County Correspondence.

EARLVILLE.

R. Holdridge was over from Delhi on business Friday.

Mrs. H. A. Tobie and daughter, Zala, are visiting relatives in Dubuque this week.

Mrs. E. Schlect and little son, who are now living in Des Moines, but who formerly lived here, are visiting relatives and acquaintances this week.

Dr. C. B. Rogers was called to Dubuque Friday on professional business.

Will Laxson arrived home from Epworth Saturday.

E. H. Russell, of Nashua, was renewing acquaintances here one day last week.

A large audience greeted the Manchester home talent play given here in the town hall Friday evening, entitled, "Not So Bad After All." All who attended were well pleased with the entertainment they received.

Miss Grace Simons, of Epworth Seminary, is spending her vacation at home.

Mrs. Carrie Kelley, of Hartley, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rippon.

Mr. Junkins, of Rock Rapids, was transacting business in town Friday.

Arthur Murley, Burt Millen and Darl Hunt are at home from Epworth this week.

Miss Edith Hunt and Mrs. J. W. Malven, of Dyersville, are visiting here.

Thomas Wilson, of Manchester, was a business caller in town Saturday.

Bert Powell and family moved to Dubuque last week. Their friends wish them success in their new home.

David Irmscher, who is employed at Dubuque, spent Sunday with his parents here.

W. C. Nieman went to Chicago last week.

Willis Bender went to Durand, Ill., last week to visit his father and mother.

Miss Grace Hersey left for DeKalb Saturday to remain for an extended visit.

It is with regret that the friends of Mrs. Herman Phillipps learn of her untimely death at her home in Oklahoma. The remains were brougt to Delhi, where interment took place on Sunday.

Frank Carpenter sold his dray business and equipment to Thomas Robinson recently.

Henry Richardson was out from Dubuque Saturday.

MASONVILLE.

The city council met Monday evening.

The Earnester sale was well attended.

Phil Ryan returned to his home in Nebraska Monday, after a week's visit with relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Dr. Lindsay made a professional call in town this week.

George Lane, who has been seriously ill, is reported some better at this writing.

Mrs. P. McGrath spent part of this week with relatives and friends in the country.

W. J. Strain was in town on business Tuesday.

A baby girl came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grubstock Monday, March 3rd.

Married at the home of the bride's parents on Tuesday, March 11, Wm. Elsburg and Miss Minnie Brigman. Both young people are well and favorably known in this vicinty. Congratulations are extended. Mr. Elsburg will work the James New farm, north of town the coming year.

Fred Long left Tuesday evening for his home in Dyersville.

Miss Emma Wintakger spent part of the week in town the guest of Miss May McGrath.

The community was greatly shocked Friday in receiving the sad news of an accident which befell Mr. Michael Cain, a well known and highly respected citizen living three miles south of town. While driving from Winthrop to his home Friday afternoon he was thrown from his wagon and seriously injured. He was taken to the Coney hotel at Winthrop. His family was at once sent for, and reached his bedside soon after the accident. Physicians were summoned and all that kind hearts and willing hands could do, was done, but to no avail. He quietly passed away at an early hour Saturday morning, March 15. He leaves a wife and family to mourn the loss of a kind husband and loving father, besdes hosts of friends. The sorrow-stricken family have the sympathy of the entire community in their be reavement.

On Wednesday evening, March 12th, occurred the death of Mrs. Arthur Martin, at her home northwest of here. She was in her usual health up to a few days before she died. The immediate cause of her death was peritonitis. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her father and mother, a husband, four children, two brothers, George and Bert Jinks, of Mitchel, S. D, and two sisters. Mrs. Wm. Brubaker, and Mrs John Rose, both of this place, and a host of friends as she was loved by all who knew her. Funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. Zabriskie, of Lamont, and interment took place at the Masonville cemetery. The large number of friends who followed her remains to their last resting place showed the esteem in which she was held by those who knew her. The bereaved family have the sympathy of everyone.

STRAWBERRY POINT.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Frederick mourn the loss of their one week old baby, the little one being buried Sunday last.

