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## HOPKINTON RESIDENT PASSES TO REWARD

### CHAS. H. RICKETTS DIED AT HOME ON LAST SUNDAY MORNING.

### RESIDENT OF COUNTY OVER 50 YEARS

**Funeral Services were Held Tuesday, Other Deaths of the Past Week.**

The death of Charles H. Ricketts occurred at his home at Hopkinton on Sunday morning, after an illness of several months.

Charles H. Ricketts was born in Dubuque county on May 25, 1846, and came to Delaware county when nineteen years of age and located with his parents on a farm near Hopkinton where he resided until his removal to Hopkinton on January 31st, 1902. He continued in business at that place until last June when he compelled to give up active business life on account of illness. He was united in marriage to Margaret A. Alcorn on December 5, 1870. Six children were born to this union, two of whom survive. Mrs. Ricketts passed away on February 11, 1889. Mr. Ricketts was united in marriage a second time to Mrs. Julia Ricketts on June 27, 1899. Mr. Ricketts is survived by his wife and his two children, Mrs. D. M. Ferguson and Cecil Ricketts, both of Hopkinton, and the following step-children, Mrs. W. J. Kirkwood and Cora and Jamie Ricketts, all of Hopkinton.

The deceased united with the Presbyterian church at Hopkinton on January 14, 1877. He was chosen Ruling Elder of the church in 1889, and held that position for over twenty-five years. He held a number of other offices in the church and was superintendent of the Sunday school for many years. The Sabbath school children attended the funeral services in a body and each placed a flower upon the casket as they passed by.

The funeral services were held in the Presbyterian church at Hopkinton on Tuesday and were conducted by Rev. W. H. Ensign, who was assisted by Dr. E. E. Reed. Interment was made in the Hopkinton cemetery.

A large concourse of friends and relatives were present at the services. Among those from away who were in attendance were Rev. H. C. Irvine of Fairview, Iowa; Rev. Mr. DeBest of Wyoming, Iowa; and Rev. Mr. McCuskey of Monticello.

In the death of Mr. Ricketts Hopkinton and Delaware county loses one of its best known and most upright business men. The many friends of the family extend their sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

### MRS. JOHN LINDSAY.

The New Year brought sorrow to one home in Lamont, but modified by a sense of relief because it was the end of the long, continued suffering of the wife and mother—Mrs. John Lindsay. Her maiden name was Ella May Chamberlain, and she was born in Boone county, Illinois, on November 9th, 1866. While she was still a girl her parents moved into the adjoining county of De Kalb, and there she grew to womanhood. She had a bright mind and after she had received what she could in the way of education in the public schools she went to Kirkland, Illinois, to attend college and later went to Genoa, Ill., fo further college work. She did not complete her course as she had to return home three months before she would have been graduated on account of the illness of her mother. She was married to John E. Lindsay at Rockford, Illinois, August 20th, 1890, and to them were born born two sons who survive her. They lived on a farm near Belvidere, Illinois, for ten years, and then moved, in the spring of 1900, to Buchanan county, Iowa, which has been their home since. Soon after moving to Iowa Mrs. Lindsay became afflicted with rheumatism. The best medical skill available afforded little relief and three years ago it was necessary to leave the farm and move to Lamont. During all the fifteen years of her suffering she manifested much patience and through it all she was most carefully and lovingly attended by her husband.

The end came at half past seven on New Year's morning, her age being 48 years, 1 month and 22 days. She leaves to mourn her death her husband and two sons, George T., and Arthur B., of Lamont. Besides there remain her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Chamberlain, living south of Lamont, and two brothers, Geo. Chamberlain, of Cripple Creek, Col., and Erbin Chamberlain of near Lamont and one sister, Mrs. Celia Dodge east of Lamont. Also a number of more distant relatives and a large number of friends who mourn for her.

Though Mrs. Lindsay never united with any church as a girl she was a regular attendant on the services of the Methodist church and always was in her place in the Sabbath school.

She was of a kind disposition and was always thoughtful of others and ever ready to help them in time of need. The bereaved husband and sons have the sympathy of the community in their affliction and with it there goes a sense of relief because the weary one is at rest.

The funeral services were conducted Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the Methodist church, the sermon being by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Bretnall, who was assisted by Rev. Mr. the body was laid away in the Oakgelvin, of the Baptist church, and the body was laid away in the Oakhill cemetery. XXX

### JOHN SHEPPARD.

John Sheppard was born in Sharon, Ohio, August 12, 1837, and died at his home south of Manchester, December 30th, 1914, aged 77 years, 4 months and 18 days.

