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Among Our Correspondents.

Interesting Items from Nearby Neighborhoods.

Amish.

J. B. Miller has had better luck with his second well. Within 20 feet of the first one which they abandoned at 250 feet for want of the precious fluid, the drillers "struck it" at 120 feet, not an 8,000 barrel gusher, but a good well. Can't always sometimes tell where to drill.—Robt. R. Hughes and Emma Moer, residing east of Amish, were united in marriage on New Year's day. Only the nearest relatives and a few friends were present.—Will Gingerich had his wood sawed and 50 bushels of feed ground Tuesday. Otto Gingerich did the work with his gasoline engine and then moved the outfit to Kalona.—Mrs. A. D. Lantz returned Tuesday from Kansas, where she had been visiting since Nov. 1. She has gained materially in health, and looking fine.—Miss Nellie Long returned to Iowa City Monday to resume her studies at the I. C. A. where she has been in attendance for the past three months. Had been home for holidays.—Our school (Brush) Dist. No. 8, has over 40 scholars enrolled. C. P. Brenneman wields the scepter.—The Aid Society meets at S. C. Palmer's this week.—We have it from good authority (though your correspondent didn't catch the name correctly enough over the phone to risk writing it) that 40 rattlers and black snakes were taken from a well near Sharon. This is not intended as a snake story, for your correspondent intends to give nothing but facts. The water had tasted fishy, bitter and strong. On investigation the wall of the well was found to be literally alive with the hideous creatures.—The chicken thieves have been caught at last by a brave resident of this place. Dan Eiman traced them in the snow from his hen roost to their hiding place, and caught them "red handed." Amish has been for a long time annoyed by a gang of low-lived chicken thieves, and so wary and sly have they been in carrying on their nefarious operations that detection was next to impossible. But it fell to Dan to dig 'em out, seven in all, the largest snake you ever saw. Nets and hides, etc.—Mission Yoder, a few miles east of Amish, shipped 127 fat hogs to Chicago last week. They netted him over \$1,700. They were his own raising and feeding.—J. W. Wagner, 2 miles east of Amish, sold 80-head of stock hogs to Charley Durian.—J. B. Miller sold 44 fat hogs at 6c. Average weight 108.—Here are three farmers taking in about \$3,000 for hogs alone (May pigs) Quick returns. Talk about Carnagio and Rockefeller! This will naturally suggest the question, what kind of a place is Amish?

Lexington.

The Epworth League will give a social at the parsonage this Friday eve. Oysters, peaches, cake and coffee will be served and a good time is expected.—Rev. Filmer will begin protracted meetings at Pilotburg next Sunday eve.—Mrs. S. E. Bishop is expected home the last of the week after visiting her son Jay and family.—Miss Clara Huber is quite poorly with some kind of fever.—Chas. Hodges is no better, so we hear. We hope he may be around again.—Will and Dan Sexton have gone to Oklahoma to look up a location.—It is reported that "Ed Page" will start a blacksmith shop here in the spring.—Lewis Longwell is doing some papering at the F. M. Fleming home this week.—Quite a donation was given for the church New Year's day and the "cloth" thanked us in a nice speech Sunday from the pulpit.

North English.

A big ten and a half pound baby boy came to the home of John T. Claypool.—J. W. King and wife of Marion are spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mary J. King.—The Knights of Pythias and Rathbone Sisters will hold a joint installation Friday evening at which all members of those lodges are requested to be present. It will not be altogether public although each member has the privilege of bringing friends outside of the orders. After the coronations a banquet will be served and entertainment in the way of games, singing, speaking, etc., will be furnished.—Charley (Jack) King was brought before Squire Hadley last Tuesday on a charge of assault and battery on the person of Ernest Arthur. The plaintiff, Arthur, filed an information to the effect that defendant had assaulted him on the night of the 27th ult., with his "naked mitts," and some instrument unknown to the plaintiff and beat him unmercifully. Defendant pleaded guilty to the first count and was fined \$10 and costs.—Record.

For Sale.

A 4-year-old registered thoroughbred Galloway bull, a fine individual and of choice breeding.

CHRISTIAN D. YODER, Amish, Ia.

Pilotburg.

