

LAMONT.
Born to Garland Toomer and wife April 29, a girl.
Born to David Opperman and wife Monday, May 6, a son.
Born to Wm. Dopp and wife Tuesday, May 7, a girl.
Mrs. Benedict is in Stanley visiting G. Simon and wife.
C. L. Eaton and family entertained her sister, Miss Tressa Merkl who has just returned from California, also Mrs. Jacobs of Hawkeye last week.
Sunday was Epworth League day in the M. E. church.
Mrs. A. W. Richmond returned from Tripoli May 7.
Mrs. Bert Crew took passage to Richmond, Iowa, Wednesday, May 8, for a several days visit in her parental home.
Dr. and Mrs. Hoffman entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones of Bloomington, Illinois last week.
The lecture in the Free Baptist church Friday evening was well attended and heartily enjoyed.
Little Greta Gray has been having the pneumonia. We hope for her speedy recovery.
Dr. Sheldahl of Mason City is here visiting his two daughters Mesdames Jan Gray and Chas. Flanahan.
The H. G. Evans shooting gallery is a great attraction.
Mrs. Bush is repairing her house on south side preparatory to moving to town. Say but Bert will get lonesome out there alone on that big farm in that roomy house batching?
The listeners to the band enjoy their melodious strains very much and wish they would play both Wednesday and Saturday evenings.
The Herbal Remedy Co. began a series of entertainments here in the opera house, Monday evening, May 13.
S. Cole is preparing to build an elaborate, modern, commodious house on his farm. That's right St., get ready to take it easy in old age.
Dr. E. E. Richardson formerly of Lamont but now of Webster City, renewed friendships here Saturday and Sunday.
Wm. Becker's new house is fast nearing completion.
Fred Field and family visited their St. Paul relatives and friends last week.
Henry Sharf is a hustler at whatever he undertakes. He sold nine windmills May 6 and 7.
George Bracher transacted business in Dubuque and Guttenburg last week.
Mrs. Chas. Lingenfelter has been quite sick.
The F. Baptist and Regular Baptist each had well filled houses at their regular gathering—the F. B.'s dedicatory, the regular Baptists distinct association.
HOPKINSON.
H. H. Wheeler has sold his dry line to Arthur Reed, who took charge of the business May 1st.
W. E. Lepley, who recently returned with his parents from California will go to Montana some time in June to look after his ranch interests in that county.
The graduating class from the high school will assemble on Monday, May 13, at the home of Rhoda Wilson, Marie McCallough, Mary Brady, Mary Hale, Angie Wheeler, Minnie Stutz and Zita Goss.
H. J. Schriener, county superintendent, has been spending the week in this part of the county on a tour of inspection of the schools. He reports the schools of the township in fine condition as a whole, with experienced teachers in charge.
Doc Harris, the Delhi veterinarian, was exhibiting a six-legged pig on the streets Tuesday which he had picked up during his trips about the country.
The extra pair of legs were as well formed as the regular kind but appeared to be an entirely useless appendage. Doc was industriously teaching the youngster to take milk from a bottle, and he hopes to be able to raise the porker for exhibition purposes.
W. W. Myers, who had charge of the soliciting for subscriptions to assist in macadamizing the road southwest of town which was mentioned in the Leader a few weeks ago, announces that he has secured contributions to the amount of \$400.
The subscription paper has been turned over to Supervisor Carter, who will endeavor to secure an appropriation from the county funds to help in the enterprise, and it is hoped to begin the work in June or July.
The improvement will be another link in the food roads system radiating from Hopkinson and one that will be greatly appreciated by the heavy travel which comes in from the west.
The marriage of John Schuster and Miss Mary McDonough occurred at Sand Spring yesterday, Rev. Father McCormick of Monticello performing the ceremony. There were about 200 invited guests at the wedding and after the conclusion of the services at the church all repaired to the home of the bride's mother where a sumptuous repast was laid. The contracting parties are among the most popular young people in South Fort, and received the hearty congratulations of friends. They took the train at this place last evening for a short wedding trip, after which they will begin home life on the Nicholas Wilson farm in Union township, which the groom has rented.—Leader.

