

—Joe Limbeck, of Dyersville, spent Sunday in this city.

—Mrs. Hubert Carr is spending this week with her parents in Waterloo.

—Ed. Brown, of Des Moines, visited with friends here the first of the week.

—Mrs. J. A. Wheeler is visiting in Dubuque with her sister, Mrs. J. F. Merry.

—Mrs. Walter Lawrence and children spent last week in Winthrop with friends and relatives.

—W. B. Cookey, editor of the Dyersville News Letter, transacted business in this city Friday.

—Miss Irene Stiles returned last week from Oberlin, Ohio, where she spent the summer with her mother.

—Joseph Faulkner, of Rockford, Illinois, visited here last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carter.

—H. W. Stiles, of Ada, Minnesota, was in this city part of last week, a guest of his brother, E. B. Stiles.

—J. S. Jones was at Ames last week attending a meeting of the board of directors of the State Agricultural College.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. Tiedale of Chicago, arrived in this city Monday morning to spend a few days with Mr. Tiedale's mother.

—Thomas Hines departs the last of this week for Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, where he will attend school the coming year.

—Miss Gertrude Du Bois departed last week for Campbell, Minnesota, where she is employed as a teacher in the school at that place.

—Bern Hamblin, who resides east of town, departed Monday morning for Epworth, where he will attend Epworth Seminary the coming year.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Conger arrived here last week from Los Angeles, California, and will be guests of friends and relatives for some time.

—Mrs. M. H. Anders, of Oelwein, is visiting in this city with her son, Frank Anders. Mr. Anders is also enjoying a visit from his sister, Miss Leta Anders of Winthrop.

—Miss Birden Tucker departed Monday morning for Dubuque where she will enter Mount St. Joseph school. She was accompanied by her sister Miss Madeline Tucker.

—Dolph Huene returned Monday morning to Cedar Rapids to resume his studies in the Cedar Rapids Business College after a two weeks vacation at his home in this city.

—Mrs. Michael Hahey returned home from Marshalltown Tuesday, where she was called by the death of her nephew J. E. Wilson, who was killed at that place by tramps August 21.

—Wm. H. Connell and son Will and P. S. W. Deyo leave tomorrow for Burr Oak, Winneshiek county, to attend the annual campmeeting and conference of the Second Adventist Christian association of northeastern Iowa.

—Mrs. Henry Armitage entertained at dinner on Tuesday of last week her sisters, Mrs. Wm. Catron, of Manchester, Mrs. J. B. Taylor and husband and Wm. Eshart, a brother from Oklahoma, whom she had not seen for 42 years.—Earville Phoenix.

—Miss Orosby departed Monday morning for Dubuque, where she has accepted a position as trimmer in a millinery establishment. She has been in the employ of Henry Goodhue for several years and goes to Dubuque to enter the millinery store of Mrs. Hollenagel.

—Miss Leo departed last Monday morning for Sacred Heart Academy, at Madison, Wisconsin. She was accompanied by Miss Nellie Vance, of this city, and Miss Edith Pressner, sister of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eshart, who resides in Richland ship. The young ladies will attend school at that institution the coming year.

—Letters for the following named persons advertised in the Manchester office for week ending September 5, 1899: Miss Lou Kinne, Ella A. Kocock, M. D. Mrs. Norma Blaser, Ha Robinson, Hattie Smith, G. D. Lib. Fleming Annie Wheel, J. A. Blaser, Hampton Dunham, U. McKee, G. M. Titus, H. Flem T. Pierce.

—Last Friday Miss Jennie McCarran held the "Out Door Club" to spend day at her home and ten ladies resorted. Notwithstanding the great heat they enjoyed to the fullest extent the hospitality of the McCarran home and the day will remain as a bright spot in the lives of those present, who were Mesdames Boynton, Anderson, Lister, Hawley, Atwater, Marvin, Tuttle, Williston, Ames.

