County Correspondence.

ONEIDA.

Miss Lulu and Leona Ross of Elkport spent Sunday with their brother, Chas. Kimber.

Miss Eva Rector of Manchester visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. Vanfleet of Earlville was a business caller here Monday.

Henry Muslel of Almoral was in town the first of the week.

S. T. Knox was a business caller in Manchester Thursday.

J. W. Howe of West Union visited his son, J. B. Howe, the first of the week.

Miss Pearl Cox commenced the spring term of school in the Long district Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dunham visited relatives in Manchester Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Ed. Heise and daughter of Palestine, Illinois, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe returned home Friday after a three month's visit with relatives in Florida.

Mrs. Geo. Cox received word Wednesday that her nephew, Ray Ferry, of Laporte, had accidentally shot himself while out hunting and died instantly. She left for Laporte Thursday morning.

The pie social held last Friday night at the Hickory Grove school house for the benefit of the school was well attended and all the pies put up for sale brought a good price. Nearly $14.00 was raised as a result of the efforts put forth by the promoters of the social.

Mrs. Walter Bowman and daughter Katherine returned home Monday aftre visiting relatives at Maquoketa for several days.

Miss Myrtle Connell of Manchester is clerking in her brother's store here.

Mrs. E. Richmond is visiting at the Wm. Cox home.

John Knox was severely burned on his lower limbs by upsetting a jug of washing fluid.

Mrs. Rose Parker and two children of Manchester are visiting at the J. Parker home.

Burt Carver spent several days the past week with relatives inD yersville.

Mr. Kirchheck of Delaware was a business caller here Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Kimber and daughter spent several days the past week with relatives at Thorpe.

Geo. Mayer was a Manchester visitor Saturday.

EAD'S GROVE.

The geese are going north, the robins are plentiful and everything indicates that spring has come again, and no one is sorry unless it is the coal man.

Misses Nellie and Sadie Fowler visited Thursday with their sister, Mrs. May of Edgewood.

Mrs. S. E. Way returned from Chicago on Wednesday, March 24.

The week-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. McElmeel died on Sunday, March 21. Funeral services were held at Greeley on Tuesday.

The barn on the H. Lewis farm, occupied by Ed. Lawrence, was burned on Tuesday night and four head of horses, twenty head of cattle and a quantity of hay was burned with it.

James Whipple and wife of Edgewood visited at Jno. Hilsenbeck's last Sunday.

Charles Clute is on the sick list.

Miss Stella Clute returned home from Epworth on Friday for the spring vacation.

Misses Sadie Fowler and Mina Edmunds called on Mrs. Bertha Parkinson Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Chas. Smith visited her brother, Harry Sackett, several days recently, leaving for Montana on Tuesday to join her husband.

Joe Fowler spent Saturday and Sunday in Waterloo.

HOPKINTON.

Mrs. Nellie Vinton, who visited her sister, Mrs. Robert Milroy, for a week, returned toC oggon last Monday.

Rev. Chester Tourtellot visited his parents last Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Grace Strane spent last week in Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. Lou Lang and little son were here from Monticello last Wednesday.

Mrs. Sophia Johnson went to West Union Wednesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Williamson.

Mrs. Franz Martin was in Dubuque last week.

Miss Aylo Thorpe and Mrs. Grace Hucker visited Mrs. Florence Smith at Manchester last week.

Mr. Barker was up from Monticello last Friday.

The W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. A. L. Martin last Friday. A paper on the life of Neal Dow was given by Mrs. Rebecca Dunlap and one on Child labor by Mrs. Foster.

A little daughter was born March 19th to Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Reeve at their home in Lacony, Penn.

Mr. James McCullough moved last week to their residence purchased of F. E. Williamson.

Mrs. E. F. Main went to Monticello Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Croyle, the mother of her brother-in-law.

Mr. C. H. Ricketts was confined to the home last week by sickness.

Mr. . E. Reeve has taken his son, Harry, intopartnership and the firm hereafter will do business under the name of Reeve & Son.

Miss Lucy Dufoe went to Marion Saturday evening.