Little Miss Flossie Roe, who has been seriously ill the past few days, is improving slowly. Mrs. King, of Edge wood, is nursing her.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra McKray went to Manchester Sunday for a few days' visit with Mrs. McKary's sister, Mrs. Harley Everetts, and husband.

B. B. Davis will begin work as soon as the frost is out of the ground on his new residence on the lot he recently purchased of his brother, Johnny Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cameron, of Springfield, Mo., were guests at the home of Mr. Cameron's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cameron, the first of the week.

P. H. Keiffer and family are moving into the residence near the creamery this week. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith will occupy the residence vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Keiffer.

On Saturday evening, March 8th, Walter Jewell and Miss Hariet Bartlett, two of Strawberry Point's estimable young people were united in marriage, Rev. A. F. Marsh officiating. It was a very quiet affair.—Mail-Press.

COGGON.

Herman Barker, of Manchester, is visiting his uncle, F. E. Dutton.

Frank Sherman, of Cedar Rapids, was in Coggon Monday.

Miss Minna Merriam returned to Cedar Falls Tuesday, where she will again enter upon her school work.

Miss Maye Patton is learning the printer's trade in the Monitor office.

Mrs. A. A. DeWoody visited relatives in Manchester the first of the week.

Mrs. D. F. French is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Overland, at Vincent, Iowa. A little granddaughter is the principal attraction.

J. R. Campbell was in Marion Friday.

Rev. Scofield, of Manchester, spent Wednesday with his son, Dr. Scofield.

F. N. Reece and family departed for their new home in Egg Lake, Alberta, Canada, Tuesday morning.

S. N. Joslin and wife visited their son, Verner, in Manchester the first of the week.

Mrs. S. J. Edmunds, of Manchester, visited her sister, Mrs. W. H. Sherman, last Saturday.

Miss Carrie Booth, of Marion, spent Sunday at the home of her brother, Dr. Booth, of Coggon.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bayley expect to move to Hopkinton soon, where Mr. Bayley has been engaged as electrician and operator for the Hopkinton Telephone Company.—Monitor.

DYERSVILLE.

Henry Lammers, of Dixon Settlement, was in town Monday having come here with a load of hogs.

Royal Reeder, of Manchester, was in the city Monday afternoon transacting business and calling on old time friends.

Quite a large number of friends in this city of the late John S. Murphy, of Dubuque, expect to go in this (Friday) morning to attend his funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sternhagen, of Plum Creek, transacted business in this city Wednesday afternoon.

Barney Frye and wife, of Earlville, came down to this city Sunday and spent a few days here to attend forty hour devotions at St. Francis church.

Fred Long departed yesterday morning for Lyons, this state, where he has accepted a position in a drug store. His many friends wish him success.

James Mitchel, of Earlville, transacted business in this city the latter part of last week.

A. S. Coon, of Manchester, was in the city Monday calling on friends.

J. V. Bush and F. Bush, of Colesburg, transacted business in this city Monday.

John Vorwald, Jr., of New Vienna, was in town Tuesday afternoon transacting business.

Fred Nesler, of New Vienna, was in the city Tuesday and from here he made a trip to Dubuque

Frank Rubly and John Koch, of Hickory Valley, were in town Tuesday morning and from here they drove to Earlville on business.

Joseph Woerdenhoff, of Petersburg, transacted business and visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. A. Sumpmann, in this city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Kenny, of North Fork township, were in town Monday visiting friends and trading with our merchants.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B Schneiders, of Petersburg, are the happy parents of a bright boy baby, which arrived at their home quite recently.

Miss Mary Link, of Manchester, was in town several days the fore part of the week in attendance at the forty hour devotions at St. Francis church. She was a guest of James F. Link and family while here.—News Letter.

HOPKINTON.

Mrs. Minnie Calkins spent Tuesday in Manchester.

Mrs. W. J. Good was up from Monticello Friday visiting friends and relatives.

Jas. Wilson and wife came down from Greeley Tuesday to visit the family of their son, H. J. Wilson.

Mrs. Lizzie Fisher went to Cedar Rapids on business Monday evening.

Miss Lizzie Frazer, of Delhi, spent Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. Mason.

