

Webster City Freeman

ESTABLISHED IN 1857.

WEBSTER CITY, IOWA. TUESDAY, JULY 25, 1911.

NO. 10.

H. C. HILLOCK SUMMONED

Passed Away at the Family Home
on Willson Avenue Saturday
Night at Eight
O'Clock.

NEARLY 75 YEARS OF AGE

Pioneer Settler of Hamilton County
Came to Webster City
in 1856.

H. C. Hillock died Saturday evening at the family home on South Willson avenue. His death was the result of hernia and other complications, from which he had been a sufferer during the past two years or more. The end was not unexpected and came quietly and peacefully, the patient gently passing into that sleep which knows no waking. The deceased would have been 75 years of age at his next birthday, Nov. 28, 1911.

Mr. Hillock was one of the pioneer settlers of Hamilton county. He was widely known and highly respected and his going hence will be mourned by many in this city, as well as by a wide circle of acquaintance throughout the county.

The funeral service was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the family home. Rev. Walter Metcalf, pastor of the Congregational church at Blairsburg, was in charge of the last sad rites. A large number of friends were present to pay tribute to the memory of a good man and an exemplary citizen.

H. C. Hillock was born in Tecumseh, Michigan, November 28, 1836, his parents having removed to that place in 1824. The deceased was reared in Michigan and was given good educational advantages. In 1856 he came to Iowa, making the trip to Davenport by rail, thence by stage to Iowa Falls and from there to Webster City on foot, arriving here on April 7th of that year. During the first year of his residence in Webster City, Mr. Hillock was in the employ of W. C. and S. Willson, the Willson brothers being well known pioneer settlers in this city. In 1857 he was one of the expedition who went from this county to take part in quelling the troubles caused by the Indians at Spirit Lake and for some years was a member of the Northern Border Brigade, being stationed at different times at Cherokee, Peterson and Spirit Lake. Mr. Hillock's name occupies an honored place upon the brass tablet dedicated to the memory of those hardy and brave pioneers who took part in that memorable Spirit Lake expedition. In 1864 Mr. Hillock opened a meat market in Webster City, which he conducted in connection with buying and shipping stock for several years. Later he was appointed sheriff of Hamilton county to fill an unexpired term. The next year he was himself elected to that office and served two years, and the following two years served as deputy sheriff. In those pioneer days this officer had difficulties to cope with in many ways that are now unknown, and Mr. Hillock made a record as a public official in this capacity that was an honorable one, reflecting great credit upon himself and serving the people to their eminent satisfaction.

In 1874 Mr. Hillock removed with his family to Rose Grove township and settled upon a farm of 320 acres which he had bought some years before and had partially improved. While a resident of Rose Grove township the deceased at different times had held most of the township offices and also served upon the board of county supervisors. In all these positions of public trust Mr. Hillock served his fellow citizens with ability and fidelity.

Some nine years ago the family retired from the farm in Rose Grove township and came to this city, since which time they have resided here.

In October 1865, Mr. Hillock was united in marriage with Jennie M. Carpenter, a native of Ashtabula county, Ohio. To this union four children were born, two daughters

and two sons. The wife and three of the children survive the husband and father—Miss Grace E., who resides at home in this city; Benjamin L. of Minong, Wis., and H. Roydon of Des Moines. One daughter, Carrie Belle, died several years ago.

For sale, 160 acres of good Iowa land located three miles from good market in Clay county, Iowa. Good fences but no other improvements. Ninety acres in crop. Will make someone a good bunch of money at the price, \$65 per acre. Terms, \$1000 down, \$2300 March first, balance five years at 5 1/2 per cent interest. L. E. Bladine. dit11f*

WEBSTER CITY HORSE OFF TO THE RACES

George LeValley Starts Season With
Trotting Horse "Deacon"
at Rockwell City.

The first of Webster City's race horse owners to open the season is George LeValley, who left yesterday for Rockwell City, where he has entered his trotting horse, "Deacon," in the Thursday's racing program.

