

Graham, Darrah & Hansell Company

We now have reason to expect "good old summer time". We are in a position to do you some good in your selections of necessities along these lines and to save you money. Our stock is all new and strictly "up to date." Having our six live stores and buying in quantities is the means of hammering prices to such an extent that our customers know we make the lowest prices possible on all goods in our lines. We ask no long profits and accumulate no old stock. If you will read the following "summer time notes" and see our goods and prices it will in a "measure" help you to appreciate our business methods.

F. C. and American Beauty Corsets

All the new effects. We control the sale of this line and guarantee every corset to give satisfaction.

\$1.00 Corsets 89c



Summer Corsets and Girdles

Our line of summer corsets and girdles in colors webb and bastiste are all the latest patterns and prices to suit all. We have a nice new line; would like to show you the latest.

Prices 25c, 39c, 45c, 48c

Shoes

We have shoes to fit and suit all. Our increasing business in this line causes us to feel a little enthused on the above proposition. We are continually adding to and keeping our stock in good shape. All new and latest shapes.



Queen Quality Shoes.

We control the sale of the famous Queen Quality line and they are leaders for style, fit and satisfaction.

Queen Quality Oxfords **\$2.50**
Queen Quality Shoes **\$3.00**

Ladies' Shirtwaists

Our business on this line has been exceptionally good and this we attribute to up to date styles and priced to sell not to carry over. We have these in all priced goods from **25c to \$2.50**

Men's and Boys' Dress Shirts

Our stock of men's and boys' dress shirts is complete and comprises all the new spring patterns.

Men's shirts 48c, 70c, 95c
Boys' shirts 40c, 45c, 48c
Boys' corduroy pants regular 50c kind 39c
Boys' pants in all styles stripes, checks, etc. 25c, 35c, 45c

Ladies' Shoes

Ladies' shoes from 98c to \$3.00
Men's shoes from \$1.10 to \$3.50
Canvass shoes all sizes and prices. Children's shoes, a good line in the various styles and prices. See our line.

We have just received a shipment of latest creations in

Belts, Shirtwaist Sets, Wrist Bags, Purses, Back and Side Combs.

If you would like to see the latest in these goods we will take pleasure in showing you.

Henrietta Underskirts

We have just received our second order of the celebrated Henrietta Underskirts and this season's patterns are strictly No. 1 in finish, fit and quality. Prices 95c, \$1.19, \$1.48, \$1.65, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.65, \$3.00.

LACE CURTAINS—We will sell lace curtains at the advertised reduced price for one week longer. It will pay you to take advantage of this sale price.

Our Kandy Korner is doing a thriving business. We sell all fancy kandy absolutely pure **12c** per pound

Saturday Only 9c

2 dozen 8 quart dish pans at each only 9c.

Saturday Only 9c

See our line of tinware, graniteware, notions, lamps, fancy china, woodenware and all goods usually carried in a store of our kind. Our stock is all new and every article guaranteed as represented. We ask a continuance of your liberal patronage and thank all for past favors.

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MORTUARY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ryan.
Mrs. Elizabeth Ryan, widow of Benjamin Ryan, years ago a resident of this city, died at her home in King City, Mo., Monday afternoon, aged 83 years. The funeral services were held at the home in King City, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, he remains brought to Leon on the afternoon train, and interred by the side of her husband, who died several years ago.

J. Greer Springer.
son of Capt. John B. and Sarah J. Springer, was born in Decatur county, Iowa, January 16, 1868, died at Des Moines, Iowa, April 30, 1903, aged 35 years, 3 months and 14 days, from the results of an operation performed to remove a stomach cancer from which he had suffered for several months.

Mr. Springer's whole life was spent in this county, with the exception of a six months trip to the Klondike country, until about three years ago, when he moved to Des Moines to attend the law department of Drake University, from which he graduated in June, 1901, and was admitted to the practice of law by the Supreme Court at the same time. In November of the same year he formed a partnership with H. L. Fickel, and the firm soon built up a good practice, Mr. Springer especially being one of the best known of the younger lawyers of Des Moines, being especially well known as a student of history, and it is said there was no better posted man in that city on European history.