He came to Iowa first fifty-two years ago, and, wth his family forty-seven years ago, and settled in Delaware county, which has been his home ever since. His wife passed away August 18, 1893.

He was united in marriage with Tobitha Jacobs June 15, 1865. To this union eleven children were born, all of whom survive him: — Isaac, Manchester; Mrs. Mary Warrell, of Dell Rapids, S. D.; William, of Ryan; Sarah T. Haigh, of Ryan, Arthur, of Manchester; Mrs. Maggie Sylvester, of New Albion, Iowa; Edmund, of Delhi, Iowa; Mrs. Nora Aldrich, of Manchester; Mrs. Winnie Brauer, of Manchester; John F., of Manchester; and Mrs. Alda Grapes of Man[illegible]r. He is also survived by one [illegible]her, William Sheppard of Ohio, t[illegible]ters, Misses Hannah and Elizabet[illegible]eppard, of Ohio; twenty-nine gr[illegible]hildren, besides a large number of [illegible]r relatives and friends.

The funeral servic[illegible] were held at the home on last Saturday, conducted by Rev. C. K. Hudson, and burial was made in the cemetery at Golden.

### MRS. PATRICK KATEN.

The funeral services of Mrs. Patrick Katen, who formerly resided in Delaware county were held from the Catholic church in this city on Monday morning and were conducted by Father Conry of Dubuque, who was assisted by Fathers Behan and McKellot of Cedar Rapids, Fathers Hanley, Gorman and Nolan, of Dubuque and Father Rooney of Manchester. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery in this city.

Hanora Whalen was born in Ireland, and was about 87 years old at the time of her death, which occurred in Dubuque on Saturday, January 2, 1915. She came to America about sixty years ago and resided in New York and Connecticut for nearly a year, and then came to Manchester where she resided for several years. She was united in marriage with Patrick Katen about thirty-seven years ago and resided on a farm in Coffins Grove township in this county for a number of years. Her husband's death occurred twenty two years ago. After the death of her husband she again removed to Manchester, where she lived until eleven years ago, when she moved to Dubuque, which was her home until the time of her death.

### ALBERT CURLER.

Albert Curler, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curler, was born at Colesburg, Iowa, on January 4th, 1859, and died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Solomon Tripp, on January 1st, 1915, at the age of fifty-six years. He has lead a single life and spent the most of his life in Colesburg. He was the eldest of a family of ten children, seven of whom survive to mourn the loss of a kind and loving brother. They are Frank and Chris. of Cassville, Wisconsin; Mrs. Belle Stratton, of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Ida Gaetz of Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Susie Noble of Jud, N. D.; Mrs. Mary Tripp and Mrs. Hattie Jeffries of Manchester. Mr. Curler was a friendly companion, a dependable, trustwrothy man and well liked by all who knew him.

The funeral services were held on Tuesday from the Methodist church at Thorpe and were conducted by Rev. G. L. Heiserman of Edgewood. Interment was made in Union cemetery, southwest of Thorpe. some excellent features to his pa-

### WESLEY T. SMITH.

The death of Wesley T. Smith occurred at his home at Grand Rapids, Michigan, on last Sunday evening. The remains were brought to this city this moring and the funeral services were held this afternoon from the Ralph Dutton home. The services were conducted by Rev. C. K. Hudson. Interment was made in Oakland cemetery.

Wesley T. Smith was born in Alvinston, Ontario, Canada, and was thirty-one years old at the time of his death. When a young boy he removed with his parents to Marlett, Michigan, and from there they removed to Honor, Michigan, where they resided for several years. He then removed to this county, where he lived for a number of years. He recently moved to Grand Rapids, where his death occurred. Six years ago the deceased was united in marriage with Miss Ella Anderson, who, with one child, survives him.

The mother of the deceased passed away while the family resided north of this city, about a year and a half ago. Mr. Smith is survived by his father, one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Hankins of Oneida, and three brothers, Orville, of New Carlisle, Indiana, and Fred and Bruce.

The deceased was an honored member of the Masonic lodge.

The sorrowing relatives are extended the sincere sympahty of their many friends.

