

County Correspondence.

DELHI.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Burton and daughter from Ames are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Burton.

Johnny Barnes of Strawberry Point is visiting at the home of his brother, L. M. Barnes.

Will Rimmer is home from Manchester.

Will and Chas. Kulon of Dubuque are visiting at Fred Wendt's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonsey Powell of Ryan visited his parents at this place last week.

James Rogers and J. M. Dunn of Earlville were in town last Wednesday.

DYERSVILLE.

Dr. L. Leigh of Manchester, visited with his parents and sisters Monday.

Jos. Westermeyer of Bremen township visited at New Hampton the first of the week.

John Benn of Northfork township was among the Dyersville callers Saturday.

Geo. Haven of Fonda is visiting relatives and friends at Colesburg this week.

Miss Messing of Manchester arrived Saturday and is visiting her parents during the holidays.

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LAMONT.

Happy New Year to each and all.

Mrs. G. A. Benedict of Oelwein, was a Lamont visitor Saturday, December 30.

Otto Meyer and family were passengers to Oelwein Saturday afternoon where they spent New Year's with relatives.

F. W. Sheldon arrived home Saturday to spend New Year's at home with his family.

Miss Altha Brown went to Oelwein Saturday for an over Sunday visit.

Mrs. Mary Sherwin grows weaker and death is not far distant.

The Misses Mabel and Elsie Etze were passengers to Oelwein December 29.

The Regular Baptist Society of Lamont will hold regular services January 7th. A candidate will preach on trial.

The many Lamont friends of the editor of the Democrat, E. M. Carr, unite in congratulating him and hope that their days may be many, happy and prosperous.

Bert Fry and family went to Aurora, Friday, Dec. 29th, to visit his people after a visit here with her people, C. L. Brown and wife, before moving to their future home in Northern Minnesota.

DUNDEE.

Jacob Smith has moved into the Rowley house.

Fine time at the Basket Social held in the Hall last Monday evening. The proceeds go to help purchase street lamps for Dundee.

Amour Pelley moved his household goods Saturday and Dr. Nash moved in. The doctor has charge of "Central" and fitted up a private room for his office, so hereafter his office will be at his residence. The residence is centrally located so it will be better for all concerned.

Mr. H. Strass and daughter, Minnie, of Lamont, spent a few days visiting Hooker's last week.

Rob Hooker was in town Wednesday evening. Rob is going to make a hard fight for his freedom at the next term of court and says he will win.

The Modern Woodmen of Thorpe Lodge, at their last regular meeting for election of officers, elected Dr. Nash of Dundee, for their Camp Physician.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mr. and Mrs. Ary Banta of Wheatland, and Geo. Banta of Iowa City, spent Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Banta.

Mrs. H. B. Hersey spent last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Henry Claus.

Mrs. Elvira Davis, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Davis, and Mrs. Helen McKee and daughter, Ruby, spent Sunday of last week at the home of J. W. Hartman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Belcher and daughters, Bertha and Blanch spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. R. F. Grommon.

J. W. Hartman and son, Orman, were in Manchester last Thursday.

The patrons of Spring Branch Creamery, who hauled coal last Friday and Saturday, found the roads badly drifted.

Mrs. H. B. Hersey called at the home of Mrs. R. E. Grommon last Friday.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon and son, in Delhi last Saturday.

THORPE.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Bowers were in Manchester last Saturday.

Dewitt Woulesington is home after a two months visit at Butler Co. J. R. Gurney was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Clara Merrill of Sioux City is visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Anna Wilburn returned home Wednesday after a visit with her sister, Mrs. White.

Sidney Simons is visiting a few days at the Tripp home.

The pleasant faces of Harry Munson and Bradley Edmunds were seen on our streets last week.

Miss Anna Boehm and friend visited last Saturday with Mrs. Fred Barr.

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RYAN.

Miss Joseph Summers is home from school at Sinsinawa Mound, to spend the holidays.

Dennis Ryan, who has been attending school in Cedar Rapids, is spending his holiday vacation at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swindle entertained twenty nine guests on Christmas day at their pleasant country home. An enjoyable time was had.

An Elrisman and family, who have been living on the Hoyt farm moved last week to Monticello.

Walter Elrisman will work the farm.

