

# COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

## LAMONT.

E. H. Welsh, wife and little daughter, of Wisconsin, came Friday morning, to visit his parents, Solomon Welsh and wife, and his brother, Art, and family. They will remain about two weeks and then they will continue their journey to California with the expectation of making their home there.

Stephen Ball, wife and baby, Mr. Dunning, Mrs. Wheeler and son, Ray, of Strawberry Point, are at Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Fred Field.

Epworth League sociable at Charles Eckert's Friday evening, December 9. Supper will be served at the usual price. All are cordially invited.

Harry Stansbury was down from Oelwein last week visiting his parents and friends.

Mrs. Armstrong, of Greeley, came Friday on her return from Winterset and is visiting her nephew, Ira Hutton, and family.

Several from adjoining towns were here to attend the shooting match last Wednesday.

A goodly number of our young people went to Edgewood Thanksgiving to see the foot ball game and see our school boys beaten again. Try again boys, practice makes perfect.

Wes Kenyon, of Arlington, was in Lamont Friday.

Hiram Cowles and two sons, Charles and John, and two grandsons, John and two boys have gone to Arkansas to live. Mrs. J. E. B. Stinson was a Lamont caller last week Tuesday.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. C. H. York, Thursday afternoon, December 10th.

The Literary Hub met at the home of G. W. Hoffman Monday evening.

There was a silver medal contest in the Baptist church Friday evening December 1st. The contestants were five young ladies, namely, Edie Watt, Alice Sothorn, Lucy Clemons, Daisy Messenger and Harriet Hensen. The last won the prize. They all did well. It was hard to make the decision but only one can get the medal.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown were called to Clarksville Saturday, November 25th, by the death of Mrs. Brown's brother. They returned last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. L. Eaton and two children are visiting in Strawberry point.

A large number from abroad were here to attend the dance last Thursday.

Frank Stinson, of Stanley, was a Lamont caller Friday.

Misses Ollie and Sarah Gladwin, of Arlington, visited in Lamont last week.

John Kelah, of Oxford Junction, visited in town last week.

Miss Marie Lammon began teaching school Tuesday, November 23rd in the Dopp district.

Miss Fred Gregory, of Waterloo, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Gray, and friends in Lamont.

There are quite a number of Lamontites working in Oelwein at present. Among them are Art Lake, Harry Stansbury, Harry Churchill, Tunis Bullard, Charles Fox, Colton Brothers and others.

Ed Lang, of Strawberry point, was a Lamont caller Tuesday.

**DYERSVILLE AND VICINITY.**  
Andy Babe, Willie and Casper Riesberg left for Bancroft Sunday night.

Wm. Woerdehoff, of Petersburg, visited Dr. and Mrs. Sumpman last Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Fitzpatrick, of Delmar, is here visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Krapf, and her brother, Robert.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cook, of Bremen township were here on business last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steger, of near Worthington, visited Dyersville friends last Monday.

Anton Smith, the popular butter-maker of the Central creamery of South Fork, was in the city on business last Monday.

Mrs. John Heiberger, who spent several weeks visiting with friends and relatives at Bankston, Holy Cross and Dyersville, has returned to her home at Edgewood. She was highly pleased with her visit. At Dyersville she was the guest of her sister-in-law, Miss Mary Heiberger.

Last Saturday evening some of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Schemmel, who had kept track of their wedding anniversaries, called on them to help celebrate their tin wedding. The bride and groom of ten years ago entertained all in a very pleasant manner and all enjoyed the evening immensely.

Mrs. Henry Henseks, of Adrian Minn., was in this city Tuesday morning on her way to Petersburg, where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Domeyer and helped them celebrate their silver wedding anniversary.

J. V. Weber, the popular town doctor, or, is at Bancroft and other western points this week. He went to Bancroft Monday to see his cousin, Frank Naber, who was reported quite sick, and from there to Sioux and Cherokee counties to visit relatives and old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Cramer have returned from Granville and other western points and report a very pleasant visit. They were at Granville to attend the wedding of their son, Herman H. Kramer, who was united in marriage with Miss Katie Weber in the Catholic church of Granville two weeks ago by the Rev. J. H. Stromberg.

