STRAWBERRY POINT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cameron are in Dubuque attending the funeral of Mrs. Cameron's father who died Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schneider and daughters, Miss Josie of Greeley, and Mrs. Alf Tibbitts, of Edgewood, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Peck Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Glass, who have been spending the summer at Denver, Colorado, and Minden, Nebraska, arrived home Sunday, being called here by the illness of Mrs. Glass' father, Mr. John Jessen. The many friends of Mr. Jessen will be glad to know that he is improving, and is able to sit up a few minutes at a time.—Mail Press.

DUNDEE.

E. Lee went over to Manchester Saturday.

Emile Fenhu is getting out rock for a new house.

Leslie Hoyt, of Manchester, was in town Friday.

A.O.Stone was looking up his delivery wagon Tuesday.

The county is putting crushed rock on the hill north of the hotel.

F. Klinesorger stayed over Sunday in Lamont.

Hallowe'en was celebrated Thursday night with unusual hilarity.

The ball at the City Hall Friday night was a howling success.

Twenty-four of our town's people took in Chicago Sunday and Monday.

R. O. Stone went to Dubuque Saturday returning Monday.

PETERSBURG.

It was rather cold here last Sunday.

Seventy seven straight Democratic votes were cast here on election day.

Mr. F. H. Rolfes transacted business in Dyersville last Tuesday.

Mr. Barney Naber and Rosina Ellers, of Guttenburg, entered the holy bands of matrimony here last Wednesday. Rev. H. Rottier tied the nuptial knot. The groom is a thrifty farmer and has the esteem of the entire community. They went to house keeping immediately, on the groom's well improved farm, a few miles east of town. The Democrat joins in wishing the newly married couple, a long and happy life in their new vocation.

Messrs. Andrew Domeyer, John Willenborg, Frank Ovel, John Hennekes and Joseph Overmeyer were Dyersville visitors last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nurre, passed through here last Thursday, enroute to Dyersville.

Mrs. John Koopmann is very ill at this writing. We hope for a speedy recovery.

EDGEWOOD.

Mrs. Charley Rawson and children visited at Arlington the latter part of last week.

Ray Minkler was in Arlington last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Royden and son, Frank, were in Scotch Grove Wednesday.

The Misses Lou Alger and Maggie Kirk were Manchester callers Friday.

Mrs. Ed Platt and daughter, Helen, visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bassett, in Strawberry Point Wednesday.

Curt Madison was in the Point Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Alger visited at Masonville and Independence a few days recently.

Ernest Ullman took the train for Des Moines Monday evening, where he will attend Highland Park College.

Miss Grace Lynde has returned from a ten days' visit at the Pan-American and at Ixchua, N. Y.

Kelley Ruison returned from a business trip to Sioux City last Tuesday.

Lou Blanchard and Curt Madison left for South Dakota Tuesday evening.

Mrs Lillie Hobbs and little daughter are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Perry.

LAMONT.

Rev. A. Ostrich was indisposed last week.

Ed Knettle stepped off here last week to visit friends.

Miss Emma Bracher returned from Prairie du Chien, October 31, after a ten weeks visit there.

Rev. R. McCormick, of Oelwein, was taken seriously ill last week, Geo. Ried and wife were summoned to his bedside. He is now improving rapidly.

A. T. Jakway and Ted Duckett took passage to Dubuque Wednesday.

O. C. Starr and family are entertaining his mother from Omaha.

O. C. Starr is papering the Catholic church.

Miss Myrtle Bradley, of Aurora, is staying with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Anderson and children.

E. H. Hoyt was up from Manchester last week and took charge of the bank as cashier von Oven was sick.

The Lamont Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Eva Kenyon November 15.

Ernest Whitney has been suffering from another attack of tonsilitis.

Editor Davidson and family was called to New Hampton last week to his mother's bedside.

John Cherry returned from Chicago, after two weeks sight seeing.

John Gray has bought a lot of Anderson and will move his farm house onto this lot.

L. D. Lammon was home November 5th from U. I. U. to vote.

Miss Jennie Morris, of Edgewood, was here visiting the E. May family last week.

