

County Correspondence.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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HOPKINTON.

Mrs. C. H. Ricketts and Mrs. R. N. Hocking visited a couple of days last week at Anamosa.

M. O. Smith went to Manchester on Monday and returned with his wife, who has been visiting for several days in the vicinity of Masonville.

This community is just now being blessed with the measles, and several families are tied up with the disease. There is usually nothing startling about the measles but the annoyance.

E. F. Main received word Tuesday of the death of his brother, A. C. Main of Belgrade, Neb., and who was father of Mrs. Lew Beitz. In response to the message Mr. Main and Mrs. Beitz went to Belgrade to be present at the funeral.

Arthur Williams, who has been foreman of the Leader office for more than two years past, has negotiated for the purchase of the Mail-Press at Strawberry Point and will soon become a member of the Society of the Quill. He will take charge of the business May 21.

Miss Ione Westcott is home from Le Mars, where she has been occupying the position of principal of the high school for the past year. She has resigned, owing to a contest between the school board and herself and other teachers over a question of discipline. It became necessary to discipline a lad whose father is one of the leading politicians of Le Mars and has a pull with the school board. The board overruled the action of the principal and her associate teachers in the matter, reinstated the boy, and did it so flagrantly that the entire teaching force signed a resolution of protest.

Miss Westcott, standing firm in the justice of her position, resigned the principalship.

Milan Morton announces that the old coons which he has had in captivity as pets are the parents of a family of little ones. He doesn't know how many, for the nest is in the bottom of an old lullow tree where they have been housed, but he guesses from the racket down the hole that there must be at least a half dozen of the little shavers.

Milan is watching with a good deal of interest for the little fellows to come into the world and show themselves. A pair of squirrels on the college campus have also announced an increase in population.—Leader.

DIERSVILLE.

Thos. Bruggeman and wife of near Petersburg were here Friday to attend the funeral of the late C. H. Koopman.

Frank Honkomp and wife of Cascade were here Wednesday visiting with W. Doga and wife, the parents of Mrs. Honkomp.

John Bruggeman, wife, daughter and son of near Petersburg were here Friday to attend the funeral of the late C. H. Koopman.

The hospitable home of Jos. A. Westemier and wife in Bremen township was the scene of a happy gathering of friends and neighbors the first of the week. The event was greatly enjoyed. In the party were Messrs. and Mesdames Louis Westemier, George Hildebrandt, Geo. Hildebrandt, Jr., John Hildebrandt, Mr. F. Knipper, Sr., August, John and Misses Anna and Kate Knipper, Jerry Tegeler and his brother and others whose names we did not learn.

Clem Goedken, seventeen years of age and a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Goedken of Petersburg, was the victim of a serious accident Thursday. While operating a disc harrow, he had occasion to step in front of the disc to make an adjustment, when the horses under a start. His foot was caught under the disc and a deep gash was inflicted, extending from the heel to the ankle. A number of stitches by a surgeon were required to close the wound. He will be laid up for a number of weeks.

Henry Honkomp and wife of New Vienna celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary last Tuesday. Mr. Honkomp was seven years old when he came from Oldenburg, Germany, which was in the year 1846. In 1864 he was united in marriage in St. Boniface church at New Vienna to Miss Anna Kerchoff. They always resided on their farm about two miles southwest of New Vienna. They were one of the sturdy pioneer families, who turned the vast wilderness of this vicinity into fertile fields and in their declining years enjoy the fruits of a life well spent.

The many friends of the contracting parties, at Petersburg will be interested in the news of the marriage of John Witte, a merchant of that town, to Miss Elizabeth Ovel of Cogswell, South Dakota. The marriage took place at Cogswell Tuesday. The groom is a member of the firm of Witte Bros., proprietors of a general store at Petersburg and favorably known. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ovel of Cogswell, formerly residents of the vicinity of Petersburg. She is a very estimable young lady. Mr. Witte and his bride will arrive at Petersburg Friday, where they will go to housekeeping. Congratulations are extended.

At St. Boniface church, Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock occurred the marriage of Miss Lizzie Vorwald to John T. Meyer. Rev. F. W. Pape performed the marriage ceremony. The bride wore a white wedding gown of net over silk and also a veil and carried flowers. Her sister, Miss Anna Vorwald, who acted as brides-

maid, was also attired in a white dress. The groom and his cousin, Otto Kerper who acted as best man, wore the conventional black. After the wedding ceremony at the church a reception was held at the Vorwald home. The bride is the second oldest daughter of Mrs. Anna and the late John Vorwald. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer of Avon, South Dakota. The young couple are well known in this vicinity and are esteemed by a host of friends.

