

J. B. Hoag was a Dubuque visitor Saturday.

R. R. Robinson was a Dubuque visitor Friday.

A. S. Gibbons, of Anamosa, was in the city last Wednesday.

James Lagasse was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

Mrs. Chas. H. Day and son Clark returned to Des Moines last Friday.

W. I. Millen, of Earlville, was in the city on business last Wednesday.

Miss Elva Dunham was an over Sunday visitor with friends in Earlville.

Mrs. B. H. Reynolds visited with friends and relatives in Coleburg over Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Kirkhoff Jr., of Dyersville visited friends in this city the first of this week.

Mrs. P. Woods, of this city is visiting at the home of Mr. Chas. Armstrong, at Hartwick.

Mrs. M. E. and George Dittmer of Coleburg visited with friends in this city part of last week.

I. L. Walters was in Earlville, Dyersville and Farley last Tuesday in the interest of the Quaker Mill.

J. E. Davis went to Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, last Thursday, where he will take a course of treatment.

W. H. Hollister who has been seriously ill for several weeks, though not fully recovered, is able to be out.

Prof. C. H. Bromson who was the guest of his brother C. E. Bromson for several days, returned to Chicago Sunday.

L. T. Eaton, formerly superintendent of the county schools, arrived in city from Des Moines last Friday morning.

Miss Maggie Dain started last evening for Rom, N. Y., where she will visit an aunt and other relatives.

Rev. H. W. Tuttle, Rev. Smith, Calvin Yordan and W. H. Connell ended the Sunday school convention in Earlville Wednesday.

Mrs. Myrtle Otis Fish, of Albuquerque New Mexico, arrived in the city Wednesday, on an extended visit, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. D. D.

Mrs. W. W. Wood who has been guest of her parents Dr. and Mrs. B. Sherman for several weeks, returned last week to her home in Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lewis, of Imbala Falls, Montana, are the guests of Mr. Lewis' mother, Mrs. Alice Tupper and other relatives here.

Mark S. Hamblin and wife started Tuesday evening for Dell Rapids, where they will spend the summer at the home of Port Atkins, Mrs. Hamblin being a daughter of Mrs. Hamblin.

Allan Graham, son of W. E. Graham, has again come to the front in state athletics. At the triangular meet held last Saturday at Ames between Drake, Grinnell and Ames he won the hop step and jump and high jump.

The first statement of the Masonville Savings Bank, appears in another column. The showing made is a good one considering that the bank has been organized only a few weeks. The bank is well officered and supplies a need to the rich community in which it is located.

Letters addressed to Miss Mable Mook 2, Miss Hilma Persson, Miss Nora Behan, Mrs. Nellie Pierce, Mrs. Neoma Peacock, Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, Rev. Baker, E. R. Graham, J. C. Tuckey and D. H. Long, Lock Box 125 are advertised as unclaimed at the post office.

The Ladies of the Macabees have issued invitations for an entertainment to be given at the Central Opera House, Friday evening, May 17th. The L. O. T. M. drill will take place at 8:30, followed by dancing. After the drill, and during the remainder of the evening, ice cream and cake will be served in the balcony.

The nine year old son of Andrew G. Forestville, met with an accident last Wednesday. The boy accompanied by the lad, went to a lumber to chop down and grab out a tree which the father cut down, fell striking the boy on his neck back, inflicting injuries which rendered his death within a few months after the accident. The funeral held Friday from the family residence.

A strange division of property has been made in this city whereby a widow gets more of a man's estate than his last wife. The case in question is that of Thomas Brown, of this city who was divorced from first wife by whom he had a son, married and died without a will, the terms of law the widow would one-third and his son by the first wife two-thirds. The son, however, and now the two-thirds which he had been his descends or reverts to his heir, who is the divorced wife's mother. Hence the divorced wife gets two-thirds of the property the widow one-third.—LaPorte.

If anyone, says the Edgewood Inn, would go to Henry James and to impress upon his mind that anti-slavery is not a religion, they would surely find an argument on their hands at Mr. James has a dog that has young pups that are about as fine as any around here and one night last week one of them fell through a crack in the floor of the barn where they were kept. The mother of the little prisoner was unable to get at him, so he was taken to the street and put in a cage. By spring up onto a piano box she managed to spring into the hay mow where she found an open door. Jumping to ground she made a run for Harry's room window which was open, and slipped to get inside. Harry was kept by the faithful animal lick his face and she would not be quiet until he had accompanied her to the barn and liberated the pup.

John Mitch was a Cascade business visitor Monday.

Several new cement walks are being laid about town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stiles were in Chicago the first of this week.