Frank Dudor visited Cloyd Cross of Riverside, Monday.—The sewing circle ladies are at work at R. M. Ashby's today (Wednesday).—Mr. and Mrs. Bert Britton visited at the home of McD. Thomas Tuesday.—Special meetings will begin here Sunday evening Jan. 12.—At a recent meeting held at the home of Henry Schultze, the names of Alfred Bitting, David Bitting, and John Oldfield were added to the Pilotburg Star line. Work on the extension was begun at once and at this writing the poles are all set. This makes eleven members on the Star line. The Bartholomew line when completed, will practically clean up the country South and Southwest.—The neighbors Northeast of here held a meeting at the home of Alvin Hasty Tuesday evening and elected officers as follows: Alvin Hasty Pres., Frank Vodichka, Sec.; Albert Lantz, Treas. This line will be built from the home of Albert Lantz to Kalona. Emmet Louck and Oliver Dunlap were present and explained the advantages of this line uniting with the Schachnor and Star lines making a connecting line between Wellman and Kalona. There will be a meeting at Slab Street school house Thursday night Dec. 9 for the purpose of organizing a company to build a line from Harvey Knupp's due north to the Hasty corner, thence to Kalona over the Wonderful Eight. We suggest that name since there are so many different nationalities along the line.

Kinross.

Miss Nellie Harris returned home Monday after spending several days with Lucy Lytle.—Hubert Fischer left Monday evening for Quincy, Ill., where he has been attending school the past year.—Joe Seitsinger was a Keswick visitor over Sunday.—School commenced Monday after a two weeks vacation. Nearly all the scholars present.—Joe Cranston and family left for Kansas Tuesday.—The Order of the Red Cross gave a supper Tuesday eve.—Miss Alta Farsold of South English came down Tuesday evening. Guest of Lola Oldaker.—The marriage of Lola Oldaker to Ivan Coffey will take place this (Wednesday) evening at the home of Robt. McDowell.—A party was given at the home of M. A. Fischer Friday evening in honor of their son Hubert. Nearly seventy-five guests were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bigley visited at C. F. Lytle's Wednesday.—Mrs. M. Kelley returned home Tuesday after several days visiting with friends and relatives in Colorado.

Keota.

Leo Houston has sold his residence and will move to a small farm near Red Oak.—Lys. Carris surprised his folks here by coming in on them suddenly Christmas day. He is still located in Dallas county and is doing well. He started for home yesterday morning by way of Sigourney where his wife's folks live.—They put up a new fangled system of telephone in Oskaloosa recently and Dupuis & Son bought one hundred of their old phones and unloaded fifty of them here and the other fifty at Washington. It is the same instrument that is used all around these parts. New patrons of the exchange here can now be accommodated at once.—A very enjoyable family reunion occurred at the E. E. Bower home for New Year's dinner. Four generations, in all twenty three, sat down at the table. Some of the dishes used were those with which Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Henkle began house-keeping 48 years ago.—The Eph Kelley family is in a bad way. Tuesday morning they applied to Mayor Dayton for relief and upon investigation it was found that Mr. Kelley was sick and that there was an absence of both food and fuel. The tp. trustees took the matter in hand and have recommended that an allowance of \$5.00 a week for the present be allowed them by the county.—Eagle.

Kalona.

Jerry Stutzman departed for Indiana Monday evening to visit relatives a couple of weeks.—Oren Mauck has bought an interest in the Rankin hardware store at Washington, and moves over there this week.—Ed Wells writes us to send his paper to Hatfield, Wis. He don't say what he is doing, but we suppose he has found work there.—A. W. Brittons moved down from Frank Pierce the first of the week and are occupying a part of the second floor of the Huff block, now owned by Mr. Britton.—News.

For Sale.

One 2-year-old Registered Galloway bull, large size and first-class in every respect.

J. P. SWARTZENDRUBER, 2 1/4 miles N. E. of Wellman.

Nira.

