

BRIEF MENTION.

Mrs. A. Hollister is visiting in Delevan, Wis.
-Baxter spent last week in Cedar Rapids.
-E. J. Congar was a Dubuque visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Drybread was a guest here last week of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wilson.
-Eugene Plum of Cedar Rapids visited here last week with his cousin Edward L. Farwell.

Johnie Lillis has no use for men who try to engage in the banking business after dark.
-The Science Circle will meet with Mrs. Geo. Pierce on Monday evening, March 18, at 7:30.

Mrs. M. F. LeRoy left the first of the week for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where she will remain for some time on account of ill health.
-Next week Monday Mrs. A. B. Hart and Miss Jennie Holmes are planning to attend the Dress Makers' Convention in Chicago.

Mrs. Gertrude Wallace arrives this week from Mt. Vernon, where she attends school, to spend the spring vacation here with friends.
-Mrs. Paul Gilbert left last week for her home in St. Joseph, Mo. Mrs. Gilbert has been visiting here for some time with her mother, Mrs. T. J. Jacobs.

Friends of Miss Sue Hoag will regret to learn that Miss Hoag still remains in a serious condition of health, there having been no change for the better in some time.
-Dr. Frances Ehler leaves today for her home in Oelwein after a week's visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ehler, and her sister, Mrs. Oscar Hockaday.

John W. Cliff, at one time a resident of Delhi at which place he was married to Miss Susie Alger, Dec. 31, 1876, died at Des Moines last Monday. He is survived by his wife and three children.
-The Young People's society of the Congregational church invite their friends to spend an evening in China and Japan, on March 19. Curious will be on exhibition, and refreshments appropriate to the occasion will be served. An admission fee of 5 cents will be taken by a Chinaman.

About thirty of the friends and neighbors of A. Fank dropped in on him on Tuesday evening to help him spend the evening before his departure for Europe. The evening was spent in playing games and cards, the guests departing at a late hour wishing Mr. Fank a happy journey and a safe return.
-Thursday, March 14, there will be a basketball game at the Central school house between Manchester High School and Lenox College, second team. The game will begin at 8:15 and the admission will be 15 and 25 cents. This is the last game of the season and it should be well attended. By reason of poor support in the way of attendance the local team is slightly in arrears financially. The Manchester team is a good one and deserves the support of Manchester people. Come out and see a good game between Manchester and Lenox on Thursday evening.

The Hopkinton Leader, we believe is right in saying, that those who read the proceedings of the board of supervisors printed in the official papers last week will have noticed that the report of the steward of the poor farm was "approved." We have no doubt that the report was a good one and satisfactory, but if the balance of the taxpayers of the county are of the same mind as the Leader they would be pleased to know the details of the report. There are other reports of officials made to the board of supervisors which are "approved" by that body without conveying any intelligence whatever to the taxpayers. It is a fact beyond dispute that the taxpayers not only want to know to the fullest extent of the affairs of the county, the extent of the revenues and expenditures of their officials, but they are entitled to know and be informed. That was the idea the legislator had in view when it provided for the publication of the proceedings of the board of supervisors. The law contemplates that all bills allowed shall show by publication the amount and purpose of the expenditures, and that all reports of officials laid before the board shall be published in a summarized form that will convey intelligently to the public just what is being done by them. The auditor's minutes of the proceedings should fully show these matters, and the taxpayers, moreover, should demand

H. C. Smith was in Waterloo the first of the week.
-Mrs. Frank Dudley was an Earlville visitor last week.
-Miss Alma Fischer was an over Sunday visitor in Earlville.
-Mrs. H. J. Wilson was an Edgewood visitor last Wednesday.
-Miss Lucy Appleby was an over Sunday visitor in Cedar Rapids.
-Mrs. Barney Hansen and Wm. Haasen of Dubuque were in this city the first of the week.
-Anders & Philipp advertise a complete line of wall paper, in their space this week.
-Mrs. J. G. Mitchell of Rockford, Iowa, is a guest here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Baxter.
-Fred Boucher, who has been in Michigan for some time past is visiting here with friends and relatives.
-Attention is called to Gildner Bros. advertisement in which they quote prices on boys' suits for Easter.

-Miss Lydia Sparo arrived here Friday from Pensacola, Florida, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. E. A. Putnam.
-Earl Kelsey came home from Chicago the first of the week to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Kelsey.
-A. B. Terrill was called to Detroit, Mich., and Cleveland, Ohio, on important business week before last. He returned to his home in this city Saturday.
-Thomas Given offers for sale at a bargain, the one story frame house on Howard street, now occupied by him. For further particulars see notice "House for Sale."

