County Correspondence.

PETERSBURG.

A bright boy baby exhilarates the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kruse since last week Friday. We extend congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Baker of New Vienna visited with Frank H. Rolfes Jr., and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Luetel of Breda, Ia., are here visiting with relatives and friends.

John Freymrn and wife of Dyersville were here last Sunday.

F. H. Kramer and wife of Dixon settlement, visited with H. J. Kramer, last Sunday.

Messrs. Anson Kerper and John Rubly attended the Goerdt's funeral in Dyersville last Monday.

Herman Koelker of Dyersville passed through here last Monday.

Dr. F. Wilson of Colesburg was here last Wednesday on professional business.

A bright girl baby gladdens the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sassen since last Wednesday. Cigars, John.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Rolfe Sr. were were Dyersville visitors last Friday.

John Willenborg, of Remsen, is visiting relatives and friends.

A girl baby arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Budden since last Wednesday. We extend congratulations.

Henry Deutmeyer and family, of Wortington visited with relatives and friends here last Friday and Saturday.

B. H. Deutmeyer and wife of New Vienna passed through here last Friday.

A very severe windstorm passed over this part of the country last Tuesday evening. The result was that the corn is lodged very badly.

BAILEY'S FORD.

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

Geo. Banta of Iowa City spent a few days with home folks, last week.

Mrs. Clara Conner and son Harry visited at J. Joslin's Sunday of last week.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon and son Roy were in Manchester Monday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hersey have gone to Belmond to visit the latter's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Petlon and family visited at G. B. Davis's Sunday of last week.

Harry Conner was a Manchester caller Tuesday of last week.

J. G. Daker has gone to South Dakota.

Chas. and Will Claus and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Claus visited at the home of Ernest Claus, Sunday of last week.

Tillman Grapes was in Manchester last Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Kaster called at the home of Mrs. R. E. Grommon last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Ritchie were in Manchester last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kaster have gone to South Dakota to visit the latter's parests, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Paris.

J. W. Hartman had business in Manchester last Thursday.

Rev. Caul, of Manchester, was calling in this neighborhood last Friday.

DUNDEE.

Art Morris has started up a livery and feed barn and is prepared to serve the public along that line. Art is an agreeable and very accommodating person and will no doubt make a decided success of it.

Nate Rowley of the Point was here on business Thursday.

O. Clark, Frank and Fred Larabee and Will Smith have left for the far west for a months visit.

The general agent for The New York Mutual Life Insurance Company was here Wednesday.

Chas. Ahrns visited at Turkey Timber Sunday.

Ornie Davis has J. P. Lee's milk route.

The Mystic Toilers have paid Alex Jordan $50. for his broken leg. They are a good society and are always prompt in payment.

John Clark accidentally run a rusty nail in the palm of his hand last week.

Bring your spare chickens to John Bashaw, the depot agent, he will give you the very highest market price.

Art Morris made two trips to Aurora with traveling men last week. Also several trips to Lamont, Manchester and the Point. Art is a hustler.

Rev. Meek preached his farewell sermon here last Sunday morning.

LAMONT.

Mrs. Meyer and son of Oelwein visited her son Otto and family Sunday.

Otto Meyer is moving from the Densmore house, on south side to the Kash house on north side.

Dr. Jeffries is moving into the J. A. Densmore house on south side.

Mrs. G. A. Benedict returned home Sept. 20 from Oelwein.

Charles Furguson's brother-in-law and daughter from near Chicago came Saturday to visit.

Frank Hilton is home from St. Paul where he has been the last year.

Mesdames G. Gotham and Ruth McDonald of Arlington were visitors at the L. Richmond home last week.

Mrs. Emma Flaucher sold her residence on Jackson street to Frank Doszark for $900.

Mrs. D. Van Vors of Independence is here visiting her daughters.

C. T. Ross spent last week at Independence as grand juror.

County Supt. M. J. Goodrich was here Wednesday visiting the schools.

C. L. Eaton sold his Drug store Sept. 18 which he has been in the last 11 years to Denton & Ward of Manchester who took immediate possession. We are sorry to part with C. L., he was a good citizen.

Vern Brown went to Manchester Wednesday to work in Denton & Ward's drug store.

