

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

COGOGON.

Mrs. Chas. Feistmeir of Earlville, is a guest at the home of her father, Wm. Sherman.

Nick Altmyer is said to have lately patented a new kind of a cream separator which he now has on exhibition in Cedar Rapids.

Just now tenement houses in Cogogon are pretty good property. Every house in town is occupied and there is a demand for more.

Geo. Knight did not return home with his company Tuesday, as all the members of the band stopped off in Cincinnati and spent one day with their leader.

The Cogogon Creamery has lately added to its plant a device for weighing back the skimmed milk to the farmers, so that each patron will get his share and no more. A pretty good thing.

John Burgess and wife, and daughter Mary and son Elbert, left Tuesday morning for Leavenworth, Wash., where they will make their future home. Mr. Burgess was one of the oldest settlers in this community.

A Springfield school teacher asked one of her scholars how high a modest lady should lift her dress in crossing a muddy street, and the scholar replied, "a little over two feet."

Cogogon can boast that a teacher here asked the question, "What is a widow?" and immediately a little fellow answered "a woman that works out by the day."

—Monitor.

DELLI.

County Superintendent Eaton, of Manchester, visited our schools last Friday.

Miss King, of Lincoln, Nebraska, is visiting at Ed Kings.

Elmer Sullivan has a new wheel purchased of Erwin Stone.

Orange Harris and wife, of Manchester, visited relatives in town Friday.

George H. Reinsider of New York has business in town one day last week.

L. S. Stone and wife were shopping in Manchester last Wednesday.

J. B. Smith is building an upright addition to his house.

Charley Thorpe was down from Manchester Monday.

Thomas Armstrong and C. B. Doolittle, of Greeley, had business in town Friday.

Will White moved his family to Monticello last week. He has secured the position of night operator at that place.

Dwight Finch, of Manchester, was in town Thursday interviewing our merchants.

A number from here will attend the Woman's Foreign Missionary convention at Okaucheton this week.

Mrs. E. H. Blanchard went to Winthrop Thursday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Mr. McArthur, of Hopkinton, was in town Thursday making arrangements to take pictures of the graduating class.

Mrs. H. H. Porter is on the sick list.

The Misses Gwen Perkins, Maude Swinburne, and Dorine Corbin, and Messrs N. S. Flack, A. J. Reeder and L. R. Stone attended the Clayonian society in Hopkinton Friday evening.

C. E. Hart, a commission merchant from New York city was in town Saturday.

John Allison was down from Manchester Tuesday.

The Stone work was commenced on the new bank Saturday.

DYERSVILLE AND VICINITY.

John Link and F. J. Domayer went to St. Benedict, Kosciusko county, last Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Luthmers, of Manchester was the guest of her mother Mrs. Ruby and other relatives in this city last Tuesday.

Miss Mamie Selle, who was here a few days to visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Kortenkamp, Jr. left for her home at Emmetsburg, last Monday, well pleased with her visit.

Last Wednesday was a gala day in Dyersville. The main street was gaily decorated and all the people and also the school, turned out, to welcome back the "blue" who had volunteered at the country's call to protect the nation's flag and honor against the Spaniard's belligerent action against our country.

Ed Moore, who has been visiting with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Boeckendorf, at New Vienna, the past month, was in the city Tuesday morning, en route to Walker, Linn county, being called there on account of the illness of his father. Mr. Moore was formerly foreman of the Earlville Phoenix, but is now employed on the Tribune at Brit, Hancock county.

W. F. Lakin, a writer and solicitor, of Chicago, was in the city last Saturday and made this office a pleasant call. He was en route from Earlville whither he went to solicit for a souvenir publication of Delaware county to be issued by the Earlville Phoenix. Mr. Lakin worked around a few days but the people of that county did not feel inclined to patronize it and he gave it up as a bad job.

There has arrived at the custom house in Dubuque a large box which came all the way from Jerusalem. The inventory of the case is made out in a foreign hand and cannot be deciphered but there are a large number of articles in the case which are valued at about \$140. The box was shipped by Rev. Father Bauman of this city from Jerusalem on March 14, and its contents are no doubt relics from the Holy Land as he has been traveling through that historic land for some weeks.