Mrs. Franz Martin went to Dubuque last Monday.

Mrs. Wheelock and her niece, Thelma Tibbitts were over Sunday visitors at Monticello.

Homer Brooks has returned from the Wisconsin university.

Mrs. Alex Livingston, who has resided in this community since 1848, died at her home in Monticello, March 12th, at the age of 78 years, 9 months and 4 days. She married Alex Livingston in 1848 and came to a farm between Hopkinton and Monticello, where they lived until three years ago, when they removed to the latter town. They were the parents of fourteen children, 12 of whom lived to grow up, and nine survive her. Her husband died about a year ago.

This community was saddened last Wednesday morning by the sudden death of Mrs. Bessie Rogers which occurred at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wheeless, and it was especially sad to her father, who was in the west and did not reach home until Saturday morning. Bessie was born in Fremont, Neb., Oct. 31, 1885, but most of her life was spent in Hopkinton. She was a student of Lenox college, belonging to the class of 1907. She was a worker in Sabbath school, Epworth League and the Y. W. C. A. of the college and was well fitted for a minister's wife for which plan she was chosen by J. E. Rogers, to whom she was married June 13, 1908, and went with him to Evanston, where he was pursuing a theological course. She had previously taught a year in Jennings Seminary at Aurora, Illinois. The funeral took place Saturday at 2 p. m. The church was filled long before the time and many remained standing during the service. The sermon, by the pastor, Rev. Stevens, was from Job 14-14 after which a short address was given by Dr. Parkhill of Lenox college, with closing remarks by Rev. Bindenberger. The honorary pall bearers were Misses Jessie Ricketts, May Trevor, Louise Jackson, Emma Laxon, Jessie Dunlap and Ethel Erossman. The active pall bearers were David Debest, James Kirkwood, Verdon Welch, Floyd Smith, Russel Doolittle. A large circle of friends and relatives followed her to her last resting place. A sweet memory will long remain fresh in the hearts of the dear ones she left behind.

Mr. Archie Livingston died at his home near Hopkinton, March 19th. He was among the very earliest settlers of the county, coming here with his parents in 1838 from near Winnipeg, Canada. There were several families who made the trip in ox carts, the journey occupying several months, and all settled in this community taking up land, which farms they occupied until recent was never married and lived entirely years. Mr. Livingston owned and lived upon a farm of 240 acres. He alone.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Avis and Roy Grommon visited at Mrs. D. Grommon's in Manchester Sunday.

Dr. H. M. Bradley was called to the G. B. Davis home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettlon called at the home of G. B. Davis Monday.

Miss Avis Grommon is teaching in the VanAuken district at Coffin's Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Davis went to Dubuque Wednesday. Mrs. Davis went through a critical operation Wednesday morning and last reports were that she was in a fair way of recovery.

Mrs. Elvira Davis is staying with her daughted, Mrs. J. W. Hartman.

Mrs. Jerry Kaster was in Delaware Thursday.

The birthday party in honor of Miss Margaret Smith was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grapes Wednesday.

Edith Sheppard returned from Stanley Friday.

Every one present reported a good time at John Downs Friday evening.

Edith Sheppard is teaching at Baileys Ford in the school known as the Copperhead.

Lena Danford began school in the Clark district the 22nd.

Minnie Sheppard is teaching the Milo Spring Branch school.

The Misses Nellie Pettlon and Elvira Hartman are spending a few weeks at the home of G. B. Davis.

J. W. Hartman had business in Dyersville the last of the week.

DEL HI.

Miss Rose Harris of Idaho is expected here this week for an extended visit.

School closes next Friday, April 2.

Miss May Oehler is clerking in E. G. Adam's store.

Mrs. Brady Miller visited her daughter, Mrs. Guy Smith, in Oneida last week.

Misses Maud Holbert and Mattie Mullen were Strawberry Point visitors Saturday.

Miss Verna Wilson visited her aunt, Miss Rebecca Wilson, at this place last week.

Miss Nellie Keith of Ames is visiting her relatives at this place.

Ed Mullen, the barber, has gone to Oelwein to locate.

