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COURT HAS ADJOURNED

The January Term of Court was Adjourned for the Term by Judge Evans Friday Evening.

Judge Evans completed the work of the January term of court by holding a night session last Friday evening and returned on the evening train to his home at Corydon.

About three days were consumed in trying the case of W. J. Davis vs. Bessie Davis last week. The parties had been divorced at a former term of court and were in a dispute over the custody of their child, a little boy. Seventy-two witnesses were used in the case and after hearing all the evidence Judge Evans decided that the boy should be placed in the care of Mr. Davis' parents upon their giving a bond that they would properly care for him and educate him, with the provision that the boy should be taken on the last Friday of each month to the home of Mrs. Davis' parents, and remain there until the following Sunday. The court also ordered that the parties to the suit should each pay the fees of their own witnesses, and the court costs should be equally divided between them.

Judge Evans also heard four inebriety cases Friday night, the parties being J. H. Acton, Mart Pickering, Will Lorey and Frank Coffin, and he ordered that they should be sent to the state hospital at Knoxville for a period of three years, but instructed the sheriff to hold the warrant so long as they shall absolutely refrain from the use of intoxicating liquors, but the sheriff was ordered to take them to Knoxville the first time they took a drink.

The following additional cases were disposed of since our report last week: PROBATE.

Estate of Joseph Brown sr., final report approved, administrator discharged.

Estate of Jefferson Binning, claim of State Savings Bank of Grand River approved as third class claim.

Estate of Austin Howard, widow's allowance fixed at \$1,000.

LAW AND EQUITY.

Thos. Sutherland vs. S. L. Craig et al. Tried to court, being suit on notes, and judgment rendered in favor of defendants.

Assignment of Lake & Williams, assignee ordered to pay court costs and claims of Ralph Shelton and W. E. Brewer in full and then pay balance of creditors pro rata.

W. H. Hazlet vs. Claud A. Baker et al. Motion for more specific statement submitted and to be amended by Feb. 15th, the defendants to answer by March 1st.

Laura A. Hullinger vs. Martin A. Hullinger, decree of divorce granted.

In the cases of State vs. Dr. W. Doolittle, F. M. Bone & Co., Geo. B. Riggs and Clint Cole, temporary injunctions were issued restraining them from selling liquor.

Meetings at the Christian Church Closed Monday Night.

The series of evangelistic meetings which have been in progress at the Christian church in this city for the past four weeks, closed Monday night. The meetings were in charge of Rev. Chas. Arthur Coakwell, the popular pastor of the church, who was ably assisted by Will G. Lave, of Lock Haven, Penna., who was in charge of the singing. During the meetings Rev. Coakwell preached many able and thoughtful sermons and the result of his efforts are twenty-eight additions to the church membership, and renewed interest in church work has been aroused among all the members. Will G. Lave, the singer who assisted him is a splendid tenor soloist and an able chorus leader and his singing and that of his Sunbeam chorus as well as the regular choir have been features of the meetings which have attracted splendid audiences at each service. During his stay in Leon Mr. Lave has made many warm friends, for he is a congenial young man who will make friends wherever he goes.

Rev. Coakwell and Mr. Lave go to Decatur City next week to conduct a four weeks meeting at the Christian church in that city which opens on Monday evening.

Seized 21,600 Cans of Peas.

A special dispatch to the Register and Leader from Davenport, Iowa, tells of the seizure on Monday in that city of 900 cases of canned peas by Dr. A. Brown, formerly of this city, now a government pure food inspector. The dispatch says: "Nine hundred cases of canned peas, containing 21,600 cans were seized today by Dr. A. Brown, of Des Moines, representing the United States department of agriculture. The peas were in possession of the Smith Brothers and Burdick Company, local jobbers, and are the output of the Wisconsin Pea Canning company, Manitowish, Wis. It is the largest seizure of canned goods that has been made under the pure food and drug law and is based on the claim that the cans are labelled "two pounds" and weigh but twenty-four ounces each."