Harry Jackway and Miss Maud Teasdale went to Fayette Sept. 17 to enter Upper Iowa University for the year.

Bert Snodgrass moved his family from the Puffit house on north side to the Brekenfelter house on south side. Our depot agent.

Sarah B. Manly died Sept. 16 1905 at the home of her daughter Mrs. E. Sager aged 84 years, 10 months and 16 days. She was a great sufferer for several years. She left four children and five grandchildren to miss grandma. She was a woman highly respected.

Bert Hartwell and family have gone to North Yakina, Washington, where they go to make their home.

George Hawley and wife returned home from Wasco, Illinois, last week where they spent the most of the summer.

EDGEWOOD.

Mrs Will Gilchrest left last Friday for a few weeks visit with her husband who is at Frankfort, South Dakota.

Quite a number of Edgewood young people attended the dance in Greeley Friday night.

Miss Zella Smith entered the college at Fayette last week.

Mrs. Dr. Reed is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Robinson and other relatives around Edgewood.

T. A. Foote of Colesburg was a business caller in town last Monday.

The entertainment given last Saturday night for the benefit of Mr. Hagerman was a grand success. The receipts amounted to $40.10.

Mrs. Harriet Thayer of Waterloo, spent several days of last week visiting her parents at this place.

Mrs. M. M. Newman aud Flora have returned from their trip to Portland.

J. F. Flenniken is visiting his father at Alexander, South Dakota.

Gus Lundin left Tuesday for Nebraska where he expects to remain some time visiting relatives.

Miss Kate Hubbell is taking a special course in music at U. I. U.

Mrs S. V. Hubbell of Greeley was calling on relatives in town last Thursday.

Harry Masters spent several days of last week visiting his brother-in-law at Oneida.

STRAWBERRY POINT.

Mesdames Ed. Noble and Fred Densmore, of Egdewood, were callers here last Thursday.

Ray Tredwell and family, of Chicago, came last Friday morning for a visit with the former's parents.

Several from Manchester attended the seventeenth annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary society last week. Among those present were Mesdames C. Yoran, A. J. Pease, C. A. Kinne, H. G. Utley, H. C. Haeberle, J. F. Merry and others whom we were unable to learn their names.

Mrs. Greasch and daughter Miss Lenora of Seattle, Washington, arrived here last Thursday for a visit with her son, Fred and his wife.

Miss Ella Sterns spent Friday evening with Edgewood friends.

Mrs. M. V. Kehoe and daughter, Miss Helen of Monticello came Friday morning for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Coykendall and other relatives.

Miss Tid Peck, our first intermediate teacher, entertained her pupils at her home in Edgewood last Saturday.

DYERSVILLE.

Mr. Sidney Walker and wife, of Colesburg, were on Saturday last, guests at the J. H. Bucknam home in this city.

Albert Rubly returned to Chicago Monday morning, after spending a week with relatives and friends here and at Petersburg.

Miss Barke, of Hopkinton, and Mr. Neiman, of Earlville, were visitors in the city Tuesday. The former departing on the afternoon train for Dubuque.

Mr. John Bierman and wife and Ed Krapfl, of near Dyersville, left via Chicago Great Western Tuesday evening for Petersburg, Neb. for a visit.

Messers. Jake and Frank Brown, Ed Blaker and George Hammond of Colesburg, joined the excursionists from this place to Cedar Rapids Sunday morning.

Among others who were in the city Monday to attend the funeral of Mr. Chas. Goerdt we noticed: Messrs. and Mesdames John Goedken, John Hildebrand, of Petersburg, and Mrs. Frances Hagemann, of Hickory Valley.

Mr. Peter Ferring jr, and wife of New Vienna, Henry Honkomp and wife, Frank Bunker and wife, John Wilde and wife, of New Vienna, were in attendance at the funeral of Charles Goerdt on Monday morning.—News-Letter.

RYAN.

Mr. P. McDonald and wife and Mr. W. F. Drummy and wife atended the Crowley-Kehoe wedding at Castle Grove yesterday.

Supervisor W. B. Robinson is having a car load of steel tiling hauled out to-day for use in replacing some of the small bridges.

Rev. E. Melchert and Bernard Prabel, the latter a delegate from the Lutheran congregation here returned last Monday evening from Sumner, Iowa, where they attended the annual synod of the German Lutheran church. They report a profitable and enjoyable time.

