





WHOSE FACE?

Some faces are supremely fair, Some sparkle in their splendor, Some are demure and demure, And some divinely tender.

CAPTURING AN EARL

"La me!" exclaimed Mrs. Jenkins to her daughter Matilda, "who do you think has arrived at the hotel?"

"Any of our friends?" inquired the daughter.

"I wish I could say he was," said Mrs. Jenkins. "No, Matilda, it is no less than a member of the British nobility."

"How do you know, mother?"

"Because I happened to be in the postoffice a few minutes since, and with my own eyes I saw a letter upon the wheel directed Earl Spencer, Jonesboro hotel."

"Really, mother, you quite excite my curiosity."

"But I've got more to tell you, Matilda. I've managed to get an invitation from the landlady to come over and take tea, so that we shall be introduced to him. Only think of that! And if only think—the should be a fancy to you, and Matilda, though I ought not to say it, you are very pretty—just the very picture of what I was at your age; as I say, I don't think it at all probable, at least impossible, that should attract his attention, think what a fine thing it would be if you should become a countess."

Jenkins paused to take breath in this long and rather loosely connected speech to see what effect it would have upon her daughter. The young lady seemed quite as much affected as his mother could wish. She was like her mother, not only in form, but in mind, and her mother's words had stirred her ambition.

"La, how fine that would be!" she exclaimed. "I guess Ellen Hawkins would not show her airs any more. The man creature, I wouldn't take any notice of her except just to invite her to the wedding so that she might have a chance to envy my good luck."

of the old proverb that "all is not gold that glitters." But Mrs. Jenkins was not a woman of great discernment. She saw nothing but what might be expected of an earl, and murmured in the ear of Matilda that his appearance was very distinguished by the way, she pronounced the word in a way of her own.

Matilda nodded assent to her mother's remark, and began to play off her airs and graces upon the distinguished gentleman. Her delight was great to find that she was creating an impression. The earl listened to her very attentively, and even condescended to exchange a little playful badinage.

"I should judge," said Mrs. Jenkins at length, "that you were not an American. There is something about you which makes me think you are English."

"You are right, ma'am," said the earl, "I am from England."

"May I ask if you have been long in our country?"

"Mrs. Jenkins hardly knew whether to say sir or not, but finally decided not to do so."

"Only a few months," was the reply.

"A few months," thought she. "Then he must certainly be traveling incognito, or we should have heard of his being here by the papers."

When they were ready to depart the young lady turned to the Englishman and said:

"I should be very happy indeed to see you at our house to tea to-morrow evening, if you have no other engagement. I have always had a very high idea of the English and am glad to have an opportunity to show it."

"Thank you, ma'am," the earl replied with alacrity. "I will certainly call. At what time do you wish?"

"At whatever hour will prove most convenient to you," was the gracious reply.

A DETROIT BUILDER.

HE TELLS A REMARKABLE STORY OF HIS LIFE

Came to Detroit About Forty Years Ago.

Levi Eisey's Experience Worthy Serious Attention.

(From the Detroit Evening News.)

Away out Gratiot Avenue, far from the din and turmoil of the business center, there are many attractive homes.

The intersecting streets are wide, clean and shaded by large leaf-covered trees, and the people you meet are typical of industry, economy and honest toil.

There are many pretty residences, but none more inviting in its neatness and home-like comfort than that of Mr. Levi Eisey, the well-known builder and contractor of 74 Moran street, just off Gratiot.

Mr. Eisey is an old resident of Detroit, having moved here about forty years ago. He has erected hundreds of houses in different parts of the city, and points with pride to such buildings as the Newberry & McMillan and Campau blocks, in which he displayed his ability as a superintendent.

"I have seen Detroit grow from a village to a city," he observed yesterday in conversation with the writer, "and I don't think there are many towns in America to-day equal to it in point of beauty. I know almost everybody in the city, and an incident which recently happened in my life has interested all my friends."

"It was now about eight years since I was stricken down with my first case of illness. One cold, blustering day I was down town and through my natural carelessness at that time I permitted myself to get chilled right through. When I arrived home that evening I felt in my chest a pain in my left leg. I bathed it that night but by morning I found it had grown worse. In fact it was so serious that I sent for my family physician, and he informed me that I was suffering from varicose veins. He gave me medicine and I felt a natural size and the pain increased in volume. The agony was simply awful. I was laid up and never left my bed for eight weeks. At times I felt as though I would grow frantic with pain. In fact, I was so miserable that I was in bed at an angle of 30 degrees in order to keep the blood from flowing to my extremities."