We tender Joseph Carr and wife sympathy in their bereavement in the loss of their eighteen months old baby.

Mrs. F. H. Wyrick accompanied by her sister Miss Myrta Davidson, were passengers to Dayton, Webster county November 7 for a weeks visit.

Miss Lena Bloominsteil, of Rockford, Iowa, visited the Rev. Baumbach and family last week.

Charlie Turner, formerly of Lamont, but now of South Haven, Mich., came last week to visit his many young friends here.

DELHI.

Will McLean has moved his family to Fredericksburg.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Doolittle were Greeley visitors Sunday.

The M. E Aid Society meets Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 13th. with Mrs. T. V. Hunt.

Will Neal and family have moved into town and will work for Judge Doolittle.

Mrs. E. B. Porter went to Strawberry Point Wednesday.

John Wood has returned to his home in Washington.

A number of our citizens went to Manchester Saturday to hear Brooke's Marine Band.

Bevel Morgan has gone to Eldora to spend the winter with an aunt.

Rynard Erysman has moved into his own house.

Mrs. Geo. White and Mrs. Peter Wragg were shopping in Manchester Wednesday.

A. A. House is in Minneapolis this week.

Dr. Doolittle, of Independence, was an over Sunday visitor at Judge Doolittle's.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bishop visited at Frank Stimson's Tuesday.

The Rebekah lodge initiated two new members Tuesday evening after which all present enjoyed a fine spread.

The W. R. C. hall has been newly papered and cleaned the past week, adding much to the appearance

Chas. Stone has moved into his new house.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Swinburne visited Thursday at A. J. Reeders' in Earlville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stone and Dorance spent Friday with home folks in Delaware.

John Hysler and son visited relatives last week in Monticello.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tollerton are moving into rooms at John Stack's.

At the bride's home on Wednesday evening, November 6th, occurred the marriage of Miss Minnie Jamison to John Beebe, Rev. Salisbury officiating.

Mrs. R. Holdridge and Miss Opal Stoner drove to Manchester Saturday.

Pat Britt has purchased an elegant new piano for his daughter, Miss Docia.

DYERSVILLE.

A bright girl baby has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cooksley.

Geo. Link, of Manchester, had business in this city last Wednesday.

George Ford, of Manchester, was here Tuesday.

Fred Long, of Manchester, spent a few hours in Dyersville Sunday.

W. C. Loosbrock had business in Manchester last Monday.

George Krapfl, of Petersburg, was in Dyersville last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kramer visited relatives near Farley last Friday.

Miss Emma Messing, of Manchester, is here visiting her parents and other relatives and friends.

R. W. Gadsden had business at Manchester last Friday.

Mrs. D. Osborn visited at Manchester last Friday.

On last Wednesday morning at nine o'clock in SS. Peter and Paul's church at Petersburg occurred the marriage of Mr. Bernard Naber and Miss Rosina Ellers, Rev. Father Rottler officiating. After the ceremonies at the church a pleasant surprise was given at the home of the groom at which a large number of friends were present to extend their well wishes to the happy bride and groom, and also presented them with many beautiful articles as tokens of esteem. The groom is an industrious and well known young farmer and is highly respected by all acquainted with him. The bride is an accomplished young lady and enjoys the esteem of a large circle of friends. They will settle down to house keeping on the well improved farm of the groom near Petersburg. The Commercial joins their host of friends in wishing them a long and prosperous life.—Commercial.

HOPKINTON.

Mrs. M. R. Doolittle went to Manchester this morning to spend the day with her sister, Mrs. Harry Spangler.

H. B. Eberhart, who has been visiting here for several days went north Monday to visit at Manchester, Greeley and other points before returning to his home at Marcus.

State Auditor Merriam came up Monday night from Des Moines for the purpose of voting, and his ballot was the first one deposited Tuesday morning. He returned on the morning train.

Peter Lux believes that he has had about all there was in the summer season right up to the limit. On the last day before the snowstorm he sat down to a dinner which was garnished by new lettuce, radishes and onions from his own garden. And they were just as appetizing as if they were produced in March.