PETERSBURG.
Mr. and Mrs. Clemens Klosterman, Mr. and Mrs. Hy Willenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Domeser and daughter Regina were visiting at F. H. Roifes Jr. last Sunday.
Mr. George Schnieders of Cedar Rapids visited at his parents last Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roifes, etc. were visiting relatives in Dyersville Sunday.
Mr. Frank Diegman of Remsen is here visiting relatives.
Mr. Henry Duetmeyer of Worthington was noticed here Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schnieders, of Dyersville were here Sunday visiting their parents.
Mr. John Farkenbrack, of Dyersville visited at John Hennekes last week Wednesday.
A bright boy baby exhilarates the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Osterhaus. We congratulate.
Cards are out announcing the wedding of Ay Schnieders to Mary Bagge May 21.
Prof. John Lineweber is sick with the mumps. We hope to see him around soon.

RYAN.
Mr. and Mrs. Kane, of Masonville, were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Clark Sunday.
P. Donnelly, of Ehler, was in town Saturday.
Mrs. F. Beinert was a Manchester visitor Friday.
M. F. Houlihan, of Ehler, was in town Saturday evening.
J. P. Smith and wife are called upon to mourn the death of their little daughter Florence, aged about two years, which occurred Monday after an illness of only a few days. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved parents.
Mrs. R. S. Gregg, of Oto, Iowa, is visiting friends here.
Rev. J. J. Hanley, of Monti, was in town Wednesday.
R. M. Merriam has been distributing cigars quite freely the past week and account of a new boy which arrived at his house a few days ago.
The Misses Young and Giesendorf spent Sunday in Manchester.
Miss Luella Guthrie arrived home last week from a visit with her sister in Minnesota.
ALMIRA.
We had a light frost Friday night.
Charley Prabel was among the Ryan callers Wednesday.
Pat McDonough was buying up cattle through these parts last week.
W. M. Michael and wife were county seat callers Friday.
Mr. Haight, of Ryan, is helping his son-in-law, Frank Towne out with his spring work this week.
Mr. Isabell, of Hopkinson was a caller here last week.
All kinds of agents on the road these days.
Ed Hugh spent Sunday at Rocky Hook.
Fred Barthe and wife of Hartwick visited the latter's parents here Saturday.
The little three year old daughter of James Smith and wife, of Ryan, died Monday afternoon with the scarlet fever and was laid to rest in the Belmont cemetery Wednesday forenoon at 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have the sympathy of all in this their hour of sorrow.
Fred Tracey was a Manchester caller Saturday.
Kate Kumbly spent Sunday at home.
Wm. McCusker transacted business at Monticello Friday.
Rev. Mumby was a Ryan caller Saturday.
Mr. Helmicks visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ducker here Sunday.
Will Yoelsh and family and Alr Hieslan family, of Ryan, visited at Ryan Hawks Sunday.
Pete Michael, of Delhi, was a caller here Wednesday.
Maggie McCusker was shopping in Ryan Saturday.
Mr. Warrell and family visited in Milo Sunday.
GREKLEX.
Wm. Davis is having a new barn built at his farm.
Jerome Baker accompanied the remains of his father to Michigan.
Mrs. Tim Hatfield and daughter, Lona, visited relatives in Manchester, on Monday.
The new hotel at Edgewood has about been completed. S. T. Richards was the landlord.
The last reports from Ed Correll, are very discouraging and says that he is gradually growing weaker.
Henry Dryden, accompanied his mother to Nevada this week where she will remain for awhile as a guest of her son, John.
The water has been shut off from the town cistern, and it is only a question of a few days when those who depended on this for their water supply will be compelled to go elsewhere. This will compel the town to devise some means of a water supply, and also some means of fire protection.—Home Press.

COGON.
Mr. M. S. VanAuken of Manchester is visiting her niece, Mrs. E. S. Wetherbe.
The passenger train through Coggon is running a new passenger coach something that is appreciated by the traveling public.
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dewoody arrived home Saturday evening from Winebago county, and are now at their friends in the north part of town.
Rev. A. C. Downing, who has engaged to officiate as pastor of the Christian church here for the coming year, arrived with his household goods Saturday. His wife and child went to Kansas City for a few days visit with relatives before coming to Coggon. Death entered our midst again last Thursday morning and called another of the old settlers in this community, Mr. Chas. Shew, who for the past ten years had made his home in Coggon and the great strong beyond. The deceased was born at Green Bay, Jefferson county, New York, August 20, 1830. He came to Whiteside county, Ill., in 1853, and was there married to Martha Daniels, February 14, 1855. To this union five children were born, namely, Willis, deceased; Alonzo; of Strawberry Point, Iowa; Myra Turner of Manchester, Iowa; Fred of Waterloo, Iowa, and Mattie of Clinton, Iowa. With his family in 1863 he moved to Coggon and settled in Delaware county, where he lived until moving to Coggon. The funeral was held Saturday at 2:30 in the M. E. church, the funeral being preached by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Moesman. Interment in the Coggon cemetery.—Monitor.

