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The line of Perfumery and Toilet Water we carry is not equalled in the city.

Brushes, Sponges, etc. of excellent quality.

F. J. HONNOLD.

Russ' Bleaching Blue at Caster's.

Buy E A C O Flour at Caster's.

Joseph S. Snively of Lamoni, has been granted an original pension of \$8 per month.

Any party wishing to purchase residence property in the best location in Leon enquire of T. E. Horner.

The Iowa Steam Laundry is the largest and best equipped in Iowa, J. A. Caster is agent. Send on Tuesday, deliver on Thursday.

\$1.25 per gallon for Hammar Paint, when mixed. Absolutely pure linseed oil paint. A maximum of wear for a minimum of cost.

FOR SALE—A yearling and two-year-old Cruckshank bulls of good size, color and family. Address this office. 24-1f

When you want a bright, lasting shine put on your shoes in an artistic manner, call on Buck Pugh, at the Hotel Leon. He gives the best shine black or tan in Leon.

160 acres of good farm land in Eden township, 140 acres of meadow and pasture, 10 acres timber. If you want a good farm cheap see me now, J. J. Hall, Leon, Iowa.

The Independent Driving Park Association of Lamoni has announced three race meetings for this year July 3 and 4, September 6, 7 and 8, and October 16 and 17. Dr. J. W. Crofford is secretary.

Coroner and Sweet Bread, the two thoroughbred stallions, will make the season of 1900 at the farm of T. L. Beck 5 miles west of Decatur and 6 miles south-east of Grand River. To insure mare with foal \$10. 32-4f

For Sale.

1 good single buggy, 1 set single harness, 1 first class banjo, 1 gramophone with 23 records. Inquire of T. E. Horner.

It requires no experience to dye with Putnam Fadeless Dyes. Simply boiling your goods in the dye is all that's necessary. Sold by W. A. Alexander and L. Van Warden.

A singular moving outfit passed through this city on Tuesday. The party consisted of a man, woman, three children and one horse. The woman and two children were astride the horse and the man walked along in front and carried a small babe in his arms. Across the horse was also strapped some small pieces of baggage. The horse was fairly good one, and the man was dressed as well as the average. The emigrants, or whatever they were, attracted considerable attention from those on the streets.—Seymour Press.

E A C O Flour is best.

House for rent, \$4.00 per month. Equire of J. R. Conrey.

FOR SALE—Almost new 10 foot extension dining table. Mrs. F. E. Thompson.

Mrs. David Ewan, of Westerville, was last week granted a widow's pension of \$8 per month.

Ladies who take pride in beautiful, clear white clothes should use Russ' Bleaching Blue. Refuse imitations.

W. F. Cowden of Seattle, Washington, northwestern superintendent of Home Missions of the Christian church, spoke at the Christian church in this city last evening on the subjects of "Missions."

You can get the best warm meal or lunch in the city at Patch's restaurant. He carries a full line of tropical fruits, fresh oysters, confectionery and choice cigars. Patch knows how to treat you.

Simon Cross was taken quite ill last Thursday morning and had to be assisted home. It was reported that he had a stroke of paralysis, but this is a mistake. He is again able to be out and is recovering rapidly from his illness.

Frank Lindsey who for many years was manager of Ballew's lumber yard at Osceola, and was well known by many Leon people, died recently at Hamburg, from appendicitis, after a week's illness. His remains were taken to Princeton, Mo., his old home for burial.

Mrs. S. W. Hurst received a letter Tuesday with the news of the death of Mrs. S. P. Nott, a former resident of this place, at her home in Cripple Creek, Colo., last Friday. Her death was caused from blood poisoning resulting from an injury to her thumb which she bruised by a fall.

The painters and decorators of Leon have joined the Painters and Decorators Association and at their meeting Tuesday evening elected C. A. Ackerman president and Kolla Alexander secretary. It is intended to embrace the entire county and have all the painters join the union.

County attorney Baker returned Saturday evening from a two weeks trip to St. Louis, Jefferson City and other points in Missouri looking after business matters. While gone he visited Ithaca, Mo., and succeeded in getting possession of several hundred dollars worth of property belonging to Wm. Twambley who was sentenced to a year in the penitentiary at the end of term of court for embezzling \$180 from his wife, formerly Miss Clara McCleary, of High Point township.

