

WAPELLO COUNTY'S FIRST FAIR

HELD AT OTTUMWA FIFTY YEARS AGO ON OCTOBER 14 1853.

EXHIBIT LASTED ONEDAY

Was a Creditable Affair, According to the Account in the Courier of That Date—Premiums Ranged From \$7.50 Down to Fifty Cents.

On October 14, 1853, occurred the first agricultural fair in Wapello county and the account of the fair and a few selections from the list of premiums as published in the Courier on the week following the exhibition will prove interesting to the readers of the Courier today and will give some idea of the primitive methods employed by the Iowa pioneers. The account of the fair is as follows:

"Our Fair. The exhibition of the Wapello County Agricultural society held on October 14, though gotten up in haste, was one that every citizen should feel proud of and though it was true, as our contemporary, the Eddyville Free Press, said, that there was some confusion as to where the people should assemble for the purpose of showing their stocks and other articles brought in to exhibit, still we had a show, and a creditable one, too.

"The number and variety of cattle on exhibition far exceeded our expectations. Indeed it did astonish almost every one. Among the exhibitors of cattle we noticed that Messrs. Abel Marsh and A. B. Parsons, of Pleasant township; Jonathan Thompson, of Dahlonega and William and D. Newell, of Washington township, had some fine Durhams that drew the attention of all engaged in stock raising.

"The Show of Horses and Hogs. The show of horses was respectable, although we cannot say it was more than we expected in numbers. Several very good stallions were shown but none of the quality which we mark of what we considered perfect animals. We have seen better and much more than were on exhibition. The exhibition of saddle and carriage horses was not good as we expected, which resulted doubtless from want of knowledge of what was expected in the exhibition and want of proper training. Some very fine two year olds and suckling colts were exhibited which if properly fed and properly cared for until a proper age will be most beautiful animals.

"The show of hogs was small, but those exhibited showed very plainly that a little attention and proper training will do. Farmers can just as easily raise good hogs as bad ones.

"Messrs. Spaulding and Pease had their corn planters on exhibition which engrossed the attention of many of our intelligent farmers. Mr. Spaulding also had a hay rake on the ground which it would be very well for every farmer to have in his possession. Mr. Spaulding assures us that from a trial made of it that it will do the work of at least ten with a hand rake and usually as well.

"Messrs. Ray and Parkinson of Burlington, showed some center draft plows of very fine workmanship. These plows, as many of our farmers are aware, work well, and are substantial in their construction. We saw a reaper and mower made by Gray & Ray of Fairfield, also a fanning mill of the merits of which we are not prepared to speak.

"The exhibition of butter was large, and all we saw and tasted looked well and tasted better. Indeed we are sorry that all who exhibited could not draw premiums. In needle work the exhibit was confined to two quilts presented by Mrs. Bizer, but the needlework of the exhibition is easily accounted for by the fact that there were no premiums offered for any thing of the kind. We think the society will remember the ladies next year. If they don't we wouldn't give a dime for all the fairs hereafter.

"We are an advocate for woman's rights that far anyhow and we must say to the ladies that if they present quilts for the premium next fall that they must be nice ones, or Mrs. Bizer will take their premiums again.

"The list of premiums covered practically every article and animal raised by the primitive farmers of those days. In amounts these premiums ranged from \$7.50 offered for the best three-year-old stallion, won by J. C. McClung, down to fifty cents and patent office reports.

"The following is a few of the articles and animals exhibited and the prizes won:

- Best beef steer, J. M. Peck, \$1.00
Best fattest hog, S. D. Owen, \$1.00
Fatted pig, Horace Risley, \$1.00
One pair of boots, A. L. Graves, \$1.00
Five pounds of butter, J. McIntire, \$1.00
Five pounds packed for winter, Mrs. W. M. Chesney, \$1.00

NEW Games Lion Coffee A FREE game inside each package of 60 different games.

Five pounds cheese, R. Fisher, \$1.00
Hay rake, Andrew J. Spaulding, 1.00
Loaf of bread, Mrs. McChesney, patent office report.

CLAIMS ALLOWANCE

WOMAN WILL COLLECT MONEY SPENT BY FATHER FOR UNIFORM DURING WAR.

Iowa Law Reimburses the Second and Third Regiments of Iowa Infantry For Expenditures for Wearing Apparel — Act Allows \$14.25 to Each.

Des Moines, Oct. 22.—A letter received at the office of Adjutant General Byers at the state house yesterday recalled the fact of a law which was placed on the statute books by the legislature in 1896, but which, because there are so few calls for its application, is occasionally forgotten.