Maggie and Theresa Conlin, of Delhi, were visiting friends here Saturday of last week.

Mrs. T. Crosier and daughter, of Manchester, have been visiting at the home of J. D. Smith.

Matt Pierce, of Strawberry Point, passed through here Saturday for Milwaukee, being called there by the critical illness of his father, whose death was hourly expected.

Miss Frances Matheson gave a birthday party Tursday of last week which was attended by her teacher and schoolmates and other young friends. It was her 10th birthday and those present voted it a very pleasant occasion.

A number of relatives and friends of R. N. Hocking and wife surprised them Tuesday evening, the occasion being the 20th anniversary of their wedding. The present consisted of a fine rocker. —Leader.

RYAN.

The Farmers' Lumber Company are receiving their new stock; several cars have been unloaded the past week.

Messrs. G. Heiserman and Quinton Searight were elected school directors at the election held Monday.

Our school teachers and their scholars gave a public entertainment in the opera house Saturday evening. The entire program was much appreciated by the large audience present.

H. L. Walkup, of Fox Home, Minn., is here assisting his father, who is preparing to remove to Fergus Falls, Minn.

Larry Collins departed Saturday for Williams, Iowa, where he has secured employment as a helper in the Illinois Central depot.

Dennis McCusker departed Monday for Farmington, Minn., where he will remain for some time.

Ed McNamara, of Anamosa, was transacting business here Wednesday.

Art Morgan returned Saturday from Epworth, where he has been attending school.

Roy B. Davis, of Manchester, was in town Thursday.

Jim Odrubaugh spent Sunday in Manchester.

J. P. Smith and Walter Locke have formed a partnership under the firm name of Smith & Locke, and will conduct a first class wagon and blacksmith shop.

PETERSBURG.

Spring is near, for the wild ducks are going north.

The roads were bad the forepart of the week.

A large crowd of voters attended the Township meeting last Monday.

Herman Kruse and son Henry, transacted business in Dyersville, last Monday.

J. C. Nieman, of Earlville, passed through here last Friday on business.

F Thale, of Dyersville, was noticed in our vicinity last Friday.

B H. Duetmeyer, had business which called him to New Vienna last Friday.

Messrs. John Sassen and John Lineweber made a flying trip to Dyersville, last Saturday.

EDGEWOOD.

Fred Ullman was in Winthrop a few days ago.

Ray Moody, of Greeley, is assisting Mr. Durston in the lumber yard.

Mrs. George Cox, of Oneida, has been visiting at the home of Will Gaulson.

Rev. A. D. Stevens, former pastor of the M. E. Church at this place is visiting among his many friends here.

Mr. Wolcott, of Manchester, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Nathan Scofield is very sick at her home in Strawberry Point.

Mrs. Flenniken and Miss Mary Robins were in Greeley Saturday.

Mrs. Stoner and daughter, Opal, went to Delhi Tuesday evening for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Eda Reed has been visiting in Dubuque for a few days recently.

Dr. Rawson's little son is reported as no better.

Miss Jennie Forward returned to her college duties at Hopkinton, Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Farmer attended the K. P. banquet at Manchester Friday evening.

EAD'S GROVE.

Our school meetings were held on Monday, the third day of March. O. M. Eaton was selected in place of Wm. Noble in No. 6, and Frank Fishel in place of Sam Way in No. 7. The board of directors met on Monday last to elect teachers, but we have not yet learned who the new teachers are.

Winfield Lash was a Manchester visitor last Saturday.

Mrs. Hattie Sackett is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Lillian Gull is sick with the mumps at her brother's in-law, Fred Moser. Miss Gull hopes to secure a school in our neighborhood.

John Lash has moved onto the Chauncy Morris farm, and is getting nicely settled in his new home.

Aunt Sarah Waters is back at the home of her brother, J. T. Fowler, after a brief visit with friends in Greeley.

Dick Frentress, our assessor, is kept busy these days invoicing our farmers.

F. B. Cobb, of Independence, was out our way last week looking for cattle.

Henry Parkinson is working for J. M. Retherford, having hired for the season.

Our milk haulers have been obliged to go to the creamery every day of late on account of the muddy roads.