"I had several doctors attending me, but I believe my own judgment helped. I bought a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and after a few days I noticed a change in my condition. A short time since I renewed my habit of taking them with the same beneficial results which met me formerly. I am again nearly as strong as ever, although I am a man of about 50 years of age. I tell you, sir, the Pink Pills are a most wonderful medicine and if they do as well in other cases as they did in mine they are the best in the world. I freely recommend them to any sufferer."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold in all drug stores. A full description of the medicine and its benefits is given in the booklet "The Pink Pills for Pale People," which is sent free to anyone who writes for it to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

PIRATES' SPOILS.

The Old Buccaneers Quickly Spent Their in Orgies.

Brasillano, the Dutchman expelled from Brazil at the Portuguese invasion, was another who, having taken refuge in the British colony and being anxious to get on, "saw no way so likely to do it as by turning pirate," in which line he soon distinguished himself by the same qualities.

"He feared nothing, avoided no danger, and always went upon the most difficult enterprises." This was, indeed, the golden rule of piracy, which, accidents apart, always led to success.

Vessel after vessel did Brasillano and his friends take, regularly returning to Port Royal to squander away their gold in every kind of debauchery. On sea or land "nothing could withstand the valor of these desperadoes." They shrank from no encounter at any odds, and their victories were generally followed by "horrid cruelties with which they tortured the poor Spaniards after a manner shocking to relate," partly in order to get more money, partly, it seems, in mere wantonness of fury.

Whatever they got was, however, spent in a very short time, the pirates being quickly reduced to beggary. "They have been known to spend 2,000 or 3,000 pieces of eight in one night." On these occasions wine literally flowed down the streets. The successful governor insisted upon every one partaking of their hospitality; at other times they showered the beverage about the streets, wetting the clothes of passers-by, which seemed to them an "excellent diversion." Some persons objected, doubtless, but on the whole, it was considered good for trade.

When poverty on one occasion drove Brasillano to sea again, he, like Bartholomew, was captured while calmly "viewing the fort" of a neighboring island. He was determined to hang him and his crew, says the Gentleman's Magazine, but the captain had the address to write a letter as from other pirates, threatening horrid cruelties to any of the Spanish nation who should ever fall into their hands. And this letter had the desired effect, so well known were both the courage and cruelty of the pirate community.

Why Peacock Feathers Are Unlucky. Peacock feathers have always been regarded as "unlucky," and the superstition is thus explained in a popular Bohemian legend: "When God created the peacock the seven mortal sins regarded the splendor of its plumage with envy, bitterly complaining of the Creator's injustice. 'Yes,' said the All-Wise, 'I have been unjust in bestowing too much upon you; these sins should be left in darkness as black as the wings of night which covers them.' So saying, He took the yellow eye of envy, the red eye of murder and the green eye of jealousy and placed them upon the feathers of the peacock and set it at liberty. Since that time, when either a man or woman bedeck themselves with peacock plumes the sins incarnate, which are still in the feathers, follow in the footsteps of such persons and smite them until they fall."

An Editor Insulted. Editors have to put up with all manner of taunts and insults. Not so long ago, at a social gathering, a Dallas lady said to a young man who is connected with a local paper: "You ought to belong to a church choir."

"But I can't sing. What put the idea of my belonging to a church choir into your head?"

"Nothing, except that I was reading the other day that a San Francisco church proposes to introduce harp music into the choir, and there is not much difference, you know, between a harp and a lyre. So I thought I'd just make the suggestion."—Texas Sittings.

Half Changes From White to Black. A Detroit paper relates a queer story of a lady (her full name and address being given) who was 70, who originally had a very heavy crop of coal black hair. About thirty years ago her hair suddenly began to turn white, and in a surprising short space of time was "white as snow," and so remained until about a year ago. At that time it suddenly began to resume its old-time color, and is now, without the use of any drug, chemical or preparation whatever, as black as it was when she was only 20.

Will Still Be Guarded. The devoted wife seemed not at all disconcerted, although his anguish was plainly poignant.

IF THERE are any house-keepers not using ROYAL BAKING POWDER, its great qualities warrant them in making a trial of it. The ROYAL BAKING POWDER takes the place of soda and cream of tartar, is more convenient, more economical, and makes the biscuit, cake, pudding and dumpling lighter, sweeter, more delicious and wholesome. Those who take pride in making the finest food say that it is quite indispensable therefor.