### REPORT OF FARMERS' COMMISSION COMPANY

The December report of the Delaware County Farmers' Co-operative Commission company, of which W. J. Davis is manager, shows that a large amount of business was transacted by the company during the month. The following is the report for the month:

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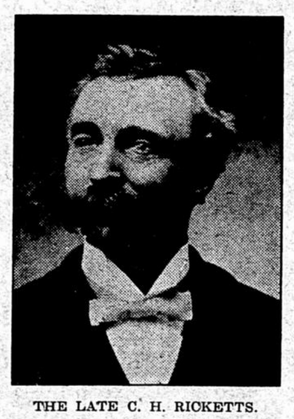
| Cars of stock shipped | 21 |
| Cars of grain shipped | 1 |
| Cars of coal received | 9 |
| Cars of feed received | 3 |

Total amount of business transacted for the month, $30,481.70.

W. J. Davis went to Chicago on Monday afternoon of this week with four carloads of stock, which is a good beginning for the new year.

### ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING.

The annual meeting of the First Congregational church will be held Thursday evening of this week. Election of officers will take place and plans for the new year are to be considered. Every person affiliated with the church is urged to be present.



THE LATE C. H. RICKETTS.

## ABSTRACT OF TAXES FOR 1915 COLLECTION

### COUNTY AUDITOR BUNKER COMPLETES REPORT RECENTLY.

### TOTAL OF TAXES OVER $358,000.00

**Figures Present Some Interesting Features Regarding Taxes of Delaware County.**

The abstract of taxes for the 1915 collection was completed in County Auditor Charles H. Bunker's office recently. The figures in the report present some interesting features. The following is taken from the report regarding the taxable value of property in the county:

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| Taxable value of land | $5,903,426 |
| Taxable value of railroad property | 855,150 |
| Taxable value of town lots | 690,737 |
| Taxable value of personal property | 852,76 |
| Total | $8,302,074 |

The taxes of the county are dvided as follows:

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|---|---|
| State | $ 24,503 80 |
| State University | 1689 93 |
| State Agricultural college | 1689 93 |
| State Normal school | 844 96 |
| County | 33798 53 |
| School | 8449 68 |
| Insane | 4224 83 |
| County poor | 15210 42 |
| County road | 8449 64 |
| County bridge | 42248 16 |
| Soldiers' relief | 2534 87 |
| Teachers' | 80254 87 |
| Contingent | 26680 28 |
| School house | 3143 55 |
| Weed Cutting | 19 55 |
| Board of Health | 157 43 |
| Library | 8 56 |
| Dog Tax | 1903 00 |
| Building bond | 4188 22 |
| County Poll tax | 2135 00 |
| Cemetery | 236 16 |
| Township road | 29718 90 |
| Corporation | 29625 14 |
| Corporation road | 941 88 |
| Drainage | 8449 65 |
| Road Building | 14293 03 |
| Capitol Extension | 4224 80 |
| State institutions | 4224 80 |
| College extension | 4224 80 |
| Total | $358074 37 |

The taxable value of property in Manchester is as follows:

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|---|---|
| Land | $132148 |
| Railroad property | 36506 |
| Town lots | 348836 |
| Personal property | 103731 |
| Total | $621221 |

The taxes are divided up in the various funds in Manchester, as follows:

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|---|---|
| State | $ 1937 37 |
| State University | 133 62 |
| State Agricultural college | 133 62 |
| State Normal school | 66 81 |
| County | 2672 28 |
| School | 668 07 |
| Insane | 334 03 |
| County poor | 1203 52 |
| County road | 668 07 |
| County Bridge | 3340 35 |
| Soldier's Relief | 200 42 |
| Teachers' | 10021 05 |
| Contingent | 7348 71 |
| Building bond | 2204 63 |
| Dog Tax | 98 00 |
| County Poll tax | 385 00 |
| Township road | 437 87 |
| Corporation | 18796 01 |
| Corporat'on road | 91 78 |
| Drainage | 668 07 |
| Road Building | 218 89 |
| Capitol Extension | 334 03 |
| State institutions | 334 03 |
| College Extension | 334 03 |
| Total | $52650 26 |

### TREWIN RESIGNS FROM STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Hon. J. H. Trewin of Cedar Rapids, and who formerly resided in Delaware county, has resigned as a member of the state board of education. The resignation took effect on January 1st, 1915. The retirement from the state board was due entirely to business reasons, as Mr. Trewin wishes to devote his entire time to his legal practice in the Parlor City. Mr. Trewin was appointed by Governor Carroll, to the position July 1, 1909, for a term of six years, and until a year ago was chairman of the board. Gardner Cowles, one of the publishers of the Register and Leader, was appointed as Mr. Trewin's successor.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

S. F. Crabb to E. J. A. Hopkins and Thos. A. Oehler. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, blk. 4, Delhi.. $2450 00

Ernest A. Perry and wife to L. D. Pride. Lot 615, Manchester.. $1.00

M. I. B. Richmond and wf to E. W Hoag. Right to overflow lot 3, of subdiv. of secs. 18 and 19, Delaware township.. $1.00

### DEATH OF CHARLES MURPHEY OF DUBUQUE.

Last Saturday evening Charles Murphey died at Mercy hospital in Dubuque of typhoid fever. During his brave struggle for life, which lasted for several weeks, Delaware county people sympathetically enquired concerning his condition and expressed their hopes for his recovery the same as though he had been a prominent citizen of this place.

