

Henry Funke, one of Colony's most prosperous farmers, was a pleasant caller in our city last Saturday.

There is a tip in Judge Seeds' letter on second page that those interested in the public library should profit by it.

The Sunshine club will meet in festive array this week Friday evening with Mr. Will and Miss Georgia Graham.

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Bradley Lillibridge and Hunt Armistead, attendants of the Cedar Rapids Business College, came home for the Thanksgiving vacation returning Monday to school duties.

Dr. C. L. Leigh spent Thursday with his parents in Dyersville. A well-filled basket of jolly good things to eat accompanied the doctor and we trust they helped make up a sumptuous dinner.

There is a very alluring inducement to the trade offered by Austin Brown's ad. This week. The whole is good honest reading and in this time of holiday preparation it will pay everyone to look up his column elsewhere in this issue.

David Beehler, of the Chicago Art School, has made the Library board and the Charles's Aunt Company deeply indebted by furnishing a beauty poster heralding the coming event. The same can be seen in the window of Welcomes Abbott's drug store.

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Jos. Pasandack, of Richland township, had business in Manchester Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Scott spent Thanksgiving with the Doctor's brother in Independence.

Dr. Harry Hoag, of Garner, was visiting his parents and other relatives in the city last week.

Mrs. L. M. Johnson spent Thanksgiving with her daughter, Miss Grace, at Sinsinawa Mound.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Brownell were made glad last week Monday by the arrival of a bright baby girl.

Miss Florence Lister came home from College at Grinnell to spend the Thanksgiving vacation days.

Miss Irene Stiles, now of Waterloo, was the guest of her brother, E. B. Stiles, and wife, Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillip spent Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. Phillip's parents in the sister town of Earlville.

Prof. Harry Wolcott, of Iowa College, Grinnell, was a guest in the parental home here the latter part of the week.

Carl Clemans came home Tuesday morning from a few days visit with his brother, Will Clemans, and family in Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. A. G. Cox had as guests Thanksgiving day and the latter part of last week, Mrs. Charles Cox and son of Central City.

Which one of the Peterson Bros. is represented as a soup maker by the picture in their ad? Charlie of course. Doc was long ago shorn of his moustache.

Don't fail to see what happened to Jones at the Central Opera House, Wednesday evening.

The greatest show of the winter, strictly first class Comedy.

Mrs. Layland, of Nashua, has been visiting relatives here for several days. She is a sister of Mrs. Daniel Warner, Mrs. Betsy Harris and Mr. George Sheldon.

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Judge Blair is holding court at Independence this week.

Miss Olive Tucker entertained last week Wednesday evening.

Hon. and Mrs. R. W. Tirrill spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Tirrill's brother in Aurora.

M. Beehler and son, Charlie, went to Des Moines Monday morning to spend the week.

R. W. Chambers makes a special call in his advertising space to the readers of the Democrat.

Miss Beth Cheney spent the last days of the week just past with friends in Janesville, Wisconsin.

"Kalamity's" annual "Kristmas Kard" occupies a double half column of this issue of the Democrat.

Mrs. Le Roy and Miss Doris Le Roy spent the day of Thanksgiving in Dubuque, the guests of friends.

Mrs. W. E. Lawrence returned to Cedar Rapids Monday after a few days visit with friends in this city.

Henry Gately, Cripple Creek, Colorado, spent Thanksgiving in the city with his sisters, Mrs. Hart and Mrs. Sennett.

Mrs. Eva Farrott-Conger and little daughter left the first of the week for Davenport where they will be the guests of friends.

A. S. Cumming, of Dankerton in Blackhawk county, was in the city Monday consulting with R. M. Marvin on pension business.

Paul Triem was one of the Coe College students who spent Thanksgiving at home. He returned Monday morning to Cedar Rapids.

John Cameron and Miss Norma Steele, of Strawberry Point, visited with the former's parents in this city Thursday and Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Abbott were visited by the stork last Saturday. Mother and baby are doing well and Welcome is treating on the new boy.

Reuben Hockaday returned the first of the week to his college work in Cedar Rapids after spending Thanksgiving vacation with his parents and friends here.

Justice Pearce performed the marriage ceremony that united Elsworth Wilcox, of Greeley, and Miss Tena M. Schwellert of Littleport last week Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Will Amsden, of Garner, visited in the Rev. Amsden home in this city last week, departing the latter part of the week for Earlville where she will be the guest of her parents.

Mrs. Gertrude Conger-Hoffman returned Monday evening to Dubuque after a visit in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Conger. Mrs. Hoffman was called here by the death of her aunt, Miss Annis.

Robt. Dunlap, a former Manchester boy, who is now employed as hotel clerk in Marshalltown passed through here Saturday morning on his way home to Earlville where he will visit relatives and friends.