Possessed of more than ordinary ability, and always courteous and considerate of the welfare and happiness of others, he was an ever welcome member of the best circles of society, social, political or scientific. His life has been an open page, and his many virtues worthy of emulation. He leaves a devoted mother, brother and sister to mourn his untimely decease.

Funeral services were held in the M. E. church in Decatur Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the discourse being preached by Rev. W. H. Ilsey of the Presbyterian church, after which the I. O. O. F. lodge of Decatur took charge of the body and interred it according to the rules of the order.

CARD OF THANKS—To our many friends whose kindly aid and tender sympathies during the sickness and death of our loved son and brother, lightened our labors and ameliorated our sorrows, we tender our thanks, assuring them their kindness will ever be appreciated.

SARAH J. SPRINGER,
JESSIE FEAR,
J. WIT SPRINGER.

Attention!

veterans and comrades of Leon Post, No. 251. There will be a called meeting of the Leon Post in J. A. R. Hall at 2:30 p. m., Friday, May 8th, to arrange for decoration and memorial services to be held Sunday, May 24 and Saturday, May 30, all are invited to be present on these occasions. Respectfully,
J. H. EVANS,
Commander.

Detrick's restaurant is the popular place in Leon for warm meals and lunch. The best of everything to eat,

Bishop Hurst is Dead.

Bishop John Fletcher Hurst, of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at his home in Washington, D. C., Monday morning at 12:40. With the bishop when he died were his daughter Ellen, and a son, Lieut. Paul Hurst, of the Third United States Cavalry, who arrived only a few hours before his father's death. Another son, John L. Hurst, was on his way from Denver at the time. Another son, Carl Bailey Hurst, is at Vienna, where he is United States, consul general. Bishop Hurst, who was a cousin of Mr. S. W. Hurst, of Leon, had been in failing health for a long time, being stricken with paralysis in London in September, 1901, while attending the ecumenical conference. He was one of the most noted divines of the Methodist church.

I will pay \$1.00 per dozen for live pigeons. R. A. SIGLER.

Poultry Bits.

Be sure and do not feed young chicks any food in a sloppy state. Keep plenty of grit and fresh water before your chicks all the time. A liable animal food is very necessary to insure a strong, vigorous chick. Feed when about thirty-six hours old, and feed a dry crumbly food. Sweet milk is very good but should be boiled when feeding young chicks. Do not leave any food lying about when chicks have become satisfied. A cheap incubator or brooder will cost a lot of money in the long run. Remember a cooked dry feed is the proper food for newly hatched chicks. Variety of food is of great value in keeping chicks hardy and in good condition. Mix two parts corn and wheat ground together, add a little salt and pepper and moisten with boiled sweet milk. Keep the brooder chicks away from wet grass and have your brooder hardy so that they can run in and out at will. Get a first class brooder for your newly hatched incubator chicks and one in which the heat is distributed from the top. Oatmeal and barley, equal parts mixed makes a good change. These two feeds are better when cooked, baked or scalded. Keep chicks in a closed run or small enclosure. There were more chicks lost last season from straying away from the brooder than from any other cause. Food should include besides the grains, meat scraps and bone, some green food; lettuce is excellent and cabbage leaves, beets and green oats are often used. Cut clover is good. It is good policy to keep chicks in a small yard where they can scratch and have the benefit of air and sunshine, but at the same time be so confined as to keep cats, etc. away from them. Don't let the chicks get chilled during the first two weeks in the brooder. Keep temperature at 95° and gradually reduce as they grow older to normal animal heat. Chicks will crowd if brooder is too cold. When in Leon get your warm meals and hot and cold lunches at Detrick's restaurant. They have everything to season, cooked in the best style. Oysters served in all styles, and the finest line of confectionary, fruit, cigars and tobacco in the city.

