

County Correspondence.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—You are requested to send in your letters as early as Saturday of each week, in order to insure prompt publication.

RYAN.

House cleaning seems to be the present rage.
Supt. F. D. Joseph of Manchester was visiting the schools here Wednesday.

The city waterworks system is being extended to the depot and school house.
R. M. Merriam and Jake Schuster were Prairieburg visitors Thursday.

Miss Mayme Waddick spent Saturday and Sunday with independent friends and relatives.

Mason work has commenced on the addition to be built onto the Catholic church.

John Dolphina was a Manchester visitor one day last week.

Our streets are being very much improved by grading.

James Lyness and Chas. Prabel were business visitors at the county seat, Wednesday.

The base ball boys have been out practicing considerable with the intention of selecting a team of good players this season that will "hold their own" in representing Ryan.

They have already leased the grounds.
Mrs. Summers and daughter Josie returned Thursday, from a three weeks visit with Fonda and Independence friends.

I. W. Zweiser was a Manchester visitor Sunday.

Don't forget to attend the dance to be held in the Opera House on the evening of next Monday, April 24th. Proceeds for base ball team.

Rev. P. H. Ryan was visiting Rev. Leahy, of Lawler a few days last week.

Frank Amos has removed his household effects into the residence opposite the churches.

Alberta Jacobs of Independence is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Preble this week.

Anthony Swindle was up from Iowa city visiting friends Wednesday last.

Peter Schester was in Hopkinton, Sunday.

R. M. Merriam has opened an up-to-date hardware store in the Pugh building.

Johnnie Ryan drove to Manchester Sunday.

Miss Rose Zirtzman of Delaware, was visiting her sister Mrs. R. Houlihan, a few days last week.

Steve Uhl went to Oelwein Friday evening.

DELIHI.

Goldie Brazleton visited her sister, Mrs. Geo. Pulver, last week.

Twelve members of the Delhi M. W. A. lodge went to Manchester last Tuesday evening, to attend lodge. Several candidates were initiated, and a general good time was had.

Wayne Lickie, from South Dakota, was a guest at F. A. Doolittle's recently.

Miss Ada Jackson, of Dubuque, was a guest at the county farm recently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Madison, of Edgewood, were guests at the C. D. Barnes home recently.

Mrs. S. Blanchard, of Masonville, visited her son and family at the county farm last week.

Henry Duart was in Manchester last Saturday.

Will Locke and wife were down from Manchester last Sunday, guests at the county farm.

Isaac Saunders went to Lamont last week to see his sister, Mrs. Tom Durham, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. F. E. Stinson and Miss Grace Annis went to Cedar Rapids Saturday.

Dr. W. C. Cummings was in Hopkinton Thursday.

Bert Haight is moving his family to a farm near Edgewood.

W. F. Mack, of Waterloo, was in town Monday.

Jas. Burton went to Independence Thursday.

E. C. Jenkins had business in Dubuque and Chicago last week.

Henry Sharp was over from Earlville Monday.

Easter Services will be held at the M. E. church next Sunday morning.

Miss Opal Stinger is down from Edgewood visiting friends.

Wm. Esler was down from Delaware Monday.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hartman and daughter Elvira visited at the home of R. E. Grommon Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Addison Trumble have gone to Lamont for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ritchie and daughter Hattie were in Manchester Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon assisted in caring for Miss Martha Belcher, who is very ill, Monday night of last week.

H. B. Hersey and Amos Dance were in Manchester Monday of last week.

J. G. Daker was in Manchester last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunlavey are the parents of a baby girl, born Thursday, April 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Grommon were in Manchester last Wednesday.

Mrs. Bates was in Manchester last Friday.

J. G. Daker had business in Delhi last Friday.

Mrs. Will Davis and daughter, Marian, spent Friday with Mrs. Phoebe Wood.

Mrs. J. W. Hartman was a Delhi city last Friday.

Geo. Banta came home from Iowa City last Saturday.

Mrs. Nellie Henry is on the sick list.

Tillman Grapes had business in Manchester Thursday.

huckleberry each Tuesday and Saturday October 1, these concerts will be given.

"Uncle Jake" has been scratching his head of late to find a suitable poem to present to his readers. Be on the lookout boys, I'm coming.

Mr. Robertson, of Thorpe, was here Sunday to consult Dr. Nash in regard to his father's health.