On Thursday evening of last week a dance was given in Petersburg in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sassen, who were married on the previous Tuesday. A large number of their friends gathered there and a grand time was had by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Sassen are among the most highly respected young people in that vicinity, a fact that was fully demonstrated by the way they were treated by their friends on that evening.

Wednesday, November 29th, 1899, was a happy day for the people of New Vienna and more especially to Rev. F. W. Pape, pastor of St. Boniface church at that place, who on that day celebrated his silver jubilee, or the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. The town was prettily decorated and all the people turned out in holiday attire to make it a day of

much pleasure to their beloved pastor and everybody taking part.

Frank Grimes, of Colesburg, was in the city last Friday evening and left on the Illinois Central train for Chicago, from which place he went to Sunflower, Miss., where he has interests in some saw mills. Frank makes a trip down there several times a year.

The case of the State of Iowa vs. W. D. McErlain, of this city, which was set for Wednesday, November 22, has been continued over the term and will probably now be tried at the January term. McErlain is the dentist who was indicted for assault on Frank Lippert.—News-Letter and Commercial.

**Bleeding, Kansas.**  
EDITHS DEMOCRAT:  
We started for Kansas November 21, and arrived in Toronto the 23rd. It was cloudy and rainy all the week, then cleared off and has been warm and nice as summer weather ever since. This is termed the Sunflower State, but I think Bleeding Kansas the more appropriate term as the land agents and business men try to bleed every one they can, especially land seekers of which I have met quite a number from Iowa and other states.

The farming here is different than in Iowa. It is mostly stock raising. The crops are corn, Kafir corn and sorghum for stock feed. Corn yields 15 to 35 bushels per acre and Kafir corn about the same when thrashed. Stock sells at higher prices than in Iowa, but it is not as good quality.

There are many western cattle fed here, yet the people do not seem to be overladen with prosperity, neither business men nor farmers. Butter, eggs and poultry do not bring cash, farmers have to take trade or duels until they want to trade more. Merchants issue shipplasters or script, same as was used in war times. Still I cannot see why this is so, for this is as fine a looking country as one can find any where. Timber is quite scarce but there is coal on every man's farm 3 to 6 feet deep. I think I have written more than you can cipher out and will close.

Yours truly  
M. ELDREDGE.

**NORTH MANCHESTER NOTES.**  
Rev. George Hodgman and Rev. Bixby were visiting in this part of the city a few days last week. They represent an association called "God's Spiritual Worshiping Missionary Army."

Elder Hubbell and wife visited at W. H. Connell's Saturday last.

R. Fishel and family, and their children with their families, partook of a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Smith of Waterloo, was a visitor in this locality last Friday.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Purvis next Friday, December 8.

Another birthday party took place last Tuesday evening at the residence of W. H. Connell, a general invitation being given, it was accepted by a great many, who with choice refreshments met at Mr. W. Millett's then together announced their approach by singing "Clear the Darkened Window, Open Wide the Door." Mr. Connell not being previously informed of the arrangement tried in an embarrassed way to welcome his friends. The evening was pleasantly passed with vocal and instrumental music, and recitations by some of the Sunday school scholars.

Mr. Wm. Millett in behalf of the donors presented Mr. Connell with a beautiful chair as a birthday present, a reminder of his sixty-seventh birthday.

Rev. Tuttle preached last Sunday at the Union church, his subject being "Christian Giving." Text—"Neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing."—2 Samuel 24-24.

Miss Ruth Paxson, state secretary of the Iowa Young Woman's Christian Association will give an address next Sunday afternoon at the usual hour.

**GREELEY.**  
The masons are building another hall.

The next dance will be a masquerade.

Orin Baker has shipped in a car of horses.

Aleck Hackbarth was up from Delhi this week.

Mayor Hess was in Masonville, Monday.

A. A. Strong is slightly under the weather.

Mrs. Henry Box, Jr. and daughter, of Baltic, S. D., are the guests of relatives here.

Monday the 27th of November was the 53rd wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Box, of this place. May they see many more anniversaries.

Alac Thomas' baby was badly scalded Tuesday morning. The little one was sitting at the table and in some way got hold of a cup of hot coffee and spilled it into its lap burning its limbs quite severely.

Friday evening Miss Lottie Fitzpatrick gave a delightful party to a number of her young friends. An elegant lunch was served and all of those present report a very enjoyable evening.