On Wednesday morning at St. Boniface church occurred the marriage of Miss Matilda Steffen, daughter of Herman Steffen and wife to Henry Goetzinger of Luxemburg, son of Peter Goetzinger and wife, Rev. C. Goetzinger, brother of the groom performed the marriage ceremony. The attendants were Peter G. etzinger and Miss Barbara Steffen. After the ceremony at the church, the bridal party repaired to the Steffen home, where a wedding breakfast was served. The bride wore a gray traveling suit, and white hat. The bride groom to womanhood here and has merited the high regard in which she is held. The groom is a well known business man of Luxemburg.—Commercial.

DELAWARE.

The ladies of the Swedish church cleared \$17 at their social last week. Miss Helen Randall, formerly our primary teacher was the guest of Miss Lynch recently.

Rev. H. P. Schmidt and wife entertained friends from Monticello last Wednesday. Mrs. C. Marshall and the Misses Marshall and Boggs of Manchester were in our village Tuesday.

Mrs. J. P. Ball received notice Sunday of the death of her sister, Mrs. Graham. The friends of Mrs. Ball extend their sympathy.

Wm. Gunthrie of New York visited in town Tuesday. S. Gardner is reported much better.

The infant son of R. Harvey and wife died Sunday morning of bowel trouble. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have the sympathy of many in their bereavement.

Mesdames Ray and Sackett were Manchester visitors Thursday. Mrs. P. Mortinson and Miss Amy visited friends in Cedar Rapids Friday.

Mrs. F. Mass and little grandson of Delhi visited relatives in town Tuesday. A. E. Jewell spent Saturday at his home in Strawberry Point.

Wm. Ball was a county seat visitor Saturday. Miss Amanda Orburg of Waterloo is visiting her parents.

Mrs. B. Clark is on the sick list. Hemming Hokenson and Earnest Nicholson returned to Rock Island Monday.

Miss Verga Davis of Manchester spent Sunday at home. Mrs. Chas. Gillispie and daughter returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. M. McDonald in Daryville Saturday.

F. Roloff is quite ill. Bert Sackett has purchased one of G. Chase's horses. P. A. Heffer and family of Cedar Rapids visited the former's brother Tuesday.

A. Hackbarth and force are laying the foundation for a large barn on L. H. Davis's premises. L. G. Kaster has the contract for the work.

STRAWBERRY POINT.

Miss Lottie Breed came up from Edgewood Saturday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. C. Norris. S. D. Gleason of Sparta, Wisconsin, has purchased the Edgewood tile factory, and expects to put it into operation at once.

Mrs. Hattie Kane returned to her home at Manchester last Wednesday evening, after a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. B. C. Goodrich. F. Strehlow and daughter Lizzie left Tuesday morning for Linton, North Dakota, where they expect to spend the summer.

S. A. Moser and wife and daughter Deulah returned to their home at Hopkinton last Tuesday evening, after a visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Hewitt of Lamont has been elected teacher in the primary department of the Strawberry Point schools at \$45 a month. Miss Kate Westfall and Miss Josephine Balluff have been tendered their positions for another year. At the regular May meeting of the school board on Friday night of this week the matter of school teachers will probably be taken up for still further action. Questions relative to the 1908 commencement may also be brought up and settled.—Mail-Press.

LAMONT.

Miss Pearl Brow has decided not to remain as principal of the High school for the coming school year and has so notified the school board. Frank Rhines has returned to Kalispel, Montana, to arrange his interests there and will ship his goods to Manchester to make their home.

Miss Minnie Millet was up from Epworth over Sunday and to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. H. D. Cowles on Monday. Bert Sheldon came Sunday from Beloit, Wisconsin, for an extended visit among relatives. He has quit school for the present on account of his health.

E. S. Cowles received a copy of the Mantorville, Minnesota, Express yesterday containing the notice of the death of his cousin, A. O. Cowles, of that city. He was a prominent citizen, having located there in 1856. A full house greeted the Dundee theatrical troupe at the opera house Saturday evening in their production of "Oak Farm." The auditors were not expecting the excellent work

given by the troupe from our neighboring town which was clever and exceeded the average traveling companies on the road. Each one of the company deserve commendation, the acting of Mr. and Mrs. Nixon, Elmer Essner and Art Schroeder being exceptionally fine. The Dundee Concert band realized near \$60 after all expenses were paid.

