

# County Correspondence.

## EAD'S GROVE.

The harvest is about completed and the hum of the threshing machine will soon be heard. About thirty of the lady friends of Mrs. J. T. Fowler gathered at her home on Saturday, July 25th, it being her fifty-first birthday. The hostess was presented with a beautiful chair and after having spent a very pleasant day, the guests departed wishing her many more such birthdays.

Will Lawson of Greeley who has been working on Mr. Lash's barn met with a very serious accident last Monday, falling from near the top to the ground, a distance of about twenty-five feet. He sustained a badly fractured wrist and several painful bruises.

Will Rutherford was in Manchester last Wednesday.

Herm Fowler and wife visited at the former's father's on Thursday and Friday. Herm has secured the position of buttermaker at the Almore creamery commencing his duties there on July 31st.

Jake Mosier's team ran away with a mower last Thursday smashing the machine pretty badly.

The Misses Dodge and Lillian Gull visited at Fred Moser's on Sunday, July 26th.

Mrs. Nell Sheldon of Manchester attended the party at Mr. Fowler's on Saturday.

Edna Alger and sister of Edgewood were calling in this neighborhood on Wednesday.

Mrs. F. M. Moser is reported to be somewhat improved at this writing.

## LAMONT.

Mrs. Wm. Hammeford returned home to Chicago Saturday after a two month visit here with relatives.

Mrs. J. Ferguson Bennett was called home to Omaha Tuesday. She and her grandparents Charles Ferguson and wife went to Forestville Monday to visit at the old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wellman of Manchester visited at the home of Mrs. Wellman's brother Frank Cary for several days last week.

Mesdames Jack Jones and J. M. Franks were Olwevin visitors Tuesday.

Mr. Solomon Welch was a Dundee visitor last week.

George Durham and sons were outing at the Backbone most all last week.

Mrs. Daniel Sheldon and daughter, Mrs. Marcy, visited in town last week.

George Stimpson of Stanley came to Lamont Thursday.

Mrs. George Stimson is home from Bay City Wis. where she went for treatment. They are now located in Stanley.

Mrs. Mary Bush of Waterloo is here visiting relatives.

Miss Mable Franks of Jefferson Iowa is here.

Misses Grace Brigham and Emma Preussner went to Nebraska to visit relatives.

John Elliott and son Martin went to Chicago Tuesday.

Miss Etta Jones drove to Wadena Tuesday to visit her brother.

Robert McAllister and daughters visited in Olwevin last week.

Mrs. Fred Young visited her son, Rev. Geo. Young, at Maynard last week.

Miss Bertha Seeds arrived Sunday and will make an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Von Oven.

Bert Cook and wife and Loren Bush were over Sunday visitors at the parental home in Volga City.

Wm. Weston went to Arlington Saturday, to attended the Latter Day Saints' meeting Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Susie and Lizzie Cook of Mt. Hope and a cousin, Miss Elsie Cook, of Hammond, La., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Charles Blackburn.

Henry Wilkins and family of Olwevin visited in town last week.

Thomas Rogers, Clend Eaton, Ed. Smith went to Troy Mills and spent the week there camping and fishing.

Mrs. Haggard and Mrs. Robb returned to their homes at Fargo, N. D. Saturday.

Mrs. Sherman of Olwevin was a Lamont visitor last week.

At the Insane Hospital at Independence occurred the death of Augusta Wesley Lestena, on July 28, after five years of sickness. The body was brought here Wednesday. The funeral was held Thursday from the Catholic church and interment was made at Richland cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Father O'Donnell. She was born in Delaware Co., Iowa, August 28, 1866, on November 19, 1894, she was united in marriage to James Lestena, and leaves to mourn her loss a husband, father, five sisters and four brothers. The floral decorations were beautiful.

George Wheeler of Strawberry was a Lamont visitor Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Field of Olwevin visited her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Densmore Saturday.

Charles Coger was killed in a wreck near Hayfield, Minn., Sunday morning, July 26, 1903, and his remains were brought here Tuesday morning for burial, the funeral being held at the M. E. church the same morning at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Helen McKee, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Elvira Davis left for her home in Indian Territory Tuesday last week.

