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The Past Has Its Lesson. The "idea of National Unity" was discussed long years ago by our forefathers and their words of wisdom can be repeated with as much application and force now as then.

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The future holds out many inducements to Afro-Americans. It is only by constant and relentless work that the best results can be obtained.

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Before the Republican state convention meets there will be plenty of candidates for governor.

The number of persons who are taking advantage of our club rates has surpassed our most sanguine expectations.

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THE EXPOSITION A FARCE.

From the Atlanta (Ga.) People's Advocate.

The Negroes of Atlanta would take pleasure in working to make the Exposition a success, would blend all their powers and unite all their efforts to that end if they were only recognized as human beings and not as dogs of the lowest order by this superior civilization.

They said he couldn't make a success of anything if he tried. It seems to be their intention now to prove it. In the first place they tried to make the Negroes raise the money to erect their own building after they had promised to erect it for them if congress would appropriate \$200,000 for the Exposition.

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A Prominent Citizen of Mahaska County Speaks to the Point.

He Expresses the Opinion of a Majority of the People All Over the Country.

Miss Wells Has Accomplished More Than All the Afro-American Leagues or Associations.

EDITOR OF THE BYSTANDER: Moral reformers are the world's redeemers. In the progress of civilization God has chosen some one person to lead humanity one step nearer the goal of individual and governmental perfection.

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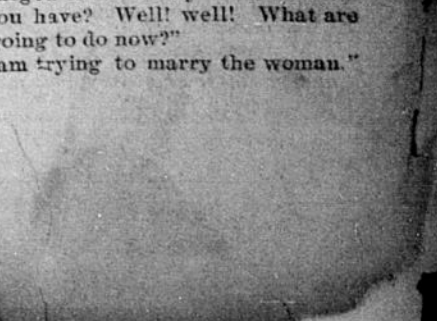
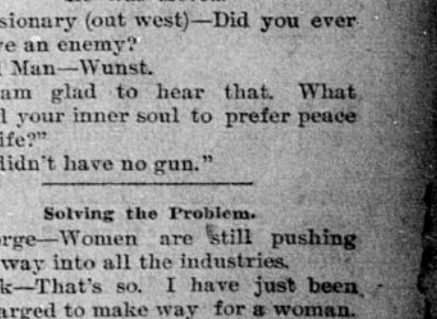
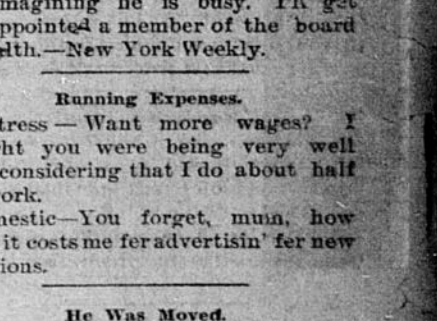
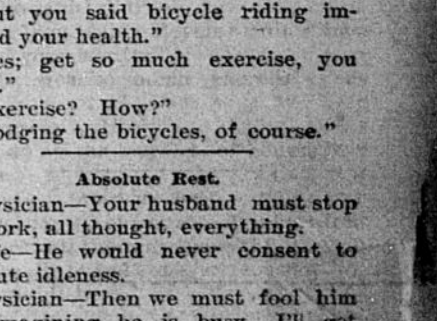
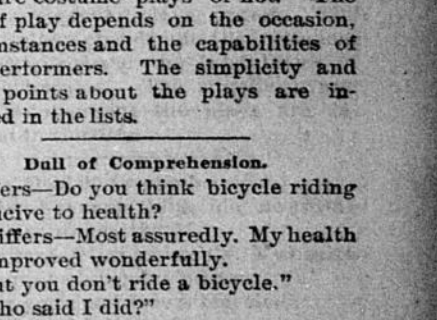
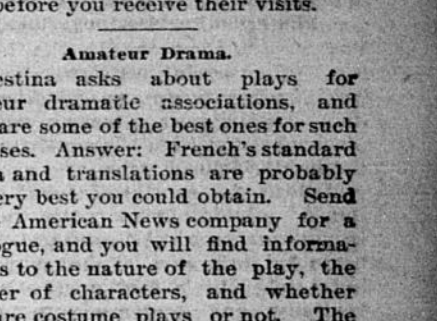
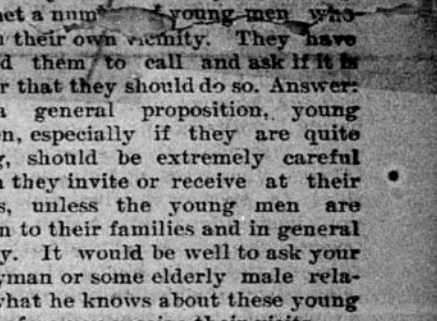
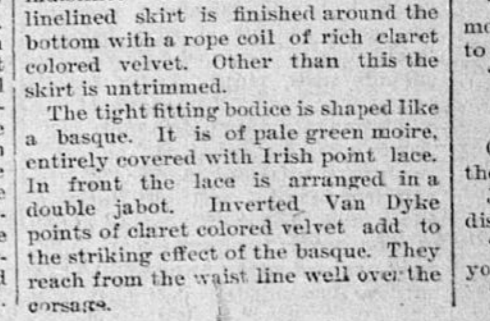
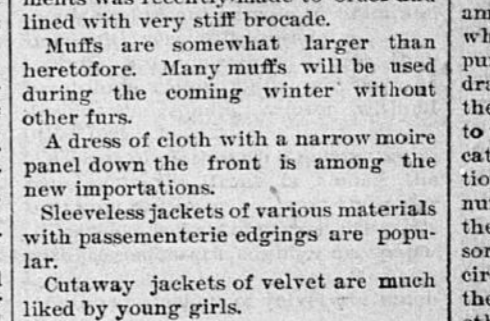
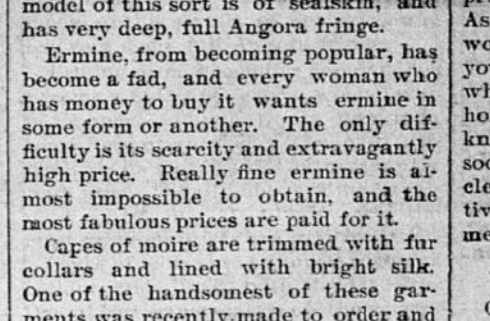
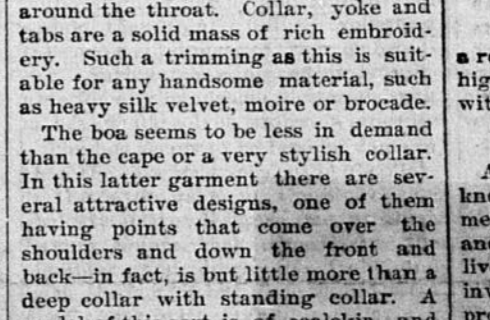
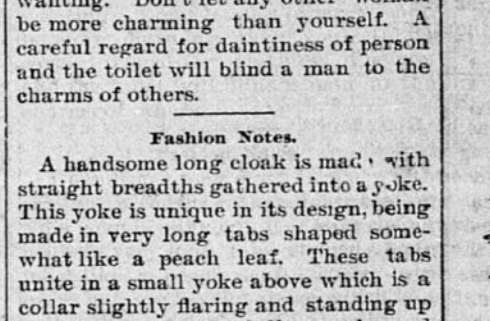
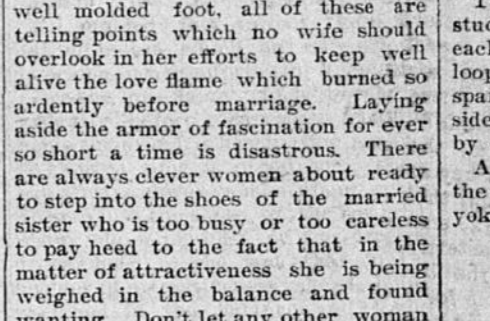
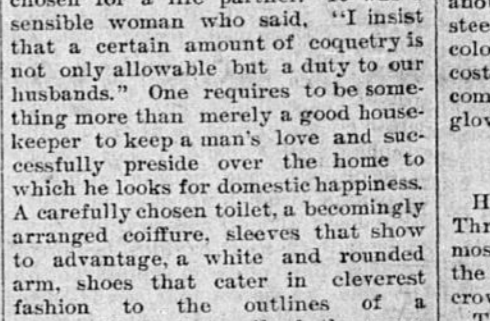
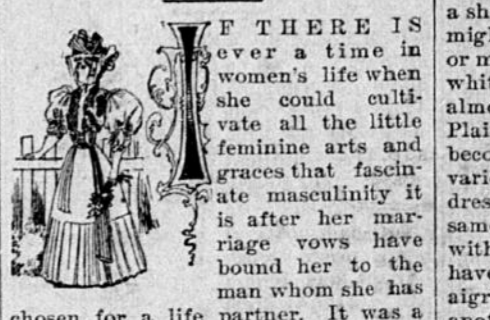
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But who is to work China's new quick-firing guns? inquires a New York exchange. Why, the Japs, of course. Propound something hard.

