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John E. Frentress died at his home in Hayden, Colorado, Friday evening, December 22, 1911, after an illness of about two months duration of tuberculosis.

Mr. Frentress was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Frentress, pioneer residents of this county, who settled on what is known as the old Frentress farm in Honey Creek township in the year of 1860 and on which farm John E. Frentress was born March 14, 1867 and continued to reside until about three years ago, when he moved to a farm near Hayden, Colorado, on the account of the health of members of his family. About two months ago Mr. and Mrs. Frentress came to Manchester to complete the sale of their farm in Honey Creek township and it was during his stay here that he was first advised that he was afflicted with the disease which caused his death. His many friends here who met him during his visit in this vicinity did not realize that his condition was so serious and the news of his death came as a shock to them.

"Dick" as Mr. Frentress was familiarly known was a cheerful disposition and in his business deals was square and true to every obligation resting upon him. He was a kind and affectionate husband and father and a man who anyone could be proud to list as a friend.

During his residence in this county he was on a number of occasions called to fill township offices by the electors of his township and was for a number of years elected school director in his district.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie, W. Frentress, a daughter of R. W. Fisher of this city, and four sons, Bert, Glenn, Theodore and a baby boy about one year of age; and four daughters, Mrs. James McGarvey, Vanessa, Fern and Catherine.

The funeral service was held Sunday at the home in Hayden and interment was made in the cemetery at that place.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

N. E. Davis to Florence L. Davis. W 1-4 Sec 4 & N 1-2 N W 1-4 Sec 3-8-5. \$1000.00.
Phoebe Rich et al to F. E. Bell et al. Land in Sec 26-90-1800.00.
R. J. Erb and W. T. Michael Nolan Jr. W 1-2 N 8 rods lot 5, Masonville, Iowa. \$1000.00.
Wm. F. Steva to L. J. Gates. Lots 4 & 5 blk 15, Pitkin's add Earlville, Ia. \$1000.
Geo. H. Keyes and W. T. Oscar Salberg. W 22 ft & 5 ft in Lt 15 Sub div Lt 146 and 197 Manchester. Ia. \$1000.

GOOD SLEIGHING.

This vicinity was visited by a heavy fall of snow on Tuesday and bobs and cutters are much in evidence to-day. Fully six inches of "the beautiful" fell on Tuesday and the temperature took a decided drop from the unseasonable high mark around which it has hovered for some time. The weather man promises a period of winter weather and sleighing.

REAL MERIT.

"It is easy enough to be prudent When nothing tempts you to stray, When without and within no voice of sin Is turing your soul away. But it's only a negative virtue, Until it is tried by fire. And the life that is worth the honor of earth, Is the one that resists desire."

AIMERS-DUNCAN.

Miss Margaret Almers of Dundee and Mr. John Duncan were married at the home of the bride's parents at Dundee on Sunday, December 24, 1911.

MAYOR HARRISON COMING.

Carter Harrison, Mayor of Chicago, and a party of friends are expected at Greeley in the near future for a rabbit hunt in the country northeast of that place.

I. C. O'Dell will have the honor of entertaining Chicago's chief executive during his stay in that vicinity.

LUX-KELSEY.

Miss Viola Lux of Hopkinton and Mr. Earl Kelsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kelsey of this city, were united in marriage by Rev. J. J. Collins at the Catholic church in this city Christmas morning. Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey departed on an afternoon train for New Orleans, Louisiana, where they will make their future home.

The Democrat joins with their many friends in wishing them happiness.

Presbyterian.

The quarterly communion service will be held next Sabbath at 10:30 a. m. A special feature of the day's worship will be a praise service and roll call of members and all are invited to respond with a verse of Scripture. This year has fifty-three Sabbaths and the services mark that event.

MRS. MARIE GALYEAN.

Delaware county friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Marie Galyean at her home in Portland, Oregon, on December 15, 1911. She was a sister of Mrs. W. H. Long of this city, and was for many years a resident of this county, living near Plum Creek for some time, and later at Spring Branch. She removed to Oregon about eight years ago.

Mrs. Galyean was eighty-two years of age and is survived by one daughter, four sons, one sister and two brothers.

JAMES ALVAH PRESTON.

James Alvah Preston died at St. Louis City, Iowa, Sunday, December 24, 1911. The remains were brought here Monday and the funeral services will be held from the Thon. Kent home on east Howard street this (Wednesday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. H. Ensign will officiate and interment will be made in Oakland cemetery.

