

# All Roads Lead to Hansell's

That's what we overheard one of our patrons remark as she elbowed her way down through the aisle of our busy store this week. We had an eye to making it the main road of travel for the Christmas shoppers when we made our purchases for the holiday trade. We study the wants of our trade, try to profit by the former seasons experience and strive to have the right kind of goods at the right time and right price—It's time now for Xmas goods and we have them—NOT WITH HOLIDAY PRICES ATTACHED but just common every day close figures like everything else is marked in this store. There's no deviation—only one close price.

## Dolls for Xmas

Our doll stock is yet quite complete while we have had wonderful sales on dolls. We had an unusually large and attractive line and we still have a variety that would please the most exacting persons.

Dressed dolls ..... 10c to \$1.19  
China dolls each..... 5 and 10c  
Kid body dolls, according to size  
each from ..... 29c up to \$1.19

They are marked to sell and not to keep.

China doll heads..... 5c, 10c, 15c  
Fancy souvenir sea shells  
prices run from..... 10c to 39c  
Ladies' garters, put up in fancy  
boxes pair..... 10c, 13c, 23c

## Fancy Pillow Tops

A beautiful assortment of new designs in pillow tops. They run from 39c to 48c.

## Fancy Lamps

Large decorated fancy lamps, marked close to sell quickly prices 75c to \$3.75. Come and see them.

## CANDY

### 12c-Per Pound-12c

A bewildering assortment of high grade confections all at 12c a pound.

Quantities of 30 pounds or more of the above candies, we will make a

### Special Price of 10c per pound on

30 pounds or more 10c lb

## Wooden Toys

Doll go carts each ..... 23c  
Little red chairs each..... 19c  
Little red rocking chairs ..... 23c  
Upholstered doll go carts ..... 48c  
Child's easle blackboards..... 48c and 85c  
Hobby horses each..... 89c to \$1.60  
Little red tables each..... 10c  
Children's polished tables .... 25c and 58c  
Toy tool chest full of good tools  
complete set..... 18c to \$1.65

## Mechanical Toys

A good variety yet of mechanical performing toys, tops, horns, Etc.

# Graham, Darrah & Hansell Company.

LEON, IOWA

## OUR PERSONAL MENTION

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, by note or telephone.

Miss Dora Farnes is visiting friends at Pleasanton.

Ed. Alexander was a passenger for Lamoni Monday.

Miles Spragur was visiting Davis City friends Tuesday.

Tom Howard made a business trip to Mt. Ayr Monday.

W. A. Brown made a business trip to Des Moines Monday.

Mrs. A. Edwards, of Pleasanton, was a Leon visitor Friday.

G. W. Baker had legal business at Pleasanton yesterday.

Fred Teale and wife were Lamoni visitors last Thursday.

James McMorris had business calling him to Lamoni yesterday.

I. G. Smith returned Monday from a business trip to Chariton.

Harry Nicholson, of Lamoni, had business in this city Saturday.

Royal Richardson, of Pleasanton, had business in this city Monday.

Dr. B. L. Eiker, of Decatur City, had business in this city Monday.

Robert Trembly, of Chariton, had business in this city Saturday.

Mrs. C. R. Riley, of Decatur City, was visiting Leon friends Tuesday.

Mrs. S. W. Turner visited over Sunday with friends in Davis City.

Albert Biddison spent several days at Cainsville the first of the week.

H. C. Watson and wife, of Decatur City, were Leon visitors Tuesday.

O. B. Creal and wife, of Decatur City, were Leon visitors last Thursday.

Postmaster Dan Anderson, of Lamoni, had business in this city Tuesday.

R. W. Bruce visited over Sunday with his mother at Garden Grove.

County attorney A. P. Olsen had official business at Davis City Tuesday.

S. W. Turner and wife are spending Christmas with friends at Blythedale.

Attorney F. J. Horton, of Davis City, had business in this city last Thursday.

Miss Rosa Shields, of Decatur City, is visiting Leon friends for a few days.

Lewis B. Jackson spent Sunday at Grand River looking after legal business.

Miss Sarah Truitt returned Monday from a week's visit with friends at Van Wert.

J. R. and Robert Bowsher returned Thursday from a business trip to Pleasanton.

Misses Dimple and Pink Watson, of Decatur City, were visiting Leon friends Monday.

Miss Hazel Frazier, of Davis City, came Monday to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. James Parker left Tuesday for a visit during the holidays with relatives at Holton, Kas.

Judge R. L. Parrish left Monday to attend to business matters at Weldon and Des Moines.