-Denby Pride has severed his connection with the department store of Stearns & McCormick and will take immediate possession of a farm he has rented near Earlville.
-The Young Ladies of the Congregational church will meet this Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Charles Seeds. A picnic supper will be served. Members will come prepared to sew.
-Charles Heath, the Western Union day operator at the Illinois Central station here has been transferred to the same position at Dubuque. His place here is taken by B. W. Pierson, formerly night operator here.

-Saturday, March 9th, at his home in Honey Creek township, occurred the death of Eugene Nichols at the age of fifty-four years. He had been ailing but a short time. Death has fallen heavily on his family, this being the third in three months. The funeral was held from his home last Monday.
-Squire H. H. Scherbering and Herman Kuhlman of Colony township were in this city Friday, closing the deal made by them some time ago for the purchase of the S. S. Malvin farm in said township, which Squire Scherbering, he-comes the owner of 60 acres at \$100 per acre and Mr. Kuhlman of 100 acres at \$107 per acre.

-On March 22, Co. D will hold the second annual military ball at the Armory. The music will be furnished by Carpenter's six piece orchestra. A number of officers from nearby towns are expected to be present. Fifteen members from Co. L, Independence will give an exhibition drill and entertainment before the commencement of the ball.
-Saturday, March 9th, occurred the death of Mrs. Susan P. Kelsey at her home in this city. Mrs. Kelsey is survived by her husband, J. W. Kelsey, and children, Mrs. Julia Cunningham of New Mexico, Mrs. E. C. Atwater, and J. L. Kelsey of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey have been residents of Manchester since 1863. Mrs. Kelsey has been in poor health for the last few years and her death, while a great sorrow, was not wholly unexpected. The funeral was held from the house Monday afternoon Rev. W. J. Suckow officiated.

-The Manchester Auto Co. has recently installed a new Bowser gasoline and oil pumping engine. The machine is unique in that it measures and computes the price of the oil as it is pumped from the tanks. Gasoline and two grades of kerosene can be drawn as desired. Tom Hin, the manager of the company has spared neither time nor money in establishing a complete and up-to-date garage. The increasing use of automobiles in this vicinity has made a concern of this sort necessary here and it will without doubt prove a profitable investment.

-Waverly Independent: Fred Neimeier, of Franklin township, left his farm and family some ten days ago. A short time after he left, his wife received a letter written by him at Fairbank in which he said she and the children would probably never see him again. After his wife had received this letter she learned that he had taken \$900 which was deposited in the bank at Readlyn and \$1,350 which they had in the bank at Fairbank. He said in his letter to the wife and children that the personal property on the farm, cattle, horses, hogs, machinery, etc., was theirs to do with as they saw fit. He had recently bought the farm on which they live of Mrs. Sophie Lehmkohl, and had paid \$500 down. They have eight children, three boys and five girls. The three oldest are boys, all at home except the oldest, who is 24 years of age. Mrs. Neimeier and her second son, Edward, were in Waverly Tuesday in consultation with County Attorney Stenzel. She says her husband is 54 years old; that they never quarreled and that she knows no reason why her husband should leave them as he did. It is feared that he was temporarily deranged. Mr. Neimeier is described as a man about 6 feet in height, wore heavy mustache and chin whiskers which he left, walks erect and bears his age well.

-Wednesday, March 6th, a son was born to Dr. and Mrs. Byers.
-Mrs. W. N. Wolcott is visiting her brother in Indianapolis, Ind.
-Benjamin Lindsay of Pierce, Nebraska, was the guest of relatives here Sunday.
-Marriage licenses were issued to Linda Brown and Edwin Corell; Anna Blake and Fred Wilson.
-Dr. Joseph A. Crum of Oshkosh, Wis., visited here last week at the home of his mother, Rev. Mrs. S. L. Crum.
-Mrs. Margaretta Chandler of Galena, Ill., is visiting here with her sisters, T. W. Summersides and Mrs. A. E. Mathers.
-Mrs. Chas. Thorpe and Mrs. A. Thorpe are expecting to attend the Ellen Beacher Yaw concert at Waterloo this evening. Miss Yaw is a cousin of the Mesdames Thorpe.
-Mrs. C. C. Bradley and brother Jos. Hutchinson expect to leave this week for Southern Pines, South Carolina, where they will look after Mrs. Bradley's business interests there.