State S. S. Missionary Wells assisted County Missionary Wheelright in Sunday evening services. Monday was well spent, making calls in the interest of their work throughout the neighborhood.—The Ladies Aid Society spent Thursday with Mrs. Geo. Smith, it being their farewell meeting with her, as they expect soon to leave for their new home in Oklahoma. All experienced a sense of sadness in losing this good family but hope the move will be for their best interests.—Grandmas McClelland and Ashton have each been confined in doors several weeks, their trouble being of a complicated nature. We are glad to report them apparently convalescing.—A son and heir gladdens the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mulchy since Friday. Everybody doing well.—Ross Glantz made a business trip into Johnson county, in the vicinity of Windham, Saturday. Maggie Mulchy came home with him and will spend a few days with her brother Patsy.—Mr. and Mrs. Leach and Miss Cross, were Keota visitors Saturday p. m. Ditto, Shirley Norris and family, Monday.—Joe Miller of Foote was a business caller Tuesday.—A recent letter from Mr. and Mrs. Lewis in Carlbad, New Mexico, informing their people that they are enjoying good health, for them. They much more appreciate the privileges of that warm climate than they had ever expected to have reason to do. Their many friends are glad to hear favorable reports of them.—John Burger and family, and Lee Thurman were Sunday guests at the Mulchy home.—Mr. Keiso, our agent was an over-Sunday visitor in Lono Troo.—G. A. Miller and "wife" are making a brief visit of business and pleasure combined, with friends in Marengo this week.—We were greatly shocked to learn of the sudden death of Lon Wade near Green Valley. The mourning friends have our sincere sympathy in their sad bereavement.—Ross Miller left Saturday for Des Moines expecting to enter Highland Park Monday morning. He will take a course of private instruction in the higher branches. Will also pursue such other work as time and opportunity favors.

Fairview.

Wm. Hull and son of Deep River, are in this vicinity taking pictures.—Henry Wetrich went to Des Moines the first of the year, to take a course in telegraphy at Highland Park. This should have been mentioned last week. Ross Miller is going to school there also, taking the didactic course.—Grant Griffith is sick.—Mrs. Nora Bonnett is visiting her brother, E. A. Adams.—Joe Cranston loaded his cars at Kinross Monday and Tuesday they started, Roy and Willie going through with them. The balance of the family went to Keota and took the early morning train Wednesday. Their many friends here wish them a safe journey, and that their most sanguine hopes may all be realized in their new home.—We were surprised and grieved to learn of the death of Lon Wade. The family have the sympathy of their many friends here. They formerly resided on this side of the river.—Clayton Eckerman came home from school last Thursday sick. A specialist in Des Moines said he has catarrh of the stomach; this is too bad as he was getting along fine in his studies.—Rolla Eckerman and wife visited at his father's Sunday. Also Henry Matthes and family at A. L. Whites.—Mrs. Moore is able to sit up.—Joe Cranston and family visited at Mr. Pool's Sunday, their last visit here.—This is lovely weather; looks like spring.—John Glantz and wife spent Sunday at Frank Schwartz'.

Entertained.

On a recent date S. C. Gardner and wife entertained a party of relatives at dinner and a very pleasant day was passed. You will recall that this paper has noted the fact that Mr. Gardner has bought a fine farm of 100 acres one mile south of Keota and is arranging to move there in the near future. He is now hauling his personal effects to the new home and getting ready for the final transfer. It is with general regret that the people of the Lex. neighborhood look forward to the removal of so popular a family. The gathering referred to above was of the nature of a farewell party. Those present to enjoy the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner were: Elias King and wife of Keota; J. W. Eyestone and family; Frank Fleming and daughter; Gortie Tipton; J. N. Gardner and wife; J. E. Gardner and family; H. B. Gardner and family; L. E. Gardner; Lewis Longwell and wife; Uncle James Gardner and wife.

Round Table Meeting

To be held at Wellman School house, Saturday, Jan. 18, at 1:30 p. m.

PROGRAM.

Need of Discipline in our schools
Centralization of schools
Advantages and Disadvantages
A Citizens View
A Teacher's View
How to secure better results in spelling
Music—How shall it be taught?

Married.