Miss Della Burrell was a passenger Saturday for Davis City to visit home folks a few days.

Miss Elva Porter, of Decatur City, left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Grandin, Okla.

Miss Flo Albaugh returned Friday evening from a few days visit with friends at Lamoni.

Mrs. O. L. Craig, of Davis City, returned home Friday after a short visit with Leon friends.

E. O. Alexander returned to Bethany Monday after spending a few days with his family in this city.

Mrs. Lew Thompson, of Davis City, was visiting relatives in this city the latter part of last week.

Geo. W. Young, of Bayard, Neb., is here on a visit to his brother, county treasurer W. H. Young.

Thomas Allen and wife, of Lamoni, spent a couple of days in Leon the latter part of last week.

Rev. Sadie Gibbons left Friday for Udell, Iowa, to fill her preaching appointment at that place.

Capt. J. D. Brown returned Saturday from an extended business trip through Minnesota and the Dakotas.

Mrs. F. E. Thompson came down from Des Moines Monday and will visit during the holidays in this city.

County Superintendent McIntosh went to Davis City yesterday to visit over Christmas with friends.

Oscar Beck, of Big Piney, Wyoming, was shaking hands with his many friends in this city yesterday.

H. W. Dorrance and wife went down to Lamoni Saturday and visited a few days at the home of T. J. Smith.

Mrs. W. L. Armstrong and children visited over Sunday at the home of E. P. Hamilton near Garden Grove.

Mrs. A. O. Kennell returned Thursday to her home at Van Wert after visiting a few days with friends in this city.

Mrs. J. L. McCutchan, of near Pleasanton, is spending a few days in Leon the guest of her sister, Mrs. Milo Moore.

Miss Kate Cartwright came up from Davis City Friday to visit a few days at the home of her parents east of town.

L. J. Barr, the popular landlord of the Lamoni Hotel, was shaking hands with his many friends in this city Monday.

C. F. Fransham and wife, of Ridgeway, Mo., visited over Sunday in Leon, guests of their son A. D. Fransham and wife.

Miss Grace Osborn who has been attending Simpson College at Indianola, came home Friday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. F. H. Matthews and children went to Garden Grove Monday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Sadie Skales returned Saturday to her home at Davis City after spending a few days visiting friends in this city.

Miss Mallie Caster, who is a student at Drake University at Des Moines, came home Saturday to spend the holidays.

Miss Anna Radnich returned Tuesday to her home at Davis City after visiting a few days in this city with Mrs. S. Varga.

Deputy Clerk John Burns and wife returned last Thursday from a three weeks' visit with relatives at Cedar Rapids.

Miss Laura Artt went to Decatur Saturday and will visit during the holidays with relatives and friends in that vicinity.

John Allbaugh who has been attending a business college in Kansas City, came home Friday evening to spend the holidays.

Miss Myrtle Howell, one of the Davis City school teachers, came Friday and visited until Monday with friends in this city.

Miss Ella Kemp, who is teaching music at Grimes, Iowa, arrived Monday to spend the holidays with her parents in this city.

W. W. Drake returned yesterday from an extended stay in the vicinity of Sioux City, and will spend the winter in this county.

Miss Nina Cowden who is attending a commercial college at Kansas City, arrived home Saturday to spend the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Jennie Moore returned yesterday to her home at Kellerton after visiting a few days in this city with the Gillette Sisters.

Milo Moore and wife spent a couple of days the latter part of last week visiting at the home of J. L. McCutchan, near Blockley.

Miss May Woods returned Saturday to her home at Humeson, after a pleasant visit at the home of John Vanderley in this city.

Miss Stella Skinner, of Bethany, came Saturday and visited a few days in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Fransham.

Mrs. Ella Duncan who has been visiting relatives here for several months, returned Thursday to her home at Columbus Junction.

Miss Ella Conroy who is a student at Simpson College, Indianola, came home Friday to spend the holidays with her parents in this city.

Mark M. Shaw, of Des Moines, passed through this city Tuesday on his way to visit his brother, Suel F. Shaw, the Pleasanton banker.

Master Leland Hebenor, of Des Moines, came Friday and will visit during the holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

D. E. Gable returned Tuesday to his home at Oskaloosa after a short visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Grant Peters near this city.

Dr. J. B. Horner and wife returned Thursday to their home at Lamoni after visiting a couple of days in this city at the home of S. W. Hurst.

Mrs. George W. Carmean and daughter, of Kellerton, came Monday to visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Evans.

Mrs. Ivan Beach and little daughter, of Pleasanton, visited a couple of days the latter part of last week in this city, guests of Miss Kate Ogden.

