County Correspondence.

EDGEWOOD.

Mr. Russell, the dentist, has his office at his home now. He works at Greeley every Thursday.

There will be a dance next Friday night, May 8, at Hesner's Opera house.

Mrs. Jennie Breed and daughter, Leora, were Manchester visitors last Saturday.

Miss Ida Meder of Mederville visited relatives in this vicinity recently.

Fire again visited our little city and resulted in about $20,000 damages.

Fred Clute visited friends and relatives in our midst last week.

Mrs. John Hageman and two children are in Brandon where she is caring for her sister who is very low with consumption.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards moved last week into the house which E. G. Platt recently vacated.

Little Frankie Basquin, who is a victim of typhoid fever is no better.

Mrs. Weichard and little son are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robinson.

Rev. and Mrs. Jacobs are visiting friends and relatives about Edgewood.

EAD'S GROVE.

Winfield Lash is hauling rock for his barn which he intends to build this summer.

Floyd Harvey is busy weaving fence for the farmers of this vicinity.

J. M. Retherford and wife were Manchester visitors last Wednesday.

Chas. Robison shipped a fine bunch of steers to Chicago last week.

Mrs. O. M. Eaton was called to Cuba, Kansas, last Tuesday to the bedside of her father who is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. S. Hosier is assisting Mrs. Lauren Reynolds of Oneida, with household duties.

S. E. Way was an Edgewood visitor on Tuesday.

Jennie Croyle visited her friend Sadie Fowler, last Sunday.

Mr. Wiley is buying cattle in this neighborhood.

Elmer Cropp of Dundee visited his brother John, Sunday.

George Parkinson has exchanged his farm in this township for a farm near Asbury church.

Mrs. H. E. Fowler of Greeley, visited at J. Fowler's last Sunday.

LAMONT.

P. C. Arildson has decided to return to Lamont to take up his profession, Law, Insurance, Loans Collection. He will occupy an office in the Field brick block. We are pleased to have him return to Lamont.

John Young and wife visited Rev. Geo. Young and family at Maynard last week.

Mrs. Vern Platt of Sumner came Friday to visit in the parental home.

Mrs. John Flaucher jr. visited at Dundee the first of last week.

Fred Field of Oelwein was in Lamont three days last week.

Att'y Byron Newberry of Strawberry Point was in town on legal business.

Earl Platt visited his brother, Vern, at Sumner last week.

John Wolfe of Oelwein was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah Moore and grand daughter have returned home after living the past winter in Manchester.

Wm. Dopp went to Belvidere. Ill., Tuesday with a car load of cows.

Rev. Wolcott attended the district conference at Oelwein last week.

Miss Cora Lein of Edgewood is now compositor on the Leader.

Geo. Stauss returned from Minnesota Wednesday.

Mrs. Anna Blackburn and mother, Mrs. Simpson, were Forestville visitors last week.

Men were here Friday putting up new telephone poles and new lines.

The rain Saturday disappointed the teachers and pupils of the grammar room of their picnic.

Prof Arildson returned to Waterloo Monday.

Work began Monday, April 27, at the brick yard.

Frank Sharp has gone to Chicago to consult a specialist again.

Mrs. Emma Flaucher and daughter Vera are going to Minneapolis to spend the summer.

Mrs. Estes departed Tuesday for her home at Montezuma.

Rev. Tabor has accepted the call here as pastor of the Free Will Baptist church.

Guy Backus and Robert Kinney of Oelwein visited in Lamont the first of the week.

EARLVILLE.

Mrs. H. R. De Bra and Mrs. C. G. Dake of Epworth were guests at the home of W. I. Millen Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cousins of Elkader were calling on friends here last week.

Rev. R. F. Paxton who has been pastor of the Congregational church here for the past two years has tendered his resignation to take effect May 24. Mr. Paxton has accepted a pastorate at Vista, Colorado, where he has recently been. The change is made necessary on account of Mrs. Paxton's health and it is believed that it will prove a benefit. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Paxton at this place will regret very much to have them leave but hope that they may find health and happiness in their new home.