-A number from here attended Al G. Field's Minstrel performance in Cedar Rapids Saturday. Cal Martin of this city is a member of this company and is giving an impersonation of William J. Bryan that is enthusiastically received by all.
-A Spencer, Iowa, young lady, Miss Mabel Luterman, has sued Geo. A. Honey, a prominent banker for \$4,000 because he tickled her under the chin. The alleged atrocious act, together with other acts, such as pinching her arms and even trying to embrace her, was committed while the opulent banker was visiting at her country home. She says the acts caused her to be ill and nervous and gave her much mental anguish. It looks like the acts of the wealthy banker also kindled in her heart a desire for a piece of his wealth. It is not likely, had these acts been committed by some country youth of her acquaintance that her nerves would have been at all affected.
-Two picture peddlers, says the Monticello Express, who worked the country in this neighborhood last week, have come to grief. One of them is serving a thirty days sentence in the Jones county jail, and it is reported that the second one is in jail at Waverly for selling without a license. These fellows worked through the country with a lot of cheap flashy pictures with inferior pin frames which they sought to sell to the farmers' wives, and in most cases the pictures were traded for chickens. It was their boast before leaving town that the day they spent in the country around Monticello, they cleaned up \$30. It appears that they went to the home of Emery Leggett north of Monticello and finding nobody at home but the children, reported to the children that their father had directed them to leave a picture and take eight chickens in exchange therefor. The children took in the picture and helped catch the chickens. When the father and mother returned home, the matter was reported to them, and they declared that they had not seen the picture sellers and had given no such direction. Thereupon a warrant was issued for one of the picture vendors charging him with petty larceny. Sheriff Hogan found him at Waterloo, and brought him to Monticello, yesterday morning. He was arraigned before Justice Lecher who imposed the full penalty of the law, to wit, a sentence of thirty days in the county jail. The defendant gave his name as Tom Young.

-The district court convened last Monday in this city, Judge Franklin C. Platt presiding.
-Immediately after court opened, attention was called to several illegalities in the selection of the grand and petit jurors.
-An examination of the poll books disclosed that, contrary to law, thirty of the petit, and sixteen of the grand jurors listed last year to serve during this year, were judges and clerks at the last election. That two of the grand jurors were drawn from Delaware township, the statute permitting but one to be drawn from a township for the same term of court. The judges of three townships failed to certify lists of persons qualified to act as jurors. In one case the list sent in of persons eligible as grand and petit jurors contained the names of a number of persons who were not eligible because they had served during the preceding year. And finally the board of supervisors failed to prepare the jury lists as required by statute, and therefore the auditor was unable to prepare the lists of persons that he was required by law to make.
-It was the unanimous opinion of the bar, concurred in by Judge Platt, that under the circumstances, it was not advisable at this time to take the chances of the large expense to the county and to litigants, that would probably accrue in case the grand and petit jurors drawn for this term were permitted to serve, and thereupon Judge Platt dismissed the jurors and instructed them that unless they were again notified their attendance would not be required at this term.
-Judge Platt, before adjourning for the day, wrote a letter to Senator Dunham, asking him to urge the speedy passage by the legislature, of a law, that will remedy the defects, so as to permit the courts to proceed with their work.
-The courts in nearly every county in the state, have met with the same conditions that confronts the court in this county, a fact that has been known ever since the present legislature has been in session, and it is passing strange that an emergency act has not been passed to meet the contingency.
-The court is now engaged in the

trial of chancery cases and other civil causes not requiring a jury, and in disposing of probate matters.
-Strother Boys Not Guilty.
-Chalpeper, Va., March 8.—James and Philip Strothers, who have been on trial here for the past two weeks, charged with the murder of their brother-in-law, William P. Bywaters, were pronounced not guilty by the jury.
-The killing of Bywaters was the result of his trying to desert the sister of the Strother brothers after having ruined her and been compelled to marry her. He was escaping from the house through an upper window onto a porch when the brothers opened fire on him. The "unwritten law" cut a large figure in the trial.
-A very busy man.
-A school inspector went to investigate the case of a man who, although he could well afford to keep his children at school, had obtained labor certificates for them all and was taking frequent holidays while the poor little fellows worked to keep the home on.
-To his wife's plea that the youngsters' wages were useful when "they" were out of work the inspector replied:
"Are more quibble, ma'am. Your husband has constant work, but is too lazy to do it. His employer told me so."
"Then it's a wicked story, and I'm not particular who hears me say it," cried the woman indignantly. "My husband is the busiest man in England, bar none. Why, he was up at day-break 'this mornin' teachin' my youngest lad to swim, an' he's walked ten miles across plowed fields to try a pigeon an' 'ron a bounce ball outest an' a boxin' match since dinner, an' now, to wind things up," she added as a final proof of her husband's amazing industry, "he's down in the wood yard trainin' his dog to catch an' kill rabbits without leavin' the marks of his teeth on 'em. If you want more work than that crowded into a day, you must be a regular nigger driver."
-London-Tribune.

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>About three years ago she attended the Feast of Tabernacles at Zion City, Ill., and she fell in love with the clean city and the clean and devoted lives so many of the people lived and the rich spiritual feasts which she so much enjoyed that she did not want to live any where else and has spent the most of the time since then in Zion City among the people she loved and where kind hearts and willing hands did so much for her during her last few months of life.—Edgewood Journal.