Mrs. Fannie Gray of Dakota is here to see her mother, Mrs. J. W. Penn, who is ill.

Misses Hazel Perkins and Gene Minkler are home from Lenox for vacation.

Mrs, James Norris has returned from the Dubuque hospital much improved in health.

Miss Bessie Sauerbry of Strawberry Point is visiting her cousin, Stella Himmel.

Miss Avis Grommon is teaching the spring term of school in Coffins Grove township.

Mrs. George Davis is in a hospital in Dubuque, where she went to submit to an operation. Her many friends hope she may soon recover.

Mrs. F. A. Doolittle and Mrs. B. T. Saunders were shopping in Manchester Saturday.

A caucus was held last Monday, March 22, at the township hall for the purpose of nominating a ticket for the offices of the incorporated town of Delhi. The following nominations were made; mayor, J. W. Swinburne; councilmen, D. F. Jones, F. A. Doolittle, A. Sherman, C. C. White and C. H. Furman; clerk, E. B. Porter, treasurer, F. E. Stimson. The election will be held on Monday, April 5, at township hall. A dinner and supper will be given in the G. A. R. hall on that day. Everybody cordially invited.

THORPE.

Henry Heyer drove to Manchester on business Saturday.

Charles Daisy, wife and daughter, Elizabeth, visited with Perry Smith and family Sunday.

Mark and Lee Croyle visited with their sister, Mrs. Fred Wendell last Sunday.

Chester Stone spent Sunday with his friend, Cole Sedgwick.

Z. Reynolds and brother spent a few days with their brother and wife, who live at Thorpe.

Billy Smith came last Saturday.

Earnest Mungar was in Strawberry Point on business.

Bert Bowers, wife and daughter, Marion, were in Manchester Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Reynolds spent their honey-moon in Thorpe.

Mrs. Gurney was on the sick list for a few days.

Bell Hendershot is boarding the bridge men.

Mrs. George Martin is some better at this writing. Everybody is glad to hear it.

Mr. Barns, the bridge builder, is putting in a new bridge north of Thorpe.

LENOX COLLEGE.

President Reed was at Oelwein March 21st, to preach and declare the pulpit vacant of the Presbyterian church of which Rev. A. E. Moody had been pastor.

The debate between the Athenian and Clayonian societies for the beautiful loving cup presented by the faculty, took place Friday evening in the college chapel. The question for debate was "Resolved that the extension of the powers of National Executive is a warrantable safeguard of American policies." Three debaters from each society were chosen. The affirmative was taken by the Clayonians, who were A. E. Aitchison, Lawrence Doolittle and Miss E. Orr. The negative by Elliott Parkhill, Ray Anderson and Miss Maud Crabb. The decision was for the negative, won by the Athenians. The society that wins three times holds the cup permanently. The judges were Mr. Stiles, Manchester, Mr. Heine, Edgewood and Dr. Beckes, Hopkinton.

Floyd Smith '07, of State university and Miss Ethel Grossman '07, of Wyoming attended the funeral of their classmate, Mrs. Rogers, last Saturday.

Rev. John Rogers '08 has the sympathy of all connected with Lenox college in his great affliction in the death of his wife, which occurred last Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr.and Mrs. H. Wheeless.

Lenox college closed the winter term last Friday for a weeks vacation.

DELAWARE.

Mrs. L. Hokenson is visiting relatives in Chicago.

Miss Alma Nicholson was a Manchester caller Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Roloff entertained the social hour club Saturday.

Mrs. H. Guthornson was a recent caller in Manchester.

A. W. Sackett was a business caller in Manchester Wednesday.

Mrs. E. E. Mittlestadt was shopping in Manchester Friday.

Fred Roloff has been very sick but is some better at this writing.

Miss Maggie Glew was a business caller in Manchester Saturday.

W. Rolloff was a recent caller in Manchester.

E. E. Mittlestadt was a business caller in Dyersville Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Ray was the guest of Mrs. A. W. Sackett Thursday.

Miss Bertha Ryan entertained some friends Friday evening.

