

BRIEF MENTION.

—Will Ward spent Sunday in Lamont.
—Mrs. Crum has returned from Oskost.
—Mrs. Sherlock visited in Farley last week.
—Welcome Abbott was here from Lamont Sunday.
—Jack Gorman was an Independent visitor Sunday.
—Miss Nell Sullivan spent last Saturday in Dubuque.
—E. J. Congar was in Masonville on business Monday.
—Miss Margaret Myers spent Sunday in Independence.
—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hoag were Sunday visitors in Lamont.
—Fred Durey spent last Friday in Cedar Rapids on business.
—Mrs. Roy Morse of Helena, Arkansas, is here to spend several months.
—Mrs. N. Fuller, of Ehler, is a guest at the home of Mrs. Margaret Powers.
—Bert Grems was at Central City Thursday looking after his business interests there.
—Earle Tabor was a guest at the home of W. H. Magill from Saturday to Monday.
—Mrs. Jane Rich and daughter Sony were in Delaware last week visiting relatives.
—Miss Josie McCann, of Dubuque, was a guest of Miss Nell Sullivan last week.
—Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Terrill returned last Tuesday from their visit to Lake Charles, La.
—Miss Maud Crum is at home from Denver, Colorado, where she has been for some time past.
—Mrs. C. A. Kendall, of Earlville, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Grems last week.
—Fred Richardson has removed his office from Franklin St. to the building owned by Mark Sheldon on Main St.
—C. B. Mills returned last week from Summerville, Tenn., and will open a photograph gallery here in the near future.
—F. N. Beacom returned Sunday morning from his trip through Western Iowa. Mr. Beacom says every one in that locality is hunting ducks.
—Chas. Keiser and family have purchased the Sherman place and will move in this week. They have been occupying the Beacom house on Howard St.
—A. M. Cloud and mother and two sisters of Earlville left Friday for Cedar Rapids. From there Mrs. Cloud and son will go to Iowa City for a short visit.
—Last Thursday an excursion from New Hampton, which had been visiting the Penitentiary at Anamosa, had a four hours wait at Oneida so they coupled their car to the M. & O. and spent their time in Manchester.
—Mrs. John Meader left last Saturday for Cedar Rapids where she will remain a few weeks before going to Portland, Oregon. Mrs. Meader does not expect to return from Portland for about ten months.
—Messames Chas. E. Earl, and Henry Bronson departed Monday evening via the Ill. Central, for Chicago. Before returning to her home at Spencer, Mrs. Earl Bronson will visit her mother, Mrs. Miranda May at Lafayette, Ind.
—Editor and Mrs. A. F. Klinkner attended the Northeastern Iowa Editorial Association meeting at Manchester Friday and were the guests of Mr. Clarence E. Dittmer, Editor of the "Little Republic." Clarence is one of the youngest editors in the state, being only fifteen years old, and the proprietor of a print shop that is valued at over \$500.—Farley News.

—The following is the panel summoned from this county to appear as jurors at the United States District Court to be held at Dubuque commencing Monday, April 23: Grand Jurors, Chas. E. Hoag, Oneida, and Herbert Harris, Manchester; Petit Jurors, John E. Freness, Thorpe; F. L. Minkler, Edge-wood, and J. S. Jones, Manchester.
—A professional cistern cleaner tells that at least once a year each housekeeper should put a cupful of common baking soda into the cistern. It not only kills all insect life that may be in the water, but renders it softer and better for all purposes, even fit for drinking. It will make cleaning unnecessary unless trash has been dropped into the cistern.
—"The Gospel Truth" put on by home talent at the Central Opera House on Tuesday evening of last week was greeted by a crowded house. The production of the play reflected great credit upon those taking part, and was perhaps the best home talent play produced here in recent years. The receipts were \$220 which will go to the public library for the purchase of new books.
—Anent the Editors meeting held in this city, the Cascade Pioneer says: The newspaper boys and the citizens of Manchester did themselves proud in entertaining the members of the Northeastern Iowa Editors association Thursday and Friday. The attendance was good; the discussions interesting; and the reception and banquet were brilliant conclusions. Capt. Merry was toastmaster and presided with his usual grace and tact at the banquet table Friday night. Howard Rann and Joe McCormick wore spike-tailed coats, rented for the occasion and looked as happy and gay as sweet debutantes. Manchester received many compliments from the visitors and is truly a fine residence city.