Real Estate Transfers.
James M. Phillips to Herman B. Roth 8-4 west 5th p. m. 1800 00
E. L. W. and J. W. and J. C. W. sec 22 8-4 west 5th p. m. 1800 00
Patrol of land sec 18-25 west 5th p. m. 1000 00
O. C. Clark to Jason Sandler et al at 14 s. n. and 14 s. w. sec 11-24 west 5th p. m. 650 00
G. E. Gates and wife to L. C. Clark et al 1st 2d p. m. sec 3-9 5 west 5th p. m. 1800 00
T. W. Wilson and J. W. sec 18-25 west 5th p. m. 1000 00
Clare's estate to J. and W. sec 18-25 west 5th p. m. 1000 00
Joseph Stiger and wife to Carl C. Bernhard et al 1st 2d p. m. sec 3-9 5 west 5th p. m. 1200 00
Edith A. McLean and husband to Emma Holtzmann et al 1st 2d p. m. sec 3-9 5 west 5th p. m. 500 00
James A. Lyness to Bernard Probst part of block 4 N. 24th 500 00

NORTH MANCHESTER.
Mrs. Julie Evans left this morning for Volga City, called there by the serious illness of Mrs. J. C. Burdington.
N. M. L. A. S. meets this Thursday, March 14th, at the home of Mrs. Mary Trenchard.
N. M. Woman's Club meets this Friday with Mrs. Crosby.
Guy Woolf has been sick with la grippe but is better at the present writing.
Mrs. Bloodworth is on the sick list this week.
In North Manchester, our spring has taken cold.

RYAN.
Alex Duncan of Cedar Rapids was an over Sunday visitor with relatives here.
C. E. Worley and Earl Pugh received a car load of biggies the first of the week.
August Speck departed Saturday for Resvel, S. D.
Mary O'Brien closed a successful term of school last Friday.
John Dolan who is attending the C. R. B. C. in Cedar Rapids has been confined to his home with a slight attack of mumps.
John Gorham of Anamosa was buying cattle here last week.
Steve and Lucius Uhl are enjoying a visit from their brother, Clarence, from Seattle, Washington, who he is a United States soldier.
Mrs. Dolphin and daughter, Maggie, were Cedar Rapids visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Worley leaves this week for Chicago to select her spring stock of millinery.
Mr. Kennedy was a Dubuque passenger Saturday morning.
Ed and Alva Miller of Monticello were guests of Chas. Miller and family over Sunday.
Miss Grace Beacom returned to her work in Des Moines Monday morning.
Mrs. Pugh was a guest of friends in Central City last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Haight are spending the past few days with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Town, and family in Chicago.

A trained nurse is caring for the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McDonald this week.
Happiness and Hunger.
" My idea of perfect happiness," said the seely philosopher as he made his fourth round trip to the free lunch counter, "is to be in a position to go into the swiftest restaurant, put my hand over the price list of the menu and order what my taste dictates, irrespective of the demurs of a diminished wad."

Do the Boys Need a New Suit for Easter

On account of early Easter, we have all our Boys' and Children's Suits and Spring Caps shipped very early. The early buyer usually gets the cream of the assortment.



CHILDREN'S SUITS—The very newest patterns in greys and blues, made with knickerbocker pants, coat cut long with belt, in the new Peter-Pan style, ages 3 to 8. Price \$3.50

CHILDREN'S SUITS—cut same as above, but made of finer material, trimmed extra neat and fine caps to match, ages 3 to 8. Price \$5.00

BOYS' KNEE PANT SUITS with or without knickerbocker pants, cut in two piece double breasted or Norfolk style, in neat greys and plain blues, ages 8 to 16. Price \$3.95

BOYS' KNEE PANTS SUITS, pants cut double knee and seat, knickerbocker or plain, made of fine worsteds and neat cassimers, ages 8 to 16. Price \$6.50

BOYS' and CHILDREN'S CHEAPER SUITS, from \$1.50 to \$2.50

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Fabrics which in quality and style reflect the SUPERIOR Judgment of the weavers and the values include a sufficiently large variety to meet the requirements of the most exacting women.

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- Mercerized Checks, Silk Chiffon, Mercerized Panamas, Dotted Swisses, Printed Silk Mulls, Checked Mulls, Val De Soie, Silk Soisettes.

B. CLARK

STATE OF IOWA, Delaware county.—SS. Notice is hereby given, That the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as Executor of the Estate of William G. Kenyon, late of Delaware county, Iowa, deceased. All persons having claims against the same will present them, duly authenticated, to the undersigned at the following place, to wit: B. CLARK, Executor.

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