

County Correspondence.

EDGEWOOD.

Mr. and Mrs. Worthy Robinson have purchased the Hill farm south of town and will rent same.

Editor Newman of Strawberry Point was a guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Newman Sunday.

Mrs. Minkler of Central City was in town attending to some business matters yesterday.

Miss Blanch Way returned home last Thursday from an extended visit with relatives in Foraker, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Lucy Armstrong of Greeley, a cousin of A. D. and L. Hubbell was a guest of Mrs. A. D. Hubbell.

Nathan, Clyde, Donald and Nora Woodruff, of Arlington, visited their uncle, F. I. Woodruff, and family Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Inez Freese and son of Greeley came up yesterday morning for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Hosier, and also attended the Royal Neighbor dinner.

Misses Mary and Alice Orcut of Maryville, Mo., are guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Orcut. Their father, Frank Orcut, is a carpenter in Maryville.

Prof. Jay Barr is visiting relatives here the last of this week. He expects to return to Buffalo, N. D., next week to resume his duties as principal of the public schools.

Miss Ed Peck of Fayette was a guest of Miss Anna Story part of last week. Miss Peck is a teacher in the public schools at that place.

R. J. Bizby and wife and Len Fisher and Lee Robinson started for Des Moines Tuesday night to attend the State Fair a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Smith, who have been guests of their brother and sister, C. P. Smith and wife, for several weeks past, departed Monday night for Pierre, S. D., expecting to spend the coming winter in that state.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kuntz and little girl of Chicago, and Mrs. William Stoops of Decorah have been guests of the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bagby, for the past few days but will leave for their homes today.

L. B. and Charles Blanchard and their wives, departed Monday morning on an automobile trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They went by way of Dubuque to Platteville, Madison and Wausau, and will visit many towns along Lake Michigan down to Chicago then to Clinton and Cedar Rapids on the way home. They expect to be gone from two weeks to a month and we are certain they will have a very pleasant time.—Journal.

DYERSVILLE.

Peter Heles was among the passengers to Dubuque Monday.

Miss Blanch Smith visited with Miss Nellie Hatch at Manchester the past week.

A. Mueller of Manchester visited Dyersville friends last Tuesday.

B. Noethe and wife of New Vienna were the guests of friends in Dyersville Monday.

Mrs. J. B. Turle and daughter Lena of Petersburg visited in Dubuque last Tuesday.

H. B. Willenborg and sister Anna were at Cedar Rapids last week. Mrs. Weitz and son of Earlville visited with relatives in Dyersville Sunday.

John Schacherer and family moved into their residence on the west side, which he purchased of Jacob Reiff.

Mrs. Brown of New Vienna returned from a visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Michel at Springbrook. Mrs. Michel has been quite sick but is recovering rapidly.

Mr. Ahlers of New Vienna attended the ball game in this city Sunday.

Dick Schlichte of New Vienna was in Dyersville last Monday on business.

Daniel Murphy of Emmetsburg is here visiting his aunt, Mrs. Westmeier, and also his cousins, Miss Theresa and Herman Westmeier.

Wm. Deutemyer sold a carload of fine hogs here last Wednesday. John Kruebel, John F. Boeckendorf, Louis Koelker, Joseph Deutemyer, John Krueber, J. Herman Kruse, Henry Deutemyer, Henry Scherbring, John Lane, John Frouling and John Althoff helped haul.

Wm. Link jr., of West Point was here Monday and Tuesday the guest of his brother Jim and family and also other relatives and friends.

Misses Mescher and Kate Abeln of New Vienna were in this city Friday and from here went to Manchester where they spent the day with friends.

Chris Hofer and sister, Miss Mary of New Vienna, were in this city last Monday accompanied by the Misses Magdaline and Floria Treasler of Dubuque who returned to their home after having visited at the Hofer home. John Richards who was a guest at the Hofer home also returned to his home at Dubuque.