Christian Church.

Prayer meeting on Thursday evening, topic will be a study of the first chapter of Acts.

Bro. Lave will be with us next Lord's day. Evangelistic services morning and evening. Sunbeam chorus will sing at the evening service. During the evening services the church mortgage will be burned; we are very grateful for this. A cordial welcome is extended to all. CHAS. ARTHUR COAKWELL, minister.

License to Wed.

Milton J. Bennett, Leon 22  
Lillie May Gloeker, Leon 17  
Daniel P. Barr, Weldon 22  
Zada E. McMurtry, Weldon 20

Hepburn-Jameson Contest.

The latest reports from the Hepburn-Jameson contest is that when a recount was held last week at Centerville, Col. Temple abandoned the contest after eight precincts in which big gains were expected for Hepburn showed a gain for Jameson. At the same time the recount in Page county only showed a gain 26 for Hepburn and this gain is disputed by James' n's attorneys. Monday was the date set for a recount in Union county, but although Jameson's attorneys were served with notice to be present and were promptly on hand none of the representatives of Hepburn appeared and this looks like they had abandoned all hope of continuing the contest, although a dispatch from Col. Hepburn from Washington, quotes him as saying "Its a lie that the contest has been abandoned, and therefore I don't care to say anything about it." Just after the election Hepburn said he did not want the office if he had to take advantage of any technicalities, but it seems that he is holding on like grim death and will not abandon the contest until the last ditch is reached. His course is being condemned in strong language by leading republicans all over the district.

T. W. Ballew Was Stung.

Last fall the press dispatches told of a capitalist claiming to reside in Colorado who was bilked out of \$80,000 at Council Bluffs in a fake horse race, but it develops from the reports that the victim was T. W. Ballew, the millionaire lumberman of Princeton, Mo., who owns a lumber yard in this city.

A few days ago the press dispatches told of the arrest of John D. Dobbins and wife, at New York city, at the request of sheriff Thompson, of Princeton, who stated he was wanted on a charge of the larceny of \$30,000. Dobbins is a well known gambler who has made his home at Princeton, Mo., for many years, and on several occasions visited Leon some years ago. The deal was fixed up in Kansas City and the race was run at Council Bluffs, Ballew putting up \$30,000 together with the swindlers who were supposed to be betting \$65,000 of their own money. When the race was run the horse Ballew bet on fell and the race was called a foul and it was agreed to run it again at Springfield, Mo. After this agreement it is said the stakeholder who held the money fled and the second race has never been run.

New Store Opens Saturday.

The new clothing store of the Leon Clothing Co. will open for business on Saturday of this week. They are located in the fine room on the west side of the square formerly occupied by Thompson & Warner which has been remodeled and fitted up in elegant shape. Their fixtures and show windows are the very latest and something new, all the coats and vests being hung up on racks instead of placed on tables, which greatly facilitates the waiting upon customers and shows the goods to the best advantage. The stock comprises a full line of the very newest and latest style clothing, everything brand new, and they cordially invite the people of Decatur county to call and inspect their new store and get acquainted with them.

Dale & Wight's Cattle Sale.

The attention of stock raisers is called to the big sale of Hereford cattle which will be held at the old Clark livery barn in this city on Friday. The cattle are now on exhibition at the barn and can be seen at any time. Messrs Dale & Wight have perhaps the finest herd of White Faced cattle in America, their herd bull, Preceptor having won first prize last December for aged bulls at the International Stock Show at Chicago, and included in their offering at his sale are six young bulls sired by this great bull. A number of the cows to be sold are in calf by Preceptor, and it is a great opportunity to secure some finely bred cattle. Don't fail to attend this sale.