John A. Schneiders, Frank Drexler, Leo Balming and several others went into the woods southwest of the city last week Thursday afternoon hunting. This being their first outing this spring the boys were enjoying themselves very much. But their sport came to an end suddenly when one of the little rifles accidentally discharged, the bullet landing John Schneiders' left thigh about three inches above the knee. Mr. Trumm brought the boys home on his wagon and John Schneiders was given surgical assistance. He was confined to his bed for a few days, but last Sunday was able to be up which his many friends will be glad to know. Sunday afternoon he went to Petersburg to visit his par-

ents for a few days and yesterday returned to his post in the Farmers Bank.

SAND SPRINGS.

Mr. Jacob Lang has rented Ed Garlinghouse's farm east of town. From what is said it is thought that he paid \$2.75 per acre for it.

John Reichart, of Worthington, was in town the fore part of last week.

W. H. Zoller has been making a new fence around his pasture land which he lately purchased of Mr. Frank Wood Jr.

After "hiking" up from Marion and visiting the town for a few days A. C. Bowen "hiked" back again last Friday and then "hiked" to Sand Springs again on the succeeding Saturday.

If Mr. Somebody doesn't keep his white stone colored dog tied up, Mr. S. will find him choked to death some of these fine sunshiny rainy days.

Mr. Albert Garlinghouse and child are visiting with relatives here now.

Mr. Dutton, of Mt. Pleasant, was in town one day last week, working in the hall of the Anti-Saloon League. Someone was saying he received \$50. in town, we do not know whether this is true or not, it was just reported. Maybe he didn't get that much.

Bowen & Zoller, the livermen, were in Hopkinton one evening last week. Wood & Gelvin have been fixing their new store. We will have a little room to loaf this time. Get the brass band out and celebrate the good move.

The papers say that Dewey is coming home. Maybe you did not know it. Wouldn't wonder at it if you didn't as it does not mention the fact in newspapers nowadays in every column.

Died—The Hopkinton Review died the 11 of May, A. D., 1899. The deceased was 12 weeks, 0 days, 28 hours, 64 minutes and 83 seconds old. Cause of death: heart stopped for want of strength. This case is similar to the hoe cake case. An Indian once said, "Heap meal, no heap water in hoe cake makes hoe cake heap much dry," or heap newspapers and no heap money in heap little town, makes heap loss.

The Sand Springs people liked the new part of the Review and we hate to see it depart with its two generous hearted editors.

EARLVILLE.

Mrs. Nellie Dudley, of Manchester, was in town on Tuesday.

Robert Dunlap is enjoying a visit at home. When he returns to Marshalltown Mrs. Walter Cousins will accompany him and remain with her husband who has been employed there for some months.

A number from here went to Colesburg Wednesday to the scene of the cyclone, and others went Thursday and Friday.

August Irmscher was a caller in town on Wednesday.

Henry Goodhill, of Manchester, was a business caller in town on Wednesday.

The school board held its annual election of teachers on Monday evening with the result as follows: Principal; Mr. Still of Reinbeck, grammar room; Miss Laura Whipple; intermediate, Miss Kate Comerford, of Manchester, primary; Miss Mattie Murley.

H. J. Pletcher shipped a carload of oats to J. J. Nagle in Dubuque, on Wednesday last.

The fences has been taken down in front of the parsonage and J. B. Taylor's residence, and Mr. Taylor has been treating his house to a coat of paint.

A crowd assembled at the depot on Tuesday morning to see the soldiers go through on the morning passenger. Salutes were fired and flags displayed.

Repairs have been begun on the Methodist church.

C. L. Eachhart went to Davenport, Saturday evening to buy goods.

Henry Staehle and John Volt have new bicycles.

Rev. Blakely went to Atlantic, Iowa to attend a meeting of Congregational ministers. Rev. Foote occupies his pulpit on Sunday morning, and professor Barnes, of Epworth Seminary gave an address in the evening.