Masquerade Party.

Last Friday evening, May 1st, William and Edgar Ketcham gave a masquerade party to about fifty of their young friends. The large, comfortable home was the scene of profound happiness to the jolly crowd of youngsters from 8 until 11 o'clock. All of the excitement and mystery attending the unknown quantity was fully tasted by them, for vacation week allowed ample time for preparation and anticipation. Some of the costumes were quite elaborate and pretty while others aimed rather at cuteness. They were all cleverly planned and the characters well acted. Mrs. Ketcham, assisted by Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Curry, served delicious refreshments at 9:30. After this a huge May basket was relieved of its contents, consisting of a treat of sweetmeats for all. Games quickly followed and the hour of departure came all too soon. Such events are remembered for a lifetime by the participants, and are enjoyed as only the young can enjoy.

Real Estate Transfers

The following are the most important transfers from April 21st to May 4th, 1903, as reported by Stephen Varga:
J. N. Brown to D. F. Nicholson and J. W. Smith, 80 acres in Bloomington \$ 2,000
Fannie Pray to F. A. Greenland, 250 acres in Long Creek 6,000
F. A. Greenland to George Stone, lots in Grand River 2,500
J. H. Givens to R. S. Forkner, land in Burrell township 265
E. W. Townsend to R. S. Forkner, 50 acres in Burrell 1,500
Louisa Stolberg to W. W. Pitkin, lots in Lamoni 1,100
Lizzie Thompson to Stephen Varga, land in Long Creek 500
Mrs. Margaret Bagaley to J. R. Smith, lot in Lamoni 400
E. A. T. Watson to L. F. and A. Euritt, lots and land in Decatur 1,100
Sampson Hinds to George Hinds, 40 acres in Morgan 800
F. A. Greenland to Jacob Switzer, 160 acres in Grand River 9,674
Aaron Coppock to H. M. W. Hicks, lots in Leroy 1,300
John Bryant to J. L. Harless, lots in Weldon 1,000
Elizabeth Stewart to Robin Kizire, land in Burrell 450
Madison Fletcher to Charles Ekle, 80 acres in Grand River 2,800
Charles Ekle to J. E. Andrews, 40 acres in Grand River 1,600
Harlan Nickell to W. R. Evans and G. Yingling, 160 acres in Morgan 6,000
Henry Boyd et al to Martha Bryant, land in Richland 2,500
J. H. Bashaw to Elma Morrell, lots in Leon 2,750
Edwin D. Viers to Clara E. Landon, lots in Lamoni 825
Amanda L. Hesen to R. R. Chase, lots in Leon 100
J. S. Naylor to W. H. Bronson, 80 acres in Grand River 3,200
W. H. Jenkins to I. N. McPherrin, 17 1/2 acres in Carter 3,500
Susan Fowler to Geo. V. Brown, 80 acres in Bloomington 4,500
Elmer G. Stewart to W. P. and O. C. Clark, 160 acres in Burrell 7,200

"THE LITTLE MINISTER."

Friday and Saturday Night at Van Werden's Opera House.

The great city success, "The Little Minister," will be presented by Leon talent for the benefit of the city library on tomorrow and Saturday nights. The cast has been rehearsing for almost three weeks under the direction of Leonard A. Emmert and great pains is taken to successfully present this great production. No doubt the opera house will be crowded both nights of its presentation for two reasons—to help so worthily a cause and to encourage our local Thespians in presenting such plays of merit. Considerable interest is being manifested by the friends of the cast as to the showing they will make. They all promise a good show, worth much more than the price of admission. Pictures of the cast in playing costume are in the windows of Van Werden's drug store, and any time during the day an interesting crowd can be seen gathered around them.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmert will take the leading parts. Wherever they have played "The Little Minister" the press and public announce that they are particularly adapted to this play. The play is endorsed by the clergy, and playgoers and church members alike will fill the opera house Friday and Saturday nights. The curtain will rise a little late to accommodate those who come in on the train from neighboring towns.