Charles Murphey was a loyal friend, a genial companion and an admirable man in whose stalwart character there was not a trace of sham or evasion. He was the third son of Mrs. Anna and the late John S. Murphey, and was born in Dubuque September 2d, 1878. Besides his mother he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Anton W. Ferring and Mrs. Henry Duffy, and three brothers, Louis, William of Chicago, and David J. Ten months ago death entered the family circle claiming the eldest son, Joseph J.

In this time of bereavement the grief stricken family have the sincere sympathy of thousands who know them or know of them in every part of the state.

The funeral was held yesterday morning from the family residence to the Cathedral and interment was made at Mt. Olivet cemetery.

### LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS SACRED MUSIC.

An audience which taxed the seating capacity of the Methodist Episcopal church on last Sunday evening listened to an excellent program of sacred music. The music was rendered under the direction of Mrs. H. T. Ports, and Mrs. Edwin Davis presided at the organ. The members of the choir and each of the soloists of the evening rendered their parts in an especially pleasing manner.

The following is the program as given Sunday evening:

Organ Voluntary, selected.
Prayer.. Rev. C. K. Hudson
Hallelujah Chorus—Handel's Messiah ..chorus
Hear Thou My Cry, O Lord— Otto Pfefferkorn..Mrs. W. F. Grossman
Charity..Rossini
Mrs. Ports and Ladies' Chorus.
The Heavenly Song..Gray
Mr. Cal Martin.
By Babylon's Wave—Gounod..Chorus
Solo..Mrs. H. T. Ports
Offertory, A French Pastorale..Mrs. Edwin Davis
Ring Out Wild Bells—Chopin
Mrs. Ports and Men's Chorus.
O Little Town of Bethlehem..Worthi
Miss Nena Mueller.
Sing O Heavens—Tours..Chorus
Benediction.

### PROGRAM AT M. E. CHURCH.

The Epworth League has arranged to have Miss Norma Reid Harrison, of Cleveland, Ohio, and better known as Miss Harrison, member of the public speaking department of the State university of Iowa, give one of her interesting programs, at the Methodist church in this city on the evening of January 20th. Miss Harrison's public work dates back to the trips she made with the Northwestern University Glee club while she was yet a student in Cumnock school. She has appeared with the Cleveland Male chorus, one of the largest musical organizations in her home city and more recently has delighted Cleveland audiences wih her wonderful interpretation of Percy Mackay's Jeanne D'Arc.

### DISTRICT COURT.

The following entries have been made on the probate docket by Judge Geo. W. Dunham since our last issue:

Estate of William Mead. Petition for appointment of temporary administrator submitted and considered. F. E. Dutton was appointed temporary administrator. Bond fixed at $1000.

Estate of Hester A. Hess. E. B. Hess appointed executor without bond.

Estate of Quintin Searight. Will admitted to probate. J. J. Dolphin was appointed executor.

### MANCHESTER WINS.

The Manchester High school basket ball team defeated the Hopkinton High school team on last Saturday evening in the local gymnasium by a score of 23 to 21.

The second game was played between the town team and the alumni team, in which the former team was victorious by a score of 20 to 9.

On Thursday evening of this week the town team will play against the High school team from Edgewood in the local gymnasium.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Charles S. Stevenson, age 29, and Genevieve Murray, age 23.

Albert J. Wesley, age 23, and Edna M. Betts, age 23.

Henry H. Wegmann, age 23 and Emma J. Osterhaus, age 20.

Louis Bruggemann, age 24, and Henrietta Boeckenstedt, age 23.

### MANCHESTER CHURCHES.

**Presbyterian.**

Rev. G. S. Baskerville of Malcom, Iowa, will conduct the preaching services next Sunday morning and evening.

**Congregational.**

The usual services will be held on Sunday. Preaching services at 10:30 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 11:45, and Young People's service at 6:30.