The law passed by the legislature that year, before adjournment and was for the purpose of reimbursing Iowa soldiers for expenses to which they were put at the opening of the civil war in the purchase of uniforms. It applies to the Second and Third Iowa regiments. When these two regiments went to the front they were attired in gray uniforms. Many of the men furnished the uniforms at their own expense and others who did not have the money for the purpose were supplied by the state, but the uniform was made a charge against them.

Money Appropriated. As an act of justice and relief the legislature of 1896 passed a bill appropriating \$2,500 to be expended in payment to these soldiers, their widows or their heirs for these uniforms. The legislature fixed a uniform figure of \$14.25 for each member of the regiment who should apply and take advantage of the law.

Applies for Allowance. The letter received by Adjutant General Byers is from Mrs. Henrietta A. Putnam of East St. Louis, Ill. She is a daughter of Private William A. Orrill of Company H of the Third Iowa. Her father, who is now dead, never applied for the allowance for his uniform, and Mrs. Putnam writes that she has been assigned the rights of her two brothers, as heirs, in the matter. In her letter she relates an affecting incident of the war. After enlistment the Second and Third Iowa regiments were encamped near each other and they sprung up rivalry in the two camps of a good natured sort, and thus the soldiers beguiled the time. William A. Orrill was an extraordinary tall man, and on account of his height, he was named "the infant" of the Third.

Brothers United. One day a challenge came from the Second regiment to the effect that one of their privates could outmeasure Orrill in height. The challenge was accepted and the two giants were brought together and placed back to back. Before the measurement of either was taken Orrill inquired the name of his contestant for the honor. He was surprised to learn the name was Orrill, the same as his own. Instantly he faced about and in a second two brothers who had not seen each other for twenty years, were crying in each others' arms, and in that way they were measured. They were exactly of the same height.

Will Buy Memento. An official blank will be sent by the adjutant general's office to Mrs. Putnam and when it is returned she will receive the draft of the state for the sum her father was entitled to. She says she wants to purchase a memento of him with the money. The records of the Second and Third Iowa, which are kept in the adjutant general's office, show that but comparatively few of the members of the regiment or their heirs have availed themselves of the opportunity to recover from the state this sum which represents money patriotically spent for the preservation of the union.

The Peril of Our Time. Is lung Disease, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds cures lung trouble or no pay. 50c., \$1.00. F. B. Clark, druggist.

The Southwestern Iowa Editorial association will meet at Albia Thursday, November 12.

There is no cough medicine so popular as Foley's Honey and Tar. It contains no opiates or poisons and never fails to cure. For sale by W. D. Elliott corner Main and Court Sts.

Washington, Oct. 29.—The question of the army canteen in relation to its effect on the health and morals of the soldiers was the principal subject at today's session of the American Public Health association. A committee appointed to consider the matter reported in favor of the submitted resolution for presentation to congress depicting the action of congress in curtailing the operation of the canteen and recommended its re-establishment at the earliest possible date.

A NEW HOSPITAL BUILDING

Major Samuel Mahon Donates Beautiful Site For Modern Structure.

Ottumwa is to have a new hospital as a result of the action of Major Samuel Mahon in donating a site for the Ottumwa Hospital association, and the plans made at a meeting yesterday to raise \$25,000 to erect a building. The site donated for the new structure is on Jefferson street, one block north of the end of the street car line, a comparatively short distance from the center of the city and yet in a neighborhood that is surrounded by beautiful natural scenery. A committee will be chosen at once to arrange plans for raising \$25,000, the amount which according to the present plans will be expended on the building. The meeting adjourned to meet Monday morning, November 2, at 10 o'clock in the office of J. H. Merrill, when further arrangements will be made.

Preliminary Campaign Closed. The hospital association has for months been making an active campaign with the end in view of securing a site in some quiet neighborhood for the erection of a building. An announcement was published in the Courier about a month ago, in which the association asked for donations of land for this purpose. There were many responses to the call and the directors of the association then saw that there was hope of the realization of the plans which they have had in mind for years. A meeting was called and yesterday afternoon the board of directors of the association met and unanimously agreed to accept the offer

where they will probably commence to work. P. H. Waterman and family returned Wednesday from Chicago. The Hiteman high school baseball team played the Lovilia high school team here and was beaten by a score of 21 to 19.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Albia, Oct. 31.—In the district court the jury in the case of Sarver vs. Jno. Doner, sheriff, the jury returned a verdict of \$6 and 6 per cent interest. Sarver sued for \$300. The case of Callahan vs. Smith is still in progress this morning.