Mrs. Mary C. Warford, wife of Albert R. Warford, residing in the south part of Leon, was brought before the insane commission last Friday, and adjudged insane. She is 64 years of age and has twice before been confined in an asylum the first attack appearing about 16 years ago. A couple of weeks ago her son died, and grief over his loss is supposed to have brought on the present attack, as she declined to eat or be consoled. The commissioners ordered her taken to the asylum at Clarinda, to which place she was taken by Sheriff Wolever Saturday.

H. G. Myers, wife and daughter arrived last week from Agency and have taken charge of the New Hamilton hotel. Mrs. Myers is well known in hotel circles having had the management of Hotel Andrus at Keokuk for several years. Under their management the New Hamilton will be conducted as a first class hotel in every respect and will no doubt receive a liberal patronage from the traveling public. A special feature of the house will be the Sunday dinners and an effort made to have many Leon people dine there. The menu for next Sunday is printed in another column and is quite elaborate.

At the democratic county convention held at Chariton last Saturday, Hon. G. W. Alexander introduced the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

"The democrats of Lucas county, Iowa, in delegate convention assembled, learning that our county chairman, W. H. Dewey, is a candidate for delegate from the 8th congressional district of Iowa to the democratic national convention at Kansas City, hereby express our confidence in Mr. Dewey and heartily commend him to the democrats of the eighth congressional district, and respectfully urge his selection for that position."

E A C O Flour.

J. A. Caster agent Iowa Steam Laundry.

Little Etta Clark has been dangerously ill the past week but is now on the mend.

Miss Kittie Boyd of The Reporter composing room has been quite ill since Monday.

To be thrice happy, use Russ' Bleaching Blue, don't be deceived by fraudulent imitations.

Will Hinkle, of Davis City, has been helping The Reporter force the past week on account of a big run of job work.

Commencing May 1st Leon will again have only one express company and the Adams will take the business on the K. & W. now held by the Pacific Co.

Dr. Layton and Bowman last Thursday performed a radical tumor from the neck of Andrew Sells, of Burrill township.

H. H. Hendrickson, of Grand River township, caught a she wolf and ten pups last Sunday near the Bedier farm in Grand River township. He brought them to Auditor Sears yesterday and will receive a bounty of \$5 for the old wolf and \$2.50 each for the pups, a total of \$30.

Jacob Heshler, who was discharged from the insane asylum at Clarinda a few weeks ago was last week taken to the insane ward at the county farm, he having again become violent and threatened the life of his son-in-law, Bluff Wilcox, with whom he was making his home.

The Leon boys Joe Warner and John Hurst who are attending the State University at Iowa City, are both members of the University ball club. Last week they played two games with the Des Moines league club, winning the first by a score of 3 to 1 and losing the second by 2 to 1. Warner played first base in both games and Hurst pitched the second game.

During the last democratic national administration the pension of Comrade F. M. Houston, of Decatur, was reduced from \$12 to \$8 per month. It caused quite a howl, the Leon Journal commenting quite freely on the injustice done an old soldier. But Mr. Houston now informs us that during this McKinley administration, which the Journal lauds for its treatment of the old soldiers, his claim for an increase to what he formerly received has twice been rejected without even being ordered before the pension board of examination.

B. F. Venn through his attorney V. R. McGinnis, has commenced an action for divorce from his wife, Mary Ellen Venn. They were married in Leon in August 1889, and lived together until April 14, 1900. The plaintiff alleges his wife has been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment toward him in the recent past as to endanger his life. He asks for a decree of divorce and the care and custody of their two minor children, Laura E. aged six years and Beulah Christian, aged two years, and for an accounting of their property. Last Monday Mr. Venn filed an information before the insane commissioners charging his wife with being insane, but they decided she was sane and ordered her discharged. He then commenced the suit for divorce.

Mr. H. G. Myers now proprietor of the New Hamilton Hotel, Leon, Iowa, extends an invitation to the public to inspect his place of business and also sample his Sunday dinners. For next Sunday, April 29, he will serve the following:

- MENU:
- Consomme
- Fillet of White Fish Point Shirley
- Spiced Pickles
- Roast Corn Beef and Cabbage
- Roast Sirloin of Beef au Jus
- Stuffed Turkey with Currant Jelly
- Braised Tenderloin with Sweet Potatoes
- Fruit Salad
- Mashed Potatoes
- Breaded Tomatoes
- Sugar Corn
- Cream Stew
- Baked Custard Pudding
- Apple Pie
- Lemon Meringue Pie
- Layer Cake
- American Cheese
- Crackers
- Tea
- Milk
- Coffee

Never Before in This County, have you been offered such great bargains in the Millinery line as can be found at Sheldahl's (opposite postoffice) whose prices are one-third to one-half lower than any and all competitors.