Sheriff Hennessy was at Coggon yesterday with a jury appraising some of the land condemned by the C. A. & N. railroad. Patrick McEnany was allowed $3,000 for his share. The railroad will cut up seven forties belonging to him.

The sheriff of Tama county was here last week looking for a team that a young boy had driven away with from his father's farm in that county. The boy traded the team, buggy and harness to a farmer south of town for a pony and $15. He rode the pony to Manchester and turned it loose. The sheriff found the team and outfit and returned it to the owner. The pony returned home and the farmer is still short the $15.—Ryan Reporter.

EARLVILLE.

Died, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jesse Matthews, 8 miles north of town, Mr. Stephen Cousins, aged 77 years. Mr. Cousins was an old time resident of Earlville and by trade a stone mason, brick layer and plasterer, but since the death of his wife several years ago has made his home with his daughter. He is survived by two otherdaughters besides Mrs. Matthews, viz: Mrs. Lou Kuehnle, of Greeley and Mrs. Saml. Saunders, of Hartley, Iowa, and one son, Walter, of Cedar Rapids, all of whom were present at the funeral, which was held from the residence Monday afternoon at one o'clock. Mr. Cousins had many friends in Earlville all of whom sympathize with the bereaved family in their great sorrow.

On Oct. 2d The Canadian Jubilee Singers will give a concert in the Congregational church. This is a fine troupe and should draw a good house. They are twelve in number and carry their own orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Prentice visited friends in Colesburg Sunday.

Mrs. C. Zimmerman returned Saturday evening from a few days visit at Dubuque.

Mrs. Sam Saunders of Hartley arrived Sunday evening, called here by the death of her father, Mr. Stephen Cousins.

Mr. Chas. Lux of Minneapolis and Mrs. Ida Kahl of Oelwein are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. F. Beinert entertained a company of young people at the Commercial hotel Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Ribble.

Miss Laura Werkmeister attended the funeral of Mrs. Augnst Muehle at Dyersville, Friday.

Nutting parties have been the order of the week just past. The hazelnuts have been very plentiful, and of good quality.

Rev. Soper preached his farewell sermon in the M. E. church Sunday morning. Both he and Mrs. Soper have made many friends during the five years they have been with us all of whom are loath to have them leave but the best wishes of the entire community go with them where ever they may locate.

Mrs. Truman of California arrived Thursday for a visit with Josiah Dimond and family.

August Philipp and wife of Manchester visited with the former's mother, Mrs. A. Philipp, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs Heyer returned from a visit with friends at Panama, Nebraska, Thursday.

The Congregational church fair will be held on October 14th. Remember the date.

DELHI.

Mrs. E. B. Porter was in Strawberry Point last Tuesday.

R. C. Barnes and N. S. Flack are still in Chicago where they went to purchase goods. Mr. Flack has been quite sick while there.

Mrs. Bentz starts Tuesday to New York for a silk weeks visit with relatives.

Ollie Wright and Miss Warrell of Ryan attended the Rebekah supper here Wednesday evening.

Mr. C. C. Stone and wife were Waterloo visitors last week.

Rev. McBride went to Fayette Thursday.

Ed Cowles was down from Manchester, Thursday.

Mesdames George Staehle, Laxson and Millen of Earlville, were guests of Mrs. Geo. White, Friday.

James Beal has returned from Denver.

Rev. McBride goes Wednesday to Hampton to attend the Upper Iowa Conference.

Geo. Ede was home over Sunday,

Mrs. E. B. Porter and son, John were in Hopkinton, Saturday.

Bert Haight and family of Greeley spent Sunday at J. B. Smiths.

M. White and wife, of Cleveland, Ohio, were recent guests of Mrs. Lewis.

Mrs. Mary McKee has gone to Los Angeles, California, to spend the winter with her son.

Perry Haight and wife were in Lamont last Monday.

Miss Angie Bixby visited Olie Clark over Sunday.

Mr. C. F. Flemming and wife celebrated their golden Wedding anniversary, Saturday. Sept. 16, at their home near Delhi.

Mrs. Cynthia Furman goes to Canada this week, Wednesday, to spend the winter.