Puff, Slaughter & Co. is the name of a Chicago firm of brokers. It is about as suggestive as the old London house of Ketcham & Cheatham.

It is a pretty story that Skipper Blake and crew of the schooner P. T. Barnum tell of a meteor striking their rigging, splitting into three pieces and falling into the sea with a hissing sound. The only thing to throw doubt on the story is the name of the schooner.

The only importance there is in China's enormous population seems to be in the greater number of persons killed, wounded and captured by the Japanese. The vastness of China's resources as to men has proved of no advantage to her so far. The Yankees of the East, as the Japs are entitled to be called, have not met with any serious obstacle to their advance either by water or on land.

Some of the railroads have presented claims to the government for carrying troops last summer during the railroad strike. As the troops were called out at the request of the railroads to protect their property and keep their lines open, it would appear to be no great hardship if they contributed the transportation, especially if the government contributed everything else. Payment of the claims, it is said, will be resisted by the War department.

Why is it that in most of the cities of the world fashion makes its home in the northwestern quarter? Why is it that the "west end" is so often the aristocratic section of the city? It is a fact and there is a ruling cause for it. It is this: That the prevailing winds of the earth are northwesterly. They are in general northwesterly, and their tendency is to blow the dust, smoke and odors of a city to its eastern or southern side. This makes the opposite quarter the more desirable for residence. People have in all ages been governed by the rule without inquiring very deeply into its cause.

It is sad to think that after all the care which has been lavished on the Indians for long years, and the humanizing influences which have been brought to bear upon them, they are as far from being civilized as ever. What can be thought of a man who gets tired of his wife after being married a few months and leaves her? And what shall we say of a woman who, when she is not treated rightly, goes home to her parents, the couple sometimes making up and living together again? Can such things be, and we must not know it? They could only happen among people who are living under primitive social conditions, and the fact that they prevail among the Indians shows how little the latter have profited by their contact with white people.

The governor of Alabama proposes a remedy for lynching that deserves consideration by people of other states as well. It is that a law be passed giving to the families of a man killed by a mob the right to a civil action against the authorities of the town or county where the deed was done. If this were made generally the law it would place the lawless element under bonds to keep the peace. While many of the lawless are not taxpayers, they are none the less dependent upon those who do pay the taxes. Mob rule itself is greatly destructive to property, but it is so indirectly. If property owners had to pay additional taxes for each case of mob rule that occurred in their locality they would bestir themselves to protect lives of those obnoxious to the mob, because they would then be directly interested, and so plainly that no one could mistake the fact.

A suggestion is made to have a short daily discussion of current news in the public schools, and to this end to have a digest of the news from a daily paper. If the news be news of the world's important events, not the daily record of crime and party politics, that is found in some newspapers, the suggestion is good, and ought to be acted on. Correct current history is certainly as important as is the history of the B. C. or mediaeval period. A teacher who would spend a half hour every day posting his or her pupils on the world's daily events, would do as much for education as listening for the same length of time to rules of grammar and other equally dry subjects, and this paragraph is not meant in any sense to reflect on the importance of all dry studies now pursued in the public schools, whether of grammar or constitutional history.

We have brought the horse to as near perfection as possible but, Othello-like, his occupation's gone. He will be of use for heavy draft, and for luxury—including racing—but for most of the services he has rendered us he is being replaced by electricity.

RUBINSTEIN'S 215 concerts in this country yielded \$350,000 and Paley's tour was nearly equally productive. There are millions in the piano if a man only knows how to thump the keys to get it out.

That volcano up in the new state of Washington has gone into eruption just in time to make the locality an interesting winter resort. All through the hot season its sides were covered with snow and glaciers. Such an accommodating mountain would be a treasure in any community.

The American reporter who conspired to get up a royalist uprising in Hawaii is a little late. The people of the United States have lost interest in monarchy there as well as in monarchy in all other parts of the world.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

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WALTER H. BUTLER.

Reported to Have Been Seen in Allamakee County. CEDAR RAPIDS, Dec. 14.—News is received from Oelwein to the effect that friends of Walter H. Butler believe they have a clew to his whereabouts. A farmer named Cavers, who lives in Allamakee county and who knows Butler, reports that he saw him walking by his home a few days ago. He was apparently in a very much worn-out condition. As to his condition further than this, Mr. Cavers does not know, as he did not talk with him. Many of those who have known Butler for years doubt these stories and believe he is sane, but is hiding somewhere.

DEPOT ROBBED AT KRUM.

One Robber Killed and Another Wounded by the Officers. OTTUMWA, Dec. 10.—Burglars robbed the Burlington depot at Krum last night, took a hand car and started toward Ottumwa. Detective Harrison of the Burlington road took officers and an engine from here and met the robbers. In a battle following one burglar was killed and two others escaped. Harrison received a flesh wound. Undertaker Frank Junkin and Deputy Sheriff Ricketts boarded the fast mail at Fairfield to go to Batavia to look after the body of the bandit. The train failed to stop and the men jumped. Junkin was killed and Ricketts is in a critical condition.

FATAL FALL.

Injuries Received from Falling 147 Feet. ELSDORA, Dec. 13.—While at work on the stamper in course of erection at Grundy Center, Iver Ickerman, of Eldora, fell a distance of fifty feet, sustaining injuries that may prove fatal.

OSKALOOSA FIRE.

Electric Light Plant Destroyed and the City in Darkness. OSKALOOSA, Dec. 12.—The Edison electric light plant was ruined by fire. The fire started in the motor room from a hot box, and spread so rapidly that nothing could be done till the building was gutted. The loss is roughly estimated at from \$10,000 to \$12,000, partially covered by insurance. This will leave the city, so far as the streets are concerned, in total darkness for a month or more.

SEVEN DROWNED.