E A C O.

FOR RENT six room house near square. Apply to Kate James. 35-2f

FOR SALE—A good top buggy. O. E. HULL.

For Oklahoma real estate, write or call on C. B. Jordan, Enid, O. T.

FOUND—A wooden saw, which the owner can secure by calling at The Reporter office and paying for this notice.

See Joe L. Warner, the north side jeweler, for all kinds of cleaning and repairing. All work guaranteed and prices lowest in the city.

S. B. Johnson has leased the Commercial Hotel at Mt. Airy and took possession Tuesday. Mr. Johnson has spent all his life in hotel work and knows how a hotel should be run.

Capt. J. D. Brown, of Leon, G. P. Arnold, of Garden Grove, and S. L. Gurry, of Weldon, have been drawn as grand jurors for the May term of the United States Federal court at Des Moines.

We see by the papers that A. C. Northrup has had his pension increased to \$10 a month. This is certainly little enough, considering his physical condition.—Garden Grove Express.

Last Saturday Miss Lura Angel Hood received a commission appointing her as census enumerator for the Twelfth Census of United States, in the enumeration district No. 151, comprising Richman township and including the town of Humeston.—Humeston Era.

General manager Goodrich, of the K. & W. was in Leon yesterday with his special car and spent three hours in measuring the ground between the K. & W. and Q. tracts in the depot grounds. His presence adds to the rumor that the connection will be made at once and through trains put on from Des Moines to Kansas City, via Leon.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Venn, of Bloomington township, was brought before the insane commissioners Monday, her husband B. F. Venn, having filed an information before the insane commission charging her with being insane. The commissioners made a careful investigation and decided that Mrs. Venn not insane and ordered her discharged.

The following marriage licenses have been issued the past week.

John Hutchison 25 to Cora B. Jones 20.

Alfred B. Hatfield 25 to Flora Z. Patterson 20.

I. A. Chivington 25 to Edna Conway 18.

George Fesler 21 to Mary Lyons 19.

W. W. Potts has been re-appointed sexton of the Leon cemetery for the coming year, and it is a good appointment. Since Mr. Potts has had charge of the cemetery there has been a great improvement made in its appearance. He has cleaned the grounds, made way with all rubbish and planted many beds of flowers which greatly beautified the cemetery. He takes a great deal of pride in keeping the grounds neat and clean, and to our notion no one could have been found who would have made as good a sexton as Billy Potts.

A Deserved Compliment.

The Reporter job rooms recently printed a neat little booklet for W. E. Myers & Co. the north side druggists. It is distributed to all the houses in Leon. So well pleased are the people with the work that he mailed a copy to the American Druggist and Pharmaceutical Record, published at New York City and asked what they thought of it. They wrote as follows:

"The booklet you send is very neat indeed, and we have no doubt that it attracted attention and was read by most of those receiving it."

Free Speech.

is distinctly American, but the splendid line of up-to-date Millinery and the prices at Sheldahl's are so greatly interesting the shrewd buyers of Decatur county just now. It will pay you to inspect Sheldahl's stock before purchasing in the Millinery line.

Editor's Awful Dilemma:

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ill.), News was afflicted for years with piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Buckner's Arnica Salve. He writes: "My piles finally cured him. It's the surest, purest, and best cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Care guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by L. Van Warden, druggist."

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals for the erection of a school house in the township of Morgan in the county of Decatur and state of Iowa will be received by any one of the undersigned in Morgan township where plans and specifications may be seen until 1 o'clock p. m. May 1, 1900, at which time the contract will be awarded to the lowest, responsible bidder. The committee reserves the right to restrict any and all bids.

Dated April 1, 1900.
GEO. C. BRIGHT, } Com.
J. W. DRAKE, }
JACOB CROM, }

The Best in the World.
We believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best in the world. A few weeks ago we suffered with a severe cold and a troublesome cough, and having read their advertisements in our own and other papers we purchased a bottle to see how it would affect us. It cured us before the bottle was half used. It is the best medicine out for coughs and colds.—The Herald, Andersonville, Ind. For sale by W. A. Alexander, druggist.

F. J. Honnold Sells Wall Paper And Paints!

THE EMPIRE BAKERY.