J. G. Daker and Jerry Kaster and wife are visiting in Dakota.

Geo. Barr and wife of Manchester were recent guests of C. F. Fleming and wife.

RESLOUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Adopted by Delhi Lodge No. 46, I. O. O. F., on the death of Brother Rufus E. Grommon:

Whereas, The mysteries of a Divine Providence have removed Brother Rufus E. Grommon from our midst, in the prime of his years before age had dimmed his faculties or wasted his strength, and while yet surrounded by his children and family and the friends of his youth,

Resolved, That while we mourn his loss as a brother and member of the community, we treasure the memory of the life he lived, and express our sympathy for all those sorrowing for their great loss.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the family of the deceased, and to the newspapers for publication.

E. H. Blanchard,
J. W. Swinburne,
E. B. Porter, Committee

COLESBURG.

September 25, 1905. This is fine weather for ripening the corn.

Cyrus Craig left Tuesday for a three weeks visit at Cincinnati, Ohio, the home of his youth, and at several towns in Indiana, where he has relatives. This is his first visit to Cincinnati since 1848, and he will doubtless find things not just as he left them.

Mrs. W. S. Adams is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Wordehoff, near Greeley.

Clazie Knee returned to her home at McGregor, Thursday, concluding a pleasant visit among Colesburg friends.

Mrs. M. A. Hodges is at Guttenberg, the guest of her son, Thomas Hodges, and family.

J. A. Bush, wife and sons, Leo and Ray, and Mrs W. H. Bush and son Cecil, were at Guttenberg, Thursday and Friday, visiting at the J. B. Litchfield home, and attending the carnival.

Dr. F. C. Wilson and family moved into their new residence, Wednesday.

Edna Craig, who was to have begun teaching at Osterdock, last Monday, has resigned and will not teach this fall.

C. W. Strader, C. F. Knee, Walter Eppens and David Moreland and their wives were at Bethel, Wednesday, to attend the funeral services of their relative, E. A. Bush. The services were cunducted by Rev. T. M. Tyrrell, and was largely attended,—there being over one hundred teams in the procession.

Amos Livingston and wife left Tuesday for a visit with relatives and friends in the Dakotas.

Ed. Hodges and wife were visitors at Guttenberg, Wednesday.

Mrs. Rebecca Gilliam, an aged resident of Jefferson, was buried Thursday.

C. W. Strader purchased a horse of James McMahon, the other day, paying $150 therefor.

Ernest Bush is at home on a visit from Oelwein, where he has been employed in a barber shop for several months.

J. C. Wood and wife were over from Earlville, last week, visiting at the James Prentice home. They were accompanied by their guest, Mrs. A. Duncan, of Beresford, South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Walker, Mrs. W. H. Bristol, Mrs. J. A. Moreland and Miss Getsie Luther were visitors at the Guttenberg street carnival, Thursday.

Mrs. A. E. Lewis spent a part of the week at Elk, visiting at the home of her son, George, and her daughter, Mrs. Zearley.

The Association of Congregational ministers will be held in this city, beginning this, Monday evening.

O. H. P. Knee and grandson, Fred Knee, made a business trip to New Vienna Saturday.

J. R. O'Neal and Miss Esther O'Neal were over from Edgewood, Sunday, to spend the day with home folks.

Wesley Harwick and family, of Earlville have moved to town into the Thomas Carrigan house.

A. Knapp and wife, of Cascade, were the guests at the Walker House, Saturday.

Names of Birds.

Certain birds get their names from St. Peter. According to a writer, "the petrel (in German Petersvogel, Peter's bird), a bird that skims the waves, is named after the apostle who walked upon the waves of Galilee. But the parrot's is a less simple case. In Spain and in Portugal, as in France, the word corresponding to 'parrot' almost certainly represents 'little Peter,' a familiar name playfully applied because Peter was so common a Christian name. Similarly a house sparrow is nicknamed 'pierrot' in France."

Speed Rates.

Few men could tell, if they were asked, how many feet per second they walk. The average man walks four feet a second. A dog, on its ordinary jog, goes eight feet a second. A horse trots twelve feet a second. A reindeer over the ice makes twenty-six feet. A race horse makes forty-three feet. A sailing ship makes fourteen feet.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Got the Thorn.