The race meet covers three days—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. This is the first race of the season for Deacon and he is entered in the 2:20 class. However, those who have seen him in training declare that the big gelding will be in a much faster class before the end of the racing season.

Mr. LeValley will do his own driving.

SIGNAL MEN FINISH JOB AT THIS PLACE

Left Saturday for Harvey, Illinois, Where Another big
Job Awaits Them.

The last of the wiring of the electric signal system on the Central and Northwestern railroads, following the completion of the interlocking switch improvements, was done Friday afternoon and the gang of workmen left Saturday for their next job at Harvey, Illinois.

During the rebuilding of the interlocking system, the electric signal bell system was put out of commission on all of the switch tracks, part of the main lines, etc., and the rewiring that had to be done was no little task. Mr. Lou Bright of Chicago was at the head of the signal men. With the finishing of the electric wiring the switches are all in the best of condition.

WILL BIERNATZKI HOLDS THE BOARDS

He Stepped Into a Canoe but
Couldn't Find a Seat—Landed
in the Water.

Will Biernatzki, the enterprising head clerk of the dry goods department at the Mercantile store, has taken his place among the ranks of the world's greatest aquatic performers by introducing an entirely new and original stunt into the world of water sports. This new and marvelous feat consists of standing erect in a canoe, dressed in your Sunday best, and diving backwards into two feet of muddy water, coming to the surface again with your nose and ears full of mud.

This stunt was performed by Mr. Biernatzki for the first time Sunday afternoon before a small crowd of friends who composed a picnic party. The crowd went into ecstasies and several of them are still laughing over it. It was the best comedy stunt of the season, they say, and would wring a laugh from a chronic pessimist.

The "big show" took place several miles down the river and there was no admission charged. It was Will's first attempt at canoeing and he made the hit of his life without even taking a paddle in his hand.

BLADINE TO CEDAR FALLS

Buys the Daily Record and Takes
Possession First of Next
Month—Only Paper
There.

COMPANY WILL BE DISSOLVED

J. W. Jarnagin the Retiring Editor
—An Excellent News-
paper Field.

L. E. Bladine, who purchased an interest in the Freeman-Tribune nearly a year and a half ago, has disposed of his holdings in this paper and purchased the Cedar Falls Daily Record, taking possession the first of next month.

The Record has been on the market some time and several delegations of Cedar Falls business men have been here the past few months to interest Mr. Bladine in the property and he finally decided to buy it. Cedar Falls is a town of about the size of Webster City and it is a good town in every respect, especially from the newspaper standpoint. The Record is the only paper there and the business men of the town are opposed to having more. The advertisers realize that one good daily paper in a town of that size can and will serve them better than two or more of inferior quality, and it goes without saying that it is impossible, from a business standpoint, to conduct more than one good daily paper in a town of less than six thousand people.

The Cedar Falls commercial league became interested in the matter and assurances were made that no encouragement would be given a second paper. This being the situation, Mr. Bladine thought he could do better for himself in Cedar Falls than he could in Webster City, hence the change.

Mr. Bladine came to Webster City about the middle of May, 1910, and has made his home here since. He and his estimable wife have made many warm friends during their comparatively short residence in this community and it will be with genuine regret that our people will learn of their decision to go elsewhere to make their future home. Mr. Bladine is a hustling and reliable young business man and the people of Cedar Falls will find him worthy of any confidence they may repose in him. The Freeman-Tribune regrets very much that business reasons have led to his decision to leave Webster City, but joins with the friends of the family in wishing them all kinds of prosperity in their new home.

Mr. Bladine is an all-round newspaper man and is one of the best printers in the state. That he will give Cedar Falls a good paper goes without saying and that he will make a financial success of the business there can be no doubt.

It is with regret that Mr. and Mrs. Bladine leave Webster City. Like nearly every one who ever resided here, they like the town and the people and have confidence in the future of the place as a business center and a most desirable community in which to live.

