County Correspondence.

ONEIDA.

Quite a number of our people attended the California exhibition cars which were here last Tuesday.

Mrs. Joel Beckner of Greeley spent last Tuesday at C. C. Hoag's.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. T Dickson on Thursday, Jan. 15th, 1903. A Cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Clark and son of Forestville spent Friday at Will Hockaday,s east of here.

Lee Burbridge has been on the sick list the past week but is improving at this writing.

Who will be the next to buy a seperator?

Rev. Dawson of Greeley made several calls in this vicinity the past week. and although the weather was severe, he was "about his Master's business" inviting all to attend the revival meetings at his church in Greeley next week.

Miss Ethel Dunham of Almoral spent Friday at Buel Dunham's.

Miss Knon Patty, Miss Nellie Lein and Miss Daisy Dunham, school marms in this vicinity spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks in Manchester.

MASONVILLE.

E. McClain of Dubuque was in our city on business Monday.

Mrs. R. Fee and sisters, Misses Nora and Bridget, were callers at Manchester Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Cummings, Tuesday Jan. 6th, a bright baby boy.

Those from this vicinity who are preparing to move to Dakota in the near future are E. Burnes and family, Thomas Taylor and family and Thomas Garey and family. We are very sorry to loose these families from our midst. All join in wishing them prosperity in their new homes.

E. Middlestadt and H Smarzo, our chamion creamerymen are once more able to be at work after a two week's tussle with mumps.

Mrs. P. Kehoe returned to her home in Worthington Thursday, after spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. John Moran.

P. McGrath and M. A. Hogan were business callers in Manchester Thursday.

Dr. Bronson of Dubuque was in our city Sunday on a professional call.

The many friends of P. H. Ryan will be pleased to learn that he is much better at this writing.

Miss Mamie Hinch, formerly of this place but now of Dakota, is visiting friends and relatives here.

John Nester who was well and favorably known in this vicinity died at his home in Winthrop, Jan. 1. He has been a patient sufferer for many months and bore his sickness with Christian fortitude. He leaves to mourn his loss one son, Willie, his wife having died 12 years ago. Services were held at the Catholic church in Winthrop, interment in the cemetery at Masonville.

Miss Minnie Hogan will take up her studies at St. Joseph's Convent in Manchester Monday.

There will be a grand ball given in the new opera house, Friday evening, Jan. 16th. Music will be furnished by the Italian band of Dubuque. Every body invited.

Miss Maggie Hogan of Omaha is spending the week with her brother, M. A. Hogan.

Lewis Mulvehill, John Murtaugh and Maurice Molan returned to their studies at Dubuque after spending the holidays at their homes.

Maurice Maroney of Hartley is visiting at the home of his father.

EARLVILLE.

Miss Ora Wesche went to Ashland, Wis., last week to visit at the home of her brother-in-law, H. P. Crosby.

Geo. L. Miller, who is in the implliment business at Strawberry Point, was calling on friends here Wednesday.

F. West, of Woodbury Co., stopped off here last week, the guest of H. Ashburn and C. M. Gould. He was on his way home from Chicago where he had been with a car load of stock of his own raising.

L. C. Reding has been in Chicago the past week.

Al. Cousins and wife left for Kentucky last week. Al. expects to work for the Scribners who had charge of a force of men putting in the concrete arch two miles east of town last summer. His work will be on bridge work and he expects to remain the rest of the winter.

Newt Sargent was down from Independence last week, and while here bought four car loads of wood from his father-in-law, A. J. Rector.

J. G. Cousins, who has been spending the winter with his son-in-law, Geo. Schaller, at New Hampton, has been home the past week but expects to return soon.

Acocia Chapter of Eastern Star entertained their members and families at supper Thursday evening after which they installed their officers. Mrs. W. T. Wood acting as installing officer.

Miss Caro Staehle returned to Mt. St. Joseph's Academy at Dubuque Friday morning.