It will be opened up about May 1st in the Biggs' building north side of square, where you will find fresh bread, buns, rolls, pies, cookies and cakes, fruits and confectionery.

Ice Cream Parlor and restaurant in connection. Try our 15c Lunch. WILKINS & FERRY. 208, 10th St.

PURELY PERSONAL.

[Persons having friends visiting them or knowing of strangers visiting in the city will confer a great favor upon the Editor by informing him either in person or by note.]

C. M. Akes had business at Leroy Monday.

Henry Pittman was visiting at Davis City Monday.

S. W. Hurst had business at Davis City Tuesday.

Dr. Elker, of Decatur, was in this city Tuesday.

J. E. Dose, of Humeston, had business in this city.

John Holden made a business trip to Creson Thursday.

Bert Teale, of Lamoni, had business in this city Thursday.

Mrs. Dan Stanley spent Sunday with friends at Decatur.

Ed. K. Pittman Jr. spent Saturday with friends at Mt. Airy.

J. N. Gates had business calling him to Des Moines Tuesday.

D. F. Nicholson, of Lamoni, had business in Leon Tuesday.

Charles Edwards, of Osceola, came down Tuesday on a short visit.

Wm. Hamilton, of Blockley, had business in this city Tuesday.

T. J. Knapp, of Garden Grove, had business in this city Thursday.

Matt Rush, of Bluthedale, Mo., came up Monday to visit old friends.

C. W. Hoffman had legal business at Davis City Monday and Tuesday.

Patrick Griffin, of Grand River, had business in this city Saturday.

Miss Della Still is visiting at Lineville with her brother, David Still.

H. P. Smith, of Eden township, had business at Lamoni yesterday.

Dr. Dudley had professional business at Lamoni the first of the week.

W. H. Young Jr. of Westerville, had business in this city yesterday.

W. A. Williams, of Lamoni, visited over Sunday with friends in this city.

Miss Hattie Motier went to Garden Grove yesterday on a short visit.

Hon. Robert McCull, of Garden Grove, had business in this city yesterday.

Charles Pennington returned Friday from a short visit at Creston with his sister.

Miss Helen Young returned Saturday from a visit with relatives at Grand River.

Mrs. D. Lowe returned Monday from a visit with friends at Decatur and DeKalb.

H. H. Bledsoe, of High Point, returned Saturday from a business trip to Andover.

Mrs. Mary Clymer went to Kingston Thursday to visit a few days with friends.

Mrs. R. L. Parrish and son Robert went to Des Moines Tuesday to visit a few days.

W. P. Ensey made a business trip to Corydon Friday, returning the following day.

U. W. Wells, the hustling merchant of Decatur, had business in this city Tuesday.

Misses Mabel and Grace Horner, of Davis City, visited over Sunday with Leon friends.

Joseph Hamilton and wife returned Thursday from a few days visit in Des Moines.

Buck Pugh, the porter at the Hotel Leon visited over Sunday at his home in Bethany.

James McCoy returned Thursday from Kingsfisher, Okla., and will remain here until Saturday at the home of Grove, in this city.

R. L. Parrish went to Des Moines Monday to look after legal business in the federal court.

Mrs. H. J. Landes returned Friday from Hopeville, where she attended the funeral of J. R. Crawford.

Mrs. Frank Malone and little daughter went to Chariton yesterday for a visit with home folks.

Miss Maud Shelton, of Bloomfield, visited over Sunday in this city with Miss Nora Vanderpool.

C. E. Bowman and wife, of Grand River visited over Sunday in this city with Mr. Bowman's father.

John W. and Geo. S. Bowman went to Osceola yesterday to attend a meeting of the Commandery.

Miss Margaret Young was down from Humeston to spend Sunday with her mother in this city.

Uncle John Huffman returned to his home at Fairfield Saturday after visiting a few weeks in this city.

D. N. Smith, president of the Mt. Airy and Clearfield Telephone Co., had business in this city Friday.

Mrs. Wayne Pryor, of Garden Grove, was visiting Mrs. N. R. Hampton in this city the first of the week.

T. H. Schenck, manager of Covington & Sheldahl's store at Decatur, spent Sunday with his family in this city.

J. P. Wharton, of the McClelland Cigar Co., came in Saturday to spend Sunday with his family in this city.

Misses Fannie Jackson and Beatrice Campbell of Davis City, visited over Sunday with friends in this city.