The out of town relatives and friends who attended the funeral of Mrs. H. D. Cowles Monday were Rev. L. D. Rollins, the officiating clergyman, E. H. Herrington and wife, V. L. Hazen, Mesdames S. D. Mitchell, F. Harbaugh, H. E. Taylor and L. B. Pettie of Waterloo, Isaac Clements and wife, Pringhar, Iowa, Dr. J. R. Brady, Sioux City, Mrs. H. F. Cowles, a sister of the deceased, of Waseca, South Dakota, Fred Fields and wife of Osceola, E. E. Cowles, wife and daughter, Edna and Ed Cowles and son Frank and daughter Myrtle and Miss Mildred Smith of Manchester.—Leader.

GREELEY.

E. B. Hess has returned from Iowa City and says Mrs. Hess is improving nicely. The Misses Ellis have nearly completed extensive improvements on their barns.

Mrs. John Carroll and daughter, Floy, are in Waterloo this week where the latter will take treatment for her ears.

L. A. Schneider bought the O. Wilcox property that was sold at Sheriff's sale last Saturday. The consideration was \$714. While plowing yesterday, Matt and Joe Schirmer unearthed a nest of six young foxes which they captured alive and brought to town.

Messrs Worley, Belknap and Dolphin returned Monday from a trip to Stuttgart, Arkansas. Mrs. R. Houlihan enjoyed a visit from her sisters, Mrs. Gillespie and Miss Rose Zirtzman, of Delaware last week.

Rev. Eugene Melchert went to Preston Monday to attend the regular conference of the ministers of the Lutheran church. W. S. Guthrie, of Cedar Rapids, a former resident of Ryan, had one of his legs broken by having a horse back upon him while plowing.

Miss Genevieve King returned last week to her school work in Dubuque after spending the Easter vacation at the home of her parents Dan King and wife at Hazel Green. New buildings continue to go up on the R. Robinson farm west of town. When the intended improvements are completed it will be one of the finest farms in the county.

Chas. Pruebel purchased the barn and four acres of ground adjoining his property of the Thomas estate the first of the week. He expects to tear down the old barn and erect a modern structure in its place.—Reporter.

COGSON.

Mrs. Chas. Brazleton returned home from Hopkinton last Thursday evening. Mrs. Fred Houston and children of Ryan visited her mother, Mrs. Woodard, Friday.

Mrs. G. Abbey had the misfortune to fall and break her left arm at the wrist shortly after we went to press last Wednesday. Mrs. Jas. Leach went to Cedar Rapids Thursday to have an operation performed on her eye. It is getting along nicely at this writing.

Loyal Camp, R. N. A., tendered a reception to their husbands and friends at their hall last Thursday evening, and they certainly entertained in a most royal manner.

Fred Grim and a party of young men were seen Sunday starting out with the former's auto, and leading a team of horses behind the machine. There's nothing like having a way to get back home and we presume more autoists will be seen traveling that way as soon as the "bumble" to the teachings of former experiences.—Monitor.

EDGEWOOD.

Josiah Halfhill, a former resident of Wood, died at his home in this city yesterday morning, after a lingering illness.

Mrs. R. C. Cocking and two children returned home Tuesday from their visit at their old home in Erie, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wollcott of Greeley visited Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nelson, near Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Cary returned to their home at Manchester Tuesday night after a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Lauren Platt, north-west of town.

Mrs. LeMont Bond, of Gresham, Neb., came Monday morning for a few days' visit with her aunt, Mrs. M. E. Smith, and cousin, Mrs. Marie Sims. She has been visiting at Earlville and Manchester with her brothers Charles and John L. Cruise.

Miss Elizabeth Barnes and Dr. Ray Kirkpatrick were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barnes, Fairfield, Iowa, at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, April 28th, 1908, in the presence of a few immediate relatives and friends, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jones, pastor of the Presbyterian church in that city. They left that night for Edgewood, arriving here yesterday morning and will make their future home here among us.—Journal.

EARLVILLE.

Miss Libbie Robinson spent Sunday in Dyersville.

Roy Klaus was most pleasantly surprised at his home Saturday evening, the occasion being his 21st birthday.