Mrs. F. W. Anders, of Manchester, was the guest of Mrs. Geo. Staehle, Jr., over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fishmeir have returned home after a two week's absence.

Mrs. Louise Swinburne entertained the Outlook club at five o'clock luncheon on Friday afternoon.

Curtis and Arthur Eds drove to Manchester, Sunday to hear John G. Wooley.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church gave a sociable at the home of Mrs. S. T. Carpenter, on Friday evening. A large number enjoyed the evening and the ladies cleared ten dollars.

Will Houser, a returned soldier of Manchester, was a caller in town on Saturday.

H. Millen, of Greeley called on his sons here Saturday.

Mrs. Kendall and little daughter spent Sunday here with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Millen spent Sunday in Manchester.

HOPKINTON.

Dr. H. Livingston attended the meeting of the State Medical Society held at Cedar Rapids this week.

Jacob Platt is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. Della Peterman in Bellevue at present.

Fred K. Main has received the position of principal of the Edgewood schools for the coming year.

Edward C. Heave arrived home from Princeton last Saturday morning.

F. C. McKean will not return until later as he is visiting relatives in the east.

Mrs. McCoy, who has been here for some time returned to her home in Denver, last Thursday night. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Blanchard.

J. T. Williamson and Ed Rutter left last week for South Dakota, where they will look after Mr. Williamson's land and crop interests.

J. W. Counterline came Monday night for a visit with friends among the students. He has been pursuing a course in the Theological Seminary at Princeton.

F. D. Joseph has been chosen for

principal of the Walker schools for the coming year and Miss Franc Earhart will teach in the primary department. Mr. Joseph and Miss Earhart are both in the senior class at the college, thus finishing their college education this year.

This week George Miksch and J. J. Williams suspended the publication of the Review after an existence of twelve issues. It is naught but fair to the gentlemen to state that they were victimized into coming here by unscrupulous persons who dealt in misrepresentation and based lies about the business of the locality. Their advisers numbered two or three, who willingly let these two young strangers lose several hundred dollars in order to gratify their own desires. Apparently they were nice young fellows; we hate to see such confidence; but enough said. More will be thought. They are gone.—Leader.

LAMONT.

George Wheeler, of Strawberry Point transacted business in Lamont Friday.

Mesdames Field and Hutton transacted business in Manchester Thursday.

Mrs. Ira Hutton departed for Greeley Friday for a few days visit.

Mr. Kleckner, of Greeley, came up here Wednesday to relieve his son, Frank, our popular butter-maker, a few days. Frank is visiting his home in Greeley.

Mrs. Genung, of Independence, visited her son, our resident dentist, G. E. Genung, here Friday and Saturday.

Dave Rule and wife, Willie and Jessie Rule were callers on business matters in Strawberry Point Saturday.

C. O. Hewitt, and grand daughter, Miss Lucy Clependen drove over to Independence Sunday to attend a wedding.

D. R. Morton, of Vinton, Iowa visited his relatives the Ward and Hewitt families here Friday and Saturday.

D. K. Cook, our attorney at law was called to Austin, Minn., on professional business Wednesday.

Tom Rogers did some fine tinwork in Aurora last week. Tom is a first class tin smith and a No. 1 tinner.

Miss Littlejohn returned to her home in Independence Tuesday afternoon after a four days visit with Miss Sadie Agnew.

Garland Trower went up to Aurora and sheared 170 sheep for Mr. Duckett Sr. Garland has done considerable shearing this year.

Miss Mabel McCormack returned to her home in Oelwein Saturday for an indefinite stay.

Philip Heise departed for his home in Dyersville after a two weeks visit here with his brother John.

Miss Edith Clark, of Forestville spent last week in Lamont assisting Mrs. M. A. Field.

Mrs. Van Pelt, of Oelwein is here, trimming in the M. A. Field millinery store.

Geo. Kreussel is filling in that unhealthful hole down by the lower bridge.

B. F. Little, Jr., of Oelwein was in Lamont on Wednesday to Saturday of last week surveying.

Born to Frank Dodge and wife May 12, a son.

