

County Correspondence.

EAD'S GROVE.

Mrs. Ira Blaisdell visited at her father's, F. N. Frenness, last week. Cass Davis has moved from Forestville to Dutchtown. Our schools were out last week. Appropriate exercises were held in each school. Bertha Retherford visited Miss Mary Funk last Tuesday. Jacob Moser, J. M. Retherford and John Cropp have been added to the telephone line. A good deal of work has been put on the roads in this vicinity the past week. Sam and Amelia Seaman from near Osterlock, visited at J. T. Fowler's last week. A large number of men helped to raise John Martin's barn on Monday. Al. Clark is reported to be a little better at this writing. He is very low.

PRAIRIE.

Mrs. Wm. Barry departed for Dyersville Saturday for a week's visit with friends. Harry Stiles and wife were Waverly visitors Tuesday. Mr. Ratchford of Independence was a business caller here Saturday. Miss Katie Eickhoeker of Earlville was a guest at the Haennig home part of last week. Miss Lavina Pratt is a guest of relatives at New Hampton. Wm. Kennedy was a Manchester caller Saturday. Children's Day was observed at the Sand Creek church last Sunday. Misses Mame and Grace Amis, Mame McMahon and Anna Welch are among the Prairie teachers attending the Normal Institute at Manchester this week. Jas. Carrother's new barn is nearly completed. Mrs. M. E. Pratt was a Waverly visitor Tuesday. Mr. Davis and family of Manchester called on friends here Sunday. Mabel and Myrtle Stiles are guests of friends at Janesville, Ill.

EDGEWOOD.

The Edgewood High School closed last Friday for their summer vacation. The last day was spent in a picnic at the Back Bone. Mrs. O. S. Dorman and children of Manchester visited last week with her parents, Rev. L. Hubbell and family. Quite a number from here attended the dance held at Strawberry Point last Friday evening. Mrs. James' trimmer left last week for her home. Mr. and Mrs. Zenas Coolidge visited friends in Strawberry Point last Tuesday. Mrs. Maria Hubbell of Greeley was a caller in our midst last Tuesday. Misses Andra, Mellen and Jennie Forward were at Hopkinton last week attending the exercises of Lenox College. John Hagaman and family were called to Brandon last Wednesday to attend the funeral of his wife's sister. H. F. Beyer has now got new glass windows in the front of his store, which were broken by the fire. Rev. H. J. Richardson was a business caller at Arlington last Wednesday. Charles Blanchard visited last week at Armour, S. D. H. R. Eaton and wife, formerly of Strawberry Point are making their home here now.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon and daughter Avis, attended Flower Mission at the County farm Sunday last week. Jay Lillibridge and Roy Grommon had business in Ryan last Monday. Mrs. R. E. Grommon was a Manchester caller last Tuesday. Mrs. G. B. Davis and Mrs. Jay Lillibridge were in Manchester last Tuesday. J. W. Hartman was a business caller in Delhi last Wednesday. Mrs. Jerry Kaster was in Delaware last Thursday. J. G. Baker and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of an eleven and a half pound boy, Monday morning of last week. Mrs. Baker Hersey was a Delhi caller last Thursday. Mrs. Wm. Petton was in Delhi Monday last week. Silas H. Smith and wife of Denton, Texas, are visiting their son, John N. Smith and family. Hilma Sefstrom closed a very successful term of school in District No. 2 last Friday. Friday being the last day of school the teacher, scholars and a number of the parents went to Table Rock for a picnic. After dinner they visited the U. S. fish hatchery. All report a pleasant time. The school taught by Birdie McCarty closed last Friday with a picnic at Bailey's Ford. Jay Lillibridge and Roy Grommon spent Monday night at J. P. Belcher's. Mrs. L. J. Lillibridge is spending a few days with her son, Jay.

DELHI.

Mrs. Chas. Howard and Helen and Dale are visiting relatives at Vinton, Iowa. Thos Simons and wife went to New Hartford last week to attend the reunion of the 21st. Iowa Infantry. Mrs. Flack and son, Newton, were Coggon visitors last Wednesday. Alex McKeen and wife, who have been visiting at the Furman home, left last week for the week for Canada, their future home. Dell Jackson visited friends in Manchester last week. Bessie Brown from Lohrville, Ia., is a guest at the Perkins home. Jessie Byrly visited friends in Hopkinton last week. Sophia Doolittle of Greeley is

visiting her brother F. A. Doolittle. Will Harder lost two cows Monday from eating clover. Lizzie Beal visited friends at Hopkinton and attended commencement last week. Allie Cummings' music class have a recital at the Baptist church Saturday evening June 20. Admission 10 cents.