The Record has been conducted by a stock company for some time, with J. W. Jarnagin editor. Mr. Jarnagin is now postmaster and desires to retire from the newspaper business. Mr. Bladine acquires the entire property and the business of the corporation will be settled up and the organization dissolved.

A Fine Gospel Sermon.
Rev. Walter Metcalf of Blairsburg, who occupied the Congregational church pulpit here Sunday morning, gave his hearers an earnest, thoughtful and very helpful gospel sermon. The attendants of the local church were greatly pleased over the opportunity of hearing the new Blairsburg pastor and he was greeted with a large audience. Rev. Metcalf is an able and promising young divine and his Webster City friends, those who have heard him preach or have met him person-

ally, predict for him a successful, and therefore useful career, in the Christian ministry.

Petitions Filed.
Agatha Christenson has filed a petition in the office of the clerk of the district court, as executrix of the estate of C. J. Christenson, asking judgment against M. G. and Carrie G. Boyd for \$1,570.40 alleged due on notes.

F. R. Dalbey asks judgment against H. R. Gillespie for \$650 alleged due on notes.
The First National Bank of Webster City asks judgment against Don H. Foster and Sidney A. Foster for \$2,161.74, said to be due on note.

INCIPIENT BLAZE AT A WIFE HOME

Fire Broke Out During Absence of
Family—Origin a Mystery—
Little Damage.

Fire of unknown origin broke out in the Albert Wile residence, 127 First street, Friday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock during the absence of the family. The neighbors noticed smoke issuing from the home and turned in the alarm in time to save the house. The fire department responded promptly and but little water had to be used to quench the flames. The damage is estimated at approximately \$75.

A peculiar mystery about the blaze is that it started in a place fifteen feet distant from the stove or any other probable place where fire was liable to originate.

FOREPAUGH-SELLS BIG SHOW COMING

Webster City Again on List of Cir-
cus Towns—Show to be
Here on Aug. 21.

Webster City is again on the map with reference to the big circuses. Mr. Morgan, advance agent for the Forepaugh-Sells combined shows, is in the city today and has made arrangements for the big tented attraction which he represents to show at this place on Monday, August 21st.

This circus ranks in the same class with Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey's shows and many believe it equals these. It is one of the wealthiest circuses on the road today.

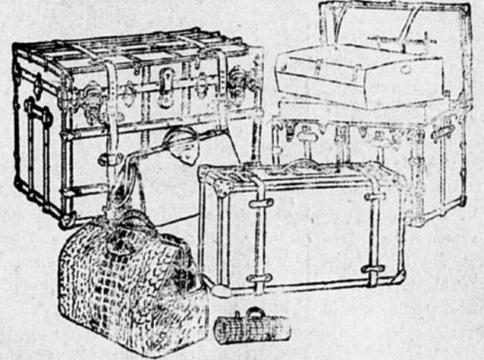
The show will be given on the Webster City driving park grounds, as that is the only available place of sufficient proportions to accommodate the many big canvas tops used by this aggregation.

TO EXPERIMENT IN OILING STREET

Three Hundred Gallons of Crude
Oil Secured by Citizens for
That Purpose.

There is going to be some experimenting in Webster City with oiling the streets. The oil ordered some time ago by W. J. Covil, J. M. Jones and J. L. Kamrar is here and the street commissioner is going to treat the street on Willson avenue in the block where these gentlemen reside this week. This has been tried in some cities and found entirely satisfactory, while in others it has not worked as it should. It is claimed the oil subdues the dust, sheds the water and keeps the street in fine condition, either in dry or wet weather. The experiment will be watched with considerable interest and if it shall prove satisfactory, there is little doubt but that it will be used extensively here in the future. Crude oil is very cheap, costing only a few cents a gallon, and if it will keep the streets free from dust and mud, and not cause inconvenience to residences by getting into the houses, it will prove a big improvement over the usual water sprinkling.