Lay aside some of your Xmas money to spend at the young ladies bazaar to be held Friday, December 14, afternoon and evening in the Congregational church parlors. They will sell dolls, aprons, fancy work, candy, etc. and serve a supper at 5.30.

The annual celebration of the birth anniversaries of Mrs. G. W. Fairchild and Mrs. E. F. Sias, occurred Monday evening of this week at the beautiful Fairchild home in Pythian Square. The ladies served tea and its accompanying delicacies to some thirty guests after which games and various amusements were indulged in until the evening passed into the night when, with sincere congratulations on this pleasant celebration, and kind wishes for many more happy birthdays, the guests bade good-night to the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Clemans delightfully entertained a number of their friends at a half after six o'clock dinner last Wednesday evening, this being the last in their series of entertainments. After a dinner abundant with good things that go to make this life party worth the living, the dining tables were cleared away and an evening was enjoyably spent in retailing bright ideas and in games of various kinds, all downright good fun, and only the time of night prevailed with the guests to leave so hospitable a host and hostess.

Mrs. W. H. Norris, a non-member of the six handed euchre club, entertained that aggregation of ladies at their usual euchre meeting last Wednesday afternoon, there being twenty-four present. For proficiency in playing, Mrs. Sherman won a handsome bunch of carnations and as an incentive, it is presumed, to further the good behavior of this club, Mrs. Norris served delicious refreshments which were thoroughly appreciated by all present. The afternoon will be remembered by the Eucherites as one of the most pleasant meetings in their calendar.

Word reaches us just as we are going to press that the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester has left the ranks of missionary churches and assumed the dignity of independence. This church received from the Board for the year ending April 1, 1901, the sum of \$150. Sabbath, November 25, was Home Mission day, and in response to the pastor's plea to pay back the gift of the Board and do something besides for Home Missions an offering of \$195 was received. This is a stimulating example. We congratulate Rev. C. A. Highfield, the pastor, and his earnest people.—Dubuque Presbyterian.

A petition, asking that a bridge be built across the Maquoketa connecting Dubuque and East Main street with West Main street, is being circulated among the citizens of Dubuque County and is gaining many signers. Another bridge across the river at some point in the city is a real necessity as has been evidenced many times during the past summer, especially on a Saturday when the country's metropolis is filled with our country folk and the old bridge on Franklin street is blocked by the traffic. The petition when signed will be presented to the Board of Supervisors of Dubuque county and to them will be relegated the responsibility of giving to the county patrons of the county capital a new means of ingress into Manchester.

Scharles hits the nail squarely on the head in his new adv.

Rather formal is Mr. J. H. Stewart's (better known as Harry) new announcement.

If you want to buy a good second hand six roller corn husker, read Joseph Lazadack's local.

Mrs. Rev. Hubbell of Edgewood, was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Dorman, last week.

Jo. Skinner, Chicago, has been in the city and vicinity the past week visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Earl Bronson called on relatives here last Friday, returning the same day to her home in Spencer.

Knights Templar Commandery have their regular meeting this Wednesday evening, at which time officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

Reserved seats for "Charley's Aunt" to be given on the evening of December 12th, will be on sale to-morrow morning at Abbott's drug store.

John Geinapp of Belden, Nebraska, where he has resided the past fifteen years, has been the guest of his brother Fred near Delaware for several days.

Attention is called to "Lost Pocket Book" local in another column. Any one finding same will be doing a kindness by leaving the book at this office.

Burt and Elsie Bishop returned Monday to Epworth where they are in the Seminary, after a few days spent at their parental home in Milo Township.

The establishment of a feed mill at Dundee has proved to be a great convenience to many of the residents there and will therefore be continued indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitney departed Tuesday for Sherman, Texas, where they will be the guests of their daughter, Mable Whitney-Keyes through the winter months.

The board of directors of the St. Paul's Union church will give a supper, Friday December 7, at the residence of C. T. Adams. Price 10 cents. Everybody cordially invited.

A Basket Social will be given in Briggs' hall at Dundee, Friday evening, December 7th, for the benefit of the German Lutheran church of that place. All are cordially invited to attend.

Broadhurst Bros' roaring farce, "What Happened to Jones," is booked for the Central Opera House to-night. It is a high class comedy and is coming here under a guaranty which insures a full house.

Elder C. H. Taylor held very successful revival meetings in the Sand Creek church last week being assisted in the good work by Rev. Salisbury, the Methodist pastor in Delhi and a singer of ability.

At the meeting of Manchester Lodge No. 165 A. F. and A. M. last Saturday night officers were elected as follows: W. E. Graham, W. M.; Geo. W. Hunt, S. W.; H. A. von Oven, J. W.; Seth Brown, Treas.; and J. M. Pearce, Secretary.