PETERSBURG.
A good man gone. Death shocked this community last Monday by calling George Doneyer, one of the most prominent men of Petersburg, to his eternal reward, April 10, 1905, at the age of 37 years. His illness was brief, for it lasted but six days. Not only does it fill the community with sadness, it has wrought more—it has taken from a happy home a kind-hearted and loving husband and father. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Innocence and Vera, aged 7 and 5 years respectively. The deceased was born July 7, 1869, and was married to Regina Schacherer, Feb. 18th, 1896. He was buttermaker at Bear Grove for over six years, and on January 15, 1904, he accepted the position of buttermaker of the Petersburg creamery, which he held up to the time of his demise. The funeral took place last Thursday morning, and after requiem mass the remains were escorted by the Catholic Order of Foresters and a Roman Catholic Mutual Benefit society (both of which he was a member) to the Sts. Peter and Paul cemetery, where he was laid to rest to await the final day of judgment. The entire community extends sympathy to his wife and children in their time of affliction.

A bright boy highly exhilarated the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Linker since last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dentmeyer, of Worthington, visited with relatives here last Wednesday and Thursday.

STRAWBERRY POINT.
Postmaster G. Cooley came home from Manchester Wednesday morning.

F. C. Clover departed Friday evening for Indian Territory for a visit with his brother-in-law who is there for his health.

Miss Minnie Young arrived here from Gering, Neb., for an extended visit her sister, Mrs. Fults and friends.

Ed Hennessey and Van Porter, two students at Iowa City are home for a short vacation with their parents and friends.

Mrs. Frank Emerson arrived home from Denver, Colorado, last Wednesday morning.

Miss Jennie McCarren of Manchester visited with her friend, Mrs. Chas. Roberts several days last week.

Jas. Hill, of New Hampton, will open a laundry in Grandma building next Monday.

Will Jessen accompanied by his brother Jessie and Nell Westfall went to Chicago last evening to select for the former a display of spring goods.

S. T. Tony of Manchester called on friends the latter part of last week.

Miss Ted Peck visited over Sunday with her sister Alice, at Edgewood.

Presiding Elder Fleming preached in the M. E. church last Sunday morning and administered the Lord's Supper.

COLESBURG.
Miss Mamie DeLong is teaching the spring term of school at Progress. The school began on the 10th.

J. D. Kirchheck and family moved to Delaware Wednesday. Mr. Kirchheck and son are employed as agent and adjuster, respectively, for the German Insurance Company, of Freeport, Illinois, and the move was made to the railroad on this account. Colesburg has been their home for many years, and they leave friends behind who wish them well in their new home.

Mrs. T. A. Foote and children are visiting relatives at McGregor, Monday and Postville.

E. C. Perkins of Delhi was in the city on professional business the first of the week.

Edwin Schacherer spent part of the week at Petersburg, called there by the sickness and death of his brother-in-law, the late George Doneyer.

Dr. F. C. Wilson and family are occupying rooms at the Philip Stillinger's house, having moved Tuesday.

George Kneel made a business trip to McGregor last week. He expects to move there soon.

Both the Congregational and Methodist Sunday Schools are preparing an appropriate program for Easter.

The funeral services of Mrs. Thomas Davis were held at the house Monday in charge of Rev. T. M. Tyrrell, burial being made at Oak Hill. She is survived by her husband and several small children, one a babe two weeks old, to whom the sympathy of the people is extended.

W. S. Shaffer was the victim of a real surprise party last Saturday evening, complimentary to his birthday anniversary. Mrs. Shaffer invited a number of his friends to spend the evening. Refreshments and progressive finch served to while away a most enjoyable evening for all present.

Prof. C. R. Laraway was a caller at Dyersville last Saturday.

J. W. Smith is off duty for a few days. He is suffering from a stomach trouble with which a number of people have recently been afflicted. So far no serious results have followed, although the patients are quite sick for a few days.

Miss Abbie Bucknam returned to her home at Dyersville, Tuesday after a pleasant visit here with friends at the Walker House.

Mrs. Otto Hang gave a party Monday evening, in honor of her son Fred. The young folks present report a fine time.

Mrs. Will Adams went to Elkader, Saturday for a visit with her mother and other relatives.

HOPKINTON.
The sound of the fire bell called out a crowd Saturday, but it was only a small fire at A. K. Cramers and was soon extinguished.

Saturday was one of the busiest days Hopkinton merchants have had in several weeks.

The many friends of John G. Saam will be interested to know that he is making rapid progress at Rush Medical college.

It is a girl at H. D. Wendts.
Mrs. Swisher is visiting friends at Marion.

Easter will be observed at the Methodist and Presbyterian churches with appropriate programs.

W. L. Campbell will commence the extension of the water works system this week.

Jake Dunlap made a trip to Cedar Rapids where he took the civil service examination.