The Outlook club was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. L. Cruise north of town Friday afternoon.

Wilmur Wesche of Webb, Clay Co. is visiting at the home of his father, Henry Wesche. Wilmur expects to move to Wisconsin in the spring to go into the land business.

J. W. Jacobs was in Chicago the first of the week.

Joe Neiman marketed three car loads of horses in Chicago last week.

Miss Mary Young has returned to her school duties at Mason City.

Rev. R. F. Paxton commenced a series of evangelistic services in the Congregational church Sunday evening.

Chas. Denton held an auction sale on the Denton farm west of town Wednesday. It was a stormy day and on that account the sale was not as largely attended as it would have been but nevertheless it was quite a successful sale. Chas. expects to go to railroading with his brother Harry in the spring and bore with the farming. Their father, H. J. Denton, will move into the Nicholson house soon and Merton Scovel has rented the farm and will have entire charge the coming year.

On Wednesday, Jan. 7th, was solemnized the marriage of D. Fahrenholz of Dubuque to Miss Alvina Schanbeck of this place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Mall, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the German Lutheran church. After the ceremony the guests went to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Schanbeck where a bountiful dinner had been prepared. In the afternoon and evening a pleasant time was had in playing games etc. On Thursday morning Mr. and Mrs. Fahrenholz departed for Dubuque where they will make their future home.

DELHI.

Newton Flack went to Hawkeye Monday on business.

The W. C. T. U. meets on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. J. W. Swinburne.

Richard Goss has moved back to Hopkinton.

Miss Dell Jackson visited in Dubuque last week.

A. L. Chase of Monticello was in town Friday.

J. W. Swinburne had business in Earlville Saturday.

Miss Lizzie Fraser gave a party to her Sunday School class, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. H. C. Gustafson is visiting friends in Council Bluffs.

Mrs Flack has returned from a weeks visit at Hawkeye.

Mrs. Spar of Waterloo visited at Alex Hackarths' last week.

Dr. Ferry and wife were in Cedar Rapids the last of the week.

Mrs. Stone of Fayette visited her daughter, Mrs. T. V. Hunt, recently

Julius Frankfort will soon move his family to Fairbault, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pulver have returned from an extended stay at Williamsfield, Ill.

Ed. Rich of Clear Lake visited relatives here last week.

About thirty Rebekahs and Odd Fellows went to Hopkinton Thursday evening in response to an invitation from the Sun Set Lodge I. O. O. F. They report a very pleasant time.

Mrs. Chas. Howard is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Merritt Blanchard of Masonville was an over Sunday guest at the poor farm.

On Monday, January 5th, the stockholders of the Delhi Savings Bank held their annual meeting at which time the following directors were elected: Thos. Simons, F. Buchholtz, G. B. Davis, J. W. Swinburne, F. E. Stimson, E. R. Stone, G. O. White, J. R. White Jr. and A. E. House. At the directors' meeting the following officers were elected: President, E. R. Stone; Vice President, J. W. Swinburne; Cashier, F. E. Stimson. The bank is in a prosperous condition, a dividend of 6 per cent. was declared on the capital stock.

At a meeting of the I. O. O. F. Lodge Saturday evening the following officers were installed: N. G., Zina Phillips; V. G., Guy Smith; Rec. Secy., J. W. Swinburne; Per. Secy., A. A. Cummings; Treas., J. R. White Jr., Warden, D. F. Jones; Con., R. D. Grummon; R. S. to N. G., E. E. Holdridge; L. S. to N. G., J. W. Clifton; I. G., J. B. Keith; O. G., R. M. Wilson; R. S. to V. G., D. Darling; L. S. to V. G., H. Kragenbrink.

Mr. Hubbard was up from Monticello Tuesday.

The M. E. Aid Society meets with Mrs. F. B. Doolittle, Wednesday, January 21.