On Tuesday morning, April 28th at at seven o'clock Frank Kelly and Miss Elizabeth Haas were united in marriage at the Catholic church at this place Rev. O'Meara of Manchester performing the ceremony. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. John Haas of Worthington and the groom is the son of Mrs. Margaret Kelly of this place. After a wedding trip to Chicago they will live on a farm in North Fork township.

Mrs. H. A. Tobie and daughter, Zola, went to Dubuque Wednesday and Dr. Tobie joined them on Saturday where they witnessed Richard Mansfield's production of Julius Caesar.

Mrs. W. T. Wood, Mrs. J. C. Wood and Miss Carrie Cloud were at Edgewood Tuesday in attendance at the the Congregational Church Convention.

L. G. Hersey was a business visitor at Dyersville Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Millen were in Chicago over Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Holscher and daughter, Matie went to Dubuque Friday to remain a few days at the home of Geo. Irmscher.

Mrs. Chas. Kuehnle of Holstein and Mrs. Will Luehnle who have been visiting here the past week went to Farley Saturday evening.

Miss Grace Hersey returned Saturday afternoon from Chicago where she stopped on her way home from Texas a few weeks ago.

The Epworth high school base ball team were here Saturday to play Earlville school team but rain prevented the contest.

W. I. Millen was at Maynard Saturday on business.

The council has practically decided on a system of waterworks and at their session Friday evening the bids were considered and the contract will be let at once. The work will be commenced in about two weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Baskerville Sr., is lying seriously ill at her home here and her son, Ren Baskerville of Iowa Falls arrived Saturday evening.

ONEIDA.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Hockaday spent last Sunday with the latters sister Mrs. Fred Durey.

Mrs. James Parker is under the Dr's. care.

C. H. Johnson and wife of Manchester were here last Saturday to superintend the school election which was held at D. A. Lighty's store.

Mrs. Ausman and Miss Ladis Bell of Almoral, Misses Adelia Cox, Carrie Pratt, Eva Rector, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Cox and W. P. Bissell attended the S. S. convention held at Manchester the past week.

Mrs. R. Hockaday was a Manchester visitor Thursday.

Mr. Howe and family are now nicely settled in G. B. Cox's house.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunham have purchased the Cropp property here and we understand that Mr. Cropp has purchased a farm near Colesburg.

Mr. A. L. Congar returned Friday from Minnesota where he has been since last November.

C. C. Hoag is making regular trips to Manchester.

Carpenters are still at work on Mr. Thomas' residence.

MASONVILLE.

A number of our young people attended the party at Gilbert Mosier's Friday evening.

Mrs. John Williams is very sick at this writing.

Dr. Bronson of Dubuque made a professional call in our city Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. O. Toole of Independence were visitors at the home of G. W. Taylor Monday.

Our depot agent, Mr. Marden and family moved from here Thursday. Mr. Braden of Winthrop is depot agent at present.

Mr. DuBoise of Manchester called on friends here Thursday.

Miss Anna Farrell of Winthrop spent Sunday with relatives here.

Misses Nellie Gorman, Bessie Thorpe and Nellie Sullivan of Manchester visited with friends in our city Sunday.

The following teachers commenced teaching the spring term, Monday, April 27: Miss Julia Sowles in the Eureka district, Mary McGrath in the Excelsior district, Mayme Ryan in the Middlefield No. 3 district, Kate McKeever in the Middlefield No. 5 and Ella McKeever in the Middlefield No. 1 district.

John Clabby was a caller at Manchester Saturday.

DELHI.

Mrs. J. B. Clark is on the sick list.

We noticed Joe Thompson and Colonel Peters of Manchester at our Campfire Friday evening.

Joe Simons and family were down from Delaware Friday.

Mrs. George Long of Earlville visited at the Beal home Friday.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sunday April 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Antwerp attended the Sunday School Convention at Manchester last week.