Born to Harle Bennett and wife May 14, a daughter.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Joseph Dunsmore, Thursday, May 25. Program: Devotional meeting; Song; Bible Reading, led by Mrs. Alice Tickner; Song by Union; Select Reading by Mrs. Jos. Dunsmore; Recitation; Alice Draper; Select Reading, Mrs. Ida Anderson; Song; Paper, Mrs. C. C. Draper. Visitors welcome.

Floyd Peet is home from war. He is well and gives a fine history. He speaks highly of the officers and is delighted with his various experiences.

F. E. Peet, Mrs. Peet and Miss Flora drove down to meet their absent son and brother, Floyd Peet. Miss Ida Brayfogel accompanied them to Lamont for a few days visit.

The Peet family drove over to Edgewood Thursday returning Friday night.

Several of the K. of P's lodge of Lamont attended the K. of P. blow-out Thursday evening.

Mrs. Emily Rouse Wing visited the Rouse family near Independence last week.

S. T. Burt, of Manchester, deputy grand president of the Iowa "Legion of Honor" is swelling the list of members in that order here.

The Waterloo Chautauqua assembly will convene July 6-21.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. encampment will convene in Waterloo June 14-15.

The M. B. —s, initiated several new members and served a banquet last night.

George Guy departed for England Wednesday.

Mrs. Addie Kenyon is taking medical treatment of Dr. Triem in Manchester.

THE MODERN MARTHA.

BY ADELINE M. PAYNE.
(Read before the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs at Burlington, May 2, 1900.)

Whatever may have been the estate of the Martha of ancient date, the Martha of today is a home-keeping matron. And our Martha, being endowed with faculty and residing in an Iowa village, is one of the very busiest of women. It avails not that she is exempt from many of the burdens that her foremother carried; that the spindle and shuttle are not in her home; that the tax of the thimble and knitting needle and of the oven and the laundry is reduced to a minimum; nor that schools and churches paternally coax, instruct and amuse her babies and youth, and municipal ordinances shoot them at evening back to the fold.

The humanity of the age—mindful of birds and beasts, of flowers and of man's misfortune and so extreme that over in Ohio it is said to have led somebody to put an extra brace under a piano each night that the instrument might rest its legs a little—even this humanity has not yet lessened Martha's pack of work and worry. For every task of which science or invention has relieved her, some other factor of civilization has tossed two, and she has accepted them both.

It is to be remembered that Martha's natural duties no human device has diminished or can diminish; that the old-fashioned obligations of wifehood and maternity remain; and that the intensity of the time has added intensity to their meaning and spirit.

In the eye of the law and of society Martha walks beside her husband a responsible soul, having access to the same sources of knowledge, inspiration and hope that he has; and her citizenship means effort, activity and nerve expenditure that was not exacted of her circumscripted foremother.

This comradship quickens her dis-

cernment of motherhood's opportunity to mold possibilities extending far into the future. But she is a little at sea concerning authoritative methods. Solomon's code has gone into disrepute, and Frobe's gospel, is quite imperfectly understood. Mistakes therefore some times increase her burdens; as for instance, when, in heeding the call, "Come let us live with the children," she passes the household scepter over to the heir apparent in the high chair, the multiples childhood's necessities, or awakens desire that should sleep and the rudiments of self-control have been learned.

Give her aesthetic sense—kind proof for refreshment—augmenta her tax. Not seldom it is given to securing artistic housekeeping at the expense of housekeeping; to impairing eyesight in fashioning things far less beautiful than those to be had freely; to sacrificing simplicity and utility—first principles of housekeeping—to care multiplying ornament; to restricting the child's healthful freedom with finery; to awakening the self-consciousness detrimental to his mental growth and making him hard to satisfy.

And the interests of the community, because they interlace with those of the home, make heavy demands upon Martha. For her husband's sake she joins the auxiliary of his lodge; for the children's, she goes to the council of mothers and teachers; and for the good of the young folks in general she works like a Trojan to help the Library Board by entertaining coax from pocket-books the state and the Public Library which is withheld as tax.