Young Thorne (to his ideal)—And your name is Rose? What a sweet name Rose is! Rose—I am glad you like it. But—but—but I do not want to be a rose without a Thorne.

What could a fellow say after that?

She Knew.

Edith—You don't know how glad I am to see you, Clara, dear. Clara Dear—Oh, yes, I do. Johnny told me he heard you say you would rather die than see me again.—Boston Transcript.

Waste and Poverty.

With regard to waste, which lies at the foundation of nearly all poverty, the working classes have exalted it into a principle of action. An English servant, as a rule, wastes as much of her employer's substance as possible. When she marries and has children she continues to be wasteful in her own home.—London Hospital.

Physical Evidence.

"Do you know," said a Sunday school teacher, addressing a new pupil in the infant class, "that you have a soul?"

"Course I do," replied the little fellow, placing his hand over his heart. "I can feel it tick."—Moberly (Nev.) Monitor.

Worse Than She Thought.

Aunt—But I thought you understood that George is a poor young man when you became engaged to him. Niece—Of course I did, but I didn't imagine it went so far as his not being able to get a new automobile till next season.—Judge.

Cromwell and Christmas.

During the commonwealth in England, when puritanical feeling held sway, many determined efforts were made to put down what were termed superstitious festivals and among these that of Christmas day. The holly and the mistletoe bough were to be cut up root and branch as plants of the evil one. Cakes and ale were held to be impious offerings to superstition. Thus in 1647 the Cromwell party ordered throughout the country by the mouth of the common crier that Christmas should no longer be observed.

He Knew His Man.

During the battle of Waterloo there was a frightful panic in Brussels. It was reported that the allies were beaten, and people were flying in all directions. The Duke of Wellington's cook went on quietly with his duties. He was begged to save himself, but replied, "I have served my master while he fought a hundred battles, and he never yet failed to come to his dinner."

Cause and Effect.

Mr. Crabtree—Old Measley Curmudgeon died yesterday and his wife passed away two hours later. It makes no mention of her ailment. Mrs. Crabtree (who knew him)—She was probably "tickled to death."—Town and Country.

Mirth.

Harmless mirth is the best cordial against the consumption of the spirit. Wherefore jesting is not unlawful, if it trespasseth not in quantity, quality or season.—Fuller.

FISHES THAT ARE RACERS.

The Tarpon, Shark and Mackerel Are the Speed Champions.

Study of the speed of fishes is embarrassed by unfavorable difficulties. It is not possible, as with birds, to set up tall poles at intervals of a quarter of a mile and, with the help of stop watches, time them as they go by. Nevertheless investigation of the subject goes to show that the mackerel, if not the champion racer of the briny deep, comes pretty near to carrying off the honors. Unquestionably it travels sometimes as fast as an express train at high speed—say, at the rate of sixty or possibly seventy miles an hour.

Other things being equal, the larger the fish the faster it swims, just as the huge steamship is able to travel at a speed much greater than the little harbor tug. Undoubtedly the energy employed by a fish of great size, such as a thirty foot shark when traveling at its best gait, is something tremendous. An ordinary tug, which represents a maximum of energy in a minimum of bulk, utilizes about 200 horsepower. Of course it is only a guess, but it would not seem to be over the mark to suppose that a seventy foot whale makes use of 500 horsepower when it propels its huge bulk through the water at a rate of thirty miles an hour. A whale, which is a mammal and not a fish, might be compared to a freight train if the shark is a cannon ball express, but it can beat the fastest ocean greyhound in a speed contest.

If there is a fish that can travel faster than a shark it must be the tarpon, which can probably "hit her up" to the tune of eighty miles an hour, if pressed for time. Generally speaking, it may be said that finny creatures which live near the surface of the sea are swift swimmers, as compared with those that dwell in the depths. Thus the cod, which is a deep water species, is sluggish and would stand no show at all in a race with the mackerel or herring. These latter, which are distinctively pelagic, depend for their living upon their activity in pursuing agile prey, and they must be quick in their movements in order to escape their own enemies.