The deceased received a bruise on his right arm about a month ago from which complications followed, resulting in his death. Mr. Preston is survived by his wife and mother, Mrs. J. W. Preston and two brothers, Charles and Walter of Coffins Grove township.

Anders & Phillip advertise this week blank books, calendars and supplies for 1912.

Bert Stimpson is here from Attica, Indiana, for a visit with relatives and friends.

G. G. Armistead gives some facts in regard to hosiery in his ad this week. Read it.

Howard O'Brien of Independence was a guest of friends in the city the first of the week.

Attention is directed to the ad of Max Joseph, the horse buyer, who will be in Manchester on Friday, December 26th.

Miss Clara Bing, accompanied by her sister, Miss Nell Bing, of Dubuque, departed last week for Pomero, Ohio, for a visit with their parents. Miss Alma Duba of Waterloo has taken Miss Bing's position at the First National bank during her absence.

Mrs. N. P. Malvin and son, John, of Minneapolis, are here for a visit with Manchester friends, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blake. John Malvin is possessed of a beautiful soprano voice, and his Manchester friends will be glad to learn that he will sing in the Congregational Church in this city Sunday morning.

The W. R. C. extend a cordial invitation to comrades and Sons of Veterans to meet with them at the G. A. R. hall on Friday evening, January 3rd, for the purpose of installing the officers of W. A. Morse Relief Corps No. 29. Refreshments will be served after installation.

Manchester members of the Knights of Columbus will be interested in the election of officers of Cascade council, which resulted in the following being named: Grand Knight, J. H. Devaney; Deputy Grand Knight, S. T. Keane; Chancellor, C. D. Baldwin; Financial Secretary, J. P. McMullen; Recording Secretary, C. J. Devlin; Treasurer, M. E. Kurt; Warden, Dr. J. P. Lane; Advocate, E. D. Hogan; Trustee, J. P. Moran; Inside Guard, John A. Smith; Outside Guard, W. J. O'Brien.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Mrs. Anna Powell Meets Horrible Death Near Her Home at Earlville.

Mrs. Anna Powell, one of the best known and respected women of Earlville, was struck by an east-bound freight train at the Main street crossing on Saturday night and instantly killed. She was alone at the time and no one used the accident.

She has been a long-time friend in south part of town. Two trains were approaching at the time and the supposition is that she was watching the one from the east; she did not notice the other. Later in the evening her son, who lives close by his mother's home noticed a light in her home. As she was living alone he went in to ascertain if there was any trouble. He searched the house and premises but failed to find her. He became alarmed and informed the neighbors who joined in the search. As the hours passed and she did not return, a public alarm was given. The men and boys of the town then joined in the search. At about 1 o'clock Charles Davey found the lifeless form of Mrs. Powell lying between the park and track half way between the depot and Main street crossing. The body was horribly mutilated.

She was the widow of Martin Powell and was 64 years of age. Mrs. Powell is survived by three children, two sons, William H. of North Fork township and Frank of Earlville, and one daughter, Mary of Dubuque. Mrs. Powell was a noble woman and her tragic death has brought sorrow to the hearts of many friends who sympathize with the relatives in their great sorrow.—Earlville correspondent.

MRS. R. J. VAN ANTWERP.

Mary Elizabeth Strong was born in Massillon, Ohio, June 4, 1845, and died at her home in Delhi, Iowa, on December 20, 1911, at the age of 66 years, 7 months and 16 days. Her girlhood days were spent in Fairplay, Wisconsin, and St. Louis, Missouri. She was married to Royal J. Van Antwerp October 13, 1871. For several years they lived at Garner, Iowa, after which they removed to Manchester and later to Delhi, Iowa. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church at Manchester. At the time of her death she was a member of the M. E. church of Delhi. She is survived by her husband, an adopted daughter, Mrs. Mary Furman, two sisters and four brothers, she being the first of the family of seven children to pass away. Funeral services were held at the M. E. church Friday afternoon, conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. S. Skinner.

JONES-GRIFFIN.

Miss Elsie Jones, daughter of Mrs. Jennie Jones, formerly of this city, and Mr. Carl Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Griffin of Masonville, were united in marriage at the home of the former's brother at Peshigo, Wisconsin, Wednesday, December 20, 1911. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Griffin will make their home in western Canada.

The Democrat joins with their many friends in wishing them happiness.

TIBBITTS-JURGENS.

