

—Chas. Briggs, who is employed at Waverly, is home.

—F. Dutton of Coggon was in Manchester Wednesday.

—Note Grassfields adv. this week for Christmas suggestions.

—Mrs. D. J. Lahey and daughter, Katie, of Coffin Grove were in Manchester Monday.

—Harry Roe and Miss Susie Coon spent last week with relatives of the latter in Wisconsin.

—Attorney James McCarren of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is expected home for the yule-tide.

—To all the readers of the Democrat, we send greeting for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

—Mrs. C. W. Dorman spent last week with her son, Dr. Charles Dorman, and family at Strawberry Point.

—Mrs. Geo. Crouse and daughter spending a few days with Mrs. Crouse's parents, Peter Lux and Ed. Kinton.

—Story was sick and unable to work for a week, last Wednesday being his first day down town more than a week.

—Mrs. Ida Cleudene of Lamont was struck by a west bound freight Wednesday morning last, thrown several feet landing on a rock and receiving serious injuries.

—The Cedar Rapids store is making a specialty of Xmas gifts this year and with every purchase of the amount of \$1 there, you get present of a sack of choice candy.

—Alex. Henry, of Cox Creek, Clayton county, who is enjoying life too well to be old yet, is a great grandfather by the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Behrens of Guttenberg.

—Every boy wants a pocket knife for Xmas and Simon & Atwater are making a specialty of all cutlery in week in the anticipation of supplying every boy in Delaware County with a knife.

—We acknowledge an agreeable letter from E. A. Nash, M. D., of odee, Iowa. The doctor is a dupe of the college of Physicians and Surgeons of Keokuk, a. His business card appears another column.

By the way if you are charitable inclined at all, how would asack Quaker Mill strike you for loliday offering to some of Man-ster's needy poor? Read the ker Mill adv. for what they say uck about this year.

County Teachers Meet-eld at Strawberry Point, 1905. There will be ng program arranged ns of the two days and s of Clayton, Fayette, and counties will no doubt the meeting and enjoy same.

gonna Monitor: Some parties a raid on the U. S. Fish Hat- at Spring Branch three miles east of Manchester, a few ts ago and got away with about pounds of trout left for breed- purposes in the ponds. We are e are not in their shoes when e Sam locates them.

Arlo Simon entertained twenty s boy and girl friends Monday ng in honor of his guest, r Hull of Cedar Rapids. Cards delicious oyster supper, sup- ted by several instrumental by Calvin Martin made the g one long to be remembered a present. Mr. Hull depart- Tuesday morning for Chic- ere he will spend the holidays.

he Register and Leader offer other page of this issue will st every girl or boy longing for wing the value of a college edu- . You have nearly two full s to meet the requirements and y you can get twenty-five sub- sers in that time. Should you to get that number you will earned a nice little sum in missions. Look the offer up.

Last week Monday evening the ern National Reserve held elc of officers with the following t: President, B. F. Waughop; president, E. J. Mills; secretary, Chamberlain; treasurer, Miss e Hamblin; guide, W. S. Logan, ain, Dr. H. A. Dittmer; Lady win, Mrs. Ed. Sheppard; Lady dilla, Miss Anna Pohlman; in- s-entry, Ray Atkinson; outside ry, Frank Sylvester.

This Wednesday at the home a the bride's sister, Mrs. William idersleeve, in Gilbert, Miss Ida late will be united in marriage th Mr. Clifford Gildersleeve. iss Slate is a sister of Mrs. Henry ser, with whom she resided for ur years in this city, and her any Manchester friends wish her ntinued joy and prosperity during er married life. Mr. and Mrs. idersleeve are to live in St. Louis.

Last Tuesday evening, the M. V. A's held election of officers and less gentlemen were chosen to pre- ide over and direct the com- ing year's events in the Woodmen lodg- e: Consul, B. J. Lavanian; Adviser, eo, Hanso; Banker, J. F. McGwen; Clerk, A. Miller; Escort, J. G. Anderson; Watchman, F. J. Smith; Sentry, J. W. Barker; Manager, 3 years, H. W. Welterlen; Camp Physi- cians, Drs. Triem, Lindsay and Lawrence.