COLESBURG.

J. R. Grimes was a Dyersville caller Friday.

J. K. P. Bolsinger left Saturday for Tripp county, South Dakota, to file and prove up on his claim which he drew in the land-drawing contest last fall. All hope he may secure a good section of land.

Miss Morga Craig has been enjoying a vacation of two weeks from her school work at Jefferson.

Mrs. M. J. Wilson has returned from Missouri, where she spent the winter with relatives. Her friends are pleased to have her at home again.

Miss Marie Grimes is at home from Epworth seminary for the spring vacation.

John Kipp, whose illness from appendicitis we reported in these columns previously, died very suddenly last Sunday evening. He had improved so as to be able to be up and about the house and was contemplating going to Rochester for an operation, when his strength permitted. He was taken suddenly and violently worse and expired in a few moments presumably from heart failure. Had he lived until May, he would have been twenty years of age. His untimely death is an unspeakable sorrow to his parents, brothers and sisters and the sympathy of the entire community is theirs. The funeral was held Wednesday from St. Boniface church, New Vienna.

At a recent meeting of the school board,Prof. Wisdom and Misses Nellie Jones and Mabel Moore were reelected for next year. This substantial recognition of satisfactory service is the best recommendation a teacher can have.

Arthur Platte was twelve years old Monday, Mrach 22 and he celebrated the occasion by inviting some young friends to supper, viz:—Gilbert Walters, Carl Trowbridge, Spencer Smith, Walter Bush, Mary Platte and Salome Foote. The "youngsters" had a fine time and Arthur was the recipient of several presents from his playmates.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Slick of Oelwien are guests of Colesburg friends and relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Moreland went to Dyersville the first of the week to look after some business matters.

John Lansing, an old and highly respected citizen of this community, died Friday after an illness of several weeks with heart trouble and kindred ailments. He was seventy-four years of age and is survived by his wife and one son. His only daughter, Mrs. Kate Vorwald, died some eight or nine months ago and her death was a sad blow to the aged father, who seemed never to fully recover from the shock. His funeral is being held today from St. Boniface church, at New Vienna, where interment will be made. Public sympathy is extended to the wife and son thus bereft of a kind husband and father.

Mrs. Ryan has been undergoing a siege with neuralgia during the past week. Also Mrs. James Prentice has been a victim of that painful disease recently. We are pleased to report both better.

Mrs. F. O'Neal, who is teaching at Progress, has a vacation of two weeks.

Bert McMahon is at Mercy hospital, Dubuque, recovering from an operation for appendicitis, which was performed last Thursday. This ailment is getting too prevalent for comfort in these parts these days.

The many friends of James Potts, formerly of this vicinity, but now residing in California, will learn with regret of his serious illness. He sustained a stroke of paralysis some time ago and is failing fast. It is thought he can not survive long.

Miss Angie Lewis entertained the Thimble club at her home Friday evening. Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening spent.

Miss Lillian Dittmer is at home from a pleasant visit with Dairy City friends.

The Interstate Telephone company is changing the central office here from the Bush and Eppens store to W. H. Bush's store building.

Mrs. Maggie Stillinger was happily surprised Saturday evening, when a party of friends called to celebrate her birthday, bringing her nice presents of china and glass ware. The ladies had a jolly evening together. Just before going home, delicious refreshmentswere served.

Mrs. S. B. Page, who with her husband, spent the winter her, has been critically ill with blood poisoning since her return to Mankato. She is now being treated at the hospital with prospects of recovery in a few weeks.

Robert C. Currie left the first of the week on a land seeking trip to Montana and the Dakotas, expecting to be away about two weeks.

F. M. Brock also started on the return trip to Montana, Monday having come home from there the latter part of the week. He gave a glowing account of the country and will take up a claim there.

Mrs. George Landis of New Vienna spent a part of the week at the parental home here. Mr. Landis was a Sunday visitor.

George F. Chapman was interviewing our merchants during the week in behalf of the Welch-Cook company of Cedar Rapids.

NORTH MANCHESTER.