At Manchester last Wednesday occurred the marriage of Miss Mamie Tibbitts and John Jurgens, both popular young people of South Fork township. The happy couple departed after the ceremony for a visit of a couple of weeks with the groom's mother at Carroll, Iowa, after which they will return to Hopkinton and will make their home on the Geo. Tibbitts farm, which the groom has rented. The bride is the eldest daughter of Geo. Tibbitts and a splendid young lady of character. Since the death of her mother she has had the care of the younger children and household duties, and has discharged the duty with signal fidelity and ability. With the groom we have not a personal acquaintance, but he is recommended by many friends as a worthy young man, industrious and competent to win his way in the world. The wedding party was accompanied as far as Manchester by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tibbitts and Mrs. F. M. Wheeler and they were present at the wedding.—Hopkinton Leader.

REPORT OF MANCHESTER CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY.

The following is the report of the Manchester Co-operative Creamery company for the month of November 1911:

Number of pounds of milk received, 235,504.
Number of pounds of cream received, 23,201.
Highest price paid per hundred pounds, \$2.24.
Lowest price paid per hundred pounds, \$1.20.
Average test, 4.2.
Average price, \$1.63.
Price paid per pound for butter fat, 40 cents.

SELLS BUSINESS.

A deal was closed last week where by H. F. Whitney, the local plumber and tinmith, disposed of his business to R. A. Jacobs and C. E. Chapman, who will continue the business in the same location.

VOTING MACHINE TURNED DOWN.

Delaware Supervisors Refuse to Make the Purchase.

(Independence Bulletin-Journal.)

The supervisors of Delaware county turned down the voting machine proposition last week after a considerable struggle. The promoter had worked up a good deal of sentiment in favor of the project, and quite a pressure was brought to bear on the body.

In our judgment the supervisors acted in the interest of the constituents. There may come a time when it will be wise for a county to invest \$15,000 or \$20,000 in voting machines, but at present it looks to us as wild and unbusiness-like a project as could be mentioned.

To start with, the people of Iowa inaugurated the blanket ballot fast two years ago. In spite of all that was said to the contrary, the system that was in use prior to that time was working reasonably well and was inexpensive and the voters understood it. The decisions of the courts for a long series of years were such that the apparent intent of the voter ruled the judges in case of doubt and the elections were carried out with despatch and reasonable satisfaction. We have now given nearly two decades to learning the present system and have become sufficiently educated as to be able to carry on an election without much difficulty. To go all through the education of the voters again in an entirely different plan seems unbearable.

There may be communities where the voting machine is a good investment, though even that has yet to be proved. But in rural counties like Delaware and Buchanan, where there probably have not been five franchise laws cast in twice that many years, where many public conveniences such as roads, bridges, county homes and court houses are yet to be supplied, the voting machine is a luxury that may be dispensed with, at least until it is sold at something like a reasonable profit above the cost of manufacture, by which time it may be possible to tell which of the many models is the one best suited for public use.

DEATH OF MRS JACOB RETZ.

Passes Away Monday Morning After a Brief Illness. Funeral Held Wednesday.

Mrs. Jacob Retz, an old and highly respected pioneer resident, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ada Ryan, Monday morning, December 18, 1911, at a few minutes before seven o'clock. She was taken sick on Friday, December 8 and from the beginning of her illness small hopes of her recovery were entertained. The best of medical treatment was given her but to no avail. Her death though not unexpected comes as a source of sorrow to the relatives and friends.

Mrs. Retz was born at Zurich, Switzerland, in 1841, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ada Ryan, at Lamont, Iowa, on Monday morning, December 18, 1911, at the age of 70 years, after an illness of 10 days. She received her early education in the public schools of Switzerland and afterwards attended college. She united with the reformed Lutheran church at an early age and lived a devout Christian life until her death. She was united in marriage to Jacob Retz, of Berne, Switzerland, in 1860, to which union eight children were born, six of whom are living, Fred and Mrs. Ada Ryth of Lamont, Mrs. Hedwick Ryan and Emel of Strawberry Point and Mrs. Mary Stone and Albert of Manchester. She came to this country in 1870, locating at Eldon, where they made their home until 1883, when they moved to the vicinity of Manchester, where they lived on a farm until 1904, when they moved to Lamont and have since made their home with their daughter, Mrs. Ada Ryan. Her husband died on May 8, 1908. During her brief illness she suffered severe pain and her death came as a relief from a complication of diseases.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Rembold from the house at 10 o'clock Wednesday and the interment was in the family lot at the Campton cemetery.—Lamont Leader.

THE LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK

WHAT MANCHESTER PEOPLE ARE DOING AT HOME AND ABROAD.