Below are the names of the cast and the characters taken:
Babbie—Gypsy, daughter of Lord Rintoul Miss Emmert
Gavin Dylart, the minister Leonard A. Emmert
Lord Rintoul E. K. Pitman
Captain Hallowell Claud Lorey
Rob Dow R. W. Bruce
Sergeant Davidson Orr Young
Twait's, the butler Thomas Whammond, chief elder
Thomas Whammond, chief elder W. C. Stempel
Sneaky Hobart, elder Ed B. Kirwin
Andrew Mealmaker, elder Joe Cruickshanks, atheist
Beryl Ellinwood
Jennie Henderson Ethel Cruickshank
Miech Dow, Rob's son Edna Wright
Felice, Babbie's maid Edna Crawford

Examination for School Diploma.

An examination for common school diploma will be held in the county superintendent's office in Leon on Friday and Saturday May 22 and 23, 1903, commencing at 9 a. m. All pupils who can do so are requested to take the examination here in Leon. The same rules will govern and the same privileges be granted as in the examination of last year. Paper and pencils will be furnished by the county superintendent. The examination will cost you nothing but the two days work. All pupils who have been reported as eligible to take examination by their teacher will be present in the office in Leon on Friday and Saturday. The place of the examination. You will be given plenty of time in which to take examination and if you do not get through on Friday you may finish on Saturday. Ask for "Ben Hur." It is the best.

From Our Exchanges.

W. T. Hayhurst has sown a field of 15 acres of barley on the Wasson farm, of which he is the lessee. It is not often raised in this section, but is said to be a very profitable crop for feeding purposes by those who have tried it.—Lineville Tribune.

Bad blood and indigestion are deadly enemies to good health. Burdock Blood Bitters destroys them.

Earnest R. Dewsnup, of England, will be at the head of Graceland College next school year. We understand the contract has been signed, and Prof. Dewsnup and his family will probably reach Lamoni sometime in September, if not before.—Lamoni Chronicle.

A little life may be sacrificed to a sudden attack of croup, if you don't have Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil on hand for the emergency.

Mrs. Hattie Davis who was recently called to Ft. Lupton, Colo., by the serious illness of her father L. H. Northrup returned last Thursday accompanied by her father. He is still in quite poor health but is considerable better than he was in Colorado owing to change of climate.—Garden Grove Express.

Terrible plagues, those itching, pestering diseases of the skin. Put an end to misery. Doan's Ointment cures. At any drug store.

R. B. Arnold informs us that his sister, Mrs. Stamm, who previously underwent five different operations, last Friday submitted to the sixth one. Concerning her condition Dr. Powell writes from St. Louis where the delicate operation was performed last Monday that "Mrs. Stamm was successfully operated on this morning and she is doing well. There was a foreign substance in the gall bladder, and the gall bladder was adhered to kidney. The kidney was not removed. I believe this will give her complete relief."—Loyolla Tribune.

A Sure Thing.

It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for the lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. O. B. Van Metre, of Shepardstown, W. Va., says, "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It's infallible for croup, whooping cough, grip, pneumonia and consumption. Try it. It's guaranteed by L. Van Werden, druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c, \$1.00. L. Van Werden.

Advertised Letters.

Remaining uncalled for at the postoffice in Leon, Iowa, for the week ending May 2, 1903:
Miss Ella Janet Little J. H. K. Johnson.
Fred R. Heruiman Mr. A. T. Houa.
J. N. Ruth.
When asking for the above letters please say "advertised."

JOHN LEDGERWOOD, P. M.

Buy your screen doors of C. F. Francham & Son, the lumbermen.

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Money loaned on farms. Quick action if title is good. Call on or write

J. B. BENNETT,
Pleasanton, Iowa.

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Paints, Oils, Wall Paper.

Good Goods—Right Prices.

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