Farmers throughout the country claim that there is an unusual number of rattlesnakes this year. Many berry pickers have encountered a number of the reptiles and a hazardous task. In some instances cattle have been bitten. Residents of the country say that not for years and years have there been so many reptiles in evidence as there are this year, a number of them being killed almost every day.—Commerciad.

RYAN.

Miss Luella Guthrie of Cedar Rapids and Miss Mary Waddick of Castle Grove, were guests of Miss Grace Beason here last Friday.

Miss Dora McElligott of Chicago, and Harry McElligott of Huron, S. D., are guests this week at the home of their parents, Hugh McElligott and wife.

W. F. Drummy is attending the Tri-State Fair in Dubuque this week and at the same time is exhibiting some of his famous Poland China and Duroc Jersey swine.

R. C. Wendling and wife left Tuesday for Des Moines to attend the State Fair. Rich will get posted up while there on everything late in implements and vehicles.

J. N. Gloden is about the happiest man in town this week. A big baby boy that arrived at his home Sunday is the occasion and Joe has been handing out cigars with a lavish hand.

Mark Shaw who works on the Hoyt farm accidentally cut an artery in one of his arms yesterday and came near bleeding to death before the flow of blood could be stopped. He is out of danger now and will recover.

John Hines attended the fair in Dubuque yesterday.

Rev. Father Ryan of Lawler was a visitor with friends in town Tuesday. He is looking fine and seems well satisfied with his location.

James Freeman son of Lawrence Freeman formerly of this place, was united in marriage one day last week to Miss Nellie Kern, at Cedar Rapids.

A farewell party will be given at the opera house this evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blinn.

The Houlihan & Beatty livery stock and building were purchased today by Ed Dolan. He has already taken possession.

Anton Johnson was a passenger for Des Moines yesterday to attend the Iowa State Fair.

Ed Miller, Pat and Miles McDonald left Monday for South Dakota on a prospecting trip.

Mamie Hines, the sixteen year old daughter of Mike Hines who now lives near Rowley, nearly met her death last Thursday evening. She is in company with a couple of companions was driving home from Rowley when a couple of fellows who were under the influence of liquor drove rapidly up behind them. Miss Hines thinking it was a runaway jumped out of the buggy and alighted on her head. She was unconscious when picked up and remained in that condition until the next day. At last reports her chances for recovery were good.

Mrs. R. Letwrick who has been spending the past few weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Beacom here, was in Chicago last week making fall purchases for her large millinery establishment at Burlington, Kansas.

Early Saturday morning some candidate for the penitentiary broke a window in the rear of Dolan's barber shop and entered the place. He took some small change out of the slot machine and also touched the suspicion points strongly to a young fellow living in a neighboring town but the evidence is not strong enough to convict.

John M. Brayton of this place and Miss Mae Davis daughter of County Auditor W. J. Davis of Manchester, were united in marriage at 12 o'clock today, at the bride's country home at Bailey's Ford, Rev. Edward Lee, pastor of the Ryan M. E. church performing the ceremony.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon and son Clair were in Manchester last Friday.

Mrs. Jola Trumblee is spending a few weeks with her parents, Wm. Kaster and wife.

Miss Flora Cowles arrived here from Virgil, S. D., last week to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. G. Tyrell entertained the Misses Carrie and Grace Shawless of Waterloo the past week.

Mrs. J. W. Clendenen was in Manchester a few days last week a guest of her sister Mrs. Fank.

F. M. Eller of Cascade stopped off here for a few days visit with L. N. Waite on his way to the state fair.

Miss Hazel Keith of Hopkinton was a guest of Miss Hazel Kenyon a few days returning to her home Monday.

Frank Vanderhook and wife returned to Vando, Ill., Friday. He took with him a car load of dairy cows for his dairy.

Miss Maud Flint went to Manchester Monday to take the bookkeeper's place in the First National Bank during a vacation.

Will Ross arrived home Monday morning from Des Moines to visit a few days at home. He returned Wednesday accompanied by Frank and Frankie to attend the state fair. Will has a position as taster of cream for a creamery company in the city.

