

—M. H. Williston was at home last week.

—W. N. Wolcott is at home from a trip in the south.

—Mrs. A. P. Slack is the guest of her parents at Hazelton.

—Mrs. W. E. Lawrence is the guest of friends at Cedar Falls.

—Miss Dora and Alma LeRoy were Chicago visitors last week.

—B. Clark was in Chicago last week purchasing goods for his spring trade.

—James Legassick of Earlville was a Manchester business visitor Saturday.

—Mrs. Flora E. Worden of Des Moines was the guest of her sister, Mrs. P. E. Triem last week.

—Mrs. E. T. Grassfield and children were guests of relatives and friends at Corgon part of last week.

—Mrs. Sarah Johnson of Chicago was the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Allen part of last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Merriam of Des Moines were guests of relatives and friends in this city Friday.

—M. L. Opydyke of New Hampton was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. LeRoy, part of last week.

—The fire department was called out Friday morning by the burning out of a chimney in the Earl Beal residence.

—Mrs. James Robertson jr. died at her home at Thorpe Sunday. The funeral was held Tuesday morning from the home of the deceased, interment being made in the Manchester cemetery. Her many friends extend their heartfelt sympathy to the grief stricken relatives.

—Don't neglect to attend to the payment of your taxes this month. All road taxes become delinquent if not paid by April 1, and if you fail to pay the half of your other taxes by the first of next month, the whole will become due and delinquent and draw interest at the rate of one per cent. per month from March 1st until paid.

—John Vasmaker, the merchant prince of Philadelphia, speaking of advertising, says: "There is only one way to advertise and that is to hammer your name, your location and business so constantly, so persistently, so thoroughly into the people's heads that if they walk in their sleep they would constantly turn their faces to your store. The newspaper is your best friend in spite of your criticism. It helps you to build up the community that supports you."

—Scarcely any interest was taken in the school election in this city last Monday. Only 25 ballots were cast. Joseph Hutchinson succeeds himself as director and Henry Smith as the successor of J. M. Pearce. The latter has served this district as a director, continuously for the past 21 years, and felt that he was entitled to retire, and hence was not a candidate for re-election. That his services were appreciated, his long term of service abundantly proves, and by none more so than his fellow directors, who, upon his retirement presented him with an elegant office chair in which his honor will hereafter sit when dispensing justice to the litigants that come before him.

—The attendance at the Base Ball Minstrels will test the capacity of the Central Opera House. The advance sale of seats is the largest known in the history of the entertainments of this kind. The boys are deserving of a large attendance for they have worked hard and have arranged a splendid program. There will be an opening chorus and overture sung by fifty voices, assisted by an orchestra of ten pieces. Solos by Cal Martin, Harry Bradley, Fred Blair, Harry Sullivan, Noble Arnold, Harry Roe and Ned Hoyt. An illustrated song will be introduced with other clever specialties in the olio part. The program will conclude with a laughable farce comedy. There will also be a big street parade in the afternoon at 1 o'clock.

—Tomorrow (Thursday) the township trustees and clerks will meet with the board of supervisors at the court house in this city to discuss and prepare for the working of the roads under the new road law, which requires the trustees of each civil township in their county, at their regular meeting next month to consolidate their township into one road district, and that the road funds of the several districts, shall become a general township fund, out of which all unsettled claims for work done or material furnished for road purposes prior to the consolidation shall be paid. The statute further provides that "the board of township trustees shall order and direct the expenditure of the road funds and labor belonging or owing to the township; may let, by contract, to the lowest responsible, competent bidder, any part or all of the work on the roads for the current year, or may appoint a township superintendent of roads, to oversee, subject to the direction of the board, all or any part of the work, but it shall not incur an indebtedness for such purposes unless the same has been or shall at the time be provided for by an authorized levy; and shall order the township road tax for the succeeding year paid in money and collected by the county treasurer as other taxes. It shall cause both the property and poll road tax to be equitably and judiciously expended for road purposes in the entire road district; shall cause at least seventy-five per cent. of the township road tax locally assessed to be expended by the fifteenth day of July in each year; shall cause the noxious weeds growing in the roads to be cut twice a year, and at such times as to prevent seeding, and it may allow any land owner a reasonable compensation for the destruction thereof, when growing in the roads abutting upon his land. If a superintendent of roads is employed, it shall fix the term of office, which shall not exceed one year, and compensation, which shall not exceed three dollars a day; and no contract shall be made without reserving the right of the board to dispense with his services at its pleasure."