At noon yesterday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bernhard in this city, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Thresia C, to W. F. Price, of Clayton county, Rev. Gammelin, pastor of the Lutheran church, of Castle Grove, performed the ceremony. The announcement of the marriage came in the nature of a surprise to the many friends of the bride in this seection, but nevertheless the congratulations and good wishes will be none the less cordial. The acquaintance which culminated in the cermony performed yesterday was formed several months ago while Miss Bernhard was located at Arlington in the millinery business, and where the groom was engaged in buying stock for a firm in that place. Mr. Price is the owner of a large farm near Volga in Clayton county and will occupy it next spring, but in the meantime the home of himself and bride will be at Manchester, for which place they departed yesterday afternoon.—Leader.

EARLVILLE.

Mrs. Newton Eldred, of Waterloo, was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Wm. Everton, for several days last week.

Rev. John Klaus, formerly of this place, but now of Charles City, was in town on Tuesday.

County treasurer L. Matthews and wife visited relatives in town Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nieman, on Wednesday night, November sixth, a son.

Representative McAleer, of Dubuque County, was in town on business, Wednesday.

On Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jacobs entertained the Mandolin Club at their home, in honor of Mr. Jacobs' birthday. Those present were Messrs. Henry Staehle, Ernest Schaller, Arthur Davis and E. H. Millen, Miss Emma Staehle and Mrs. Eva Bisgrove. They report an exceptionally pleasant time.

Chester Tourtellot, of Hopkinton, was a caller in town, on Wednesday.

Frank Martindale and wife, of Independence, spent several days at the home of their neice, Mrs. Geo. Staehle Jr., last week. On Thursday evening, Mrs. Staehle invited a number of her friends in to enjoy a musical program in which the Mandolin Club and Mr. Martindale figured most prominently. It was a treat which the company very highly appreciated.

About thirty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kenny pleasantly surprised them on the eve of their first wedding anniversary, Wednesday.

L. L. Parker, from near Greeley had business in Earlville one day last week.

Miss Haworth, a sister of Mrs Curtis Ede, has been visiting her for the past week.

Fifteen from here attended the Brooke Marine Band Concert at Manchester on Saturday afternoon. They report that the first number of Manchester's lecture course was so excellent as to have been well worth the going to hear.

Edward Goodsell, a graduate of Epworth Seminary, arrived Friday from his home in Farley to teach the winter term of school in the Burr Oak district.

Geo. Long, Wm. Sandercock, H. Millen and W. I. Millen attended the J. P. Knowle's sale at Delaware Friday.

Mrs. E F. Cruise was agreeably, though most completely surprised, to have the ladies of the W C. T. U. with their husbands call upon her on Friday night. They spent the evening with her. During the course of the entertainment Mrs. Geo. Irmscher, the president of the society, with words of high esteem presented to Mrs. Cruise a token of their appreciation of her work among them. Mrs. Cruise responded with an excellent speech, and the company dispersed wishing their hostess pleasure and prosperity in her future home.

Mrs. J. P. Ball, of Delaware, was in town on Thursday.

F. Werkmeister sold a fine piano to Orra Wesche on Thursday.

August Luense, from near Greeley, was in town on Friday.

Mrs. Geo. Irmscher and Gertrude drove to Manchester Saturday.

A. Bockenstead, of New Wine, was in town Wednesday.

George Griffin, of Greeley, called on friends here Sunday.

Miss Kate Commerford spent Saturday at her home in Manchester.

How Good Manners Saved Him.

This anecdote proves the profitable character of good manners and was told to me by a descendant of the gentleman who owned them: Mr. M. of —— was a rebel in 1745. He was taken and was being brought to the tower with Kilmarnock and Balmerino. A block stopped the sad cortege, and a lady, looking from a window, cried, "You tall rebel" (Mr. M. was 6 feet 4 inches), "you will soon be shorter by a head!"

"Does that give you pleasure, madam?" said Mr. M.

"Yes, it does."