Dr. Douglass was over from Earlville, professionally, Monday. Mrs. A. S. Reeder was over from Earlville Tuesday.

I. O. F. Memorial services were held Sunday at their hall. Rev. Soper of Earlville delivered a fine address to a large audience, after which they went to the cemetery to decorate the graves of their departed brothers and sisters.

J. B. Clark and wife and A. L. Boomer and wife have been away on a fishing trip the past week. Mrs. Wm. Fragg and daughter, Mrs. Stinson were shopping in Manchester Friday.

E. H. Blanchard and wife visited relatives in Masonville Friday. Mrs. Salisbury and children returned home Wednesday. A goodly number of our citizens attended commencement at Lenox, Gwen Perkins was one of the graduates.

Mrs. Charles Stone and children spent last week with her mother, Mrs. B. Hefner at Delaware. Elzie Burton is home for the summer.

Ed McMullen has moved his family back to town. Dora Corbin and Gwen Perkins are home from Lenox. Addie Harris, who has been attending school in Indiana, the past year is visiting at A. P. Harris', but will leave soon for Hailey, Idaho to spend the summer with her parents.

Mrs. C. D. Stone and Roy were in Earlville Saturday. Alice Hunt is home for the summer vacation. Mrs. Will Klispie was taken to Dubuque Tuesday to Finley hospital, to undergo an operation. All hope she may be spared to her family and friends.

Mrs. E. B. Porter was in Earlville on business Saturday. The M. E. Aid Society have an icecream and strawberry social at the home of Mrs. C. D. Stone on Wednesday evening June 24. E. H. Blanchard and wife were in Greeley Tuesday.

A. E. House and wife are enjoying a visit from their daughter Mrs. Frank Knight and children of Milford. The W. C. T. U. meets Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Gustafson. Geo. Ede spent Sunday with home folks.

Nerva Burton's school closed Friday. The children enjoyed a picnic at Hartwick. Pulver Bros sold 76 hogs Thursday realizing \$1,087.85 for the same. Walter Pyllard and wife of Therpe visited at Will Petlons'. Gladys White, Nerva Burton, Gerie Burton and Roy Stone, Newton Flack and Harlan Stone went to an entertainment in Manchester Friday evening.

Mrs. Ivan Harnish from Mauko, Minnesota, visited her sister, Miss Daisy Curry, last week.

LAMONT.

A. C. Zebriakie of Stanley was in town the first of last week. Wm. McAllister, wife and baby of Chicago visited at the home of McAllisters last week. August Snyder's son, Fred, came home from the western part of the state last week and their daughter and husband came from Strawberry Point and were all at home Sunday. Addie Trumble of Delhi came home last week to visit.

Misses Lottie and Bell Smith of Strawberry Point visited at their grand parents, James Smith's last week. The Rebekah Convention has come and gone. The session closed Wednesday night, an elegant banquet at which twenty-six honored guests were entertained. Arthur Welsh of near Forestville was a Lamont visitor Friday. Lydia Brown has been elected principal of the public school at Epworth.

Mrs. Von Oven visited several days in Manchester last week. T. H. Finch has purchased the hardware stock and building property of Frank Donath. Carl Larson of Ames College is visiting his brother, Guy and family.

James Wilder has moved back to Lamont to live his in house on Prospect street. Arthur Davidson visited in Manchester the first of last week with his friend, Roy Hilton. John Flancher jr. and wife visited in Walker last week. L. D. Smedley and wife of Nashua, Ia., are visiting relatives here. Ed Wintenburg was one of the graduates at Epworth Seminary last week. His sister attended commencement there, returning home Sunday.

Mrs. McStay of Waterloo visited her son, Dr. McStay and wife the first of last week. Mrs. Thornburg took the passenger to Independence Monday to visit her daughters, Mesdames McClintic and Joe Emmert. Prof. Stutton will move into the Chamberlain house on the north side. Miss Nellie Cook of Mason City is visiting her brother, Bert, and wife.