Ice Gives Way Under a Searching Party. OELWEIN, Dec. 11.—Two little children of George and Hannah Cook, aged 9 and 12 respectively, were skating on the mill pond at Littleton, when they fell into an air hole and were drowned. A searching party gathered and such a large number got on the ice that it gave way, precipitating twelve men and boys into the water. In the gathering darkness seven were rescued, but five were drowned. All of the bodies have been recovered.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

Ham Gibson Uses an Iron Bar on Louis Grimes. CRESTON, Dec. 10.—A scrape which will probably result in a murder occurred in Sand Creek township. Ham Gibson assaulted Louis Grimes with an iron bar and inflicted injuries that will probably cause death. Gibson is a notorious character. He was a witness in the famous Goodale murder case and was recently tried for larceny. Grimes was a state witness in his trial. Gibson was arrested, but succeeded in getting away from the officers and is now at large.

Grip Car Accidents in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Under the center of the river in the Washington street tunnel a runaway Milwaukee avenue train last night dashed into a Madison street train, the grip of the former and the Ogden avenue trailer of the latter telescoping each other. Two men were killed and more than a score injured. Fire added its terrors to the wreck, but fortunately the flames were extinguished before additional injury and suffering were inflicted. The refusal of the grip to work was the cause of the accident.

CONDENSED ITEMS.

Isaac Eyres, an old and highly respected farmer of Plymouth county, was found dead at the foot of a windmill on his farm in Union township. He is supposed to have gone up to oil the machinery and fell. He leaves a large family of grown up sons and daughters.

Charles Adams has been held to the Black Hawk county grand jury for the murder of his uncle, Stephen Howard, in Lester township, that county, November 11. Bail was refused in this case. Alonzo Adams, who is charged with being an accessory to the crime, is being examined. The atrocity of the murder created considerable excitement at the time of its occurrence, and the court room where the examination is being held is crowded.

The 6-year-old child of John Morris, of Ringgold, was run over and killed by the cars near Lavanville recently. The child with its parents was visiting friends near Lavanville and the child had gone on the track and was walking along. The engine came around a curve at a sharp speed, when the child was seen and the engineer whistled for it to get off the track, but it paid no attention, and being down grade the train could not be stopped till the child was overtaken and badly mangled.

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A few days ago the passenger and freight depot of the Chicago, Iowa & Dakota railway at Hughes, five miles from Eldora, was set on fire by masked men at an early morning hour and entirely consumed. The citizens of Hughes have long been impatient at the treatment they have been receiving from the railroad company, and have repeatedly asked for better depot accommodations. The railway company has refused the request and ignored the threats of the citizens. They have now made good their threats by burning it. It was valued at \$2,500. The company will at once erect a modern station, as its traffic at Hughes amounts to several thousand dollars a month.

Much uneasiness exists at Burlington and at Sperry, eight miles north of that city, on account of a malignant case of small pox which has just developed in the person of William Buhrmaster, a well-known stock dealer. Buhrmaster delivered some stock in Chicago several days ago and contracted the disease there. He returned home via Burlington, transacted some business in Burlington, and went on to Sperry, where he mingled freely with people even after he commenced to feel the effects of the disease. Hundreds of people have been exposed, including the public school children, who were exposed through Buhrmaster's children. A hundred vaccine points were procured, and a wholesale vaccination is in progress. The doctors pronounce the case of the very worst type. Every effort is being made to stamp out the disease.

Henry Boise's jewelry store at Fayette was robbed a few nights since in true highwayman style. Boise is one of the leading jewelers in that part of the state, and carries at this time of the year a very heavy line of valuable jewelry. At 2 o'clock a. m. a wagon containing three men armed to the teeth and wearing masks rode down the main street to the front door of Boise's jewelry store, and backed the wagon upon the sidewalk, breaking the plate glass in front with a club. One of the robbers was left on the sidewalk to guard the front from surprise and hold the team, while the other two cracked the safe, which contained \$800 in cash besides all the valuable jewelry, which consisted of about fifty gold watches, besides other articles of great value. The robbers were not novices at the business, for it took them but a few minutes to crack the safe and gather its contents into a sack. They were not satisfied with this as they commenced looting the store of all the silverware, clocks, etc., on the shelves, and in fact took everything that could be packed upon the wagon. The robbers, after having the wagon filled to their satisfaction, slowly drove down the street and were seen by some parties, but who seemed to lack the necessary nerve to stop such a formidable looking outfit. The total amount obtained from the jewelry store is estimated at from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Do you wear shirts? Order of Tilden, Des Moines. Perfect fit guaranteed. 6 Fred Wright, a colored boy, who has been working around the Theater Company, at Sioux City, is accused of passing four forged checks on merchants and is supposed to be in Des Moines. The checks were paid for clothing and goods, the total amount thus obtained being \$75. Wright is ignorant and could not possibly have prepared the checks himself, and as the former cashier of the theater is also missing, and had lately returned from serving a penitentiary service, it is thought he had something to do with the matter.

The prisoners who broke jail at Boone and terribly beat the jailer's wife while she was trying to prevent them, were captured at Des Moines.

Four hundred traveling men attended the fourteenth annual meeting of the Iowa State Association of Commercial Travelers at Des Moines. The following officers were elected: President, W. F. Mitchell, Des Moines; secretary-president, E. C. Evans, Des Moines; secretary and treasurer, F. E. Haley, Des Moines; directors, F. S. Thompson, William A. Meyer, John Verran, E. W. K. Bailey, and L. K. Wynn.

Cure for Hog Cholera. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The bureau of animal industry, as the result of experience, finds the following is the best remedy for hog cholera and swine plague: Wood charcoal, sulphur, sodium sulphate and antimony sulphide, one pound each; sodium chloride, sodium bicarbonate and sodium hypophosphite, two pounds each; to be pulverized, mixed, and daily dose of large table-spoonful for each 200 pounds weight of hogs given. It may be used as a preventive. It should be given the whole herd. They should be kept in dry quarters, away from drafts.

ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

TERRIBLE CHARGES.

In Connection With the Capture of Fort Arthur. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The World's Yokohama dispatch says: Japanese troops entered Port Arthur November 21 and massacred practically the whole population in cold blood. The defenseless, unarmed inhabitants were butchered in their houses and the bodies unspeakably mutilated. There was a totally unrestrained reign of murder for three days. The whole town was plundered, with appalling atrocities. It was a stain on Japanese civilization; in this instance re-lapsed into barbarism. All pretenses that the circumstances justified the atrocities are false. The civilized world will be horrified by the details. The foreign correspondents, revolted by the spectacle, left the army in a body.

SEELYE CAPTURED.

Bookkeeper Who Stole \$254,000 in the Tolls in Chicago. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Samuel C. Seelye, the defaulting bookkeeper of the Hide and Leather bank, New York, was arrested at 596 LaSalle avenue. His whereabouts were revealed to the police by a young man who claimed to have been his companion for a week. Seelye at first refused to give his name, but insisted that he was not the man wanted, although the police pointed to the marks upon his person corresponding precisely to those described in the circular issued by Inspector McLaughlin and offering a reward of \$5,000 for his arrest and conviction. However, after spending a sleepless night in prison, he called Inspector Shea and confessed that he was the man wanted. Seelye assisted a depositor named Baker to beat the bank out of \$254,000.

SHOT BY BURGLARS.