—School opened here Monday with a total enrollment of 148, divided among the four rooms as follows: High school 33, grammar 33, intermediate 28, primary 54. There are seats in the primary room for about thirty-five pupils and there are 54 to occupy them. Besides this, the number is too many for any teacher to handle successfully alone. Probably the easiest way out of the difficulty will be to hire the room with comfortable seats and an assistant teacher for that room, as is being done in many Iowa schools.—Edgewood Journal.

—A very pleasant affair took place at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hawley last Monday evening being the thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the B. C. Club. The occasion was also officers of the new year—after the formal inauguration of the new officers the hosts invited the company to partake of an elaborate four course luncheon provided by the officers. The place cards were unique and beautifully engraved with the club monogram and contained a photograph of the home of its first Pres. Mrs. L. C. Brooks—where the Club was organized and met in its regular session for several years. Several guests of the Club were present, Mrs. Tiedale, of Chicago.—Mrs. H. M. Conger, of California, a charter member—and Mrs. C. E. Smith, of this city. Every lady present responded to a toast and the happy thoughts like gems of memory will long remain with all who participated in this happy event.

—Miss Alma LeRoy was in Dubuque last Saturday.

—Capt. and Mrs. J. F. Merry were guests of friends here Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Day, of Dubuque spent Sunday with friends here.

—The infant son of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Dittmer is improving after a serious illness.

—The public schools of this city opened last Monday morning with a good attendance.

—Will Beels returned last Sunday evening from a business trip to West Superior, Wisconsin.

—Ed Moore is clerking in L. R. Stouts clothing store during the absence of Arthur Middleton.

—Miss Jennie Bardwell, of Chicago, visited in this city last week with her friend, Miss Pearl Pierce.

—Ed Wolfe of San Francisco, California is visiting in this city with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wolfe.

—Cyrus Kenney, of Gilt Edge, transacted business in this city Wednesday and was a welcome caller at this office.

—James Mill Grange will hold their regular meeting the second Saturday of September at 10 o'clock a. m. for degree work.

—Will Strain and Ernest Briggs left the first of the week for Des Moines where they will enter Highland Park college.

—The members of the Epworth League held a social last Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Dittmer.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Winnard rejoice over the arrival of a boy baby last Saturday morning at their home near Bailey's Ford.

—Miss Mae Sheldon has returned home from her visit with friends and relatives in Osage where she has been for several weeks.

—Mrs. Harvey Newhouse and Miss Bertha Thomas, of Sheffield, Ia., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Allen part of last week.

—The dance at the Central Opera House last Friday evening was fairly well attended. Excellent music was furnished by the Harmony Orchestra.

—Miss Lela Malvin left yesterday morning for her home in Chicago after a visit of several weeks in this city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Malvin.

—Al Hollister and son, Eddie, have returned home from their visit in Massachusetts. Mrs. Hollister will prolong her visit there about three weeks before her return.

—Marriage licenses were issued during the past week to Joseph Mulvihill and Anna Murtagh, John Power and Mary Christina Mader and Edgar DeWald and Nellie Kirk.

—Judge and Mrs. A. S. Blar departed last Monday evening for a visit with relatives in Michigan. The judge expects to return the latter part of this week. Mrs. Blar will remain there three or four weeks.

—Mrs. Frank Phares and sons, Hugh and Day, have returned to their home in Clinton, Illinois after a visit of several weeks with relatives here. Mrs. Phares is a sister of Mrs. Jas. Belknap and Mrs. J. J. Pentony.

—S. A. Kent departed Thursday for the home of his nativity, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, England. He has been a resident of this city for the past two years, in the employ of the pioneer trolleys, Messers Wolff Bros.

—The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church will have a Missionary Tea and a short program will be given—subject being Alaska, next Friday evening, at the home of Dr. J. J. Lindley. Tea at half past five until all are served. All are cordially invited. Price of supper 15 cents.

—The fall terms of the country schools nearly all commenced next Monday. Miss Mary Magill will teach at Willow Grove school, Miss Margaret Milroy the David Chrysalis school, Miss Grace Beacom the Guthrie school, Miss Anna Ward, Hazel Green, and Miss Agnes McCaffrey in the Soma's district.—Ryan Reporter.