REVIEW AND FORECAST OF EVENTS

Items of a Personal and General Nature Picked Up About Town.

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—Mrs. John Prowse held the lucky number which drew the doll given away at the Variety store last Saturday afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Assmus spent Christmas at Independence, guests at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Assmus.

—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Meskimen and Mrs. Glenn Meskimen of Waterloo are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meskimen.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Huene and daughter, Miss Hazel, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doph Huene at Monticello Christmas.

—Miss Blanche Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bishop, who attends the State University at Iowa City, is at home for a two week's vacation.

—Miss Vera Moore, who is principal of the High school at Corydon, is here for a two week's visit at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Moore.

—Louis Haebler, who is employed with the Northern Pacific Railway Company at St. Paul, spent Christmas at the home of his mother, Mrs. H. C. Haebler.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lemper returned to their home at Waterloo on Monday evening, concluding a visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Lister.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Slack returned to their home in Waterloo on Monday evening, after a pleasant visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Slack.

—Manchester friends of Miss Genevieve McCann of Coggon will be interested in learning of her marriage today (Wednesday) to Mr. Fred Wells of Mitchell, South Dakota.

—W. L. Cass, who is studying engineering at the Armour Institute of Technology in Chicago, spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cass, southeast of this city.

—Misses Mae and Ada Palmer, instructors in the High school, departed Friday evening for Cedar Rapids, where they will spend the holiday vacation at the home of their parents.

—Mrs. Ernest A. Durey had a Christmas tree for the members of her music class Thursday evening. The class rendered a very pleasing program and dinner was served to forty guests.

—Miss Laura Norris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Norris, and a student at Wesley college, is spending her Christmas vacation with friends at Sheffield, Pennsylvania.

—Mrs. Thos. Elder enjoyed an over Sunday visit from her little granddaughter, Geraldine Griffith, whose home is in Spokane, Washington. Miss Pearl Griffith of Dubuque accompanied her to this city.

—Rev. J. F. Black officiated at the marriage of Miss Adelaide Jakelin of Delhi and Mr. Frank Nast of Mechanicville last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Nast will make their home on a farm northeast of Delhi. Their friends extend congratulations.

—County Clerk Graham issued the following marriage licenses during the past week: John Guergens, age 25, and Miss Nannie Tibbitts, age 22; Frank Nast, age 25, and Miss Adeline B. Jakeline, age 30; J. E. Kelsey, age 23, and Miss Viola M. Lux, age 20; John Duncan and Miss Margaret Almers.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCormick and children spent Christmas with Miss Josephine Powers at Williams.

—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Maloy of Dubuque are the parents of a daughter born Thursday, December 21.

—Miss Ruth Billingsley departed Tuesday morning for a two weeks visit at Mt. Vernon and Cedar Rapids.

—Miss Edith V. Rann of Chicago arrived here last week for a visit with relatives and friends in this city.

—Wm. Robinson, who resides near Thorpe, went to Chicago Tuesday with a car of fat cattle of his own raising.

—Hunt Armistead of Doon, Iowa, is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Armistead.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cloud spent Christmas at Marshalltown with Mrs. Cloud's parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Fleming.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollister of Williams Bay, Wisconsin, arrived here Saturday for a brief visit with relatives.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lepley spent Christmas at Osage at the home of Mrs. Lepley's sister, Mrs. Marshall Sweeney.

—Rev. T. J. McEllott, assistant pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, at Waterloo, was a Manchester visitor Monday.

—Mrs. G. G. Pierce returned home Saturday evening from Chicago, after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. K. B. Stein.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sullivan of Waterloo spent Christmas at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. John Sullivan.

—Paul Klaus, who attends Cornell college at Mt. Vernon, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Klaus.

—Prof. O. M. Thompson, of the High school faculty, is spending the holiday vacation with relatives at Rowland, Iowa.

—Michael Even of Ryan was in Manchester Friday enroute to Friendship, Wisconsin, where he will remain indefinitely.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carler celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home on West Howard street Christmas.

—Thos. F. Madden of Edmonton, Canada, will arrive here later in the week for an extended visit with relatives and friends.

—Chester Bronson of Chicago arrived here Tuesday morning for a visit at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Bronson.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Johnson have returned to their home at Dubuque after a pleasant visit with relatives in this city.

—Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Lister have returned home after a brief visit with the former's sister, Mrs. A. J. Lemper, at Waterloo.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Wells of Ames are enjoying a visit at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Wells.

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