**Christian Science.**

The Christian Science society meets in the Public Library every Sunday morning. Morning service at 10:30. Subject for lesson next Sunday, "Sacrament." Sunday School at 11:45.

**United Brethren.**

The regular services on Sunday. The theme for the morning discourse will be "God's Portion." Sunday school at 11:30. Children's meeting at three o'clock, and preaching service at 7:30.

Remember the Bible Study at Mrs. James Pinch this evening.

**Methodist Episcopal.**

The theme for the morning sermon Sunday is "Finding the Messiah." In the evening the pastor will speak on "A Pilar of Remembrance."

The Brotherhood of the church will hold an important meeting on Friday evening of this week, at which time officers will be elected. Following the business session and program a luncheon will be served.

The program to be given consists of the following: "Social Distress, Its Causes and Remedies." "The Unemployed", discussion by Dr. H. A. Dittmer and Hon. A. M. Cloud.

"Social Distress and Disease", discussion by Dr. N. D. Wilson.

"Social Distress and Intemperance", discussion by Supt. H. T. Ports.

## SEVERAL WEDDINGS DURING THE WEEK

### JAMES GATES, FORMERLY OF MANCHESTER, MARRIED ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

### DAVIS-SULLIVAN WEDDING THURSDAY

**Wilsor-Diercksen Wedding Solemnized Wednesday. Other Marriages of the Week.**

The many Manchester and Delaware county friends of James Gates of Seattle, Washington, and who is a son of L. J. Gates of this city, will be interested in learning of his marriage to Miss Helen Fitch on New Year's Day. Mr. Gates formerly resided here and is a graduate of the Manchester High school. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and also holds a degree in law from the State University of Washington. He has been practicing law with a well known firm at Seattle for the past year and a half.

Mr. Gates was born in this county and resided here until he began the study of law. He is a young man of excellent character and has a host of friends here who join in extending best wishes to the groom and bride, the latter of whom is a stranger to Manchester people.

The following is taken from the Madison (Wis.) Democrat of last Sunday:

"A pretty home wedding occurred on New Year's Day at the home of Mr. D. Fitch, when his granddaughter, Miss Helen Marie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Catlin Fitch, of Sun Prairie, was united in marriage to Mr. James E. Gates of Seattle, Washington. Shortly before four o'clock the wedding party, consisting of only immediate friends and relatives, assembled and Mrs. W. N. Mosel of Sun Prairie sang, "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms." As the song died away the bridal couple entered, unattended, to the strains of Meyerbeer's Wedding March of the Huguenots, played by Mrs. Frank Holt of Edgerton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Miner of this city, the simple ring service being used.

"The home was prettily decorated for the occasion. The living rooms were bright with holiday greens and poinsettas and baskets of red carnations and roses. In the dining room pink was the predominating color. The tables were lighted with pink candles surrounded by smilax and pink roses in profusion.

"The bride was gowned in ivory satin with overdrape of tulle and lace. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley.

"The bride and groom are both graduates of the University of Wisconsin. The groom also holds a degree in law from the University of Washington and is now practicing law at Seattle, Washington. The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gates and Miss Mary Gates of Manchester, Iowa; Mr. Levi Gates of Ames, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fitch of Chicago, Mrs. Albert N. Briggs of East Grand Forks, Minnesota; Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Beauregard of Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. Josephine Sorenson of Clinton, Minnesota; Mrs. Theodore Briggs of Kansas City, Missouri; Mr. Joseph Fitch of Urbana, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ban, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Mosel, Mrs. Barbara Reuss and Miss Beth Reuss of Sun Prairie and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holt of Edgerton.

"The bride and groom left for a short wedding trip and after a few days will depart for Seattle, where they will be at home after the fifteenth of March."

### DAVIS-SULLIVAN.

A quiet home wedding will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Davis in this city at noon on Thursday of this week when their daughter, Miss Vida, will be united in marriage to Mr. Nelson Sullivan. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. C. K. Hudson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of this city, in the presence of immediate relatives and friends.

The bride is a charming young lady and has a host of friends in Manchester and vicinity. She has been employed as bookkeeper in the Hutchinson & Atwater hardware store for some time The groom is a member of the postoffice force, and a young man of good habits and character, and is entirely worthy of the young lady he has chosen for his bride.

The young couple will immediately go to housekeeping in the Allyn residence on East Union street. The Democrat joins the many friends of the young people in extending best wishes and hearty congratulations.