—The report of the Manchester cooperative creamery for the month of July shows the total number of pounds of milk received to be 870,722 lbs. average price 3.7, pounds of butter fat, 32,084. The price paid per hundred was 65 cents and 18 1/2 cents for butter fat. The total amount paid to the patrons for the month is nearly \$6,000.

—While in town last Saturday, Capt. Merrly bought the John Hetherington two hundred acre farm three and one half miles north of this city, paying therefor \$10,000. Mr. Hetherington received in part payment the north half of Capt. Merrly's residence property in this city at a valuation of \$3,800.00, the balance of the purchase money being cash. The farm is one of the best in the county.

—The members of the Baptist Young Peoples Union tendered a reception last Saturday evening to Miss Juliette Pierce and Mr. Ed Lusk at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntosh. The affair was held in view of the departure of the young folks. The former will attend school in Cedar Falls and the latter will continue his medical studies in the Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago.

—The Edgewood base ball team played the Manchester team at the ball park in this city last Friday afternoon. Both teams played well and the game was lost to the home team mainly on its inability to hit the ball. Lehman pitched for the locals and did very creditable work. The final score was 6 to 1 in favor of Edgewood. The Manchester team lined up as follows: Moore, c; Lehman, p; Davis, s; Bronson, 1 f; Morse, 2 b; James, 3 b; N. Malvin, 1 f; G. Malvin, c f; Blair, 1 f.

—Word was received last Monday morning from E. R. Champion stating that he had decided to accept the call to act as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in this city. Mr. Champion has been assistant secretary of the Dubuque Association for the past year, and comes recommended as being well qualified for the duties of his position. He will find here a broad field and a people who are ever ready and willing to lend a hand along this line of work. Mr. Champion enters upon his new duties Thursday of this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown were Dubuque visitors last Saturday.

—Several letters from correspondents were received too late for publication this week.

—Mrs. J. T. Abbott and Mrs. C. J. Friend spent Sunday in Masonville with their sons.

—County Attorney Will Clemons and family of Cedar Rapids, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

—Miss Tressa Gately departed Monday morning for Chicago where she is employed as a teacher in the schools of that city.

—Miss Sue Paxson departed Saturday morning for Omaha where she has an excellent position in the schools of that city.

—Fayette Houser is visiting his parents in this city. He has a position as painter in one of the factories at Beloit, Wisconsin.

—Mrs. E. O. Clemons went to Cedar Rapids last Saturday evening for a visit with her son Will. She expects to be gone several weeks.

—The Congregational Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. W. H. Goodell this Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of quilting and sewing.

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—A luxuriant growth known as crab grass is infesting the lawns in this city. It is a hot weather grass and is found in abundant quantities in southwestern Missouri.

—R. R. Robinson departed yesterday morning for Covington, Tennessee, on business in connection with the Hatchie River Lumber and Stock Company.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Lampman returned home yesterday morning from a visit with relatives in Jefferson, Iowa. They also attended the State Fair at Des Moines a few days of last week.

—Born yesterday morning to Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Kneel at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. A. W. Stephens, in this city, a 10 pound boy. Mrs. Kneel is a resident of Omaha, but has been visiting in this city for several weeks.

—The Delaware County State Bank moved into its new quarters last Monday morning. The directors have spared neither time nor money in the improvements and they may feel now that they are located in one of the handsomest and most convenient bank buildings in the state.

—Last Monday afternoon Sheriff R. W. Fabel arrested Wm. Brown, of Delhi. He is one of the number who were charged with selling intoxicating liquors without a license at that place last winter. He was taken to Dubuque Monday evening by United States Marshal Bean, where he will be given a hearing before the grand jury.

—Miss Anna Wolfe who was elected to the position as principal of the Manchester High School for the coming year has resigned to accept a similar position in the schools of Charles City. Miss Jessie Hastings of Iowa City has been chosen assistant principal. Hastings is a graduate of the State University and a daughter of Prof. Hastings formerly of this city.