"Then, madam," said Mr. M., taking off his hat and making a low bow, "I do not die in vain."

Lady —— was moved. She made interest for Mr. M. There exists a paper in the hand of George II. to this effect: "Let Lady —— [the name is obliterated] have access to her tall rebel and be hanged to her."

The royal clemency was extended to Mr. M. I saw his pardon, beautifully engrossed within a decorative border and framed, on the wall of his descendant's study. It is fair to add that practically the whole county of Ross and also the Earl of Sutherland petitioned for the life of the courteous Mr. M.—Andrew Lang in Longman's.

How to Grow Short.

If you climb a mountain, your height decreases by three-quarters of an inch, and it may even diminish, exceptionally, by a full inch.

This is a fact known to all experienced mountain and Alpine climbers. On reaching the summit of the heights that form the pleasure ascents of holiday makers in the Alpine districts the stature of the climber is found to have become less to the extent already mentioned.

Doctors think that the attitude assumed of necessity in ascending is the cause of this diminution. Some persons believe that the pressure of the atmosphere produces this shrinking. In favor of the medical theory there is the other unquestionable fact that the decrease of stature is greater in those who carry a heavy pack during the climb.

When the Alpinist has descended to the ordinary level, his height begins to increase, but the normal length of the body is not attained until several hours after reaching the regular surface of the earth.

King of Virginia.

Apropos of the British royal titles a reference to colonial possessions appeared in an English sovereign's designation so long ago as the reign of Queen Elizabeth. The poet Spenser dedicated his "Faerie Queen" to Elizabeth, and then he described her as "queen of England, France and Ireland and sovereign of the Dominion of Virginia." It may also be remembered that the Virginians refused to acknowledge Oliver Cromwell's protectorate until he sent a fleet to compel them to do so. Charles II., in return expression of the colonists' loyalty, had himself proclaimed in Virginia on his restoration as "king of Great Britain, Ireland and Virginia." The further statement has been made that Charles caused the arms of Virginia to be quartered with those of England, Ireland and Scotland. Certain it is that they appear so on English coins struck as late as 1773 by order of George III.—Liverpool Post.

A Turkish Bank Note.

The bill is on imperial green paper, a color held sacred in Turkey, which the government alone is permitted to use. On the top and sides are the following words in Turkish, "To be paid to the bearer, without interest, 20 piasters." At the top of the note is the sultan's toghra, surrounding which is a quotation from the Koran. Underneath are the words, "Twenty piasters, paper money, to be used in the place of gold at the Bank of Constantinople." At the base of the note is the seal of the mint and on the back the seal of the minister of the treasury. The toghra is considered sacred and is guarded by the three highest officials of the mint, whose sole duty is to watch it.

Getting at a Fact.

The colored witness, being asked his age, said to the court:

"Well, suh, I wuz a young man w'en freedom broke out."

"What year was that?"

"Hit wuz de year de Yankees come in, suh."

"You do not seem to have a very accurate idea of time."

"Oh, yes, suh! Hit wuz 'long 'bout hog killin' time."—Atlanta Constitution.

Nut Foods.

Nearly all nuts contain large percentages of nitrogenous constituents and fats. In the nut kernel there is very little waste—in fact, the nourishment is in a concentrated form, and for that reason nuts are best combined or taken with other foods. They are especially valued for their fine, meaty flavor, which is found in no other vegetable food product.

Turks and Coffee.

Coffee reached Constantinople about 1554 and was of universal use in Mohammedan countries befort the close of the sixteenth century. So essential was it deemed to domestic happiness that a Turkish law recognized a man's refusal to supply his wife with coffee as sufficient ground for her claiming divorce.

Worse Still.

Nodd—I can't ask you to dinner, old man, because we have no cook.

Todd—And I can't ask you because we have one.—Detroit Free Press.

You can find almost any kind of boy except the one whose sympathies in a fight between a cat and dog are with the cat.—Atchison Globe.

SMALL CALIBER RIFLES.

How They May Be Kept Clean With a Squirt of Water.