Those present were: Misses Josephine Schneider, Ethel Carol, Ella Funk, Lottie Kleckner, Maud Robinson, Agnes Burns, Ida Neiderfrank, Blanche Way, Masters Newton Kleckner, Will Martindale, Artie Robinson, Ernie Sherman, Merrill Hatfield and Charles Corle.

Miss Lona Hatfield celebrated her 18th birthday Friday evening and was assisted by fifteen of her friends. Games and pleasant conversations made the evening pass only too soon and the small hours and home going came before any one was ready. An elegant lunch was served and when the guests departed they all wished that Miss Lona might have many a return of the event. Those present were: Misses Ethel Breckon, Myrtle Kleckner, Maud Canine, Cora Patterson, Florence Wilson, Bertha Marshall, Sophia Doonittle, Ada Avery, Masters Harry Burbridge, Ed Webster, Clyde Moody, Ed Farwell, Ralph Sherman, Harry Robinson, Ross Chase.—Home-Press.

## STRAWBERRY POINT.

E. W. Hoag returned home last Thursday morning. He is taking a lay-off to recover from the effects of what is known as telegraphers' paralysis.

A. J. Peters was in town yesterday and is today packing up his mother's goods preparatory to their removal to his home in Lodi, Illinois.

Charles Steinhilber, Will Pett, Dell Clark, John Kinniburgh and L. F. Smith left for Dell Rapids, S. D., Monday evening.

Ask Earl Emerson if he was surprised Monday evening, say nothing about Loyd? All seemed to enjoy themselves.

The sad news has been received in this place of the death of Mrs. H. E. Emerson, ("Gene" more familiar to the people here.) She passed to the great beyond Nov. 21st. Consumption was the cause of her death.

John Cartano has accepted a paying position in Monticello, and will move his family back to that place. George Groves takes his place at M. H. Liddy's.

Miss Fannie Marsh left for Dell Rapids, S. D., last Friday morning. She will visit at Fonda, Primghar, Sheldon and Sanborn before returning.

**EHLER.**  
The social at Lawrence McCue's was not very well attended on account of the weather.

Bert Moore and Robt. Montgomery were hunting a couple of days last week.

Henry Williamson has returned from his work in Cherokee county, for a short visit with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Montgomery and family ate their Thanksgiving dinner with their son Will and his wife.

James Patton has just had a large addition built on his barn.

Wes. Savage shipped a carload of cattle to Chicago one day last week.

Will Ehlers was a Coggon visitor on Thanksgiving day.

Henry McMullen went to Paris on business last Tuesday.

Bert Henderson went to Coggon Thursday to try his skill in shooting turkeys.

Wes. Savage just received two carloads of shingles and three of lumber. Wes. is doing a flourishing business.

Mrs. James Patton and Mrs. Tucker, of Coggon, were seen on our streets last Saturday afternoon.

Mattie Beauty was in Coggon on business last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McMullen and Edd Ewing spent Thanksgiving in Coggon with James Patton and family.

Corn husking is all finished in this vicinity, and everyone reports a good crop.

Geo. Ford is breaking a fine colt now-a-days.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Dewoddy visited with their sons at Coggon one day last week.

Wm. Calhoun and wife have moved to Silver Creek to live with the family of Sam McGirr this winter.

Mrs. C. Knox, of Coggon, visited with Wm. Montgomery one day last week.

Our school commenced Monday with Miss Thompson as teacher. Miss Thompson is a niece of Thos. Lyons of this place.

**EARLVILLE.**  
J. B. Sawyer, of Manchester, was in town Friday.

Erwin Lewis from near Greeley marketed 102 hogs here Monday receiving therefor the sum \$1238. Mr. Lewis says that raising hogs at present prices pays well.

Johnson Allen shipped his drill to Wheatfield, Indiana, where it will be used in the oil regions there. Mr. Allen will accompany the drill and assist in operating it for a time.

Miss Laura Whipple was at her home in Edgewood over Thanksgiving.

Arthur Harley went back to Epworth Thursday night to resume his studies in the Seminary.

H. Denton and his force have returned from the west where they have been railroaded.

J. B. Swinburne and S. W. Klaus were Dubuque visitors Monday.

Henry Staehle attended the dance at Dyersville Thursday night.

W. I. Millen was in Greeley Wednesday and Thursday.

Orin M. Baker, of Greeley, was in town Wednesday.