Ira Palmer has removed to Aurora. A Mr. Smith takes his place on the Clugston farm.

Fred Moser and Burt Fowler have been trading horses, but can't say who got the worst of it.

The L. A. S met with Mrs. Chas. Clute last week and new officers were elected.

Loyd Lash has a slight attack of scarlet fever, but has not been sufficiently sick to require the services of a doctor.

Ed Preston departed for Cedar Falls last Friday, where he expects to find employment.

Little Clara Way is sick with bilious-typhoid fever, but is getting along nicely under the care of Dr. Reed, of Edgewood.

FORESTVILLE.

More wet weather.

Ed. Durham and F. B. Simpson have been sawing wood in this neighborhood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G Lawrence and Mrs. Eldrege and children were in Strawberry Point Wednesday.

L. D. Lammon spent Sunday at home in Lamont.

Mr. and Mrs. Benson were Strawberry Point visitors Thursday of last week.

Jake Adams was a Dundee visitor Friday.

Ed. Smith was a Lamont visitor Friday.

Mrs. Eldredge left Wednesday for her new Minnesota home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carmical visited her mother, Mrs. Ben Nelson, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fay and daughter Maude, visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ben Nelson Thursday.

Will Stoner, from near Edgewood, was in Forestville Thursday.

J. W. Adams has been kept busy this week grinding feed.

Monday March the 10th, the Independent District of Forestville, elected Albert Kash for director in place of John Bandy. L. G Lawrence was appointed to clean the school house, Frank Larabee is to furnish the wood, and W. Pelly is to saw it.

Albert Ward is working for O. C. Clark.

Charles Ward had so far recovered as to be able to visit school Wednesday of last week.

Flute, the fine hound owned by Geo. Parker escaped him in Manchester and arrived in our town last night. If ever you saw a tickled canine he was that dog.

Spring must be close at hand for there are quantities of robins and blue birde on the school ground.

Ethel Adams has been ailing with neuralgia.

W. Pelly has been hewing timbers for J. W. Adams to put in a new floor as soon as the weather will permit.

The Forestville school will close March 21st.

The ice has all disappeared on the Forestville pond.

The price of eggs will soon be lower for there is a great cackling in our poultry yards.

The ladies M. E. Aid Society met with Mrs. John Barr, March 13.

Mrs. Bentz Spent spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Sherwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hebron visited with Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith March 9.

O C. Clark was a Strawberry Point visitor Friday.

DELHI.

Mr. Lyman, of Prairie, candidate for recorder was in town Wednesday.

At the school election Monday, J. W. Swinburne and Bryce Saunders were elected directors for the next three years.

The M. E. Aid Society meets with Mrs. Frank Stimson, Wednesday afternoon, March 19.

Miss Opal Stoner will teach her first term of school in her home district at Edgewood this spring. We wish her abundant success.

S. P. Carter was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. John Latimer and Mrs. Sullivan were over Sunday guests at E. H. Blanchards.

Mr. Gillen, of Viola, is night operator at this station.

Mrs. Boyles and son, of Manchester, visited recently at E. R. Johnson's.

Mrs. Sherman, of Anamosa, is visiting her son, Bert.

Mrs. Will Stoner, of Edgewood, is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

U. B. Richardson, of Coggon, had business in town Friday.

James Wilson, of Greeley, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Belle Saunders, of Hopkinton, is visiting at the home of her son, Bryce.

A. E. Sheldon, of Hyannis, Nebraska, was a guest at J. W. Swinburne's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark White are the parents of a fine boy born Tuesday, March, 11.

Will Toomer is home again.

School closes next Friday for a two week vacation

Louis Wheeler has moved into the house vacated by John Wheeler.

Rena Jackson Phillips was born near Delhi in the year 1874. She was married to Herman Phillips, of Earlville, in June 1898 she lived in Earlville until about nine months ago, when the family moved to Oklahoma, where they resided until her death, which occured on Thursday morning, March 13. The remains were brought to this place for burial. She leaves a husband and two little children, one a babe of six weeks, besided her parents, three sisters and two brothers. The sympathy of many friends is with them in their hour of sorrow. Funeral services were held at the M. E. Church Sunday morning by Rev. Salisbury. The daughters of Rebekah from Crescent Lodge Earlville and Silver Lake Delhi, attended in a body.

