35 cents.

"BILLY" DANNELS HOME.

Returns From Breckenridge, Sask., Canada, for a Visit With His Relatives and Friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dannels, who have been living at Breckenridge, Sask., Canada, for the past year, arrived in Denison Thursday for a few weeks' visit with friends and relatives. Mr. Dannels says that the past winter has not been a severe one at Breckenridge and he doubts whether they had as much snow as there has been in Crawford county. He has been very busy the past season with concrete work, receiving many contracts for such and sidewalk work. "The war is not affecting Canada a great deal," said Mr. Dannels to a Review representative. "They are not drafting men into the army and only ten or twelve men from a town the size of Denison are enlisting. In some of the larger cities they are drilling the recruits gathered up from the adjacent territory and after a few weeks they are taken to England to enter Kitchener's great army." Mr. Dannels informs us that his son, Alva, is gaining quite a reputation as a "curley" player, a game which is played on the ice. A team of which Alva is captain won a series of games and was awarded a silver loving cup, which Mr. Dannels brought to Denison to have engraved for him.

Potato Bread May Be Necessary.

Some of our people are experimenting with a bread composed very largely of potatoes, and those who have eaten it say it is equal to that made out of wheat flour. There is plenty of flour in Iowa; but as potatoes are so much cheaper and life sustaining, it would be wise to do a little experimenting, especially as our bakers' loaves seem to be shrinking in size and weight. A gentleman who has eaten the new style of potato bread speaks of it as quite as good as that made from "whole wheat," and claims it is quite as nutritive as any kind of bread on the market, except perhaps the corn bread of our fathers, who founded America and made strong men, who laid deep and strong foundations of loved America. It might have been better for their children if we of the present day had adhered to the plainer food rather than a more delicate menu; but our food has generally been suited to our tasks, and there is no fear, so far as Iowa is concerned, that there will be such a scarcity as to give any anxiety. States which count largely on the raising of fruits and flowers as a means of subsistence may be pinched occasionally, but the grain producing states will always have a market. People can do without luxuries; but food of the grain variety is a necessity, "for all that a man hath will he give for his life." Mr. Charles W. Johnston who is writing up the cities he is visiting in the west, paints a very dark picture of some of those cities where the dwellers are land poor, and where there is no relief in sight, except there come a change of administration; for it must be remembered that there is a stupendous war going on, the like of which has never been seen in the world, the effects of which will be felt for years to come. States which have no surplus of food-stuffs to sell cannot expect to be very prosperous. Fruits are a drug on the market and will not pay freight charges from far away Oregon, where her apples trees this year will add to her burdens by an over-production. Iowa

TEACHERS ATTEND IN LARGE NUMBERS

Meeting Held Friday and Saturday One of the Most Successful Ever Held in the County.

ADDRESS GIVEN BY DR. WASSAM
Professor McMurray Lectures on "How to Get Best Results in Reading Class."—O'ly Congratulated

Over two hundred Crawford county school teachers were in Denison Friday and Saturday in attendance at the annual teachers' meeting, which was held at the high school gymnasium. The large attendance at this meeting was due no doubt to the fact that an exceptionally fine program had been arranged by Supt. F. N. O'ly and we are told that it was one of the best meetings of its kind ever held in the county.

The teachers began arriving in Denison Friday morning, although the first meeting was not held until Friday evening, and before 7:30 the gymnasium was filled to capacity. The high school chorus opened the program with several fine musical numbers, which were greatly appreciated by all. The big feature of the Friday evening meeting was the lecture by Professor McMurray, head of the public speaking department of the State University of Kansas. His address on "The Better Personality" was a gem and one that will long be remembered by those who were so fortunate to hear it. He is a very able speaker and held the wrap attention of his audience during his address. At the conclusion of his address the debate between the Denison and Missouri Valley high school teams was held and nearly every teacher remained for this feature of the program.

On Saturday the teachers spent a full day listening to lectures and attending round tables. The program started at 9 o'clock Saturday morning with an address by Dr. Wassam on "The Price of Success," which was given at the gymnasium. Dr. Wassam is one of the instructors at the State University of Iowa, and is well known to the people of Iowa, having appeared on numerous occasions on the chautauqua platform. His talk was filled with good points interspersed with humor and greatly enjoyed by all. Following his address Professor McMurray gave a lecture on "How to Get Results in the Reading Classes." This talk proved very beneficial to the teachers. Dr. Wassam then conducted a round table on commercial geography which was enjoyed by all and many helpful ideas were gained which will be beneficial to the teachers.

The afternoon program commenced shortly after 1 o'clock. Miss Dorothy Jones sang two very beautiful solos which were highly appreciated. Following the musical number in which some of the younger school children participated, Dr. McMurray gave some of his recitals from James Whitcomb Riley, which were indeed a treat to all. The meeting closed with an address by Dr. Wassam on "The Boy Problem." It is needless to say that the meeting was a success for every teacher left Denison satisfied that it was the most beneficial meeting that they had ever attended. Professor O'ly is to be congratulated upon his efforts in giving the teachers of Crawford county a meeting so successful.