### WILSON—DIERCKSEN.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Wilson and Mr. Lewis Diercksen was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, in Milo township, on last Wednesday in the presence of one hundred and fifty guests. Rev. Eugene Melchert, of Ryan, officiated at the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Minnie Sheppard, and the groom's brother, Ernest Diercksen, acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Diercksen will reside on a farm in Milo township. The young couple are well known in the county and are extended the best wishes of a host of friends.

### McALLISTER-DUCKETT.

Miss Emma McAllister and Mr. Donald Duckett, two popular young people of Lamont, surprised their friends by quietly getting married on New Year's day. The marriage vows were taken at six o'clock in the evening at the Methodist parsonage, before Rev. S. C. Bretnal, who read the service that made them husband and wife. The bride wore a blue traveling suit with a hat of the same color. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Elliott, who stood with them during the ceremony.

The young couple went to Chicago to spend a few days, following which they will be at home to their friends in Lamont.

The young people are well known, having been reared in this community, and have a large circle of friends who wish them an abundance of happiness in their married life.

The groom is the son of E. D. Duckett, who lives near Aurora. He is a registered pharmacist and has a good position in the Abbott drug store The bride is the daughter of Robert McAllister and has been for some time an efficient clerk in the J. D. Thompson store. XX

### BETTS—WESLEY.

The marriage of Miss Edna Betts of Strawberry Point and Albert J. Wesley, of Lamont, took place at the Methodist parsonage in this city on last Thursday. Rev. C. K. Hudson performed the ceremony. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley wish them a long and happy married life.

### MURRAY—STEVENSON.

Miss Genevieve Murray and Mr. Charles Stevenson, both of Sand Springs, were united in marriage by Rev. C. K. Hudson in this city on last Thursday. The young couple are extended the best wishes of their many friends.

### LORETTA FLORINE TO WED.

Friends of Miss Loretta Florine are in receipt of announcements of her approaching marriage the ceremony to take place in Cedar Rapids next Tuesday, January 12th, the groom being Mr. Michael Johnson, of that city.

### SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

The Delaware county board of supervisors met in regular session at the court house on Saturday, January 2. Saturday was the begining of the new year in the various offices at the court house. C. A. Swindell, who had taken the oath of office and filed an approved bond, took his seat as a member fo the board. W. H. Clute was chosen chairman of the board for the year 1915.

The resignation of R. D. Graham as Clerk of the District Court was accepted and A. O. Stanger was unanimously appointed to succeed Mr. Graham.

The bonds of the following officers were presented and approved: C. H. Bunker, auditor; Geo. A. Newman, treasurer; A. O. Stanger, clerk; A. E. Dunlap, recorder; J. J. Pentony, sheriff; and M. J. Yoran, county attorney. The board then approved the appointments of the following deputies: Robert Fishel, jr., deputy auditor; M. A. Richardson, deputy treasurer; O. R. Dunham, deputy clerk; and Miss Edna French, deputy recorder.

The board then unanimously appointed Henry Klaus as county engineer, at a salary of $1,000 a year.

W. J. Patton was appointed by the board as janitor of the court house for the year 1915.

The bonds of the various assessors, justices of the peace and constables were approved.

The board adjourned from Saturday until Monday morning. The bond of A. D. Brown as county coroner was approved. The annual report of the steward of the county farm was approved. The county superintendent's report was also approved.

The Manchester Democrat, Manchester Press and Hopkinton Leader were designated as the official newspapers of Delaware county.

The board has been in session during the week, allowing the usual grist of bills.

### THE WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS.

By Martha Hart.

'Twas the week after Christmas, and
all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.
The household was wrapped in the
silence that kills,
For Father was busily counting the
bills.

The children were quiet as never before;
The toys were all lying untouched on
the floor;
And none mentioned Christmas, for
Father was bent
On counting the money his household had spent.

O Christmas, thou season of laughter and joy,
Thy gold is not free from the trace
of alloy.
And we must admit it is ever a
shock
When all of our bills come to roost
in a flock.

## LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK

### WHAT MANCHESTER PEOPLE ARE DOING AT HOME AND ABROAD.

### REVIEW AND FORECAST OF THE WEEK

**Items of a Personal and General Nature Picked Up About the City.**

—E. B. Porter of Delhi was a visitor in the city on Monday.

—J. W. Brazelton was a visitor in Cedar Rapids on Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nieman visited with friends in Independence last week.

—Miss Edna Welterlen has accepted a position in the office of Dr. H. A. Dittmer.

—The Fortnightly club will meet with Miss Dawn Hatter on next Monday evening.