The following were the officers installed at the last meeting of the J. M. Holbrook Post: Com., G. H. Fuller; Sr. Vice Com., P. Wragg, Jr. Vice Com., G. Ellison; Q. M., Ward White; Officer of the Day, T. Simons; Officer of the Guard, L. Pierce; Surgeon, S. Vesey; Q. M. Sergeant, L. S. Stone; Adjt., J. W. Corbin.

EAD'S GROVE.

Many of the farmers attended the Farmer's Creamery meeting at Greeley last Monday. All the old officers were elected with the exception of one director. Frank Miller was elected in John Lillbridge's place.

Sam Culbertson visited at J. T. Fowler's last Sunday.

Aunt Sarah Waters is visiting in Gresley this week.

The young folks had a party at Harry Sackett's last Thursday evening.

Bruce Hunt has returned to Sioux City where he is attending school.

Rev. Dawson of Greeley was seen in our vicinity last Wednesday.

J. M. Rutherford and Jake Moser delivered cattle to Alex. Hackbarth at Greeley last Saturday.

Sam Ridenour is sawing wood with his sawing machine for some of our farmers.

Henry Wordehoff was buying cattle in this neighborhood last Monday.

J. T. Fowler and family visited at Mrs. Culbertson's, at Milheim, last Sunday.

COGGON.

Daniel McCloud and J. H. Leach of Cedar Rapids are visiting at the home of J. J. Leach.

Mrs. J. B. Hall and her mother, Mrs. H. A. Litz, visited friends in Manchester Friday.

David Patton returned to Cedar Rapids Monday morning after spending a two week's vacation at home.

Mrs. Alice Wheeless of Manchester has been visiting at the home of U. T. Wheeless east of town.

Duane Hunt returned to Mt. Vernon, Tuesday, where he will resume his studies at Cornell college.

Ed. Grassfield and family of Manchester spent New Year's day with Mrs. Grassfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Andrews.

Carl Mangold and wife returned to their home in Sioux Falls, Friday, after a week's visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mangold.

RYAN.

P. N. Schuster attended the ball at Dyersville.

Mrs. McFern of Manchester has been a guest of friends here during the past few days.

George Beacom left Monday for Winthrop where he has accepted a position in Ryan's drug store.

Frank Woods of Coggon was a business visitor in Ryan Tuesday.

James Brazelton is a guest of his son, Edgar, and wife at Ashland, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mangold, who came here from South Dakota to attend the marriage of the former's brother, returned home last Friday.

Mike Cahill met with misfortune at Masonville on the night the old year went out. He had sold his hogs a few days previous and had the check cashed that day. At night he laid down in the livery barn to rest and when he awoke in the morning his pocketbook contained $415 was missing. He came to Ryan and had warrants sworn out for the arrest of four men who slept in the barn with him, but later recalled the warrant and decided not to prosecute. It was his intention to pay the rent on the farm with the money and he feels his loss keenly.

GREELEY.

Frank Martindale has been visiting here for a few days.

Frank Taylor and family will leave next week for Virginia, their future home.

Wade Trullinger is here visiting his old friends. Wade intends to bring Mrs. Trullinger here and make Greeley his home.

Newton Kleckner has accepted the position of clerk in the post office at Monticello. Newt is to be congratulated on securing so lucrative and responsible a position.

Within three weeks there has occurred within eight miles of Greeley, four fires which have caused several thousand dollars loss. The first was that of the Sam Hook house on the Cox place and the next was that of the house and barn belonging to Fred Kruger, and both were of very doubtful origin. The next was that of the new residence of C. W. T. Barr which was a total loss with inadequate insurance. The last was on Saturday evening when fire destroyed the large barn belonging to John Farmer together with eight head of cattle, not covered by insurance. In the latter case evidence of incendiarysm was quite pronounced. If a fire-bug is working in this neighborhood the citizens should organize and give him thirty minutes time at the end of a rope.—Home Press.