William H. Price of Cleveland Murdered in His Own Home. CLEVELAND, Dec. 13.—William H. Price, a member of the firm of printing press manufacturers, Chandler & Price, was almost instantly killed by a burglar at his home at No. 124 Hawthorne avenue, at 2:30 o'clock a. m. Shots were heard and a minute later Price was found by his son, lying with his face downward on the floor and rapidly expiring. He had been shot through the body three times. Price and his wife were awakened by two men in their bedroom. Price sprang from his bed and as he did so one of the burglars shot at him three times, all of the bullets taking effect, one in the right leg near the knee, one in the stomach and the third in the region of the heart. Price fell and as he did so the two burglars ran out of the room.

TENNESSEE GOVERNORSHIP.

Evans, the Republican Candidate, Certainly Elected. NASHVILLE, Dec. 13.—The state board of canvassers met and canvassed the vote for congressman and legislators. Sheriff's certificates sent in with these returns from each county give the vote for governor as follows: Turney (dem.), 104,356; Evans (rep.), 105,104; Mills (pop.), 22,000. Evans' plurality, 748. There are not strictly official returns, as they can be opened only by the legislature next month, but the official returns on their face will differ but slightly, if any, from them. Already there is street talk of a contest, and both parties are again charging gross frauds upon election day.

TILLMAN ELECTED SENATOR.

He Secures An Almost Unanimous Vote in Both Houses. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 12.—B. R. Tillman has been elected United States senator by both houses of the legislature in separate session. In the house he secured 108 out of 117 votes; in the senate 29 out of 35.

The Women Know Best.

Much comment has been caused by the official reports of the United States and Canadian governments, in which examinations of the evidence as to the superior strength, purity and wholesomeness of the Royal Baking Powder. It is true that the good housewife looks upon commendations of the Royal Baking Powder with such a very much like "the gilding of refined gold." Her practical experience long since taught her in the most convincing way the great usefulness and superiority of the Royal article. A higher proof than this she does not want and cannot have. Yet it is pleasant for her to realize that the facts established by these great competitive tests, these scientific examinations made under direction of the Government, exactly parallel those she had before worked out in her own common-sense practical way. It does not appear that any baking powder, when presented in competition with the Royal, either at the government tests or before World's Fair juries, has ever received favor award over the Royal or made an equal showing in purity, strength or wholesomeness.

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.

Six Lives Wiped Out by a Missouri Man. RIDGEWAY, Mo., Dec. 12.—At his home, five miles southwest of this city, David Spragg, a farmer, suddenly became insane, and tying the hands of one of his children deliberately cut its throat. He then attacked his wife and cut her almost to pieces before death resulted. Another child and two step-children were then murdered, after which he killed himself. A stepdaughter escaped.

Cold from the Wrong Mine.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 10.—The Carson City Gold and Silver Mining company has filed a bill in equity in the United States circuit court to recover \$826,000 damages from the North Star Mining company. The plaintiff is the owner of the Irish-American mine at Grass Valley, Cal., and the defendant owns an adjacent mine called the North Star. The damage is alleged to have been caused by the North Star people working beyond their boundary line and taking out ore on the Irish-American property.

ILLINOIS CORN CROP.

It Was Not Seriously Damaged by the Drouth. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 13.—The last report of the crop correspondents to the Illinois board of agriculture confirms the report made Aug. 1, to the effect that the corn crop was not seriously damaged by drouths. The area planted was 8,705,875 acres, the greatest since 1880. The acreage and yield by sections are as follows: Northern division, 3,009,000 acres, 31 bushels; central, 2,709,500 acres, 35 bushels; southern, 688,900 bushels, 18 bushels! The total yield is 205,637,000 bushels, 37,959,000 larger than in 1893. The increase in the northern division is 17,633,000, central, 22,900,000, and southern, 2,589,000, compared with last year. The decrease in the southern portion is due to the drouth and the chinch bugs. The quality averages 93 per cent in the northern division, 95 in the central and 70 per cent in the southern. But little immature, soft or rotten corn is reported.

LYNCH LAW.

Three Notorious Alabama Desperadoes Killed. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 13.—Three of the notorious Meachemite gang in Clarke county have been lynched. For many years they ran illicit distilleries, made counterfeit money and committed robberies and murder. To inform on them meant certain death. In August, 1893, James McGonigale, a prominent citizen, was assassinated. The citizens drove the gang from the county, the fight resulting in ten deaths. Recently the Meachemites returned to their old haunts and began to wreak vengeance. Murphray Pink was shot down by George Benson, Charles Smith and Lee Brown. They were acquitted on the preliminary trial, but the fact becoming known that they belonged to the Meachem gang they were hunted down and lynched.

BANKING BILL.

To Be Pushed to Passage Before the Holidays. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The house committee has resolved to push the bank bill with the greatest vigor. There is little doubt the banking and currency committee will report the Carlisle bill little changed, and will request the rules committee to report a special order for its immediate disposition. Chairman Springer says he expects the bill will pass the house before the holidays.

COLLISION IN A TUNNEL.

One Person Killed and Fifteen Others Seriously Injured. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—In a collision between cable cars in the Washington street tunnel, one man was fatally hurt, fifteen more persons seriously injured and a score of others more or less bruised. The cars were set on fire by the stoves, and for a time there was a fearful panic around the wreck.

POLICE CORRUPTION.

First Conviction in the New York City Bribery Cases. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Ex-Police Captain John L. Stephenson has been declared guilty of bribery by a jury who heard his case in the court of oyer and terminer. He was remanded back to the Tombs for sentence. This is the first of the police bribery cases to be tried.

FOR WHITE CAPPING.

Thirty-Six Prominent Men of Georgia Indicted. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 14.—The United States grand jury has indicted thirty-six prominent men of Murray county for white capping.

BREVITIES.

Count Ferdinand de Lesseps died on the 7th at Lachaine, near Vatanne, in the department of L'Indre, France. He was 90 years of age. Berlin dispatch: Robert F. Kneeb, the American horseman charged with fraudulent practices on the German turf, has been released on 10,000 marks bail. He will sail for the United States from Liverpool this week. William and George Taylor, charged with the murder of the Meeks family, were taken to Brookfield, Mo., under heavy guard. The men waived formal arraignment, pleaded not guilty and were granted a change of venue to Carroll county. There is no danger of lynching. At a meeting in Chicago of the principal western railroads having lines in Iowa it was unanimously agreed that after January 1 next the Iowa roads will make no more through rates in grain and its products from Iowa and northern Illinois points to points east of Chicago, or to points east of the eastern terminals of these western roads, but that the western roads will charge full local rates on this class of freight from the above western territory to Chicago, and the eastern roads will have to charge their full local rates from Chicago east.

MADAGASCAR TROUBLE.

War is Finally Declared by the French. PORT LOUIS, Mauritius, says the French special envoy has declared war against Madagascar and started for home. The queen and her husband, the prime minister, have quarreled. MARSEILLES, Dec. 14.—France having declared war against Madagascar, a warship with 400 marines and eighty tons of ammunition has left for there.

CANADA IN MOURNING.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Sir John Thompson, premier of the Dominion of Canada, died suddenly at Windsor yesterday afternoon, shortly after the adjournment of the queen's privy council, when he went to Windsor to attend. After Sir John had been sworn in as a member of the council, he sat at luncheon with the Marquis of Ripon and others, when he was suddenly taken ill. Dr. Ellison was summoned, but Sir John was dead before the doctor arrived.

FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

HOUSE—Washington, Dec. 7.—House went into committee of the whole on the president's message, which was finally referred to the various standing committees. Halfway pooling bill was under consideration till adjournment. HOUSE—Washington, Dec. 8.—The railway pooling bill was under consideration all day. SENATE—Washington, Dec. 10.—Resolution requesting president to commence negotiations looking to independence of Cuba went over. Nicaragua canal bill came up. Morgan argued for government ownership of the canal, saying the United States should invest in the stock of the company upon the plan outlined during the last session. HOUSE—This was District of Columbia day. SENATE—Washington, Dec. 11.—Nine bills by Peffer providing for greenback issues, were indefinitely postponed. Nicaragua canal bill came up and Dolph spoke in favor of it. Sherman also advocated its passage. HOUSE—Bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service came up and Clark of Missouri spoke against it. Railway pooling bill came up and, after several amendments had been voted down, was passed, 166 to 110. SENATE—Washington, Dec. 12.—Resolution calling for correspondence relative to mediation between China and Japan was passed. Gray moved to displace Nicaragua bill with the sugar bill. Defeated, 23 to 27. Vest moved to take up resolution providing cloture. Defeated, 23 to 34. HOUSE—House went into committee of the whole on urgency deficiency bill. Motion to strike out appropriation for coal' of income tax was defeated. SENATE—Washington, Dec. 13.—Near-gar canal bill was under consideration all day. Adjourned till Monday. HOUSE—Urgency deficiency bill was reported to the house by the committee of the whole and passed without amendment. Military academy appropriation bill was also passed.

EASTERN WAR.

CHEE FOO, Dec. 8.—Tsung-Li-Yamen has decided to send a special ambassador to Tokio, fully authorized to negotiate a treaty of peace. This is the result of the intimation from United States Minister Denby that he and the United States minister to Japan had prepared the way for direct communication between China and Japan, though the nature of the preliminary negotiations are kept secret. SHANGHAI, Dec. 12.—Before considering any peace proposals from China, Japan insists upon the surrender, for execution, of all Chinese generals who have offered money rewards for Japanese heads.

ALABAMA CONFLICT.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 10.—A secret caucus of Kolb's friends decided to keep within the limits of the law until the present session of the legislature closes. If it passes a fair election law and a fair contest law, the party will stand by the result in a contest; if not, a state convention will be called to consider the situation. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 10.—Capt. Reuben F. Kolb, who claims to be the governor of Alabama, has signed a certificate for Col. W. S. Reese to the federal senate in Morgan's place. It is said he also signed certificates for populist congressmen of the lower house of congress.

SIoux CITY BOODLERS.

Verdict of Impeachment Against Strange. SIOUX CITY, Dec. 14.—The jury in the case against Supervisor Strange found defendant guilty on two counts and returned a verdict of impeachment. Say He Was Debauched. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 14.—Andrew M. Davis, representing several property owners on Dupont street, has sued the city for \$411,366 with interest from June, 1891. The suit is to recover money paid under protest for the widening of Dupont street. If the suit is successful other actions will be commenced to recover the remainder of \$1,560,000 paid for the same purpose. It is alleged the street widening cost only \$409,000.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Dec. 10.—Our patent law is the most liberal and equitable on the book. It makes no distinction between boy or girl, man or woman, race or color, citizen or alien. Many false notions exist in regard to the rights of a patentee and one very common is that a person can make for his own use a patented invention without infringing the rights of the inventor and owner of the patent. The fallacy of such an idea is apparent when it is remembered that if one person could do so all other persons would have the same right and the inventor and patentee would have no protection whatever. Improvements on patented inventions are always in order and often patentable and add to the value of the original invention and where one or more persons contribute to the perfection of any art or invention each has rights that the law recognizes, and a piece of lawing with each other, they should pool their interests and assist each other in getting the perfected product of their joint efforts into general use. Five patents were issued to Iowa inventors December 14. Printed copies of the drawings and specifications of any one patent sent to any address for 25 cents. Valuable information for inventors free. THOMAS G. AND J. RALPH ORWIG, Solicitors of Patents.

THE JESTERS' HANDIWORK.

"Didn't the Chinese invent gunpowder?" "Yes, and now they're mighty sorry they did." "Teacher—A mole eats daily as much as it weighs. Pull—but how does it know how much it weighs?" "What made Plucker think of taking up literary work?" "Some one offered him a penny for his thoughts." "Ho—Will you be my wife some time this year?" "She—I will. But I can't answer for any time later than that." Visitor, to convict—How do you happen to be here? Convict—The unlucky number 13 got me here. Twelve jurors and a judge. "Will you marry me?" "I am already engaged to four men." "But you can marry only one, I know. Let me be the one." He—Although you are engaged to me you don't treat me a bit better than you do Dick. She—How selfish you are! I'm engaged to him, too. "I suppose Mrs. DeStyle was elegantly dressed at the ball last night?" "I couldn't tell about that." "Why not?" "I couldn't see the dress for the sleeves." Did you ever see a man who didn't know how preaching ought to be done. Ninety-seven out of every 100 Arctic explorers have returned alive.

My Wife's Nerves

Are weak and she suffers terribly from nervousness, headache and loss of sleep. Such is the testimony of many a man. The poor, tired woman is suffering from impure and impoverished blood. Her food does not digest. She is living on her nerves, because her strength is gone. Her nerves and muscles

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By the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which makes pure, rich blood, creates an appetite, and gives tone to all the organs of the body. This is not what we say, it is what Hood's Sarsaparilla does. "My wife began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla about three months ago. She has been in poor health for 15 years. Hood's is doing me good. Her appetite is better, she looks better and there has been improvement in every way." J. W. ROBERTSON, Greenfield, Tenn.

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Send for the pamphlet recently published by the Pension Department of the Illinois Central Railroad. It contains 50 excellent letters from Southern farmers now located in the North, and other authentic and valuable information. For a Free Copy, send the undersigned at once to the nearest agent.

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HAPPINESS.

BY GUY DE MAUPASSANT.

It was tea time—they had not yet brought in the lamps. The city overlooked the sea; the vanished sun had left the sky all rosy with his passing...

and in the morning you can press the extended hand of your host, who is sure to accompany you as far as the limits of the village.

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LOCAL NEWS.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1894.

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

Mrs. Wm. Coalson is in Muchaknock this week assisting in a concert in that city.

Mrs. Cornelius, mother of W. H. Scott, is very sick at her home at Mt. Pleasant.

Will McGrunder leaves for his home in Shelby, Mo., Saturday, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Lydia Baker, of Savannah, Mo., is now at the bedside of her sick son, Mr. Reilly Bell.

Mrs. J. Mayweather, who has been very ill, is much improved and all wish for her complete recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Crockett are the proud parents of a new born baby. Mother and child doing well.

R. N. Hyde's two children have been sick, one of them serious, but now they are mending fast and are out of danger.

Daniel Jackson leaves for Louisville Saturday evening, where he will visit his mother. He is a good boy and we will watch for his return.

The Ladies' Social club met with Mrs. M. L. Austin Wednesday afternoon. The program and refreshments were both good, and all present report a nice time.

Read the Harris-Emery advertisement. They are constant advertisers in this paper, and they want the trade of all. It is one of the leading dry goods firms of the state.

Mrs. M. A. Barnett entertained a few of her many friends at dinner Wednesday at the home of Miss Mary Montague, 1217 Day street. Those present report a most enjoyable time.