M. J. McEnany, wife and daughter, Mrs. Joseph Phillips and children of Waterloo and Miss Winnie Turner were Christmas guests at the home of their mother, Mrs. Thos. Turner.

A team belonging to Pat Devine became frightened on Main Street yesterday and made a hurried start for home. They were caught a short distance west of town, no damage resulting.

A Manchester chicken picker and a farmer boy living east of town got into an argument on Main street Sunday night. There was considerable cursing, a few blows struck and someone cried "enough." Too much noise was the cause.

We clip the following from the Sioux City Journal. "A long lost brother returned yesterday and made a remarkably happy Christmas for his two sisters, Mrs. W. C. Davenport and Mrs. Charles Arnold, and his brother, James R. Magril. After a silence of twelve years, which had led him to believe him dead, Thomas P. Magril appeared in Sioux City yesterday as one risen from the grave and made himself known to those who had mourned him. At the time of the death of his mother twenty eight years ago, he left Ryan, Iowa and struck out to make his fortune. He was mourned as dead for years as nothing had been heard from him. Having heard of his father's death he decided to pay a visit to the relatives and it was indeed a happy Christmas for all concerned. Since leaving Iowa, Mr. Magril has prospered and now owns a large ranch at Guthrie, Oklahoma. He will pay a visit to his old home at Ryan, before returning.

EAD'S GROVE.

Too late for last week.

J. M. Retherford and Chas. Robinson attended the Inter-National stock show at Chicago.

J. T. Fowler and family were Manchester visitors on Friday.

S. E. Way marketed thirty-four spring pigs on Monday which averaged nearly 240 pounds apiece.

Lizzie Moser is assisting Mrs. Jno. Martin with household duties.

Will Freness had business in Dubuque recently.

Ed Torrey moved to his new home near Millville on Tuesday.

A few of our young people attended the dance at Greeley on Friday night.

Jim Fowler returned from Dubuque on Sunday.

O. M. Eaton, J. Fowler and John O'Leary spiced a car of hogs to Chicago on Wednesday.

A Christmas tree entertainment was given at the school-house Friday afternoon.

AN ANXIOUS WIFE.

Lady—Do you think this medicine would do my husband any good? Druggist—You sure it would, madam. Lady—But what other kinds have you got?—Exchange.

MISLEADING.

Tabbs—I flatter myself that honesty is printed on my face. Grubbs—Well—yes, perhaps—with some allowance for typographical errors.

NEWS BRIEFLY STATED.

Matters of General Interest Taken from the Wires.

Some of the Happenings of the Past Week Given in Condensed Paragraphs for Busy People.

Tuesday, Dec. 26.

An Evanston, Ill., woman has been arrested because she refused to stop talking.

Mexico is planning to entertain the world's most famous golfers in an international tournament, which begins at the City of Mexico Jan. 10.

Ex-Governor Odell's friends say he may charge Roosevelt with soliciting campaign money.

Frederic Gillette, W. B. Warner and Fred Englebrecht, who broke jail at Kearney, Neb., have been captured near Holdrege, where they were brought to bay in a haystack.

The State of Mexico bank at the City of Mexico will double its present capital of \$1,500,000.

An attempt was recently made to steal the cope of Pope Marcellus II from the Vatican, Perugia, Italy. The cope is five centuries old.

Wednesday, Dec. 27.

John Alexander Dowdy, of Zion City, Ill., has arrived at Port Antonio, Jamaica, on the steamer Admiral Dewey, Jacob H. Schiff, the New York banker, gave his cook, Lena, \$5,000 for a Christmas present.

A movement to provide through popular subscription a wedding present for Miss Roosevelt has been started in Oregon, to include the whole country, at 10 cents per cent.

The Russia minister of finance has authorized the issue of short term treasury bonds to the extent of \$200,000,000.

M. P. Ryan, secretary of the French Dock Workers' union, is traveling through Italy seeking the support of Italians for an international strike of dock men.

The numbers of legal poor at London receiving pauper relief in 1905 were greater than in any of the previous forty years.

Thursday, Dec. 28.

Circuit clerks and county recorders from practically every county in Illinois are in convention at Bloomington, Ill.

George B. McClellan has received his certificate of re-election as mayor of New York. Election tickets are now payable.