Mrs. Frank Soder of Masonville visited her sister, Mrs. Rimmer, last week.

The M. E. Aid Society meets Wednesday afternoon May 13 with Mrs. Gustafson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Blanchard were Manchester visitors Wednesday.

The W. C. T. U. meets Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. F. A. Doolittle.

Frank Howard and Will Toomer of Marion visited home folks last week.

John Rich of Clear Lake was a recent visitor with friends at this place.

Henry Bisgrove and son, Ed, of Earlville were at Geo. White's Sunday.

E. H. Blanchard and family and J. W. Swinburne and family spent Sunday at A. J. Reeder's in Earlville.

The W. F. M. S. meets Thursday afternoon with Mrs. E. C. Perkins.

News has been received of the death of Miss Minnie Coverdale at her home in Vermillion, South Dakota, of quick consumption. Minnie spent last year with friends near Delhi and many friends are grieved to learn of her early death.

H. J. Van Fleet was over from Earlville Saturday.

Miss Dorine Corbin was home from Lenox over Sunday.

The Epworth League Social will be held Friday evening, May 8, with Miss Lizzie Fraser.

Sunday evening May 17, a native Hindo will speak at the M. E. church. He will illustrate his talk with views.

F. B. Doolittle was in Hopkinton Monday.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mrs. Clara Conner and son visited at the home of Jenks Joslin Sunday of last week.

J. H. Grommon was in this neighborhood soliciting of Silos last Monday.

R. E. Grommon was a Delhi caller last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Flanigan was visiting relatives in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. Elvira Davis and sister were visiting the former's daughter last Friday.

Mrs. G. B. Davis was calling in Delhi last Friday.

Miss Pearl Davis was visiting her uncle, Jerry Kaster, the latter part of last week.

Samuel Danford visited at J. N. Smith's Friday of last week.

Mrs. Jay Lillibridge and Mrs. L. J. Lillibridge were visiting at J. W. Hartman's last Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Pettion was shopping in Delhi last Friday.

Mrs. G. B. Davis does not improve very rapidly; she still finds it necessary to take treatment for her throat and lung trouble.

Mrs. Wm Kaster and daughter, Sola, were Manchester visitors last Saturday.

COLESBURG.

Winter is somewhat protracted.

F. A. Grimes spent a few days last week in Dubuque in attendance upon the U. S. Court.

J R. Beddow and Catharine Strader were married last week Wednesday. They are two of Colesburg's best type of young manhood and womanhood, and their friends all wish them long, happy and prosperous lives.

Rev. O. M. Humphrey and wife attended the Congregational Association at Edgewood last week.

Harry Brown of Osterdock brought F. A. Grimes from that place last Thursday on his return from Dubuque.

Our townsmen have experienced so much difficulty in getting fresh pork during the present season, W. H. Bush concluded to relieve the strained condition, so he and D. W, Smith butchered a hog, not a pig, and upon being dressed it tipped the scales at forty pounds. It is needless to say the market was glutted.

J. V. Bush is hardening his muscles at farm work.

Rev. O. O. Smith of Grinnell, will deliver his lecture entitled, "How to Live Well," at the Congregational church in this place on Saturday evening, May 9, 1903. Admission 10 and 15 cents. This lecture is very highly spoken of as well as is the lecturer.

Judge Benjamin Lindsay, of Nebraska, and G. H. Klaus of Manchester, were visitors to friends in this neighborhood recently.

E. R. Wilson of Chicago is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, and other friends for a short time.

D. W. Smith has severed his connection with W. H. Bush by limitation He will devote his time and talents to the carpenter trade the coming season.

The pottery shipped several thousand flower pots to distant points last week.

That item in your local columns last week, borrowed from some exchange, in relation to the barn on willow corner posts and studding, calls to mind another singular freak of nature, which we will not vouch for. A farmer had occasion to set a post, and he also used a willow one, and set the top end in the ground where it commenced to grow and developed the roots in the air and the top in the ground. Phew! Don't let us have any more such freaks.