White Dale and Vern Cole were having a friendly wrestle Saturday morning Dale had the small bone in his right leg broken near the ankle. Dale makes no claim of being a "Farmer Burns" but enjoys the sport which this time resulted disastrously to him and will confine him to his home for several days.

Mrs. S. C. W. Wadsworth and Mrs. John Gray went to Waterloo Saturday. The former will visit her brother, Walt Emmert and wife and Mrs. Gray will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory and other relatives.

A car of meat was derailed between here and Dundee Saturday night which kept a force busy several hours. The car was in transit for England to feed nobility on and was valued, it is said at \$5,000. This is better stuff than we fed them on back in 1770.

Miss Edna Alger, of Edgewood,

spent Friday night with her friend, Bertha Retherford.

Miss Minnie Robinson, of Edgewood was a Sunday visitor at the Croyle home.

Mrs. J. A. Griffith and little boy of Westgate, spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Timm.

Mrs. Frenress, of Manchester, is keeping house for Lou while Mrs. Hoiser is visiting in Oelwein.

Our schools opened Monday, Carrie Bryan teaching in Dis. No. 6, and Kate Schneider in No. 7.

COLESBURG.

August 31, 1907. Plenty of rain but a dearth of news items.

W. S. Adams is building a cement walk along his lots on Main St. We hope that many may go and do likewise.

Miss Martha Craig left Friday for Story City, where she is to begin teaching September 2nd.

F. M. Coon and wife attended the Harvest Home at Dyersville Tuesday, and report a good time.

A. B. Landis is laid up with a very sore hand, resulting from the sting of some poisonous insect.

Miss Mary Isabella Quinn, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. S. P. McMahon and other friends here.

J. S. Merten and wife were at Des Moines during the week to attend the State Fair.

F. A. Grimes spent a part of last week in Dubuque attending the Tri-State Fair.

Brice Blaker has sold his farm near Fairview to William Gray, and has purchased Sam'l Plennikens farm at Highland Park. The latter gentleman has bought a small tract of land from James Brown, and will erect a house thereon for himself and wife, just across the road from J. W. Blaker's.

Mrs. Wm. Hunt and children, of Earlville, spent the week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Merten.

Miss Jennie Merten is at home from a pleasant visit at Charles City and Garner. She was accompanied home from Garner by her sister, Mrs. Carl Wellemeyer, who will make a short visit at the parental home.

S. S. Stillinger attended the Des Moines fair during a part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landis are the parents of a young son, born Thursday.

Claude Coon and wife are visiting relatives at Dyersville, this week.

Luther O'Neal, Louis McMahon and Edwin Schacherer attended the dance at Elkport, Friday night.

The Twentieth Century Review club met with Mrs. C. W. Strader Tuesday afternoon. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. M. J. Wilson.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hartman spent Sunday last week at the home of T. Keith.

Mrs. Elmer Orvis and children, of Gilmore, Iowa, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kaster part of last week.

Harry Conner had business in Manchester Monday last week.

Miss Lena Danford spent Sunday last week with Mrs. G. B. Davis.

Roy and Avis Grommon were in Manchester, Tuesday last week.

Mrs. Tillman Grapes and daughter, Myrtle, were shopping in Manchester Tuesday last week.

Jerry Kaster and wife and E. J. Paris and wife, who have been visiting with relatives in S. Dak. for the past week returned to their homes last Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Kaster was in Manchester Tuesday last week.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon and son Clair were in Manchester last Friday.

Mrs. Jola Trumblee is spending a few weeks with her parents, Wm. Kaster and wife.

Miss Flora Cowles arrived here from Virgil, S. D., last week to visit relatives and friends.

ing complimentary to Miss Lila Rich. The evening was spent in parlor games and a general good time. Refreshments were served. Miss Lila returned to her home in Des Moines Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Peet arrived home Friday, he from his work on the road for the Gate City Nursery, and she from Delhi where she has been visiting relatives and will spend a week or two visiting. Mr. and Mrs. John Wheeler of Delhi, spent Monday and Tuesday with them.—Leader.

HOPKINTON.

Miss Hazel Tibbitts is visiting near Manchester.