Letters addressed to the following remain uncalled for at the post office in this city: Miss E. J. Bishop, Miss Anna Stone, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mrs. W. M. Moore, Mrs. Lucy Mather, Mrs. Nancy Parsons, F. B. Hardy, John Dawns, F. D. Merry, T. C. Pearce and P. Mann 2.

The Leader says: The building prospects for Hopkinton the coming season are already beyond the stage of talk and speculation and the indications are that the burned district will soon be the scene of active operations looking to the complete rehabilitation of the block.

J. W. Warrell lost a small dwelling in Ryan by fire on the 25th ult. It was insured in the Farmers Fire and Light ning Insurance Association of this county, and last Saturday the loss was satisfactorily adjusted by A. S. Coon and Miles E. Blair the president and secretary of the association.

The following residents of this county have been summoned to serve as petit jurors at the U. S. District court in session at Dubuque this week: E. K. Stone and James Burton, Delhi; John Mathews, Greeley; Chas. C. Barry, Barryville; James M. Connel, Hopkinton; and Thomas Wilson, Oneida.

All of the older residents of this community were acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rule (nee Joan Ruggles) and will therefore be interested in the following received by Mr. and Mrs. W. Dudley, from them: "Mr. and Mrs. Henry William Rule announce the marriage of their daughter Clara Elizabeth, to Mr. W. Gordon Parks, Wednesday Nov. 28, 1900, Oklahoma City, O. T."

Cards are out for a luncheon and afternoon at cards, Mrs. M. Beehler and Miss Beehler entertaining December 10, luncheon to be served at half past twelve Friday of the same week Mrs. and Miss Beehler will entertain at luncheon, the guests being invited for the hour of one. This entertainment will be followed by a flower afternoon given by Miss Beehler Saturday to a number of her young lady friends—the flowers of the city if you please. These ladies have enviable reputations as entertainers and those favored with invitations for these occasions are anticipating afternoons of pleasure.

John Whitman was killed by a train on the Illinois Central, Monday night. For sometime past his home has been at Epworth, Last Monday morning he and his brother-in-law Frank Ball, left Epworth on horse back for this place. They stopped for a time at Dyersville and got as far as Love's Grove on the outskirts of this city sometime after dark when John said he could go no farther. They both got off their horses laid down and went to sleep. A while afterwards Ball awoke and after searching for John and not being able to find him, he caught the horses and took them to the home of John's mother, Mrs. Mary Whitman, two miles north east of this city. Early yesterday morning John's lifeless body was found beside the railroad track, half a mile west of Delaware, and about four miles from Love's Grove. Dr. Lawrence held a coroner's inquest yesterday afternoon which was not concluded at the time we went to press. The deceased leaves surviving him a wife and two young children.

If you want a job of canvassing, see Spaulding Co. local.

Ralph Dunham is confined to his home with pneumonia, his condition the latter part of the week being so alarming that a telegram was sent summoning home his father who was with the National Park Commission at Vicksburg. Mr. Dunham arrived home Monday noon and happily found Ralph better. The many friends of the young man and of the family are hoping the improvement will continue and that rapidly.

On the 17 inst my large barn was struck by lightning and was completely consumed by fire. I sustained a loss of 25 tons of hay, 5 head of cattle, 500 bushels of oats, farm implements and harness. I was insured in the Anchor Fire Ins. Co. of Des Moines, Iowa. I have had my loss adjusted today in a most satisfactory way and received payment in full. I take great pleasure in commending this company for its promptness and the fairness exhibited in settling my heavy loss.

MICHAEL HAHESY, O. E. HUENE of Manchester, Agt. for the Anchor.

Prompt Payment.

Between the court house and the railroad track on Wayne street, a black leather pocket book bearing a small silver Monogram. \$1. Finder please leave at this office.

Salesmen Wanted. (Local and Traveling) Energetic farmers preferred. References required. STAUDING CO., Spaulding, Ill.

42-2 pt.

Corn Husker. A Milwaukee six roller Corn Husker in good condition for sale. Have quit farming and therefore have no further use for it. J. O. DUNDEE, 2 miles west of Forestville, P. O. Dundee, Iowa.

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Manchester Markets.

Hogs, per cwt. \$22.84 40

Steers, per cwt. 20.02 40

Heifers, per cwt. 19.50 40

Cows, butcher stock, per cwt. 2.00 2.50

Canners, per cwt. 1.50 2.00

Ducks, white, per lb. 5 5

Ducks, dark, per lb. 4 4

Spring Chickens. 4 4

Old Hens, per lb. 3 3

Corn, per bu. 1.25 1.25

Oats, per bu. 1.00 1.00

Hay, wild, per ton. 6 50

Butter, creamery, per lb. 27 27

Potatoes, per bu. 2 20

Butter, dairy, per lb. 25 25

Eggs, per doz. 1 20

Timothy seed. 1 20