HOPKINTON.

Chas Lepley and w. were down from Manchester this week.

Hopkinton's assessable valuation is $106,883, a gain of over $10,000 over last year.

H. J. Vanfleet spent a couple of days in this section, interviewing republican voters.

Z. E. Goss drove over from Ryan last Sunday and spent the night with his father, R. E. Goss.

H. B. Still went to Manchester Tuesday to take the Hopkinton assessment books to the county auditor.

Jas. Gray and wife went to Delhi Monday to see a little grandson that was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller Sunday night.

Mesdames C. H. Ricketts and R. N. Hocking spent last Saturday afternoon in Monticello.

W. E. Reed carried the mail on No. 4 Tuesday while H. B. Still was at Manchester.

A. Hollister was down from Manchester Tuesday gossiping with the boys at the lumber yard.

Geo. Morgan has received his appointment as carrier on Route No. 1 Mrs. Morgan will served as his deputy.

The school board held a meeting last Monday evening and elected the following teachers: John Saam, principal; Miss Byam, intermediate; Mrs. Earhart, 1st primary; Miss DeWitt 2nd primary. The board was tied on choice for a teacher in the grammar department and a meeting will be held in two weeks to fill that position.—Leader.

STRAWBERRY POINT.

Miss Ethe Clough left for Greeley Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Roe spent Thursday evening in Manchester.

Miles Alderson was a caller in Edgewood the first of the week.

John Seeley of Manchester spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Mrs. Eaton and daughter, Mrs. Leslie Chase, spent Saturday with friends in Arlington.

Mrs. Carrie Rawson is numbered among those on the sick list.

Henry Carrol and John Carrol of Greeley were business callers in this place Saturday.

Chas. Steinhilber left for Waterloo Wednesday morning where he will remain for a few days.

Miss Hazel Huene of Manchester spent Sunday in the H. Harrington home in this place.

Mrs. Lutie Larson of Manchester was a guest of friends in this city the first of the week returning home Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Nance left for Oelwein Monday morning called by the illnes of their daughter, Mrs. I. P. Howard.

Mrs. Edith Bronson of Manchester arrived here Wednesday morning for a few days visit in the Lang home.

Mrs. Chas Steinhilber left for Oelwein Wednesday morning for a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoag.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allen returned home from a visit at Manchester Saturday morning where they spent a few days with relatives.

Mrs. Frank Emerson has returned home after a weeks visit with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Emerson near Volga City.

Married, at the home of William Grimm, on Tuesday, April 28th, Miss Bertha Kopplin and Henry Grimm. They expect to make their future home in Manchester. Their friends extend congratulations and best wishes in which the Mail Press heartily joins, and may the best that life affords be theirs.—Mail Press.

COGGON.

L. G. Hall was in Ryan between trains, Tuesday evening.

Joe McCann spent Sunday at the home of his uncle in Winthrop,

Miss Lalia Ware visited Miss Genevieve McCann of Winthrop last Friday.

Frank Fox of Winthrop visited W. Scott and family the latter part of last week.

Alfred Ware returned home the last of last week, being very much improved in health.

Miss Zella Merrian of Cedar Rapids spent Sunday with her parents in Coggon.

Mrs. M. E. Jherman visited her sister, Mrs. S. J. Edmunds, of Manchester Friday.—Monitor.

GREELEY.

Thos. Cox has improved the appearance of his residence with a coat of paint.

Joseph Lough of Manchester was visiting old-time friends here last Tuesday.

Born, to Mrs. Jas. McMonigal, a 10-pound boy.

R. L. Kortright and "Dad" Cleveland were over from Manchester Monday transacting business and visiting friends.

D. A. Cole has sold his fine team of horses to Amos Hook.

Thos. Cole is preparing to build an addition to his residence.

Joe Beckner was a Manchester caller last Thursday.

Lee Sargeant was home a few days the latter part of last week, leaving for N. Dakota Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hubbell of Edgewood were here last Friday visiting his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. S. V Hubbell.