DYERSVILLE.

Jos. Boeckenstedt, a popular young farmer of near New Vienna was in town Monday on business.

B. White and L. Hopply, of Worthington, were here on business last Tuesday.

John Domayer went west Tuesday in the interest of the National Importing company.

H. H. Scherbring, Sr., and son of near Petereburg were pleasant callers Wednesday.

Jos. Woerdehoff went to Chicago Tuesday where he spent several days on business.

B. Sassen of Petersburg was a pleasant caller last Tuesday.

Ed. Potts and R. B. Hogan of Colesburg were Dyersville visitors Saturday.

Frank Meyey and Richard Rubly of Petersburg were in town Monday.

Geo Oberbroeckling of New Vienna was in Dyersville on business and while here made our headquarters an agreeable call,

Chas. Georgen of Rockville was in this city last Friday several hours on business. He also called on his numerous friends.

Royal Reeder of Manchester was in town Mondy on business. Mr. Reeder was formerly a resident of North fork and his friends here were glad to see him.

John Rubly, the popular merchant of Petersburg was here Tuesday and took his daughter, Ida, to Dubuque where she is attending the Visitation Academy. She was at home during the holidays.—Commercial.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Treas. of Delaware Co. in account with Cash from June 1st, to December 31st, 1902, both days included.

COUNTY FUND.

1902.	CR.	DR.
June 1. To balance	$ 13370 37	
tax collected	7396 50	
interest collected	196 78	
Transferred from Dog fund	1050 00	
Rec'd from Co Clk.	815 01	
Rec'd from Co Aud	42 23	
Rec'd from County Treasurer	13 00	
Rec'd C'l'l'tion fees	48 60	
Dec 31. By paid warrants to date		$ 13384 53
refunded		1 97
By balance		9345 99
	$ 22932 49	$ 22932 49

STATE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 73 06	
tax collected	5774 62	
interest collected	74 85	
Rec'd from Co Aud	24 00	
Dec 31. By paid State Tr. to date		$ 4995 38
transferred to tem. school fund		703 29
By balance		247 86
	$ 5946 53	$ 5946 53

SCHOOL FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 500 51	
tax collected	2135 87	
interest collected	26 50	
Rec'd from J. M. Pearse 1 p.	27 00	
Rec'd from J. C. Matthews J. P.	10 00	
Rec'd from Co. Clk	51 00	
Dec 31. By apportionment by Auditor to date		$ 2097 44
By balance		653 44
	$ 2750 88	$ 2750 88

SCHOOL HOUSE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 196 00	
tax collected	2186 77	
interest collected	40 75	
Dec 31. By paid school treasurers to date		$ 1087 78
By balance		1335 74
	$ 2423 52	$ 2423 52

CONTINGENT FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 105 91	
tax collected	5992 93	
interest	78 33	
Dec 31. By paid school treasurers to date		5296 71
By balance		970 46
	$ 6177 17	$ 6177 17

TEACHERS' FUND

June 1. To balance	$ 1037 56	
tax collected	17371 99	
interest	232 69	
Dec 31. By paid school treasurers to date		$ 15089 76
By balance		3552 48
	$ 18642 22	$ 18642 22

APPORTIONMENT FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 340 25	
apportioned by Audt.	3035 00	
Dec 31. By paid school treasurers to date		3274 50
By balance		100 75
	$ 3375 25	$ 3375 25

BRIDGE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 7552 40	
tax collected	5311 71	
interest	67 19	
rec'd from Auditor	350 78	
Dec 31. By paid warrants		$ 7994 47
By balance		5287 61
	$ 13282 08	$ 13282 08

POOR FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 3030 18	
tax collected	3203 82	
interest collected	39 25	
Rec'd from Co Aud	83 97	
Dec 31. By paid warrants to date		$ 4285 20
transf'red by B S to poor appropriation		1500 00
transf'd to special poor		50 00
By balance		522 02
	$ 6357 22	$ 6357 22

