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The colored people of Chicago pay taxes on over \$3,000,000 worth of real estate.

The colored masons of New Orleans have commenced the erection of a magnificent temple. It will be a five story brick structure costing \$35,000.

Miss Ida M. Dempsey, a colored woman of Chicago and a member of the Republican State Central Committee made twenty-five political speeches during the recent campaign, and distinguished herself as a fluent campaign speaker.

Quite a number of our young people are attending the free night school at the Central Christian church. We are glad to see so many making use of this opportunity. They toil by day and spend the evening in gaining knowledge that will make them better men and women. There is no worthy place in life that can be gained without constant industry and hard study.

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AS AN example of the possibilities of a spirit of enterprise, when carried into the domain of crime, the case of H. H. Holmes, the insurance swindler, promises to take a conspicuous place in criminal history. The ingenuity which has marked this individual's efforts was backed up by an energy which, in a better cause, might have won him fame and fortune.

BROOKLYN burglars have made a step toward performing the traditionally ultimate feat of carrying of a red-hot stove. They succeeded in taking away, without waking its owner, a 400-pound safe containing cold cash. And the owner belonged to the anti-burglaryous sex, too. Are we really ripe for consolidation with so accomplished a criminal population?

LORD DENRIVEN, who brought the Valkyrie across last year to sail the Vigilant, is anxious for some change of rules for the races for the American cup. He would prefer that the races be sailed off Marblehead rather than in New York waters, and wishes that the yachts be measured with all weights on board. It is not likely that his wishes will be granted.

GARROTING continues to flourish in New York under Pantaleo rule. It may be necessary to apply to this purely British crime the purely British remedy, whose efficiency was almost miraculous in its swiftness and thoroughness. It was fifty lashes with the "cat" for the first offense and one hundred for the second. There was no second on record—and very few firsts.

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OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

Ottumwa Society People Full of Life and Activity.

An Explosion in a Mine at Muchaknock Injures Four People.

A Young Lady of That Place Seeks Health in Colorado—Minor Mention.

Nearly Two Hundred People Attend a Masquerade Party at Keokuk.

Reunion of an Old and Respected Family at Oskaloosa—Other News.

Albia Has a Colored Printer—U. S. Jones and Miss May Davis Victorious in a Debate.

Diphtheria Visits Sioux City and Claims a Bright Little Child.

Clinton, Galesburg, Newton and Keosauqua All Send Bright and New Year Letters.

OTTUMWA NEWS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Mrs. C. G. Lee, of Oskaloosa, visited friends and relatives in the city last week and returned home Tuesday.

Rev. Watt went to Creston last Saturday and remained over Sunday. James Johnson and wife spent Thanksgiving day in Mt. Pleasant. They returned home Saturday and report having had a nice time.

The reception given by the Ottumwa Pleasure Club last Thursday was a very enjoyable one. There was a large attendance and everything went off pleasantly. The cake walk was one of the features of the evening. The prize was won by Mrs. Mary Owens and Wm. Weeks.

George Capart, wife and little daughter, Grace, of Bloomfield, were visitors in the city last week, the guests of Rev. Watts and family.

Mrs. C. H. J. Taylor, of Wyandotte, Kansas, who was visiting her sister some weeks ago, but was called to Hannibal, Mo., on account of sickness, has returned again and will probably remain all winter.

Mrs. M. O. Williams entertained Mrs. C. G. Lee and Mrs. Pleasant at last Monday evening.

F. Marvin, of Hedrick, attended the reception last week, also B. L. Walker, of Muchaknock.

Rev. Turner, of Des Moines, was in the city last week, the guest of Rev. Watts.

The entertainment at the Second Baptist church last Tuesday evening was quite a success. A very good program was rendered. Master Carroll Shelton was the principal character on the stage and is perhaps the youngest soloist that ever sang to an audience, being only 4 years old. His piece was a most difficult one, but he proved to be master of the situation and performed his part well. At first he was a little overcome by stage fright, but this soon passed off. Then, in a low but audible voice, he sang the beautiful piece, which elicited much applause from the entire audience. It was grand.

Miss Martin Bland is very sick at her home 1317 High street.

Mr. Thomas Adams, one of Keokuk's best citizens died at his home Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. He leaves two daughters to mourn his loss, Misses Mary and Theresa. He was a devoted member of St. Peters church. His funeral took place from the church Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Hoskins has been elected township trustee, and takes his office the first of next month.

St. Mary the Virgin gave a Thanksgiving night one of the grandest masquerade parties ever given in Keokuk. There were about 200 present and about 50 that were masked. Some wore very handsome suits and every one took her or their part well. There were two prizes awarded the best disguised persons. Mr. Geo. Ashby the gentleman's prize and Mrs. Gertrude Lashby the ladies' prize. Mr. George Ashby represented the dandy dude, being perfectly white and cut in the latest styles. There were a number of other very worthy of mention, but space will not allow it. The committee deserves great credit in the way they managed the entire affair. Mrs. Frazier the president, was assisted by Mrs. P. Fields, Miss A. A. Bland, Mrs. J. Fields and Mrs. A. J. Eklund. They cleared quite a handsome sum.

OSKALOOSA NOTES. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Miss Marietta Brown, who has made her home in this city for the past six months, is now at her former home in Muchaknock, where she will remain the rest of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Leepst Thanksgiving in Ottumwa among relatives and friends.

Presiding Elder Hardison was with us last Sunday.

Geo. Steele met with accident last week that might have been a serious one, falling down stair steps, and we are glad to know that he is up and around again.

The Backer family had a reunion on Thanksgiving, at the fathers' residence, 312 North First street. Mr. Backer's children were all present, excepting two sons, to witness the festivities. It was a joyous meeting and may next year write them again.

Mrs. Frankie Warren has been suffering with rheumatism, but at present is in a much better state of health.

How sorry we are to think that our friend, Mr. Frank Max, who was elected clerk of the Arlington, did not study to be a minister. He would surely have made a good one.

Last week was an eventful one for the A. M. E. church. The Thanksgiving dinner was a grand success. Everything being donated, the proceeds \$25, was clear gain for the church.

ALBIA NOTES. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Every body seemed to enjoy themselves to the highest here this past Thanksgiving.

Say! Did M. B. extend invitations. There is one friend whom she need not neglect, and that is Old Hundred Faces.

Mary E. Brown is home from Oskaloosa. We welcome her return.

Mr. J. D. Carter departed for the capital city to visit his wife.

Mr. J. O. M. says he is still in the ring and has A. L. W. by majority, so boys you might as well play Banquo's ghost.

Alida Williams and Mary Rhodes went to P. K. Miss Williams went to see her mother, but her thoughts were of J. O. M.

Tuesday at 2:30 a sad, sad scene presented itself at the North Western depot. The many friends of Miss Lizzie Woodford were there awaiting to see her take her departure for Denver, Colorado. We are sorry to see Miss Woodford leave us. Everybody that met her loved her. She was a girl of a sweet amiable disposition, and well qualified socially, morally and intellectually, the light of her home. She has gone to restore her health and we hope she will find the balm that will give her relief from that hydra-headed monster, consumption.

Dear Lizzie, your treasures of ribbon and tresses, I shall keep through those long weary years; And oft times the fond heart expresses; So they for greater than tears, As I have one hundred faces I have the same number of names, so a change is necessary this week. OLD CRAFTY.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

The friends of Aunt Emma Adams will be pained to hear of her death at the Paupers' Home in this city.

Mr. Porter, of Marshalltown, visited his wife two days last week.

Mr. Barker, of Chicago, is visiting in our midst.

Miss Ida Fidler is able to be out among her friends again, but is still very hoarse.

The next holiday is Christmas, and it is hoped that it will be celebrated with much gaiety.

Those who have not subscribed for this paper are missing half of their life and are not up with the signs of the time. Rouse ye people, and be about your duty to yourself and race.

Our non-appearance in the columns of this brilliantly edited paper was due to the fact that our correspondent was a participant in the program rendered Wednesday evening at the A. M. E. church. The concert was a success in every respect and every one taking part did their best to make it successful, and deserve much praise for their assistance. The supper in connection served by the Stewards' board was excellent and when twelve o'clock rolled around there was very little left to tell the tale.

WOMAN AND HOME.

Something About the Articles of Dame Fashion—The Newest Styles in Linen—Household Hints—Notes of the Modes.

HI SBASQUE, with rounded lower outline, is a favorite style for a tailor-made suit. A linen shirt front, collar and necktie can be worn with this blouse in true masculine fashion.

Basques in this style are made from any of the new fleeced and mixed woollens, chevots, tweed, camel's hair, homespun or other fashionable fabrics. No trimming is required; but braid, gimp, galton, bands or folds of satin or velvet can be used to relieve the plainness if so desired.—N. Y. Ledger.

Perplexity is in great distress of mind. Her husband refuses to provide for her and her child, and threatens to sell everything they have and turn her and her little daughter out of doors. She asks what can be done and how can she secure some decent provision for herself and her family. Answer: You do not give the state in which you live and, therefore, the answer must be somewhat incomplete. In any case, you will probably be forced to take some legal measures to obtain the justice that your husband denies you. In taking upon himself the relations of husband and father, a man voluntarily assumes responsibilities that the laws of his country will not allow him to shirk. Your first mistake was in allowing him to use your money without giving you something to show for it. Having used it for your mutual benefit, you may not be able to recover any thing. But if he has property he must support you and his child in the style that befits his means.—New York Ledger.