An Anecdote of William II. According to the story lately circulated in Berlin, the emperor appeared at 6 o'clock one morning most unexpectedly at the barracks of a dragon regiment. The soldiers were ready for maneuvers, but the commanding officer had not yet arrived. The emperor waited half an hour, when the delinquent arrived. His feelings at the sight of his sovereign can better be imagined than described.

But the emperor did not say a word. He assisted at the maneuvers, made several observations, as usual, and finally left without addressing a word to the officer at fault, who considered himself lost. He went home in despair, expecting from moment to moment to receive the news of his disgrace. With the customary expeditious ways of the emperor, he knew he would not have long to wait. But the afternoon passed, then the evening, and still nothing occurred. He had not dared to leave the house, in dread of the events that were to decide his future career.

Finally, as the evening wore on, he ventured out for a walk. On returning home he found a little package addressed to him. No letter or message accompanied it. He hastily opened the mysterious parcel and found it contained an alarm clock.

One Fare Excursions South Via C. & E. I. R. R. Round trip tickets will be sold from all stations on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois R. R. on Sept. 4th, Oct. 2d, Nov. 6th and Dec. 4th, 1894, at one fare, to points in Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida. Tickets good to return for twenty days from date of sale. Stop over allowed on going or returning journey. For further particulars apply to any C. & E. I. R. R. agent or Chicago city ticket office, 230 Clark street, or to Charles L. Stone, G. P. & T. A., 355 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

Church members who never smile will one day find out how much harm they have done.

Were You Ever South in Summer? It is no hotter in Tennessee, Alabama or Georgia than here, and it is positively delightful on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi and West Florida. If you are looking for a location in the south go down now and see for yourself. The Louisville & Nashville railroad and connections will sell tickets to all points south for trains of Aug. 7 at one fare round trip. Ask your ticket agent about it, and if he cannot sell you excursion tickets write to C. P. Atmore, general passenger agent, Louisville, Ky.

Every man's life is a failure who does not try to do something to leave the world richer than he found it.

Money in Winter Wheat—100 Bushels. That's the way farmers who sowed Salzer's new World's Fair wheat report. It yielded all the way from 40 to 70 bushels per acre, and a good many are so enthusiastic over this wheat that they claim 100 bushels can be grown per acre. The monster winter rye yields 70 bushels per acre, which pays tremendous profits. Send your fall catalogue and samples of wheat and rye for 4 cents postage.

In golden time the horse is larger than a fox. To Cleanse the System. Effectually, yet gently, when constipated or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, to dispel headaches, colds or fevers, use Syrup of Figs.

To Import Kangaroos.

From the Helena Independent. We are assured on what seems good authority, that the project of importing kangaroos into this country is seriously entertained by several enthusiastic and wealthy sportsmen of the West. The animals have been successfully acclimated in England and France, and we are assured that there is no reason why they should not thrive here. The practical extinction of the buffalo has left the plains without any big game of importance, and experienced sportsmen declare that hunting the kangaroo, as practiced in Australia, is second in excitement and interest only to killing the buffalo. The scheme is not without commercial importance. Kangaroo leather is a very valuable product and the animals breed rapidly. The promoters hope to be privileged to introduce the new game at the beginning of the warm season in the Yellowstone Park, and to insure them for a few years Government protection and immunity from senseless sportsmen.

The Girls Stood by Him.

Robert Smythe, the waiter who was placed in the St. Andrew's jail for an assault on Manager Carter, of the Algonquin hotel, had his trial recently, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$4 with costs, \$4.75—in all \$8.75—or to be imprisoned forty days. The female waiters in the hotel on hearing the result raised the amount, and in a body went to the jail and paid it over to the jailer, thus securing Smythe's release. They took Smythe up in their arms and carried him from the jail to the street, and gave him three hearty cheers. They then escorted him to the railroad station, and before he stepped on board the car was embraced and kissed by some of his lady admirers, and as the train moved off they saluted their protégé with cheers, just the same as men would do.—Bangor Commercial.

A Little Vegetarian.

One little model, a fair little thing of 9 years, told me the other day that she had only tasted meat once in her life. "What do you eat?" I asked her. "Oh, soup, and you make it like this: First you put the water on in the garden and get some onions or green beans or a piece of cabbage, and put that in and let it boil; then you put in some crusts of bread and it's done." Then after an eloquent pause: "I suppose you have meat at the hotel, and vegetables?" "Yes," I answered, but I was ashamed to tell her that we had four kinds of meat at one meal and soup and vegetables and dessert and altogether ten times as much as we could eat or had any right to while she went without.—Paris Correspondence Philadelphia Times.

Didn't Bother Him.