The goods for Wm. Eaton's Racket store have arrived and he is about ready for business.

Mr. Trade, of Chicago, cousin of Frank Seger and C. W. Fishel, were at Almon over Thanksgiving.

L. G. Hersey and family spent Thanksgiving at T. O. Eaton's in Manchester.

Harry Cruise is clerking in the Central House.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Staehle Jr. and W. T. Wood were at Monticello Friday upon invitation of the Masonic Lodge of that place which gave Auditor of State Merriam several degrees.

Willis Healey, of Des Moines was renewing acquaintances here.

John Graham, of Earley, Ia., a son of Luke Graham who formerly resided here, was visiting in this place last week.

John Cruikshank, of Galena, Ill., is in town visiting friends.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Congregational Church, Rev. Foote making the address.

## RYAN.

Thos. Ryan, of Middlefield, was in town Saturday.

Joe Heiberger made a business trip to Farley last week.

Gus Krumpel of Wien, Missouri, was shaking hands with old friends here Wednesday.

Chas. Hickathier is having a furnace placed in his residence.

Mrs. J. Delay, of Castle Grove, spent Sunday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Beacom.

Miss Sarah Ward, of Manchester was an over Sunday visitor with friends in this city.

W. Stripes has returned from Faulkner, Ia. and again entered the employ of J. P. Smith.

Rev. J. O'Connor, of Oelwein was calling on friends here Wednesday.

Pat Behan held the lucky number which drew the harness railed at the Manchester Fair Friday evening.

The Hildebaugh family who formerly lived on the Hallum farm west of town and moved to Ocheyan, Iowa, about seven years ago, have been having their share of misfortune recently. About four weeks ago the oldest boy was severely injured by a threshing engine and a few days later his brother was killed by the same engine. Word was received here Saturday stating that the boys father was found dead by the roadside a few miles from home, he had been to Sibley, Iowa, and it is supposed that his horse become frightened and ran away throwing him out of the buggy and breaking his neck.

The Misses Coakley and O'Brien attended the dedication ceremonies at the Castle Grove church Thanksgiving.

Miss Agnes McCaffery came out from Dubuque Saturday evening to take charge of her school in the Summers district which opens Monday.

E. E. Coakley and R. M. Merriam attended the fair at Manchester Friday evening.

Mrs. Dr. Donnelly and children spent Thanksgiving with friends at the county seat.

Owing to the bad weather the attendance was not large at the ball in Merley's hall Thursday evening.

## PRAIRIE.

Mr. T. Barry and family of Middlefield, were guests of Wm. Barry Sunday.

Mr. T. Place, of Waterloo, was seen on our streets Wednesday.

Miss Lena Kipper, of Manchester, is wishing the rod of correction, in the Mulligan district.

Mr. J. Lyness and sister of Barryville visited at the Haennig home, Sunday.

Mr. E. Mulvehill, of Ryan, spent Sunday with his parents and others.

Mr. Jim Welch was a Winthrop visitor Tuesday.

Mr. T. Drake, of Lamont, was seen on our streets, Monday.

Mr. Joe Heiberger and family of Ryan, spent Sunday with friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. R. Haennig and son were Manchester callers, Wednesday.

Mr. Lewis Mulvehill spent Thanksgiving at home.

Miss Mayne McMahon commenced her school in Collins Grove last Monday.

Mr. E. Dunning, of Collins Grove was seen on our streets last Sunday going south. "Wonder where he was going?"

Mr. T. Street is moving to Manchester where he intends making his future home.

Quite a number from this section attended the Dedication exercises at the Montch church Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Welch visited friends near Ryan Sunday.

Miss Anna Anis commenced her school in the Brayton District, Monday.

Mr. D. Kennedy was a Masonville visitor Wednesday.

Mr. J. E. Mulvehill called at the Barry home, Sunday evening.

Mr. J. Wellman is hauling wood from Silver Creek.

Mr. Livingstone and family depart for Chicago next week, and after visiting friends a short time there will sail for Scotland, where they intend making their future home. Their many friends will very much regret their departure.

**SNOW FLAKE.**  
Hopkinson.

Mrs. Griess has purchased the residence property of W. E. Reed, near the railroad in the west part of town. She will occupy it at once.