"Now, I'll tell you something that will save you the trouble and expense of bringing this gun to me again," said the expert gunsmith to the owner of a .22 caliber magazine rifle, the barrel of which had become so foul that it would not shoot true.

"The rifles of this gun are not leaded. They are simply caked up with powder. All small caliber rifles get that way when ordinary, soft bullets are shot out of them. This caked powder is as hard as steel, and if I were to try to get it out with instruments I would ruin several dollars' worth of tools. Water is the thing to use. Water is the greatest solvent known, but very few people, particularly people who handle guns, seem to appreciate it. They nearly always try to clean their gun barrels with oil when water will do the work twice as well.

"You use this rifle mostly for shooting frogs, don't you? I thought so. That is what most men use a .22 caliber for. And you sometimes shoot it several hundred times a day, and you find it too much trouble to wipe it out every few shots. Ain't I right? I knew it. Now, let me tell you what to do. Get a small syringe that you can carry in your vest pocket, and after every ten or twelve shots squirt a syringeful of water into the barrel of your gun from the breech, then shoot a cartridge out of it while it is wet. If you will follow this plan, you can shoot your gun 10,000 times and never need to clean it. The water softens the powder that has accumulated in the rifles and the bullet forces it out.

"Use plenty of water in the barrel of your rifle, very little oil in the lock, and never under any circumstances put coal oil in the works, and you will save yourself much vexation and always have a smooth working gun."—St. Louis Republic.

Anecdote of Sims Reeves.

An operatic singer tells the following little known anecdote relating to the late Mr. Sims Reeves: About the middle of the sixties, while the eminent tenor was living in a hotel of a town on the south coast, he made a wager with another guest that he would black his face, proceed to the beach and sing a few of the songs which had made him famous without recognition. Sims Reeves duly disguised himself and rendered to a sparse audience "Tom Bowling," "My Pretty Jane," etc.; but, strange to say, he did not receive much in the way of appreciation or financial tributes from the beach loungers. Hat in hand the tenor approached an elderly gentleman who was standing apart and requested a trifling honorarium, but the stranger had recognized the great vocalist despite his ebon hued skin, and he replied with decision:

"Not this time, Mr. Sims Reeves! My wife is mad about your performances, and you have cost me many a guinea. You have just treated me to the luxury of listening to you without any ruinous expense being attached."

"Confound you," said Reeves, "you have made me lose my bet! Come to my hotel and have a drink."

The stranger accepted the hospitable invitation.

Children's Meals.

Children should be taught to be regular at their meals and to take nothing between meals. This rule applies to infants as well as to older children. The practice of feeding the little one every time it cries is a most serious injury to its weak digestive organs. An infant's stomach, though it needs food at more frequent intervals—two to four hours, according to its age—requires the same regularity which is essential to the maintenance of healthy digestion in older persons. The irregularity usually practiced is undoubtedly one of the greatest causes of the fearful mortality of infants from disorders of the digestive organs, as appears in our mortuary reports.

THE LICK LENS.

Wonderful Effect Upon It of the Heat From a Man's Hand.

Some years ago the writer paid a visit to Alvan Clark at Cambridgeport to witness the testing of the huge lens for the famous Lick telescope. At the end of the long, dark room the largest flint glass then in the world was set up on edge. From a distance of about fifty feet a pencil of light was flashed into the heart of the disk and reflected back into the observer's eye. The slightest imperfections, if any, in the glass would then be revealed by the curves of light and the lines of polarization.

"Now," said Mr. Clark, "I will show you the wonderful sensitiveness of the lens to outside influences. Every human body gives out heat and when brought near to extremely sensitive substances affects them to a greater or less extent. Now watch."

He walked down to the lens and held his hand under it about two feet away. Instantaneously a marvelous spectacle burst into view. It seemed as if the great glass disk had become a living volcano, spurting forth jets of flame. The display was dazzling. Waving, leaping, dancing, the countless tongues of light gleamed and vibrated; then, fitfully, reluctantly, they died away, leaving the lens reflecting only a pure, untroubled light.