Black Henrietta and moire are here stylishly trimmed with jet braid. This basque is specially adapted to ladies of full figure, as the added under arm girth gives seeming length to the waist, while the smooth adjustment and shapely outline renders it most appropriate and comely. The stylish pointed revers, tapering to the lower edge of the basque front, and made from black moire, decorated on their free edges with jet braid, added to the tapering appearance of the front, the closing being effected in the center with jet buttons and button-holes. If preferred, the revers can be omitted, lengthwise trimming of braid or passementerie taking their place.

Although designed for stout ladies, the basque is quite as desirable for women of slender proportions, and can be made up in any of the fashionable

Aunt Mary Cornelius is confined to her bed with rheumatism.

On Thursday evening the Daughters of the Tabernacle gave an entertainment at their hall. Rev. Barnett and Mrs. B. Chatman assisted.

Mr. Dick Richardson, of Galesburg, was a Sunday visitor.

Rev. H. Jones, of Kansas City, Kansas, was a visitor here last week.

SIoux CITY NEWS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Rev. P. F. Matthews returned from Yankton, S. D. Tuesday morning.

The Thanksgiving dinner given by the ladies of the church was quite a success financially. Mesdames James Smith and John Morgan had their silverware stolen from the hall by some sly thief.

Messrs. S. Prater and Cal Harris have opened up the Pearl laundry on Bluff street.

Miss Ada Parsons who has been sick is improving.

Half an hour or so before serving beat the whites of four eggs stiff and add to mixture lightly. Bake in a buttered pudding dish in moderate oven thirty-six minutes. Serve at once.

Bread Chips. Cut very thin slices from a loaf of bread, spread them on a baking pan and color them a golden brown in a very moderate oven. If they are not immediately used and grow soft, they may again be crisped by heating them. About half an hour is required to dry them properly, and at the end of that length of time their moisture is evaporated and they consist of pure wheat farina and are exceedingly nutritious and digestible even for invalids.

Baked Biscuit and Cheese. Soak five large broken biscuits in one cup of milk a few minutes, then add one cup of grated cheese, one tablespoonful of melted butter; salt and pepper to taste. Mix well, put in buttered bisk dish and bake slowly half an hour.

The Newest Lingerie. Dressy pantelettes are being shown by importers of lingerie, made of longitudinal stripes of fine linen cambric and insertion, and drawn together at



VERY DRESSY. the knee, where they are tied with ribbons. Their Vandyked edges are trimmed with wide lace.—New York Morning Journal.

Fashion's Fancies. Blouses are made up in a variety of styles, so as to suit all tastes and figures.

Rough goods and fairly smooth ones are used for outdoor wear.

Big checks, showy plaids, and startling effects in tartans are shown.

Corsages of some of the new costumes are cut in jacket shape, and are tight fitting.

Marabou feather boas and capes in light evening colors are in white, are attractive and becoming accessories to handsome toilets.

Silk blouses, sarahs, taffeta, moire, shot fabrics, plain, figured, striped, made usually upon linings, will be worn until very late in the fall.

Long upper shoulder seams or a drooping effect, high crusk or stock collars; jet corsage trimmings; Vandyke points downward from collar, and upward from belt are all shown.

Jackets continue to show themselves; some with big velvet revers, others with loose fronts, and still others with loose backs.

The basque waist may be developed in shaded or figured silk to form part of the dressy toilet, or may be made up in any inexpensive variety of woolen goods for every day.



Yoke effects that have either square or pointed outlines are very popular, jacket fronts complete short or long basques, and fullness in basques or sleeves imparts a quaint charm to every figure.

A very elegant costume for an elderly lady is of heliotrope velvet. It has a full skirt with train, fitted bodice and enormously leg-o'-mutton sleeves. Moire ribbon forms a collar and is set from the shoulder seam to the waist line down either side of the front. The bodice is filled in between these ribbons with very rich iridescent passementerie. On the outer edge of the moire are set lace ruffles that fall over the tops of the sleeves and become narrower until they run into the point of the bodice at the waist line. The front of the skirt is elaborately draped with lace and finished at the sides with loops and ends of moire ribbon.

A miss' dress is of cashmere in graduated box plaits. The edges of the plaits are joined about half way down the skirt by velvet ribbon, which ends in rosettes with long loops. The waist, which is plain and closefitting, is trimmed from the shoulder seams down the front in deep yoke shape, with velvet and rosettes. Full-top sleeves have double capes in epaulet style. There is a folded collar and belt of velvet, with long ends of velvet and satin ribbon.

An exquisite hat is of coarse straw, the brim faced with maroon chiffon, and around the outer edge of the brim are puffs of chiffon in maroon, brown and dark green. Ostrich tips in the same colors are clustered at the crown, and a bunch of aigrets, in gray and white, stand up from the back of the hat. This design combines the autumn colors, and has many useful suggestions.

A dress of colored peau-de-sole has a plain skirt and sleeves made of a double puff. There are bands in cuff shape extending a little below the elbows, and these are of elaborate embroidery. The entire front of the waist is also of embroidery draped from shoulder seams to waist line and back to the under arm seams. There is a soft collar and belt of silk.

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It is not articles to be explored... what is to become of the man who wears a celluloid collar when he gets "hot under the collar."

The Kaiser may be pretty busy writing operas and things, but the sound of the backwash proceeds from the imperial woodshed with tolerable regularity.

For enlarging a city easily and quickly a lengthened radius beats a stuffed canvas out of sight. By extending its radius to sixty miles Pittsburg counts a population of 1,003,964, or considerably larger than that of Chicago.

The report of terrible atrocities in Armenia may be exaggerated somewhat, but there is little doubt that it has a foundation of truth. In this connection it will be recalled that one excuse for the war waged by Russia against Turkey was to protect the Christians and redress their wrongs.

DR. PRUDENTE MORAES, elected president of the republic of Brazil last May, was inaugurated without any of the riots or disorders which had been predicted.

PRESIDENT ANDREWS, of Brown University, declares that the recent czar was the wickedest man alive. This is unreason. He acted according to his lights, which were dim.

MR. VANDERBILT must be careful how he brings the miserable mongoose among us. He has imported several of the "varmints" for his estate near Asheville, N. C., and United States Consul Eckford, at Kingston, sends out a note of warning which ought to induce the government to deport the creatures, or at least keep them under close surveillance.

In answer to the arguments which humane societies are constantly urging against vivisection, which is in the interest of science, the editor of the New York Medical Record says: There are said to be over 100,000 men and boys in this country who go out with guns. They mutilate and half kill birds, they maim the rabbits, deer and other animals, subjecting them to exquisite pains before they die; they chase deer into the water and murder them in their helplessness, they ride after frightened foxes and drive them to death of agonizing exhaustion; they hook up fish by the sensitive mucous membrane of the mouth and tear them from their wounds.

An eastern paper complains that there has been a singular dearth of invention in naming the small lakes of the country, and finds that old Indian names have been deliberately discarded in order that persons of unlovely surnames might be honored geographically. The Indian names when translated are often found to embody an almost photographic picture of the lakes upon which they are bestowed.

The lesson-learning emperor of China has issued an edict ordering the protection of all foreigners, especially missionaries, but with the exception of "Japanese vermin." He draws the line at these as they are "making something of a riot." The world owes Japan thanks for this new departure in Chinese civilization.

The czar was finally buried after national obsequies lasting three weeks. They do these things differently in a republic. Lincoln, Garfield and Carnot were each buried within a few days, nor was there any show of undue haste or lack of public mourning in either case.

CHANCELLOR HOHENLOUE has summoned to his council ex-Chancellor Blumberg while the Kaiser has become a composer. There ought to be some harmony somewhere in a combination like that.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS MAN?

DETAILED Description of the Missing Ex-Congressman, Walt H. Butler. DES MOINES, Dec. 5.—Mr. Mat Steadman, brother-in-law of Walt H. Butler, of West Union, who so mysteriously disappeared recently, leaving absolutely no trace behind him, furnishes the press the following detailed description of him:

He is 42 years of age, height 5 feet and 9 inches. He is stockily built and weighs 210 pounds, but does not look as though he weighed over 180 pounds. He has dark blue eyes. His hair is thin upon the top of his head and gray upon the sides. He combs it straight back from his forehead and does not part it. He has a heavy, slightly gray mustache, extending lower down on both sides of the mouth than usually worn. He has a small soft wart on the back of his neck under the hair where the collar button usually is. The tip of the nose is slightly bent to one side.

The left thumb nail has a ridge running down to the knuckle. His hands are small for a man of his size. His neck is short and he has always worn a turn-down collar. He has one false tooth in the upper jaw fastened to a "red rubber plate." He always carries his gold pen in the lower right hand vest pocket.

When last seen he was dressed as follows: Soft black hat, dark gray suit and cutaway coat, leather shoes with patent leather tips, new suit of heavy winter underwear.

His shoes hurt his feet at times and he walked as though he was lame at these times.

Any information should be sent to E. M. Steadman, Des Moines.

TIRED OF LIFE.

Suicide of a Noted Character at Council Bluffs.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Dec. 5.—Weary of the struggle with life and sick with its disappointments, a somewhat noted character has ended it all here. The unhappy man was W. R. Smith, aged 45. He was known pretty generally all over the state and particularly by the United States treasury officials, who have had a continuous fight with him for the past twenty-five years to prevent him running independent mints and printing bank notes.

HORSE STEALING.

Marshall County Man Arrested For the Crime.