Mrs. Charles Rumple of Dubuque spent a couple of days last week as a guest of her mother, Mrs. Woolfe, and sister, Mrs. C. L. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Magill are enjoying a visit from their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tabor.

Mr. George Hooker is spending a few days in North Manchester.

Jimmie Barnd is on the sick list.

Mrs. Jim Parker and children were visiting Father Parker last week at Oneida.

The two Miss Shaffers are recovering from a severe shaking up received in a runaway last week. Coming home from school the horse became frightened and ran away, throwing the girls out. Miss Celia has been confined to her bed ever since, no bones broken, but severely injured. MissClara is up and around and we hope Celia soon will be.

Minnie Skinner is visiting in Earlville for a few days.

Mrs. Bird Clark of Arlington is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Clark for a few days.

Another of our old neighbors has concluded to move to town, Chet Scotts family. We are very glad to have the place occupied by Mrs. Bessie Howe, who was once our neighbor. We welcome her back again.

Mrs. Riley Smith and Mrs. Harry Logan spent Friday last in Dubuque returning the same evening.

Easter services will be observed in Saint Paul's Union church.

Fred Skinners youngest son is sick again.

Mrs. Frank Bloodsworth is quite sick at present writing.

Mrs. Crosier is housed up, suffering from La grippe. Mrs. Bessie Howe has been suffering with the same disease but is much better.

Mrs. Millett is still very poorly.

Mrs. Lizzie Clark is sick with neuralgia of the stomach.

Our pastor, Rev. Ensign, is to be with us again next Sunday at the usual hour. We're all glad to have him back again after an absence of several months. Everybody come, 3:30 April 4.

MASONVILLE.

Joe Webber was a business visitor at Minneapolis last Wednesday.

John Beihl made a business trip to Chamberlain, South Dakota, last week.

Phil Fritz was a Dubuque visitor last Monday.

Miss Murva Kelley visiting with friends in Oelwein the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carsons, son and daughter are home for vacation. Miss Carson is a teacher at Central City and Earl is a student at Cornell college.

Miss Bridget Maroney visited a few days in Manchester last week.

Clyde Mosher has been on the sick list the past week, being laid up with neuralgia. Clyde intended going to North Dakota ,this week with Andy McElroy and Bess Havens but was unable to do so.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tracey of Nashua, Iowa, are visiting with their daughter here, Mrs. F. Conca.

Last Wednesday evening at her home here in Masonville occurred the marriage of Miss Blanche Moore to Mr. Milton H. Blount of Seattle, Washington. They left the same evening for Washington, where they will make their future home at Everet. Mr. Blount is a traveling salesman and a man of much worth. Miss Moore is one of our most estimable young ladies and her host of friends here wish them success and happiness in their voyage through life.

EARLVILLE.

Died, on Friday, March 26, aged 84 years. George Henry Mayer. For the past twenty years. Mr. Mayer has lived at the Yelden home just west of town and during that time won for himself the love and esteem of a large circle of friends, all of whom are grieved to learn of his death. The funeral was held from the Lutheran church at Delaware Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment in the Manchester cemetery beside his wife, who preceded him twenty years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Jones of Dubuque spent several days with relatives this week.

On Friday at noon about forty friends and acquaintances found their way to the home of Mr. George Howieler and informed him that he had arrived at the three score and ten mile post on the highway of life. Mr. Howieler was greatly surprised but soon made his guests at home an the day was spent in feasting and merry making. All present reporting a most enjoyable time.

Chris Kuehnle is reported to be very seriously ill this week. His children having been summoned to his bedside.

Miss Emma Laxon returned Monday from a two week's visit at Wyoming, Iowa.

Mrs. L. G. Hersey and daughter, Grace, are expecting to return this week from their winter's visit at Cedar Falls and Minpeapolis.

Rev. Alcorn left Wednesday for Creighton, Nebraska.

Mrs. C. A. Kendall is visiting at Fredricksburg.

Gus. Philipp of Manchester spent Sunday at the home of his mother.

Mrs. Frank Sedgwick and little daughter Ruth returned to their home in Independence after a week's visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Welso.