When Sam Jones was preaching in a Western town some time ago he was annoyed by a young man who was whispering to his girl. Finally the preacher could stand the interruption no longer, so he looked straight at the culprit, and said: "I will pause until the young man in the back of the room gets through talking." The silence was intense, and every eye was on the young fellow, who was still whispering to his girl. Mr. Jones repeated his remark, and this time the young man heard him. Not an instant did he hesitate. Looking squarely at the preacher, he said: "Go right ahead, your honor, you are not bothering me a bit."

A Flourishing Business. First Dude—What are you doing now, Cholly? Second Dude—Nothing at all, doncher know. First Dude—And your brother? Second Dude—He is in with me, you see. First Dude—Does it take you both to do all that?—Texas Sittings.

An Authority on Conduct. "For goodness' sake, what is that man over at the next table cramming his diaper down like that for?" "Oh, that's the man who delivers lectures on etiquette at the Young Ladies' Fashionable seminary. He'll be late now for his afternoon discourse on 'The Art of Polite Deportment.'"

A Friend of Man. "Have you done anything for the social freedom of woman?" asked the lady with the eyeglasses. "No," said the judge, who had sat divorce cases and was a cynic. "But I have done a heap for the emancipation of man."

A LIGHT HEART, strong nerves, bodily comfort—these come to a woman, with the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. You can't be anything else but nervous and spirited as long as you suffer from any womanly ills. The Prescription relieves every such condition. It builds up your general health, too, better than any ordinary tonic.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Extra copies of THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER can be obtained from our agents at 5 cents per copy.

Any woman or man in the city seeking employment can advertise in THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER free of charge.

The State Fair people will pay out a small fortune in premiums, State Fair week, Aug. 31, to Sept. 7, inclusive. The list at this time foot up to \$35,000.

Rev. Lomack made a stirring speech before the Christian Convention held in this city this week. He and his congregation have affiliated themselves with this association and are building an excellent edifice at Ottumwa, Ia.

At 813 Walnut street may be found the very best of fresh and salted meats, sausage, poultry and game. Charles Ebersole is the proprietor and his recommendation to the public is the length of time he has been in business and his well merited success.

The city authorities have waged such a continuous war upon the disorderly house people, gamblers, thugs and confidence men that the city is at present nearly at a standstill in those particular branches of business. "Fight it out on this line if it takes all summer," is the policy of Mayor Hills.

A number of new colored miners are at work in the Coon Valley coal mine. They are mostly practical coal miners and we believe will give satisfaction. Those at the Christy mines are doing nicely and the outlook is very promising. Polk county wants a thousand more colored Republican voters.

The A. M. E. church will celebrate Emancipation Day, on September 22. It is proposed to make the occasion a grand and memorable one. The program will consist of addresses, music, etc., and everyone seems to be taking an active interest in the management. It may be a success in every particular.

The Young Men's Republican Club met at the court house Tuesday and endorsed James Washington, of Sioux City, as the governor's aidecamp. Mr. Washington, if successful, will make a good and competent official. He was a delegate to the last Republican state convention and is a man of recognized ability and worth.

R. N. Hyde, president of the Afro-American Protective Association is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Robert Richardson, now of Seattle, Wash., but formerly of Cedar Rapids, in which she congratulates the members of the association and the cause of the cause. She is a niece of the late Mr. Hyde.

There are races at the State Fair every day which will be first class. On Monday, the 3rd, \$1,200.00 in purses will be paid to winners. \$1,000 on Tuesday, the 4th, \$1,300 on Wednesday the 5th, and \$1,700 on Thursday the 6th, while Friday, the 7th, has been set for Derby Day, running races only, the day of days. Every class is filled and a big time is assured.

The following members of the finance committee are requested to be present at R. N. Hyde's office, at 314 West Grand avenue, Tuesday evening, August 28, to transact business of importance concerning the Afro-American Protective Association, and every member is earnestly requested to be present by order of R. N. Hyde, president: T. E. Barton, A. O. Smith, J. H. Shepherd, J. D. Eecler, H. H. Lewis, S. L. Mash, C. J. Stewart, A. S. Barnett, C. B. Woods, Wm. Coalson, R. D. Turner, W. J. Laws.

Mr. A. S. Barnett and Miss Kizzie Schofield were quietly married last Saturday. Mr. Barnett has lived in this city a number of years and is well known. He is the editor of the Des Moines Avalanche. Miss Schofield has resided in this city, but her parents live in Albia. She is a young lady of excellent educational qualifications and in the literary society she was recognized as a superior in elocutionary powers. Her parents took special delight in giving her a good education. We wish them a long and happy life in the new relation they have formed.