A. C. Philipp, of Manchester, attended the funeral of his brother's wife at this place Sunday.

Frank Loomis and wife, of Earlville, spent Sunday at Alex. Young's.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Haight, of Ryan, attended the funeral of Mrs. Philipp Sunday.

John Pierce and wife, of Golden, was in town Saturday.

Miss Sadie Trier closed a very successful term of school in the Jakelin district Friday.

MISAPPLIED WORDS.

Some Expressions the Use of Which Should Be Reformed.

"Extra" is an abused word. People say "extra good" or "extra cheap" in order to intensify "good" and "cheap." But "extra" has no such force. So far from intensifying a given condition, it denies it by indicating that the thing so described lies outside the sphere or quality named. Thus, "extra judicial" does not mean more than ordinarily judicial, as though a judge had dredged his conscience in giving an opinion, but outside of judicial and therefore incapable of being judged at all in the prescribed way.

A grievous fault is the use of "identify" in a phrase like this, "He is identified with the antivaccination movement." A man can only identify himself with another man or set of men. He can identify himself with the opponents of vaccination—and even here the word carries a shade of meaning of its own, distinguishing the phrase from such a one as "he joined the opponents of vaccination."

One should not speak of "high" or "low" caliber; but, remembering the meaning of "caliber," one should apply to it only such adjectives as "great" or "small."

It is wrong to speak of a "consensus of opinion." The word "consensus" itself means an agreement of thought and should stand alone.—Academy.

Volunteers In South America.

There is a gentleman in Boston who spent a number of years among the various little South American republics and who gives an interesting account of the methods of one of these small states when it comes to a question of making war. The "navy" of the particular power referred to consists of a single old fashioned side wheel steamer, armed with one gun. In time of peace she is engaged in hauling freight up and down the river which runs close to the capital.

At the outbreak of one of the periodical wars not so very long ago the president of the republic took charge of the steamer and started up stream on a recruiting expedition, leaving his senior general in charge of the military preparations at the capital. A couple of days later the steamer returned, and some seventy miserable looking natives, each firmly bound with a strong rope, were marched off and turned over to the general, with a note from the president which read:

Dear General—I send you herewith seventy volunteers. Please return the ropes at once.

—Boston Herald.

ITALIAN VIOLINS.

The First "Strad" Sent to London Could Find No Purchaser.

Italian violins have not always held the supremacy they now enjoy. It was not indeed till the beginning of the nineteenth century that they came into vogue to any extent outside their native land. Previously Jacob Steiner (1621-83) was the favorite maker, and his high model had been almost exclusively copied by his fellow Germans and the different makers in France and England. When the elder Corvetto, who had been a merchant before entering the musical profession, came to London, in 1738, he brought with him some instruments by Stradivari. The result of this endeavor to introduce Italian work into England fills one with pathetic wonder. It is almost beyond belief. As he could not get as much as £5 ($25) for a violoncello he was obliged to send the instrument back to Italy for a bad speculation. Five pounds for a "Strad," and not a single purchaser to be found!

This incident in itself furnishes sufficient testimony to the slavish following of the great German maker and the strong prejudice of the violinists of that period in favor of the high model. It is indeed the players who are most to blame for the slow adoption of the flat model, for the creator must make what is necessitated by the demand; but the eighteenth century fiddlers, at any rate in England, France and Germany, seem for the most part to have been content that their violins should possess a small sweet tone, never realizing the lack of power and sonority.—Connoisseur.

He Said to Himself.

Kansas enjoys the distinction, possibly, of being the only state in the Union where a man has been allowed by a court of inquiry to testify regarding what he said to himself.

A committee had been appointed by the legislature, says The Green Bag, to investigate the alleged bribery of certain members in connection with a defeated railroad bill. The first witness called testified that he saw one of the representatives late one night coming down the hotel stairs.

"I said to myself," he went on, but a member on the side of the defense jumped to his feet.