The home of Mrs. Langford was the scene of a jolly supper given her daughter, Hattie, December 12. The evening was delightfully spent in games, music and conversation.

The Young People's meeting at St. Paul's A. M. E. church, from 6:30 to 7:30, is attracting no little interest. The meetings are a step in the right direction. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Come.

T. E. Barton was in Boone a few days this week. He formerly resided there and met many old friends. The BYSTANDER profited materially by his trip, having secured quite an addition to his list of subscribers in that city.

Mrs. Clara Conley, wife of Charles Conley, of Webster City, is suffering from attack of malarial fever. Mrs. Louis Washington, sister of Mrs. Conley, went to Webster City Thursday to attend to her.

Rev. J. I. Caston, of the East Side Baptist church, baptized Miss Rose Terry and Mr. Strauther in the Des Moines river Sunday morning. A goodly number were present and the baptism performed with very imposing ceremonies.

You should buy your coal now. There will be a change in the weather very soon. Our advertisers sell coal and no slat. Prices range from \$1.75 to \$2 per ton for soft coal. It is a coal snap and you had better look out for a cold snap.

The reasons given for opposing Miss Ida B. Wells, Frederick Douglass and others for fighting for justice to all men and for the overthrow of mob violence and lynch law are so transparent, flimsy and full of egotism and sophistry that they are beneath notice. The logic is patrid.

The Ladies Afternoon Social Club met at Mrs. Douglas', 1042 B street. After regular business with a large membership present, the hostess served a delightful lunch. Reading led by Mrs. Fred Jackson from "Views Afoot." Europe Seen with a Knapsack and Staff" by J. Bayard Taylor. Reading will be led by Mrs. Douglas next Wednesday. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Johnson, 782 Ninth street.

The revival meetings at Youngstown have for the past three weeks been going on night and day with great success. There were three converts last Sunday, and for the entire three weeks there have been nine converts and seven at the mourners' bench. Rev. Mr. Gaston preached last Sunday at 5 p. m., and the night services were conducted by Rev. Mr. McCraven, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lee. A Sabbath-school has been organized, with an average attendance of fifty. The white brethren donated two dozen chairs to the church, for which thanks were returned. Rev. Mr. McCraven will close the revival next week.

THE CONCERT.

The program as printed in this paper for the concert of Thursday evening, Dec. 13, was carried out at St. Paul's church to a small but very appreciative audience. Every one who assisted in it is commended for the manner in which he or she acquitted themselves. Refreshments were served in the church parlors, and taken as a whole the entertainment was very satisfactory.

BAPTIST LITERARY.

A very excellent literary program was rendered Thursday evening at the East Side Baptist church. The audience was large and appreciative. The society, only recently reorganized, is wielding a great influence in the way of literary tastes and achievements. Several excellent selections were rendered, including recitations and music. The Journal was exceptionally good.

A TEXAS BULLY

Gory Recollections Revived by a Brooklyn Woman's Watch.

"Ben Thompson, the noted Texas desperado and gambler, who died with his boots on in the Vaudeville theater at San Antonio, wore this watch the night of his death," said W. S. Allen, of Brooklyn, exhibiting a neat, lady's size, hunting case, silver trimmings. It was a pretty little Swiss trinket of most excellent workmanship, handsomely engraved and enameled and gold trimmed. "It was Ben's favorite timepiece," continued Mr. Allen, to the New York Advertiser man, "and he paid \$75 for it a short time before his death. After he was 'planted' some one put the watch up at a raffle for \$50 and a friend of mine won it for \$1. Then I traded for it. I suppose it's worth about \$25 at present market prices, but I would not take \$100 for it."

"A noted peculiarity about this noted man slayer was that under no circumstances would he sleep in a room in the dark. Do you know the only man who ever called Thompson's bluff and won was a newspaper man, W. P. Gaines of the Austin Statesman? Somehow Ben decided that the cattlemen who had assembled in Austin in convention in 1883 should not partake of their winding up dinner. With Ben to decide was to do, so he mounted his horse and rode into the banquet room just as the guests were being seated, demolished everything and dispersed the guests. Editor Gaines had the temerity the next day to denounce Thompson as a blackguard and a bully and a brute. Ben sent the editor word that at 3 p. m. that day he would call and hoped Gaines would in the interim, secure ample life insurance. Gaines supplied every man in the office with a Winchester, but when Thompson came up, smiling politely, Thompson was a mighty polite, affable fellow even if he was going to kill you—the entire force decamped, some going through second-story windows in their haste. Thompson rambled around until he found Gaines and stated the terms on which Mr. Gaines might live. Mr. Gaines did not accept, but told Mr. Thompson that so long as he continued to disport himself as a thug, just so long he would receive the attention due a thug in the columns of the Statesman. 'I am unarmed, Mr. Thompson,' said Mr. Gaines, 'and you may kill me, but if you do you will certainly swing for it, and I will never retract a word I have published, not to save my life.' Such grandeur of nerve staggered Thompson and he walked out, jumped into a buggy, and drove across the railway tracks and stood there three hours, delaying the United States mail meanwhile. The whole town was afraid of Thompson when he was in a 'tantrum,' but he was a very gentle, considerate and pleasant companion at all other times."

Germany has for years possessed the most efficient pigeon service in Europe. At Strasburg there are 600 birds, at Metz 600, at Thorn 1,000, and they are kept by the hundreds at other centers, such as Mainz, Cologne, Kiel and Danzig. The whole frontier is connected by pigeon post with the military headquarters and with towns in the interior. The service is supported by an appropriation of 9,000 a year. The practical use of the pigeon post was fully demonstrated at the siege of Paris in 1870. Since then it has become a recognized part of the military organization of all European countries except Great Britain. Russia has now on her Polish frontier alone 3,000 birds, and appropriates yearly \$10,000 for pigeons. The French appropriation is twice as large.

Hard to Suit. An importer of rattan furniture complains that it is impossible to keep up with the vagaries of public taste. In the seasons when he imports big chairs customers come round and complain that there's nothing low enough for a woman to occupy in comfort, and, when next season he imports small chairs there is a grovel because there is nothing roomy and luxurious. The best of the oriental furniture imported for the last fifteen years has taught the western world a lesson in luxury, and it is worthy of note that the light, cool chairs, lounges and the like, of Chinese, Japanese and East Indian make are peculiarly fitted to the semitropical summer of this region.

George Hedgoc. "George, dear, I—I know I'm foolish, but I really wish to know—won't you refuse such a little, little request—have you ever loved before?" "Clara, darling, if I ever loved before I saw you it must have been because I did not know all the sweetness—the ah, darling, (A pause. Appropriate action). While, if I never loved it was because my soul craved its mate from the beginning of time and disdained to—"

Never Idle. Base Ball Crank—Why doctor! What are you doing out here? Doctor—Oh, just killing time. Base Ball Crank—Great Scott! I should think you would leave your business at home when you come to a place of this kind.—Puck.

One Happy Home. Customer—I want a quarter's worth of Paris green to kill rats. Useful Clerk—Does anybody in your house sing "Two Little Girls in Blue?" "No." "Then I guess I'll let you have it."—Texas Siftings.

He Was Mistaken. "Lady," began Mr. Dismal Dawson, "you see before you a man whose name is mad, m, u, d, mad." "There must be some mistake in your calculations," replied the lady. "It takes water to make mud."

A False Report. Brown—I hear you are the happy father of twins? Jones—I am the father of twins.—Lilo.

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

Very Interesting News from All Parts of Iowa to By-stander Readers.