William G. Rockefeller was served with a subpoena Christmas night to appear in the hearing of the state of Missouri against the Standard Oil company.

Search is being made for James A. Pratt, 40 years old, who is one of the \$1,000,000 estate in Plushing, L. I.

Engineer J. F. Stevens, of the Isthmian canal commission, is in favor of a high level canal.

W. Bourke Cockran, who has been ill for several days, has left New York, en route to California.

Friday, Dec. 29.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Modern Language Association of America is in session at Philadelphia.

James H. Hyde has sailed from New York en route to Paris for an indefinite period.

The New York supreme court has decided that it is not for a railroad ticket which has been purchased by one passenger for another.

Mrs. Mary Deane G. Edly has not forbidden Christian Scientists giving presents. She has, however, ordered that none be sent to her.

General Fred Grant's grandchildren, the Prince and Princess Czautzeu, are visiting their grand aunt, Mrs. Potter Palmer.

A convention of the central branch of the American Society of Michalists is in session at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Saturday, Dec. 30.

The mistake of a switchman at Paris resulted in a street car accident on the Avenue de la Republique in which twenty-two persons were injured.

White Beaver Powell, Buffalo Bill's foster brother, is again critically ill at Omaha.

Mayor John Warwick, of Whiting, Ind., has ordered that hereafter all saloons in Whiting be closed on Sundays.

Alderman Sherburne M. Becker and Francis J. Stiglbauer came to blows in the Milwaukee city hall.

The state trial rested in the McKinney trial at Toledo, Ill.

The Iowa United Brethren conference voted to change the name of Western college at Toledo, Ia., to Leander Clark college.

The supreme court of Minnesota has handed down an opinion holding the inheritance tax law constitutional.

The trial of Mississippi Coffin at Annopole on charges of having been completed and the record has gone to Admiral Sals.

Twelve hundred Russian refugees, 700 of them Jews, have arrived at New York from Hamburg.

Mrs. Wayne Hale has been indicted by a Porter county (Ind.) grand jury as an accessory to the murder of her husband, Wayne Hale.

One man was killed and two seriously injured by a cave-in at the site of the new Metropolitan Citizens' Bank building in Washington.

The Real.

The great actress brings a dress over from Paris. It costs her \$1,000. She takes it to her room and she help her get into it. When she comes out she stages the public at once exclaims in rapture: "This is indeed realism!"

"What is she representing? Why, a Sicilian peasant girl"—Puck.

A Tempting Hat.

"Energy," said the young man who had been calling regularly for about a year, "energy and promptitude are wanted nowadays."

"Yes, indeed," replied the young lady, "but I only met Miss Anderson two months ago, and now they are engaged."

Natural.

"What sort of people are these who are continually seeking divorces?" asked the reformer, with an agonized groan.

"Married people principally," responded the cheerful idiot, with a coarse grin.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

JUDGE TULEY IS CALLED BY DEATH

Nestor of the Chicago Bench Passes Away in a Sanatorium at Kenosha, Wis.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Judge Murray Floyd Tuley, the Nestor of the Chicago bench, whose death has just occurred in a Kenosha, Wis., sanatorium, was one of the most widely known jurists in the west. He was elected to the circuit bench of Cook county in 1879, and had served continually since that time. Judge Tuley had the record of fewer reversals of his decisions by the supreme court than any other circuit judge.

Judge Tuley was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1827. He was a veteran of the Mexican war and was first lieutenant of the Fifth Illinois Infantry and in 1849 served as attorney general of New Mexico.

The body will be brought to Chicago for burial. Judge Tuley went to the sanatorium Oct. 21 suffering from overwork but failed to recuperate.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 27.—Justice Walter Van Dyke of the supreme court of California, is dead after an illness of only twenty-four hours. Justice Van Dyke was born in New York state in 1823. He was a resident of California since 1849.

Sharks Delicate in Captivity.

Sharks are rather delicate in captivity, and it is difficult to keep them in their aquariums. Whatever care may be taken for them they do not seem to be able to stand confinement, however large the tank or pool may be. In captivity sharks swim round and round the tank, nine times out of ten taking one course and never reversing.