—Miss Ola Wilson was a Cedar Rapids visitor over Sunday.

—H. Lampman, of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, is in the city.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Smith visited friends at Edgewood last week.

—Miss Bertha Mitch is at home from a visit with relatives in Chicago.

—Messrs. Lee, Ray and Roy Traver left for South Dakota last week.

—Mrs. A. C. Philipp, was the guest of friends at Cedar Rapids the first of the week.

—Mrs. A. A. Anderson went to Cedar Rapids Monday where she is the guest of relatives and friends.

—Wm. Mead was the guest of relatives and friends at Monticello and Cedar Rapids during the past week.

—Misses Madge and Mazie Pentony, who are attending St. Clara's Academy, were at home last week on a vacation.

—Rev. T. E. Taylor and Rev. Earl Taylor of Independence were guests of relatives in this city the first of the week.

—Sheriff and Mrs. R. W. Fishel went to Greeley Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Elias Way, which was held there Sunday.

—Misses Marion and Clara Beiden of Grand Rapids, Michigan, are guests of their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira P. Adams.

—Misses Julia and Ionis Garfield of Chicago, are visiting relatives in this city, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntosh.

—Miss Julia Pierce, who is a student at the Iowa State University, spent part of last week with relatives and friends in this city.

—Miss Mildred Smith pleasantly entertained a number of her young friends last Saturday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith.

—The Young Ladies Society of the Congregational church will serve supper in the church parlors Wednesday, March 11, from 5:30 until all are served.

—Marriage licenses have been issued during the past week by Clerk Georgan to Barney Davis and Minnie Down, and Walter F. Harris and Annie M. Parsons.

—Walter F. Harris and Miss Annie M. Parsons were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of C. B. Mills, Rev. McCord of Masonville officiating.

—Casey's Troubles at the Central Opera House last Thursday evening was undoubtedly the best comedy seen here this season. The attendance was not nearly as large as the company deserved.

—Robert Barr went to Chicago yesterday afternoon with two choice car loads of live stock. He shipped over the M. & O., which is an assurance that his stock will make good time on the way to market.

—Letters addressed to Mesdames Mary J. Appleby, Julia Allen, Kate Conrod, Mary Conrod, Misses Emily F. Smith, Jennie Manson, Mary Lahey, Margaret Campbell, Mr. Will Smith are advertised as uncalled for at the post office.

—The young people of the U. B. church will give a New England supper at the home of Wm. Cowell, Friday, evening. Supper will be served from 6:30 o'clock until all are served. Price 25 cts. Everybody come and help a good cause.

—Gene Williams has resigned his position with the American Express Company at this station and has accepted a position with the same company in their office at Dubuque. Mr. and Mrs. Williams will remove to Dubuque in the near future.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weaver are guests at the Ben Sheldon home. They were for many years residents of this county, until about nineteen years ago, when they located near Mason City in Cerro Gordo county, which has since then been their home.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kennedy departed Saturday for Storm Lake where they will make their future home. Mr. Kennedy has accepted a position with an orchestra at that place. Their host of friends wish them success and happiness in their new location.

—The Union Caucus held at the court house in this city last Saturday nominated the following officer: Mayor, S. A. Steadman; Solicitor, W. H. Norris; Assessor, J. M. Pearce; Alderman 1st ward, Dan Hennessy; Councilman 2nd ward, W. D. Hoyt and Councilman 3rd ward, Chas. Adams.