G. O. Harrison spent Sunday with his son John in Independence.

Rev. C. H. Taylor returned from a week's visit in Chicago, Monday.

The schools of this city will close June 7, for the summer vacation.

Jacob Platt, of Hopkinton, spent part of last week with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Clark were Strawberry Point visitors part of last week.

Elmer Cruise, of Earlville, was shaking hands with Manchester friends Tuesday.

Not a single marriage license was issued by Clerk Georgeon during the past week.

"The Fisherman's Outfitter" is the way Kalamity describes himself in his new ad.

Emery Newton, of Des Moines is spending a week with friends and relatives in this city.

Mrs. Warren Holbert, of Strawberry Point, visited relatives and friends in Manchester, Monday.

Mayor John Dolphin and Alderman John Kelly of Ryan were business visitors to this city Monday.

Bank Examiner, Max Beeher, accompanied by his son Charles, is making a business trip in Nebraska.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. W. A. Hines next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Carl Clemens, of Shobomish, Washington, is visiting relatives and friends in the city, a guest of his mother, Mrs. E. O. Clemens.

Mrs. M. K. Brown went to Buffalo, yesterday where she joined her husband and will with him visit the Pan American Exposition.

The residents of Earlville will decide by their ballots, next Saturday whether or not that thriving town shall have a water works plant.

E. S. Wetherbee, of Coggon, was in the city last Saturday on business. Mr. Wetherbee is editor of the Monitor, which is published at that place.

John Metzler, of Earlville, stopped in this city for a few hours Monday morning. He has been serving in the Philippines and was on his way home.

E. J. Heyer has entered the employ of the M. Kumbley Thrasher Co., of Cedar Rapids, as traveling salesman, commencing on his new duties today.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Yoran, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Clemens and H. L. Rann are at Mt. Vernon, attending the musical festival in progress in that city.

Fred Clark, of Washington, D. C., was a Manchester visitor Monday, a guest of his brother, O. C. Clark. He was on a return trip from Texas, where he has been for the past two months.

H. F. Arnold is preparing to remove his residence onto a foundation made for it, on his lot east of his present site, and will as speedily as possible replace it with a large and commodious modern residence.

The first falls on the M. & O. were laid at Oneida yesterday. The Milwaukee company is putting in the connecting switch. It is not the driving of the first spike but the driving of the last one that should be fittingly commemorated.

Mrs. O. P. Reeves died at her home in Letcher, South Dakota, on the 29th ult. Her husband is an invalid and has been for more than two years. They came to this country in 1833 and resided here for several years, and were, 'tis said, the first settlers on the land platted as Burlington, and which is now a part of this city.

Hon. W. M. Sawyer, of Manchester, was in town Thursday shaking hands with his numerous friends. Mr. Sawyer only recently moved to Manchester from his farm and while in conversation with some of our citizens said "I never knew what living was until I got to Manchester where I have enjoyed the benefits of having water works, electric lights, and other conveniences.—Earlville Phoenix.

T. M. Eldredge, recently of the firm of Wells & Eldredge of this city, has opened a general store at Masonville, and makes his opening announcement in another column. This will supply a long felt want at Masonville and the residents of that place and vicinity are to be congratulated in having a man of Mr. Eldredge's experience and excellent business qualifications engage in this enterprise in their midst.

The cooling tower, several cars and a large quantity of coal belonging to the Ill. Cent. Ry. Co., were destroyed by fire at its station here last Monday. The fire was caused by the explosion of a large tank of gasoline. The fire department responded promptly to the alarm and by its efforts much property was saved from destruction. We are not advised as to the amount of damage the Company sustained.

H. R. Wright, deputy state dairy commissioner, has returned from a trip to Manchester, in Delaware county where he went for the purpose of inspecting milk that was being disposed of by farmers for creamery purposes. He found at least one instance where there was adulteration of milk, the person selling it diluting heavily with water and all but threatening to lick the deputy commissioner when accused of it. The test, however, clearly showed there had been heavy adulteration. Mr. Wright did not prosecute the offender and will not unless there are further offenses.—Des Moines Leader.

Three young children of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kelly came near losing their lives by poisoning last Sunday. The little ones had been playing in the garden during the afternoon and it is thought picked up some wild parsnips and ate them. Dr. Donnelly was summoned from town, chemists administered and they were soon out of danger, although the eldest boy suffered severe pains and is not entirely over the effects of it yet. It was a close call for them and the parents are happy to think they were discovered in time to receive treatment.—Ryan Reporter.

District Court.

As will be seen by the court proceedings given below, considerable business has been disposed of by Judge Blair during the present term. Three of the liquor injunction cases were tried and all of them were decided in favor of the defendants.

