

EADS GROVE.

A flock of ducks were seen flying northward on October 15. Some warm weather may be expected now. Albert Frenness is improving as rapidly as may be expected. He is able to sit up a few hours each day now. "Dynamite Bill" Russell has been shooting niggerheads in this vicinity. Amos Culbertson has gone to Wells-ville Missouri, to attend to business connected with his mother's farm near that place and also to make a short visit among relatives and friends. Frank Fiesel, Jake Fiesel and Chas. Clute have gone on a hunting expedition. John Robinson and Jacob Platt paid a visit to their old home in Dixon Settlement last Saturday.

COGGIN.

Henry Goodhile, of Manchester, was doing business in town Monday. Mrs. Henry Wheelers, of Hopkinton, is visiting relatives in this vicinity. Mrs. Addison Smith, of Manchester, visited a few days last week with Mrs. A. Andrews. Mr. W. B. Hauger, of Coggin, and Mrs. Anna Kramer, of Spring Valley, Illinois, were married at the home of the bride Wednesday, Oct. 9th. Mr. and Mrs. Hauger arrived in Coggin Friday evening. They will occupy the J. B. Hall residence on Linn street. Ed Henderson, eight year old, son of Thos. Henderson north of town, met with a painful accident while in the garden one day last week. He was in the act of picking up a potato when he ran a weed into his eye, which probably loused the sight of his eye.—Monitor.

HOPKINTON.

F. E. Williamson and wife made a trip to Manchester Tuesday. Mrs. M. B. Doolittle went to Manchester Monday for the day. G. H. Deshaw served on the grand jury at Manchester last week. Ralph Bixby was down from Edge-wood Friday visiting his numerous friends. Mrs. M. E. Beach and two children, of Jennings, La., arrived here last week for a visit with her brother, Dr. H. Livingston, and other friends in this section. E. A. Porter, who has been occupying the Wm. Porter farm, has rented the B. Smith farm of 200 acres, requiring more ground for his operations. Mr. Smith is talking of moving to Manchester. John Hawthorne and wife returned home last week from their extended visit in Ireland. Peter Guthrie and daughter, who went to Ireland at the same time, are expected home within a few weeks.—Leader.

DYERSVILLE.

Miss Rosa Boekenstett, from near Petersburg, was a guest of friends in this city the fore part of the week. Fred Long, of Manchester, was in town last Sunday visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Long, and also with numerous friends. Theodore Holscher and Miss Eva Muebe accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goertl, jr., as far as Manchester who departed west on their wedding trip. Fred Rubly, of Petersburg, was in town Tuesday afternoon and departed for Chicago, where he spent several days on business, and also visited his sons, J. B. and Eddie Rubly in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kramer, jr., from near Farley, were in town last Saturday visiting friends and transacting business. While here they made this office a pleasant call and enrolled their name on our subscription list. John Vorwald, of New Vienna, and Adolph Langel, of Luxemburg, were in town Monday en route home from Carroll county, where they attended the German Catholic convention, and also visited relatives and old time friends.—News-Letter.

DELIH.

E. B. Johnson had business in Davenport last week. E. Clifton and family moved Wednesday into his house recently purchased of Chas. Crain. Miss Mary Van Antwerp is visiting a sister at Dows, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Clark and daughter Ruth, have returned to their home in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Clark White have moved into rooms in Delano's house. Dan Schultiger and George Paiver drove to Dubuque last Wednesday. Miss Gladys White is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Arthur in Edgewood. Messrs. and Mesdames Peet and Lyons of Jones county, and Mrs. Rose James, of Manchester were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Blanchard Thursday. Harry Main, of Hopkinton, visited friends here Wednesday. Miss Gertrude Gustafson is seriously ill with lung trouble. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Hackbarth rejoice over a young son who arrived at their home Monday October 14. Harry Sheldon, of Coggin, visited the last of the week at J. W. Swinburne's. Mesdames E. C. Perkins and G. O. White visited Saturday with Mrs. W. I. Milles at Earlville. The W. R. C. will serve dinner and supper on election day at G. A. H. Hall. Bert Haight has moved his family into Mrs. Lett's house. Mrs. Lett and son Jay have moved onto one of J. M. Brayton's farms. Will White, of Thorpe, was in town Thursday. A force of men are busy putting in the overhead bridge that was burned during August. Barker Brown, of Hopkinton, held a clock sale here Friday. Miss Mary Vesey is on the sick list.

PETERSBURG.

Jack Frost is visiting us occasionally. Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Roifes Jr. visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. Kramer last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Demyer and daughter, Regina, visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Scherbring last Sunday. The second oldest son, of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruggemann, accidentally broke his femur last Tuesday. Rev. Hotter went to Sherills Mound, last Tuesday, and returned Wednesday

Rev. Father Rottler received his automobile last Wednesday. He is well satisfied with it. Mr. F. H. Roifes transacted business in Dyersville last Friday. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Hy Willenborg died last Monday and was buried in the Catholic cemetery last Wednesday. May it rest in peace. Mr. and Mrs. J. Rohrig were New Vienna visitors last Thursday. Dr. Sumpmann, of Dyersville, was notified here Thursday. Mr. George Hildebrand Sr. added a coat of paint to his house. It looks 50 per cent better now.