MARSHALLTOWN, Dec. 7.—A warrant was issued at the instance of I. B. Capron for the arrest of Frank Lovering, on a grave charge. Lovering has been in the employ of Mr. Capron for over a year, working part of the time on the latter's farm, a mile south of Marietta, but being around his real estate office in Marshalltown most of the time. Lovering harnessed up a team of Mr. Capron's best horses, hitched it to a wagon and drove off. He didn't return, and Mr. Capron is convinced, by various little incidents and suspicious circumstances that have occurred recently, that he didn't intend to return. A dispatch was received from Garwin, saying Lovering had been captured there with the stolen property.

THE FINN MURDER.

Lizzie Weston Charged With the Crime.

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 6.—The State Iowa vs. Lizzie Weston, accused of the murder of Patrick Finn last September, is now on trial. The story runs that Finn, a prosperous young farmer and always bearing a good reputation, went to Weston's house late at night for immoral purposes. He was refused entrance, but persisted and was shot in self defense. Little credence is given to the story, it being generally believed that another party whom the Weston woman is shielding was at the house and did the shooting as well as robbed the body. The prosecution promised that the public would be treated to sensational testimony.

PASSED AWAY.

Death of a Millionaire Lumberman of Lyons.

CLINTON, Dec. 5.—David Joyce, the multi-millionaire lumberman, died at West Hotel, Minneapolis, aged 69 years. Paralysis was the cause of his death. Coming to Lyons in 1860, a poor man, he built up a business and fortune estimated at from two to five million dollars.

DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC.

Vigorous Methods Will Be Taken in Sioux City to Prevent its Spread.

SIoux CITY, Dec. 6.—Physicians declare that diphtheria is epidemic in the city, having started among poor families and spread before it was known how serious it was. It may be necessary to close the schools. The city will take steps to provide for the poor families that on account of the quarantine are unable to provide themselves with necessities.

MULCT LAW.

Suit at Ottumwa to Test Its Constitutionality.

OTTUMWA, Dec. 4.—The Iowa and Illinois Coal Company has begun a suit to enjoin the county treasurer from collecting \$900 assessed under the mulct law on its land. The case is to test the constitutionality of the law. It is based on the plea that the constitution grants every man his day in court before he can be punished for a crime. It says these assessments are not taxes, but punishment for crime, and hence the law is unconstitutional.

MULCT LAW.

Victory Over a Saloon Keeper in O'Brien County.

PRINGHAR, Dec. 7.—The prohibitionists of the town of Hartley, in this county, have scored a victory over a saloonkeeper there. The latter purchased a prominent business corner and put up a fine brick building, investing some \$3,000 in the plant, intending to run a saloon on a palatial scale. Opponents of the saloon, however, waited until the building was nearly completed, and then showed up a deed for a back lot within fifty feet of the saloon site and refused permission to the operation of the saloon. Thus cornered, the proprietor of the obnoxious institution was compelled to give up and he has gladly availed himself of the opportunity to sell to a banking institution.

IOWA FISH LAW.

Eleven Violators Arrested at Cedar Rapids.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Dec. 7.—Eleven violators of the fish law were apprehended and arrested in this city. They were fined \$10 and costs. Deputy Fish Commissioner Bates caused the arrests. The men were seizing and spearing when caught and made no resistance when arrested.

FIRE AT TINGELY.

Incidendiarism Causes a Loss of Forty Thousand Dollars.

TINGELY, Dec. 5.—Fire has destroyed the north side of Main street, the larger half of the business portion. Hard work alone saved many residences. It is thought to be incendiary. A score of buildings were burned at an estimated loss of \$40,000.

CONDENSED ITEMS.

Charles W. Adams, a clothier of Washington, has been closed by Bane, Clement & Co. of Chicago, their claim being \$8,000. The stock is valued at \$19,000, but there are other claims beside the chattel mortgage held by the Chicago firm. The failure is a great surprise.

At the regular meeting of the Ministerial Association of Dubuque a few days ago the question of the enforcement of the present state mulct law was discussed, and after a thorough review it was determined that it can be enforced in this city as elsewhere, and the association will make an effort to do so.

Frank Leithold and August Kreiger were at the farm of Henry Leithold, near Waukon, recently with a steam threshing outfit and a crew of five men, hulling clover, when without a moment's warning the water head blew out. A large fragment struck George Leithold, taking off the top of his head, killing him instantly.

Charley Lee, the partner of Barney Hansen, who escaped from the Anamosa prison several months ago but was at once recaptured, convicted for the killing of a street car conductor at Dubuque several years ago, was taken to Dubuque by Sheriff Phillips, where he will have a new trial in accordance with a supreme court decision. He is but a mere boy and got eighteen years. Hansen is also a boy and had it not been for his recent escape would undoubtedly have had a new trial and may anyway.

A few days ago United States District Attorney Cato Sells was asked concerning the indictments reported to have been found by the Howard county, Iowa, grand jury against Pension Examiner Waite, of Minneapolis, who has been an active instrument in the Van Leuven and Kessel pension fraud investigation. He said: "I am not inclined to believe the report that Waite is indicted, but if it proves true the government will see that no injustice is done to Waite, who has, by his aggressive work, opened up what seems to be a very corrupt condition. Waite has the entire confidence of the pension bureau and department of justice, and has certainly done nothing to warrant such procedure."

Sioux City dispatch: The trial of the suit instituted by the citizens' committee against Supervisor Strange, to expel him from office for illegal and corrupt actions, is on in the district court. The testimony in the case has been gone over before, and there is little new in it except the airing of details more positively than before. The testimony for the prosecution indicates that Strange and two or three others of the supervisors were in the conspiracy to rob the county of large sums of money by means of false bills which they were allowed for work never done or made out in the names of fictitious persons. The testimony is direct on the point of one attorney bribing Strange and two other supervisors to defend the members individually in these cases by hiring them in certain county cases and paying exorbitant fees. In this manner it was arranged that the board was to make the county pay for their defense in the cases charging them with corruption.

Hansen's Radical cough cure. Immediate relief and cures when others fail. The fat man's joy. Tilden's patent shirt for fat men. Tilden, Des Moines.

FATAL QUARREL.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Three people—father, daughter and son-in-law—were probably fatally shot in a family quarrel at the hotel of Frederick Freisch, Freisch and his son-in-law, Thomas Eckhardt, quarreled, fought and fell to the floor. Mrs. Eckhardt came to her husband's assistance and fired a revolver, wounding her father, who wrested the revolver from her and shot her twice, shot Eckhardt, and then sent a bullet into his own head. All will probably die.

Drunkard Fight.

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 7.—In a drunken fight with Linn Williams and Henry Williams on one side and Perry Rordan and a man named Moncrief on the other, at Maxey Station, Moncrief and Rordan were killed, Henry Williams fatally hurt and Linn Williams disgraced for life.

Fatal Cave-in.

WEBB CITY, Mo., Dec. 7.—There was a cave-in at the Center Creek company's mine at Sucker Flat, this city, this evening, burying and causing the instant death of John Larson, Dan Trexler and Walter Cole.

ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

ALABAMA CONFLICT.

No Violence Mars the Inauguration Ceremonies.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 3.—The state of Alabama for the first time in its history has two governors and two separate sets of state officers. Colonel Oates and those elected on his ticket preside at the state house. Captain Kolb and his cabinet have not announced their official headquarters. At high noon Saturday, surrounded by members of the legislature and with the usual pomp of military display, Col. Oates took the oath of office upon the steps of the state capitol, standing on the very spot on which Jefferson Davis stood when he was sworn in as president of the Southern Confederacy. Kolb, the populist candidate, who claims to have been elected, but counted out by fraud, was sworn in by a justice of the peace. The rest of the populist ticket was also sworn in. Kolb was about to make an address at the capitol steps but was warned and changed his program, and spoke from a wagon. He declared he had been legally elected and would use every means to secure the position which belonged to him.

Factor in a Conspiracy Case.

PRINCETON, Ill., Dec. 7.—The mysterious red whiskered man, who the defense in the now famous Pinkerton conspiracy case alleged led the mob in the court room was placed under arrest at Spring Valley yesterday where he has been employed in the mines. His arrest will have an important bearing in the new trial, which will be commenced in a few days, as it was on his actions the defense made their strongest points.

Perfection in Cake-Making.

Houskeepers frequently wonder why it is that they cannot make biscuit and cake that are light and palatable and that are so delicious as the biscuit and cake made by their mothers and grandmothers, the delightful memory of which even to this day creates a sensation of pleasure to the palate. The trouble arises from the highly adulterated state of the materials they have to work with, particularly the cream-of-tartar and soda used to raise or leaven the food. Cream-of-tartar and soda that are now procurable for domestic purposes contain large quantities of lime, earthy alum and other adulterants, frequently from 5 to 25 per cent, and consequently vary so much in strength that no person can tell the exact quantity to use, or properly combine them, to insure perfect results. From using too much or too little, or because of the adulterants in them, bitter, salt, yellow or heavy biscuits or cakes are frequently produced. These adulterants are also injurious to health.

All this trouble may be avoided by the use of the popular Royal Baking Powder. Where this preparation is employed in the place of cream-of-tartar and soda, its perfect leavening power always insures light, flaky, digestible biscuits, cakes and pastries that are perfectly wholesome and free from the impurities invariably present when the old raising preparations are employed.

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GEORGIA MILITIA.