Mrs. Jay Lillibridge was a Manchester caller last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Ritchie were in Manchester last Wednesday.

It keeps the farmers of this neighborhood hustling to run three threshing machines. Last Friday, Wm. Austin was threshing at Jerry Kaster's, Cyrus Beebe at J. G. Daker's and A. Meister at J. W. Hartman's.

Baker Hersey had business in Delhi last Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Kaster and daughter, Iola, were shopping in Manchester last Friday.

Given and son, Burdette, are

visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Cora Lillibridge.

## EDGEWOOD.

Mrs. Newman went to Lamont Wednesday morning for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Curran were at the Point last Monday.

Mrs. Byron Baker of Greeley was the guest of Mrs. Nettie Densmore, Monday.

Lou Hubbell attended the funeral of Mr. Connell at Manchester Saturday.

Mrs. Neva Rulon spent Wednesday night in Greeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Densmore and little daughter have returned home from their visit in New York state.

Mrs. Oscar Dorman and children of Manchester visited several days last week with her parents.

The Alumni picnicked at the Backbone last Thursday.

Rev. L. Hubbell was a Manchester caller last Saturday.

Mrs. W. J. Breed and daughters visited at Greeley last Friday.

Joe Forward returned last week from Ill.

Elmer Eckert's home was brightened last Saturday by the arrival of a seven and one-half pound baby girl.

## ONEIDA.

Mrs. J. H. Trewin and son, Harold, of Cedar Rapids, spent last Wednesday with relatives here.

Mrs. Oake and daughter, Bonnie of Epworth, returned to their home last week after a pleasant visit with relatives here.

Miss Ethel Breckon entertained Miss Wilson, of Monticello, several days last week.

Quite a number of our young ladies enjoyed a quiet picnic in the Grove last Wednesday.

Mr. Cocking had business in Manchester Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have returned from Wyoming where they visited part of the week. Harvey Burbridge had charge of the post office during their absence.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at the home of J. Lukenhill, Thursday evening, July 30th at 8 o'clock when Miss Carrie Pratt was united in marriage to Ernie H. Damon, Rev. Dawson, of Greeley, performed the ceremony, in the presence of about forty relatives and friends. Their many friends wish them much joy and happiness.

The out of town guests were Mrs. Nietert and son, Roscoe, of Walker; Guy Pratt of Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Swinburne, and Mr. and Miss Pulver, of Delhi.

Mrs. R. Hockaday has been enjoying a visit from her sister, Miss Belle McIntosh, of Manchester, the past week.

A. L. Conger left Friday morning for Tenstrike, Minn. where he will join his brother, J. J.

Mrs. Smith and children, of Minneapolis, are visiting at Buel Dunlop's.

Several of our ladies went to the mill pond near Earlville for a picnic Saturday. We understand they took a very successful afternoon as chaperones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dodge are the happy parents of a baby boy, several from near his, attended the funeral of P. S. Davidson, at Coleridge last Sunday.

Miss J. Conger, of St. Cloud, Minn., visited relatives and friends here last week.

## STRAWBERRY POINT.

Father Rowe returned home from Chicago Saturday morning.

Miss Anna Hiner spent Tuesday evening in Manchester.

L. L. Noble visited his daughter at Delhi last week.

Clara Fuehr spent the first of the week in the Graf home.

A. J. Pease of Manchester was a business caller here Thursday.

W. Pollard of Thorpe was a caller in this place Friday.

M. Sealey of Manchester spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark of Forestville were guests of friends in this place Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Dorman and children spent Sunday in this place returning to their home in Manchester Monday morning.

Mrs. Geo. Parker and two children of California, are guests of friends in this place this week. They arrived here from Manchester Tuesday.

The funeral of Eddie Ward, who committed suicide Wednesday of last week at his home west of town, was held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Union church. The young man was only a little past twenty-one and just entering on his young manhood, and his prospects in life were said to be bright. He leaves a brother and sister to mourn his loss.