OSKALOOSA NOTES. Special Correspondence to Iowa State By-stander. A small crowd of our young people met at the residence of Mr. Joe Wing last week to spend the evening at dancing. The occasion was a joyous one.

Frank Walker, of Signaway, is in the city this week on business. Herbert Wright, of Marshalltown, is present in the city looking after the interests of the Accident Insurance Company. Herbert is a jolly good fellow and at this early date has made many sincere friends.

Miss Lottie Green, of Newton, and Mrs. Coalson, of Des Moines, passed through our city last Monday enroute for Muchaknock where they will attend the grand opening of the Odd Fellows' hall in that city.

Fred Green, of Newton, came in our city Sunday by the way of Marshalltown. After a brief visit with friends he went on his way to Monmouth, Ill., where he will spend a few days on business matters.

Many of the Oskaloosa people attend the entertainments at Muchaknock this week. Mr. Ely, of Burlington, is making a short visit in our city among friends.

Billy Mitchell, of Chicago, Ill., the featherweight pugilist, is in our city this week, looking after "business."

A merry crowd of about twenty-four assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warren, 216, corner B and A streets, to attend a party given by Miss Frankie Warren in honor of Miss Stella Byrd, of Des Moines. The evening was spent at games and music. An elaborate table was spread on which was set all the rarities of the season. At a reasonable hour all departed. We should say it was one of the crowning features of the year.

Two of the features of the coming cantata will be a real horse in the play and the actual hanging of Hannan. Rev. Jones is well pleased and is confident that the solos and choruses will far exceed the expectations of the public. Tickets are going rapidly, especially reserved seats. The indications are for a big house.

The A. M. E. church choir is fast winning a place among the best. They have rendered clear and melodious music in fulfilling their mission.

Miss Lucy Buckner as prophetess, Miss George Blackburn as queen, Miss Lizzie Blackburn as Haman's wife, are grand in their respective parts, also the other characters. This is the first time that Oskaloosa has ever had the chance to display its talents, and in this piece it is certain that all will do themselves credit.

Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Bush took Rev. Jones and wife returned from their drive on the highway. They found that members of the church had secured a key, leaving in the parsonage a sack of flour and other articles. Words could not express their surprise and gratitude.

On Christmas night the stewards and stewardesses of the A. M. E. church will give an old-fashioned Virginia opeppus supper. PASHA.

OTTUMWA NEWS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State By-stander. Robert E. Scrump, of Hedrick, was a Sunday visitor. He returned home Monday.

Rev. T. J. Jackson occupied the pulpit at the A. M. E. church last Sunday and delivered an able sermon to a large congregation. The Sunday School was largely attended and much interest was manifested.

Rev. Watts went to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday morning to be present at the executive board meeting of the Baptist association which meets there this week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith, last Saturday, a fine baby girl. Mrs. Charlie Croley, who is now engaged in the dressmaking business, is giving good satisfaction.

Died—At the home of his parents, on Birch street, last Tuesday, little Walter, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Greaver. Funeral services were held at the Sec. and Baptist church Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Rev. Watts officiating. The bereaved family have the sympathy of their many friends.

Mrs. Ed Marshall left last Saturday for an extended visit with friends and relatives in Cedar Rapids. She will probably remain until spring.

The poetical faculty social at the A. M. E. church last Tuesday evening was a very enjoyable affair. A nice program was rendered.

Mrs. Harrison Spotts has been quite ill for some time, but is now convalescent. Next Sunday evening Rev. P. P. Taylor desires to talk to the young men at A. M. E. church.

The pocket book, reported to have been stolen from Mrs. Hattie King some time ago, has been found. It appears that she had put it away in some secluded place and forgot where she put it. At any rate it was found but it did not contain as much money as was at first claimed. It is somewhat of a mystery.

A merry party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Johnson, in Ottumwa, Wednesday evening, in honor of their daughter, Miss Helena, at being her 20th birthday. There were about twenty-five persons in attendance. It was a complete surprise to the young lady. Many presents were given in token of esteem.

Miss Helena is one of Ottumwa's most charming and popular young ladies, and has a host of friends. All departed for their homes feeling that they had had a grand time.

Every citizen of Ottumwa should be a reader of The By-stander, for it is advocating your cause weekly. If you are not a subscriber you ought to be, and if you cannot subscribe now see to it and get a copy every Saturday. We want 200 subscribers in this city, and we must have them if we mean to support Afro-American enterprises. Give us your subscription and get one of the best papers in the west.

The mock congress which is being organized at the A. M. E. church is a grand thing. It is an educator for both young and old, and our people are taking advantage of this opportunity. It is to be conducted on the same plan as our national government. All branches of the government are being organized. Every person who talks and studies national issues should become a member of this organization.

The ladies sewing circle of the A. M. E. church met with Mrs. C. Taylor, on North Marion street, this week, and had a very pleasant meeting. They are getting ready for the holidays. There will be an old folks' concert given at the Second Baptist church on New Year's.

Rev. Lomax is much improved. He

is now able to get about in his room. He has had a serious time of it.

Rev. H. S. Skanes, of Chariton, preached at the Second Baptist church Wednesday evening. The attendance was fair.

Don't fail to get THE BYSTANDER every Saturday. It is good reading.

MUCHAKNOCK MATTERS. Special Correspondence to Iowa State By-stander. Miss Anna Jones returned home Saturday evening, after enjoying an extended visit with relatives in Mt. Pleasant.

We mentioned in last week's issue that Rev. Barnett's sermon was not his farewell one, but we were recently informed that it was. He will take his departure to parts unknown in the near future.

Two of the miners who were injured by a powder explosion last week are improving.

Mrs. Lulu Miller, of Abbia, is visiting her sisters, Miss Cora and Carrie Thomas.

Mr. John Chapman is on the sick list. Work is slack.

Mrs. M. Coalson, of Des Moines, and Miss Lottie Green, of Newton, are the guests of Mrs. C. R. Foster.

Listen! Don't you hear the wedding bells? Guess who. The schools of East Des Moines district are making rapid progress, and the pupils are greatly interested in their work.

The teachers, Miss Carrie L. Thomas and R. Brookins, are equal to the responsibilities, and are justifying the confidence reposed in them. They deserve credit for the good work they are doing.

There has been many grand entertainments in this city, but none has ever surpassed and a very few equalled the Odd Fellows new hall opening.

The spacious parlor was beautifully arranged, myriad lights and enchanting music was a sight to behold. The music which was prepared in style and promptness, was sumptuously spread, and flowers and dainty dishes helped in making the table more than inviting. The program for the three evenings was very lengthy, so as to save time and space will only relate a few of the acts in a brief mode. The most interesting and enthusiastic part was the vocal and instrumental solos by the champion vocalists of the west.

In her sweet and pleasing manner, The thrilling strains by her sweet voice and the light touch of the piano by her delicate fingers brought the house spell-bound. Mrs. Coalson's musical ability is well known, and she is the completion of any musical entertainment.