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Exley Tuesday.

Glen Furman, who has been a student of torsorial art with Jake Schuster for several months, has gone to Crary, N. D., where he has a position in a barber shop.

Geo. Harris reports a great slaughter of snakes last week. While plowing a 15-acre field he disposed of 118 old and young ones and a couple of nests of eggs. They were mainly of the bullsnake family, but one was a brown adder.

A Miss Fahri, a young lady who is deaf and dumb, was ravished by three tough young men of Monticello last Sunday evening. The details of the outrage are horrifying.

The fellows' names are William Hauesler, Geo. Hogan and Fred John. They laid in ambush for the young woman at the outskirts of an old barn and there committed the crime, and because of their victims helplessness she was unable to make an outcry to summon help.

Hogan and Hauesler have been arrested, but Iohn was at large at last reports. The condition of the victim is said to be precarious.

Naturally the citizens of Monticello are much wrought up over the affair and there was talk of summary punishment. Because of the excitement the villains were taking to Anamosa for safe keeping.—Leader.

EARLVILLE.

Mrs. Geo. Schaller and children of Oelwein arrived Saturday for a visit with home folks.

Mrs. John Young of Dubuque returned to her home Monday after a short visit with relatives and friends.

Our public schools commenced Monday with a fair attendance and the following corps of teachers in attendance: Prin. G. V. Ribble; Grammar Dept. Miss Della Roberts; 2nd Primary, Miss Iva Dann; 1st Primary, Miss Mattie Aurlay.

Reason for the small attendance being Labor Day and the various county fairs, all of which are in progress this week. This promises to be one of the best years in the history of our public schools.

John Cook, wife and family and Miss Louise Hofer of Elkader returned to their home Saturday after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Bonnie B. Dake to Prof. Roland Neal which will take place in the M. E. church at Earlville on Wednesday, Sept. 4. The bride is well known among Earlville people who wish them success in their new home which will be at Mitchell, S. D.

Invitations are also out for the coming marriage of Miss Caro Millen to Carl Hammond of Lawton, Oklahoma, which will occur on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

Frank Freeman and wife of Minneapolis, are visiting at the home of Mr. Freeman's parents.

Mrs. Botscher purchased the W. L. Bender home and will take possession this fall.

Miss Way of Edgewood will be "hello girl" at our Central office during the coming month while Miss Book is spending a well earned vacation at Elkader and other points.

S. F. Hersey and family departed Monday for Cedar Falls after a month's visit with home folks.

Adam Schaller, wife and sons, Gerald and Herald, returned Monday from a week's visit at Dubuque.

Will Catterson, wife and son, Lawrence of Minneapolis arrived Monday afternoon for a visit at the Hersey and Catron homes.

Rev. John Williams and wife of Jewell Junction, Iowa, spent Thursday and Friday with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Will Baskerville and daughter Hazel returned Friday from a visit at Iowa Falls.

John Wood and wife, Will Wood, wife and son and Miss Mary Dickson returned Friday evening from Des Moines where they have been attending the State Fair.

Floyd Young returned Thursday evening from a short visit with Dubuque friends.

MASONVILLE.

Miss Agnes Keegan is a guest at the home of Mrs. Dennis Burns.

Patrick Kehoe of Charles City, Iowa, was an over Sunday visitor at the home of his aunt, Mrs. M. H. Flynn.

J. Snyder of Winona, Minn., was the guest of John Murtough a few days last week.

Mrs. M. H. Flynn and Mrs. P. O'Brien were passengers to Dubuque Wednesday.

We understand that Glen Griffin has accepted a position at the State Hospital in Independence.

conduct that business this coming year.

Miss Salvina Smith is at home for a two weeks visit.

Mrs. P. McKeever and daughter Margaret were Manchester callers Saturday.

Mrs. Euchaer of Earlville spent last week with her son Louis and family east of town.

Mrs. Hearnig entertained two nieces from Epworth the past week.

Among those who attended the circus at Waterloo Wednesday were Messrs M. Lillis, James McCool, Wm. Carmody, Thos. Keegan and Nilo Drake.