Clarence Moulton and wife have returned from California, where they have been spending the winter.

Dick Gross and wife returned from Minnesota last week.

Mrs. Williamson and daughter Gene have returned from California.

LAMONT.
George Reed sold his branch harness shop at Dundee last week.

Mrs. Grace Benedict was home from Oelwein Wednesday and Sunday inclusive.

Mrs. Julia A. Densmore is back to Lamont cooly settled in her home on Main street.

C. L. Eaton was a Dubuque business visitor Wednesday and Friday of last week.

Lester and Frankie Ross are now enrolled pupils in the Cedar Valley Seminary, Oelwein.

Perry Thompson is painting the George Durham school building.

Mr. George Anderson entertains the W. C. T. U. Thursday April 20. Married—Mrs. Millie Miner Hughes and Mr. Wilbert DeLong of Plymouth. We wish them a long happy wedded life.

Madames Bonny and Jenny are entertaining a niece, Miss Warning of Nebraska.

Mrs. George Davidson and children of Waterloo visited Lamont Friday and Saturday.

Madames Lukenbill and Manning have moved to Walker.

Mrs. Thos Durham is quite ill.

Mrs. Sanders of Hopkinton is here nursing Mrs. Durham.

MASONVILLE.
Miss Colia McGowan has returned to her home in Fairbank after a short visit with friends here.

Miss Joyce is visiting friends here.

Miss Emma Ryan and Sara Murtagh visited friends in Winthrop one day last week.

Maurice Maroney spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Page visited with her brother Will Barry last week.

Jim Duffey and George McKiener spent Sunday evening with friends South of town.

Miss Mame Ryan visited with her sister, Mrs. Jim Cummings, one day last week.

Don't forget the play and dance April 24th.

Hermie Heffernan called on friends and in the country Sunday evening.

Rev. J. J. O'Meara spent Thursday with Rev. T. J. Murtagh.

Masonville will celebrate the 4th.

EAD'S GROVE.
Ed. Torrey and family visited relatives near Colesburg Saturday and Sunday.

Several of our farmers attended the auction sale at Edgewood on Saturday.

Frank Epps of Volga is grubbing for Mr. Frentress.

J. M. Retherford delivered a lamb on Friday.

Will Frentress went to Volga last Saturday after his wife who has been helping take care of her mother.

DYERSVILLE.
(From the Commercial)
Supt. W. P. Hill was in Manchester Monday.

Henry Kriebel of near Worthington was here on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Taylor of Earlville were the guests of Dyersville friends Friday.

Messrs. John Gerken of this city and Louis Gerken of New Vienna went to Nashua, Monday, for a visit with their relatives and friends.

John Boeckenstein of Petersburg had business in Dyersville Monday.

Tommy Konzen and wife of Bankston were trading in Dyersville Monday.

Henry Lammers of Petersburg had business to transact in Dyersville Monday.

S. Thullen and brother Jim of New Vienna were the guests of Dyersville friends Sunday.

Jos. Gebhardt and H. Percheon of Petersburg were the guests of relatives in this city Sunday.

Olem Klostermann and daughters of Petersburg were in this city Monday.

John Kraus and Pete Wolf of Worthington were Dyersville callers Sunday.

Joe Osterhaus and wife of Petersburg were trading in Dyersville Sunday.

H. Sassen and wife of Petersburg were the guests of relatives in this city over Sunday.

John Forkebrook is visiting with friends in Milwaukee, Chicago and other eastern cities this week.

Joe Gebhardt of Bear Grove was visiting relatives in Dyersville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Willenborg and daughters of New Vienna were the guests of relatives and friends in this city Tuesday.

Mr. Peter Even and son Nicholas of Manchester were in Dyersville Saturday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steger.

Messrs. Barney and Frank Klostermann of Adrian, Mich., and Jos. Klostermann of Morton, N. D., were here to attend the funeral of their mother the late Mrs. Klostermann at New Vienna.

F. J. Domayer of Algona, Iowa, arrived here last Monday on account of the serious illness of his brother George. He was only here a few hours when George passed away.

Mr. Anton Boeckenstein and Miss Mary Boeckenstein and Mrs. John Vardly Jr., and daughter Francis returned from Lindsay, Texas, last Friday morning, and they had been for three weeks visiting their relatives Mrs. Katie Rohenkohl, Andy Closten, Henry Lub and others. They report a very pleasant time and think Texas a fine country.