The Albia high school football team was defeated by a score of 10 to 0 by the Charlton football team. The local players say that the Charlton boys were too heavy for them. They go to Centerville today to play the high school team of that place.

Mr. T. C. Hammond went to Grinnell this morning for a week's visit with his brother, C. M. Shockey and family.

Ed Wright, who is attending college in Des Moines, came home yesterday evening to spend Sunday with his wife.

J. H. Lone, who was married Monday in Omaha to Miss Minerva Whitacre of that place, brought his bride home yesterday evening.

The Associated Methodists are building a fine new church in the Fourth ward. They are rushing the work as fast as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wright of Milo are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Martin Clever, Jr., and family.

Messrs. Liston McMillan and Hugh Nelson of Oskaloosa, were attending court in town this week.

J. C. Mabry will address a political gathering in Knoxville next Monday night.

Mrs. Dee W. Johnson is in Burlington visiting relatives.

E. Dougherty, who has been visiting in Ohio, is at home.

At the First Presbyterian church tomorrow the pastor will preach in the morning upon "Autumn Lessons" and in the evening a special sermon on "The Claims of the Theatrical upon the new church."

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Moon yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

O. L. Canning of Hiteman, was transacting business in town yesterday.

C. P. Travis of Oelwein was in Albia yesterday.

Chariton, Oct. 31.—The Concordia and Dorcas societies of the Swedish church cleared about \$70 last night at their supper, which amount will be applied to the expense of erecting the new church in this town.

Mrs. B. F. Bates received a telegram yesterday announcing the death of Miss Mary Lea, who has visited in the city a number of times. Her friends regret to hear of her death.

of Major Mahon, one of the members of the board, of a plot of ground in every way suitable for such a building. Ways and Means Committee. The meeting was held at the office of J. H. Merrill in the Electric building and nearly all the directors were present. An architect had first been seen and it was learned that a strictly modern building adapted to the purposes, could be erected for \$25,000. It was decided to begin a campaign to raise this amount and to this end J. B. Sax was chosen chairman of a committee, which he was empowered to select for the purpose of devising ways and means to raise that sum.

The Hospital Site. Probably no hospital site could have been selected which better combines all the qualifications. The plot of ground is comprised of one and five-sixths acres and is situated in what is known as Mahon & Phillips' addition. The site is on the north side of Jefferson street, one block north of Lincoln avenue, where the Jefferson street car line ends, and about a half block south of the intersection of Maple avenue. The plot is on an elevation which gives an admirable view of the surrounding country and faces an open thickly wooded forest on the opposite side of Jefferson street. It is an exceptionally quiet neighborhood, the most essential prerequisite in a hospital location.

Expect to Raise Fund Soon. The members of the hospital association have long been desirous of obtaining a suitable hospital site. The present building is located on East Main street a largely traversed thoroughfare, while street cars are passing

the place incessantly. To make the place more undesirable the Burlington yards and round house are located but a stone's throw away and engines are steaming through the yards at all hours of the day and night. The directors of the association have been very grateful for the building at their disposal, as there was nothing else to be had, yet they for a long time have been desirous of securing a location in a quieter neighborhood.

No trouble is anticipated in raising the necessary fund for the erection of the building as the city is intensely interested in the project to erect an exclusive hospital building and the citizens will doubtless respond willingly to assist in the enterprise.

The Board of Directors. The directors of the Hospital association are desirous of the credit for maintaining the hospital in the past and to them will fall much of the work of raising the sum of money necessary to carry out their cherished plans. The board is composed of six business men, five women and the officers of the association. The names of the directors follow:

Messdames: C. R. Allen, J. W. Edgerly, J. H. Merrill, H. W. Roberts and S. A. Spilman.

Messrs: Samuel Mahon, T. D. Foster, J. B. Sax, Calvin Manning, J. J. Smith and A. G. Harrow.

The officers of the association are: President — Mrs. D. H. Emery. First vice president — Mrs. T. A. Fulton. Second vice president — Mrs. J. G. Hutchison. Secretary — Mrs. H. L. Waterman.

McLean, Jr., place to Edwin Frankens' drug store, where it formerly used to be.

Jeremiah B. Sullivan, candidate for governor on the democratic ticket, spoke on the tariff issue in the opera house here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Furbert and her father, A. C. Logan, have moved into the J. G. Lewis property near the square.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Richardson are the parents of a son, born this morning at the John H. McCormick home.