"What is it? How do you account for the wonder?" were the eager questions.

"It is only the radiation of heat alternately expanding and contracting the glass. If I had put my hand upon the lens itself, the phenomenon would have been even more violent."

To a person ignorant of lenses the almost supernatural sensitiveness of a mass of glass weighing several hundred pounds was astonishing, but to the scientist it is an everyday matter, for he has instruments that will register with unfailing nicety the approach of a person fifty or a hundred feet away.—Youth's Companion.

CONQUERED HER RIVAL.

A Pretty and Pathetic Story of Jenny Lind and Grisi.

We have recently read a beautiful incident. Jenny Lind and Grisi were both rivals for popular favor in London. Both were invited to sing the same night at a court concern before the queen. Jenny Lind, being the younger, sang first and was so disturbed by the fierce, scornful look of Grisi that she was at the point of failure when suddenly an inspiration came to her.

The accompanist was striking the final chords. She asked him to rise and took the vacant seat. Her fingers wandered over the keys in a loving prelude, and then she sang a little prayer which she had loved as a child. She hadn't sung it for years. As she sang she was no longer in the presence of royalty, but singing to loving friends in her fatherland.

Softly at first the plaintive notes floated on the air, swelling louder and richer every moment. The singer seemed to throw her whole soul into that weird, thrilling, plaintive "prayer." Gradually the song died away and ended in a sob. There was a silence—the silence of admiring wonder.

The audience sat spellbound. Jenny Lind lifted her sweet eyes to look into the scornful face that had so disconcerted her. There was no fierce expression now; instead a teardrop glistened on the long, black lashes, and after a moment, with the impulsiveness of a child of the tropics, Grisi crossed to Jenny Lind's side, placed her arm about her and kissed her, utterly regardless of the audience.—Our Dumb Animals.

An Outrage.

An old gentleman was present at the reading of the will of a distant relative. He had hardly expected to find himself remembered in it, but pretty soon a clause was read in which a certain field was bequeathed to him. That was good, but the document went on to bequeth the old gray mare in the said field to some one else—a man with whom the old gentleman was not on friendly terms. That was too much for his equanimity, and he interrupted the solemn proceedings and brought a smile to the faces of the company by exclaiming:

"Then she's eating my grass!"—Pearson's.

The Highest Court.

The Denver Times says that when Tom Bagnell was justice of the peace at Altman, the highest incorporated town in the country, standing 12,000 feet above the sea level, he had occasion to fine a disorderly character $10 and costs. The victim of the operation of justice objected to the finding of the court and announced that he would take an appeal.

"What? Appeal, would you?" asked the astonished court. "You can't come any o' that, now. This is the highest court in the United States, and you can't appeal."

She Was an Observer.

"Did George write to you every day while he was traveling around?"

"Yes, every day."

"What regularity!"

"Yes, but I discovered that every one of the letters was written here in his office before he started, and all he had to do was to drop one in the postoffice wherever he chanced to be."

"And how did you find that out?"

"The 'e' in his office typewriter is broken."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Its Good Point.

Gentleman (to house agent)—The great disadvantage is that the house is so damp.

House Agent—Disadvantage, sir? Advantage, I call it. In case of fire it wouldn't be so likely to burn.

Money is one thing everybody is after, and yet it always gets left behind.

Almonds.

The world's almond crop, exclusive of those raised in California and the west, comes from Italy, Sicily, Majorca, Spain, France, Portugal, Morocco and Algiers. The highly prized Jordan almonds come from Malaga, Spain, and not from the Jordan river, as many people suppose. The common almond is the most indigestible of all the nuts and contains very little nourishment. There are many ways, however, in which it is advantageously used as a desert or as a flavoring. One peculiarity about the almond tree is that its leaves contain prussic acid and are therefore poisonous, while the fruit may be eaten with impunity.

A Sure Thing Sport.

A well known politician on setting out for a day's sport with a friend pointed to a large spaniel which lay apparently asleep in the hall and bet his friend a guinea he could not attract the dog's attention.