V. E. Dow and wife left Thursday evening last for Malta Bend, Mo., where they will visit the former's relatives and friends. Mr. Dow will also attend the opening of the St. Louis exposition tomorrow.

C. J. Simmons, for the past sixteen years the Illinois Central station agent at Delaware, has resigned his position and departed this week for Corning, California, for the the benefit of his health.

Miss Bertha Winnard is having a hard tussle with the Dutch measles, this being the second round for her during the past month and we hope she will put Dutch out for good this time —Home Press.

DYERSVILLE.

Frank Koelker of Petersburg was in this city last Monday on business and also visiting friends.

Cool Williams of Manchester had business in this city last Monday.

A bright young daughter is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kramer.

Mr. Joe Gebhardt of Petersburg was in this city last Monday enroute to Manchester where he had business to transact.

Jos. Pins of Northfork was in town last Saturday on business. Mrs. Pins who had been in Dubuque several days arrived here on the Clipper and returned home with him.

Joe Pfeiler was a passenger to Manchester last Monday where he had business to transact.

Ex-Mayor Vorwald of New Vienna and Mr. A. Langel of near Luxemberg were the guests of Mr. Henry Vorwald last Tuesday.

Henry Morman, Clem Wilhelm, Aug Koopman and son Martin all of Northforth township were Dyersville visitors last Monday.

Barney Grobstick and son Johnnie of Masonville arrived here last Saturday and remained over Sunday visiting their relatives and friends.

George Sherbring sold his hogs here last Monday. Frank Scherbring, Henry Scherbring, Will Althoff, John Boeckenstedt and Theodore Bruggemann helped deliver them.

Miss Mattie Malvin and her mother went to Farley last Wednesday to attend the funeral of Calvin L. Bushnell who died on Tuesday afternoon at the age of seventeen years. The deceased was a cousin of Miss Malvin.

J. H. Kramer, F. X. Mayer, Prof. Ostwinkle, Henry Rahe and Chas. Kramer were at New Vienna last Sunday visiting Henry Willenborg.

Cashier J. A. Schnieders and wife and and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koelker were at Petersburg last Tuesday to attend the Lansing—Mensen wedding.

The Dyersville Canning company is now making contracts with the farmers for raising sweet corn at five dollars per ton. About 500 acres will be required. The seed is furnished at $5.00 per bushel to be paid for at the end of the season. From three to four tons can be raised per acre, and is considered very profitable to farmers.

The Dyersville Horse Company was organized last Monday. There are twelve stockholders in the company vis: Henry Naber, H. V. Lechtenberg, R. Burkle, Julius Weber, Barney Tauke, J. A. Westemeier, Caspar Westemeier, Frank Westemeier, John Arens, Joseph Arens, Jos. Wessel and Jos. Raker. The company has purchased a very fine imported French Percheron Stallion of McLaughlin Bros., the noted importers. At the first meeting of the company Henry Naber was elected president; H. V. Lechtenburg, secretary; R. Burkle, cashier; and Julius Weber, B. Tauke, and Jos. Arens, directors. The company is in good hands and will meet with success.—Commercial.

RYAN.

The condition of Mrs. B. H. Magirl remains about the same.

John Murray of Farley was an over Sunday visitor here, a guest at the home of B. H. Magirl and family.

E. S. Cowles, candidate for sheriff, was circulating among his many friends here yesterday.

Mike Barr of Barryville has been making extensive improvements in his farm residence during the past few weeks.

Frank King of Hazel Green will erect a fine new residence on his place this spring. He purchased the lumber of the A. Savage Lumber Co., this week.

At a meeting of the township trustees held last Tuesday evening, A.L. Lyness and T. J. King were awarded the contract for working the roads in Adams township during the ensuing year.

The many friends of James McElliott will be sorry to learn that he was quite severely kicked by a horse last Monday. As he is quite feeble it will be apt to lay him up for some time but we are pleased to state that he is resting easy today.