Appropriation Cut Off for the Next Two Years.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 6.—The refusal of the Georgia legislature to continue the military appropriation for the next two years is variously interpreted, but the theory most generally accepted is that the legislature is tired of the work to which the troops have been put during the four years of Governor Northern's administration, and the evidence that they will be similarly used by Governor Atkinson. Governor Northern's great zeal for the suppression of lynch law led him on several occasions to call out military companies to protect ravishers whose lives were being sought. The feeling among the legislators is that every county in the state is capable of taking care of its own affairs, and the sheriffs do not want the unwelcome aid of the military from other sources.

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EASTERN WAR.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—A Shanghai special says: The presence of three British warships opposite the estuary of Hien Tang Kiang leads to the belief that that country has decided to forestall her rivals in obtaining a voice in the settlement between China and Japan. The departure of the British war vessels from Shanghai under sealed orders creates excitement. The fears are increasing that Li Hung Chang will place himself at the head of the army which he has created for his own purposes. Thousands of troops are arriving for service under him.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—A Chefoo special says: The terms of peace between China and Japan are almost arranged through the intervention of the United States. The feeling of security is now so strong that foreign ladies are returning to Peking.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—The Figaro says: Only the intervention of the European powers would compel Japan to take down her arms and cease her conquest in China, but such intervention is no longer feasible. The Figaro advises the partition of China. France in the division to obtain a due share.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The correspondent of the Central News at Chefoo telegraphs that an attack upon Wei-Hai-Wei by the Japanese forces is expected to be made very shortly and that the Chinese are leaving that place in large numbers. The excitement at Chefoo is intense. The same dispatch says that the Chinese warship Chen Yuan, which went aground November 22, having entered Wei-Hai-Wei, has been repaired. News has been received of a rebellion in the provinces of Kwang Tung and Kiang He. A detachment of one thousand troops has been ordered to the disturbed provinces to restore order.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The fact has just come out that a deal was completed here within the past few days by which, for a million dollars in gold cash, Chili sold to Japan the crack cruiser Esmeralda, and the vessel is now well on the way to help fight China.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A special dispatch from Shanghai to the Herald says: It is believed that China cannot accept Japan's condition of peace, or face the loss of prestige involved in abandoning Moukden, the home of the Mancho race, containing the ancient tombs of the dynasty. Peking is terror stricken by the news from Port Arthur. The emperor is accusing all his ministers of deception and treachery. The storm raging around Li Hung Chang is constantly increasing, and he is fighting, not for the retention of his decorations, but for his life.

WHEAT FEEDING.

Interesting Agricultural Department Figures.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Returns from correspondents of the statistical division of the department of agriculture, relative to the amounts of wheat fed to stock, estimate the quantity fed up to October 30 at 46,030,000 bushels, and estimated the amount to be fed at 29,273,000 bushels, making the total 75,303,000 bushels. These figures on wheat feeding are merely meager estimates from those states wherein correspondents complied with the request of the department, and must not be taken as anything more than an attempt at an approximation of the total feeding of wheat from the present supply. The severity and length of the winter will necessarily influence the final findings upon this question.

New Remedies for Diagnosing Lung Diseases.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 3.—[Special.]—An edition of 100,000 copies of Prof. W. R. Amick's new treatise on lung diseases has just been sent out to physicians by the Amick Chemical company, compounders of Dr. Amick's Chemical Treatment. Old practitioners say the book contains the most complete set of rules for diagnosing consumption ever published. The diagnosis is divided into distinct phases and stages, enabling the least experienced to determine the condition of the patient's lungs. Indications for treatment are given, together with many valuable prescriptions. The company will distribute from Cincinnati a large free edition to consumptives throughout the country.

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FEDERAL FINANCES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The cash balance in the treasury is \$140,887,464; gold reserve \$102,016,178; showing an increase since Wednesday of \$33,853,267. It is expected that Monday or Tuesday next the whole amount of bids will likely have been deposited. The regular monthly treasury debt statement issued to-day will show an excess of expenditures over receipts for the month of November of \$8,153,267, which makes the deficiency for five months of the present fiscal year \$22,610,226.

ALABAMA CONFLICT.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 4.—A bill has been introduced in the house forbidding any one not declared elected by duly constituted authorities invested with such powers from taking the oath of office or exercising any duties of the office to which election is claimed, under maximum penalties of \$10,000 fine and twenty-five years imprisonment. This is aimed at Kolb, who proposes to send a message to the legislature and otherwise act as governor.

The Location of Memory.

The memory remains intact and in perfect working order in cases where the left side of the brain is badly diseased, or even if portions of it have been removed. From this the natural inference is that the right side of the brain is the seat of that most remarkable faculty, Lieutenant Brady, who lost a portion of the right side of the brain from a gunshot wound while in Assam, where two-thirds of the officials are negroes, suffered a remarkable lapse of memory. After he had fully recovered he knew and could call by name all his white associates, but the negroes, whom he formerly knew as well as the whites, were perfect strangers to him.

A State of Doubt.

"Brother, do you feel sure of your ground now?" asked the evangelist of the new convert. "No, I can't say that I do," replied the honest young farmer. "They're a morgie on it for forty high all it's worth."

People talk a lot about marrying before they do it; afterward they think about it.



Indigestion Troubled Me.

And I was a constant sufferer. The poison in my blood made my limbs a solid mass of sores, I happened to read an advertisement of Hood's Sarsaparilla in the paper and I at once prevailed upon my husband to buy a bottle of it. I got one bottle and it did me so much good that I kept on buying it until I had taken twelve bottles, and now I am entirely cured. Mrs. LOUISA MATLOCK, Boston, Texas.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable.

SHREDS AND RAVELINGS.

The French cavalry numbers 150,000 horses.

President taxes cats and they are appearing rapidly.

The permanent occupation of Pittsburg began February 17, 1874.

Asparagus is the oldest known plant that has been used for food.

The price of a day's board in Athens, B. C. 400, was four cents, or about \$1.20 a month.

Bolota, the product of a tree in Sumatra, is becoming a rival of India rubber and gutta percha.

About 60,000 acres has been reclaimed in Ireland during the past year from bog and marsh lands.

In 764 the cold at Constantinople was so severe that the Black sea was frozen for fifty miles from shore.

New Orleans has a vestibule train to San Francisco that covers the distance in less than seventy-eight hours.

Nearly as much pig iron is now produced in the Southern states as was made in the whole United States twenty years ago.

A residence costing over \$5,000 was recently successfully moved from Seattle to Olympia, a distance of sixty miles, without tearing it apart.

The old church at Tappan, N. Y., where the unfortunate Major Andros was tried, convicted and sentenced, has observed its 200th anniversary.

A Montana judge, before whom a chronic horse thief was convicted, could have given the latter sixty years under the statutes, but let him off with a sentence for life.

The most honorable death in China is by strangulation, and high officials condemned to death receive their sentence from the emperor in the shape of a silken cord with which they hang themselves.

The governor of Vermont thinks of making his staff useful on other than parade occasions. He proposes to appoint one Vermont resident in Boston and another in New York to purchase stores for the state on the most advantageous terms.

The Colorado mountains surpass the Alps in many respects. While Switzerland has two peaks, Mt. Blanc (15,781 feet), and the Matterhorn (14,834 feet), that exceed in height any of the Rocky mountains, there are more than 120 peaks in Colorado beyond 13,000 feet in altitude and thirty-five peaks above 14,000 feet.

Breakers Ahead! Prudence, foresight, that might have saved many a good ship that has gone to pieces among the breakers, is a quality "conspicuous by its absence" and among none more notably than persons who, when they are in duty, are in duty.

"I should relish some oysters to-day," said Mme. Morris as her husband entered.

"I fear it is too late, my dear; it's a quarter past 9 o'clock."

"Justine thought that the shop at the corner might yet be open."

"Send her then; the truth is I am myself as hungry as a wolf."

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The shop at which she was to get the oysters was locked, and Justine went to the Rue Grande to procure them elsewhere, if possible.

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SHADOW OF A HAND.

BUSINESS called me to Dieppe in the summer of 1846. The cashier of one of the largest banks in New York had absconded with the funds of the institution, and I had followed his tracks to Dieppe.

Late at the close of the 14th of August I reached my destination, and immediately repaired to my hotel. The first note of the clock awoke me. The town clock struck 4. I resolved to take a look at the city at daybreak.

I was astonished, on reaching the street, to see it full of people, rushing in a ceaseless tide in one direction. Wondering what the attraction could be, I followed the ever-increasing crowd, surging down the Rue Grande.

At the foot of the street was a large open square, where the crowd formed a great jam. From a platform at the opposite side I distinguished dark outlines that froze the blood in my veins.

It was the guillotine. It was not long until a bell tolled a doleful death-clang, and the tumbrel with the condemned slowly approached. The criminal took his situation lightly, apparently in good spirits.

He chatted with the gendarmes, pulling a cigar and indifferently regarding the multitude. He was a large, strong man of about 35. Dark eyes looked piercingly from under the bushy brows. Vice had stamped itself upon his face, which wore a positively sinister expression.

I involuntarily shuddered as I beheld the man standing before me. The executioner addressed himself deftly to his task, and in a few moments all was over.

"Who was the man and why was he executed?" I inquired of a police agent at my side. He looked at me with astonishment and said: "Indeed, sir, it was Jacques Reynaud."

No longer than four months before he lived in the Rue des Armes a huckster named Morris. They were quite respectable people, and the neighbors gladly visited the little shop. One Sunday business was unusually brisk, and Father Morris was very tired when, at last, he closed the door and entered the room where the servant was just setting the table for supper.