Miss Mabel Van Anda and Mrs. Lambert, of Farley, visited friends in town over Sunday.

George Staehle sr., of Strawberry Point, spent Sunday at the home of his mother. Miss Spang, of Hartley, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Maroney. A number of young people from here will attend the 4th district C. E. convention at Independence on

Wednesday. John Medland, who was reported seriously ill last week, was brought home Saturday night from Hot Springs and at this writing is some better.

Don't forget the annual supper to be given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church on Friday evening, May 8, in the lecture room of the church.

Miss May Powell left Saturday night for a week's visit in Dubuque. The Misses Sarah Clough and Hattie Beal, Frank Beal and Geo. White and wife, of Delhi, visited friends in town Sunday afternoon.

EAD'S GROVE.

It takes all kinds of weather to make a spring. Sam Way and daughter Lottie were in Manchester Thursday.

Burt Childs and family visited at Chas. Robison's Sunday. Mr. Fowler's ponies ran away last Thursday morning and got as far as Wm. Hennessy's before they were stopped. Mr. Fowler who did nothave hold of the lines was in the act of placing a can of milk in the buggy, was thrown out and bruised up some but no serious damage was done.

Sam Culbertson and wife were Sunday visitors at Amos Culbertson's Geo. Holthaus and family visited at Henry Holthaus' Sunday. Mr. Amling has bought the Breck farm and has taken possession.

Aunt Em Culbertson spent last week at the brothers, J. T. Fowler, Tom Parkinson and wife drove out to their farm on Sunday, Fred Timm and wife were county seat visitors on Thursday.

FORESTVILLE.

Miss Maude Fay of Osceola spent Wednesday at J. B. Nelson's. Ed Smith attended the funeral of Mrs. Dick Cowles at Lamont Monday.

Dr. Graves of Lamont was a professional caller here Wednesday. Mrs. O. O. Clark, J. M. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Assmus and Miss Gray of Manchester were guests of Mrs. M. Cossey Sunday.

Ed Smith went to Waterloo Wednesday to attend a meeting of Odd Fellows held there. Fay Nelson and Maude Fay attended the dance in Dundee Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Ed Smith is spending the week at C. C. Barry's near Ryan. P. E. Roscrans was a Manchester visitor Monday. Dr. Hoffman of Lamont was a caller here Wednesday.

BAILEYS FORD.

G. B. Davis and Mrs. Helen McKee were in Manchester, Tuesday last week. Roy Grammon had business in Manchester last Wednesday.

Frank Kerten and wife were in Manchester last Thursday. Chas. Grommon was in Delhi last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Galitz were in Manchester last Friday.

J. W. Hartman had business in Manchester last Thursday. Henry Florence has been very sick the past week.

Byron Goldridge sold his restaurant to Fred Brown last week. Byron will go to Flagler, Colorado, this week to prove up on a claim.

Chas. Furman was in Edgewood and Strawberry Point last week. E. J. Hopkins was in Greeley Wednesday. John Hartman and Ben McKee were in Manchester Wednesday.

F. M. Davidson and wife of Elkader visited their daughter, Mrs. Lusk, last week. Pearl Sisler, of Minneapolis, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Angell and Berdena were in Earlville Saturday. The school board at a meeting Saturday evening hired Miss Mullen of Cedar Falls as primary teacher.

Mrs. G. M. Himmel is on the sick list. Wilson Pulver has moved back to town. Mrs. Elizabeth Blake of Strawberry Point is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. L. M. Barnes.

H. H. Porter spent several days last week in Minneapolis. John Sutton and Miss Edna Kelly of Manchester were married at Dundee Wednesday, April 29, by Rev. F. G. Young. They will live on the Sutton farm west of Delhi. Dr. E. W. Warner and family are

visiting relatives at Arlington. Sam Vesey of Marshalltown is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Will Moulson.

Mrs. F. M. Byerly and Miss May Oehler were Anamosa visitors last week. Dr. W. C. Cummings was up from Hopkinton Sunday.

Will Furman has a cement block machine. Mrs. W. F. Neal was a Dundee visitor last week. A. H. Bentz was a Monticello visitor last week.

M. J. Yorvan was down from Manchester Wednesday. L. L. Noble of the Point visited his daughter, Mrs. E. B. Porter last week.

THORPE.

Mrs. Amie Stone and son Chester spent Wednesday with Mrs. Bert Ryan. H. O. Wiltsie of Manchester called on D. D. Sark Wednesday.