—Mrs. Eliza Way died at her home in Greeley last Friday morning. Mrs. Way was one of the oldest settlers of this county and was at the time of her death 71 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Way had been married about 53 years, they having celebrated their golden wedding on the 23rd of August, 1850. She was a good Christian woman, a member of the Christian church, and was highly respected by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her death her husband and five children, four sons and a daughter. The funeral services were held Sunday, Rev. Organ of Des Moines officiating. Interment was made in the Greeley cemetery.

—Jack Fishery is a peaceable man when himself, but when inflamed with liquor invariably goes on the war path for scalps. Last Sunday he filled up on whiskey at a Hole-in-the-Wall, in Masonville, put on his war paint and struck the trail for a battle. He was not long in finding what he sought. He ran up against a squad of five or six braves and gave them battle and they caused more crime and suffering than all other causes combined and one of the greatest boons that could be granted humanity would be the absolute prohibition of its manufacture.

—Evelyn Hoyer is the guest of friends in this city.

—W. H. Norris returned Tuesday from California.

—Harry Allen was a Chicago visitor part of last week.

—Seth Hamblin of Hazel Green was a Manchester business visitor Monday.

—Gertrude Anderson is a guest of relatives and friends at Cedar Rapids.

—E. T. Grassfield has installed a handsome new shoe case in his store. It is a beauty.

—Claude Ballard of Beloit, Wisconsin, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ballard.

—Frank Zemanek Sr. and Frank Zemanek Jr. of Dundee were business visitors here Monday.

—Thirty six couples attended the Pythian dance last Thursday evening. An enjoyable time is reported.

—Mrs. A. C. Philipp pleasantly entertained about twenty of her lady friends at her home last Saturday afternoon. Dainty refreshments were served.

—A. D. Brown, the furniture man, brought in and ad. too late for this issue in which he calls your attention to his complete line of carpets and his spring arrival of furniture. He is still selling that \$7.50 couch.

—Mrs. F. J. Schneider of Peoria, Ill., arrived at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. M. Pearce, Tuesday morning. Mrs. Schneider is just convalescent from a severe illness and will remain, there, the guest of her mother, until she has fully recovered.

—About forty members of the Independence K. of P. lodge visited the local lodge last Monday evening. Work was conducted on the second and third degrees, followed by a banquet. The visiting guests were accompanied by Grand Chancellor Gillett whose home is at Independence.

—The compensation of a road supervisor in this state is not adequate for the responsibility which attaches to the office, for instance, when notified in writing that any bridge (except county bridge) or portion of the public road in his district is unsafe, he is, if he fails to repair same within a reasonable time, liable for any and all damage resulting therefrom. If notified in writing of the unsafe condition of a bridge, in his district, erected or maintained by the county, he fails to obstruct the passage thereon and notify, in writing, at least one member of the board of supervisors of its unsafe condition, he is liable for all damages growing out of the unsafe condition of such bridge occurring after the time he is so notified and while he neglects to obstruct such passage.

—The Iowa Fence Co. of this city has established an enviable reputation for its women wire fencing, and is kept busy filling its orders. From its advertisement in this issue it will be seen that there has been a drop in the price of its fencing, and those interested should take advantage of the saving they can make by purchasing now. The factory is in the basement of the Kennedy Buggy Co. building.

—While Capt. Merry's immediate relatives are in Manchester and his loved wife and four children lie sleeping there, friends here are loth to have him go.

—The old home, which was occupied for many years by Capt. and Mrs. Merry before their removal here, will be returned, and the Captain will return to it and live there. His business headquarters, however, will still be in the city and will call him here quite often, so that friends will be able to see him occasionally.

—A well improved 15 acre farm, located 6 miles from Manchester. This farm will be sold at a reasonable price. Inquire of G. W. MILLER, 317.

—For your liver and stomach ills, Take Bessom's Picnic Pills, They will regulate your bowels, They will stimulate your blood, They will drive away your bile, Try them, 25 cts. All druggists, 50c.

—CHEAP—Residence Property in this city Equire of Bronson & Carr.

—Horses for Sale. Four mares. For terms &c. Inquire of the undersigned on the Bronson & Carr farm in Collins Grove Township. WM. STRAUB.