On April 22nd at the Cathedral of the Holy Name, Chicago, occurred the marriage of John R. McElliott, of Ryan Iowa, and Miss Mary Murphy, of that place at nuptial mass, Rev. Father Quinlan officiating. They were attended by Miss Loretta Murphy and Mr. Patrick Murphy. * * * At 8 o'clock the large edifice was filled with relatives and friends of the worthy couple, thus showing the esteem in which they are held. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bridal party accompanied by the near relatives and friends repaired to the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. E. Murphy, 850 Townsend street, where a sumptuous breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. McElliott were the recipiants of many cosely and handsome presents. * * * The many friends of the happy couple will hope that their married life will be one of happiness and prosperity.

Mr. Frank Kinley and Miss Katie Cashman were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 22nd, at the church of the Immaculate Conception at Castle Grove by Rev. M. S. Murphy. * * * The interesting and joyful ceremony was witnessed by many relatives and friends of the happy young couple, after which the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents where a delicious and bountiful wedding dinner was served, and was attended by many relatives and friends, including Rev. M. S. Murphy, Rev. P. H. Ryan and Rev. W. J. Drummy. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Kinley were the recipients of many useful and beautiful present, which brought with them the well wishes of many wedding guests. They will begin housekeeping at once on the groom's farm near Coggon. They start out in life with the brightest prospects before them and it is the hope of their many friends and acquaintances that nothing will ever dim their prospects.—Reporter.

Real Estate Transfers.

To May 1st.

Vincel Vanek to Barbara Vanek sw¼ se¼ ¼ & e½ se¼ sw¼ sec 8 twp 90 R 6 also e½ ne¼ ne¼ 17-90-6	
Ralph H Andrews & wf to Loren E Barker pt of sw¼ 30-88-4	500 00
Wm W Matthews to Jesse W Matthews sw fr ¼ 31-93-3	11500 00
James Hardy & wf to W R Williamson undiv ½ of pt of s½ sw¼ 18-87-3	500 00
Joseph Wintaker & wf to O C Clark se cor sw¼ nw¼ 15-90-6	20 00
W C Blanchard & wf to W A R Blanchard n½ se¼ nw¼ nw¼ & s¼ w½ n¼ w½ ne¼ nw¼ & s½ sw ¼ ne¼ nw¼ & e½ nw¼ s½ nw¼ nw¼ 15-87-4	1 00
T W Strew & wf to J E Crocker w½ of ne ¼ nw¼ 10-89-5	850 00
W W Matthews to L Matthews pt s½ se¼ 36-90-4	7800 00
Margaret J Smith to E S Dufoe n14-17 e 17-40 sw¼ se¼ 28-87-4	1000 00
Lucretia B Simmons & hus to Lars Hokenson lts 2 & 4 of sub div s½ nw¼ 32-89-4	4000 00
W W Matthews to C Matthews pt nw¼ nw¼ 28-89-4	7000 00
James Milroy & wf to Margaret J Smith s½ nw¼ & n½ sw¼ 27 & n 13-20 w½ nw ¼ se¼ 15 & n 14 17 e 17-40 sw¼ se¼ & n½ se¼ 28-87-4	18690 00
Perry C Blanchard & wf to J Hilroy nw¼ se¼ & sw¼ ne¼ & e½ se¼ sw¼ 23-87-4	5000 00
Theo. Schemmel & wf to R Sherlock s½ w½ ne¼ se¼ 15-88-3	400 00
J A Thomas et al to J Sheppard lt3 sub div n½ sw¼ 12-87-5	1 00
F C Sherman & wf to W Webb nw¼ se¼ 32-87-6	2200 00
W Webb & wf to L F Dix pt sw¼ 31-87-6	1615 00
James Kelley et al to Fred Woellert e½ se¼ 13-88-4 also pt of nw¼ nw¼ 19-88-3	1 00
Mrs. Anna M Schmer et al to Henry Carvel nw¼ & ne¼ & nw¼ ne¼ also se ¼ nw ¼ & sw¼ ne¼ 3-87-3	14440 00
Susan M Shelden to J C French lt 1 of the sub div of pt of ne ¼ ne¼ 32-89-5 n of R R & pt lt 229 in Manchester	3000 00
Annie L & Lewis Leib to Alex Prentice lts 2-7 inclusive blk 29 Earlville	375 00
Mary A Knee & hus to C F Knee lts 4 & 9 blk 3 in first Western add to Colesburg	50 0
Geo L Miller & wf to Fred Niedorf lts 3 & 4 in blk 24 Earlville	800 00
E M Loop & wf to John Mass lt 1 Carter add to Hopkinton	700 0
B N Glasscock & wf to D A Cole lts 2 & 4 blk 1 Greeley	500 00
Fred Durey & wf to Geo Manley e 7a of w 17a of se¼ sw¼ 4-90-6	250 00