Mr. Ivan Coffey and Miss Lolah Oldaker were married at 7 o'clock last evening, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary McDowell in Kinross, Rev. Yankirk officiating. There were present only the immediate families of the contracting parties. Mrs. McDowell served a delicious wedding supper to the guests. The bride and groom are expected to arrive in Wellman to-day and will make this place their home.—Mr. Coffey has been a faithful employe of the ADVANCE office for a good many years. Owing to the very close business and personal relation existing between him and the writer, we must be forgiven if we forego the usual catalogue of compliments and effusion of nice things usually said or written of the groom. The fact of his being so long in our employ is better proof of appreciation and personal regard than printed words. The bride is a young lady of excellent standing in the social circles of the community and in every way worthy to be the woman of his choice. We hope their life may be all honeymoon.

District Court.

The January term of District Court will convene Monday of next week with Judge Scott on the bench. The Grand jury is summoned for the second day of the term, and the Trial jury for Thursday, Jan. 10th. The docket has just been published and is in the hands of the attorneys. There are 40 cases on the probate docket, and 74 on the law docket. There is some criminal business, but nothing new. The McCartney cases against the city are on the docket. The case of W. W. Hastings against Jos. Marek, of Seventy-Six, on the charge of alienating his wife's affections, will cause interest on the part of the public. There are several cases against the railway companies. Those who have appealed from the Sheriff's jury, and have cases vs. Milwaukee, are: M. J. Roberts et al, Geo. Hays, J. S. Phillips, Hiram Scofield et al and Frank Roberts et al. The H. J. Keintz appeal case against the Rock Island is on the docket; also the Marie Beasty and Marion Fishburn cases against the Narrow Gauge. The case of Owen McKeivitt against Webb & Reed, sub-contractors, tried before Squire McCull, has been appealed. The divorce cases are: Belle Rice vs. Jas. Rice, Hattie V. Caruthers vs. Buren E. Caruthers, Elizabeth Goode vs. John Goode, and Alie Riley vs. Smith Riley.—Journal.

G. A. R. and W. R. C.

These organizations held a joint installation in the K. P. Hall, on the 3rd inst. and the ladies served refreshments following the exercises. Twenty five of the Post were present and 75 of the W. R. C. Past Commander Bradford officiated as installing officer for the Post, and Past President, Mrs. Fred Klockentogor installed the officers of the W. R. C. Both showed a thorough knowledge of the business in hand and discharged their duties to the satisfaction of all concerned. Mrs. Geo. Kimmel presided at the organ and a quartette of ladies sang a beautiful and appropriate piece; also our old stand by and favorite, "Marching Through Georgia." The flag drill by the ladies was exceptionally fine and all went merrily and in perfect harmony until the heating apparatus tank over flowed and spilled a lot of hot water on some ladies wraps, hats, feathers, etc. No one hurt, no one to blame. The milliners will set things to rights and profit some by the accident Officers installed were as follows:

G. A. R. OFFICERS

Commander, I. N. Carr,
S. V. C., Chas. Mayer,
J. V. C., A. A. Hull,
Chap., T. P. McReynolds,
Qr. Master, John Romine,
Adjt. Jesse Longwell,
Officer of the day, J. W. Waite,
" " " guard Abel Fetrow,
Surgeon, Philip Whetstine,
Qm. Serg't., John Fleming,
Serg't. Major, Fred Klockentogor.

W. R. C. OFFICERS.

Pres., Mrs. C. C. Gardner,
S. V. P., " I. N. Carr,
J. V. P., " E. Bradford,
Secy., " Fred Perry,
Treas., " Josse Longwell,
Chap., " Susan Morrow,
Conductor, Carrie Ash,
Asst. Conductor, Mrs. Everett Lewis,
Guard, Mrs. Susie Whetstine,
Asst. Guard, Mrs. Hattie Whetstine,
1st Color Bearer, Mrs. E. F. Smith,
2nd " " Mrs. Isabelle Hull,
3rd " " Mrs. John Nesmith,
4th " " Mrs. M. C. Struble.

Town Sites.

There is nothing new in regard to town sites on the Milwaukee. The company will purchase a large tract of ground where the stations will be located and is still figuring on options. It has always been the policy of the company to get large tracts of land before building stations, so if land is needed for any purpose in the future the company will have it.—Journal.

A Letter From Canada.