Richardson Brothers have been appointed general agents of western Iowa for the Western Live Stock Insurance company, their territory covering twenty-four counties in western Iowa. They are more than pleased with the appointment which will work in very nicely with their other insurance business. They are state agents for the Franklin Fire Insurance company and they expect to place many agencies with representatives of that company. The Western Live Stock Insurance company is one of the largest live stock insurance companies in this country.

Mr. John Pitman was down from Boyer yesterday transacting business. He expects to produce over a billion of edibles for sale which will swell her last year's record to the greatest ever put down in figures in her history. Iowa deals in substantial.—Plain Talk.

RICKETTS ITEMS.

We are just like a groundhog; stay hidden over winter and come out in spring, so excuse us for not having any news during those stormy days. We will keep this up now.

There have been several surveyors here the past week looking over the old survey of the M. & St. L. railroad. While interviewing these gentlemen they stated they represented the Soo line and as they contemplated taking over the M. & St. L. they would as soon as possible extend the line from Storm Lake to Omaha. This is good news for Ricketts and we do hope they will make something out of it instead of bluffing as they have in the past.

P. Langholdt was a Schleswig business caller Thursday. Miss Laura Houten visited at Sioux City and Charter Oak several days the past week. Ed Bohman has let the contract for a new dwelling on his farm west of town, to be occupied by his son. The new house of H. E. Stamp on Elm street is about completed. The masons are plastering now and the house will be ready in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Truelson, who have been making their home in Sacramento, Calif., the past few years, have returned to take their abode with us again. He stated that California is all right for tourists, but not for anyone to stay, as Iowa is good enough for them. Hans and Wm. Truelson, who have been working in California for the past three years, arrived Thursday to stay and work in good old Iowa.

Work at the station has increased so much the past year that our station agent, Mr. Bolimann, had to hire an assistant, and no doubt the patrons will be better pleased to have their needs attended to sooner. The little fellow weighed 8 pounds and arrived via the stork route Friday. "Papa" is proud and mother and child are doing very nicely. Otto Kusch, of Schleswig, was a business caller here Thursday. H. P. Fagen, station agent at Lake View, made a call at the local station Wednesday. Gilbert Johnson, of Soldier, transacted business in our city Thursday. Mrs. Fred Kuhlman left for Turin Wednesday for a visit. Mr. Kuhlman followed Saturday.

Chas. Muehs visited at Mapleton several days the past week. Ricketts is a good show town, being evidenced by the fact that Auger Bros. show, who do not play in small towns, will play here this year, April 30th. This goes to show that Ricketts is booming to the front. Miss Helma Wolfram, who is attending college at Mankato, Minn., arrived Saturday to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wolfram. A. S. Jacobsen, of Mapleton, purchased two tons of Elm street Saturday.

The following officers were elected Monday at the city election: Mayor, Hinrich Clauson; treasurer, Alf F. Bohman; assessor, P. Langholdt; councilmen, C. Cerven, A. P. Brake, J. H. Dehiefs, Carl Grell, L. B. Herbigson. As there were two tickets in the field this year there was some guess as to the outcome and this brought out every voter possible, there being an even 50 votes' cast, which is the largest vote ever cast at any election ever held here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Fickert visited at Schleswig between trains Monday. Gust Schau transacted business in Schleswig Monday.

The Charles City Press says the unseemly scramble for the governorship cheapens the office. "About eighty members of the present house of representatives in Des Moines are first termers, and a considerable number of these may also be set down as last termers," remarks the Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Mr. John C. Buck has commenced the erection of a fine modern home in East Denison. Excavation for the basement was commenced the first of the week and it is hoped to have the house complete and ready for occupancy late in the spring.

The carpet cleaning wheel will be ready for business the end of this week. Phone 1100 with orders. 131t

The modern idea of healthful spring exercise is to sit on the porch and watch a superannuated laborer digging up the garden.

The courts will not be accused of undue haste if they finish up the pending anti-trust cases before the year 1920.

It was a perhaps not unnatural mistake when the editor of an exchange classified the official war bulletins in the fiction section.

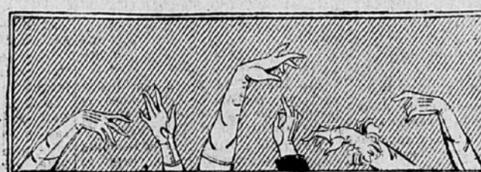
Her Dilemma.
Polly—Molly seems to realize very fully the seriousness of getting married. Dolly—Yes, the poor girl is just about worried to death. There are sixteen girls who want to be her bridesmaids, and she can't decide which eight she can best afford to make enemies of.—Puck.

It only costs \$1.00 to buy a spading fork, and only about \$10.00 to cure the lame back you acquire therewith.

Bitten by a Dog.
Dow City, March 30.—(Special to the Review.)—Evelyn, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rube Malone was bitten in the face by the family dog last Sunday. The animal was old and had become cross in consequence, and when the child disturbed him he attacked her. Her face was marked up so badly by the teeth that it was necessary to call a physician to dress the wounds. It is not thought that the dog was mad, however, he was put to death.

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