Thos. Keegan jr. and wife and Wm. Keegan drove to Bernard Friday to attend the picnic to be held at that place this week.

Miss Mary O'Toole of Independence was an over Sunday visitor with relatives here.

Miss Ida Maroney of Monti spent last week at the home of her sister here, Mrs. F. D. Ryan.

Thos. Burke of Monti and lady friend spent Sunday in town.

M. Lillis, John Murtough, J. Snyder and P. H. Ryan enjoyed an auto ride to Manchester Saturday.

Miss Mayme Ryan called on Manchester friends Saturday.

Mrs. E. S. Griffin started Monday for Vermont for visit of several weeks with relatives in that state.

R. D. Graham is here on business today.

Thos. Lindsay is here this week letting the contract for new barns to replace those recently burned.

Mrs. L. J. Bowman and children of Manchester spent Sunday with friends here.

Geo. and Mrs. Boehm are visiting friends in Waterloo this week.

Miss Lizzie Kramer of Strawberry Point is visiting with her brother and family for a short time.

John and Farmer, wife and daughter of Sharon, Wis. visited this week at the J. C. Matthews home.

D. Thomas is visiting his daughter at Cuba City, Wis.

Mrs. Hamlin of Wright county visited her brother John Curran this week.

Mrs. I. S. Hutton of Independence visited here this week.

Mrs. Dave Grove has been visiting her father here this week.

Born on Thursday, August 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hansen, a big boy, Charlie can hardly contain himself.

Iowa Sloan is in the house with an attack of measles.

H. Wilson is confined to his home this week.

A. A. Strong is visiting in Edgewood today.

John Nichol left yesterday for Waterloo where he will spend a short time with his daughter, going from there to Missouri where he expects to spend the winter.

John Bodenhofer, of Wyoming, had a number of years brakeman on the local freight on this line and well known here as killed Monday at Galewood, a station just this side of Chicago. John was known as the "Railroad Poet" and had composed a number of popular songs.

Monday papers were signed that transferred the Joe Schneider farm of 160 acres to Alf Tibbitt and the consideration was \$55 per acre. Mr. Tibbitt will take possession March 1, next.

B. Schneider and wife are visiting the former's parents at Chariton.

Prof. Theodore Saam who was the principal of our schools for several years was married recently at Groton, N. H., to Miss Alice Fairchild of that place. The lady was assistant superintendent of the Lake Mills schools where he is superintendent. They will return to their work at Lake City.

Little Hazel Seeley is down with an attack of scarlet fever and while light there is no telling what the next case will be. The family is rigidly quarantined and every precaution is being taken to prevent a spread of the disease. The disease was contracted in Cedar Rapids.

Confusion at These Dinners.

In his dining room Sir Joshua Reynolds constantly entertained all the best known men of his time, including Dr. Johnson, Goldsmith, Garrick, Burke, Sterne, Hogarth, Wilkes, Allan Ramsay and a score of others, who formed the brilliant literary club of which the great painter was the founder. There doubtless, in the familiar lines of the author of "Retaliation," when they talked of their Raphaels, Correggios and such.

At these dinner parties, according to Maize, though the wine and the dishes were of the best, there seemed to be a tacit agreement that mind should predominate over body. The table, we are told, though set only for seven or eight, often had to accommodate a double that number. There was usually a deficiency of knives, forks and glasses, and the guests had to bowl for more supplies, while the host calmly left every one to shift for himself, though he lost not a word, if he could help it, of the conversation.—London Spectator.

Gulf Stream Fruit.

The superiority of certain English fruits has its origin in a cause little suspected. It is the blessed gulf stream which does it. Foreign growers are every bit as acute as the English, it may be, but they have not the right atmosphere. The gulf stream imparts a beneficent humidity to our atmosphere which results in our fruit having the thinnest and finest skins of any in the world. The English strawberry is without equal for flavor. The English grape, though it may not have the fine flavor of the Spanish, has the best skin. The French tomato is as thick skinned as the English field grown. The English apple eclipses its rivals because of its thin skin. Every fruit according to its climate. Growth in different atmosphere, the English apple would shrivel in a day, but helped by the moisture from the gulf stream, it ripens within the thinnest of jackets and is as much superior to the foreign or colonial apple as a peach is superior to a parsnip.—St. James' Gazette.