Dr. Lyon assisted by Dr. Eiker, of Leon, and also Dr. Ward and Mrs. Eiker and Miss Farnsworth, trained nurses, operated on the foot of Rolla Leonard Tuesday morning, he having been troubled with it for some time. They found upon examination that one of the bones above the ankle was diseased. The doctors think that with proper care the afflicted member will become well again. His many friends will be glad to know he stands a good chance of recovery. The amount raised last week by popular subscription to assist in defraying the expense of the operation was about forty dollars.—Garden Grove Express.

"The Fiddler and the Girl" is a high class comedy-drama written especially for Alan Villair and company—people who are really clever, who act naturally and consistently, and do not destroy the characters they portray by ranting, strutting, posing and mumbling of words. No "slipshod," "good-enough-for-the-small-towns" slighting of work with this company. You get just as good a performance as they give in the cities. They have a first-class reputation East and South, and are first duplicating it in the Middle West. At the opera house on Feb. 12.

Constable G. L. Terry, of Weldon, brought down a young man from that place named Laurel Howard last Friday evening to serve a thirty day sentence in the county jail for shoplifting in stores at Weldon.

Don't forget the big horse sale of the Leon Horse Co. at the brick sale barn in Leon on Thursday of this week. They have a big lot of good horses to sell and there will be many buyers here.

The quarantine restrictions have been removed from the churches and there will be preaching services at both places next Sunday morning and evening.—Kellerton Globe.

THE LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Interesting Items of Local Interest Picked Up by The Reporter During the Past Week.

A Successful Revival  
Rev. Chas. W. Reeder returned Monday from Macksburg, Iowa, where he had been for several weeks conducting a revival meeting which closed last Sunday with a total of 56 converts. That it was a splendid series of meetings is attested by the following letter which we received from the postmaster at Macksburg:

MACKSBURG, IOWA, Feb. 8, 1909.  
EDITOR LEON REPORTER:  
Evangelist Charles W. Reeder, of Leon, Iowa, has just closed a great revival in Macksburg and 56 converts go to the M. E. and Baptist churches. This community has been stirred up as never before. Bro. Reeder is a mighty man of God, and his strong preaching and singing will never be forgotten. More good has been done for this town than can be told. Bro. Reeder will always have a warm place in the hearts of the people of Macksburg.  
L. C. MCKIBBEN, Postmaster.

Columbian Stock Powders.

W. H. Hazlet has been appointed county agent for the Columbian Stock Powders, and has a full line of them on hand in barrels, pails and smaller packages as well as their stock dip, and customers can secure them from him at any time. The Columbian Stock Powders are the best stock food and the cheapest. Leading stockmen all over the country have used them with great success and the company has thousands of testimonials from well known parties as to their merits, including one from O. M. Healy, the well known breeder of Short-Horns at Bedford. They are not only a medicine for disease but an excellent tonic or appetizer and great results are secured from their use. Mr. Hazlet will be pleased to discuss their use with any farmer or stock raiser. They are equally good for cattle, horses, hogs and sheep and as a milk producer can not be equalled.

A Big Thirteen Days Sale.

Attention is called to the full page advertisement in this issue of the Kraft Clothing Co., advertising a special thirteen days sale which opens on Saturday of this week. They are pricing every line of goods in their big store at prices which means a big saving to buyers. The Kraft Clothing Co. carry one of the largest stocks to be found in the state, and as their goods are bought for their chain of twelve stores they buy at the very lowest prices in such big quantities and are in position to give their customers the benefit. Read their big adv. The prices quoted speak for themselves and you can see the big bargains they are offering during this thirteen days sale.

Buys Interest in Opera House.

A deal was closed last week whereby L. P. Van Warden disposed of a half interest in the opera house block to Lem Vanostrand, Mr. Van Warden securing a farm owned by Mr. Vanostrand in the deal. The two Vans will jointly manage the opera house and are contemplating some extensive repairs on the block as soon as the weather will permit. A new roof will be put on and the entire interior of the opera house will be remodeled and made an up-to-date play house, as good as can be found in any city the size of Leon. The store rooms on the ground floor will also be fixed up and metal ceilings and other improvements made.

