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The police scandal will be investigated Friday evening, Feb. 5.

We have an excellent communication which we are compelled to hold over until next week.

Mayor Hillis has appointed new policemen and new officers for the force. Let the good work go on.

Hon. B. F. Clayton, of Pottawattamie county, is a candidate for governor. His ability and Republicanism are unquestioned.

The Democratic congress, comprised of the rebels in the late war, are trying to improve times by cutting down receipts and increasing expenditures, and also increasing the debts of the nation.

We have just received the initial number of the Waco (Texas) Searchlight. It is a neat paper, well printed, and full of good news. It should have a ready and rapid sale, for it is printed on red paper.

Grover, the "chubby cherub of destiny," crawled down off his pedestal and sent a message to the Democratic congress asking them to relieve his administration of financial embarrassment. The country has known that something has been needed for some time.

The most finished Negro scholar in the world to-day, probably, is Edward Wilnot Blyden, who represented Liberia at the court of St. James. He is a valued contributor to many English magazines, is a linguist of pronounced ability, and is one of the most profound thinkers the Negro race has yet produced. Dr. Blyden is a pure Negro, without a trace of white blood in his veins.

Mr. Heraclitus Constantine Jecooniah Taylor, President Cleveland's picturesque Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, has instituted suit in the district courts for criminal libel against William Calvin Chase, the editor of the Washington Bee. The report of the Civil Service Commission, recommending that Taylor be removed from office, was based in the main upon facts furnished by Chase. Mr. Taylor, who hails from Kansas, and is a very breezy citizen, has been in hot water ever since he went to Washington.

An illustration of what bad company will do for a young man was seen in this city a short time ago. Before the young man was a situation worth \$50 to \$80 per month. It would only have been a short time until he would have been employed steadily at a good salary. His parents had spent time and money to give him an education and naturally they took pride in the fact that he was soon to obtain a good position requiring education and skill. But bad company, a little something to "take," a fight, a serious cut by a knife, which necessitated the young man's absence from duty, were facts his employer could not overlook, and he kept company that was bad and the responsibility was too great to risk employing such young men.

Mayor Isaac L. Hillis has shown himself to be the man for the emergency in the case of the gambling houses that have been running in open defiance of law and the police force. He is the head of the police of the city and proposes to see that he has men who will carry out his orders. By decapitating a few of the police officers, giving the gamblers to understand that Des Moines is not a paradise for their nefarious business he has closed up every open den in the city. Public opinion about the mayor's spinal column has taken a more decided and favorable turn. There are yet grave questions before the city—the gas question and the water question. These questions concern all classes of our citizens who have been paying tribute to these two concerns. The laboring men are as much concerned as the wealthy men and the business men who are supposed

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FOR WOMAN AND HOME

CURRENT MISCELLANEY FOR FIRESIDE READING.

Some Hints About the Proper Styles for This Season of the Year—A Silken Petticoat—A Ball Gown—Notes of the Modes.

THE PETTICOAT of the season is one of the incongruities of fashion. A skirt of cheviot or serge may hide beneath its plainness a gorgeous petticoat of brocaded silk frilled with lace and caught here and there with ribbon rosettes. The fashionable petticoat is fit for a ball. It is made very full with organ pipe plaits at the back and frequently a feather bone inserted around the hem. This provides the skirt with the correct flare and makes it unnecessary to line the dress skirt with hair cloth. One of the most gorgeous petticoats to be worn beneath a dancing gown is made of white silk brocaded in gold feathers. From the knee to the bottom of the skirt there is a succession of lace ruffles. Gold lace and ruffles of imitation duchesse alternate. Petticoats for street wear are made of changeable brocaded silks. Black lace and black satin rosettes are among the fashionable trimmings. One of the many skirts belonging to a Fifth avenue society woman is of black silk brocaded in pink clover blossoms. The skirt is trimmed with a deep Spanish flounce of black lace festooned here and there

attended by the young people Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Busey, of Moline; was the scene of a large and fashionable throng of the elite society of Tri-cities, in honor of the S. A. L. C. of this city, of which Mrs. Busey is president. Over one hundred invitations had been issued, to which nearly all responded. The parlors were prettily decorated with floral designs, while potted plants were displayed in profusion. The arch of evergreens and cacti, which the stairway gave a tropical aspect to the scene. An unique feature of the occasion was the decorated table in the spacious dining room, on which were smiles, roses and hyacinths. The effect was heightened by numerous lights, which twinkled from vase-cloves, globes, all combining presented a scene most pleasing to the gaze. The festivities ended with a selection by the Moline mandolin club. Welcome address, Mrs. M. I. Gordon, in behalf of hostess. Response by Rev. J. H. Henson, Moline's silver-tongued orator. Instrumental music, Mrs. C. H. Dangersfield; Mrs. L. Carroll, essay, "Resolved, That the educated woman is more efficient for the kitchen than the uneducated"; Mrs. R. Richardson, paper, "Origin and Aim of Silver Autumn Leaf Club." The Moline mandolin club interspersed the program with sweet music, after which an elaborate lunch in eleven courses was served. Youth, beauty and pretty gowns formed a most brilliant scene, and when the happy assembly dispersed it was with the knowledge that they had been participants in a most delightful event.