STRAWBERRY POINT.

J. F. Baxter and Will Pettit are in Manchester this week, painting. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hindal attended the rally at Manchester, Thursday last, and visited at the home of Fred Newton, returning home Friday evening. Rev. Mrs. Crum, of Manchester, will preach in the Universalist Church Wednesday evening, Oct. 23rd. Subject, "Gate of Heaven." All are cordially invited. Mrs. J. R. Cameron and baby returned home from Dubuque Saturday morning. Mr. Cameron meeting them at Manchester Friday evening and accompanying them home.—Mail Press.

GREENEY.

Born, on Wednesday, Oct. 16th, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Long, a boy. I. M. Gibson has been quite sick this week. Messrs. Armstrong and Wroughten are in Manchester today. Born, on October 2nd, 1901, to Mrs. Lela Malven-Deeder, of Gonic, N. H., a baby girl.

HARTWICK.

Peter O'Brien, of Chicago, visited his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. Pelton last week and returned home Sunday. John Meister is the proud possessor of a new guitar. Frank Furman is home again. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Meister and baby, of Winthrop, visited his father, A. Meister. Mr. and Mrs. James Smith were Manchester visitors last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. A. Billans, of Rocky Hook were guests at the home of H. Porter Sunday. John Meister was a Manchester visitor Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Swinburne, of Delhi, were Hartwick visitors Thursday. Mrs. Chas. Armstrong gave a large quilting bee last Wednesday.

EARLVILLE.

Miss Grace Hershey left for Beloit, Wisconsin, where she will visit a short time and then go to Chicago where she expects to visit her sister, Mrs. A. P. Knowles until Thanksgiving. Mrs. H. E. Stetson and daughter, Edna and Gladys, of Manchester, called on friends here Friday. On Wednesday the Rathbone Sisters gave a supper and program which was largely attended and much enjoyed by the townpeople.

One of the queerest little pets ever seen is the tame ant belonging to a well known scientist. This man keeps tribes of ants in nests which he has made himself and feeds them with honey or sugar through a tube that connects with the nests. One day he tried to get one of the ants kept coming into the tube to eat up the honey in the glass bulb at the end. When he took out the cork that closed the bulb, the insect came to look for the food, and he offered it some honey on the point of a needle, says the New York Tribune. The ant shrank back at first, then drew nearer, feeling about with its antennae, until it reached the needle. He then turned to take the honey, but his keeper's finger, although ants are among the most timid of living things, and a new odor or the least movement outside their nests usually drives these little insects away. This ant is now so tame that it quits the bulb as soon as the cork is removed and goes to find the honey on the scientist's finger. When its meal is over, it does not try to hurry away, but waits until its master lifts it on a bristle and carries it back to its nest.

A rattlesnake story. In "Life and Sport on the Pacific Coast," George A. Vachell relates one of his narrow escapes from the bite of a rattlesnake. "My cousin and I had been camping and hunting for several days in a sort of paradise valley. One day, during a long ride on horseback, we saw a great many rattlesnakes and killed a few, an exceptional experience. That night my cousin went to sleep and saw, by the light of the moon, a big rattler crawling across my chest. He lay for a moment fascinated, horror struck, watching the sinuous curves of the reptile. "Then he quietly reached for his six shooter, but he could not see the reptile's head, and he moved nearer, noiselessly, yet quickly, dreading some movement on my part that should precipitate the very thing he dreaded, and then he saw that it was not a snake at all—a black and yellow stripe of my blanket, which gently rose and fell as I breathed. Had he been freed—well, it might have been bad for me, for he confessed that his hand shook."

Many of the negro superstitions in Kentucky are quite interesting. An old philosopher told me with great gravity: "If you want peppals to grow, you must git mad. My old 'oman an me had a spat, an I went right into an account of peppals, an they come right up." Still another saying is that peppers to prosper must be planted by a retheaded or by a high tempered person. The negro also says that one never sees a Jaybird on Friday, for the bird visits his satanic majesty to "pack kindling" on that day. The three signs in which negroes place implicit trust are the well known ones of the ground hog's appearing above ground on the 24th of February, that a hoe must be carried through a house or a death will follow and that potatoes must be planted in the dark of the moon as well as all vegetables that ripen in the ground and that corn must be planted in the light of the moon.

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Laughter Saved the Ship. Humor has been credited with the saving of many things, but perhaps never before has a ship been saved by its judicious application. In a great storm many years ago a ship's crew were all on duty, when a heavy sea burst into a fit of violent mirth. Being reproved for his ill timed mirth and asked the reason for it, he said, "Why, I was laughing to think what a hissing the business of the sea will make when it comes in contact with the water." A ludicrous remark set the crew laughing, inspired them with new spirits, and by a great exertion they brought the vessel safely into port.—Liverpool Post.

A Professor on Rowing. A story is told about a well known Oxford don who knew more about the travels of Ulysses than about the boat he sailed in. He went down to the river one day to watch the eight practicing. He gazed for a while in silence. "Yes," he said at last, "they look very nice—very nice indeed. I may say, but how extremely awkward it must be for them to learn to row backward."

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