May Weather.

Rev. I. R. Hicks in Word and Works predicts the following weather forecasts for May:

In the nature of things, rising barometer, change of winds to westerly and northerly, and much cooler weather will follow close on the rear of these storms, (of May 2-3) giving many northern to central sections touches of chill and frost during some of the nights in the first week in May.

On and touching the 6th and 7th look for decided and rapid change to falling barometer and quite warm, resulting in sharp electrical storms on the 6th and 7th. Moon crosses the celestial equator on the 6th in a reactionary storm period, and heavy thunder storms will be most natural on and next to that day. As these storms pass eastward across the country, change to rising barometer and much cooler will follow from the west, giving possible frosts in sections northward on the nights between the 7th and 10th inclusive.

Through an oversight the Venus brace in the storm dingram is made to begin about the 21st, whereas it should begin about the 10th, thus combining with Mercury and the regular storm period covering the 10th to 15th. This is one of the May period we will venture to put down as dangerous. By this time the focus of the sun's magnetic and electrical energy will lie along parallels covering the central states, or the sections most subject to violent, tornadic storms. As we enter this period, say about the 10th, the barometer will begin falling in the west, a decided change to summer temperature will begin in the same section, vast cloud areas will begin to move eastward across the country, and from the 11th to about the 14th, storms of rain, hail and thunder—some of them furious and tornadic—will visit many states in their sweep to the Atlantic seaboard. Storms at this and the remaining periods in May, are apt to repeat themselves in daily cycles, or at about the same time of day for several successive days.

The center of the Mercury period falls on the 18th and the reactionary storm period is central on the 17th and 18th. After storms about the 17th and 18th look for change to very much cooler for two or three days.

The last regular storm period for May reaches from the 22nd to 28th, merging really with the reactionary disturbances due on the last three days of the month. This is another period in which heavy and dangerous storms are entirely probable. Monday, the 25th, to Thursday, the 28th, will be the time of greatest violence and probable danger, although general daily disturbances may continue to end of the month.

The moon is at new on the 26th, at greatest declination north on the 27th, and in perigree on the 28th. These facts, added to other existing causes, lead us to say that storms of wide and dangerous proportions are very probable on and touching the 26th, 27th and 28th Phenomenally high temperature, high humidity and very low barometer will precede the storms, serving effectually as premonitions and warnings of coming storms Many parts of the country will get heavy, Venus downpours of rain and hail at this and other May periods.

The Self Effacing Act.

Myer—In olden time it is said that it was possible for a man to render himself invisible.

Gyer—Pshaw! That's not at all remarkable. Men in this country are doing it every day.

Myer—You don't tell me! How do they manage it?

Gyer—By marrying famous women.—Chicago News.

Significant.

In a well known thoroughfare in London outside of a noted restaurant there might be seen the following notice:

"This is the best restaurant in London! Our fish cannot be approached!" —London King.

Brevity.

Irate Author—What did you do with that article of mine on the American forests?

Editor—Well, sir, to make a long story short, I cut it down.—Baltimore American.

The Keystone of Good Health is pure food.