The first of these cases tried, was L. A. Franks vs E. F. Mulvehill, a druggist at Masonville. The plaintiff's attorney, J. J. Cameron, of Decorah, although he had taken depositions, failed to offer the depositions in evidence and the court had no alternative but to dismiss the case at the plaintiff's cost.

The same is true of the next case tried, James Clington vs J. P. Strogl of Ryan. However, the result must have been the same in both of these cases, even if plaintiffs attorney had not made the mistake of failing to offer the depositions in evidence, because, if offered, sufficient would not have been shown to warrant a court in granting an injunction.

The case of C. A. Highfield vs John Hruby of this city, was the third of these cases tried and occupied the attention of the court the better part of Thursday. Evidently some one had informed the attorney for the plaintiff, of the mistakes of omission he had made, and he not only offered in evidence the depositions he had taken in this case, but also placed witnesses upon the stand to support the testimony of a detective, one Wm. A. Size. Witnesses were also examined on the part of the defendant. The case was submitted without argument and the court entered an order dismissing the petition, and rendered judgment against plaintiff for costs.

An incident out of the ordinary occurred in connection with the trial of this case. An itinerant temperance lecturer named St. John, and a delegation of ladies, understood to be in some way connected with a local organization favorable to the prosecution, occupied prominent seats in the court room. It was creditably reported that they were there at the instance and request of the president of the local temperance alliance. At any event there was little chance to mistake the object of their visit, and the trial judge could not well permit the uncalculated for imputation to pass unnoticed.

For a period of more than fifteen years Judge Blair prosecuted, without compensation, those who sold intoxicating liquors in this county contrary to law. And to his labors, probably as much or more than to those of any other one man, is due the fact that Delaware county has not for years had such a place as an open saloon. Since he has occupied a position on the bench of the district, upwards of a hundred persons have been convicted in his court for violations of the liquor law, and it is reasonably safe to say that he has ordered a like number of injunctions for the abatement of places where intoxicating liquors were being sold contrary to law. There has been no failures in his court in any liquor prosecutions honestly commenced and honestly prosecuted.

In rendering his decision in the case at bar, the judge severely censured the methods resorted to by the prosecution. Under the evidence and attendant circumstances he could not well have done otherwise and maintained the integrity of his court. He commented upon the fact that the case was not commenced at the instance of a citizen of Delaware County, for an actual violation of law but upon a manufactured complaint worked up by outsiders. The initiatory step in the case was taken by a man named H. H. Abrams, of Des Moines. He went to Decorah and called upon Lawyer Cameron of that place, and arranged with Mr. Cameron for the prosecution of liquor suits for the fees allowed by statute which are not less than \$25.00 in each case. Instead of selecting some county where the open saloon flourishes, in broad day, without molestation and without censure, they decided to operate in Delaware County. There was no evidence that these men had any reason to believe that the law was being violated here and their object in coming here instead of going to some community in need of outside help, may be readily understood.

The next step on the part of the prosecution was to employ a so-called detective named Wm. Size, of Marshalltown, Iowa, and supply him with money, not for the purpose of discovering some offense that had actually been committed, but to go out and work up an offense in which the detective would become a participant criminal.

The judge said that it would be a reflection upon the bar of the county, if it were necessary for anyone to go outside of the county to procure an attorney to prosecute a violator of law. But there was, however, a broad distinction between a wilful violation of law, and a transaction brought about through the schemes of a person hired and paid by the prosecution for that purpose. That it was creditable to the bar of the county that no member of it had shown a willingness to engage in such work.

All that the detective was able to purchase from Mr. Hruby was a glass of sweet cider. There was no attempt of any kind on the part of the prosecution to show that Mr. Hruby had ever, at any time, sold anything in the way of drink, except pop and cider. Those are the only drinks kept or sold by Mr. Hruby, yet the petition in the case, which was sworn to, contained this averment: "That said defendant, John Hruby, has from day to day unlawfully sold intoxicating liquors, to-wit: beer, whiskey and other intoxicating liquors in said building on said premises." There were many other features of the prosecution quite as abhorrent as this to a court of equity.

There was absolutely no evidence upon which to base an order for an injunction, and those who sought by their presence to improperly influence the action of the court were fittingly rebuked for the attempt.

The following is the disposition of cases up to last Friday, when the court adjourned until this morning:

PROBATE.

Estate of John T. Zeman. Final report approved. Administrator discharged.

Estate of A. J. Duffy. Final report approved. Administrator discharged.

Estate of John Lechtenberg. Application for probate tax withdrawn. Exception to final report granted.

Guardianship of John and Margaret Hyman. Report of guardian approved. Final report approved.