Friday evening while the family of Mr. Alderson, who reside east of town, were returning home from the circus, the little boy fell asleep and while slumbering he fell out of the buggy and on the ground. An ugly gash was cut in the side of the boy's head and about the ear. The little fellow was given medical aid as soon as possible and we are glad to learn it was nothing serious.—Mail-Press.

## LAMONT.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville King and son of near Aurora visited at her parents home Sunday.

A. H. Becker, of near Dundee visited at N. Rakov's Sunday.

Mrs. Jessie Ferguson Bennet, of Omaha came Friday to visit her grandparents Charles Ferguson and wife.

Mesdames Hilton, Wing Nedrau and two children visited at the home of Charles Preussner Friday near Dundee.

Crop harvest has begun. It is a fair crop.

Walter Moon of Loope City Neb. was here visiting old friends last week.

Mesdames Reid and Nedrau visited in Arlington Wednesday.

Mrs. F. E. Peet took passage

Tuesday for Milnor N. Dak, to visit relatives for a month.

J. F. Watt went to Minneapolis Tuesday to visit a brother.

Worth Bond went to Independence Monday to attend summer school.

B. F. Miles and wife of Manchester spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Von Oven.

H. A. VonOven was a business visitor in Olwevin Wednesday.

John Merkl visited friends in Oneida Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Sliter returned home from Chicago Friday after a two month visit.

Mrs. George Durham and son Harry visited at Independence last week.

Mesdames Wm. Dopp and Charlie Sager were Manchester visitors Tuesday.

O. C. Starr and son Fred left Wednesday for Tabor, Iowa to be gone two months painting and graining the wood work of a new college just built there.

Clem Keenan, wife and daughter were here visiting last week.

Frank Sheldon came home from Chicago Thursday to remain several days.

H. A. VonOven went to Davenport Monday to attend the State Banker's Association of Iowa.

Charles Opperman and family came Thursday to visit relatives here. His home is in Minneapolis.

Mrs. M. A. Hilton Bush and daughter visited her parents Saturday and Sunday.

O. S. Fowler has accepted a position with the Deering Harvesting Co. and left last week to start the machine.

## COGCON.

S. C. Brazelton and wife returned home Saturday night after spending several weeks visiting their son and daughter in Center Point.

Mary Scofield visited relatives in Manchester Friday.

Mrs. R. B. Houston is visiting friends in Manchester and Independence.

Miss Gene Merriam spent Sunday and Monday with Miss Fannie Haddock of Manchester.

S. K. Myers of Manchester was in town yesterday.

Miss Ethel Coquillette is visiting friends in Manchester.

Mrs. G. Abbey was called to Hawarden last week by the death of her mother.

Mrs. J. J. McAreavy was visiting friends in Dubuque the latter part of last week.

Mrs. M. E. Sherman returned home Saturday after a two weeks visit in Long City, Nebraska, and Center Point, Iowa.

George Wilson has accepted a position as clerk in Gildner Bros. clothing store at Manchester and will start upon his work Aug. 1st. Mr. Wilson is a first class clerk, accommodating, genial and attentive to the wants of his customers and best interests of his employer and has many fast friends in Coggon who will regret to have him leave our midst. Gildner Bros. are fortunate in securing his services.—Monitor.

## RYAN.

Ryan and Golden indulged in a game of base ball at the latter place the first of the week, the latter being defeated by a score of 14 to 3.

The many friends of Chas. Miller will be pained to know that he is seriously ill. As we got press this (Thursday) afternoon he was gradually growing worse and but faint hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Cashier John Dolphin of the Ryan State Bank attended a meeting of the State Bankers Association which was held at Davenport the first of the week. He reports a large attendance and a profitable meeting.

Dr. Donnelly was a business visitor in Cedar Rapids last week.

Miss May Austin, of Delaware, returned Monday to her home after a weeks visit with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Magrill welcomed a pretty girl baby to their home last Tuesday morning.—Reporter.

## HOPKINTON.

Mrs. A. A. Lord and Mary Lord were guests of Mrs. E. C. Perkins at Delhi Tuesday.

W. P. Lord was doing business in Manchester Monday.

Mesdames Lulu and Jessie Higman of Manchester were guests of Mrs. O. W. Smith during the past week.