New Rural Carriers Appointed.

As the result of the recent examination for rural mail carriers held in this city, C. R. Turner was notified Monday that he had been appointed carrier on route No. 4, and will assume his duties on March 1st. W. R. Perdew was also notified that he had been appointed carrier on route No. 2, but as he has just purchased a fine farm northwest of Leon, he immediately filed his resignation and the now highest applicant will be appointed, but who the successful one is will not be known for some days as the appointments come from Washington, the standing of the applicants not being made public or sent to the postmaster.

Methodist Notes.

The revival meetings announced to commence at the M. E. church opened Sunday night, but on account of Rev. Monahan, of Afton, who was to assist in the meetings being sick, and the fact that Rev. Boyd was also taken ill the first of the week, they were closed Monday evening until next Sunday. Miss Ogden, the deaconess, is here and will remain for two weeks assisting in the work. A special Lincoln service will be held next Sunday morning.

Presbyterian Notes.

Regular services at the Presbyterian church in the morning.—No evening service in view of the revival services at the Methodist church. Preaching at Crown chapel at 2:30 p. m. In the absence of the pastor the pulpit will be supplied. Every one urged to be out to greet the new preacher who will be on hand without fail.

The remains of Mrs. Frank John, a former well known resident of this county, arrived Sunday afternoon from Rocky Ford, Colorado, where they have resided for several years, the funeral party being delayed several days on account of a snow blockade. Her death was from consumption from which she had suffered for several years. The funeral was held from the M. E. church Monday afternoon, interment being in the Leon cemetery.

Our school column is unavoidably crowded out this week.

"A Jolly American Tramp" Coming.

"A Jolly American Tramp," a melodramatic comedy drama replete with striking situations and startling sensations, is underlined at Van Warden's opera house for Wednesday night Feb. 17th. The piece is from the pen of the author of "A Poor Relation" and "Peaceful Valley," two plays that have made Sol Smith Russell famous. In it Mr. Kidder portrays an American tramp, not as a repulsive, ever-to-be-shunned outcast but as a man who through misfortune was compelled to wander upon the face of the earth, but whose heart, well knowing his own distress, still bleeds for others' woes and who offers even his own life to help right the wrongs of others even more unfortunate than he. The locale of this drama is laid in rural New England, and the motive is a greed for gold, a greed with which even a husband is sometimes overpowered, and for which he terribly wrongs his life's partner. The story is complex and will be well worked out by a competent cast of gifted players. In the cast are such well known actors as Charley McWilliams who portrays 'Happy Jack' the tramp; Elizabeth Taylor, the well known prima donna, and the dainty little soubrette star, Pearl Hoyer, and the comedy Irishwoman, Elinor Dunbar. The cast is exceptionally strong throughout and contains fourteen stars, all artists.

Smith-Severns.

At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Arthur Richey, three miles north of New Virginia, Iowa, on Wednesday evening, February 3rd, occurred the wedding of Mr. Guy Smith, of Van Wert, and Miss Maude Severns, of New Virginia, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Stringfellow, pastor of the Christian church of New Virginia, in the presence of the immediate relatives and a few intimate friends.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of near Van Wert, who are among our best known citizens. He is a young man of sterling worth and integrity and he has won for his companionship through life an amiable and most charming young lady.

A reception was tendered the happy young couple at the home of the groom's parents, south of Van Wert, on Friday evening.

Many friends extend their congratulations and wish them a long, happy and prosperous life. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will make their home on a farm near Van Wert.

Wheeler-Kizzire.

Mr. Lionel Wheeler and Miss Birdie Kizzire, both of Burrell township, were married last Wednesday, by Squire Frank Cox, at his residence in Eden township. After the ceremony the happy couple returned to the home of the groom where a bountiful wedding feast was served. Both of the contracting parties are well known, having been raised in this community and they have many friends who extend congratulations and wish them every happiness and prosperity, and with the hope that no cloud may ever darken their horizon without a silver lining.