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—A DEMOCRAT "AD." PAYS.

Large Overall and Work Shirt Sale at the New Store!

Next Friday and Saturday.

In order to get these goods at a price we were compelled to buy an unlimited quantity—and in order to reduce this immense stock—we will make the following prices—for two days:

All Work Shirts, in extra heavy weight—assorted colors, especially black and white stripes with double front and back—regular 50c and 75c grades going at only **45c**

Mens' and Boys' Hats, in planter's wide brim, especially for every day—regular 50c and 65c grades—going at only **39c**

The Keys are Going Fast. Every two dollar cash purchase entitles you to one—may be worth **\$20.**

Merchant Tailoring, We fit the hard to fit.—All kinds of cleaning, pressing and repairing. Come and take a look at our new shop.

Overalls, a better and heavier grade than ever shown here before—made of the Genuine AMOSKEAG DENIM—with or without apron, regular 75c and 85c grades, going at only **50c**

Gildner Bros.,

Clothiers and Tailors,

ALL READY! COME.

Embroideries, Laces, Torchons, Valenciennes, Cluny, Galloons, Beading &c. &c. Special Value in Turkey Red Damask. A Big Value in Ladies' Handkerchiefs. Ladies' Full Seamless Hose. Ladies' Aprons and Skirts. Our New Spring Stock of DIAMOND BRAND SHOES are better than ever.

W. W. FORD.

Manchester Markets.

Hogs, per cwt.	45 00
Sheep, per cwt.	45 00
Butter, per lb.	20 00
Cows, butcher's stock, per cwt.	20 00
Butter, per lb.	20 00
Canners, per cwt.	1 00 00
Butter, per lb.	12 12
Ducks, white, per 5	12 12
Ducks, dark, per 5	12 12
Spring Chickens	10 10
Chickens, per 5	10 10
Old Hens, per 5	7 7
New Corn, per bu.	35 00
Oats, per bu.	25 00
Hay, wild, per ton	6 00
Hay, clover, per ton	7 00
Potatoes, per bu.	12 12
Butter, creamery, per lb.	22 22
Butter, dairy, per lb.	22 22
Eggs, per doz.	18 18
Timothy seed	1 10
Clover seed	1 00

Business Locals.

For Sale or Rent.
The undersigned, as executor of the estate of Mary J. McKay, has for sale or rent, a farm in Milo township, known as the Amos H. McKay farm, consisting of 100 acres. Anyone wishing to buy this place or to rent it for the coming season will do well to see me. 9-11
GEO. W. DUNHAM.

Hotel For Sale or Rent.

The Greeley House, in Greeley is for sale or rent. For particulars apply to HENRY BOX, Greeley, Iowa.

Milk at 4c Per Quart.

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An Exceptional Showing of New Tailored Suits and Skirts.

Our showing of Tailor Made Suits will be the most elaborate we have ever shown; you have but to glance at the enormous array of styles to be convinced that we are headquarters.



Tailor Made Suits From \$6.00 to \$25.00.

A showing of new styles and ideas that we are frank to say, we believe to be above comparison with any other showing in town. If you want the real swell exclusive things, different from what others have to offer, you will find them here.

Shirt Waists.

Scores of new creations in plain or daintily trimmed garments in Silks and Cottons. Handsome Granite Cloth Waists, White Oxford Cloths and white Madras Waists, made in only the newest effects. Our showing is almost twice as large as ever before and illustrates all the new ideas.

Burton Clark.

Cut in Waistings!

25 Pieces Flannelett Waistings, Former Price 10c. now	8c.
20 Pieces Flannelett Waistings, Former Prices 12 1/2 to 15c. now go at	10c.
10 Pieces of Wool Waistings, Former Price, 25c. now	20c.
12 Pieces of Wool Waistings, Former Prices 50c. to 75c. now go at	35c.
12 Pieces of Wool Waistings, Former Prices 65c. to 85c. now	55c.

Housekeepers' Linens.

Choice selections of Table Linens, Napkins, Towels and Crashers. Prices low as the lowest.

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