Lion Coffee

is **all coffee**—no glazing of eggs or glue to conceal defects and cheapen its quality. Fresh and uniform, rich in flavor, because always in sealed packages—never in bulk.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

The City of Manchester, Iowa, having determined to build an eight inch sewer in the alley between Fayette and Butler Streets commencing in the sewer in Franklin Street and extending to and along the center of said alley and terminating in the center of said alley at the East line of Lots 52 and 65 in said City, in accordance with plans and specifications now on file in the office of R. R. Robinson, Clerk of said City, notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by said City for the construction of said sewer in accordance with said plans and specifications, at the office of the Clerk of said City, up to twelve o'clock noon of Monday, May 11, 1903.

Said sewer to be laid with first class vitrified tile, with all joints sealed and all man-holes and connections placed, located and constructed in a workmanlike manner, in accordance with said plans and specifications now on file in the office of the Clerk of said City.

Said sewer shall be laid under the supervision and direction of the City Council of said City, and its duly appointed Engineer.

The work of constructing said sewer, including the replacing of materials removed, shall be completed on or before the 15th day of July, 1903.

The payment of the contract price for the construction of said sewer shall be as follows: One half April 10th., 1904, and one half October 10th, 1904.

The contract to be entered into between said City and the successful bidder for the construction of said sewer shall contain a clause binding the contractor to keep the sewer in good repair for a period of one year from and after its construction and acceptance by said City.

All bids must be sealed and accompanied with certified check, in separate envelope, payable to the order of C. J. Seeds, Treas., in the sum of $100, as security that the bidder will enter into a contract for the doing of the work, and that he will give the bond contemplated by sec. 814 and 815 of the Code of Iowa.

Said bids will be considered by said City at a special meeting of its City Council, to be held in the Council room on the 11 day of May, 1903, commencing at Eight o'clock P. M., and the City reserve the right to reject any and all bids received.

The checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned.

Dated at Manchester, Iowa, this 27th. day of April, 1903.

R. R. ROBINSON,
City Clerk.

Notice to Patrons of the Manchester & Oneida Railway Company at North Manchester Ia.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that a great number of passengers are boarding our trains at that point without procuring tickets at our down town office, and thereby causing a great loss of revenue to our Railway.

This is to notify you that unless you procure your through tickets from this station, which may be done by calling here or telephoning us to send tickets with conductor for your destination, I will be obliged to discontinue that point as a stop for our trains to pick up passengers.

This I do not wish to do, but unless you co-operate with me in this matter it will be necessary to come to our station to board our train.

JNO. L. SULLIVAN,
Gen. Mgr.

Openings for Business.

The Rock Island System in a pamphlet issued by its passenger department says "men are wanted—thousands of them—in Kansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Texas." It tells where they should go, what business to engage in, and is intended particularly for business and professional men looking for a location. Those interested should write for a copy of the publication to the Rock Island System, Passenger Dept., Chicago, Ill.

The Great Excursion of 1903.

The Real Estate Agents' and Homeseekers' Special Excursion South, to leave Manchester at 8:40 p. m. Monday, May 18, via the Illinois Central Railroad, will be one of the great events of the season, and every man who may be looking for Southern Investments, Southern Lands, or a Southern Home, cannot afford to miss this opportunity of making a most delightful and interesting ten day's trip through the States of Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. For rates and itinerary of the trip, and for sleeping car accommodations, apply at once to the undersigned.

J. F. MERRY,
Ass't. Gen'l Pass. Agent,
Dubuque, Iowa.

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The May Century will have four full page re-productions in color of water-color drawings by Arthur Schneider, the American artist, who was instructor and intimate companion of the Sultan of Morocco from November, 1900, to March, 1902. The drawings show the sultan's first view of the ocean since childhood, the sultan and his minister of war watching the royal fireworks in the palace grounds, the sultan leaving Morocco in state for camp, and a portrait from life of Morocco's ruler. Mr. Schneider's story of his unique experience in Morocco will be illustrated further from numerous sketches in black and white.

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