M. Hogan marketed a couple of herford cows here this week, the one bringing him an even \$100 for shipment. Hogan & Co. sent them to market.

Frank Hogan sold a fine span of drivers to Cy. Bort of Monticello last week, the price being \$400. Good horses are bringing pretty long prices just now.

Mrs. J. C. Melrose is a guest of Mrs. M. R. Doolittle and other friends in town.

Mrs. A. Richardson and daughter Emma, went to Manchester Monday, and from there Mrs. Richardson will go to her old home in New Hampshire for an extended visit.

Jerry Mahoney of Hazel Green was in town Saturday for the purpose of having an injured foot attended to. A horse stepped on it, and the damage was sufficient to necessitate the amputation of the little toe on his right foot.—Leader.

## DYERSVILLE.

Mrs. Sadeir and son returned from a pleasant visit with her brother, St. Paul last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Koelker and son visited relatives and friends at Petersburg last Sunday.

Frank Rubly of Hickory Valley attended the Dairymen's and Buttermaker's picnic at Manchester last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. Nachtmann of Bremen township went to Dubuque Saturday.

Rev. Sassen of Petersburg was here last Friday and went to Dubuque where he had business matters to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. George Domayer of Petersburg visited at the home of

# Delaware County Fair Sept. 2-3-4.

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Mr. and Mrs. Schacherer in this city Sunday.

Miss Angie Kramer returned to Norway last Saturday after spending several weeks in this city.

Mrs. Clemens Fangmann and children went to Dubuque last Tuesday to visit a Sister at the Franciscan convent.

Mr. and Mrs. John Feldmann attended the Dairymen's and Buttermaker's picnic at Manchester last Tuesday.—Commercial.

**EARLY MORNING AIR.**

Its Invigorating Effects Largely Due, It is Said, to Dew.

Most people at some time in their lives probably have risen early enough to witness the bracing effect given by filling the lungs while dew is still on the grass. So far as analysis goes the composition of early morning air is not different from that of air at any other time. It is well to remember, however, that during the passing of night to day and of day to night several physical changes take place.

There is a fall of temperature at sunset and a rise again at dawn, and consequently moisture is alternately being thrown out and taken up again, and it is well known that change of state is accompanied by electrical phenomena and certain chemical manifestations also. The formation of dew has probably therefore far more profound effects than merely the moistening of objects with water.

Dew is vitalizing not entirely because it is water, but because it possesses an invigorating action due partly, at any rate, to the fact that it is saturated with oxygen, and it has been stated that during its formation peroxide of hydrogen and some ozone are developed. It is not improbable that the peculiarly attractive and refreshing quality which marks the early morning air has its origin in this way.

Certain it is that the bracing property of the early morning air wears off as the day advances, and it is easy to conceive that this loss of freshness is due to the oxygen, ozone or peroxide of hydrogen, whichever it may be, being used up.

The difficulty of inducing grass to flourish under a tree in full leaf is well known and is generally explained by saying that the tree absorbs the oxygen constituents of the air from the grass and protects it from rain. It is doubtful whether any of these explanations is true, the real reason most probably being, that the vitalizing dew cannot form upon the grass under a tree, whereas, as a rule, both rain and light can reach it.

Dew is probably essential to the well being of both plants and animals to a greater extent than is known.—New York American.

**PICKINGS FROM FICTION.**

A witty woman is a treasure; a witty beauty is a power.—"Diana of the Crossways" (George Meredith).

Speaking to, or crying over, a husband never did any good yet.—"Pill-Tales From the Hills" (Rudyard Kipling).

Too many words be worse than not enough, for they'll often leave a man's meaning foggy.—"The River" (Eden Philpotts).

There's a saying that a man who can live quite happily alone must be one of two things—an angel or a demon.—"Sons of the Morning" (Eden Philpotts).

What can one say of the highest music except that, like death, it is the great leveller; it gathers us all to its tender keeping, and we rest.—"In Varying Moods" (Beatrice Harraden).