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same person that had committed the crime in the Rue des Armes. The young man who had been seen on the roof the next morning gave the following testimony:

"My name is Pierre Dulac; for two years I have been employed in the house of the murdered Manton, whose family consisted of his wife, a child and a servant girl. On the night of the 23d of April we retired early. I slept in a garret chamber; next to me slept the servant girl, who usually had the child with her. It was about 3 o'clock in the morning when I awoke, feeling very thirsty. My water pitcher was empty and I concluded to get a fresh supply. However, before I had time to descend the first flight of stairs I saw a man sneaking up the lower flight. Being very nervous, the murder in the Rue des Armes had so stunned my faculties that when I saw the man I was positively unable to move hand or foot. The stranger had nearly reached the door which led to M. Manton's room when the door of the same suddenly opened and my employer stepped out. The murderer hurled himself upon him and pressed his hand upon his mouth to prevent outcry. I noticed that the villain had only three fingers on his left hand. Terrified at what I saw, I ran up stairs again and entered the girl's chamber. Marie was not there but the child was fast asleep. I took it in my arms and ran upon the roof. 'That is all I know.'"

Fear and excitement had attained an extreme pitch in Dieppe. It was clear that these crimes were the work of one man, but no clue could be discovered. The government set a price upon his head, and the police displayed the greatest activity.

In the faubourg of Dieppe in a rather obscure house, all alone with a servant girl, resided a widow named Beaumaurice. She was the widow of an army officer and distinguished for great firmness of character. On the 30th of April at about 10 o'clock, Madame Beaumaurice, who had all day suffered from a painful headache, entered her boudoir. She was very tired, and sat down in a large, easy chair to rest herself. Opposite her stood her dressing case, whose curtains extended down to the floor. Back of her, upon a small table, stood the lamp. The lady had begun to disrobe herself, when she noticed something that made her heart stop beating. On the floor she descried the shadow of a man's hand. The hand had but three fingers.

The situation was self-evident. The murderer was concealed within her dresser. The lady remained perfectly composed, debating what to do. After a short deliberation she approached the door and called the servant. When the girl appeared she said: "Marie, do you know where M. Bernard lives?"

"Very well, my lady."

"I forgot that I shall have to pay 500 francs to-morrow morning. You must go immediately and get the money. To insure your getting the bank notes from M. Bernard, I will write him a note."

While the girl waited, the lady wrote: "DEAR BERNARD: The murderer of the Rue des Armes and the Rue Grellard is in my house. Bring the money to him. HELEN BEAUMAURICE."

She handed the servant the note and sent her away. She then sat down in the fauteuil and waited. Yes, a full hour the lady sat in her room, within whose dressing case the notorious assassin was concealed. She sat there calmly determined. The shadow of the hand appearing now and then, was the only evidence of the presence of the murderer.

When finally the gendarmes arrived, Jacques Reynaud was, after a desperate resistance, taken prisoner. His guilt was established without difficulty, and, as I related at the beginning of this sketch, he received the well-deserved punishment by the guillotine.

"If you wish to know the most curious thing I saw during my vacation, it was a colony of white bats," said an Arch street artist, just returned with others from a sketching tour along the coasts of the Delaware. "One day we found in the woods a deserted old house with a huge chimney, which we were told had been an illicit whisky still, and we made it our headquarters and slept there one night. Judge of our surprise when at twilight we saw numbers of white objects fluttering in the air over our heads and identified them from their manner of flight as bats. We traced them to their homes in the dilapidated chimney. Whether they were natural albinos or artificially bleached by the fumes of the still was a question that puzzled us considerably, but they were ours—that of that we were certain. One of our party thought they were covered with chimney lime or ashes, but they were too intensely white for that."—Philadelphia Record.

Went to Church. The following story of the duke of Wellington is told in the Christian Commonwealth: It was a rule of his grace's household that all visitors should attend worship on Sunday. One excused himself on the ground that he was a Roman Catholic, and there was no chapel near. His grace caused inquiry to be made, found there was one thirty miles off, and the guest was informed a carriage and four were in waiting to take him there. As a matter of fact he was not a Roman Catholic, but simply had pleaded that as an excuse. However, in he had to get, not only volens, and arrived back to dinner after his involuntary drive of sixty miles.

FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS. SENATE—Washington, Dec. 3.—After the formal opening of the senate a committee to notify the president of the assembling of the senate was appointed and a recess taken until 1:30 p. m. Upon resuming the president's message was laid before the senate and read, after which the senate adjourned.

HOUSE—The house was formally called to order at noon, committee to notify the president of the assembling of the house was appointed and at 1:37 the message was received and read. Bartlett, dem., of New York, introduced a bill providing for the repeal of the income tax sections of the tariff bill. Death of Congressman Wright was announced and house adjourned till to-morrow.

SENATE—Washington, Dec. 4.—An amendment to rules, cutting off protracted debate by Yeat, Resolutions calling on the navy department for official letters of Admiral Walker while in command at Hawaii, and calling on president for correspondence concerning Bluefields were adopted. Adjourned.

HOUSE—House at once plunged into routine business. Bills appropriating \$20,000 for the dedication of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Park and for the National military park on the battle field of Shiloh, for which \$75,000 was appropriated, were passed. Richardson then presented the conference report on the printing bill. After some debate the report went over and the house adjourned.

SENATE—Washington, Dec. 5.—Bills of Arkansas introduced a bill to create the Territory of Indianola out of the present Indian Territory. Dolph introduced a bill to forfeit unearned lands granted to railroads. Quay offered an amendment to the sugar clause of the tariff bill. Resolution for information regarding Japanese-Chinese affair was referred to committee. Resolutions were reported by Foster regarding into late issues of bonds and use of troops at Chicago in Pullman strike. Referred.

HOUSE—Resolution calling for correspondence relative to war between China and Japan was referred. Bill to prevent free use of timber on public lands passed. Public printing bill conference report was agreed to. Railway pooling bill was made special order. The object of the bill is to authorize competing common carriers, subject to the provisions of the interstate commerce act, to enter into contracts for a division of their gross or net earnings and to secure the more expeditious and efficient enforcement of that law.

SENATE—Washington, Dec. 6.—Turbid spoke in favor of the resolution of election of senators by direct vote of the people. Executive session; adjourned till Monday. HOUSE—Fortifications and pension appropriation bills were reported. Consideration of the railway pooling bill was then resumed and was still before the house when adjournment was taken.

CAUCUS—At a meeting of the democrats of the senate it was finally settled that the resolutions proposed by Foster should be passed and that no effort will be made to pass the "pop-gun" tariff bills.

ILLEGAL BOND ISSUE. Fifteen Million Dollars' Worth of New York Bonds Duplicated. NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—W. J. O'Rourke, a clerk in the comptroller's office during the Tweed regime, has laid before the citizens' committee a document and papers purporting to show that twenty-five years ago \$15,000,000 worth of city bonds were duplicated, and the fact has been systematically covered up in the comptroller's office ever since. Members of the committee to whom the revelations were made have filed a petition for a summary investigation of the charges. The petition is directed against Richard A. Storrs, deputy comptroller, because he has been in the comptroller's office ever since the time that the alleged duplication took place.

ILLINOIS. Ives Completely Overwhelms the "Wizard." CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—In the great billiard match last night Ives overwhelmed Schaefer, running 600 points while his opponent gathered up 388. Total score—Ives, 2,400; Schaefer, 1,431. Ives broke the bank line record of 331 points twice during the day. When the game closed on the previous night he had an unfinished run of 218 and resuming last night he added 53, total 334. Later in the game he made a run of 395, breaking the record the second time.

Literary Notes. The show of distinguished beauty, transfixed by famous artists, which is now taking place at the Academy of Fine Arts in New York, has been anticipated by the Cosmopolitan Magazine in its November issue, in an article by Wm. A. Coffin, with illustrations of some of the more beautiful faces. The "Great Passions of History" series has for this month's subject the romantic career of Agnes Sorel, who influenced the destinies of France under Charles VII. "The Art Schools of America," "The Great British Northwest Territory," "The Chiefs of the American Press," and the "Public Library Movement" are among the Cosmopolitan's table of contents. Survivors of the war and their children will find intense interest in "The Story of a Thousand," a personal narrative begun in this number by Abbot W. Torrey, who tells a graphic story of a regiment which saw fierce service—of its organization, its marches, its sports, and its death-roll.

Notable features of Outing for December are: "A Jamestown Romance," a story of Colonial days by Sara Beaumont Kennedy; "The Japanese Theater," by Eustace B. Rogers; "With Pennsylvania Quail," by "Jovinus"; "Sledging in Norway," by Charles Edwards; "Boating in Samoan Waters," by E. M. Turner; "A Woman in the Mackenzie Delta," by Elizabeth Taylor, and "Football in the South," by Lovick P. Miles. The number is interesting and well illustrated throughout.

A SNAIL TRAIN. Where Time and Railroads Almost Move Backwards. There is a branch line in the west of Ireland where, if anything was forgotten, the train went back to recover it. On this line a traveler getting out to stretch his legs, asked the guard: "How long do you wait at this station?" "Well, go on just whenever it suits you, sir," was the obliging reply. He was the only passenger by the train. Frankfort Moore tells in a recent book of a delightful station-master who used to stroll round the carriages when the trains stopped with special inquiries after the health and comfort of each passenger. The regulars he knew intimately, and all their concerns, their ailments, etc., and everything was inquired after in detail. One day he had a commercial gentleman, whose patience had given out, attempted a sarcastic rebuke. "Look here, station-master," he cried; "is there a break-down on the line?" "I don't know, sir," was the bland reply; "but I'll try and find out for you." The station-master went off and did not return for five minutes. "I've telegraphed up the line, sir," he said, "and I am happy to inform you that no information regarding a break-down has reached any of the principal stations. It has been raining at Ballynamic, but I don't think it will continue long. Can I do anything for you, sir?" "No, thank you," said the commercial gentleman, meekly. "I can find out for you if the Holyhead steamer has had a good passage, if you don't mind waiting for a few minutes," suggested the official; "what you are anxious to get on? Certainly, sir. I'll tell the guard. Good-morning, sir." When the train was at last in motion, a very old man in a corner pulled out his watch and then turned to the commercial traveler. "Are you aware, sir," he inquired, tartly, that your confounded inquiries kept us back just seven minutes? You should have some consideration for your fellow-passengers, let me tell you, sir." A murmur of assent went round the compartment.