We have just completed ar- rangements with the publishers of the Iowa Homestead whereby we are enabled to make advance pay- ments to the Democrat a club- bing offer that every farmer in this country should avail himself of. It is as follows: For \$2.10 we will furnish for one year. The Demo- crat, the Iowa Homestead, the Home Maker Magazine and the Farm Gazette Magazine. Samples of above can be seen at this office.

—Mrs. Frank Slack is quite ill at her home in this city.

—Mrs. H. P. Langridge is here from Strawberry Point.

—W. H. Ehler of Ehler was a welcome caller at this office Friday.

—T. H. Wiley of Edgewood was one of our pleasant callers on Tues- day.

—Denton & Ward have a holiday adv. that demands your attention. Read it.

—A. D. Work was kept indoors last week for a number of days by illness.

—D. A. McElligott of Ryan was in Manchester on business last week Thursday.

—Herman Zirtzman of Delaware was a pleasant caller in Manchester to-day—Tuesday.

—The Manchester Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. R. W. Fishell Monday evening Dec. 26.

—Four more days in which to do your Xmas shopping—Note A. D. Brown's adv. for Xmas hints.

—John Bartsche of the Bay was a business visitor at the Quaker Mill Company's plant Friday last.

—Miss Kittie Ellis is here from Frost, Minn., for a month's visit with her mother and other relatives and friends.

—Owing to Christmas coming on Sunday the Post Office will ob- serve Monday, closing on that day from 10 a. m. until 5 p. m.

—The Woman's Home Mission- ary Society of the M. E. church will meet Wednesday, December 28th at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. D. F. Young.

—Kalamity is having an enormous trade these days and his large stock from Santa Claus' pack is worthy the business it brings. Only four more buying days.

—Members of the M. B. A. are earnestly requested to attend their regular meeting Monday evening, December 29th. Election of officers and important business.

—This is not the season when one's worldly stores are increased, but the State Savings Bank never- the less has a plan whereby you may increase your possessions.

—The Racket store has gotten on a large stock of Xmas goods, dolls, games, sleds, and everything dear to the hearts of our boys and girls. See what they say this week.

—Mrs. A. J. Pease has been an invalid for some weeks past but is planning on being able to attend the Tri-County Teachers Meeting at Strawberry Point the first of next month.

—Born, Sunday, December 18, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Breckon a daughter. May the little Miss bring to her parents joy and may her years be many and full of bright- ness and goodness.

—J. G. Barr from near Strawberry Point was a Manchester visitor Fri- day, taking home with him for the the two weeks' vacation, his son Luense and daughter Maude, who attend the High School.

—Look up your last weeks Demo- crat and cut out Brown's coupon thereon, take it to Brown's furniture store and take a chance upon getting a chair. It costs you nothing but the trouble of taking it to the store.

—The Delaware County State Bank have placed their anniversary dates at the head of their adv. Thirty eight years of substantial business had made this institution one of the solid enterprises of the county.

—Mrs. Ludwig Schneider enjoyed a visit Monday from her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mead of this township. Mrs. Mead has very poor health and this is the first visit she has made to town for a number of months.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Elder have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Fern, to Mr. Ross L. Hart. The wedding is to take place at the Elder home on Franklin street on Wednesday evening, December 28th at eight o'clock.

—The Dyersville Commercial of last week announces that the estate of C. M. Corrigan, who was killed in the I. C. railway accident at Dyersville some months ago, would receive in settlement for his death from the railroad something like \$15,000.

—F. C. Miller departed Friday last for his home at Lebanon, S. D., after spending several weeks in Delaware county, where he has been looking after business interests connected with his father's property, the Jacob Miller farm in Honey Creek township.