DIERSVILLE.
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Schnieders were at Petersburg last Sunday visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Schnieders.
Mrs. Will Hanley, of Ryan, who had been visiting with relatives at New Vienna for some time, was in the city Monday evening en route home.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gloden returned to Manchester Friday morning after spending a few days here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eyer.
Thomas Lindsay, of Manchester, one of the supervisors of Delaware county, has a force of men macadamizing the road just west of town. It was a much needed improvement.
An Illinois Central conductor was arrested in this city last Saturday morning for obstructing Chestnut street with his freight train fully fifteen minutes. He was taken before Mayor pro tem Klein by Marshal Westmark, but on account of his being a new man on this division he was released without paying a fine.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thillen, of Ryan, who had been at New Vienna for some time visiting at the home of their son Simon Thillen and family, were in town last Monday evening en route home. While at New Vienna Mrs. Thillen was taken seriously ill and for several days it was thought that she could not recover.
John Latner and Miss Rosa Steiber, both prominent young people of Worthington, were united in marriage there Tuesday morning. Both are well and favorably known in this city, they having relatives here. The groom is a brother of Mr. P. F. Vandever and the bride is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steiber.
In speaking of the marriage of John A. Schnieders and Miss Lena Sudmeier, which occurred at Bancroft last week, the Register of that place has the following to say of the bride: "Bancroft never knew a nobler girl than Lena Sudmeier and while all regret her withdrawal from our social circle they rejoice over her life union with such a sterling young man as is the groom, and one and all join in sincere felicitations and hopes that every joy of life be theirs."—News-Letter.

DELHI.
Alex McKean of Iowa City was a caller in and near town Saturday.
Mrs. Lewis is improving the appearance of her place by a fine new fence.
S. P. Carter was up from Hopkinson on business Saturday.
J. W. Swinburne visited in Oneida last Friday.
Guy Smith was up from Stone City Monday. He has secured a position for the summer in the depot there.
Ben Thorpe of Ahler is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. S. M. Chase.
J. B. Clark was an over Sunday visitor at his home here.
Fred Flick of Ryan spent last week in town as a guest of his mother, Mrs. Jane Flick.
A load of the young people here had attended a party at the Ziegler home north of Delaware one evening last week.
Superintendent Schwelert of Manchester was in town Monday. He visited some of the country schools near town.
Mr. Nace of Strawberry Point was in town Thursday delivering pictures.
Mr. and Mrs. George White, Mrs. Lewis and Miss Alice Cummings were shopping in Manchester Friday.
Gwen Perkins came home from Hopkinson Friday night to remain until Monday with home friends.
The Karno, who works in the interest of the Karno City Traction Company was in town on business last Wednesday.
Roy Stone is home from Fayette having finished the commercial course there.
There will be an entertainment in the M. E. Church next Thursday evening, May 16; called Edison's Life size Motion Pictures. The entertainment is under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society, and comes highly recommended. Admission 25 cents. Family of four to five cents. Everybody is invited to come enjoy a pleasant evening and help in a good cause.
A Laing was in town on business Thursday.
A Sympathetic Memory.
In a western Massachusetts town lives a young woman who is blessed with both discrimination and tact.
The first of these admirable qualities she has displayed by her two marriages. Her first husband was a minister, a most delightful man. He died, and after a lapse of five or six years she was united to his only brother, who was a successful lawyer in New York.
On her literary desk stands a picture of the first partner of her joys and sorrows, and one day a curious caller asked whom the photograph represented.
"That," said the hostess, with evident emotion, "is a picture of my husband's brother, who died eight years ago and who was very dear to us both."—Youth's Companion.

GENESEE.
"What's your fare?" asked old Flintskin of his caddy the other day and was met with the stereotyped reply: "Well, sir, I will leave that to you."
"Thank you, you're very kind," said old F., buttoning up his pockets and walking off. "You're the first person who ever left me anything yet."—London Fun.