AMUSING FANCIES. Ethel, ambitious—What would you do if you had a voice like mine? Maud, spitefully—I'd try to put up with it. Prospective Purchaser—What minerals are there in this spring? Owner—Plenty of gold and silver; if you advertise it properly. Little Boy—Got the carache? Little Girl—No. "Then why you got all that cotton in your ears?" "I've been helpin' tend the baby."

"Have you made any special preparations for the waist party to-night?" Mrs. Singleton—Yes, I've picked up several new bits of gossip. Cora—That Mrs. Wabash has lost three husbands already. Clarissa—That's just like her. Why, do you know, at school she was just as careless; she couldn't keep anything.

A preacher who arrived at the kirk wet through asked an old Scotch woman what she would do to which she replied, "Go into the pulpit as soon as ye can; ye'll be dry enough there."

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Acquatic Finance. She—How can you afford to keep a yacht? It's an expensive amusement. He—It's; but remember it can be done on wind and water.

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Varieties in Fruits. Not many years ago there were several varieties of grapes, each struggling to become the favorite of the public. To-day the trade is chiefly in the Concord and Delaware varieties. Early in the '60s yellow bananas could not compete with the red; to-day the latter have been almost driven out of the market, though very many still prefer them. There used to be a most popular demand. Now the Bartlett and Seckel rule supreme. Apples and berries to a less degree have undergone the same process of natural selection, and now there are one or two varieties of early apples that promises to supersede all the rest.

The Women to Blame. Professor Peal, the ethnologist, recently described to the Asiatic society the condition of the head-hunting Nagas on the borders of the Assam. The women are to blame for the continuance of the practice; they taunt the young men who are not tattooed, and the latter go out and out off heads to exhibit to them, fully half of which are those of women and children. The area occupied by the Nagas is not more than twenty miles square, but in it during the past forty years more than twelve thousand murders have been committed for the sake of these ghastly trophies.

For the Spanish Navy. The Viscaya, the bolted cruiser lately completed at Bilbao for the Spanish navy, attained in her trials under natural draught only a speed of 18.6 knots. The shipyard where she was built is in a remarkably favorable position for the raw ore can be brought in at one end and a fully equipped war vessel turned out at the other.

Down in a Diving Bell. It is said that while 150 feet is the limit at which diving work can be carried on safely under water, a depth of 201 feet has been attained by a "helmet diver"—a diver who descends by himself and not in a diving

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Not Gambling. Deacon—And you admit, sinful young man, that you won the hat on election? Spruce youngster—Yes, sir! "And thus to me, sir, admit the gambling habit." "No gambling about it. I was dead sure of the result."

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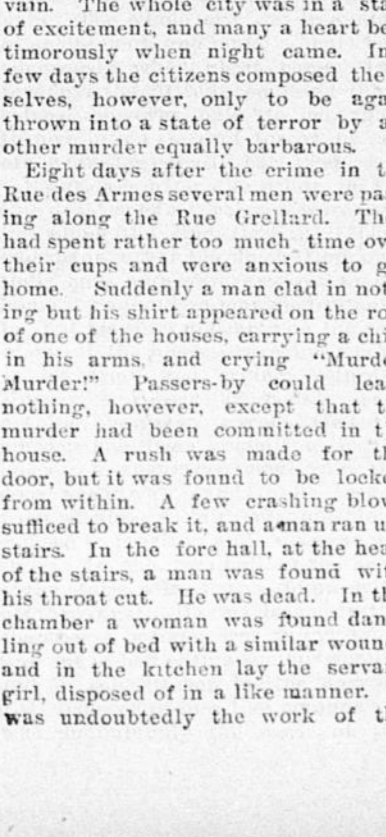
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LOCAL NEWS.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1894.

Read our Ads. every week for good Bargains by first-class houses.

Have you paid your subscription? Miss Fannie Adams is on the sick list. Ask our agents for THE BYSTANDER. Are you a subscriber for THE BYSTANDER?

Will Tomlin is now night porter at the Kirkwood. P. P. Phillips left Saturday evening for Minneapolis.

Mrs. Saunders, mother of Mrs. George Stanton, is improving. Walter Birney is again engaged in the tonsorial business.

Mrs. Isaac Courtney has been on the sick list for several days. Mrs. H. H. Hooks is suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

Mr. A. C. Gordon, formerly a resident of this city, is now located in Washington, D. C.

Nace Morton is now a valuable employe of the Morgan house in the capacity of cook.

Don't forget the literary Tuesday evening. A good program. Let everybody be present.

Miss Jennie Robinson, of St. Joe, made a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Windsor this week.

"SI" Palmer is now head porter at the Aborn, John Homer transacting the night work as porter.

Willis Morton, Sr., returned from Omaha recently, where he has been visiting his son, Willis, Jr.

Rev. J. T. Caston was called to Macon City, Mo., this week, occasioned by the death of a friend.

Clothes pin social at the residence of Mrs. Berry, 523 Fourteenth street, Monday evening, Dec. 10.

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Miss Good, of Lyons, Iowa, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. H. Hooker and friends, returned to her home Tuesday.

J. D. Carter spent several days with his family and friends this week, returning to Muehakoinek Tuesday. He is improved in health.

Peter Hudlin and Joe La Cour, who recently returned from Texas, report a good time while away and much invigorated by the Texan climate.

The Young Men's Social Club will give a ball at the corner of Ninth and Center streets on December 25. Prof. Ellison's orchestra will furnish the music.

The many friends of Reilly Bell will be grieved to know that he is now bedfast. A change for the better is earnestly wished. He is a good, hard-working man.

George W. Woods, of Corning, contemplates visiting Des Moines Christmas. He will be the guest of his brother and sister, James Woods and Mrs. Reilly Bell.

The Renix brothers left for Omaha Monday. Owing to previous engagements they were unable to remain and fill their date at the literary. The boys are looking and doing well.

Frank Johnson, of Sioux City, is in the city. He is a good boy. The associate editor of THE BYSTANDER has known Frank for a number of years. He will remain indefinitely.

All persons not receiving this paper regularly will please report to this office at once, so we can trace the error to where it belongs. Papers are carefully prepared for the mail at this office.

Rev. R. D. Turner, who recently returned from Muehakoinek, has gone to La Grange, Mo., for an indefinite period. He contemplates doing some church work during his absence. He has agreed to give us a brief report.

There will be a grand entertainment given at St. Paul's A. M. E. church during the holidays. Date will be mentioned later on. This entertainment will be given by several of the young ladies and promises to be quite unique.

Program for concert Dec. 13th: Instrumental solo, Miss Alice Berry; paper, Dr. E. Johnson; solo, Mr. G. I. Holt; dialogue, "Shall Our Mother's Vote?" trombone solo, Mr. W. H. Warwick; dialogue, "The Two Faults"; solo, Mrs. Birney; dialogue, "Mind Your Own Business"; singing, Ladies' Apollo Quartette. Exercises will begin at 8:30. This entertainment is given for the benefit of the A. M. E. church. After the program has been rendered refreshments will be served in the basement. Mrs. W. H. WARWICK, Mgr.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET. The Young Men's Social Club will give a grand ball at West Ninth and Center streets Christmas evening. The best of music will be on hand and a grand time may be looked for. Preparation has already begun and the invitations are out.

CHALLENGE CONCERT. The East Side Baptist Church choir will favor the music-loving people with their last concert of the year on the night of the 17th at the East Side Baptist Church. This entertainment will be the finest in artistic work ever rendered by this choir, and those who have heretofore crowded the house and spoken in such commendable terms of the efforts of this choir, will simply be

amazed to see such a slight comparison between those who have witnessed and the one to be rendered on the 17th. The public is invited to come and judge of its marked ability.

REVIVAL AT FOUR MILE. Evangelist Henry Cravens has been conducting revival meetings at the Christy coal mines for the past two weeks. Great interest is being manifested and a number of converts and accessions are made each evening. Rev. J. T. Caston, of the East Side Baptist church, will assist in the devotional exercises to-morrow. Let the good work go on.

TRUSTEE CONCERT. The jubilee concert given at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Thursday evening was well attended and the best of satisfaction prevailed. Those who assisted in the program proved themselves both musical and able. It is indeed encouraging to have the pleasure of listening to such musical treats. The African Methodist Episcopal church in this city, especially under its able and competent pastor and trustees is becoming more and more a tower of strength. They should certainly continue to receive every encouragement.

A SOCIAL EVENT. Mr. and Mrs. E. Williamson entertained a number of their friends Saturday evening at tea. The house was artistically decorated with chrysanthemums and all within presented a spectacle of beauty. A dainty luncheon was served in courses. Among those present were the Misses Alice Burnham and Messrs. Tracey Blagburn, John Thompson, Edward Mosley, James Epperson, Abraham, John and James Renix. The evening was most enjoyably spent, the program being interspersed with several instrumental selections rendered by the Renix Bros. mandolin club.