—The deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Holscher last Friday, chronicled by our Colesburg and Earlville correspondents, removes from Delaware county as well as the vicinity of Colesburg two most re- spected citizens. Mrs. Holscher was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Klaus. The bereaved relatives and friends have the sympathy of all in this double sorrow that has befallen them.

—The property at the southwest corner of Main and Franklin streets, occupied by J. H. Allen, Clothier, was purchased last week by Messrs. Will Lepley and Will Ward from the heirs of the Carpenter estate. This is a very advantageous site and it is hoped the new owners will de- cide to replace the present structure, which is one of the oldest store buildings in Manchester, with a more sightly and modern building.

—Our college students are home for vacation, Clarence Lister and Floyd Arnold from Iowa City, Bert Matthews, Alonzo Wells and the Misses Wells and Wallace from Mt. Vernon, Clarence Yoran from Min- neapolis, Thomas Hines from St. Johns College Wisconsin, Cecil Hines from Sinsinawa, Gail Bronson from Mt. St. Joseph's, Dubuque, Lloyd Jones from Browns Univer- sity in Missouri, Harry Burbridge from Ames, and Hugh Hines from St. Josephs Dubuque, being some of the number who have arrived or will come during the week.

—Atty. H. Carr is in Fairbanks to-day—Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Simon expect to have Christmas guests from Cedar Rapids.

—Elmer Cates is again one of our popular draymen, having purchased the A. F. Slack business.

—Gildner Bros. adv. will in- terest every wife, mother or sister. They quote prices on their Christ- mas stock.

—There is to be a Christmas hop this week Friday evening at the Pythian Castle under the manage- ment of Messrs. Bushnell and Morley.

—The building vacated last week by Connell Bros. has been put in excellent order for the occupancy of W. W. Ford with his Racket Store strek. Mr. Ford will move about the first of January.

—The illness of Miss Dora Hills noted last week resulted fatally and on Friday morning she passed away at Mercy hospital in Des Moines. The remains were brought to this city and Monday morning at ten the inueral services were held at the Presbyterian church.

—Miss Hills was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hills and with her parents she lived in Manchester until about four years ago when they removed to Des- Moines. She graduated from the Manchester High School with the class of 1899, later taking and com- pleting a thorough business course at the Capital City Commercial Col- lege in Des Moines.

—She was a bright sweet mannered girl, quick of mind and accomplish- ed, with a host of friends here, to all of whom her death brought sincere sorrow. Beside her parents, she leaves two sisters, Miss Myrtle Hills of Des Moines and Mrs. Henry E. Robinson of this place.

—Death of Mrs. Susan Sheldon. The death of Mrs. Susan Sheldon Monday morning, December 19th, at her home on Kayette street, as a result of a stroke of apoplexy sus- tained about two weeks ago, re- moved another of Delaware County's pioneer women.

—Susan M. Bronson was born in Lee, Oneida county, New York, May 10, 1828. On the 17th of February, 1847, she was happily wedded to Anson Sheldon, and Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon came out west, settling in Honey Creek township, Delaware County, in the spring of 1857. The following year however, they re- moved to Manchester which has been home to Mrs. Sheldon ever since.

—Mr. Sheldon died in May, 1893 and Mrs. Sheldon is now survived by her four sons, Fenelon J., Marcus W., and Charles A. of this city and William H. of Wheaton, Ill., all of whom were with their mother and gave her most tender care during her last illness.

—She was a lovable woman and a good mother, whose death is mourned by her family and many friends with a sincerity born of great love and respect.

—The funeral services will be held this Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the Congregational church, of which church she was a charter member and one of the founders and on which role of mem- bership, her name has ever since its founding held an honored place.

—She was also a member of the local Woman's Relief Corps and during her active membership she was elected to various important offices therein.

—Capt. Merry's Immigrant Plan. Dubuque Globe Journal, Friday: Capt. J. F. Merry has returned from Washington, D. C., where he at- tended a meeting of the Southeastern Passenger association which takes in all the states east of the Missis- sippi and south of the Ohio river. The meeting was held in the office of General Commissioner of Immi- gration Frank P. Sargent and the subject of foreign immigration was widely discussed. As one of the purposes was to devise means to at- tract immigrants to the south, Capt. Merry took a prominent part in the meeting, as he is probably as fami- liar with conditions and as much interested in the welfare of the south as any man in the country.