"Hold on!" he shouted. "You can't testify about what you said to yourself!"

The prosecutor retorted that there was no law to prohibit him from so testifying. A long argument ensued, but a majority of the committee agreed with the chairman that the testimony was admissible.

"I said to myself," seriously proceeded the witness, "that M. had been up to Billy's room to get his pay."

The testimony was recorded and made a part of the official record.

Chinese Points For Hosts.

"Don't eat with your ears," says Yuan Mei, a Chinese writer, "by which I mean do not aim at having extraordinary out of the way foods, just to astonish your guests, for that is to eat with your ears, not with your mouth. Bean curd, if good, is actually nicer than birds' nest. And better than sea slugs, which are not first rate, is a dish of bamboo shoots.

"The chicken, the pig, the fish and the duck—these are the four heroes of the table. Sea slugs and birds' nest have no characteristic flavors of their own. They are but usurpers in the house. I once dined with a friend who gave us birds' nests in bowls like vats, holding each about four ounces of the plain boiled article. The other guests applauded vigorously, but I smiled and said I came here to eat birds' nest, not to take delivery of it wholesale."

He Understood.

Anton Rubinstein, the Russian composer, in his autobiography tells of the confusion which overcame a certain architect of his acquaintance who had a habit of interlarding all his remarks with the phrase, "You understand."

On one occasion he was explaining certain architectural matters to the emperor, and, according to custom, made free use of his favorite expression.

"Good heavens!" exclaimed Emperor Nicholas at last irritably. "Of course I understand! My dear fellow, how could I help it?"

How the Natives Treat Gorillas.

Natives in the countries inhabited by great apes regard them always as human beings of inferior types, and it is for this reason that for a long time it was found impossible to get hold of an entire gorilla skin, because the savages considered it religiously necessary to cut off the hands and feet of the animals when they killed them, just as they do with their enemies, possibly for the purpose of rendering them harmless in case they should by any chance come to life again.

His Choice of Sacrifices.

"It is true," said the person of high ideals, "that you have attained prosperity by your writings, but you have produced nothing that will live."

"Well," answered the comfortable litterateur, "when it comes to a question of which shall live, myself or my writings, I didn't hesitate to sacrifice my writings."

Her Comment.

Mrs. Growells—My husband is continually quarreling about trifles.

Mrs. Howells—Well, my dear, the less one has to quarrel about the better.—Chicago News.

The best way to make a man acknowledge the corn is to stamp on his toe.—Philadelphia Record.

The microscope has shown yeast cells in Egyptian bread more than 4,000 years old.

American English.

We do not speak the English language in the way in which it is spoken by the people of England. We have greatly changed, enlarged and perhaps improved it in our usual progressive way. The wonder lies in the notion of Englishmen that their way of speaking the language is the only way and that our way is wrong.—New York World.

A Good Mimic.

"I don't see what yoh all has to git so proud about," said Miss Sadie Cottonball.

"Cohse you doesn'," answered Miss Miami Brown. "I'ze been studyin' de white folks. What yoh wants to do is jes' put on de airs yohse'f an' let de yuthuh folks do de guessin' 'bout whut de reason is."—Washington Star.

A Rod In Pickle.

Mrs. Goodsole—Why, Johnny, are you just going home now? Your mother's been looking for you all afternoon.

Johnny—Yes'm, I know.

Mrs. Goodsole—Just think how worried she must be!

Johnny—Oh, she's near the end o' her worryin'. I'm jest beginnin' mine.

Webster's Income.

The legal profession of the present day will be surprised to learn that Mr. Webster, the greatest American lawyer of his time, made but $15,000 a year by his practice. But the fees of counsel between 1840 and 1850 were not what they have been since.

In 1848 I accompanied a client to Mr. Webster's office in Boston and asked him to name a retaining fee in an important patent case. He said he thought a couple of hundred dollars would do. When the case was tried, his fee was only $1,000. On another occasion I paid him a retaining fee of $2,000 for the proprietors of the Goodyear india rubber patent.

His fee for arguing the great equity cause of Goodyear versus Day in the circuit court of the United States for the district of New Jersey, by which he established the validity of the Goodyear patent, was $5,000. This was in the spring of 1852, and was the last case he ever argued.