—Arbor day, April 27.
—Alf. Wells spent Sunday in Lamont.
—Geo. Sheldon was in Oelwein a few days last week.
—Dr. H. M. Bradley was in Dubuque, last Friday.
—Clark Satterlee was a Manchester visitor Monday.
—E. H. Hoyt of Lamont spent Sunday in Manchester.
—H. L. Rann was in Dubuque last Friday on business.
—Mrs. Mary Bradford spent a few days last week in Dyersville.
—The Gospel Truth Co. had a group picture taken Sunday.
—Joe Strickland left Tuesday for a trip through South Dakota.
—Mrs. Bert Carhart went to Hopkinton Monday for a short visit.
—Miss Caro Staehle of Earlville was a Manchester visitor Monday.
—Miss Frances Merrill of Belle Plaine, Iowa, is the guest of Miss Cooper.
—W. H. Ward was a business visitor in Floyd, Iowa, a few days last week.
—Allison Granger has been visiting at the home of his parents the past week.
—Charles Cawley is expected home for a short visit the latter part of this week.
—G. A. Whitehead left Monday for Topeka, Kansas, where he will remain for several weeks.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stiles left Tuesday for Chicago where they will remain for several days.
—W. I. Norris and wife left Monday morning for Chicago where they will remain for several days.
—A seven pound girl made its appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Parker, Sunday.
—Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Delmar Junction are guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. E. Godard.
—The Five Hundred Club met with Mrs. W. H. Blake last Wednesday. The prize was won by Mrs. S. Trenchard.
—So far this week the weather has been very pleasant, and if it continues there will be considerable small grain sowed in this section by next Saturday evening.
—Miss Ida Niederfrank returned to her home at Strawberry Point last Wednesday. She was accompanied by Miss Louise Nieman.
—Mrs. R. E. Carpenter entertained a party of twelve ladies at dinner last Wednesday evening in honor of her nephew, Nixon Denton.
—Mr. Ed Meskinmen returned Monday morning from Dubuque where he has been since Saturday night, the guest of his son, Alpha.
—Mrs. P. G. White of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. E. C. Egloff of Cedar Rapids, who have been visiting with Mrs. Lawrence, returned last Saturday to their homes.
—Al Hollister, of Manchester, Saturday purchased of J. C. Heald a fine Winton automobile, model K. The price of this machine was \$2,500.—Independence Bulletin.
—M. W. Harmon of Independence, referee in bankruptcy, was here Friday, in the matter of the application of Joseph Fleckenstein to avail himself of the benefit of the bankruptcy law.
—Last Thursday two young fellows about 18 years of age were taken from here from Dennison, Iowa, to Anamosa where they have been sentenced to a two years imprisonment for larceny.
—B. Wood Jewell, of Omaha, Nebraska, was a guest of friends in this city Tuesday. While here he attended the meeting of the board of directors of the M. & O. Railroad of which he is a member.
—Robert Walker, who has been freight agent at the M. & O. depot for the last six weeks left Monday to take a better position in Washington where he will be in the employ of the Northern Pacific.
—Miss Catherine McTavish, who is now in Havana, Cuba will return to this city about May 1st and resume her work as teacher of music. Those interested are referred to her announcement in another column.
—Mrs. George Keiser, Mrs. Jay Lewis and Mrs. Ed. Wolcott entertained the Euchre club at the home of the latter last Friday. An elaborate dinner was served at half past six o'clock. The prizes were won by Mrs. Edith Bronson and Mr. Will Work.

—Marriage licenses were issued the past week to the following: Tillie Lancaster and John A. Cornwell, Ollie M. Cameron and John Simpson, Louise Lehman and Ernest Puffert, Elizabeth Behrend and Chas. E. Myerson, Iva Stone and Benjamin H. Kellogg.
—A report appeared in various papers last week that oil had been struck while drilling a well near Clermont. The Enterprise disposes of the report as follows: Clermont people must not be overly alarmed or begin to look for the Hon. John D.—right away. Part of the article is true—the water contained oil—the oil applied to the joints of the pipe put in the well by the parties doing the drilling.
—At the spelling contest at the City Hall last Saturday Byron Robinson received first prize which was a silver medal. He is the son of W. B. Robinson, county supervisor, and is 13 years old. The second prize was awarded to Miss Ruth Suckow, daughter of Rev. W. J. Suckow of the First Congregational church. Miss Barbara Pierce, daughter of C. A. Pierce received third prize. There were thirty-five contestants and the contest lasted two hours. Professor Taylor, of Lenox College, pronounced the words for the contestants to spell and the American Word Book was the speller used. There was also a prize of twenty-five dollars to be divided among the three winning prizes, the same to be used for the purpose of decorating the school rooms.