—G. A. Eldredge of Crawfordsville, Indiana, was a visitor in Manchester during the past week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Well are the parents of a baby girl, born on Sunday, January 3rd.

—Glen Taber left last week for Rock Rapids, for a brief visit before going to Genesee, Idaho.

—Sister Mary Clare and Miss Monica Goen were visitors in Cedar Rapids during the past week.

—J. M. Mansfield left last Thursday for Freeport, Illinois, for an extended visit with relatives.

—Miss Olive Pride returned to Waterloo last week after a several days' visit in the city with relatives and friends.

—Miss Alice Reisner was in Independence last week visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rose.

—County Supt. F. P. Walker was at Edgewood on Tuesday and delivered an address at the Clayton County Farmers' Institute.

—Miss Ella Cates expects to leave next Tuesday for Denver, Colorado, where she will visit at the home of her brother for several weeks.

—The members of Mrs. C. K. Hudson's Sunday school class enjoyed a New Year's eve watchparty in the parlors of the Methodist church.

—The Democrat extends its hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rann, upon the birth to them on New Year's morning, of a daughter.

—The college students and teachers who have been spending their vacation in the city with relatives and friends, have returned to their respective schools.

—Miss Luella Greenwood returned to Cedar Rapids on Saturday morning after a visit in the city at the home of her brother, Orin Greenwood and her mother.

—Miss Mattie Morgan returned to Sioux City on Monday morning after a several days' visit in the city at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Morgan.

—B. J. Yentes announces on another page of this issue that he will conduct a public sale on his farm 2 1-2 miles east of Dundee on next Tuesday, January 12th.

—Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Scott returned home on Tuesday evening from Rochester, Minn., where Dr. Scott recently submitted to an operation for the removal of a tumor of the head.

—Miss Marguerite Madden returned to her work at Hahnemann hospital in Chicago on Saturday morning after a visit in the city at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Madden.

—The Glover Shirt factory at Dyersville, which suspended operations several months ago owing to a shortage of dyes, occasioned by the war, was opened again on Monday of this week.

—Miss Jennie McCarren, who is a teacher in the schools at Minneapolis, spent her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. McCarren. She returned to Minneapolis on Sunday.

—Burdette Griffin, who has been spending a few weeks with his sisters, Misses Lizzie and Mary Griffin, left Tuesday night for San Diego, California, where he will spend several weeks.

—Ray Ausbrook of Moline, Illinois, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Haug in this city the latter part of last week and left Sunday evening for Waterloo, where he attends the Business college.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taber enjoyed a visit the first of the week from Mrs. Mary Sitts and Mrs. Hattie Sitts of McPherson, Kan. The ladies visited at Strawberry Point before coming to Manchester.

—Henry Logan has accepted the position in the supervisor's office of the Illinois Central in this city, which was made vacant by the resignation of Roy Atkinson, who has purchased the John Prowse dray line.

—John Prowse, who has conducted a dray line here for some time, has sold the same to Roy Atkinson, who took possession on January 1st. Mr. Prowse will remove with his family to a farm north of this city.

—Harry Davis, who has an excellent position as electrician at Boone, Iowa, spent the latter part of last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, in this city. Mr. Davis returned to Boone Sunday.

—Mrs. Roy Hilton arrived in the city on Thursday evening from North Platte, Nebraska, for a visit with relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hilton are soon to remove from North Platte to Lincoln, Nebraska, where the former has accepted a position with a newspaper in that city.

—G. A. Newman, W. D. Hoyt, O. A. Dunham, A. F. Slack, C. L. Burbridge, C. H. Bunker, A. E. Dunlap and Ed Duncan were at Delhi on last Saturday evening where they attended the installation of the officers of the I. O. O. F. lodge of that place. Mr. Newman is deputy grand master of the order.

—Dr. N. D. Wilson has purchased 107 acres of land in Minnesota during the past week, which adjoins the 640 acres he had owned. Sylvester helps has also purchased 120 acres of land in Aitkin county. The J. W. Elder farm in the this county was sold last week to a man from Martelle, Iowa. The above deals were made by Henry Goodhile.

—The Priscilla club will meet with Mrs. W. C. Chapel on Thursday of this week.

—Miss Nelle Sullivan was a guest at the M. Reles home near Delhi last week.

—H. O. Harris of Great Falls, Montana, was renewing old acquaintances in the city the first of the week.

—The Thursday Afternoon club will meet at the home of Mrs. E. L. Bolsinger on Butler street this week.

—The final declamatory contest will be held in the High school auditorium in this city Friday evening, January 22.