If the mackerel were as big as a good sized shark it would probably be the speed champion of the ocean. No fish is better shaped for rapid going. Some years ago a yacht builder in New York constructed a sloop with a hull patterned exactly after the underbody of a Spanish mackerel. She was called the Undine, and, if tradition does not lie, she never was beaten. Like the fish after which she was modeled, she had her greatest breadth of beam forward of amidships—a decidedly novel idea in boat building. One may say, indeed, that all modern water craft are more or less fishlike in their makeup; yet, on the whole, it is surprising that marine architects have not striven more earnestly than they have done to obtain hints from nature's own illustrations of aquatic speed making principles.—Saturday Evening Post.

Why He Disliked the Man.

I once heard of a man who, discussing a name on the visiting list, said to his wife, "You know perfectly well that I don't like that man." "Don't you think you are a little unreasonable?" asked the wife. "Your dislike arose because he did not answer a letter you wrote him, and you found afterward that the letter was hung up all summer in the pocket of your overcoat and was never sent to him at all." "Yes, I know that," was the rejoinder, "but it was so long before I found it out that I couldn't overlook his rudeness, and I never forgive him, and I don't believe I ever shall." There is a good deal of ill feeling in this world that is without any firmer foundation. —Printers' Ink.

The Cat.

A little English girl wrote the following essay on a cat: "The cat is a square quadruped, and, as is customary with square quadrupeds, has its legs at the four corners. If you want to please this animal you must stroke it on the back. If it is very much pleased it sets up its tail quite stiff, like a ruler, so that your hand cannot get any farther. The cat is said to have nine lives, but in this country it seldom needs them all because of Christianity."

Misfortunes Sometimes a Blessing.

However others may think of it, yet I take it as a mercy that now and then some clouds come between me and my sun, and many times some troubles do conceal my comforts, for I perceive if I should find too much friendship in any inn in my pilgrimage I should soon forget my father's house and my heritage.—Dr. Lucas.

A Divine Joy.

Suffering is doubtless as divinely appointed as joy, while it is much more influential as a discipline of character. It chastens and sweetens the nature, teaches patience and resignation and promotes the deepest as well as the most exalted thought.—Samuel Smiles.

Reasonable.

Little Walter was eating lunch when he gave his arm a sudden shove, and, splash, down went his glass of milk!

"I knew you were going to spill that!" said mamma angrily.

"Well, if you knew," queried Walter, "why didn't you tell me?"

Gentle Hint.

Mr. Kidder—Ah, my dear, wouldn't you like to see me in a magnificent automobile? Mrs. Kidder—No, I'd much rather see you on a humble water wagon.—Chicago News.

Mistaken Identity.

Senator Proctor of Vermont, accompanied by Mrs. Proctor and a party of some fourteen persons, was once making a tour of the west. A stop was made at Salt Lake City, and the party started out for a walk about the city. Senator Proctor and his wife headed the procession, and the ladies of the party brought up the rear, going in pairs. That very same day another party of easterners was making the rounds of Salt Lake City, and when they encountered the Proctor party in the main street they stood aside to let them pass. "Well, well!" exclaimed one of the second party. "There's a sight! Look at that old Mormon and his wives. Out for a constitutional, I suppose. I wonder," he added, "if he has any more."

Fellow Worms.

Before Longfellow bought the house in Cambridge so associated with his memory it was owned and occupied by old Mrs. Craigie. Mrs. Craigie was a woman of many eccentricities, Moncure D. Conway says in his book of "Reminiscences."

Some one once tried to persuade her to have her trees tarred to protect them from caterpillars, which also invaded her neighbors' trees. She refused to be so cruel to the caterpillars. "They are our fellow worms," she said.

HAVE AN ALARM CLOCK.

It May Save You Many Minutes For Yourself During the Day.

Does the average housekeeper know how important an article of household furnishing is the alarm clock?

A young friend of mine, about to marry, said to me: "I intend to purchase as the first article for my home the most necessary and important one, as an omen for the future. Now, what shall it be?"

At my reply, "An alarm clock," she appeared so surprised that I delivered a little lecture on the value and uses of the same, somewhat as follows:

The average home maker and home keeper breaks down frequently, not so much from overwork as from lack of rest, for there is a vast difference between the two. She just "keeps going" all the time all the long day through and often into the night and never thinks of conserving her energy or her strength by the frequent brief resting times she might have did she know the use and value of an alarm clock.