—Mrs. Jas. Brazelton was a Ryan visitor Tuesday.
—John Hogan was it the city for a short visit last week.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stiles are Chicago visitors this week.
—If you have a baby in your family, Baxter's ad will interest you. Read it.
—Gene Williams and wife and Charlie Williams spent Tuesday in Cedar Rapids.
—Mrs. L. E. Tucker was in Coggon Tuesday attending the funeral of A. F. Pilliard.
—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sherwood have returned from Jennings, La., where they spent the winter.
—Mr. and Mrs. Forest Crosier moved to Dubuque Monday where they will reside in the future.
—The North Manchester Woman's club will meet this Friday, April 6th, with Mrs. C. Wolf.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Carr attended the Jeffersonian banquet at Des Moines last Monday evening.
—Clarence Yoran returned to Chicago Saturday to resume his law studies in the Chicago University.
—If you wish to buy Barred Plymouth Rock eggs, read the local of Oscar L. Smith in another column.
—James A. Dunham of Nebraska is visiting friends here, the guest of his brothers Abner and O. A. Dunham.
—W. L. Drew announces his spring opening of millinery goods at his store on Thursday and Friday of this week.
—Miss Stella Drew was a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Harry Brown, of Central City, the forepart of this week.
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—A newspaper report is again going the rounds that the Illinois Central is to be double tracked between Chicago and Ft. Dodge, a move made necessary by the alleged combination of the Union Pacific and Illinois Central.
—Have you noticed that broad smile on the countenance of Lieut. Abner Dunham? It is caused by the fact that he is now a grandfather, a son having been born Monday to his daughter (Elva), Mrs. H. C. Parsons of Anamosa.
—An excursion to Texas on April 17th, at a one fare plus \$2 for the round trip is advertised by the Monticello Realty Co. in this issue of the Democrat. Even if you have no intention of joining the excursion you should read the advertisement as it is interesting reading.
—The C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co. will run low rate excursions on the 10th, 17th and 24th of this month to points in North and South Dakota. If you contemplate a trip to either of those states you are referred to the company's "low rates" advertisement in another column.
—Word has been received here of the death of Chas. E. Harris, at Hailey, Idaho, son of A. P. Harris, of Delhi. Mr. Harris was engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Hailey, and was an honorable and useful citizen, and his death will be regretted by many friends, both here and at Hailey.
—A. F. Pilliard of this city died at Finley hospital Dubuque last Sunday morning. He was operated on for appendicitis on Thursday, and his death resulted from complications following the operation. The remains were taken to his former home at Coggon for burial, the funeral services being held yesterday afternoon.
—The members of the Dubuque Presbytery, which comprises all the Presbyterian ministers in northeastern Iowa, will hold their annual meeting in this city April 17, 18 and 19. The sessions will be held at the Presbytery church and a meeting of the Dubuque Presbytery, the young people's conference of the church, will be held here in connection with the ministerial meeting.

—The old city council met in adjourned session last Monday evening and swore in the following new members: J. W. Scott, A. H. Cleveland, George M. Dorman.
—The new council being duly organized the Mayor appointed the following standing committees: Streets, alleys, sidewalks—Scott, Hennessey, Adams.
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—Finance and fire—Drew, Dorman, Cleveland.
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Two Special Days

For Spring Overcoats and Cravenettes, Friday and Saturday, April 6-7.

We will give, with every Cravenette or Spring Overcoat sold, a pair of Fine Dress Gloves, values from \$1.00 to \$2.50—customer takes his choice. We do this in order to decrease our immense Spring Overcoats and Cravenettes.
SPRING OVERCOATS, in gray and tan colors, short top-pers and medium lengths, \$10.00, \$15.00
CRAVENETTES and RAIN COATS, dark gray in mixed and plain colors, neat stripes and plaids, also plain blacks, \$12.50
CRAVENETTES, brown and gray pin checks, plain gray, diagonals, all half lined with heavy venetian, going \$18.00
NEW SPRING SHOES, in fine and patent leather, lace or button, \$3.00, \$4.00
MEN'S OXFORDS, in black, tan, oxblood, or gunmetal fin. \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.00
Overalls, \$3.00.