The maple syrup social last Thursday evening was well attended and all reported a good time. C. Wendall shipped a car load of cattle to Chicago, Tuesday.

Mr. Mattie First is working for Geo. Norris. Mrs. Daisy spent Sunday with Mrs. Dan Sark. John Robertson while doing some painting for Al Clark, Wednesday had the misfortune to fall and cut his head quite badly.

Chester Stones foot is doing nicely at this writing. C. Wendall went to Chicago one day last week. Mr. Boem of Littleport spent a few days of the past week with John Hammerman.

Ralph Works and wife called on Amie Stone and wife last Wednesday. One Gift She Missed. Six-year-old Harry wanted to buy his sister a little birthday present. His heart throbbled with joy at the thought, though he had in his pocket only 10 cents. Nevertheless a week ahead of time he went around the shops and came back with a very satisfied look. His mother asked him what he had bought.

"I got her a cream puff," he said. "Well, you know, Harry," said his mother, "that won't keep fresh for a week." "That's what I thought after I bought it, mother," replied Harry calmly, "and so I ate it."—Ladies' Home Journal.

How Fast He Could Go. A breeder and trainer of race horses who is known almost as well in England as he is here recently sold a horse to an Englishman. The Englishman before paying for the horse quibbled a bit about the price and then said: "You know, I'd like to see the horse first just to see how fast he can go." "Never mind about that," said the trainer. "He can't go any faster than I can tell it."—New York Sun.

Family Secret. "That's papa's picture," explained the little girl to the caller who was looking at a framed photograph on the piano. "You wouldn't know it unless I told you 'cause it's got a smile on the face."—Chicago Tribune.

General Spasup. Mrs. Benham—It seems as if every thing was broken when we moved. Benham—Shouldn't wonder. I know the moving broke me. —New York Press.

A French Bull. On seeing the gallantry of the Moors the commandant could not help clapping his hands and exclaiming, "Bravo!" as he advanced with his saber in one hand and his revolver in the other. —Cor. Paris Mattin.

He Aimed Higher. He kissed her hand. She withdrew it hastily and gazed reproachfully at him. "I didn't think it of you," she said, almost tearfully. "I had always considered you a young man with ideals and..." "I—I am sorry if I have offended," he stammered. "I—" "Well," she said bitterly, "I certainly expected you to aim higher." So he took heart and made new resolutions and things.

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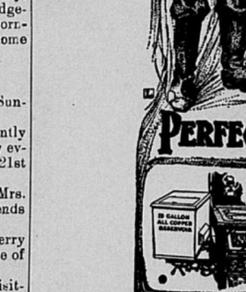
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A FAREWELL CHAT.

Interview Between the Boss and the Man He Fired.

Neither of the partners had arrived, and the clerks that morning were idling in their usual bout of gossip. "Did I tell you, chaps, that I was leaving?" drawled the languid swell of the staff, whose incompetence was as palpable as the splendor of his attire.

"Hear'd you'd got the sack," replied the spectacled cashier gruffly. "I answered an advertisement yesterday for what looks like a first class job," resumed the overdressed one, ignoring the remark. "I've pitched rather a strong yarn, but you've got to do that if you want to keep up with the times."

Just then the senior partner entered, and all wrote intently. Within five minutes the "old man," who had been opening letters, called the last speaker into his room, and the following dialogue became plainly audible to those outside:

"Have you been in our office seven years?" "No, sir; only fifteen months." "And is your salary \$4,100 a week?" "Oh, no, sir; 30 shillings." "And are you in entire charge of the counting house?" "No reply."

"And are you leaving us because of a difference with the firm regarding the management of our colonial branches?" "Dead silence and a short pause. Then the old man: 'You should be more careful in your statements, sir. This is a small world. The advertisement you answered was for the situation you are leaving on Saturday. That will do.'—London Tit-Bits.

Americanism in England. The following speech is put into the mouth of an American helmsman in an English story called "A Subaltern of Horse." "I've a hunch that this is the biggest game of spoof I've officiated in yet, Mr. Herries. You have a nerve and no mistake." Then as Herries withdrew she caught sight of Fox's smiling face. The Bud turned on him hotly. "You were in this too. I like your neck. You'll have to pitch a tale to pop. He's drawn on a man for less out west. Come, Marnel, let's get us the lobster's like, Captain. Will you please escort us to our carriage?"

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