The bet was readily accepted, and after the failure of a shrill whistle and a blank cartridge to cause the slightest movement the guinea was delivered up.

"That's my old dog Mahatma I had stuffed a few weeks ago," laughed the politician, "and that's the tenth guinea he's brought me."—London Tit-Bits.

Italian Bees.

Italian bees are more hardy than the native and more profitable. They are more energetic and will gather honey in partial droughts when natives will do nothing. They will gather honey from blossoms that natives will not touch. They are stronger on the wing, will fly more directly and swiftly and are not so irritable.

Hobo Paradise.

Languid Trotter (excitedly)—Listen to this whut th' book sez, Weary, an' then pack yer tomatter can an' foller me!

Weary Willie—W'ere for?

Languid Trotter—We're off fer th' great Sahary desert, w'ere they ain't a drop o' water th' year roun'!—Detroit Free Press.

Heat and Cold.

Professor—Heat ascends, and cold descends.

Pupil—Not always, does it?

Professor—Yes, sir; invariably.

Pupil—Then how is it when I get my feet wet the cold always goes up and settles in my head?—Philadelphia Press.

Noncommittal About His Health.

Robert—Oh, I suppose Tom is all right, but he is so close mouthed. For instance, when I saw him today I asked him, "How are you?" and he gave me an evasive answer.

Richard—And what was that?

Robert—He said, "How are you?"—Boston Transcript.

The most disastrous times have produced the greatest minds. The purest metal comes of the most ardent furnace, the most brilliant lightning from the darkest clouds.

When your heels drag, look out; you are tired and need a rest.—Atchison Globe.

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EXCURSION SOUTH.

The Illinois Central Railroad Company will run a Real Estate Agents and Homseekers' excursion south, leaving Manchester at 3:44 a. m. Tuesday, November 19. Fare for the round trip to Whitehall, Louisiana, and return $29.35. Tickets good to return within twenty-one days and good stopovers south of the Ohio river. At New Orleans tickets may be exchanged for return good from Hammond to starting point. This involves a slight expense Whitehall to New Orleans and New Orleans to Hammond. Pullman Tourists Cars have been chartered for an eight-day trip leaving Chicago at 6:10 p. m. From Freport at 9:40 a. m., November 19. The rate will be $8 per double berth for the entire eight days whether occupied by one or two gentlemen. $16.00 will be the price of a section which will accommodate three gentlemen fairly well. Application for sleeping car accommodations must be made to the undersigned at Dubuque, Iowa, not later than November 15th, and in every instance must be accompanied by draft or money order to cover price of same. In making reservation the rule of "First come first served" will be strictly observed. If you expect a lower berth send your money and application at once. For full particulars as to rates, time of trains and itinerary of the trip apply to the undersigned. J. F. MERRY,
Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Ill. Cen. R. R., Dubuque, Iowa. 45-2w

Original Notice.

In the District Court of Iowa in and for Delaware County.

CHARLES FERGUSON, vs ALEX. FERGUSON, et al — Decem ber Term 1901. Original Notice.

TO ALEXANDER FERGUSON, MRS. ALEXANDER FERGUSON, JOHN LEE, JAMES LEE, MRS. JAMES LEE, ARNOLD LEE, MRS. ARNOLD LEE, WILLIAM SITES, MRS. WILLIAM SITES, BENJAMIN SITES, MRS. BENJAMIN SITES, ROSS SITES, MRS. ROSS SITES, HENRY C. OSBORNE, MRS. HENRY C. OSBORNE, PETER CARTER, MRS. PETER CARTER, ED CARTER, MRS. ED CARTER, JOHN CARTER, MRS. JOHN CARTER, DAVID CARTER, MRS. DAVID CARTER, GEORGE ARBEGUST, MRS. GEORGE ARBEGUST, ARVENA ARBEGUST, WILLIAM LEE, MRS. WILLIAM LEE, GEORGE W. ANDREWS, MRS. GEORGE W. ANDREWS, MRS. ELISHA ROE, the Unknown Heirs of COLLINS FERGUSON, the Unknown Heirs of JOHN LEE, the Unknown Heirs of MARY LEE, the Unknown claimants of the east half [½] of the southeast qr. [¼], and the southwest qr. [¼], of the southeast [¼] of section [11], township ninety [90], north of range six [6], west of the 5th P. M., or to any part thereof.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified, that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Delaware county, the petition of Charles Ferguson, as plaintiff, in which among other things he alleges, that he is the absolute owner in fee of the east half [½] of the southeast qr. [¼], and the southwest qr. [¼] of the southeast qr. [¼], of section eleven [11], township ninety [90], north of range six [6], west of the 5th P. M., and of every part and parcel thereof.