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—Mrs. W. G. Kenyon gave a very pretty tea last Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. Lillie Carpenter, Everitt, of Burke, N. Y. After a delightfully served supper, the guests spent the evening in pleasant social chat which was brightened with a few numbers of instrumental music rendered by Miss Kenyon. Those enjoying the hospitality thus extended were the Mesdames Everett, Jones, Story, Chas. Bronson, Summers and Byron Bronson and the Misses Florence Day and Cordelia Riddell.

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—A couple were in this city last Monday afternoon who excited the sympathy of all who saw them. They gave their names as Mr. and Mrs. A. Ryvera and were traveling from Manhattan Beach, Colorado to their former home in Virginia. They were absolutely destitute and are making their journey by the aid of charity. Their baby was just recovering from a serious illness. It is ten months old and weighs only six pounds. Enough money was raised here to purchase their tickets to Chicago and they departed the same evening.

—Invitations have been received by relatives and friends in this city to the marriage of Rev. Daniel Russell, Jr., of Hancock, New York, to Miss Caroline Kelo, at the home of the bride's parents in Bellevue, Iowa, on the 13th of this month. The Reverend gentleman spent a part of his boyhood days in this county, but is now pastor of the Presbyterian church in Hancock, N. Y. and is considered a young man of rare abilities and great promise, as is evidenced by the fact that a church of his denomination in the city of New York have called him to their pastorate and he now has the change to the new field under consideration. Miss Kelo was at one time the instructor of Greek in Lenox College, and is said to be a young lady of beauty, refinement and great intellectuality. Rev. and Mrs. Russell will be at home after October first in Hancock, N. Y. The Democrat joins with a host of friends both here and elsewhere in wishing the young couple a life that will be in fulfillment of what is now so full of promise and anticipation.

—The attention of breeders of horses is called to M. W. Sheldon's advertisement.

—W. L. Adams has commenced the construction of a new house on Gay street.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Torrey have returned home from their extended eastern trip.

—"The first week of school" furnishes the text for Kalamity's remarks in this issue.

—Allan Graham leaves next week for Des Moines to resume his duties at Drake University.

—Mrs. John White and daughter, Mrs. Gregory, of Lake City are visiting at the Steadman home.

—Roy Morse returned the first of the week from South Dakota where he has been for several weeks.

—Mrs. George Ford received Saturday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Miss Cox, of New York City.

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Mrs. Elmer Chase. At her home in Honey Creek township on the 21st, the reaper Death, without any previous warning, called to that other, and, we believe brighter and better land, Mrs. Elmer Chase.

She had during the day been blessed with her usual good health and had performed her household duties as was her custom. About eight o'clock in the evening while walking across the floor she fell down and complained of a peculiar sensation in her head and died a short time thereafter.

Betsy Brown was born at Edmeston, Otsego county, N. Y., March 25, 1834. In 1853, at Franklinville, Caturagus county, N. Y., she was married to Elmer Chase and three years thereafter they came to this county and settled in Honey Creek township where they have since resided, with the exception of two years residence in this city.

Mrs. Chase was held in high esteem by all who knew her. She was a kind and affectionate wife and mother, a good and kind neighbor and friend, and charitably disposed toward all.

She is survived by her husband, her daughter Mrs. Laura E. Green, and her sons Charles E. and Leslie S. The funeral held at the family residence, conducted by Rev. Lusk, of Strawberry Point, was largely attended, and the remains were laid to rest in the Edgewood cemetery.

A Young Traveler. The young passenger mentioned in the following taken from the Seattle Post Intelligencer, is a grandson of Mrs. Margaret Barr of this city.

Arrie Barr aged 11 years, the son of A. L. Barr, a stonecutter, formerly of Fairhaven, is the youngest passenger who has ever traveled alone from Alaska. He arrived on the Queen from Skagway and with no more mature head to guide him he will go to Los Angeles, where he expects to meet his 9 year old brother, in charge of his youthful traveler, in charge of his baby sister, will trace his steps back to the land of El Dorado. At Skagway they expect to join their father, who is young Barr left at work in a stone quarry a week ago.

On arriving here young Barr presented himself to L. W. Sloan, baggage agent at the Great Northern depot, whom he knew as chief of police in Fairhaven.