Miss Carrie Wooster, of Grant City, Mo., who is attending college in Des Moines, stopped off in Leon Saturday with Miss Elizabeth Owens.

Mrs. L. A. Zerbe and little daughter went to Bethany, Mo., Monday, where they will spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Zerbe's mother.

Mrs. B. D. DeKalb returned Saturday to her home at DeKalb after spending a few days in this city at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. Van Werden.

Mrs. Clara Farrell and children, of New London, came Tuesday to visit her brother, Mayor Marion Woodard and other relatives in this county.

Low Duncan returned Friday to his home at Columbus Junction after visiting a week at the home of J. M. Marvin and other relatives in this city.

J. S. Warner returned Thursday from Des Moines where he has been all fall acting as coach for the West Des Moines High school football team.

Mrs. G. W. Custer came up from Bethany Saturday and will spend the holidays in this city at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Biggs.

Miss Albena Crawford, who is teaching west of Van Wert, was visiting home folks Saturday, having come down to get a Christmas treat for her pupils.

Ned Keeler, who is a student at the Osteopath College at Kirksville, Mo., came in Friday and will visit at the home of his father until after the holidays.

John Clark returned Friday night from an extended stay in St. Joe with his daughter, and will visit until after the holidays with relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. James Heallea and little daughter returned Thursday to their home at Garden Grove after visiting a few days at the home of Frank Matthews, near this city.

Capt. Garrett Gibson left Thursday for New Hampton, Mo., where he will spend a month visiting at the home of his son Lyss Gibson, who is station agent at that place.

Art Frazier years ago a resident of this county, now residing at Wellington, Kas., visited a couple of days the first of the week with his friend county clerk S. W. Kehler.

Miss Cecil Bowsher, of Milan, Mo., arrived in Leon last Thursday for a short visit with her father, J. R. Bowsher, whom she had not seen for four years.

Port Bowsher arrived home from Macon, Mo., Friday where he is a cadet at the Bloes Academy, and will spend the holiday vacation at the home of his father in this city.

Mrs. Wirt Springer and baby, of Des Moines, stopped off in Leon Tuesday and visited a couple of days with Mrs. F. N. Avery while enroute to Lamoni to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hendricks, of Havelock, Iowa, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays at the home of Mrs. Hendricks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gibson, of near Crown.

Mrs. Anna Fierce, of Van Wert, came Friday to visit a few days at the home of J. L. Gardner. Mrs. Gardner who has been in poor health for several months continues quite poorly.

Mrs. E. W. Gray and children, of Chariton, and Mrs. R. E. Brant, of Colbran, Colo., arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Vanderly in this city.

Ray Layton returned to Chariton Monday to resume his duties as locomotive fireman on the Burlington road after spending a month in this city recovering from an attack of sickness.

Clare Morjan who is attending the Northwestern university at Chicago, taking a course in pharmacy, came in Saturday morning to spend the holiday vacation with his parents in this city.

Misses Opal and Ruby Early who are attending a young ladies seminary at Lexington, Mo., arrived in Leon Sunday to visit during the holiday vacation with their parents and many young friends.

Drs. H. R. Layton and A. Brown went to Des Moines Thursday taking with them the stomach of Mrs. Charles Woodard to be analyzed by a chemist to determine whether it contained poison or not.

Albert Bullard, a former well known farmer residing near Van Wert, but a resident of Oklahoma for several years, stopped over night in Leon Tuesday while enroute to Van Wert to spend Christmas with his children.

Dr. John Snavely, wife and little son, of Albia, came Tuesday on visit over Christmas with Mrs. Snavely's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Woodmansee. Dr. Snavely and his wife are both enjoying a fine osteopathic practice at Albia.

J. W. Delk, the well known breeder of Poland-China hogs in Center township, made a trip down to Ridgeway, Mo., the first of the week to look at some of P. H. Murry's fine hogs with a view of making some additions to his herd.

J. B. and S. A. Dale, of Hamilton township, returned Friday from Chicago, where they had been with a shipment of three cars of cattle. Their train was delayed a whole day on the trip and as a result they struck a rather poor market.

H. D. Fluke, of Hotchkiss, Colorado, a brother of S. J. Fluke, of this city, stopped off Monday and visited over night with his brother. It was the first time they had seen each other for eighteen years and the visit though short was a most enjoyable one.



## MEASURING HEAT.

How Science Determines Exact Degree of High Temperatures.