Mrs. Frank John.

Carrie W. Varner was born in Licking county, Ohio, Oct. 5, 1873. Was united in marriage to Frank John Sept. 1, 1892, and immediately afterward came with her husband to her home in Iowa, where she resided until the year 1902 when on account of ill health she removed to Rocky Ford, Colo., at which place she died Feb. 4, 1909, aged 35 years, 4 months. From childhood she was a worker in the Sunday school and united with the M. E. church at the age of 14, of which she has been a consistent member, always fulfilling her duties both in the church and Sabbath school. After going to Colorado, though in poor health, for an entire year she was neither tardy nor absent from the Sunday school. She knew and loved her bible, it was to her the book of life. A father, mother and brother have preceded her to her heavenly home. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband, a brother, three sisters, a step-mother, four half-brothers, two half-sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Capt. J. L. Gooding's Sale Dates.

Feb. 11, Emery Saltzman.  
Feb. 12, C. Moore & Son.  
Feb. 13, Masterson & Son.  
Feb. 15, L. Rominger.  
Feb. 16, J. E. Trollop.  
Feb. 17, Jim Evans.  
Feb. 18, T. J. Munyon.  
Feb. 19, R. H. Harding.  
Feb. 20, G. H. Higady.  
Feb. 22, John Moon.  
Feb. 23, G. F. Githens.  
Feb. 24, Frank Dodson.  
Feb. 25, Richard Northey.  
Feb. 26, Fred Holdencamp.  
Mar. 1, Joe Brown.  
Mar. 2, C. Moore & Son.  
Mar. 3, Mrs. Pete Boyer.

Sale Dates.

Dale & Wight, at Leon, Friday, Feb. 12th.  
Gassett & Konklin, 7 miles northeast of Leon, Monday, Feb. 15th.  
Mrs. C. N. Hull 7 miles northeast of Leon, Tuesday, Feb. 16th.  
Jay W. Sellers, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Decatur, Tuesday, Feb. 16th.  
Walton Bros., 4 miles southwest of Leon, Wednesday, Feb. 17th.  
C. C. Wood estate, 3 miles southeast of Weldon, Wednesday, Feb. 17th.  
W. S. Clark, 9 miles south of Leon, Thursday, Feb. 18th.  
Andrew Sell, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Leon, Tuesday, Feb. 23d

A. C. Church Notes.

There will be preaching at the Adventist Christian church by Eld. J. J. Ruppert next Lord's day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. We would urge all the members to be present at these services if possible, and a special invitation is extended to the public.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALS

Coming and Going of Holiday Visitors in Leon and Vicinity in the Week Just Closed.

Mrs. M. F. Grimes and baby went to Pleasanton Saturday to visit over Sunday at the home of her sisters, Mesdames J. W. Chew and C. M. Wheeler.

Mrs. J. T. Robertson and Mrs. W. E. Brewer, of Davis City, passed through here last Thursday returning from a few days visit with friends at Decatur City.

Mrs. Sarah Davis, of near Pleasanton, was called to Norcraft, Kas., Monday by a message stating that her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Starr, was not expected to live.

Mrs. F. P. Read, of Garden Grove, passed through here Monday, returning from a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Belding, at Van Wert.

Mrs. J. C. Overholtzer, of north of town, left Thursday for Rocky Ford, Colorado, being called there by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Frank John.

W. D. Mitchell, wife and daughter Eunice returned Monday evening to their home at Davis City after visiting a few days at the home of J. V. Arney, north of Leon.

Mrs. M. S. Jones returned Saturday evening from Clarion, Iowa, where she had been visiting for three weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Bunn.

Mrs. Nellie Henderson, returned Friday to her home at Van Wert after visiting for a few days in this city at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Wells.

Miss Vivian Lanning returned Thursday to her home at Chariton after visiting for a couple of days in this city at the home of her brother, B. W. Lanning.