VANISHING JACKALS.
Instinct Enables the Animals to Make Themselves Invisible.
Marvellously successful in its working is the natural instinct which tells the jackals how to efface their form from sight when danger threatens. You may accidentally surprise half a dozen of the gaunt, gray-brown beasts trotting across the open between patches of jungle scrub in the east, but at that very instant they cease to be there. They are as large as fair sized dogs, and the dry ground, though rough, is clear, but you may rub your eyes and look there is not a sign of a single jackal. If you draw close they will be obliged to rise and scatter for shelter, but from where you stand the illusion is complete. The jackals have become part of the surface of the bare brown ground.

This miracle is achieved by the peculiar adaptation of their coloring to that of the surface of the sun baked soil.

Agas of evolution have brought about this perfect accord between the jackals and their surroundings. After the rains in India, when lush vegetation springs up everywhere and food abounds in it, the jackals need never show themselves out of cover, but in the hot weather, when the land is blasted from the jackals' haunts, often wander far into the open to be early at the feast upon the starveling goat that has died on the dusty track to the village.

On a matter might end, save that sometimes, from the flicking of the tongue or which the jackals make at night when the heat renders sleep almost impossible, you are tempted to teach them to give your tent or bungalow a wider berth on their way to and from their feeding grounds.

This may have been the feeling of a man who was camped out in the jungle on business of the government of India as he sat at his tent door, rifle in hand, seeing the dry slopes of a wooded brown scrub. Sometimes he saw one flit like a shadow from cover to cover, but whenever he used his field glasses or half raised his rifle there was not a sign of life or movement anywhere.

So dusk fell, and another sleepless night followed—not solely caused by the jackals, for the carelessness of the native servants in cooking their meal in the dry stream bed below had led the hillside scrub, clumped as government "forest" in his map, on fire.

On the following afternoon, when his solitary day's work was done, he sat again at his tent door opposite the brown slope, with his new disfiguring splash of black marking the scene of the conflagration. Presently, almost as conspicuous as a black beetle on a white tablecloth, a gray-brown jackal furtively trotted on to the blackened ground.

At the movement of the man, who raised the rifle the jackal instantaneously crouched to the black surface, and there, silhouetted faintly, it lay motionless until the rifle spoke, when it kicked and ran. A second came with like result, except that it did not even kick once, but the third struggled over and over and needed a second shot to finish it.—London Answers.

How to Cook Rice.
Physicians and others who have eaten rice cooked by a Hindu, a Chinaman or a southern dandy must have remarked the difference between the results obtained by these artists and those of the enlightened cooks of the West. We learn from an authoritative source that the secret lies in the following recipe: The rice should be carefully washed and placed in a kettle of boiling water, which should be set on the back of the range over a low fire, and the water should simmer slowly until done. Stirring is not only useless, but harmful. If there is any water left it should be drained off carefully, and the rice should then stand in a hot place for some time. Nothing should be added during the cooking—no salt, sugar, milk or butter. If the cooking has been done properly each grain of rice will stand out by itself, plump, dry and beautiful. Served very hot at the table, the rice should then be treated with a cayenne pepper and butter.—Medical Journal.

The Secret of Happiness.
The man who can drill his thoughts so as to shut out everything that is depressing and discouraging and see only the bright side of his misfortune, and failures has mastered the secret of happiness and success. He has made himself a magnet to draw friends, cheer, brightness and good fortune to him. Every one is pleased to see him. His presence is like a sunbeam on a dull day.

There is no accomplishment, no touch of culture, no gift, which will add so much to the alchemical power of life as the optimistic habit—the determination to be cheerful and happy no matter what comes to us. It will smooth rough paths, light up gloomy places and melt away obstacles as the sunshine melts snow on the mountain side.—O. S. Madden in Success Magazine.

Traveling Companions.
An excellent test of a friend is the making of a journey in his company. Many who are most agreeable amid the little events of every day at home or in an accustomed round are unable to withstand the petty annoyances that come with travel—the deferred meals, early rising, loss of sleep, the minor discomforts we all have suffered. But none of these affects the temper of a favorite book. It is ever ready for your use, and its presence never results in being put aside. It has no choice as to your route and asks no more than a little corner of your traveling bag, or, at a pinch, will slip into a pocket as snugly as a pen squarer. The London Academy says: "Indeed, of all traveling companions books are the most genial and the most useful; not books of travel—they are for the home fireside—but tales that have for background the scenery you are looking upon or the stories which you dwell upon and which you have dealt with men and women who are visiting."—St. Nicholas.

Had His Own Troubles.
"Are you an advocate of woman's rights?" asked the woman with the square chin.

"Not me," answered the meek and lowly representative of the other sex. "Man's wrongs take up all my spare time."—Chicago News.

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