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—Frank Anders is in the city for a few days.
—George Simmons is home from Aberdeen, South Dakota, for a short visit.
—C. L. Adams advertises Christmas trees and all kinds of flowers for Christmas.
—Read what J. H. Stewart has to say about Faultless fish cake in his ad this week.
—Capt. J. F. Merry returned home last night from an extended trip through the South.
—Uley & Reiger are making extensive improvements in and about the M. & O. lunch room.
—The friends of Chancy Sager will regret to learn that he is quite ill at his home in this city.
—Anders & Philipp announce in their ad this week, that their annual red letter book sale will be held Wednesday, December 20th. One day only.
—J. A. Wheeler formerly of this city will soon remove from Waterloo to Dubuque, still retaining his connection with the Illinois Central as traveling passenger agent.
—On December 27th Miss Daisy Dunham and Dr. Perry Ingersoll of Dunlap Iowa, will be united in marriage in this city at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Dunham.
—Mr. S. S. Squires, and the Misses Jennie and Frances Squires and Merlin Tracy of Ryan departed Monday for Oklahoma and Indian Territory where they will make an extended visit.
—See the announcement in another column of C. A. Morrison, the horse buyer, who will be at Hennessy Bros. livery barn in Manchester, December 22 and 23, for the purpose of buying horses.
—The Highland Nobles regular meeting will be held next Wednesday evening Dec. 27. Oyster supper will be served. There will be an election of officers. The Supreme Secretary will be there, and a good time is looked for. Nobles, come out.
—Attention is directed to the new advertisement of S. K. Myers in this issue. Mr. Myers handles a complete line of pianos and musical instruments and anyone contemplating buying anything in his line should call and see him. He announces in his ad that he will sell instruments on easy payments if desired.
—The City Council met at the Council rooms Monday evening. The paving committee filed their report which shows the total cost of the paving and curbing, including costs of notices, inspection and preparation of plat to be \$11283.02 and that amount \$7140.32 is assessable against abutting property, and \$4142.70 comes out of the City Treasury.
—On Thursday of last week, occurred the marriage of Miss Florence Belle Atwater to William Kennedy Trippett of Deer Lodge, Montana. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Jesse F. Jackson of Dubuque. The bride is a daughter of E. A. Atwater of this city. She has lived here all of her life and her many friends join in congratulating her and wishing her a long and happy married life.
—A postal joint received by the Democrat from Mr. George W. Miller, who is now in San Diego, Cal., says; the Delaware County people there are enjoying themselves, and that the weather there is warm and pleasant. Well George we stay-at-homes have thus far this winter had no occasion to find fault with the weather here, for it could not have been more agreeable, and the great majority of us are content on that score, but perhaps later in the season we will wish ourselves with you or in some other milder climate.
—The Delaware County teachers meeting which was held at Earlville last Saturday was largely attended and very successful. Walter S. Ahearn of Des Moines was present and contributed an instructive paper on the subject "The Teacher and the Community." Steps were taken to form a permanent teachers association in this county. Superintendent Joseph was appointed as chairman of a committee to perfect such an organization if the idea meets with favor among the teachers of the county. The other members of the committee are Clark B. Satterlee of Coleburg, E. T. Bean of Hopkinton, and Mrs. Le Masters of Delaware.
—Anniversary Surprise.
Last Friday, Dec. 15, occurred the 40th marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rutherford, of Earlville. The celebration was held at their home, with a few intimate relatives and neighbors resolved to surprise them in their pleasant home on Franklin Street and celebrate the day in a becoming manner; they being well known for their genuine worth and hospitality. In behalf of those present, Mr. C. H. Johnson in a few well chosen remarks presented Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford with a fine ebony clock. He said, in part, "this clock has to run more slowly than the clock of forty years ago, I hope you will be spared many years to each other and to their friends." etc. Mr. Rutherford feelingly responded, "I think the fortieth anniversary should be observed as a few fine together forty years." Of thirty young married couples, who attended their wedding, only three are now both living. Mrs. Rutherford thanked the donors and hoped they would come again but they need not bring a gift to be appreciated. After this, all partook of a sumptuous dinner prepared by the ladies. The remaining time was spent in visiting, singing, etc. The new clock ran quite rapidly, and at 4 p. m. the company bade Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford good-bye, hoping they may live to celebrate their golden wedding, and we may live to enjoy it with them.