The Jewish Martha "staid by the stuff" and the household head offered the sacrifices. But our Martha is the dependence for leading the youngsters to the tabernacle, carrying the family offering to the altar, and setting up the bands of the prophet. In addition she must often gather the church tithes, and make up deficiencies thereof with her own bought earnings from feasts and fairs.

To reduce suffering to the minimum she must skirmish in charity work; she must be a nurse, a nurse, keep the ships in repair, and encourage literary and musical interests.

Her housekeeping skill is required in village improvement; her directorship, for the county fair; and her ballot is called for when local bonds are the election issue.

Nothing is a whole world, brought by steel rails and copper wires and the printed page, seems only just over town; its activities are a part of Martha's life; and if she would not care and forget it all for a while, the ring of the telephone and the whistle of the mail-train protest.

Martha does not, like the apostle, say, "This one thing I do." Numberless interests engage her; and the ceaseless activity, the diffusiveness of her efforts, demand some of the purposes dearest to her. An object lesson afforded by last Easter illustrates the point. Her high grade porring service the solist carried like a matron through.

"Awake, glad soul, awake, awake, The chorus responded joyously: "O let thy life be a thanksgiving!"

The pulpit ministrations were devout and earnest; there was beauty in the pews. The eyes of Martha and her sisters looked as weary as did those of the men who had jaded in business early and late the whole week long. The good women were worn in the worthy cause of serving a delicious supper the evening before to increase the church's bounty.

That Martha's spirit should be heavy at a time when it was her right to be glad, against the wish that in making a route more direct and less expensive, route from the pocketbook to its beneficiaries might be established. It likewise awakens the query whether it was really needful for Martha herself to fly so much, in order to

"Give every flying minute Something in store."

It was remembered that quietude had sometimes supplied excellent lazing for fleeting moments. A quiet hour, just passed from sight had furnished an instance in point. Her habit of self-control and moderation, the choice of making joy a duty and love a law, of punctuating diligence with frequent pauses to listen and of leaving to Heaven the rest, had not in the least lessened her devotion to a wide humanity; but it had developed a serene presence strong to uplift and to banish unrest; it had made a plain home a shrine of quietude, a place of love and whence went courage and discretion; it had secured blessing from a goodly posterity and reverence from acquaintances; it had smoothed the way of extreme age through the sloping valley, and finally gilded the receiving shadow.

And the evangel of quietude, of rest, seems Martha's need to go along with the divine mission of work which she has taken up so earnestly; the rest which adjusts and oils bearings and restores elasticity; the quietude which reveals relations obscured before, shows ways which are not leading, and the quietude which upward and away from the pillow of stones. In short, the rest which clarifies the mind, refreshes hope, preserves courage, and comes offerings of love and devotion to the most successful of them appropriate it.

A Norwegian farmer who has retired with a competence, said to me the other day, "For twenty years after I came to this country I drugged and did not get ahead. Then I said to my wife, 'I've kept my face to the ground long enough. I'm going to hold up my head, work less and think more. Since then I've made money.' She said a millionaire. 'The road to my fortune dashed upon me as I woke from a nap one Sunday afternoon on the bank of the lake. Gen. Grant slept in intervals of rest and battle even. Fancy him using such precious time in sewing on buttons or blacking his boots.

Some women appreciate rest. A rudely German mother of a large family being asked the secret of her wholesome freshness and serenity, replied, "It is my face to the ground, I do not shut myself in my small room and sleep a bit."

"But how can you get away from work on such conditions?"

"O, but I do."

"What if something should happen to the children?"

"Nothing is likely to happen to them so bad as for me to lose my rest."

Clara Barton, who has witnessed suffering than any other woman in the world, named the key to her great endurance, "I don't putter. When I am not doing the one thing which makes me very life I rest or am entertained."

Martha is director of numerous departments as well as executor of details; her mind, often demands steady nerves—serenity. She needs serenity to secure to her babies the right to be well born. She needs it to protect the babes she studies down to both the thoughtlessness and the fussiness of those who care for them; from too much home ambition and outside zeal; from the evil of ill-conditioned courses; to substitute a mess of pottage in the shape of text books, for the birthright of the child; to shield the child from the sweet influence of birds and bees, of flocks and brooks and green things growing. In fact she needs the clear head, the steady hand, to hold the line and steer her young pilgrims all along the noble road.