Rev. R. F. Paxton of Colorada has not accepted the pastorate of the Congregational church here as was reported. His congregation at that place being unwilling to release him.

RETURN OF FIFTY-FIRST IOWA FROM PHILIPPINES.

By Mary Dunham Grinnell.

From Washington, on wings of lightning,
Over where our boys were fighting;
On one bright September's day,
A message was sent to Manilla bay.

Spirits were in the air, sounds too.
"Hurrah! What's up! What's there t do?"
Such hurrying about, and tossing things up.
"Now where's my fork, plate and tin cup?"

To and fro, here and there, how some run.
"And where's my haver-sack, overcoat, pouch and gun?"
Waiting now, with hats over faces, brown,
They are ready, anxious to leave Manilla town.

Listen! Assembly! the trumpeter calls.
Here they come,one and all,
Four abreast, marching in broiling sun.
Iowa's brave fifty and one.

With measured step, marching to the sea,
As happy, as happy can be,
Marching to old Manila bay,
Where the "Senator" at anchor lay.

Our dear old Uncle Sam!
With hearty cheer, we second your plan.
As the chorus in our hearts goes round,
We are homeward, homeward bound.

On old ocean, bounding. o'er the deep,
For joy, mothers at home did weep.
To home and kindred dear,
The absent soldier is drawing near.

The Senator with her 746 strong,
With her crew, northward bounded along.
To us, the wires say, on some glad day,
She will sail into 'Frisco bay.

To their country they had been true,
Now the home land they would view,
O! our own dear country, it is thee,
We're sailing, sailing to see.

But see! at a distance a cloud is viewed.
Now these, in blue were shadowed.
The dark heavens begin to lower,
Alas! a typhoon is on them in its power.

In a sad, silent mood,
These blues, speechless stood.
Amid ocean's foam, hope, to fear gave way,
Never, would they reach 'Frisco bay.

In Iowa homes, hopeful hearts, waiting round,
This time, on wires came the solemn sound.
"The Senator, on high waves tossed,
We fear, in mid-ocean is lost."

The governor of Iowa state,
Wired the news of her sad fate.
On some, 'twas noon or night it fell,
On city, town and country dell.

Loving, fearing hearts longed,
Sad thoughts, the mind thronged,
Saying is there no clew,
To the lost crew in blue.

Could it be so, their last sleep,
Must be in ocean's briny deep.
How bereft every one felt,
At God's altar, with petition, they knelt.

Aye! every soldier mother, in the land,
To Heaven, raised heart and hand.
But somewhere, the Senator still rode,
On tempest wave, with her precious load.

Now upon the waves crest,
Then down in hollow barely rests.
At midnight, homebells were tolling,
Yet, the Senator above the waves was rolling.

During hours of time shadows fell,
Oh! what blighted hopes, who can tell.
Many tearful eyes could not sleep,
Dear mothers, with sorrow did weep.

Hopeful hearts, waiting, beating fast,
Praying the storm might be past.
Oh! the clicking wires, how joyful this time,
"The Senator sails beyond storm line."

Dear old Iowa's fifty and one,
Sails again under the bright sun.
On the ship, blue-coated braves,
Thank God, His mercy saved.

Now glad hearts homeward bound,
Listen, to the waves musical sound.
Eastward Ho! how merrily they go,
With beautiful sky, and soft winds blow.

Now, the dear native land is in view,
Joyful, patient hearts waiting too.
Hurrah! best land we ever trod,
Beautiful land of our mothers and God.

On the shore, waching ones at night,
Called, a ship, a ship in sight.
O! joyful this beautiful October's day,
The Senator reaches 'Frisco bay.

*Again in east Pacific's breeze, old glory waves,
Near the homes of Iowa's true braves.
Proudly she steams up Golden Gate,
thank God she's here.
The whistle sounds, she reaches government pier.

Oh! would that this were all,
That true memory might recall.
On native soil these again tread,
While from our land, some are in earthly beds.

Marching along with music and joy,
The mother heart says O, my boy.
To many mothers, it wafts over the sea,
Whispering my boy will never come to me.