Mrs. C. H. Marshall is slowly improving. Mrs. L. Bright entertained a number of her friends at 5 o'clock dinner in honor of Mrs. M. J. Gordon, of Newton

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Last Sunday was quarterly meeting Wesley chapel. Presiding Elder Wilson conducted services, which were profitable and very pleasant.

Wednesday evening the 23rd, Mrs. C. G. Lee, tendered a reception to Miss Etta Cheek previous to her departure for Jacksonville, Ill. The reception was one of the social events of the season. An elegant supper was served, and a very enjoyable time indulged in. Invitations were extended to fifty, which makes the list too long for publication.

Revival meetings at Wesley chapel still go on. Rev. J. Coleman the Quaker minister is assisting Rev. Brown. Last Thursday afternoon the Sewing Circle of the A. M. E. church, organized the week previous, was entertained at the parsonage, by Mrs. S. B. Jones. The ladies are preparing for a grand fair to be given in the early spring. President, Mrs. J. B. Jones; secretary, Mrs. A. G. Clark; treasurer, Mrs. Eliza Warren.

Last Sunday was a great day in Zion, at A. M. E. church. Morning services were largely attended. In the evening Rev. Thurman preached to a full house. At the close of the sermon the pastor's wife sang as a solo, "Throw out the Life Line," congregation joining in chorus. The impression made at this meeting will never be forgotten.

Revival meetings at African M. E. church are now in progress. The work has been productive of much good.

Mrs. Etta Cheek departed for home last Thursday week.

A. M. E. Sunday school is growing in interest. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Superintendent, Jennie Jones; assistant superintendent, Winston Coleman; secretary, Lucie Backner; treasurer, Nellie Ford; librarian, Harry Kimbrough.

Everybody reads the BYSTANDER, because it is clean, newsy, intelligent and popular.

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

Those who have not paid their subscription for this grand paper may expect a call Thursday afternoon.

Grandma Pool has returned from an extended visit at Mendota, Mo.

Quite a heavy snow fell last Friday and now the air is full of music from the jingle of the sleigh bells. Oh! by the way, about the sounds of the sleigh bells we hear the happy wedding bells in the distance. Is it possible that Mt. Pleasant is to have a wedding once more? It is too good to be true!

Mrs. M. Davis is reported to be much better.

Rev. Thurman preached at the A. M. E. church Thursday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watts are rejoicing over the birth of a fine baby, a son, named Mosely, who was born last Saturday.

When the New England cashiers take to looting banks...

To all apparent purposes some of the china in the English cabinet will be demolished before the nightingale or the lark wakes the English echoes again.

The first appearance of a Russian grand duke in a court of law is in a suit for damage against a man who sold to the grand duke a dog for \$5,000...

THE orange-growers of Florida know how to work a misfortune to their advantage just as well as do the Delaware peach-growers.

It is comforting to know that nearly 70,000,000 young lobsters were turned loose in Massachusetts waters last year...

THE overproduction of cotton is admitted, and a reduction of the acreage, with the substitution of other crops, is desirable...

THE woman burglar has made her appearance in Baltimore. Women have worked into every legitimate branch of business...

YOUR old friend, the grip, has appeared in New York and may be expected to set the West sneezing before many days have passed.

ABOUT 300 cheese factories in Wisconsin are "filled" with milk which has had the butter fat extracted from it and cottonseed oil substituted in its place.

An old rhyme has it that "the king of France with twenty thousand men marched up the hill, and then marched down again."

If the inhabitants of the Indiana, Illinois and Missouri flat countries, where a spoonful of quinine is regarded as about as essential to the breakfast bill of fare as a cup of coffee...

THE difference between Mr. Gould's estimate and the state's estimate as to the amount the estate should pay as an inheritance tax amounts to \$190,000...

Just as the New York pantana was smothering down his ruffled choler, and getting ready to take life calmly once more...

THAT part of the estate of the late General B. F. Butler which consists of 820,000 acres in New Mexico is to be turned over to the executors for the free use of consumptives.