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AGED PIONEER IS CALLED

Henry M. Barstow Dies at the Age
of Ninety-One Years—Came
Here Fifty-Five
Years Ago.

AMONG OUR BEST CITIZENS

Passes Away Respected by a Wide
Circle of Friends and
Acquaintances.

Henry M. Barstow passed to his reward from the county farm, where he had made his home for about two years, at an early hour Sunday morning. Mr. Barstow's death came as the result of his advanced age and a general physical decline which extended over a period of many years. The deceased would have been 91 years old on the 18th of next month.

Mr. Barstow was among that pioneer band of hardy men and women who came west and settled in Iowa in a very early day and to such men are the people of the present day largely indebted for the degree of civilization, progress and prosperity which are now enjoyed by the residents of this great commonwealth.

H. M. Barstow was born Aug. 18, 1820, at Whitesboro, New York. He was married to Hannah L. Baldwin at Rutland, Illinois, on May 14, 1851. In 1856 Mr. and Mrs. Barstow removed to Hamilton county and this was the home of the deceased continuously during all these years, with the exception of about two years spent in the south during the war, when Mr. and Mrs. Barstow were commissioned by the Freedman's Aid Bureau to look after the welfare of poor colored and white children. During this period they were stationed at Little Rock, Arkansas, and spent their time in teaching and caring for those under their charge during the great civil conflict in our country. Following these two years spent at Little Rock, they again took up their residence upon the farm owned by them. When Mr. and Mrs. Barstow came to this county they purchased the farm formerly owned by C. H. Fowler, but soon after this sold it and bought the place where they made their home for so many years.

Mrs. Barstow passed to her eternal home on March 11, 1903, eight years ago. To this union no children were born and Mr. Barstow leaves no immediate relatives. Herman Sellick, who has conducted the old homestead northwest of the city the past several years, upon which Mr. and Mrs. Barstow spent nearly all their lives, is a nephew of Mrs. Barstow.

In his earlier years the deceased was one of the best known men in Hamilton county. He was widely

read and one of the most intelligent and best informed men in this section. During late years, however, on account of his declining physical condition, his mental faculties had become affected and his reason clouded—this being a source of much sorrow among the many friends who knew him in his better days.

Mr. Barstow was one of the charter members of the Congregational church of this city and during his long life he had lived as an exemplary Christian. Hosts of friends, especially among the older citizens of the county, will ever remember him as an upright, ideal citizen—one who spent a long and useful life and leaves a character that is in every way worthy of emulation and reverence by all who in any way came in contact with him during his pilgrimage through this earthly existence.

The burial service was held at the Congregational church yesterday p. m. at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Walter Metcalf of Blairsburg.

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SOME BULLETINS OF GREAT INTEREST

Experiment Station at State College
at Ames Offers Information
to Farmers.

Iowa farmers who are thinking hard about the forage problem these dry days will find information to help them in two bulletins just issued by the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station at Ames. One deals with the problem of filling the silo for the first time, with which thousands of beef producers and dairymen are confronted this year. The other deals with the alfalfa question.

The bulletin on filling the silo was written by Prof. W. J. Kennedy of the animal husbandry department of the state college and it is based on eight years' experience with the silos at the experiment farm and a wide investigation among silo users. It is intensely practical and tells how to cut corn, put it in, and every other step in the preparation of silage.

The bulletin on alfalfa sets forth the value of this crop, which has been a godsend to thousands of farmers this season, for where carefully cultivated it is producing as much as three or more tons per acre. The bulletin is timely for the alfalfa seeding time runs from the first week in August until the 20th. The bulletin was written by Prof. H. J. Hughes of the farm crops department.

The bulletins may be secured by writing to the Iowa Experiment Station at Ames for them.

Office room for rent upstairs in Freeman-Tribune building. Apply at this office. d-1-1f

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