The laying of the corner stone of the Soldiers' Monument will occur on September 6. THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER presents a beautiful illustration of what the monument will look like when completed. We have had this prepared especially for the benefit of our numerous readers who will not be present on this occasion. Besides this we will give a good and condensed report of Iowa general news, the news of the Nation, foreign news, choice and current news in literature and general discussion, fashion notes, household information. We also give you the very latest information of what the colored people are doing at home and abroad. Our correspondence is on the increase and we are giving special attention to state news. We hope no one will hesitate to send us news items. Just consider this personal invitation. We want to make the people of the state neighbors and friends through our correspondents. If you want a good, reliable paper in the capital city of Iowa, show your intention by subscribing at once. Do not wait for a solicitor to call on you, but send in your name. We received 100 new names to our list last week. Our agents and friends are taking a working interest in THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER. This paper will be sent you 5 times improve with it.

trip is only \$1.25. The scenery along the route of the Great Western is delightful and is alone worth the price paid for the trip. It will be one of the largest and best managed excursions that has ever gone from our city. The picnic grounds are handsome, cool and shady and have all the modern conveniences to make it desirable for those seeking recreation and pleasure. The Baptist church people will have charge of the excursion and will spare no pains to make it pleasant for all. It will not pay any one to miss this rare treat.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. Bradley is on the sick list. Arthur Turner is seriously sick. Ed. Moseley was sick a portion of the week.

Rev. Wilson has been in the city several days of this week.

Miss Anna Smith of Park street, was on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Terry and daughter Rose returned from the lakes Tuesday.

Frank Caldwell of Keokuk, is visiting in the city. He is looking well.

A social hop was given at Mr. and Mrs. McClain's Monday evening.

Mrs. Comley is still very sick, but hope is entertained for her recovery.

Walter Birney has accepted the position of night porter at the Kirkwood.

Will Crockett, who had his throat cut several days ago, is able to be around.

Harry Pride and family of Creston, are visiting George Burnaugh and family.

Miss Dora Gains will return to her school in Muchakinock about September 1st.

Peter Hudin arrived in the city Sunday and will make Des Moines his future home.

Misses Maple Morton and Rose Terry contemplate a trip to Newton, Iowa, in the near future.

John Morton has been dangerously sick for several days, but was greatly improved at last reports.

Sunny Renix, Boker and Neil Fox were Sunday visitors. They came up on the excursion from Boone.

Rev. Caston left for Macon City, Mo., to attend the Baptist Association and meeting of the college board.

Geo. Burnaugh and daughter Stella, returned home Tuesday, after a very pleasant ten days visit in Chicago.

Miss Belle Jones left for Macon City, Mo., Monday evening, where she will visit friends and relatives for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Ottumwa, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clay of Eleventh street. Mr. Smith and Mr. Clay are brother-in-laws.

Frank Hughes left for St. Paul Tuesday, after a short, but pleasant visit with his friends and relatives. He now runs from St. Paul to St. Louis.

Mrs. Ben Vaughn gave her sister, Mrs. Sophia Burnside a very agreeable surprise Saturday evening. A goodly number were present and the evening was delightfully spent.

Mrs. E. E. Williamson, Miss Lillian Jackson and Miss Ada Jordan returned from a delightful visit to Ackworth Tuesday, where they visited the sister of Mrs. E. E. Williamson.

Miss Edith Birney celebrated her eighteenth anniversary Monday and her friends remembered her by many choice and valuable presents. We bespeak for her many more such pleasant anniversaries.

Herbert Wright, of Marshalltown, was reported to have been in the city Flag Day. He was seen at a long distance by a man with a field glass. He was going due east, neither looking to the right or left.

Mr. Moore, of St. Joseph, spent several days in the city this week. He visited Omaha and other points of note during his pleasure trip and truthfully remarked: "Des Moines has a social organization that the people should be proud of." At St. Joseph he is running a first-class barber shop and shows signs of prosperity. He returned to his home Wednesday evening.

Two pleasing and talented young ladies, Misses Reynolds and Nash, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Birney. Their home is in St. Louis and they are visiting some of the most important cities of the northwest, seeking recreation during these long, hot summer days. Miss Reynolds is a teacher in the high school at her home. The ladies are well pleased with our city and our people are pleased to meet them. They will remain for several weeks.