Mrs. J. W. McDowell, of Davis City, returned home Friday after a short visit in this city at the home of her children, Doss McDowell and Mrs. F. L. Lorey.

Rev. Sadio Gibbons, who has resided in this county for the past seven years, left Thursday for Portis, Kas., where she has accepted an appointment as pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cherrington, of Cherokee, Iowa, came Monday for a visit in this city at the home of Mrs. Cherrington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Miller.

Miss Louise Moore went to Crown Sunday, being employed teaching school near here, after a short visit in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. L. Howard.

Frank Sutherland and daughter, Miss Cecil, returned Monday evening to their home at Davis City after an over Sunday visit with friends in this city and vicinity.

Mrs. Boyd Craig returned Thursday evening to her home at Davis City after visiting for a couple of days in this city at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. E. Henderson.

Miss Lettie Sims, of Pattonsburg, Mo., was in Leon Saturday, being on her way home from a visit at the home of her brother-in-law, Prof. E. Spencer, at Pleasanton.

Mrs. Luther Fox returned Saturday to her home at Wymore, Neb., after visiting for a couple of weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. S. Benefiel, in this city.

Miss Ona Riley, who is teaching southeast of Leon, went to Decatur City Saturday morning to attend the teachers' meeting, returning on the evening train.

Mrs. D. Heddington, who has been visiting for a couple of weeks at the home of Henry Mills, in Eden township, departed Tuesday for her home at Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Anna Vanpelt and children returned Friday to their home at Salem, S. D., after visiting for several weeks with numerous relatives and old friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Sarah Eaton left Saturday for Burlington, where she will visit for some time with her daughter, Mrs. S. U. Rush. She was accompanied by her son, J. O. Eaton.

County clerk J. L. Mendenhall and family went to Grand River Saturday for an over Sunday visit at the home of Mrs. Mendenhall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young.

Miss Kate Hull, who is employed as a teacher in the Garden Grove schools, came Friday to spend a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. N. Hull, northeast of Leon.

Miss Lillian Bigley who is teaching school near Kellerton came over to Leon Friday night and visited over Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Bigley.

Mrs. W. S. Snyder, of northeast of Leon, was in Leon last Friday being on her way to Decatur City to visit a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sears.

Mrs. A. J. Luppold and baby, of Red Oak, arrived Friday evening to join her husband, who is manager of the new clothing store, and they will go to house-keeping in this city.

Miss Iva Gore, of Promise City, who was visiting with friends in this city, went Friday to Decatur City to visit a few days with relatives and friends before returning home.

Frank Manning, of the west side of the county, stopped off here Tuesday morning and spent the day with friends in this city, being on his way home from a trip to Chicago.

Mrs. L. W. Gates departed Thursday for Fullerton, Neb., where she will visit relatives for a few weeks and will then join Mr. Gates at their new home at Sedgewick, Colorado.

Mrs. H. C. Braeger, who has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Cherrington, at Decatur City, passed through Leon Tuesday, returning to her home at Sullivan, Kas. Her brother Charles Cherrington accompanied her as far as Kansas City.

T. D. Fritcher, a former manager of the Clarinda Poultry plant in this city, now traveling auditor for the company, spent a few days in this city on business the first of the week.

Mrs. L. L. Craft and daughter Lorena, of Van Wert, passed through here Tuesday enroute to Geary, Okla., being called there by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. J. D. Strong.

D. Muck, of Sterling, Kas., and his niece, Miss Verna McClaskey, of Harris, Mo., who were visiting in this city at the home of his brother, U. S. Muck, left Thursday for their homes.

Mrs. Carrie Hyatt departed Monday for Los Angeles returning from an extended stay. For several months she has been visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. O. E. Hull, in this city.

Dell Hilliker and son Charles went to Des Moines last Friday. Mr. Hilliker has been confined to the house for several months by illness and his many friends are glad to see him around again.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Casey, of Baring, Mo., who were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bryson, in Woodland township, went to Des Moines Saturday for a few days visit before returning home.