When Mr. Gladstone was alive, he was once discussing with some friends at Harvard castle the greatest day in the world's history. Each member of the group was asked to say on which day he, in the past or the future, would prefer to live. It being supposed that he should have his present knowledge and afterward return to his present existence. Mr. Gladstone chose a day in Greece when Athens was at its highest glory.
A Different Point of View.
Willie (crying)—Mamma—boohoo—Joe hit me with a great big brick. Boohoo—Mamma—And what did you do to him, dear?
Willie—I hit him gently with that same little brick he threw at me.—Harper's Bazar.

SIGN OF APPROPRIATION.
"Mr. Simpkins and our daughter must be engaged."
"No, but the girl has to find fault with her."—Chicago Record.

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—Saturday Evening Post.

NEW ENGLAND YOUNGSTERS.
One of Detroit's lawyers, who has had such professional success as to enable him to spend a portion of each summer in a quiet New England section, brings back some very interesting facts.
"I take my outing in one of those parts," he says, "where the farms are so few that you can't grow for a good crop of anything unless it be beans or goats. One of the consequences is that the young men have to find some other part of the country to spend their vacation, and I'll wager that there is not another community in the Union where the average age is higher."
"Knowing me to be a lawyer, some of the residents called me into a conference about the township treasurer who had been guilty of advancing a teacher \$2 on her salary without the consent of the trustees. There was not a man there except myself who was not a member of the township council, and while I was making talk in favor of the treasurer and trying to minimize his transgressions without offending the selectmen, as they called them, a man of at least 65 slouched through the door and took a seat.
"Just a minute," said one of the oldest veterans as he interrupted and glowered at the intruder. "How often have I quoted that three quotation you 'bout old men and young men for war? This is a council. Now you just run out till we get through, Willie. If there's any a'rest to be made, we'll call on you." And Willie went without turning a word."
—Detroit Free Press.

PLANNING DAYS OF THE WEEK.
The prematurely aged young man whose duty it is to get up The Record and "Answers to Correspondents" column says that queries of the same nature always come in bunches. They seem to be epidemic. Just at present a great many people seem eager to know what day of the week they were born on, and it keeps him busy figuring the dates out. He has a system which he uses, and for the benefit of others who may be in search of like information it is herewith given:
For instance, take Jan. 15, 1868. A man born on that date writes to know what day of the week it fell on. In order to ascertain this divide the figure representing the year by 4, reject the remainder if any. To this dividend quotient add the number of days in the year to the given date, inclusive, always reckoning 28 days in February. Divide the sum by 7, and the remainder will be the number of the day of the week. The illustration, taking Jan. 15, 1868:
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Thus, by this calculation, which is infallible, it will be seen that Jan. 15, 1868, fell on the fifth day of the week, which is Thursday.—Philadelphia Record.

THRIFTY.
A Canadian miller had just married a couple. The registers were signed, and nothing remained but the giving and taking of the fee. The bridegroom, a strapping young fellow, asked:
"How much is it?"
The parson glanced at the smiling bride and slyly answered:
"Whatever you think it is worth."
"It should have been young and great deal, for the girl was young and pretty."
"I reckon it's worth about 5 shillings," said the swain, holding out two half crowns.
The clergyman looked blankly at the coins, then turned to the fair one. "I'll leave it to you, madam," he said. "What do you think it's worth?"
"What did this young and blushing bride do?" he asked, and took the coins, handed one half crown to the minister and put the other into her pocket.
"A thrifty wife," said the minister, with a sigh, "is her husband's crown."
"Perhaps he ought to have said half crown,"—London Tit-Bits.

FEELING HIS DOCTOR.
The late Rev. H. B. Hawels, who was equally notable preacher, journalist, lecturer and musician, died from a dangerous hip disease when a boy of 9. The celebrated Sir Benjamin Brodie, who was asked if a change of scene would benefit the afflicted youth, answered, "Take him anywhere—it does not matter."
Hawels lived to laugh at his doctor, and half a century later, after a life of exceptional industry, he was in vigorous health.—New York World.

THE TWO FINANCES.
"The performance reaches the highest pinnacle of dramatic wit," wrote the Press agent, "and the price is—'Isn't that rather a strong statement?' asked the dramatic editor. "Oh, no! We are getting \$5 for general admission."
Also it is sometimes true that we mistake the pinnacle of price for the pinnacle of art!—Baltimore American.

HE IS A MAN FIRST OF ALL.
Quite beneath all discussion of electives and vocations, as whether it will be an engineer or a clergyman, it is certain, for every youth who would be truly successful, that he must be a man; that he ought to be a "full grown man," as the old proverb read squarely and none too strongly; to be a "perfect man."—Success.