F. C. Barker underwent an operation for appendicitis at St. Luke's hospital in Chicago last week. Dr. L. F. Cummings was present during the operation. It will be good news to Fred's friends to learn that the operation was successful and that he is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. Benj. Keith, of Seattle, Washington, a brother of Mrs. E. F. Main and U. G. Keith, is visiting them and other relatives in this vicinity. He has been absent over twenty years. He and many old time friends are enjoying his visit, and are glad to see him looking so well.

P. A. Kehoe marketed a hog here last Monday that was the largest we have ever seen. It tipped the scales strong at 810 pounds. The hog was active and walked up as brisk as a much larger one would be expected to. Mr. Kehoe also had shipped 15 head of splendid Hereford steers and heifers which will be hard to excel. The entire bunch of stock shipped made two cars, James Kehoe went to Chicago with them.

One day last week an entrance was effected into the J. H. Griffith residence and some one who failed to be identified made their way through the house.

The inmates were awake but each thought it was some other member of the household up. It being near morning, Mr. Griffith was awake and was talking. This probably frightened the burglars away. Towns people should load their guns, as jails and officers seem to avail nothing against South Fork depredators.

In a letter to his old room-mate, James Thompson, Robert Corbit of Ann Arbor, says: "We had a blow out on a small scale last night. It was the occasion of the debate between the Law and Literary Departments to those three men to represent the university in the debate between us and Chicago in January. A. M. Cloud was one of the Law speakers and sure enough Cloud won first place and the prize of \$70. There were three prizes,

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1st. \$70.00, 2nd. \$50.00 and 3rd. \$30.00. So Cloud will debate with the University of Chicago which will take place here January 12th. Bert did well and deserved first place. When the students were on the stage congratulating the speakers, McCready Greer, P. M. Cloud and I went on the stage and gave the Lenox yell in honor of Cloud's victory. We gave "Wahoo, Chingloo" etc. After the debate we went to a restaurant where we feasted royally at Bert's invitation and expense. Leader.

**EDGEWOOD.**  
Miss Bertha Barr, of Manchester, is visiting with relatives and friends here this week.

Grandma Blair, of Thorpe, was visiting friends here and at Strawberry Point over Sunday.

The house of B. L. Sevey, northeast of town was burned to the ground at noon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dorman were guests at the Rev. L. Hubbell home Thursday and Friday.

The Royal Neighbor social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Funk Saturday evening was largely attended and a nice time had.

Will Connell, of Manchester, took the train here Thursday for Decatur, where he went to visit friends for a short time.

A recent rise in shoe leather is attributed to the Transvaal war. If the price of wood isn't forced up by the coal and lumber trusts, we'll all be wearing clogs before long.

The little baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Will Basquin died, Monday, after a week's illness. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved parents in their hour of sorrow.

Dell Knight entertained a number of his friends at his pleasant home west of town, Friday evening. The battle at progressive crokinole proved to be both exciting and entertaining, and when the company broke up and departed for their homes, it was with the feeling that the evening had been most enjoyably spent.

Friday, 2400 speckled trout minnows were brought up from the government fisheries at Spring Branch and put into Bear Creek. There are notices posted along the creek warning anglers not to catch these fish, thus protecting them by law for the period of one year, under penalties that will make them rather dear eating.—Journal.

**COGOGON.**  
Mrs. Chas. Faulkner of Silver Creek was in Coggon last Thursday calling on her friends.

A. E. Sheldon spent several days in Cedar Rapids last week as a juror in the superior court.

Mr. George VanAuken and Miss Eva Grape, of near Masonville, spent Sunday at the Monitor home.

Newton Green and wife, of Hazel Green, are visiting their son, N. A. Green and family.

A farewell reception was tendered Prof. C. B. Paul at H. M. Sheldon's Tuesday evening, a large crowd being present. He left Tuesday morning on the 10.15 passenger and all the scholars of the high school room were at the depot to see him off.

Died, A. F. Green, Nov. 23, 1899, at Clark, S. D. He was born July 3rd, 1841, in Pennsylvania, came to Iowa with his parents in 1845, who settled in Dubuque county, near Farley, where he made his home until the spring of 1867, when he came to Coggon and engaged in the mercantile business. Prior to his coming to Coggon he was engaged in teaching school. He continued in business for quite a number of years, until about 1870 when he branched out and, with his brothers, Amos and Henry,

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