"Well, father couldn't leave off work," the boy explained his journey, "and as I didn't count for much up there, I thought I could spare the time. I learned some songs and on the way down I sang for the passengers. Just before I got off the boat, today they gave me \$25. I am going to learn some more songs and make more money on the way back." We heard young Skagway Mr. Barr gave the juvenile traveler some money. No sooner had the boat left the wharf than young Barr, in a bright light, sewed up the money in his clothing and had it safe and sound yesterday.

He is a bright little fellow and seems to have no doubt about accomplishing his mission to California and return.

Woodmen Picnic. For several days before the event, the Woodmen were wondering and asking each other if they were going to have anyone at their picnic, and from the appearance of the Fair Grounds about 2 p. m. last Friday one could be justified in saying that they came pretty near having everybody there. The grounds had the appearance of a good fair day. The amphitheatre was filled to its utmost capacity and thousands more were seated in buggies and moving about to witness the different games and visit with friends and neighbors.

The parade formed down town in the forenoon and led by the Princess of Irons, proceeded to the Fair Grounds, where the literary program published last week was appreciated and enjoyed.

At noon the lunch baskets were given an inning, and a sociable picnic of colossal proportions was the order of the day for upwards of two hours.

The literary exercises of the afternoon came first after dinner, and were according to the published program and very enjoyable.

The race for first place in the bicycle contest was a dead heat between Eddie Glensendorf and Claude Austin. The boys were both willing, and a second mile was run and won by Eddie Glensendorf.

The foot ball game between Manchester and Sand Springs was easily won by Sand Springs. Manchester was shut out. The score stood 23 to 0 in favor of the visiting team.

Those who witnessed the nail driving contest can never again truthfully say that a nail can't drive a nail. It is doubtful if there was a carpenter on the ground who could have won the contest. Several of the women drove nails with the skill and rapidity of experts.

Much credit is due the Woodmen and Royal Neighbors for the amusements of the day. Below we give the names of the winners of the several contests:

- Best Looking Baby—Under 15 months. 2nd prize, silver cup. Guy Miller. 3rd prize, \$1.00 card. Ed. Mattice. Tug of War—Olive Camp against twelve picked men. Prize, two boxes of cigars. Olive Camp. Wheelbarrow Race. C. E. Newton. Nail-driving Contest—For Ladies. C. D. Fierstone. 1st prize, jarlinette. Mrs. G. Robinson. 2nd prize, bottle of perfume. Fattie Flicker. 3rd prize, croquet set. Mrs. Joe Foster. Football Foot Race. 1st prize, pair of \$2 shoes. E. Newton. 2nd prize, bicycle shoes. Fred Lawrence. 3rd prize, white ducks. B. Miller. Boy's Foot Race—Under 15 years. 1st prize, book American Views. German. 2nd prize, \$1.00 card. Graham. 3rd prize, hat. Haywood. Choppy Contest. 1st prize, rocking chair. W. J. June. 2nd prize, \$1.00 card. Wm. Hearson. 3rd prize, three pair gloves. Straub. Ladies' Bicycle Contest—Free-for-all. 1st prize, \$1.00 card. Fred Facker. 2nd prize, \$1 worth of tea. J. Groomon. Egg Race. 1st prize, album. Wise Wall. 2nd prize, two dozen photographs. Wm. Hearson. 3rd prize, three pair gloves. Straub. Ladies' Bicycle Contest—Most graceful. 1st prize, bicycle. Ida Young. 2nd prize, bottle of perfume. Miss Sterling. 3rd prize, bicycle shoes—50 yards. Ed. Glensendorf. 1st prize, bicycle lamp. Claude Austin. 2nd prize, \$1.00 card. Fred Facker. 3rd prize, two boxes cigars. Heli Hood. Woodman's Foot Race. 1st prize, \$1.00 card. Heli Hood. 2nd prize, two boxes cigars. Heli Hood. 3rd prize, sack of rye flour. N. Wall. Slow Bicycle Race—50 yards. 1st prize, rocking chair. Claude Austin. 2nd prize, \$1.00 card. Heli Hood. 3rd prize, \$1.00 card. Heli Hood.

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