Special, Excellent Christmas Bargains.

- We have a few things that we must close out this week, therefore are making these Exceptional Low Prices.
Men's Smoking Jackets, House Coats and Bath Robes, regular \$5.00 to \$8.50 coats, smaller sizes, 35 to 37, all going at \$3.95
Juvenile All Wool Sweaters, ages 2 to 6. in assorted colors, regular 50c and 75c grades, all going at 39c
Men's Regular \$4.00 and \$5.00 Sweaters, all sizes, in white, blue and mixed colors, closing out price, \$3.65
Ladies' Sweaters, a few odd lots, assorted colors, regular \$3.00 and \$5.00 grades, closing out price \$1.98
Misses' Sweaters, all sizes, regular \$1.50 and \$2.00 grades, closing at 98c
Men's Shoes, in fine patent leather and plain gun-metal finish, \$3., \$4., \$5.00
Men's Work Shoes, in heavy calf stock, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50
Men's Arctics, \$1.00 up to \$1.65.

GILDNER BROS. MEN'S OUTFITTERS

Men's Shoes. Our Berkley Is a patent Colt Lace, on the new Swell Toe—a beauty for fine dress wear. The EXCLUSIVE STYLES will be found here. P. F. MADDEN GOOD SHOES.

Music Rolls from 25 cents to \$3.29 at S. K. MYERS Music Store. Boys watches at Boynton's.
RATES FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS ACCOUNT CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.
The I. C. R. R. will sell to teachers and students returning home for the holidays vacation tickets at one and one third fare for the round trip minimum selling rate \$1.00.
Tickets on sale the date of closing of school and the day after but not earlier than 15 or later than Dec. 25th. Tickets limited for return up to date of opening of school but not later than Jan. 15th. Tickets only sold upon presentation of certificate signed by proper official of the institution. H. G. PIERCE, Agent.

HORSES, MULES and MARES WANTED. Ranging in weight from 800 to 1200 lbs., from 3 to 8 years old. Must be fat and well broken; will not object to small blemishes or brands. Don't be afraid to bring in your horses, as I can pay as much for this class of horses as any one. Will be at Hennessy Bros. Livery Barn, Manchester, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2 and 3. 5-1 C. A. MORRISON.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator With Will Annexed STATE OF IOWA, DEWABAW COUNTY, ILL.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as administrator with will annexed of the estate of Lester Clark late of Delaware County, Iowa deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated, to the undersigned for allowance. Dated December 11th 1905. CHAS. E. BRONSON, Administrator.

Notice of Special Assessments for Improving Portions of Franklin and Main Streets by Curbing and Paving the Same.
To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Manchester, Iowa, regularly held Monday evening, December 12th, 1905, the improvement proposed to be constructed on those portions of Franklin and Main streets described as that portion of Franklin street beginning at the south curb line of Fayette street and extending Northward to the South curb line of Butler street and that part of Main street extending Northward to the West curb line of Main street and extending Eastward to the West curb line of Brewer Street, by paving and curbing the same, having been completed by the contractor, was duly accepted by said City Council of the City of Manchester, Iowa; that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of said City, subject to public inspection, a plat of the streets and a boys upon which said improvements were constructed and special assessments as set forth in the foregoing plat and schedule against the property abutting on the portions of said streets to be improved, to defray a portion of the cost of the same is practicable, and attached thereto is a list of the names of the owners thereof, and the amount proposed to be levied and assessed against each parcel of ground assessed.