POOR APPROPRIATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 265 95	
transferred by B S from poor fund	1500 00	
Dec 31. By p'd war'nt to date		$ 1680 30
By balance		85 65
	$ 1765 95	$ 1765 95

INSTITUTE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 106 98	
rec'd Co. Supt.	430 00	
Dec 31. By paid warrants		$ 523 35
By balance		13 63
	$ 536 98	$ 536 98

DOG FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 928 85	
tax collected	157 00	
interest	4 43	
Dec 31. By transferred to County fund		1050 00
By refunded		50
By balance		39 78
	$ 1090 28	$ 1090 28

MASONVILLE CORPORATION FUND.

June. 1. To balance	$114 93	
To tax collected	$ 92 70	
interest	59	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$115 82
By balance		92 40
	$208 22	$208 22

MASONVILLE CORPORATION ROAD FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 13 74	
To tax collected	2 49	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 13 74
By balance		2 49
	$16 23	$16 23

MANCHESTER CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 22 78	
tax collected	2102 79	
interest collected	32 27	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 2133 70
By balance		24 14
	$ 2157 84	$ 2157 84

MANCHESTER CORPORATION ROAD FUND.

June 1. To tax collected	$ 6 68	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 3 60
To balance		3 08
	$ 6 68	$ 6 68

SINKING FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 4 43	
tax collected	420 69	
interest	5 94	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 425 83
By balance		5 23
	$ 431 06	$ 431 06

FIREMEN'S FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 2 22	
tax collected	209 09	
interest	2 82	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 211 52
By balance		2 61
	$ 214 13	$ 214 13

LIBRARY FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 3 32	
tax collected	311 56	
interest	4 10	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 315 07
By balance		3 91
	$ 318 98	$ 318 98

SEWER FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 1 11	
tax collected	105 17	
interest	1 42	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 106 40
By balance		1 30
	$ 107 70	$ 107 70

GRADING FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 4 43	
To tax collected	400 01	
interest	4 34	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 403 58
By balance		5 23
	$ 408 81	$ 408 81

HOPKINTON CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To tax collected	$ 433 99	
interest	8 08	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 438 42
By balance		3 65
	$ 442 07	$ 442 07

EARLVILLE CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 20 42	
tax collected	255 37	
interest collected	2 92	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 275 61
By balance		3 10
	$ 278 71	$ 278 71

RYAN CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	3 78	
To tax collected	$224 66	
interest	2 70	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$217 95
By balance		13 19
	$231 14	$231 14

RYAN CORPORATION ROAD FUND.

June 1. To tax collected	$ 24 31	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 24 31
	$ 24 31	$ 24 31

GREELEY CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 5 55	
tax collected	85 49	
interest collected	1 66	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 91 36
By refunded		59
By balance		75
	$ 92 70	$ 92 70

GREELEY CORPORATION ROAD FUND.

June 1. To tax collected	$1 60	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$1 60
	$1 60	$1 60

COLESBURG CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 10 96	
tax collected	92 46	
interest	1 42	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 88 00
By balance		16 84
	$ 104 84	$ 104 84

EDGEWOOD CORPORATION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 6 82	
tax collected	57 15	
Interest collected	1 24	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$ 54 37
By balance		10 84
	$ 65 21	$ 65 21

INSANE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 21 63	
tax collected	1701 80	
interest	21 43	
rec'd from Co. Audt.	553 60	
Dec 31. By paid state treas.		$ 2037 00
By balance		261 37
	$ 2298 46	$ 2298 46

SOLDIERS' RELIEF FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 1330 62	
tax collected	640 77	
interest	8 07	
Dec 31. By paid warrants		$ 788 57
By balance		1190 89
	$ 1979 46	$ 1979 46

HEALTH FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 607 75	
tax collected	228 73	
interest	26	
Dec 31. By paid twp clk		$ 331 99
By balance		504 75
	$ 836 74	$ 836 74