Winchester, Oct. 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Clark, who reside east of town, started Oct. 29 on a trip to Missouri. Hiram Cristler and son Hal started for their new home in Wyoming on Thursday evening, Oct. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. McMillan, from near Birmingham, visited Mrs. M. A. Wood last Sunday and attended church here.

Newton Harvey is in Oklahoma viewing the country. Ray Archibald had a horse fall into a well last Sabbath. Fortunately the animal was rescued and is none the worse.

Harvey Barker, wife and son Erwin were visiting friends in town last Sunday.

Beats All Its Rivals. No salve, lotion, balm or oil can compare with Bucklen's Acrea Salve for healing. It kills pain, cures sores or no pay. 25c. F. B. Clark, druggist.

Adel—G. D. Shipley of Dallas Center secured the contract to erect the new opera house for T. R. North.

Anxious Moments. Some of the most anxious hours of a mother's life are those when the little ones of the household have the colic. There is no other medicine so effective in this terrible malady as Foley's Honey and Tar. It is a household favorite for throat and lung troubles and as it contains no opiates or other poisons, it can be safely given. For sale by W. D. Elliott, corner of Main and Court streets.

Ames—A stock company will probably be formed to provide an opera house.

Boy Cured of Croup in Fifteen Minutes. Chamberlain's Cough cured our little four-year-old boy of croup in fifteen minutes. My wife and I have used this remedy in our family for the past five years, having tried many other kinds previous to that time and can say that we consider it far superior to any other. We are never without it in our home.—Frank Hellyer, Ipaiva, Ill. For sale by all druggists.

Lon Thornton, a Pocahontas high school student, suffered a broken collar bone in a football game.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Ruthven—L. T. Barringer will erect a livery barn 28x100, with cement floors, plumbing, etc.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss. E. J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. E. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Rev. D. D. Davies has resigned the pastorate of the Second Congregational church at Ottumwa.

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DETECTIVE SENTENCED. Fred M. Hans Gets Life Sentence for Murder. Sioux City, Oct. 29.—Fred M. Hans, formerly a railroad detective and well known in the west, who has been found guilty of the murder of David Luns in April, 1901, at Ainsworth, Neb., was Saturday sentenced to life imprisonment.

WORK OF ASSASSINS. W. J. Engle, Indiana Distiller, Shot and Killed. Vincennes, Ind., Oct. 31.—William J. Engle, secretary of the Vincennes Distilling company, was shot and killed early yesterday at his home by unknown assailants.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY To Farmers

LOUISIANA PURCHASE FLAG DAY TO BE OBSERVED DECEMBER 18.

State Superintendent Barrett Issues a Leaflet Giving Information Regarding New School Holiday—Plans for Observance Not Made.

The schools of Ottumwa will observe Louisiana Purchase flag day on December 18. Historical leaflets from State Superintendent R. C. Barrett have been superceded giving information regarding this memorable purchase. It has not been decided just how the day will be observed here but it is thought that a suitable program will be arranged on the same plan as is followed for other school holidays.

Valuable Information Given. The leaflet issued by Superintendent Barrett consists of thirty-one pages and includes a number of historical facts of more than usual interest, most of them relating to the Louisiana purchase, and some more purely to the state of Iowa. A table is given showing the population, area and taxable wealth of the states included in the Louisiana purchase territory. It is noticeable that Iowa, though smaller in area, leads the other states named in both the other two items in the table.

Appropriate Engravings. The leaflet has for its frontispiece an engraving of the famous Indian chief Keokuk. It contains pictures of the Iowa building at the St. Louis exposition of the members and officers of the Louisiana purchase exposition, and of the cabildo at New Orleans, in which the transfer of the land included by the purchase was made. A map showing the Louisiana purchase territory is also given.

The contents of the leaflet have been compiled with care, and make an excellent reading, as well as giving valuable suggestions for the observance of the Louisiana purchase flag day in the schools.

TEMPERANCE DAY.

Sunday, November 29, Will Be Used by Local Ministers. Every minister belonging to the Ottumwa Ministerial association will deliver a sermon on the subject of temperance on the last Sunday in the month of November. Sunday, November 29, will be known as "Temperance Day." The ministers who attended the regular weekly meeting of the Ottumwa Ministerial association in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian association yesterday voted upon this project and each of them will use for the occasion the following resolution: "On the 29th of November, 1903, I will deliver a sermon on temperance. This subject is not a new one to the local ministers as it has been dealt with before. Rev. H. H. Abrams, pastor of the Christian church at Iowa City, has the state relative to the temperance has done considerable work around question, will co-operate with the local ministers by sending them his views on the subject."