Many blue coats are behind the closet door,
Some the owner never'll wear any more.
An orderly, carefully packed them away,
And they came alone from Manila bay.

Again "the wires," whispering now,
**One there is, with aching brow.
Lies sick, this very day,
On the Senator in 'Frisco bay.

On wings of steam loved ones flew,
But pearly Gates opened; he passed through.
They bore him to the home-nest,
Wrapped in the Flag, they laid him to rest.

To many mothers that flag is half mast still,
With hopeless sorrow, their hearts fill.
Under its waving shadows, in tears
They must pass all coming years.

*The Senator embarked September 22, and reached Golden Gate October 22, the autumn of 1899.

**Mr. McDean of College Springs, Iowa It was true that the people assembled at the church in College Springs at midnight.

The Devilfish In Action.

A naturalist who observed devilfishes in action says that he thought no more diabolical creature could be imagined. They resembled enormous bats and in following one another around in a circle raised the outer tip of one of the long winglike fins high out of the water in a graceful curve, the other being deeply submerged. They might be seen now gliding down with a flying motion of the wings, sweeping, gyrating upward with a twisting vertical motion marvelous in its perfect grace; now they flashed white, again black, so that one would say they were rolling over and over, turning somersaults. While swimming along the two great arms or feelers of the devilfish are whirled about in constant motion, like the tentacles of a squid. When these tentacles come in contact with anything they close upon it. It is generally believed that this clasping, although at times doing considerable harm to fishermen and their boats, is largely automatic and that, upon the whole, the devilfish is timid rather than a fighter.

The Rust of Custom.

The bitterness toward innovation is just the same in an army as out of it, but perhaps with more reason. A new thing cannot possibly be accepted until it has proved itself better than that which it displaces. The first cannons were possibly rejected, and the Christian inventor took them to the Turk, who used them at the siege of Constantinople. The first firearms were bitterly opposed because they destroyed the soldierly bearing of the troops. The British navy strenuously objected to the first large guns because one charge would cost as much as one of Nelson's broadsides. Ericsson's Monitor met with more opposition in Washington than it did in Hampton Roads. At the outbreak of the civil war it is said that congress ordered the adoption of the new weapon, over the objection of the chief of ordnance, who kept a specimen of the old one in his office to show visitors how good it was.—Army and Navy Life.

Living Lights of the Sea.

One of the marine curiosities fished from the bottom of the Indian ocean by a dredging vessel chartered by the Calcutta Society of Natural History was a mammoth sea crab, which continually emitted a bright white light, similar to that seen in the spasmodic flashes of phosphorescent luminosity kindled by the common fireflies. The oddity was captured in daytime and placed in a large tank, nothing peculiar except its immense size being noticeable in the broad glare of the tropical sun. At night, however, when all was in pitchy darkness, the crab surprised the naturalists by lighting up the tank so that all the other sea creatures, great and small, occupying the same tank could be plainly seen. When the luminous crustacean was prodded with a pole he emitted flashes of light, which enabled the experimenters to read small print, even though otherwise they were in total darkness.—London Chronicle.

Sartorial Monstrosities.

There are men we meet every day who take such sartorial liberties as almost drive one to despair. We have to tolerate such monstrous combinations as brown boots and frock coats, silk hats and lounge suits and frock coats and bowlers, and we are even nerving ourselves to the expectation of seeing a kilted highlander in a silk "topper."—London Outfitter.

HOW'S THIS?

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Tuesday, April 27,

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2. Measure ears according to instructions and blanks which we will furnish.

3. Plant part of each ear in a separate row. (Instructions to follow.)

4. Count and record the stand in June. (Instructions and blanks to follow, June 1st.)

5. Count and record the stand, also the smutted stalks, barren stalks and suckers appearing in each row. (Instructions and blanks to follow the first of September.)

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Signed.... ....Age ..
Town.... ....R. F. D...
County.....

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Signed.... ....Age ..
Town.... ....R. F. D.
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(Fill out one blank and return entire sheet.)

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