STATE UNIVERSITY FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 2 70	
tax collected	213 59	
interest	2 67	
Dec 31. By paid state treas.		$ 210 41
By balance		8 55
	$ 218 96	$ 218 96

SPECIAL POOR FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 3 86	
transf'd from poor fund	50 00	
Dec 31. By paid warrants		$ 24 91
By balance		28 95
	$ 53 86	$ 53 86

TOWN HALL FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 2 80	
To tax collected	60 21	
Dec 31. By paid twp clerk		$ 48 58
By balance		14 43
	$ 63 01	$ 63 01

GAME PROTECTION FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 30 00	
Dec 31. By balance		$ 30 00
	$ 30 00	$ 30 00

CEMETERY FUND.

June 1 To balance	$ 30 62	
To tax collected	20 73	
Dec 31 By pd twp Clerk		$ 46 96
By balance		4 39
	$51 35	$51 35

SIDE WALK FUND.

June 1 To tax collected.	$ 35 25	
Dec 31 By pd City Treas.		$ 35 25
	$ 35 25	$ 35 25

WATER FUND.

June. 1. To tax collected	$100 91	
interest	1 34	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$101 38
By balance		87
	$102 25	$102 25

WATER WORKS FUND.

June 1. To tax collected	$181 54	
interest	2 48	
Dec 31. By paid city treas.		$182 44
By balance		1 58
	$184 02	$184 02

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 2 70	
tax collected	208 69	
interest	2 27	
Dec 31. By paid state treas.		$ 210 41
By balance		3 25
	$ 213 66	$ 213 66

RAILROAD FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 3 95	
tax collected	164 36	
Dec 31. By paid R. R. treas.		$ 168 31
	$ 168 31	$ 168 31

COUNTY ROAD FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 3426 92	
tax collected	2135 87	
interest	26 50	
rec'd from Co Aud.	33 24	
Dec 31. By paid warrants		$ 3160 17
By balance		2462 36
	$ 5622 53	$ 5622 53

ROAD FUND.

June 1. To balance	$ 867 58	
tax collected	551 71	
Dec 31 By paid twp. clerks.		$ 391 45
refunded		33 29
By balance		994 55
	$ 1419 29	$ 1419 29

SCHOOL FUND INTEREST.

June 1. To balance	$ 524 57	
rec'd int on notes	211 80	
transf'd from state fund	703 29	
Dec 31. By app'd by Auditor		$ 937 56
By balance		502 10
	$1439 66	$1439 66

SCHOOL FUND PRINCIPAL.

June 1. To balance	$ 4 27	
Dec 31. By balance		4 27
	$ 4 27	$ 4 27

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES.

Dec 31. County fund	$ 9345 99
State fund	247 86
School fund	653 44
School house fund	1335 74
Contingent fund	970 46
Teachers' fund	3552 48
Apportionment fund	100 75
Bridge fund	5287 61
Poor fund	522 02
Poor appropriation	85 65
Institute fund	18 63
Dog fund	39 78
Masonville Cor. fund	92 40
Masonville Cor. road	2 49
Manchester Cor. f'd.	24 14
Manchester Cor. road	3 08
Sinking fund	5 23
Firemen's fund	2 61
Library fund	3 91
Sewer fund	1 30
Grading fund	5 23
Hopkinton Cor fund	5 65
Earlville cor. fund	3 10
Ryan cor. fund	13 19
Greeley Cor. fund	75
Colesburg Cor. fund	16 84
Edgewood cor. Fund	10 84
Insane fund	261 37
Soldiers' Relief fund	1190 89
Health fund	504 75
State University f'd.	8 55
Special Poor fund	28 95
Town Hall fund	14 43
Game protection fund	30 00
Cemetery fund	4 39
Water	87
Water Works fund	1 58
Agr. State College f'd	3 25
County road fund	2462 36
Road fund	994 55
	$27850 11
School fund interest	502 10
School fund prin.	4 27
Total bal Jan 1, 1903	$28356 48

Respectfully submitted,
F. E. DUTTON County Treasurer.