Mrs. Thomas Williams and Miss Della McKnight are expected home from Minneapolis, Minn., where they went to attend the wedding of Miss Fannie Shipman. They have visited both St. Paul and Minneapolis, having met many of their Des Moines friends. They were most royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Malone, formerly presiding elder of Des Moines, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Roberts, formerly of Des Moines. A most delightful picnic was given for them at the beautiful Lake Harriett on Monday, August 20, some 100 attending. The picnic was given by Rev. J. L. Phillips and wife. A reception was given in their honor by Mrs. Duncan and daughter Mrs. Thier. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Lillard entertained a small party of friends for them. They report a most enjoyable visit.

Cheap Excursion to Washington.

The Burlington route, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, on account of Knights of Pythias convolve, will sell excursion tickets to Washington, D. C., and return from all points on their line at the low rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 25; good for return until September 1, 1894.

Further particulars of any Chicago, Burlington and Quincy excursion, apply to C. E. MESSNER, C. B. & Q. depot, Des Moines, Ia.

IOWA NATIONAL GUARDS.

It is widely known among the Afro-Americans of Iowa that Mr. James Washington, of Sioux City, has been very strongly recommended to Governor Jackson, for appointment on his staff, with the rank of lieutenant colonel. Governor Jackson has been very busily engaged recently with his ordinary official duties and his visits to the camps of the Iowa National Guard at Spencer and other places, and if he has considered the application for Mr. Washington's appointment his decision has not been promulgated; but those who understand the intense Republicanism and broad liberality of his excellency, entertain strong hopes that the coveted honor will be conferred upon Sioux City's popular colored citizen. It is safe to say that no other high official of the state of Iowa has ever been more popular with the colored race than Governor Jackson, and this because they know from observation that he is a true and tried friend of the race; that he has the courage of his convictions, and that in his appointments he will not hesitate to honor one of the race on any race without prejudice. Mr. Washington feels deeply grateful to his friends in Des Moines, Sioux City, and other parts of the state, who have so warmly supported his cause for an honorable place in the military service of the state.

OTTUMWA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

The beautiful weather and the refreshing showers are the source of all our comforts and joys this week. This is fair week with us and everybody is quite busy, as there are many visitors in the city.

Mrs. Susan Henderson left Monday for Ankenase, Mo., to see her mother who is seriously ill.

E. Hern came down from Peka, Saturday, and will remain a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hern.

Mrs. J. B. Cooper, who has been sick for some time, is able to be around again.

Miss Francis A. Brown departed Monday night for Hannibal, Mo., where she will attend the institute this fall.

Claude Williams left Wednesday for Wilberforce, where he will attend school. Claude is one of Ottumwa's best and brightest young men and we predict for him that he will make his mark.

S. J. Brown will leave next Monday for Iowa City, where he will attend the State University. Joe is another one of Ottumwa's bright lights. He will also make his mark in the school.

The camp meeting is still in progress and is growing in interest every day. Last Sunday there was an unusually large attendance. Next Sunday the representation of the "Return of the Prodigal Son" and the "Killing of the Fatted Calf," will be the attractions of the day.

Mr. P. T. Swan, of Des Moines, is spending a few days in the city in the interest of the coal mines of Des Moines.

Mrs. Josie Meadows returned home from Albia, Saturday, where she has been visiting the past week.

Miss Mary Ellen Caphart of Bloomfield, was the guest of Miss Maud Watt the first of the week. She returned home Tuesday.

Mr. Jesse Graves of Milton was a Sunday visitor.

Rev. Thornton spent Sunday in the city.

Rev. and Mrs. Watts of Bloomfield, were Sunday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are visiting friends and relatives in Des Moines this week.

Miss Lillie Elliott celebrated her sixteenth anniversary last Wednesday evening at the home of her parents in the west part of the city.

Miss Maud Dorch of Mt. Pleasant is visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs. L. J. Shelton. She expects to remain some time.

Mr. Bert Davis, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever is much improved.

The Silver Aid Society of the Second Baptist church, in connection with the church senate, is preparing to give a novel entertainment in the near future.

Mrs. Peter Johnson of Burlington, visited her mother, Mrs. James Harris, this week.

Mr. McBradley went to Bloomfield Wednesday, where he has accepted a position in a hotel.

Miss Maggie Mason and Miss Alice Dameson, of Hedrick, are visiting in South Ottumwa, the guests of Miss Hattie Williams.

Wm. Downey met with a serious accident last Sunday. He was out riding on his wheel when he fell, hurting his arm.