Estate of John and Arthur Littlefield. Final report approved. Administrator discharged.

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Jordy vs Congar et al. Settled and costs paid.

Wenderson vs Wenderson. F. B. Blair appointed receiver and administrator of estate of defendant. Decree of partition as prayed. Geo. Neffgar, Henry Nurrs and Henry Lower appointed appraisers. C. E. Bromson, G. W. Dunham and H. F. Arnold appointed referees. Defendant against defendant. Judgment for defendant. Plaintiff to pay the costs.

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Manchester Markets.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Hogs, Steers, Cows, Turkeys, Ducks, Chickens, Eggs, Butter, Corn, Hay, Straw, etc.

Enclosure. Is the most efficient liquid antiseptic on the market, being highly recommended and endorsed by thousands of the most prominent physicians and dentists in the country. It is distinguished as a mouth and throat wash, being thoroughly antiseptic and astringent. It destroys the germs, purifies the breath and leaves a pleasant sensation in the mouth. For sale by all druggists.

Come to head quarters for Bard Plymouth Rock Cutters, per cent south-east of Manchester, 5-6.

"This is too much, John. I won't stand it any longer. To-morrow I leave for mother's village, you get me more Hookey Men than I can handle."—Greeks & Ward.

SEEDS FOR SALE. Clover, Timothy and Corn at 10¢ HUTCHINSON'S BANK.

Residence Property for Sale. Several nice residences in desirable portions of the city of Manchester for sale cheap. Require at the office of Manchester Democrat.

Cures dizzy spells, tired feeling, stomach, kidney and liver troubles. Keeps you well all the time. Give it a trial. Price 25¢ per bottle. H. F. Whittney, 10-11.

The Fishing Season Will Open This Week.

We Can Supply the Fisherman With all his Needs.

Common cane pole... 5c

Selected Bamboo pole... 10c

Fine jointed poles, up from... 25c

6-8-10-12-16 foot minnow seines, furnished with sinkers and floats, up from... 69c

Dip net rings... 10c

A variety of minnow pails, patent baits, hooks of every kind, and an endless assortment, of cotton braid and twisted lines, genuine Irish linen, silk and enameled water proof lines from the low in price kinds to the finest.

Pole furnishings, tips, guides and reels.

Everything necessary For a Complete Outfit.

KALAMITY The Fisherman's Outfitter.

BARGAIN IN RESIDENCE PROPERTY. A house and lot in one of the best resident portions of city of Manchester for sale cheap and on easy terms. Good dwelling, barn, etc. Enquire at DEMOCRAT OFFICE.

Musical Festival, Dubuque, Iowa, May 17-18. For the above occasion the I. C. R. R. will sell round trip tickets from Manchester to Dubuque and return at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale May 17-18. Good to return until May 20th. H. G. PIERCE, Agent.

Career and Character of Abraham Lincoln. An address by Joseph Choate, Ambassador to Great Britain, on the career and character of Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln's early life—his early struggles with the world—his character as developed in the later years of his life and his administration—what places he has held so high on the world's roll of honor and fame, has been published by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway and may be had by sending six (6) cent postage stamps to F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent Chicago, Ill. 17-3.

CELEBRATED RAPIDS RAVERS, May 28-30 Inclusive. For the above occasion the I. C. R. R. will sell tickets from Manchester to Cedar Rapids and return at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale May 27 to May 31 inclusive. All tickets good to return until June 1st. H. G. PIERCE, Agent.

LOW RATES VIA THE CENTRAL TO

St. Paul, Minn. Annual Meeting Military Surgeons of the United States, May 28-31; American Academy of Medicine, June 1-3; and American Medical Association, June 4-7. Tickets on sale May 27 and June 30 and 31, limited to June 15th for return.

St. Paul, Minn. Head Camp Modern Woodmen of America, June 11th. Dates of sale will be announced later.

Kansas City, Mo. Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 11-12. On sale June 9th limited to 14th.

Milwaukee, Wis. Annual Meeting National Educational Association, July 8-12. On sale July 6-7, limited July 15th, with extension to Sept. 1st on payment of 50 cent fee.

Chicago, Ill. International Convention Baptist Young Peoples Union, July 22-28. On sale July 20-25, limit July 31st with extension to August 31, on payment of fifty cent fee.

Louisville, Ky. Triennial Conference, Kentucky Temperance, Aug 27-31. On sale Aug. 24, 25, limit Sept. 1, with extension to Sept. 10 on payment of fifty cent fee.

The rate for all of these excursions will be ONE FARE PLUS 25¢.

For round trip. J. P. MERRY, Asst. Gen'l. Pass. Agent, Dubuque, Iowa.

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