A shark has been known to keep its course for three or four months without change and, except for food, never halting, so far as it was observed. It would keep going all day long and would be found going in the morning just the same. If food was placed in its way, it would stop for several minutes and eat, and then headed the same way. Presently it would start on again in the same direction on its rounds, moving slowly unless disturbed.

Will Not Prosecute Walsh

Chicago Banker Has Violated One Law and That Is Done Frequently.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Secretary Shaw, of the treasury department, arrived in Chicago, and before he had removed the stains of travel made this announcement: "There will be no prosecution, so far as the federal government is concerned, of John H. Walsh because of the collapse of the Chicago National bank."

The secretary added that Walsh had not taken a dollar for which he did not deposit gilt-edged security; there was no embezzlement, and the only charge which Walsh was facing was the one forbidding the loans of more than 10 per cent of a bank's capital, and that was being done every day, and could not be stopped without closing up every bank in the country.

Mexican Denounces Dowry.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 27.—Munuel Gonzalez, owner of the Gonzalez hacienda of El Paso, on which Elijah Dowdy's Zion City prospects declared the Eden city of Mexico would be founded, is out in a two column letter denouncing the leader of Zion in unmeasured terms. He declares that the dowry which he took with him, and failing, gave up the colony scheme for this reason, as well as for lack of funds.

Hanly Requests Resignation.

Indianapolis, Dec. 29.—Governor Hanly has asked Daniel E. Storms, his warm personal friend, to resign from the office of secretary of state because of financial difficulties in which he became involved. If the request is complied with Storms will be the third state officer to go at the request of the governor. The secretary's resignation is pending until he remains in office, pointing out that only the legislature has power to remove him.

Salvationist Killed by Blast.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Preparation for a celebration in the Salvation Army barracks at 625½ Halsted street came to a tragic end when a tank of bromine gas, used in connection with a stereopticon, exploded. The blast tore the left leg from Captain A. W. Pollet, hurled his daughter, Goldie, 16 years old, through a plate glass window and half across the street and wrecked the building. Captain Pollet died at the hospital.

Fire at Charleston, Ia.

Charleston, Ia., Dec. 30.—A fire which started in Swift's restaurant, burned six large brick blocks on the north side of the square. Mayor Alexander said that the loss may reach \$100,000. Six of the best stores of the city are situated in a large number of real estate offices, and the loss was a heavy one. The postoffice and most of the contents are burned.

Cincinnati Coal Men Indicted.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 28.—The grand jury returned a joint indictment against representatives of the leading coal companies doing business in Cincinnati. The indictment includes over twenty names, but these were held in process pending the issuance of a process bringing those indicted to court to answer. The indictment is for "conspiracy in restriction of trade."

Releases Election Bonds.

New York, Dec. 27.—With the issuance of a certificate of election to Mayor McClellan Wednesday morning more than \$3,500,000 wagered on the result of the election will be released, and those who played their money on the Tammany ticket will be paid after twenty-eight weeks because of the protest made by William R. Hearst.

Rob Post House and Sell Loot.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 26.—It develops that all those persons who purchased cooking utensils, bedding or clothing at low rate from strangers last Monday, have exposed the community to smallpox epidemic, the articles offered for sale having been stolen from the post house by thieves, who gained entrance by breaking a window.

Bourke Cockran Ill.

New York, Dec. 28.—Bourke Cockran has been ill for ten days at the Waldorf-Astoria and his physicians have advised him to go to Arizona in the hope of regaining his health. He was threatened with pneumonia, and the attack left his lungs weak.

Love Tokens.

The ancient English custom of giving love tokens on the 20th of August died out many years ago. The custom was for "ennamoured maydes and swains" to give to their favorite suitors an article of love tokens, which were either three or four inches square, with a button or tassel at each corner and a small one in the center. The finest of these favors was edged with narrow gold lace or twist and then folded up in a paper cover so that the middle might be seen. They were worn by the fortunate swains in their hats or on the breast. The favors were generally the handiwork of the "faire mayde" herself, and well she liked to work the most beautiful figures she could for her favorite suitor, but they became so much in vogue a Queen Elizabeth's time that they were sold ready made in the shops. This, of course, destroyed the romance of the custom, and hence its death.

Trapping the Parson.

As William Morris was an Englishman, it may not seem remarkable to Americans that he did not always get his jokes right end first. In a block-

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