Rev. T. E. Sherman Resigns. Owing to his inability to give the ordinary services of the church, the Ministerial association the proper attention, Rev. T. E. Sherman, pastor of the West End Christian church, tendered his resignation this morning. Mr. Sherman contemplates being out of the city during several of the meetings of the association and for this reason he resigned. Rev. S. J. Elder, pastor of the South Side Christian church, was elected as Rev. Sherman's successor.

Delivers an Interesting Paper. E. M. Gordon, pastor of the A. M. E. church, read a paper on "Divorce," which was very instructive and interesting. The meeting came to a close after Rev. Gordon's paper was delivered.

GETS JAIL SENTENCE. Thos. Chesser Pleads Guilty to Defrauding the Government. Thomas Chesser, of this city, pleaded guilty to the charge of defrauding the government Tuesday in the federal court at Keokuk and received a sentence of six days in jail and a fine of \$1,000. The case was tried before Judge Smith McPherson. District Attorney Louis Miles conducted the prosecution and Attorney B. W. Scott defended the defendant. Chesser's defense was made to the charge and the leniency of the court was asked. Chesser will serve his sixty days sentence and an additional thirty days for non-payment of the fine of \$1,000, having no property upon which execution might be levied.

The Charge Against Chesser. Chesser was charged with cashing a money order at the Ottumwa postoffice for \$80 which was intended for the purchase of a building on the corner of Main and Court streets, and which had been delivered to him by mistake, as no street number was given on the letter. He was caught by Constable George E. Mount at Centerville after a long chase, and was held in the county jail here pending his preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner F. M. Hunter in this city when he was bound over to the federal grand jury.

Chief of Police Gray, Officer Beaman, Deputy Postmaster F. W. Wilson, Constable George E. Mount, George Blount, Thomas Chesser, and B. W. Scott were present as witnesses at the trial.

FIGHT E. L. BURDICK'S WIDOW. Executors Do Not Want Her to Handle Estate for Children. Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 29.—The executors and trustees named in the will of Edwin L. Burdick will appeal from the decision of Surrogate Marcus, which gives Mrs. Alice Hull Burdick, widow of the murdered man, custody of the estate left to the children.

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To Farmers

If you haven't already got A WIND MILL

now is a good time to get a

Sampson Mill

We have time to put them up now and will make a special price. Don't put it off till winter. We can do a better job now while the weather is warm.

Yours truly, Geo. W. Davidson, 224-226-228 S Market St.

AGED WOMAN DIES

MRS. PARTHENA J. DENISON FOR TER PASSES AWAY AT HOME OF DAUGHTER.

Came to Wapello County in 1844—Funeral at Residence of Mrs. Bell Springer, Near Agency, Saturday Afternoon at 2:30 O'clock.

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. Parthena J. Denison Foster aged 79 years, died yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bell Springer, three and one-half miles southeast of Agency.

Lived in Wapello County Since 1844. Mrs. Foster was one of the oldest residents of Wapello county, having settled in the county in 1844. She was married in 1846 but she survived her husband by over twenty years. She leaves three sons and two daughters; William F. Foster, who lives at Agency, Daniel F. and Scott R. who reside southeast of Agency, Mrs. Emma L. McCarroll of Ottumwa and Mrs. Hanna Bell Springer who lives southeast of Agency. Three sisters survive her, Mrs. J. T. McMillan, of Agency, Mrs. Elizabeth Milligan of Decatur county and Mrs. Lou Bartholomew, who resides in Kansas.

George Hainline Passes Away. George Hainline, aged 32 years, passed away at the Ottumwa hospital last night at 11:45 o'clock of heart and stomach trouble.

Mr. Hainline has been a resident of Ottumwa about two years; the family residence being on Baker street. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Agnes Hainline and three children, Irvin, Ruth and Harold.

Mellen Made President. New York, Oct. 31.—Charles S. Mellen was today elected president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

A Policeman's Testimony. J. N. Patterson, night policeman of Nashua, Ia., writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least a half dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough medicine in the world. For sale by W. D. Elliott, corner of Main and Court streets."

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GOLD MEDAL

Pan-American Exposition.



For the quick preparation of a delicious drink, for making Chocolate icing or for flavoring Ice Cream, Lowney's "Always Ready" Sweet Chocolate Powder has no equal. The full chocolate quality and properties are present, undiluted and unimpaired.