E. G. Cross, of Corydon, was visiting with his brother Simon Cross in this city the latter part of last week.

Sherman Pugh returned to his home at Bethany Thursday after visiting a week with his brothers in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bassett, of Eden township, returned Monday from a visit with relatives in Wichita, Kan.

U. G. Griffith, Orville Frazier and G. P. Campbell, of Davis City, were attending the revival meetings in this city Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. W. Custer and children, of Bethany, came Thursday afternoon to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Biggs.

Mrs. James Shirey, of Centerville and Mrs. Cuddy, of Pittsburg, Pa., visited over Sunday in this city with the family of O. E. Hull.

J. W. Wailes, of Plano, Appanoose Co., was in this city the latter part of last week for attending the funeral of his brother-in-law Clay Harris.

Mrs. Mary E. Webb returned to her home at Vandalia, Mo., Friday, after visiting a couple of weeks with her daughters in this city.

County superintendent McIntosh returned Friday from Des Moines, where he was attending the State Association of county superintendents.

Court Reporter John S. Parrish returned Friday from Osceola, where he had been reporting the proceedings in Judge Tedford's court.

Frank Smith left Thursday for a short visit with his sister at Gault, Mo. Mrs. Smith went to Davis City the same day for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Teale were passengers for Des Moines Monday, Mr. Teale having business as bankrupt referee in the United States court.

Clyde Bowman, who is working on the Democrat at Corydon, came over Saturday and visited until Monday with his many friends in this city.

Mrs. S. F. Gates, of Harvard, Kas., who has been visiting relatives in this county for several weeks, went to Groveland Thursday to visit a sister.

Lawrence Hoopes, of Cedar Rapids, spent a couple of days in Leon the latter part of last week, the guest of Miss Leona Weeks, of the Millinery store.

Charles Heberer, of Mt. Airy, returned home Saturday morning after spending a few days in this city, having been called here to attend the funeral of his uncle, Clay Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Miller were called by telephone to Hopeville on Wednesday of last week to attend the funeral of Jos. R. Richard township.

E. M. Mulford Jr. the Chicago manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co. was in Leon Thursday on business and made a pleasant call at our office in company with Mr. Ketcham our local agent.

A. G. Craig and wife who recently went to Jardine, Mont., have returned to Davis City. Grant was in Leon Friday and says he is satisfied there is no better place on earth than old Decatur county.

W. P. Ensey and son Charles returned last Thursday from Bluthedale, Ark., where they were running a saw-mill. They disposed of their business there not being satisfied with the country.

Clair Boone returned Friday from Des Moines where he has been attending the Des Moines Dental College for the past year. He will resume his studies when the college opens again in September.

H. D. DeKalb, who has been living on a ranch near Big Piney, Wyo., arrived Monday to visit his parents at DeKalb. He will soon go to Texas where his father has purchased a large tract of grazing land.

Mrs. O. E. Hull returned Thursday from Oklatopa, where she attended the Hull-Caven wedding. Miss Mary E. Hull, of Pittsburg, Pa., accompanied her home and visited over Sunday with the Reporter family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Burns, of Chinook, Mont., returned Tuesday from a two month's visit at Washington, D. C., New York City and other eastern points, and will visit his mother in this city for a short time before returning to their western home.

W. S. Johnson, editor of the Garden Grove Express visited Thursday afternoon in this city and spent an hour in our sanctum which was greatly enjoyed. Mr. Johnson certainly gives the people of Garden Grove the best paper they ever had and he is enjoying a good patronage.

MATRIMONIAL.

HULL-CAVEN.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 18th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. N. Caven, in Oklatopa, Iowa, occurred the marriage of their daughter Nellie to Mr. J. D. Hull, of Des Moines, Rev. J. M. Baugh officiating.

The bride has been one of the valued teachers in Crocker school of Des Moines for several years, from which position she resigned April 1st.

Mr. Hull is one of the traveling representatives of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York.

Both of the contracting parties are well known to many Leon people, the groom being at one time the senior editor of The Reporter, and the bride has visited in this city on several occasions. Their friends extend hearty congratulations.

Trust Those Who Have Tried.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind and never hoped for a cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that.—Oscar Ostrom, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

I suffered from catarrh; it got so bad I could not work; I used Ely's Cream Balm and an entirely well.—A. C. Clark, 341 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cents, or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

HURST'S.

Wash Goods, Gingham, Percales!

The south window shows a sampling of the spring percales and zephyrs and dainty styles they are this spring and they are economically priced at 8c. per yard. We've plenty of them and there need be no hurrying to buy unless you want the choice styles.