There may be, perhaps, five or ten minutes before the bread need come out of the oven and it has reached that stage and the temperature of the oven is such that it requires no looking after. She might just as well drop down on the couch for five or ten minutes' rest, and she is so tired she may fall asleep and not awake until the bread is overdone, says the Ladies' World.

Again, the children's noonday lunch is ready, but they won't be home from school for fifteen minutes. Lunch must be on the table when they reach the house, else there is a fair probability that they will be late for the afternoon session, and so she dare not rest or close her eyes.

REAL MINT SAUCE.

A Recipe That Is Vouched For by an Experienced Cook.

Mint sauce is usually a delusion and a snare, being merely very sharp vinegar and a few fragments of tasteless mint leaves. Real mint sauce is another thing. Here is a recipe vouched for by an experienced cook: Let the water from the cold water tap run over a bunch of mint until it is perfectly clean of dust, strip the leaves from the stalks, tear them in small pieces and put in a bowl. Pour boiling water over the mint and cover the bowl closely. A little sugar may be added with the hot water, as it helps to bring out the flavor of the leaves. Make a roux of a tablespoonful or more of the gravy from the pan in which the lamb was roasted, with a little flour. Add the water in which the mint has soaked and thin with more of the gravy and a little water. The sauce is not to be a gravy. Season with salt and paprika. Unless a strong flavor of mint is liked, strain the leaves from the sauce before serving.

The simplest mint sauce is made by steeping the chopped mint in boiling water, about half a cupful to a handful of mint, covering the bowl and placing where it will cool quickly. Let it stand for three-quarters of an hour, when add a little sugar, salt, paprika and four tablespoonfuls of mild vinegar.—New York Post.

NURSERY NOTES.

Thoroughly cleanse the nostrils before going to sleep. This gives a free nasal respiration and with children prevents their becoming mouth breathers.

Children that are delicate or ailing require a great deal of kindness, but a firm hand as well, or they will become unbearable cranks.

Dry children's ears carefully, both in the folds and behind, using a very soft towel or old handkerchief. Careless drying of this delicate organ will produce deafness.

Dried grapes or raisins should be given with caution to children, and, indeed, they are better altogether without them, for they are liable to disorder the digestive organs.

Small children should be allowed to drink as much water as they like. It helps to clear the system of effete matter quickly and so keep the stomach and bowels in good condition.

Letter Paper.

An authority on letter and all correspondence paper declares unreservedly for white paper, while acknowledging that women may use colors when they are in good taste. Pale color paper tints only should be their choice. For formal correspondence letters or devices should be stamped, not printed. Monograms or initials unless uncommonly well executed had better be omitted and Roman type substituted, says Vogue. In this respect American taste is thought superior to foreign. The same authority advocates pictorial headings upon special country house stationery, these to be printed. These landscape headings are much in vogue in England and should find equal favor with us. The chance for having charmingly suggestive and attractive picturesque sketches made for this purpose lends itself to a vista of possibilities of beauty not to be neglected by owners of country seats.

Tights For the Children.

Children from three to eight or ten years of age always have a neat appearance when black tights are worn. They may be made from a pair of stockings when the feet are worn beyond use. Rip the seams down from the top to the depth required, then seam the opposite sides together for a small child or insert an extra piece to make the size desired, says London Queen. The top is finished with a hem and elastic inserted to fit the waist. The bottoms may be allowed to extend down to the ankles or cut off at the knee, where elastic may be inserted to keep them in place. In winter they are especially fitting, even for younger children.

Boils.

Regard every boil as contagious. If this is done and one acts on the knowledge, no harm can be thereby caused, whereas the opposite way of dealing with it may help to make more boils and more sorrow. Whatever touches the inflamed part is "unclean." The liberal use of boiling water will obviate the need for burning rags slightly stained. All linen strips, bandages, etc., soiled with the discharge should be burned. Boric acid is very useful. If powdered thickly over the surrounding skin, it will help to prevent fresh boils.

Burned Saucepans.

Saucepans which have been burned should not be scraped, but place them on the side of the stove filled with cold water in which some soda and a few shavings of soap have been dissolved and leave them to soak for a few hours. They will then come clean with the use of the whisk, without any scraping, which is ruination to enamelware.

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