"But there's no place to stop," remonstrated Martha who had carried the work of the day into the late evening. "You are greedy," was the paternal reproof. "And is not greediness at the root of much of Martha's hardship—longing for so much to be cared for? 'It will make unto myself no new necessities,' is a motto as practical for the housewife as was for St. Paul. If only a little of the wholesome sim-

ply which civilization has run away with, could be brought back to home life, how it would fortify serenity. Gone would be the foolish repetitions of housekeeping; gone the conglomeration of foods and much of the kitchen drudgery; gone the barbaric display and the worry of business which maintains display.

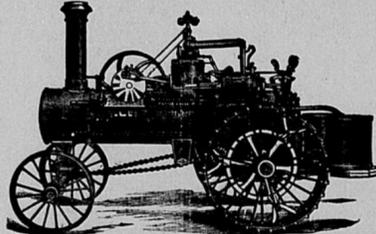
Easy then would be the division of labor which schools childhood in self-helpfulness and dexterity, and the rudiments of that burden-bearing which is essential to make life faithful and fair. Returned would be the child's early bed-time, with its blessing of vigor, growth and joy; with its independence of make life faithful and fair. Returned would be the child's respite to tune maternal nerves for harmonious response to the chorus that will waken with the birds. Glorious is service. But "Men do not new roads to a wall," Mrs. Brown says; Martha's road-building needs to be—not of byways that bewilder and

eventually must be fenced off, but in the direction of the everlasting. Doubtless her aims and efforts need concentration.

With herself lies largely her release from over taxation; with herself the economy of her strength, the fortifying of her spirit, the maintenance of poise, the increase of her efficiency, and satisfaction from her work.

The spirit of the time will excuse her from that portion of home work or the world's work which relates simply to externals. It will not excuse her from duties which bear on character; for character is the summing up of human life and of national life, and the safeguard of free institutions which have cost the struggle of centuries.

Martha is thinking now-a-days. With her habitual energy she is observing and comparing. With the fair opportunity she enjoys she may be expected in time to conclude rightly concerning values, and to arrive at the best distribution of her aims and efforts.



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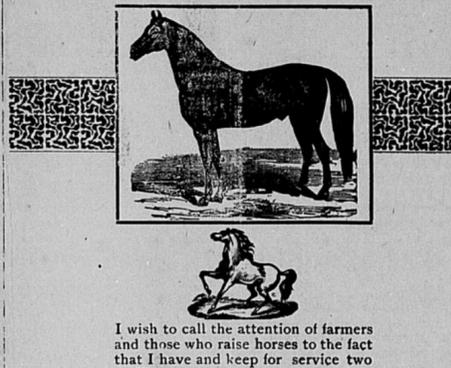
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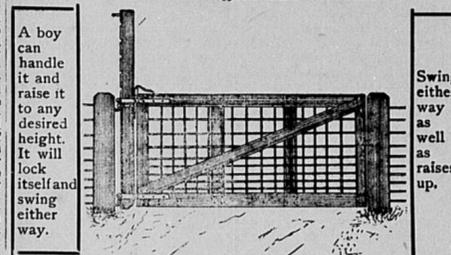
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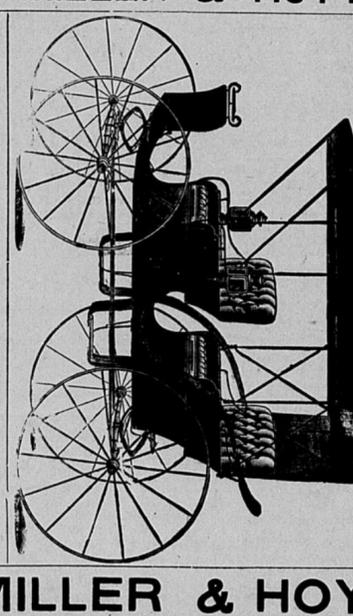
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