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Stock Hogs for Sale. Poland China stock hogs for sale. Enquire on farm 3 miles south of Manchester. 46w5 PETER EYEN.
Lots and Residence Property for Sale. We offer for sale on favorable terms, several lots near the city on Butler and Main streets, two of which have dwellings and other buildings on them, also one large business lot on Main street between the Clarence house and the Main Street Laundry. For particulars enquire of George A. Ballard, Manchester, Iowa. 40-ft

HOLIDAY GOODS.

SERVICABLE -- PRACTICAL -- USEFUL.

Our selection of Holiday Goods is more extensive and beautiful than that of any previous year, and offers a wide field to the busy buyer with a long list to fill. We have hundreds of appropriate things for Christmas Gifts.

Christmas Handkerchiefs Immense Assortment at Lowest Prices.

By far the largest and most comprehensive stock of Holiday Handkerchiefs we have ever shown—for Men, Women and Children. Every woman delights in

PRETTY NECKWEAR

We offer all the new things in Fancy Silk Stocks with tabs, lace top collars, new crepe de-chen and liberty silk neck scarfs two yards long, Persian designs or plain colors.

FURS FOR GIFTS

A splendid range of magnificent Furs, the best styles and shapes of the season. A pretty line of Children's Fur Sets, in various colors. The following list will solve the gift problem:

- Umbrellas for the Ladies, just arrived for the Holidays.
All Silk Taffeta Petticoats.
Kid Gloves are very appropriate for gifts.
Men's Suspenders, in fancy boxes.
Men's handsome Neckwear, newest styles.
Fancy drawn-work linen Center Pieces.
Fancy drawn-work linen Scarfs.
Beautiful Ribbons in printed warps, Persian designs.

B. CLARK

Fur Coats and Cloaks

We can interest you when looking for anything in the line of Men's Fur Coats or Clothing of any kind. Good values at low prices. Also, Ladies', Misses and Children's Cloaks. Large stock from which to select. Good styles and low in price, to close. Respectfully,

W. L. Drew

ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT

To do your Xmas shopping. If you are undecided as to what to give, glance over the following columns and you'll see that it's easy to find a present at Kalamity's.

- FATHER
Fur-lined Cap, Wool Mittens, Gloves, Silk or Wool Muffler, Necktie, Pocket Book, Wallet, Knife, Book, Fancy Wool Socks, Handkerchief, Pipe, Cigar Holder, Waste Basket.
MOTHER
Fancy Apron, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Mittens, Fancy Dishes, Rugs, Bureau Scarf, Table Cover, Portiere Curtains, Table Linen, Hand Bag, Album, Fancy Bag, Celluloid Novelties, Book, Picture, Box Paper, Fancy Mirror, Organdy Apron, Fancy Dishes, Cup and Saucer, Music Roll.
SISTER
Handkerchiefs (always acceptable), Hosiery, Waist Set, Toilet Set, Hat Pin, Handkerchief and Glove Box, Manicure Set, Ink Stand, Hand Bag, Purse, Vanity Bag, Celluloid Novelties, Book, Picture, Box Paper, Fancy Mirror, Organdy Apron, Fancy Dishes, Cup and Saucer, Music Roll.
BROTHER
Necktie, Handkerchief, Pocket Book, Book, Suit Case, Shaving Set, Watch Chain, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pin, Shaving Glass, Cigar Case, Gloves, Set Military Brushes, Clothes Brush, Traveling Case, Steamer.
FOR THE CHILDREN
Drumms, Pianos, Horns, Tops, Dolls, Doll Cabs, Hobby Horses, Balls, Rocking Chairs, Mechanical Toys, Iron Toys, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, Bureaus, Musical Toys, Dishes, Trunks, Blocks, Rubber Dolls, Rubber Balls, Drawing Slates, Humpty-Dumpty Show, Books, Puzzle Maps, Wash Sets, Sewing Cards, Work Books, Etc.

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