GILDNER BROS.

MEN'S OUTFITTERS.

STOUT'S SNAG-PROOF RUBBER BOOTS

Every pair warranted to give more wear than any other boot on the market.

P. F. MADDEN GOOD SHOES.

There is said to be a time and place for everything. This is the time and Smith's drug store is the place to buy wall paper paints and oils.
H. C. Smith

This Week.
The work of securing the right of way for the interurban line to be built from Davenport to Dyersville via Tipton is progressing rapidly. Representatives of the project will be in Dyersville the latter part of this week when the matter of securing right-of-way south of Dyersville will be taken up. Mayor Voorhees of Monticello, who has the supervision of the work says that the greater part of the right of way north of the Wapsie has been secured and that it will be completed to Dyersville in a few weeks. The route through the town of Hopkinton was settled on last week. The promoters are receiving every encouragement along the line and are confident that the enterprise will be successful.—Dyersville Commercial.

Barred Plymouth Rock Eggs
from a pen of choice pure-bred pullets and one of the best cockerels of a prize winning strain. \$1.50 for 15.
OSCAR L. SMITH,
14w3 Coffin's Grove.

Lots and Residence Property for Sale.

We offer for sale on favorable terms, several lots near the river 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, 40-ft Manchester, Iowa.

Farm for Sale.
The J. C. French farm of 100 acres, in Milo township, is for sale on advantageous terms. The place is well improved. Inquire of Mrs. J. C. FRENCH, 12w4 Manchester, Iowa.

Wood For Sale.
Will contract green wood at following prices: Good, sound Poplar, in 5 cord lots, at \$4.00 a cord; Oak wood, in 5 cord lots, at \$5.00 a cord. This wood is made from live wood—1st class in every particular. Enquire of JOS. HUTCHINSON.

To Rent.
Cottage with all modern conveniences. Inquire of JOS. HUTCHINSON, 10ft

The Hen That Lays is the Hen That Pays.
Eggs, from heavy laying strain of Single Comb Brown Leghorns, for hatching Pen. No. 1 headed by scored cockerels \$1 per 15. Pen. No. 2, 75 cents per 15. Incubator eggs \$3 per 100.
Mrs. SHERM HARRIS, Manchester, Ia.

80 Acres for Rent.
We are authorized to offer for rent for one year or a term of years the west half of n. e. of section 21 in Delaware township, about two miles northeast of Manchester, known as the Bradley & Sherman 80. For particulars inquire of 13-2 BRONSON, CAR & SONS.

Rose Comb Brown Leghorns.
The Leghorn hen for Iowa winters. Pen eggs Alger strain 75cts. for 15; per hundred \$3.00.
Barred Plymouth Rocks, Thompson Ringlets, (direct), 15 for 75cts; \$2.50 per hundred.
Mrs. Herbert Harris, 131f R. No. 6, Manchester, Iowa.

Beginning the Month of January

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New Spring Merchandise.

Our stocks were never more complete of merchandise selected to meet all the spring requirements. Each section is complete with new and desirable goods, and the variety is greater than ever before. We are always watchful of our prices, and never permit them to go above the low level that has made us so well known.

Many new things in Dress Goods have arrived and we are daily receiving more. In dress goods are new suitings in mixtures and plain weaves, Panama and Waterproof Suitings. The new wash goods embrace all the new novelties—a showing that will be in keeping with our usual display.

To attempt to describe all the pretty things shown would be impossible. To appreciate them we make an urgent request to call and inspect them.

B. CLARK

Millinery Opening.

Come to our Millinery Opening on Thursday and Friday, April 5th and 6th. Grand display of Dress and Ready-to-wear Hats.

Respectfully,
W. L. Drew

Kalamity's Kolumn

English White Semi-Porcelain

We have just received a new pattern of English White Semi-Porcelain Crockery, [Johnson Brother's]. The new Rege shape is a very attractive and desirable pattern, is beautifully embossed, and modelled on the lines of French China. The finish of the ware is unequalled. We can furnish you with complete sets.

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