Tavistock, Ont., Jan. 3.
EDITOR ADVANCE.—As I promised to write the ADVANCE a letter, I will now endeavor to do so. We left Iowa City Dec. 5, at 3:40, over the Rock Island. Stopped in Chicago only long enough to change cars and got out over the Grand Trunk. Passed through the tunnel at 12:30 central time and 1:30 eastern time. Arrived at Stratford at 4:55. Found the people mostly in good health. The weather steady cold, the coldest being below. The weather is one-day-like the other. I have the first sick person to hear of. The Yankees are numerous over here. Elmer Bushart and David Slaughter, of Honey county; "Mose" Roup and family, of Johnson county; "Edw" Gingerich and Harry Miller of Indiana, are here. The roads are splendid, the sloping being fine. The land is mostly level, and is sometimes covered with gravel and rock. The gravel is used on the roads, and the rock for buildings and fences. Frame houses are scarce. Railroads are plentiful, the Grand Trunk taking the lead. To the north about 25 miles the land lays rather high and bluff. Some beautiful villages are situated in the valleys and on the plains. Some are 15 or 20 miles from any railroad, but employ a great many people in factories, knitting, weaving and spinning, also many hands in planing and saw mills. Towns of 600 or 800 inhabitants without railroad facilities are plentiful.

There is timber here beyond measure. Nearly every farm has from 5 to 25 acres, mostly of sugar and hard maple; beech, birch, elm, spruce and pine. Swamps are numerous. Flowing wells are common. Tavistock, the size of Wellman, has 40 flows. The houses look much like county jails. Nearly all are built of great rocks. I have just taken the measure of a window frame and find it 23 inches through. The windows are mostly hung on hinges, like our barn doors. I have seen only one house that I call an old-timer. This had an old fashioned fire-place, sand floors, an offset in the wall about three feet from the ground, to accommodate the visitors, I suppose. There was the old fashioned extension table, with the log mortised in the corner. But their broodvosts tasted all right. Butchering and threshing are the order of the day. They estimate their threshing by the barn. They say they have so many barns to thresh yet. They most all use the old fashioned wooden cog wheels which are geared up to speed the cylinder. Horse power or steam engines are used. They mostly use the rope instead of the large belts. Wheat, oats, barley and peas are the principal crops. Peas are used instead of corn and sell at the same price. The crop was damaged this year by bugs. Troublesome insects and birds are plentiful. The soil is a sandy black, with plenty of gravel; but the farms are mostly cleared up and sell for \$65 to \$100 an acre. People here do not believe in building forty eleven little buildings scattered all over, as we do in Iowa. Their main buildings are made big enough for all purposes. Farmers store for winter use from 80 to 100 loads of turnips, and the barns are kept warm enough so they will not freeze. It looks funny to see a Canadian horse roll an ear of corn around in his mouth and not know how to eat it. What corn is raised is cut up green and stored in silos, making splendid feed during the winter months. I have seen turnips that weigh 22 pounds. Some corn is being shipped in at 65 and 70 cents per bushel. In the larger towns it is something great for a man to have several bushels of corn stored up.

Woodstock is a very nice city of about 12,000. It has piano, woolen wagon and many other factories. The wagon factory employs 200 men and completes 50 to 60 vehicles a day. Temperance towns are seldom found. Most all have several hotels and saloons combined. I know of a number of scouts entering a hotel and remaining until one of them became dead drunk. The others took him to an undertaker's room and laid him out and left him there to awaken in the morning in a lonesome coffin. This may seem strange, but it really happened. Four of us Yankees, as the Canadians call us, took the train for Niagara Tuesday, and after seeing the sights went to Buffalo in the evening. On New Year's day we visited the exposition grounds. I must say this is one of my most enjoyable trips since leaving home. We are now visiting our fifth week in Canada. Have visited some sixty different homes of my friends and relatives.

This leaves us all in excellent health, and we send our best wishes to the editor and all ADVANCE readers.

C. GINGERICH.

For Sale.

I have a good residence property in Wellman for sale, at a reasonable price.

E. H. FRY.
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Let us speak of man as we find him, and censure only what we can see. Remembering that none can be perfect, Unless he uses Rocky Mountain Tea, Longwell & Watters.

OREGON TOWNSHIP.

Some Interesting Things About Our County Not Known By People Generally.