A London Fog.

Nothing has such a bewildering effect as fog. Only animals which find their way by scent can get about in it with any certainty. Birds are entirely confused by it. Game pigeons remain all day motionless and half asleep, huddled up, either in or just outside their pigeon houses. Chickens remain motionless for hours during heavy fogs. No bird sings or utters a call, perhaps because it fears to betray its whereabouts to an unseen foe. During one very thick fog a blind man was found wandering about a certain district of London. This man was in the habit of coming up every day from a suburb, carrying notes and parcels, and had scarcely ever lost his way before.

Asked why he had gone astray (for he was quite blind, and it was supposed that weather would have made no difference), he said that in a fog the ground "sounded quite differently."—London Chums.

They Quit Right There.

The late Andrew J. Dam, a well known hotel man of New York, was, at the time of the civil war, proprietor of a hotel in New Bedford. A number of colored citizens interested in the formation of a military company called upon him and informed him that they would be glad to form the company and allow him to suggest the name.

"Congressman T. D. Elliott has fitted out a company of white men, and throughout the war they will be known as the Elliott Light Guards," said the spokesman of the colored men.

"No," said Dam, "if I am to equip and organize this colored company, I shall insist that they be known as the Dam Black Guards."

The company was never organized.—New York Tribune.

Tracing the Bullet.

If a bullet to be fired by a marksman is coated with a fine paste of gunpowder and gun, says the Dundee Advertiser, and then with a thin covering of some friction powder, the latter, as the bullet passes out of the barrel, will ignite, and in turn set fire to the gunpowder paste. The bullet will then leave a long stream of smoke behind it, indicating the exact course it has taken, and enabling the aim for his next shot.

The Real Article.

The Youth—Ah, would I were a glove, that I might hold your pretty hand. Young Winko—You certainly would be a success in the glove line. The Youth—Do you think so? Young Winko—Yes; you are a genuine kid.—Illustrated Bits.

Some Crookedness.

The Mississippi river is so crooked in places, declares Judge Walter Malone of Memphis, that a steamer going south has been known to meet itself coming north, give passing signals and narrowly escape a collision with itself.

A High Place.

Sweet Slinger—Delia, whenever she has a high place in the next show he goes out with. Comedian—Well, I should say it is high. He sits up in the flies and tears up paper for the snowstorm scene.—Chicago News.

Mourning.

"The Parkers have all gone into deep mourning for a very distant relative. Don't you think it's a sign they're rich?" "No. It's a sign the distant relative was rich."—Life.

The Colorful Paradox.

Freezing is usually associated with cold, but water can be frozen on a red-hot plate. This pretty experiment has rightly been called the coloric paradox. If a drop of water is placed on a red-hot or white hot metal plate it does not suddenly flash into steam under the influence of the great heat. It does not even boil. It simply evaporates quietly and slowly as it rolls about the plate. Now, suppose that the drop on the plate is a volatile liquid like sulphurous acid. It will evaporate, and this evaporation will produce cold. Let a drop of water fall on the sulphurous acid drop, and it will be frozen in spite of the heat. M. H. H. says that a drop of water on a white-hot platinum capsule. Faraday carried this remarkable experiment even further. Pouring some ether and solidified carbonic acid gas on a red-hot platinum capsule, he formed a spheroidal mass which evaporated very slowly. He then brought some mercury into contact with it, and this was instantly frozen. Now, mercury requires a temperature of 40 degrees below zero to solidify it, and here it was frozen on red-hot platinum.

Her View of It.

"Don't you think," asked Mrs. Oldcastle, "that Miss Witherspoon has a 'brilliant face'?" "Oh," replied her husband, "I don't think so. She has the back of a chair." "I don't think so," she said. "I don't think so."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.