Foolhardy.

The question was once put to General Wheeler:

"General, what was the most foolhardy thing you ever saw on the field of battle?"

"I didn't see it on the field of battle," replied General Wheeler. "I saw it one day when a young woman tried to enter a revolving door leading a dog by a very long string. She passed through in safety, but not so the dog. The rushing public came along, and the dog was ground both ways and chopped up as though he were in a sausage machine. Each time he escaped his mistress tugged madly on the string and pulled him into it again. She got him through at last, being a very determined girl. The janitor of the building wrapped him up in a newspaper for her, so that she could carry him home. The way she clung to that string was the most foolhardy thing I ever saw."

The Baby's Name.

"Name this child," said the clergyman.

"Superfluous," replied young Mrs. Verdiggis, the mother of the cherub.

"What?"

"Superfluous."

"My dear madam," said the preacher in a whisper, "that will never do. I can't give the baby such a name as that. What suggested it to you?"

"My husband's brother."

"Is he a married man?"

"No, sir. He's an old bachelor."

"As I suspected. Madam, we will call this baby 'Blessing.'"

"I've no objection, sir, but I like the sound of the other better."—Chicago Tribune.

An Odd Betrothal.

It is said that a certain servant in a moment of weariness with domestic duties said, "Rather than go on like this month after month forever I'll ask the first man who passes if he wants a wife."

Her fellow servant challenged her to put the question to a man just then passing by. The young woman was not prepared to be taken at her word so suddenly, but, in desperation, bethought herself for a way of escape. She was Welsh and hurriedly exclaimed as the unknown was passing, "A oes eisiau gwraig arnoch chwi?" ("Do you want a wife?")

"Oes" ("Yes") was the unexpected reply from the young man, who also hailed from the principality, and, with Celtic sprightliness, followed into the hall the blushing girl, who had fled upon hearing the familiar word. The maid, a farmer's daughter, was buxom and neat, the swain was an industrious and ambitious young dealer with promising prospects, and soon "merrily rang the wedding bells."

Sense In Proverbs.

There is a deal of sound sense in the proverbs of a nation. Earl Russell defined a proverb as being the wit of one man and the wisdom of many, and the aptness of this is well shown in the following from the Spanish, "Since we cannot get what we like, let us like what we get." The thought is as old as the race of mankind, but ages passed before one man hit upon the happy expression of it. This saying from the Chinese is a whole homily on pride in one sentence, "When a tree is blown down, it shows that the branches are longer than the roots."

For a concise expression of the lofty aspirations of youth and the sobre achievements of riper years take the sentence from Henry D. Thoreau, "The youth gets together his materials to build a bridge to the moon, or perchance a palace or temple on the earth, and at length the middle aged man concludes to build a woodshed with them."

NOW LOOK OUT!

"Take care of yourself," say our friend "I'll try to," we answer. We do take a little care, yet in spite of warm clothes, rubbers and mackintoshes, an army of people were bowled out by pneumonia and other lung and chest diseases last winter. They caught cold, neglected it, let it fix upon them, were torn by coughs, choked by inflammations and congestions, wasted by fever, tired out by pain and then gave up the fight. The hour you realize that you have a cold on the chest, place a Benson's Porous Plaster where the pain or oppression is felt. If you think two are needed make it two. No harm if you were covered with them. They act quickly and prevent the engorgment of blood in the organs. In this way—with ordinary caution as to exposure—you will break up the cold and avoid a serious sickness. No other applications, or any other form of treatment, will accomplish this as certainly and speedily. Benson's Plasters have a distinct and positive action and are curative to the highest degree. Use them with the same confidence for coughs, muscular rheumatism, the grip (back and chest) and all similar ailments. Women, who are chief sufferers from cold weather complaints, should keep these plasters always within reach. Get the genuine. All druggists, or we will prepay postage on any number ordered in the United States on receipt of 25c. each.

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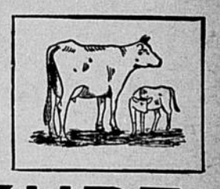

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