A merry reception was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Williams last Monday evening in honor of Mr. S. J. Brown and Mr. C. Williams. This was a farewell reception given them before they leave for their school work. By 9 o'clock twenty-six of Ottumwa's most popular young ladies and gentlemen had assembled in Mrs. Williams' parlors where they spent the evening. It was one of the most congenial gatherings that ever met. An excellent program was rendered. Miss Helen Johnson advanced to the organ where she began to manipulate the keys, and forth came beautiful strains of music. Mr. Williams delivered the address of welcome. He was followed by Miss Maud Watts, who sang a beautiful solo, which seemed to captivate the entire company. Miss Maggie Mason, of Hedrick, then favored us with a recitation, which was most admirably done. Mr. Joseph Hopkins then delivered us one of his eloquent speeches, in which he paid high compliments to those present. S. J. Brown then took the floor and addressed the audience. It is useless to say that he entertained his hearers well, for he always does that. Miss Helen Young then sang the closing solo, entitled "Farewell to Mr. Williams." This was sung in a low but beautiful tone, which elicited much applause. After the program was rendered the merry company was escorted into the dining room, where they partook of the dainties of the season. Those present from out of the city were: Misses Maggie Mason and Alice Dameson, of Hedrick; Miss Mary Ellen Caphart, of Bloomfield; Mr. Thomas North, of Trenton, Mo.; Mr. E. Horn, of Peru. At a late hour the merry party retired for their several homes, all feeling happy.

SPARKS FROM THE COOL PALACE CITY.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Thinking that the many readers of your valuable paper would like to know if the northwest is still alive, we will answer here every time our name is called. We are always on the move. When business is good we are out on our feet and pushing business. When it is quiet we are busy trying to walk up. We have quite a number of correspondents in view. We anticipate

our interstate fair this fall, and we hope that Des Moines will be well represented. The sporting fraternity is wild about the Jackson and Corbett fight, which the Sioux City Athletic Club is using its every effort to have take place somewhere near Sioux City. They have offered \$25,000, making the largest purse that has yet been offered. Last but not least is the campaign. Our county convention is called for the 5th of September, at which time we expect to put a winning ticket in the field. This bids fair to be a grand year for Republican victory in the state and the Republicans of Woodbury county want to fill their belts with Democratic scalps.

We can boast of considerable enterprise here among the colored people. We have something over 300 colored people in the city and half of the men of families have their own homes or are buying property. We have colored men worth from \$100 up to \$75,000. We have one or two real estate capitalists. We have two ice cream and confectionery parlors, six barber shops with two and three chairs each, one of the leading blacksmith shops, one stove repairing establishment, one laundry, one boarding house, one man in the police department, one deputy sheriff, one mail carrier and other men who have paying positions, and yet we are not satisfied, but are still harping to secure some place for some of our young men after the fall election. Several of our people have their own horses and conveyances so that they are not compelled to walk to take in the sights in our fashionable suburban town, Morningside. We have several families owning beautiful homes, among them Green Coats, formerly of Des Moines. The finest brick mansion in the city is a colored man. He belongs to the Brick Masons Union and always has work. Riverside, an attractive summer resort, is the pride of every man, woman and child that lives in Sioux City, and is a driving card from hundreds of miles. It is often visited by throngs of our people who get tired of the heat and dust of the city.

William Mills and Frank Johnson have just returned from Storm Lake, where they have been for three or four weeks.

Quite a number of our young men who were out to the encampment at Spencer have returned home.

Mr. Coats and family will leave on Saturday to visit his parents and be present at their golden wedding in Missouri. They will be gone several weeks.

Mr. James Washington, Williams, Baptist and Shields, all of whom have visited in Des Moines this summer, came back singing praises about the capital and her people.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Miss Cora Wilson is up and around again after a long siege of illness.

Great preparations are being made for the Jubilee, Aug. 23rd.

John Marshall has returned to his home at Galesburg, Ill., after a weeks visit with his relatives. John is not in the best of health.

Dan Oliver of Evans, was an over-day visitor Monday.

Chas. Clay and Frank Marshall had quite an accident before them on their pleasure trip to Albia Sunday, one of their horses falling dead while returning home. But after an hour or so delay they were flying towards Oskaloosa.

Miss Mattie Shackelford, of Sharpsburg, Iowa, was very much pleased with her visit in Oskaloosa. She is now visiting her cousin at Knoxville.

Mrs. George Cowan is still on the sick list, but is now on the road of recovery.

Geo. E. Taylor will return from his southern trip the latter part of this week.

Mr. A. Hardy had his barn and a number of household goods stored therein, destroyed by fire last Saturday, children carelessly playing with fire being the cause. No insurance, but the loss will be mostly covered by gifts from friends.