At the meeting Commissioner Sar- gent outlined a bill which he is to present to congress which asks for an appropriation of \$150,000 to be used for the construction of a build- ing on Ellis Island. The building is to be under government super- vision and will be used as a place where each state can make an exhibit of its agricultural products. Each state will be given space in the building and an agent will be sta- tioned there so that when immi- grants arrive in this country they can be shown the advantages of lo- cating in the states which offer in- ducements to them.

"It is a fact," states Capt. Merry, "that over 25 per cent of the immi- grants to this country are ticketed only to New York. They are of the belief that when they reach America their troubles will be at an end. This class of immigrants are met at the dock by designing fellows who soon relieve them of whatever money they have and they are left penniless in New York. The object of Commissioner Sargent wanting a building on Ellis Island is that for- eign immigrants may be taken there and shown where for a little money they can secure good homes.

"It is an astounding fact that in the whole of Kentucky and Virginia the foreign born population is less than that of the single state of Con- necticut. In Mississippi and Louisi- ana there are forty millions of acres of good land that would make splen- did homes for the men and women who come to our shores annually. In the south I have visited many foreign colonies and have found a healthy and happy people. The for- eign immigrants should go to the south where great agricultural pos- sibilities await them."

Dinner on Christmas day at the Clarence House soc.



# Four More Days

Time to decide what to get for father, brother, son or someone else. Come and we will help you decide. Most any man would appreciate a nice OVERCOAT or SUIT. All our Men's Overcoats going at special prices this week.....

**Overcoats** In grey and black, also a few fancy patterns going at .. \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$15.00.

**Suits** In heavy weight grey and black, also fancy browns, going this week at .. \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00.

All kinds of house coats and bath robes. Ladies' and Misses' sweaters going at almost half price.....

Come in and get a sprig of Holly for Christmas Souvenir.

## GILDNER - BROTHERS,

YOUR CLOTHIERS.

### Have You Heard

How those alleged Get-Rich-Quick fellows are getting into trouble all over the land? IT IS BETTER . . .

To keep your money with your home banker where you can ALWAYS GET IT ON DEMAND than to monkey with a stranger's game. The . . .

## First - National - Bank

Will take care of your Money for you, and will extend you all the courtesies and accommodations due to depositors.

Have You Tried Them?

**Banks Close.** All three of our Banks will be closed on the Mondays following Christmas Sunday and New Years Sunday.

**Manchester Creamery Co. Patrons.** Notice. The Manchester Creamery Com- pany will pay off all patrons Satur- day of this week instead of next week Saturday, on account of Christmas.

**Card of Thanks.** We wish to extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the many friends, who by their numerous acts of kindness during the last illness and after the death of our beloved husband and father, has made our sorrow less bitter.

MRS. LYNCH, T. H. AND J. W. LYNCH, ELIZABETH F. LYNCH.

**Iowa Legion of Honor Entertaining.** At the regular meeting of the local lodge, Iowa Legion of Honor next week Tuesday evening, in addition to the election of officers, an extra program has been arranged. Each member is requested to wear some emblem representing the title of some song. State Organizer E. N. Helm of Cedar Rapids will be present and he has contributed a very handsome gold lodge pin which will be awarded the lucky member guessing correctly the most song titles.

Refreshments will be served and every member is requested to be present.

**STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss. LUCAS COUNTY.** Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUN- DRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and sub- scribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken in- ternally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for con- sipation.

In The District Court of Iowa In And For Delaware County. December Term A. D. 1904.

In the matter of the Guardianship of the Estate of Fritz Risch, of said County, Iowa, and all others whom it may concern: You and each of you are hereby notified that there is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Delaware County, the final report of Charles Schultz as guardian of said estate, and said report has been fully settled, and asking that said report be approved.