Until within a comparatively recent period the man in charge of one of the very hot ovens used in many industrial operations, such, for example, as the making of pottery or the manufacture of various kinds of gas, could only judge the heat of his oven by looking at it. Nowadays, however, as a result of the increasing demand for heat experts, pyrometry is taught as an exact science.

Even the most expert optical judgment, as was shown in a series of experiments made at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston at the time when heat measurement was first being established as an important study for the schools of technology, could not tell the heat of an oven of over 2,500 degrees with more than approximate accuracy. Pyrometry, however, has invented instruments that can exactly measure heat that is thousands of degrees above and cold that falls hundreds of degrees below the zero point.

One of the simpler instruments for determining a high temperature is the calorimeter. A ball of nickel or platinum is heated in the furnace whose temperature is to be tested and dropped into water. The water will immediately rise in temperature, and the change having been noted by a thermometer, the amount of heat generated by the furnace itself may be readily calculated. Another interesting device is a small torpedo guaranteed to explode when exposed to a certain degree of heat, and there are various mechanisms that may be connected directly with ovens.

Modern pyrometry deals with cold as well as heat and has yet other instruments for measuring the lowest obtainable temperatures. One of the most curious of these is the so-called thermion, an electrical measuring instrument with a telephone attachment. The device is connected with a coil exposed to the temperature under question, so that a man in the central station of a refrigerating plant can hear reports from each without the necessity of making a daily inspection of all the local thermometers.

## Trade Methods.

Facts came recently to the attention of the London Chronicle which the editor hopes do not make quite a representative comparison between English and American trade methods.

A manufacturer in Florence who makes boxes of a novel design and character, especially suitable for jewelers, submitted, post free, a sample box to a leading firm in the United Kingdom, accompanying the same with a letter. His letter, marked over with a huge cross, was returned to him with an indignant rebuke for his presumption and notice that the box would be returned unopened.

About the same time this same gentleman sent a letter and sample parcel to a leading jeweler in the United States, equally unknown to him personally, and, though the American had to pay 60 per cent duty before he could open the packet, he accepted it, with results which have proved advantageous to both parties.

## Coffee For Wornout Nags.

A simple and valuable remedy for restoring wornout horses is reported by

a German naturalist, Herr Martin. He says he bought a horse which "was then almost a skeleton and so weak it could hardly walk" and began giving it coffee, sometimes in the form of infusions of the roasted beans and at other times ground and mixed with honey. Soon the horse began to improve, and after a few months Herr Martin had the opportunity to sell it for \$250. The German says he has brought round by the same treatment many horses which had been overworked or were run down, with loss of strength and appetite.

## Scientifically Made Glass.

In a recent lecture at Oxford Professor Raphael Meldola described the rapid progress in the development of the glassmaking industry in Germany. Since the improvement of the microscope and the telescope lay with the maker of the glass, a glassmaker, a chemist and a physician united their efforts, and the result was the now world renowned Jena glass. Glass can now be made with almost any optical properties that may be desired. The manufacture has been placed upon a strictly scientific footing.

## A Pet Crow.

C. A. Creighton of Thomaston, Me., has a crow that was given him when young, and now the bird is so tame that it flies through the streets, lights on fences, hobbles into dooryards and is nearly everybody's pet. It is said that the bird will go to the school-house grounds and wait for Mr. Creighton's boy to come out, will accompany him home and then fly down Knox street to meet Mr. Creighton when he comes to dinner.

## Rhode Island's Great Oak.

Perfect in its shape, the largest oak tree in western Rhode Island, if not in the entire state, stands on what is called the old Parker place, at Greene, in the town of Coventry. It grew from an acorn and is at least 150 years old. The tree has a spread of branch of 100 feet, and its trunk is thirteen feet in circumference and from three to six feet through. The tree is believed to be good for at least half a century more.

## Fighting a River.

Few features of the strange lands of central Asia are stranger or more celebrated than the great Amu Daria, the ancient Oxus, which has been attempting once more to change its bed. For more than two and a half centuries this river has flowed into the Aral sea, but for 400 years before that, according to ancient records, its destination was the Caspian, while it has changed its whole course in the same way yet once again within the period of which there are records remaining in the later classical authors. At the beginning of last month for the first time in several generations the Amu Daria began to break new ground again. Swollen by unusual floods, it began to drive a channel in the direction of a prosperous town which has sprung up of recent years in the neighborhood of a great bridge on the Transcaspian railway line. A thousand men have been engaged day and night for weeks past constructing dams to protect this town and keep back the river in its old bed, and the cost of the work has already amounted to many thousands of dollars.

## A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable salve handy, and there is none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, cuts, sores, eczema and piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at L. Van Werden's drug store.