Ed Anderson returned home from Volga Dity last week where he had been attending school. Alden Whitney returned home from Wirth, Arkansas, last week. Ralph Collins and wife of Des Moines are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Charles Little of Sexton, Iowa, came here to visit June 6.

The prevailing winds of last week were of a very character. W. C. Kirchbeck and W. E. Lochridge were at Dundee last week. Mr. Lochridge returned home the same day and Mr. Kirchbeck continued his journey to Ryan. Frank Sheridan was interviewing our merchants in the grocery line last week. Dr. C. A. Tobie was distributing samples of oranges grown on his orange plant. T. A. Foote, of Castana, formerly principal of our school, is here looking after his interest in the pottery. He is the guest of A. L. Landis his partner in said shop. Henry Bockenstedt of New Vienna was renewing old acquaintanceship here last week. Otto Haug was hauling rock last week for the purpose of putting a

well under his shop. Born, on the 2 inst, to Leslie Kreumple and wife, a girl. W. H. P. Bristol and family were visitors at Dubuque last Thursday. Sidney Walker was at Dyersville last Thursday. S. H. T. Shoulte of National, Henry Meader of Meaderville and H. G. Jenkins of Guttenberg were visitors in this city last Wednesday. F. D. Hatch of McGregor was in our city last week in the interest of the drug house of M. T. Kennedy & Co.

Rev. O. M. Humphrey has resigned his pastorate of the Congregational church to take effect the first of July proximo. Mr. Humphrey is a talented young man, a good citizen and we deplore his departure from our midst as we can ill spare from our citizenship stable, upright men. We bespeak for Mr. Humphrey a generous and a warm reception wherever he may become located, and our best wishes go with him. The Odd Fellows held their decoration ceremonies last Sunday.

Herman Meis, Clint Oehler, Louis Freyman, H. A. Tiemann, and Nic Clemens attended the Woodmen convention at Waverly. J. F. Bockenstedt of Bear Grove sold a lot of steers to J. F. Link. They are the finest herd of stock seen on our market for a long time. He received over \$300 for the lot.

Fred Rubly, the clerk of Bremen township, was here last Tuesday. He informs us that he is well pleased with the manner in which people pay in their road tax, which will all be expended for good roads in Bremen township. The farmers of Bremen who live near Dyersville are paying at the Farmer's State Bank where Mr. Rubly has left a tax list. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rubly of Chicago arrived here last Saturday from West Point, where they had been a week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Link, sr., the parents of Mrs. Rubly. They spent Saturday and Sunday here with their relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Link, and then went to Petersburg to visit Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rubly, the parents of J. B. and also other relatives. They expect to visit with relatives in this vicinity for a week or more.—Commercial.

Laurence Vaw attended the commencement exercises of the Epworth Seminary last Friday. Miss Clara Haebler of Manchester visited her sister Miss Fannie Haebler, last Friday and Saturday. Mack Savage left for Westington, S. D., Monday morning, where he will engage in the cattle business for a few months. Josephine Donnelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Donnelly, died very suddenly at the home of her parents last Thursday night, of whopping cough. Age 15 months. Her funeral was held at the Belmont Catholic church last Saturday, conducted by the pastor, Rev. P. H. Ryan. Interment took place at the Belmont cemetery. The parents have the sympathy of their many friends in this sad and unexpected affliction. Harold Campbell is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Bert Keith, at Hazel Green.

Mrs. W. Wilson of Manchester is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dole. Mark Henderson and Jas. Cunningham departed for Fall Brook, California, Wednesday night. Miss Katie Donnelly was called home from Dubuque Friday by the death of her little sister.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Houson Tuesday, a girl. Dr. Scofield reports mother and baby doing well. Mrs. G. O. Lister of Manchester and Mrs. J. H. Preston of Ryan visited Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lytle Tuesday.

U. T. Wheelless and son, Vernon, of Hopkinton were visiting friends in Coggon and vicinity last Friday. Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Mamie Carr to Mr. James McEnany on Wednesday, June 17th.—Monitor.

John Reilly is looking after his interests at the Devil's Backbone. A big boy baby was born last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh O'Leary of Hazel Green.

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