And that unless you appear and make objections thereto on or before Thursday, December 22nd 1904, of the present term of said district court to be holden at Manchester, said Delaware County on the 22nd day of December, 1904, said guardianship will be adjudged fully settled, said report approved, and said guardian and his sureties released and discharged.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, at Manchester, Iowa, this 19th day of December, 1904.

Removes the microbes which im- proveish the blood and circulation. Stops all trouble that interferes with nutrition. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35 cents. Tea or tablets.—Denton & Ward.

### The CEDAR RAPIDS STORE is the place to buy

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

for both young and old. Everything useful and sensible from a nice set of furs for your best girl to a fine cloak for your wife and toys, sleds and buggies for the little ones. Silk or wool waists, fine silk or wool suiting dress goods in fact the BIG STORE has anything you can ask for and our ANNEX is full of nice things for you and a nice sack of choice candies for everyone buying a dollar's worth of toys or fancy goods in the annex, don't forget to ask for it. Remember we show 300 choice rugs in all sizes at special Christmas prices for the NEXT SIX DAYS, so come and see our grand display. Also fine bed blan- kets, lap robes, horse blankets and fur sleigh robes at special cut prices for this week.

## P. NEWCOMB, PROPRIETOR.

### Low Rates For Holidays

For Christmas and New Year holidays round-trip tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates between all stations on the

## Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway

On sale December 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1904, and January 1 and 2, 1905. Good return- ing until January 3, inclusive. Splendid opportunity to visit your home or friends. Ask the ticket agent for further infor- mation, or address

F. A. MILLER, General Passenger Agent, CHICAGO.

The Japs may fight the Russians, On land or on the sea; But the girls of this here country. Fight for Rocky Mountain Tea. —Denton & Ward.

Excursion Rates on Account of Christ- mas and New Years Holidays via I. C. R. R. For this occasion the I. C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets to points on its line north of Ohio River and to points on other lines in the states of Wiscon- sin, Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota to St. Paul, Minneapolis and points south. Missouri north and east of Missouri River, St. Louis, Kansas City and to points on foreign lines in Illinois west of Illinois Central Chicago to St. Louis via Chicago. Rate one and one third fare for the round trip. No ticket sold for less than fifty cents. Dates of sale Dec. 24, 25, 26 and 31, Jan. 1st, and 2nd. All tickets limited to Jan. 4th, for re- turn.—H. G. Pierce, Agent.

## Christmas Trees.

Christmas Greens. All kinds of Flowers and potted plants for Christmas. . . . .

C. L. ADAMS, North Manchester, Iowa.

# B. CLARK.

WHAT TO GIVE FOR

## CHRISTMAS

A PAGE OF PRATICAL SUGGESTIONS.

Never were our stocks so complete with articles suitable for gifts.

Glance through the following list it is sure to suggest some- thing which you otherwise would not have thought of.

Neckwear pleases the ladies, in the way of personal adorn- ment, there is nothing more appreciated than a dainty bit of neckwear.

Furs are foremost in favor for Christmas gifts, anything from smallest neckpiece to Fur Jackets.

Hand Bags, in the way of assortment, style and qualities we offer decided advantages.

Fine Table Linens, practical gifts for Christmas.

Kid Gloves the popular Christmas Gifts.

Dainty White Aprons.

Ribbons in a variety of new things.

Knit shawls and headwear in abundance of styles.

Fancy linen pieces in drawn work, etc.

Ladies' and Children's sweaters.

# B. CLARK.

## FUR COATS AND CLOAKS

We wish to call your attention to the fact that we have an extensive and well selected stock of

## Men's Fur Coats

## Ladies', Misses' Child's' Cloaks

that we are offering at low prices, quality of goods considered, Call and inspect the largest and most varied selection of childrens' cloaks ever shown by us.

## Respectfully,

# W. L. DREW.

C. L. ADAMS, North Manchester, Iowa.