Mrs. Henry Strong, of Colon, was in the city this week on business.

A fine horse was the cause of Jim Tiffin having his collar bone broken last Tuesday. She laid him on the pavement. At present he is getting along nicely.

Frank Thompson of Des Moines is visiting at his parental home in this city. PASH.

MARSHALLTOWN MENTION.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

The Renix Bros. are in town and are receiving many compliments on their music.

Bert Blackwell is driving delivery wagon for Reed's steam laundry.

The excursion from Oskaloosa to Clear Lake brought several colored people from there to Marshalltown.

Father Lewis, of Oskaloosa, is in the city.

West Martin, of Hedrick, Sundayed in our city.

Miss Rosa Oldham received the sad news that her mother died several days ago at Ripley, Tenn.

Will Duncan has returned to Marshalltown.

On returning home from Flag Day at Des Moines, Herbert Wright thought he would spend the weary hours waiting to make connections at Ames in sweet repose. While sleeping, he was relieved of his gold watch and \$20. On awakening he had everyone searched, but the thief had made good his escape, and Herbert returned home a sad but wiser boy.

Rev. Brown, of Oskaloosa, was in the city this week in the interest of Jubilee Day at that place, August 23d.

ALBIA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

The camp meeting closed with a grand success. About 100 saved and sanctified. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Gertie Brown and Eliza Marshall left for Clarinda last week.

Mrs. John Hewitt is to leave for Hannibal, Mo., on Sunday, to spend a while with her friends.

B. Grueson, J. Hewitt and U. S. Jones expect to attend the fair at the capital city, the first of September.

In Albia correspondence last week the name should have been U. S. Jones instead of W. S. James.

The Grand Army Gets a Low Rate.

The popular Burlington route announces a round trip rate for Grand Army boys and others to Pittsburg, Penn., annual encampment, September 8-15, \$18.95. This is considerably less than one fare, and should attract a big crowd, being practically the last cheap excursion east for the season.

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REASSURED BY BAD LANGUAGE.

The Parson Feared no Danger so Long as the Sailors Swore.

A good story is told by the Illustrated London News of a timid clergyman just arrived from a trip abroad. Coming home on the Berlin, of the American line, the weather was alarmingly tempestuous. The wind blew a hurricane, the vessel naturally rolled and the parson took fright. He left his stateroom and staggered along to the office of John Kavanagh, the purser, who is a bit of a wag, and said: "I'm sure, Mr. Purser, you'll pardon me, but I feel so dreadfully agitated. Kindly inform me, are we in any positive danger?" Kavanagh replied: "Come with me a moment," and he led the way to the fore-castle. "Now," continued he, "bend your ear down there and tell me what you hear."

The sailors were swearing in their happy-go-lucky, unconscious way. "How shocking! What language!" groaned the parson, trembling from head to foot.

"Now, do you for a moment think that those sailors would go on in that profane fashion if there was real danger?" asked the consoling Kavanagh.

"True, true," replied the parson, somewhat calmed by the assurance. "One may sometimes pluck the sweet flower of comfort from the vile cloak of sin. The ways of Providence are indeed inscrutable," and back he crawled to his room, in a degree reassured.

Two hours later the storm had increased in violence, the wind raged and howled more wildly, and huge waves broke over and seemed to submerge the great ship. The parson was out of his room again, more scared than before, and was seen silently, nervously fumbling along the wet deck to the fore-castle. He was deadly pale and trembled with excitement. He listened. The sailors were shouting and a tremendous oath amid the din reached his ear.

"Thank heaven," murmured he: "they are still at it; they still blaspheme. There is no danger yet; the Lord be praised!"

"Or the Leopard His Spots?"

Dr. Saneremann, one of the leading German ornithologists, publishes some interesting particulars concerning his remarkable experiments in artificially coloring the feathers of canaries. According to the doctor, canaries, when fed upon cayenne pepper, gradually change the color of their plumage, passing from the characteristic yellow to a beautiful red. Cayenne pepper contains a tinctorial substance, an irritative principle and an oil. When the last two substances are extracted by steeping in alcohol, the pepper loses its coloring powers and properties. From this fact, the doctor draws the conclusion that the oily principle of the pepper is the necessary vehicle of color.

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Editor A. S. Barnett of the Des Moines Avalanche.

A man is innocent until proven guilty, and ye blackmailers are known; so boys your crimes will soon come to light. When known, you will regret that you interested yourselves to injure another, when you are guilty of some of the most damnable crimes known. Jesus was persecuted while here on earth, and I am no better than He.

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