That he derives his title to said premises by purchase from John Lee, Mary Lee, Collins Ferguson, and George and Hannah Hebron, and by long continued possession and occupancy as stated in said petition.

That a deed made by John and Mary Lee, conveying the south thirty-two acres of the southeast quarter of southeast quarter of said section eleven, to this plaintiff does not appear of record in the Recorder's office of said Delaware county, and has been lost and cannot now be found.

That the deeds executed by Nathaniel Hempsted to Elisha Roe, and by Elisha Roe to defendant, George W. Andrews, for part of said premises are null and void, and conveyed no right, title or interest therein to either of said grantees.

That the deed made by said John and Mary Lee conveying eight acres [8] off the north side of the southeast quarter [¼] of southeast quarter [¼], of said section eleven [11], to one Cyrus Sites, does not appear of record in the recorder's office of said Delaware county, and is lost and cannot now be found.

That said John and Mary Lee are now deceased, and the defendants, John Lee, James Lee, and Arnold Lee are sons of said John and Mary Lee, that the defendants William Sites, Benjamin Sites, Ross Sites, Henry C. Osborne, Peter Carter, Ed Carter, George Carter, David Carter, George Arbegust and William Lee are grandsons of said John and Mary Lee, and said Arvena Arbegust is their granddaughter, and that if there are other heirs of said John and Mary Lee now living their names and place of residence are unknown to the plaintiff, although, he has caused diligent search and inquiry to be made to ascertain same.

That he has caused diligent search and inquiry to be made to ascertain whether the defendants, Alexander Ferguson, Mrs. Alexander Ferguson, Mrs. James Lee, William Lee, Mrs. William Lee, or Mrs. Elisha Roe, or either of them are now living, and that the place of residence or whereabouts of said defendants or either of them, or the heirs of either of them, are unknown to plaintiff and he cannot more particularly describe said unknown defendants, or the unknown claimants to said real estate, than as stated in said petition.

That if the defendants, or any of them have any right, title, or interest in said real estate or any part thereof, it is as heirs of said John and Mary Lee or said Collins Ferguson.

That the plaintiff, and those under whom he claims title to said real estate, now is, and for more than ten years last past has been in the continued, undisturbed, actual, open, adverse, exclusive, visible and notorious possession of said real estate and of every part and parcel thereof, under claim of right or color of title.

And the plaintiff asks that his title to said real estate and every part thereof, be established and confirmed against the adverse claims of the defendants and each of them, their heirs and assigns, and the unknown heirs of said Collins Ferguson, and Mary and John Lee, and all unknown claimants to said premises, and that they, and each of them, and all persons claiming by, through, or under them, or any of them be barred and forever estopped from having or claiming any right or interest in said premises or any part thereof, and that plaintiff's title to all of said real estate be quieted in him, and for such other and further relief as may be deemed equitable in the premises.

And that unless you appear thereto and defend on or before noon of the second day of the next term of the District Court to be begun and holden at Manchester, said Delaware county on Monday the 16th day of December, 1901, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered as prayed.

BRONSON & CARR,
Attorneys for Plff.

I, Franklin C. Platt, Judge of the 10th Judicial District, of Iowa, do hereby approve the foregoing Orienal Notice, and order that the same be published for six (6) consecutive weeks in the Manchester Democrat, a weekly newspaper published at Manchester, Delaware county, Iowa.

Dated at said Manchester this 28 day of October, 1901.

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