MANAGING THE DEAD.
In medieval times the only way being living prisoners ransomed by their friends, but a ransom was demanded even for the bodies of those slain in action.
GRAN SPEAKER.
In Sydney the streets were thoroughly cleaned every night, and any one throwing refuse or waste material of any sort on the street is arrested and fined. All the kitchens in the larger residences are on the top floor, and the clothes are dried on the roof.

A POKER FAIRY TALE
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QUEER CLIMAX OF THE WIND UP JACK POT OF THE GAME.
Many Displayed Wonderful Powers of Perception and Analysis, Won the Pool and Saved His Opponent the Amount of the Last Raise.
"Manxy was one of the best poker players I ever saw. He was a good winner and a good loser. He played his cards all the time for everything they were worth, and then some more, and he played a game that was simply insoluble."
The board of trade man leaned back in his chair and smiled reminiscently.
"Manxy not only had Hoyle down so that he could recite the poker rules backward and say 'sir' after each word, but he rose to the higher science of the game. He made a careful study of every man around the board, and he never played a card but what he darted a keen, sweeping glance at every player, and drew his conclusions as to what they were about to do. He was a player with a little trick or habit that asserted themselves in spite of efforts to repress them. Manxy knew them by heart."
"I will never forget the night he took Carter into pimp. Carter was a good, cool, nippy fellow. He was a good player and possessed splendid judgment. One night we had been playing several hours, and as it was getting toward daylight we agreed to have one more round of jack pots and then go home. We had our round of jack pots, three of which Carter won, and then decided on one last consolation jack pot, with no limit but the roof and \$5 to come in. Carter raised the come in to \$25 and everybody thought he was Manxy and one other player. Manxy called for three cards, showing that he had only one pair or nothing at all; the other man took two cards, indicating that he had a straight or a flush, or else he wouldn't have paid \$20 for the privilege of playing any longer, and Carter stood pat.
"That looked bad. Carter had never been known to stand pat on anything but something that was worth while. He must have had something pretty good to raise the come in to \$20, and his standing pat argued that he either had a straight or a flush or a flush and a card or else a straight or a flush. He had betrays a nervous start when he was first picked up his hand, and it argued that he had seen something awfully good. Now Manxy had the start that Carter gave and knew his style. Carter had something better than a straight or a flush, and that was a straight flush, something that comes once in a great, long while in a poker game. In fact, Manxy came to the conclusion that Carter had a straight flush, and the fact of the matter was that a straight flush in spades, king high, was just exactly what Carter had seen in his five cards when he picked up his hand.
"Manxy deliberated a long time before he came in with his \$20, but he was it was the last pot he determined to make a good bit of money in the hopes of making a couple of hundred dollars in a week and a half. Manxy started the betting with a \$10 bill. The other man dropped out, and Carter saw the \$10 and raised \$25. That looked as though Manxy's bluff about the straight flush which he thought Carter was holding was good. He deliberated for some time. Then he said:
"Carter, when you get somebody around here thinks you've got something better than four. I was playing you for that. But now I'll tell you, Carter, what I'm going to do. I've no idea what you've got, but I'm going to do something that may seem to be a really bad poker, considering the hand I have, but I am going to play you for your poor eyesight. I see your bet of \$25 raise it \$25 more on the ground that you've made a couple of you. You'd better study your cards before you see my raise."
"We all waited in breathless silence for a moment, then Carter quietly turned his cards face upward on the table.
"You're right," he said quietly. "I thought I had a spade straight flush, king high, in my hand. What I thought was a nine of spades was a nine of clubs. I lose."—Chicago Tribune.

STEER CLEAR OF SMOKING CARS.
I seldom advise my patients to stop smoking, because I know it's a waste of breath to advise a man to stop smoking, because yesterday, "in many cases I do advise moderation in the use of the weed, and when a patient has a weak throat there is one thing that I should have in mind, and that is that he shall not ride in the smoking cars attached to railroad trains. Breathing that atmosphere for half an hour will do a man more injury than smoking half a dozen cigars in the open air or in a properly ventilated room that is not crowded with other smokers. Smoke! If you must, I say, but steer clear of smoking cars."—Philadelphia Record.

MISSED THE SIGN.
"How is it," asked the victim, "that you charge me 35 cents when the sign says, 'First class hair cut 15 cents?'"
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