H. B. S. R. C. A very profitable and pleasant session of the H. B. S. Reading Circle was held at the residence of Mrs. M. N. Bell. Owing to a number of the members being sick, only a small membership was present; but what was lacking in numbers was made up in study and sociability. The Misses Clara Smith and Iwin Marthel of Lucas were circle visitors. England under the Stewart's was read and discussed and many good points brought out. The afternoon was spent in study and all felt repaid for attending the meeting. Mrs. Bell served dainty refreshments, which were enjoyed with pleasant conversation. The election of officers will take place next week at Mrs. J. C. Berry's. All members are requested to be present. The history classes will be led by Mesdames Reeler and Smith.

Some of the little bronze images of Chinese deities are supposed to have an antiquity of 3,000 years before Christ.

MONEY FOR CLOTHES. Why a Man's Wardrobe is Less Expensive Than a Woman's. "I get twice the salary my brother draws, and yet see the difference in our appearance. He is always correctly dressed, while I can never keep up with the style, but am compelled to wear old-fashioned things because I cannot afford to throw them away. It is provoking, I declare!" and she threw down her account book with a bang.

I picked it up and opened it. The first item read: "Hat, \$10." "There," she said, looking over my shoulder, "I bought it at the beginning of the season, and it wasn't nice enough to last long. Before six weeks had gone by it began to look shabby, and I had to get another for best. Yet Arthur buys two hats—one derby for \$4 and a soft hat for the same price. Then he's fitted out for several months, all for \$8. They always look well. But let me buy two four-dollar hats and try to make them do until spring; what a disreputable appearance I would present."

Take the matter of outer garments. A man buys his winter costume—a double-breasted sack suit of handsome cloth, worsted, serge or chevot—for \$30 or \$40. This amount procures one that is well made, fashionably cut and in which he always appears well dressed. Now let the young woman get a gown for the same money. Whether she buys it ready-made or not it will be only fair for the price, and not be first-class. But let her attempt to wear it for street and home for an entire season, as the man will do, excepting only those occasions when evening dress is required. If she takes it to business, don it for the street and for ordinary purposes at home, it will look shabby in no time at all. And who wouldn't tire of the girl in the same frock morning, noon and night? She would, of necessity, be compelled to freshen it at times by fancy waist-coats, silk fronts, lace effects and so on. Even if she did, by great care, succeed in making the dress last, she would never present the correct appearance of the average young man in his plain suit.

It is time, say some, to rebel; time to call for a costume that we can buy ready-made, as do the men, for a fair price. Give us the right to make our dress after a becoming, not a fashionable style, and to wear it as long as we please. Then the cry would no longer be raised against this forced extravagance of women.

The other sex, too, may soon raise its objections. The well-dressed young man needs a larger purse than formerly; styles change more rapidly of late, and greater attention is paid to the accessories of his toilet. He finds his laundry bill a considerable item, and he selects his ties with great care. They match either his eyes, his hair or the stripe in his shirt. His link cuff buttons, his pajamas, silk underwear, suspenders, socks, handkerchiefs and gloves must all be of the finest, and he must certainly have a handsome lounge coat and an elder down robe de chambre, to say nothing of canes and small hand bags and a leather case for a full dress suit.

THE OFFICE BOY'S VIEW. Visitor (in newspaper office)—Who is that man who just went out? Boy—He writes on the tariff. "What else?" "Nothing," I guess he don't know enough to write on anything else."—Texas Sittings.

WITH THE HUMORISTS

Current Witticisms for Producing Laughter.

What the Newly Arrived Missionary Discovered in Africa—Why He Don't Want a Winter Suit—Fleetsam and Jetsam on the Tide.

TEPHEN," SAID the colonel, speaking to an old negro who had come to cut the grass in the yard, "I am told that you intend to give your son a good education."

"Dat's what I does, sah; I knows what it is ter struggle erlong widout larnin' an' I is 'termed dat my son shan't travel 'n' foot ober the same flint rock road dat I did."

"A noble resolution, Stephen. There is something beautiful in the unobscured mind that has a reverence for knowledge. Is your boy learning rapidly?"

"Ez fast ez er hoss ken trot, sah. W'y, last week he writ er letter ter his aunt dat libs mo' den twenty miles from yere, an' after a while he gwine write er letter ter his nudder aunt dat libs fifty miles away."

"Why doesn't he write to her now?"

"Oh, he kain't write so fur yit. He ken write twenty miles fust rate, but I tote him not ter write fifty miles till he got stronger wid his pen. But he's gwine ter git dar, I tell you. Won't be mo'n er year 'fore dat boy ken get down at one end o' de gubernment an' write er letter 'lar ter de nudder end."

Old Boys Out on a Tear. The Glasgow, Ky., Times is responsible for this: "Benjamin Franklin was lately whipped for stealing chickens; Thomas Jefferson sent up for vagrancy; James Madison fined for getting drunk; Aaron Burr had his eye gouged out in a fight; Zachary Taylor robbed a widow of her spoons; John Wesley was caught breaking into a store; George Washington is on trial for attempted outrage; Andrew Jackson was shot in a negro barroom; Martin Luther hung himself on the garden palings while stealing a basket of vegetables; and Napoleon Bonaparte is breaking rock for a \$3 fine in New Orleans. What's the matter with the old boys?"

Will Work Well. Mrs. Strongmind (a few years hence) "I presume you are glad that your husband has been nominated."

Fair Guest—Indeed I am. It's just like old times before we were married. "In what way?"

"He knows I have a vote and he's just as devoted as a lover."—New York Weekly.

Still in the Swim. Neighbor—How did your daughter's marriage with that foreign count turn out?

Mr. Brickrow—Her last letter from Europe states that he has spent all her money, and she is taking in washing; but, then, I presume she washes only for the nobility.

An Up-to-Date Physician. Doctor—Dyspepsia is what ails you. Patient—What do you advise? Doctor—Fee the waiters.

ALREADY SUPPLIED.

Tailor—Don't yer vant er nice winter suit ter keep yer varm? Little Ethel—Mrs. Nextdoor told mamma that she ought to put her fellyes and preserves in a dark closet.

Little Johnny—That's all right. There's only one dark closet in tis house, and that's the one mamma looks me in when I'm naughty.

Journalistic Intelligence. Miss Bibble McGinnis, one of the reigning belles of Austin, is not a bad looking girl, but intellectually she is subject to a slight discount.

At a social gathering she was introduced to a distinguished journalist from San Antonio.

"Allow me to introduce you to Mr. Scoop, one of the celebrated newspaper writers of the day," said her friend.

"I didn't know they wrote newspapers. All the newspapers I've seen were printed."—Texas Sittings.

Embarrassment. Little Dot—I hate that girl. Mamma—You shouldn't say you hate anybody.

Little Dot—Huh! She isn't anybody. Mamma—You shouldn't say hate. Little Dot—I dislike her then.

Mamma—That's better, but I wouldn't say that, either.

Little Dot—Well, I—I dislove her like everything.

The Usual Distinction. Teacher—What is the difference between industry and luck? Boy—One door.

"Humph! How do you explain that? Industry is what you has yourself. Luck is what your neighbor has."

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Mrs. Jinks—If you are so fond of playing poker, why don't you teach me, and spend your evenings at home? Jinks—Um—suppose I should win? Mrs. Jinks—I have plenty of money. Sit right down.

Mr. Jinks (the next day)—No man can understand women. They are mysteries. Why, sir, my wife insisted on my playing poker with her last night. Of course I won a pile from her. Well, sir, she paid the money with a smile on her face—didn't mind it a bit.

Caller—Beg pardon, but I am Mr. Housewagner's agent; and have called for the rent.

Mr. Jinks—Why don't you go to the house, as usual? I left the rent money there for you a week ago.

Caller—I just came from there. Mrs. Jinks said she gave the money to you last night.

Many Hands Make Light Work. Tourist (in Utah)—Polygamy is no longer practiced, I am told. Ex-Mormon (dejectedly)—No, and it's a shame. Only one wife! What good is one wife? Just a trial, that's all.

"How so?" "Everything is at sixes and sevens. Nothing ever done. Buttons off, meals half cooked—everything wrong. In the good old days we had one wife to sew on buttons, another to darn stockings, another to boss the servants, another to do the shopping, and another to attend to the duties of society. A man had some comfort then."

Will Work Well. Mrs. Strongmind (a few years hence) "I presume you are glad that your husband has been nominated."

Fair Guest—Indeed I am. It's just like old times before we were married. "In what way?"

"He knows I have a vote and he's just as devoted as a lover."—New York Weekly.

Still in the Swim. Neighbor—How did your daughter's marriage with that foreign count turn out?

Mr. Brickrow—Her last letter from Europe states that he has spent all her money, and she is taking in washing; but, then, I presume she washes only for the nobility.

An Up-to-Date Physician. Doctor—Dyspepsia is what ails you. Patient—What do you advise? Doctor—Fee the waiters.

ALREADY SUPPLIED.

Tailor—Don't yer vant er nice winter suit ter keep yer varm? Little Ethel—Mrs. Nextdoor told mamma that she ought to put her fellyes and preserves in a dark closet.

Little Johnny—That's all right. There's only one dark closet in tis house, and that's the one mamma looks me in when I'm naughty.

Journalistic Intelligence. Miss Bibble McGinnis, one of the reigning belles of Austin, is not a bad looking girl, but intellectually she is subject to a slight discount.