Washington Journal.
There is a great deal of unwritten history about Washington county which if compiled would make very interesting reading for the people who live here. Few young people and not a great many old people know how Oregon township, on the east of us, got its name. W. R. Jeffrey, of South Washington, who spent many of his boyhood days in that part of the county known as Oregon before Iowa was a state, can tell many things that happened of interest in that section. The first settlements in the county were about Crawfordville and near Riverside. Between these two settlements people began to take up land and soon the people wanted a township and a voting place. The county judge appointed W. R. Jeffrey's father, and two other men by the name of Goble and Torry to perfect the organization. At that time the man by the name of Torry had the favor to go to the state of Oregon. He talked Oregon continuously, asleep or awake, and many were glad if he could be in Oregon. So the other two judges selected the name for Oregon township in order that the man Torry would be in "Oregon." There is another bit of history in connection with Oregon township that the young people of the county are not familiar with and that is how Military road; leading north out of Ainsworth, got its name. In early days Mt. Pleasant was a supply station and at Iowa City there was a fort and barracks where soldiers were stationed to respond at Indian outbreaks. This road was established by the government which put in some very good bridges at considerable expense, and maintained the road between Mt. Pleasant and Iowa City for years. The same road through this county is now in use.

It was only a few years ago, comparatively speaking, that this county was a wild country where wild turkeys, wildcats, coyotes, Indians, etc., abounded. At least when one can talk with citizens who lived here in early days. Mr. Jeffrey says he shot a deer at one time on the spot where the bank of Ainsworth stands.

Webster-Yoder Wedding.

List of names and presents: Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Webster, rocking chair; Mr. and Mrs. Eli Yoder, clock; Mr. and Mrs. John Cross, table cloth; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Stimml, cake basket; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crow, bread plate; Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Yoder, set of sad irons; Miss Mae Snyder, salad dish; Dan Yoder and Miss Carmon Huff, center table and table cloth; Thos. Murray, set of silver teaspoons; Miss Pearl Niswander, sofa pillow; Misses Mae and Mary Andrew, berry set; Ray Yoder, set of silver teaspoons; Clarence Andrew, fruit dish; Milo Ferson and Miss Grace Kennard, cake stand; Miss Ethel Webster, stand cover; Frank and Otis McKay, set of silver teaspoons and fruit dish; Harvey and Miss Toddle McConnell, pair of towels; Chas. Moyers, Carrie Chandler, Leonard Maske and Bertha Chandler table cloth; Burton Howell, set of silver fruit knives; Miss Ethel Oldaker, set of plates; Miss Lena Yoder, chenille stand cover; Clint Stimml and Miss Martha Dahlko, salad dish; Miss Mabel Taylor, set of silver nut cracker and picks. Emery, Clyde and Miss Claire Oldaker, a set of silver teaspoons; Elmer Stimml and Miss Grace Fry, celery tray; John Chalk, set of sauce dishes; Miss Grace Perry, sofa pillow cover; Mr. I. W. Graham, pair of mittens and kid gloves; Harry Fry, pair of towels; Frank Lewis, a fruit dish; Lichy and Thomas, a pair of shears.

An Old Murder.

Dispatches last week noted the arrest of a lot of outlaws in Okla., among them Harlan McCune who, some 20 years ago shot dead Bill Riley, south of Coppock. Ol. Brown recalls the whole tragedy, as he was engaged in the pursuit. Riley had missed a sack of rare wheat, went to the mill at Coppock, found it, and was told Mac brought it. He to Mac to return it before night, and no questions would be asked, but if he didn't he would be arrested. Mac got his rifle and lay in the hazel brush close to Riley's fence on the bottoms. When Riley came round with his corn-plow, and turned square to go back, Mac shot him in the back of the head, and hid his rifle under a log that he rolled enough on side to admit the gun, then rolled it back. When the victim was discovered, Mac was very officious at the burial, and threatened vengeance on the assassin. Parties up in Woodcraft tracked the wretch to the log, and when Mac's gun was identified, he was arrested and lodged in Mt. Pleasant jail, but he and several other toughs dug out and escaped. Brown traced them into the counties west. Why not bring the man back? Or is the outlaw outlawed and barred by this time?—Press.