Miss Lottie Green, of Newton, the pianist, rendered clear and melodious music. The Baptist choir sang several anthems. This choir with Prof. J. H. Lewis as leader, and Miss Cora G. Thomas as organist, is worthy of praise and was an attractive feature. "The Race Problem" and "Our Anxieties" by Miss Carrie L. Thomas, principal of the colored school, were full of deep thought. Miss Thomas is a fluent talker and those who know her can testify as to her ability. Several speeches were made in behalf of the secret organizations by the silver-tongued orators—Prof. L. A. Willes, C. R. Foster, R. J. Brown, A. G. Clark, Geo. E. Taylor, of Oskaloosa, and others. The cake walk was very interesting, and the first prize awarded was a handsome watch.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Blakley were the lucky couple to receive it. Upstairs the beaux and belles tripped the light fantastic toe. Music by Fritz orchestra. Everybody enjoyed themselves and wish for another such time in the near future. This will be the 24th, 25th and 26th. Everybody interested in THE BYSTANDER. OLD HUNDRED FACES.

KEOKUK. Special Correspondence to Iowa State By-stander. Mr. William Shortridge is building an addition to his house.

There were several informal receptions last week, among them one in honor of Miss Carson, of Wapello. The Ladies' Society of St. Mary the Virgin held their monthly meeting at the home of Miss Katie Hill, on Blonde street, between Fourth and Fifth.

Quite a number of ladies went to Fort Madison on Saturday night to organize a Ruth lodge in that city.

Miss Maggie Fines entertained a small company Friday evening in honor of Miss Carson, of Wapello.

The International Order of Twelve is spreading so rapidly and doing so much good that the knights, daughters, maidens and pages of honor say this order is second to none. The grand lodge of this order will meet in Keokuk in July next. There are between 900 and 1,000 delegates in this jurisdiction.

Keokuk has one temple, with a membership of 70; two temples, with a membership of 112; two tents of Maids and Pages of Honor, membership, 85. Deputy Kittie E. Owens, C. P. and D. G. P.; deputy, Anna C. Bettis, Q. M. and D. G. P.; deputy, M. E. Dickson, C. P. and D. G. P.; deputy, G. A. Hackett, D. G. P.; deputy, M. Frazier, V. G. P. and D. G. P.; and deputy, Sir C. H. Brooks, C. M. and D. G. M.

NEWTON NOTES. Special Correspondence to Iowa State By-stander. Our quarterly meeting was a successful one. Elder Harison preached a grand sermon.

Mrs. Green, who has been sick for a number of weeks, is improving very slowly.

Mr. Paul Waldon and Will Fines were visiting with friends Sunday in Grinnell.

Fred Green spent Sunday in Oskaloosa.

Mrs. George A. Brown, who has been sick, is improving slowly.

Mrs. Pillow is improving slowly. A program is arranged for Christmas.

RECORD LOWERED. It was not on a balloon or kite-shaped track, but on a common every-day highway, the big road, or, more correctly speaking, upon a paved street. The first quarter was made at a 2:01 clip. Charles Steele was the phenomenon. The occasion was this: While there was quite a number in the shop waiting to be shaved and the barbers were hard at work, paying little attention to any one in particular, a young man of about 60 frosty winters silently opened the money drawer and helped himself. Charley was informed by a gentleman who saw the operations of the frisky young man from the outside. It was in pursuit of the sneak thief that Charley broke all previous records, captured his man and got part of the money. Then followed another chase as the thief did not propose to go "dead broke" on Charley. The last seen of the thief he was kindly escorted to the city hall, where he was introduced to the judge for the fourth or fifth time, and fined \$50 and costs.

It is a pretty story that Skipper Brako and crew of the schooner P. T. Barnum tell of a meteor striking their rigging, splitting into three pieces and falling into the sea with a hissing sound. The only thing to throw doubt on the story is the name of the schooner.

Why is it that in most of the cities of the world fashion makes its home in the northwestern quarter? Why is it that the "west end" is so often the aristocratic section of the city? It is a fact and there is a ruling cause for it. Is it this? That the prevailing winds of the earth are northwesterly? They are in general northwesterly, and their tendency is to blow the dust, smoke and odors of a city to its eastern or southern side. This makes the opposite quarter the more desirable for residence. People have in all ages been governed by the rule without inquiring very deeply into its cause.

DES MOINES PASSENGER TRAINS. C. R. L. & P. GOING EAST. ARRIVE. DEPART.

9:20 p. m. Chicago Limited. 9:25 p. m. 5:15 p. m. Night Express. 5:20 p. m. 12:30 p. m. Day Express. 12:35 p. m. 12:30 p. m. St. Paul Accommodation. 12:35 p. m. C. R. L. & P. GOING WEST.

3:20 a. m. Denver Limited. 3:25 a. m. 3:30 a. m. Night Express. 3:35 a. m. 12:15 p. m. Day Express. 12:20 p. m. 3:50 p. m. St. Paul Accommodation. 3:55 p. m. KEOKUK & DES MOINES.

11:55 a. m. Night Express. 12:00 p. m. 5:40 a. m. Grand Junction. 5:45 a. m. 10:10 p. m. Minneapolis. 10:15 p. m. WINTERSET BRANCH.

11:00 a. m. Mail. 11:05 a. m. 7:00 p. m. Freight. 7:05 p. m. CHICAGO, BURLINGTON & QUINCY.

2:30 p. m. Albia Passenger. 2:35 p. m. 10:30 p. m. Albia Accommodation. 10:35 p. m. CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN.

7:55 p. m. Sioux City, N. & W. 8:00 p. m. 12:15 p. m. Chicago Express. 12:20 p. m. 9:00 a. m. Chicago Mail and Express. 9:05 a. m. 11:50 p. m. Dakota Limited. 12:00 p. m. CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN.

7:15 a. m. Limited South. 7:20 a. m. 9:20 a. m. Night Express South. 9:25 a. m. 3:25 p. m. Chicago Mail and Express. 3:30 p. m. 2:20 p. m. Dakota Limited. 2:25 p. m. WABASH RAILWAY.

9:10 a. m. St. Louis Passenger. 9:15 a. m. 7:30 p. m. D. M. & K. C. RAILWAY. (Passenger Trains leave "Q" Station.)

7:15 p. m. Mail and Express. 7:20 p. m. 11:30 a. m. Mail and Express. 11:35 a. m. D. M. N. & W.—FOUR LANE.

11:15 a. m. Mail and Express. 11:20 a. m. 6:25 p. m. Mail and Express. 6:30 p. m. D. M. N. & W.—BOONE LANE.

7:00 a. m. Mail and Express. 7:05 a. m. 11:15 a. m. Boone Accommodation. 11:20 a. m. *Indicates Daily.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. STATE OF IOWA, vs. H. E. Teachout and Geo. L. Jarrett, et al. vs. W. E. Hamilton and Kate 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 Geo. L. Jarrett, principal, and G. V. Wright, D. H. Borton 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 described 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. 29 of the Des Moines Manufacturing & Supply Company, consisting of one share of stock and of the par value of one thousand dollars, (\$1,000.00).

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that unless the said 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 said above described property is hereby advertised to be sold, and pay off the amount of said execution, with interest and costs, I will sell said property, or sufficient thereof to 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. MATTHEW, Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa. Sheriff's Office, Des Moines, Iowa. Date of first publication, December 7. *Treasurer's fees, \$7.50. THE BYSTANDER.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. In the District Court of the State of Iowa and for Polk county. Florence Grider vs. Stephen Grider.

You are hereby notified that the petition of plaintiff will be on file in the office of the clerk of the district court of Iowa, in Polk county, on or about the 1st day of January 1895, claiming that you are a divorcee of the ground of desertion and inhuman treatment, and unless you appear and defend before noon of the 2d day of the next term, being the April term of court, which will commence at Des Moines the 1st day of April, 1895, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon. A. L. BELL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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