At a social gathering she was introduced to a distinguished journalist from San Antonio.

"Allow me to introduce you to Mr. Scoop, one of the celebrated newspaper writers of the day," said her friend.

"I didn't know they wrote newspapers. All the newspapers I've seen were printed."—Texas Sittings.

Embarrassment. Little Dot—I hate that girl. Mamma—You shouldn't say you hate anybody.

Little Dot—Huh! She isn't anybody. Mamma—You shouldn't say hate. Little Dot—I dislike her then.

Mamma—That's better, but I wouldn't say that, either.

Little Dot—Well, I—I dislove her like everything.

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MY BANJO ON DE WALL.

Written for The Iowa State Bystander. Life to me, ah oh so dreary! Earth has now no joy for me. I am pining for my country. Far across de grassy sea. An' my min' duff sometimes wander. An' my fingers stifle all. An' I set in sadness weeping. While my banjo's on de wall.

De all say I cannot pick it. Dat I should not weep no more. So I's longing for de country. Where my troubleshoot be o'er. Thus I spend de hours in silence. Waiting for de Master's call; For dey took de dear old banjo. An' dey hung it on de wall.

No one cares to tune it eber. Who banjo will be its strings; No one speaks to me in kindness; But de angels sing me praises; Oh de angels sing me praises; An' I set in sadness weeping. While my banjo's on de wall.

When I reach dat blessed country, Far across de grassy sea, An' de angels sing me praises, An' my loving Savior see, Den dese fingers will grow limber, An' wid angels one as all. I will be in sadness weeping. While my banjo's on de wall.

A BOOMERANG. The Indianapolis Freeman incidentally remarks that it is the "Warwick of Negro journals." Who, what has the Freeman made?—Texas Sittings.

Who have we made? To answer your question fairly and fully, young man, we have unwittingly created gossings of your size and ilk, by setting them a pace to go by, who delight in making jealous asses of themselves instead of painstaking, good journalists. What have we made? Made ourselves, if possible, the greater ass by noticing you.—Indianapolis Freeman.

GOOD PEOPLE. From the Oskaloosa Daily News. To the News: The African M. E. Church have a pastor who, with the assistance of his accomplished wife, is bringing the above church up to a high standard. Yesterday was an evidence of the work done so far. Thanksgiving services were intelligent and appropriate. The program at night was fine, especially the rendition of the chorus of "Italia" by the choir. Two people in the right place, Rev. Jones and wife.

OUR BOYS IN OFFICE. From the Negro Oskaloosa Solicitor, (Dem.) The following negroes hold township offices by virtue of their election. November 6, 1894. The list: Spring Creek, justice, F. P. Davis; constable, R. C. Curtis; Lincoln, constable, Geo. W. Douglass; East Harrison, constable, Newton Cary; Garfield, justice, Jacob Watson; constable, Geo. Thomas; East Des Moines, justice, J. H. McDowell; constable, A. F. Cary. While it is true that they were all practically elected by republican votes it is also true that some of them received a good many democratic votes. As, for instance, the cases of Grant Thomas, of Garfield, and A. F. Cary, of East Des Moines. Be that as it may, the Solicitor extends congratulations to all these elected justices and constables. Shake.

NEGRO GROWLER REBUKED. DES MOINES, Dec. 6.—EDITOR BYSTANDER: A statement in your last week's issue in regard to several editors of Negro papers having rebuked Miss Ida Wells for denouncing the lynching of negroes in the south has most highly aroused the sentiment of a large number of the readers of your paper. And now, even as myself a reader of your paper, I have been requested by these highly respected readers of your paper to ask you for a small space in your esteemed columns to say a few words in regard to the Negro editors who have and who are so ignorantly rebuking Miss Ida Wells for rightly advocating the rights and better protection of the Negro race in the south. Anything and everything that I say in regard to these Negro editors have been agreed to by every one of these readers of your paper and calls forth their indignation. I will say right here that any negro who is so ignorant and so selfish as to oppose and rebuke so intelligent a lady as Miss Ida Wells for advocating the cause of the Negro race in the south for better protection is too mean to live and too mean to die, and the devil would not have him even if he should die. If there are any Negro readers of these Negro editors' papers who claim to be true and honest Christians, it is indeed a thing which I cannot get myself as to how they ever expect to get their garments clean enough to be accepted up into that city of bliss. And now with this remark I will leave this subject. A great many readers of the BYSTANDER expect to see an article in the next issue what the paper editor last week in regard to the disgraceful attack of several Negro editors upon Miss Ida Wells.

JACOB HOWARD. SHERIFF'S SALE. STATE OF IOWA, ss. POLK COUNTY, ss. H. E. Teachout versus Geo. L. Jarrett, et al. Wright, W. E. Hamilton and McCormick, in the District Court of Polk County, Iowa. By virtue of a special execution to me directed, issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa, in favor of H. E. Teachout and against George L. Jarrett, principal, and G. V. Wright, D. H. Boston and W. E. Hamilton, sureties, on a judgment rendered by said Court on the 17th day of October, A. D. 1894, wherein it was ordered, adjudged and decreed that the following real property be sold to satisfy said judgment, to-wit: Certificate of Stock No. 18 of the Des Moines Manufacturing & Supply Company, consisting of five shares, each share of the par value of one thousand dollars, (\$1,000.00), and certificate of Stock No. 30 of the Des Moines Manufacturing & Supply Company, consisting of one thousand shares, (\$1,000.00).

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that unless the defendant appear at my office in Des Moines, on or before the 5th day of January, A. D. 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at which time and above described property is hereby advertised to be sold, and pay off the amount of said execution, with interest and costs, I will satisfy said execution, with interest and costs, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the court house, in Des Moines, Iowa, for cash in hand to pay off said execution.

J. D. MCGARRAUGH, Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa. By G. W. HARRIS, Deputy. Sheriff's Office, Des Moines, Iowa. Date of first publication, December 7. Printer's fee, \$7.50. THE BYSTANDER.

If half the reports are true about six thousand Armenian Christians being butchered on account of their religion by the Turks, the European powers have an opportunity for united interference in a more home than in China. The alleged atrocities on women and children are too horrible for easy belief.

FIFTY dollars was paid for a "lock of Napoleon's hair" at an auction; and now the person upon whose head the hair grew is willing to sell all the rest of his hair in Napoleonic locks at the same rate.

Miss ALICE MARNER dreamed that she was the long-lost daughter of a man who lately died and left an estate of \$2,000,000. She had better go to sleep again and dream that she has got the money.

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OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

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Ruff. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Worthington, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. Perkins and Master Clyde Washington.

The many friends of Will Hopkins will be glad to hear that he is rapidly recovering from his recent illness. His father, who had the misfortune of breaking his leg, is also improving.

Miss Hattie Washington and her brother, Will, spent Thanksgiving in Chicago.

The ladies of the A. M. E. Church gave a dinner on Thanksgiving, which was a success in every respect. In the evening a children's concert under the direction of Miss Anna Fletcher was given.

Thursday evening the Autumn Leaf Club will present a drama entitled "Tracing a Lie."

Mrs. Wm. Nelson and son, Charley, spent Thanksgiving in Monmouth, the guests of Mrs. George Williams.

Tuesday evening occurred the wedding of Mr. John Reed and Miss Fanny Johnson. They go to housekeeping at once on Alley street.

The opera "Egypta" which is to be presented at the auditorium next Wednesday and Thursday evenings promises to be the musical event of the season. It is given under the auspices of Grace church. In the chorus are noticed Mrs. Cora Love-Jeffers and May F. Ruff.

NEWTON NOTES. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Mr. W. R. Frazier, the genial employe of the Frankel Clothing Co., of Des Moines, spent Thanksgiving in our city at the residence of Mr. Jason Greene. Miss Lottie and Genevieve Green will attend the grand opening of the Odd Fellows' Hall in Muehakoinek, the guests of Mrs. C. R. Foster and J. Frazier.

Miss V. Whitsett was at Oskaloosa Thursday and returned Tuesday. She reports a nice time.

J. Whitsett started for Minneapolis Thursday to visit his brother, who he has not seen for years.

W. E. is a prominent young man of our city, is an agent for Swandown Cream, a preparation for the hands and face. Agents wanted. Write for particulars.

Ed. Pillow was informed by telegram of the illness of his mother. We learn the illness is fatal.

Miss L. H. Blackwell, of Grinnell, visited her sister, Mrs. Hudson.

Mrs. Green, who has been sick, is slowly improving.

Rev. M. I. Gordon is on the sick list. Thanksgiving was celebrated in every home.

Mrs. G. A. Brown has been very ill for two weeks with lung fever. She was cared for by the Golden Bell Lodge, W. D. SCENES.

KEOSAUQUA NEWS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Keosauqua is now on the boom. Mr. H. Shaffer, after spending two weeks among friends in West Point, returned home Saturday, reporting a grand time.

Rev. Jones preached two good sermons last Sunday at the Baptist church.

Mr. Walter Beer spent Sunday in Eldon visiting friends. Old boy, you can call it friends.

Messrs. John Buckner, J. W. Burger, Joshua Johnston and Aaron Jackson, of Farmington, spent several days in our city last week on business.

Iowa Steam Laundry collector is here. Look out boys, if you don't pay up you can't wear fried shirts.

Mr. Frank Alexander and wife, of Ottumwa, were in the city last week to attend the funeral of his sister.

You can buy a copy of THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER agent, corner south Bridge street or on North Main. Don't fail to read the leading paper of our race each week.

CLINTON.