The genius of hospitality is not so much in making people meet, but in helping them to part—on good terms. Remember that!—"The Gods, Some Mortals and Lord Wickenham" (John Oliver Hobbes).

**Breaking It Gently.**

This is a true account of one person's idea of "breaking the news gently." The cook, whose home was off in the country, appeared before the "powers above" with a letter in her hand.

"I'll have to go home for a couple of days, mum," she said. "My cousin's just written to me." And she handed over the crumpled bit of paper with an audible sniff.

"Dear Mary," it ran, "you had better come home at once. Your father is very sick." And it continued with many particulars of the illness.

At the end was a postscript which, like the old joke of a woman's P. S., had the pith of the matter.

"So long as you'll be driving up from the village you may as well bring the undertaker along with you in the wagon."—New York Times.

**Sir Henry Irving's Wit.**

On one occasion Sir Henry Irving's company, having been called to the theater for rehearsal, found upon their arrival that they were considerably absent of time. As Sir Henry had not yet arrived, one of the actors in the company who was noted for his accomplishments as a mimic proceeded to give a lively and elaborate imitation of Sir Henry's highly characteristic acting. As he finished his demonstration a well known voice came from the depths of the darkened auditorium:

"Very good," it said; "very good indeed—so good, in fact, that there is no need for both of us in this company."—Harper's.

**What is Known About Fish.**

Pliny, the great naturalist, who lived at about the time of Christ, reckoned the whole number of known species of fish at ninety-four. Linnæus, the great Swedish investigator of the eighteenth century, could classify 478, and he is known to have been the greatest ichthyologist of the age in which he lived.

# SPECIAL HOMESEAKER'S EXCURSION

TO Ransom County, N. D., THE BANNER COUNTY

OF THE STATE FOR Diversified Farming and Dairying

Within the past few years the farmers of Ransom county have been gradually turning from grain raising to diversified crops, dairying and stock raising. No section in the Northwest has better natural conditions for such farming, and that Ransom county will soon become famous in this line seems to admit of no doubt. Wheat and flax are the great staples. Corn was successfully raised here by the Indians before a white man trod these prairies. During the year 1901 sales of live stock brought to the county \$182,731. In 1900, the last government census report, 230,024 pounds of butter were shipped from Ransom county. One farm alone, from 21 cows, sold \$771 worth of butter besides raising 19 calves.

Will be our great excursion day. The Southeastern part of North Dakota is as beautiful a country and as fruitful as any you have ever known. The climate is delightful and healthful; drinking water pure; soil, a rich black loam with clay subsoil. We want you to see this country and have made a round fare rate so low that every reader of this can afford to take the trip for his vacation. For only

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**\$15 ROUND TRIP \$15**

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**Hotel Bills and Car Fare Free to Purchaser.**

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Through Excursion Sleepers via Three Routes west to Omaha TO THE National G. A. R. Encampment, San Francisco, Cal.

The Illinois Central will sell excursion tickets to San Francisco and Los Angeles, August 14 inclusive. Limited to October 15th for return, which provide for liberal stop-overs, at rates less than one fare for the round trip. Tickets sold at points on the main line to Sioux City or Omaha, may be routed via the Southern Pacific, New Orleans and Chicago in one direction at little or no extra cost.

Through Excursion Sleepers will be run to San Francisco, in which the rates per double berth will be less than half the rates in Standard Sleepers. These sleepers will leave Iowa points and run as follows:

August 1st, sleepers will cross Iowa and run via C. & N. P. & D. & R. G. and Southern Pacific—the scenic route.

August 8th, the Iowa Headquarters Train, carrying Department Commanders and Staff, will use the Illinois Central, Burlington Route, D. & R. G. and Southern Pacific.

August 8th, sleepers will also run via Scenic Route, same as August 1st.

August 10th, sleepers will run on the Illinois Central, the Rock Island, G. A. R. Special Train, via the Scenic Route.

August 12th, sleepers will run via the Union Pacific to Salt Lake City thence on the Southern Pacific.

Address a postal card to the undersigned, requesting a copy of G. A. R. circular, giving itinerary of these different sleepers, and further particulars concerning the G. A. R. Encampment and Excursion rates.

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