WISDOM OF THE WIDOW.

Views of a Man Who Does Not Agree With Tony Weller.

The man who marries a girl just out of school has need of much shrewdness, tact and fortitude, for the first year of matrimony will produce a violent revolution in her mind. As she learns to know her husband—she who has never seen him except when he had his best coat on—she will deem him a brute and will be disappointed and disgusted, for she will compare him with that impossible ideal of manhood which every girl has in her mind and of which he, of course, falls short. But with experience will come wisdom. In time she will understand that her girlhood's ideal, if she were to have him in the flesh, would be an unbearable prig, and that her husband is about as good as men go and even—if she loves him—a little better than the next man.

A widow has all this knowledge of men and of the world, which a spinster lacks. A man talks to a widow freely as to one who has found him out. She is expert in the arts of pleasing him, and if a bright young widow sets her cap for a man he can escape her only by flight. A widow has no illusions and no ideals. She is well trained and used to going double, while the spinster is an unbroken filly and is bound to kick up a good deal when she first feels a tug at the snaffle.—San Francisco Bulletin.

Fashionable Life In Italy.

The fashionable season in Italy, says Luigi Villari in "Italian Life In Town and Country," is from Christmas to Easter, the time generally known as the carnival. At Naples, Messina and some other places there is also a summer season. Commenting on the peculiarities of life among the upper classes, Mr. Villari says:

"Italians, even in the grandest establishments, do not wear evening dress for dinner unless there is a party. A black coat is enough for ordinary purposes. A few men who wish to be particularly fashionable wear a smoking coat with a black tie, which garment is sufficient for all save very large dinner parties and balls. On the other hand, there are occasions when a man dons his dress clothes by day. It is de rigueur at court functions, even in mornings, and at weddings. Ladies wear hats at the theaters except on gala nights. They display more jewelry by day than English ladies. The Italian aristocracy have magnificent jewels, and even in quite small towns, where there is no great wealth, the old families can make a fine display. The tall hat is only necessary at marriages, funerals and at court. Young men of fashion wear it also when paying calls during the season. Among the bourgeoisie evening clothes are hardly ever worn at all."

Two Clever Statesmen.

One crisis in Lord Palmerston's life illustrates the absolute good humor which may prevail even when political enmity is at its worst. Lord Derby had made an attack upon him in the upper house with such energy and eloquence that the odds against him seemed overwhelming. But he defended himself and his policy from the dusk of one day to the dawn of another with such tact, dexterity and force of appeal to the national sense of honor that he was acquitted of all blame by a majority of fourscore.

Next day in passing through the corridor leading from an anteroom to the upper house one swing door opened to his hand and at the same moment the other to that of Lord Derby. They were opponents, but they were also manly and sweet natured men. They smiled.

"I was just thinking," said Palmerston, "what a clever fellow he was who so nearly put me in a hole!"

"Ah," was the rejoinder, "but nothing like the cleverness of the fellow who got you out of it!"

A Touch of Sarcasm.

Mr. Skinflint (on receiving a deputation from his employees)—Well, what's the matter now?

Clerk (spokesman)—We want to be paid every week instead of every month.

"Ugh! You get all that's due to you, don't you?"

"Yes, sir."

"And promptly to a day?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then why do you want to be paid weekly instead of monthly?"

"Please, sir, it's so we won't be gettin' the lumbago carryin' home our wages."—London Answers.

To Market on Stilts.

An interesting and picturesque custom in southwestern France is that of going to market on stilts. Groups of young men and women mounted on high stilts may be seen daily crossing the marshy plains known as "the Landes." "The Landes" are cut up into small ditches, pools and hummocks, and stilts are in consequence almost necessary to those who desire to traverse them.