Lawrence Frost, of near Decatur City, came over Thursday accompanied by his two daughters who will visit for a few days at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Frost, of east of Leon.

Miss Jessica Pryor went to Kansas City Monday where she will trim in the wholesale millinery houses for a couple of weeks and select new goods for the millinery store of Keller & Pryor in this city.

Mr. J. Ruark, wife and two daughters, of Glidden, Iowa, who were visiting at the home of his brother, I. N. Ruark, in this city, went to Davis City Tuesday for a short visit there and then go to Bethany, Mo., for a visit.

Mrs. C. N. Sprague and children, of Meridian, Idaho, who have been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hamilton, in this city, went to Danville, Iowa, Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. R. R. Hopton.

F. E. Thompson and wife returned Friday to their home in Des Moines after visiting for a week with relatives in this city, being called here by the illness and death of Mr. Thompson's mother, Mrs. F. P. Thompson.

Bert Chew and wife, of Hopeville, stopped off here Thursday evening and visited over night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harmon, being on their way to Pleasanton where Mr. Chew has accepted a position in the bank.

Mrs. John Farrens returned Friday to her home in Des Moines after visiting for a couple of weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Patrick Flynn, southeast of Leon, who has been very ill with pneumonia, but is now gradually recovering.

W. H. Howard, who has been working at Garden Grove for several months, came down Sunday and visited until Monday afternoon in this city. He still has considerable work to do at Garden Grove where he has erected several new residences.

James I. Baker, of St. John, Wash., who was called here by the death of his father, Dr. G. W. Baker, a few weeks ago, went to Des Moines Monday to visit a few days with his sister, Mrs. R. L. Parrish and will then return to his home in St. John.

S. V. Sears and wife, of Taylor, Neb., who are visiting at the home of his brother, J. J. Sears, near Decatur City, were in Leon last Friday returning from a visit with old friends and relatives in the Garden Grove and High Point neighborhoods.

Frank Minnis, of St. Paul, Minn., traveling salesman for the Washburn, Crosby Flour Co., spent Sunday in this city the guest of his friend, Will F. Lindsey, having been associated with him in the theatrical business for several years some years ago.

Mrs. W. F. Waight went to Osceola Saturday, being joined here by her daughter, Mrs. F. E. French, of St. Joe, and on Sunday they left for Washington, D. C., where they will visit for a few weeks at the home of Mrs. Waight's daughter, Mrs. G. A. Wood.

Charles Griffin, of Saline, Mo., was a business visitor in this city last Friday, bringing up a bunch of mules which he had sold to a buyer in this city. He made The Reporter office a pleasant call and left the price of two years subscription with us.

Will G. Lave, the singer who has been in charge of the music at the revival meetings at the Christian church in this city, went to Des Moines Tuesday to spend a few days with friends. He will return Saturday and goes to Decatur City to assist with a four week's meeting which opens there Monday evening.

Mrs. T. W. Silvers, who was called here by the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. F. F. Thompson, returned Friday to her home at Butler, Mo. She was accompanied home by her sister, Miss Bell Thompson who will spend several months in Butler and will then probably go to Seattle, Wash., for a time.

C. B. Townsend, of Decatur City, who is employed as an adjuster of losses by Capital Insurance Co., of Des Moines, was in Leon Monday on business. He informs us that there was a tremendous loss all over Iowa by reason of damage done by wind during the recent storm and he has several hundred small losses to adjust.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Farquhar returned Monday evening from Boise, Idaho, where they went several weeks ago to accompany the remains of Mrs. Farquhar's sister, Mrs. Hortense Horner, who died at Akron, Colorado, while enroute to Boise. Mrs. Horner's two daughters decided to remain and make their home in Boise.

Grand River.

Dr. Ward's next dates at Grand River are Feb. 8 to 13.

Hay for sale near Blockley.  
C. E. GARDNER.