—Charles Thomas and Miss Esther Pike of Edgewood were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wheeler last week.

—Dr. Chas. Dutton and daughter of Minneapolis were guests of the former's brothers, F. E. and E. A. Dutton, last week.

—E. E. Gildner of Marshalltown was an over Sunday visitor at the home of his brother, Alfred J. Gildner, in this city.

—Mrs. M. A. Fawcett of Monticello arrived in the city last week and will spend the winter here with her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Nye.

—Mrs. E. M. Carr returned home on Tuesday afternoon from Grinnell, where she had been the guest of relatives for several days.

—Mrs. H. B. Commerford and her little daughter returned home Tuesday evening after a two weeks' visit with relatives in Coggon.

—Miss Mabel Munson left Saturday for Rockford, Illinois, for a visit with friends in that city, before returning to her school work in Chicago.

—William, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnette received a painful cut on one of his legs last Sunday, while coasting down hill on his sled.

—J. P. Fowler and family, who have been residing on a farm eight miles north of Manchester, removed the first of the week to a farm near Coggon.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Keagy arrived in the city on Monday afternoon for a several days' visit at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Keagy.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Paris returned to their home at Doland, South Dakota, today after a visit of a few weeks with relatives and friends in Delaware county.

—Miss Jessie Fawcett, who is a teacher in the schools at Mechanicsville, Iowa, spent New Year's day in the city, a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Nye.

—The main college building of Stanley Hall at Minneapolis was destroyed by fire on New Year's eve. Miss Etna Barr of this city is a student in that excellent school.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nye enjoyed a visit on New Year's day from their son, Jesse Nye, and his friends, Mr. Fred Murphey, and the Misses Raftery and Saskell, of Cedar Rapids.

—Christopher Carrothers and family, who have been residents in the southwest part of the county, have removed to Manchester and are nicely settled in one of Will Hahesy's cottages near the High school.

—Virgil Thompson, manager of the Princess Theatre, has been presenting some excellent features to his patrons and on last Wednesday evening a fine show was given, entitled "The Will-o'-the-Wisp'."

—Mrs. F. M. Tunis of Ames and her daughter, Mrs. M. B. Oates, of Shreveport, Louisiana, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Smith in this city last week, returning to Ames Saturday morning.

—A kitchen shower was given on last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Davis in honor of their daughter, Miss Vida Davis, whose marriage to Mr. Nelson Sullivan takes place on Thursday of this week.

—The Missionary society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. C. C. Bradley on Wednesday, January 13. A called meeting of the Ladies' Aid society will follow the meeting of the Missionary society. A full attendance is desired as important business will be transacted.

### ANOTHER LUMBER YARD.

Manchester is to have another retail lumber yard, which will be opened by Wolcott Bros. The firm, W. N. and E. N. Wolcott, expect to erect an office building and sheds for the lumber on the lots located on Madison street, near the Illinois Central tracks, which were formerly used by their father, the late N. J. Wolcott, for the same purpose. The father conducted the business in this city from 1870 until 1895. Wolcott Bros. were in business with their father for several years and later engaged in the wholesale lumber business.

The new yards in this city will be stocked with all kinds of building material and it is understood that the firm will not sell any coal for the present at least.

### HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS TO GIVE CANTATA.

The members of the Manchester High school chorus will present a cantata at the City Opera House on Tuesday evening, January 12th, entitled "The Wreck of the Hesperus." The music will be given under the direction of Miss Ruth Pate. The chorus will be assisted by Mrs. H. T. Ports, soprano; Mr. Cal Martin, tenor; and Mr. Lawrence Oncley, baritone. Miss Mona Goodwin will be the accompanist. Read the announcement of the cantata on the eighth page of this issue of The Democrat.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

The regular school board meeting was held on last Monday evening. The committee in charge reported that they had employed O. M. Phenicie as janitor of the Central school building to succeed W. J. Patton, who had resigned the position to accept a similar position at the court house.

### MANCHESTER MARKETS.

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| Butter | $ 36 |
| Eggs | 28 |
| Potatoes | 60 |
| Corn | 57 |
| Hay, tame | $12 to $13.00 |
| Hay, wild | $7.50 to $8.50 |
| Barley | 50 to 60c |
| Rye | 80 |
| Oats | 44 |
| Hens | 10 |
| Spring chickens | 10 |
| Old roosters | 6 |
| Ducks | 10 |
| Geese | 9 |
| Turkeys | 13 1-2 |
| Veal calves | $8.00 |
| Hogs | 6 65 |