AN UNCHANGED BILL.

The Clothing Merchant Was Too Much For the College Professor.

Ex-President Gates of Amherst college was a man with three salient characteristics—belief in compulsory worship as a means of grace, nicety of language and a fondness for bargain hunting that was almost feminine. As illustrative of the latter it is told that on a certain occasion Mr. Gates bought for $3 a pair of trousers that had been marked at $6 and had them charged. The first of the month a bill came in:

"To one pr. pants, $3."

Mr. Gates crossed off the "pants" and substituted "trousers," then remailed the bill. The first of the next month another bill came in:

"To one pr. pants, $3."

This time the bill was returned, as before, but with the following legend:

Dear Mr. Thompson—I am always careful about the language I use and like other people to be the same.

The first of the third month Mr. Gates received a bill:

"To one pr. pants, $3."

This time he went in person to visit Mr. Thompson. He explained his position. Thompson looked at him a moment and then replied:

"Pres'dent Gates, I've been in the clothing business for twenty-five years, an' during them twenty-five years everything in my shop above $5 has been trousers and everything below $5 has been pants. It's pants you got, and, egad, sir, it's pants you'll pay for."—New York Times.

Prairie Flowers of Fancy.

A brief for the state in an early Nebraska case indulges in the following prairie flowers of fancy:

"Plaintiffs in error are afraid that the honor and dignity of the state will suffer, and they invoke for the claimants broad principles of natural equity and the claim that neither the laws governing courts nor the constitution applies to them. The logical sequence is this—that persons who hold claims against the state are a favored class, who can alone make wings of 'justice and right' to fly to that mystic region above and beyond the trammels of law, and where such unjust things as contracts and written constitutions do not exist, but where for them a straight and narrow pathway leads to the treasury, whose doors, without stint or delay, turn softly on golden hinges to admit them. Yet if I do not very much mistake this court 'these wings' will unfeather in their flight, and claimants against the state must fall to a common level with all other litigants and stand up to the rack where is fed that good old fodder of 'justice and right' as administered by our courts."

A Sound Sleeper.

At the Francais theater in Paris one evening during the performance of a play by Soumet a spectator was observed to be slumbering. "Look," said Dumas to the author, who was sitting near him, "you see the effect produced by your tragedy." But the next evening at the same theater it happened that the play was one of Dumas' own, and it happened also that a gentleman in the stalls was overpowered by sleep. Soumet being present noticed this, and, with infinite satisfaction, tapping Dumas on the shoulder and pointing to the offender, he said, "Please notice, my dear Dumas, that your plays can send people to sleep as well as mine." "Not at all," was the ready answer; "that's our friend of yesterday. He has not woke up yet!"

Smallest People In the World.

The inhabitants of the Andaman islands are the smallest race of people in the world. The average height of a full grown Andaman is 4 feet 5 inches, and few weigh over seventy-six pounds. They are marvelously swift of foot and as they smear themselves over with a mixture of oil and red ocher present a very strange appearance. Few travelers care to encounter any of these bellicose little people, for their skill in throwing the spear and in using the bow is only equaled by their readiness to attack strangers.

Certainly a Clever Lawyer.

"Is he a good lawyer?"

"A good lawyer! Why, say, I've known him to prove the truth of what isn't so and not half try!"—Chicago Post.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that the applicaclon of the undersigned, John W. Baum, a Registered Pharmacist, No. 5356 doing business under the firm name of John W. Baum, of Dundee in the County of Delaware, State of Iowa, praying for a permit to buy, keep and and sell intoxicating liquors in his Pharmacy located on lots 384, Block 2, of Dundee in the County of Delaware State of Iowa, is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of said County and that said cause will come on for hearing in said Court at the February Term of said Court, to be begun and held at Manchester, Iowa, on the 9th day of February, 1903. JOHN W. BAUM, Applicant

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