FRENCH scientists think they have discovered a remedy for consumption of the serum of asses.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

CONTEMPT OF COURT.

KEOKUK, Jan. 31.—Something of a sensation developed in the federal court when J. H. Rouse, of Mt. Pleasant, a government witness in a bootlegging case against Mike Toomey, was sentenced to twenty-four hours imprisonment for contempt of court.

MASKED MEN.

ATTEMPT to Rob a Farmer and a Desperate Fight Fused. GENEVA, Feb. 1.—Four masked men attempted to rob Martin Johnson at his residence near Dows. Johnson resisted and a desperate fight ensued.

SIoux CITY FINANCES.

Treasurer Unable to Pay Warrants. SIOUX CITY, Jan. 31.—The city treasurer announces that the city warrants for January will not be paid to-morrow, the 1st, as is customary.

MULCT LAW.

New Point Comes Up at Fort Dodge. FORT DODGE, Jan. 31.—An interesting point in the Iowa mulct law has developed in this city. The German Lutheran Society purchased a lot for the erection of a school building.

NO EXTRAS FOR JUSTICES.

Attorney General Holds They Cannot Get Pay for Office Rent. DES MOINES, Feb. 1.—Attorney General Remley has rendered an opinion on the question of whether or not justices of the peace can charge the counties clerk hire, office rent, furniture, stationery, etc., outside of the limit of \$1.50 per year for their fees.

FOUND DEAD.

Wealthy German Farmer of Carroll County Loses His Life. MANNING, Jan. 28.—Fred Glorfield, a wealthy and highly respected German farmer who lived one mile west of Manning, was found dead at 7:30 a. m. on the road leading from town to his home.

BROKE THE RECORD.

DAVENPORT, Jan. 29.—Mina Whitfield, a negro aged 60 years, was a bachelor and lived several miles out of Davenport. Seeing no signs of life at his place since the recent storm, neighbors entered his cabin and found him dying, with three empty whisky bottles by his side.

CONDENSED ITEMS.

ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS.

Elsie Hall died at Jefferson at the aged 91. She was one of the pioneer women of central Iowa.

Rev. Mahood, of the Whitfield M. E. Church, is still pursuing the bad women of Sioux City with indifferent success.

Deputy United States Marshal O. D. Wray, of Ottumwa, by his persistent purpose to capture criminals, seems to have incurred more than his share of enmity.

THE BROOKLYN STRIKE.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 27.—In spite of all the militia and police can do, the violence and disorder continues.

FAIR'S WILL STOLEN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—The will of the late ex-Senator James G. Fair has been stolen from the office of the county clerk of this city.

BARRETT SCOTT CASE.

Names of the Lynchers Given the Authorities. OAKLAND, Neb., Jan. 26.—The development in the Scott case have laid the whole conspiracy which resulted in the lynching before the authorities.

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FERRIBLE DISASTER.

Nearly Four Hundred Persons Go Down With a Steamer. LONDON, Jan. 31.—The North-German steamer Elbe, Captain Von Gossel, from Bremen for New York via Southampton, was sunk in a collision with the British steamer Crathie, bound for Aberdeen.

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MUNICIPAL PAWNSHOPS.

Scheme as Old as Civilization Itself, and Has Been Successful. Have you read of a pawnshop regulated in the interest of the borrowers in Bavaria in 1193, and one in the Franco Conti in 1350, before the first Italian monte di pieta was established by a priest at Perugia in 1440?

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PRESS COMMENT.

English Newspapers Talk on the President's Message. LONDON, Jan. 30.—The papers generally comment upon the American currency problem. The Standard, in an editorial, says: "From any point of view the prospect is rather cheerless."

FLUENZA IS EPIDEMIC.

LYONS, Jan. 30.—Fluenza is spreading here in an alarming manner. The death rate from this disease has increased to over 100 weekly and hardly a family in the city has escaped some suffering from it.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Jan. 28, 1905.—The Taylor Newell Co., of Des Moines, has been allowed a patent for a trademark for boots, consisting of the words, "The Boys' Friend."

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LOCAL NEWS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1905.

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SEE NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mrs. W. H. Scott is suffering with rheumatism. Miss Eva Robinson has been on the sick list week. Free lunches in saloons have been prohibited by the city council.

The Young Men's Social Club held a meeting last Monday evening. The H. B. S. society hold its regular meetings rain or shine; hot or cold.

John Brown, who has been sick for several days, is now able to be about. Quite a number have called this week. The latch string is always out.

Mrs. W. H. Warrick, who has been quite sick for several days, is now convalescent.

The Pathfinders are requested to meet at the Bystander office Monday, February 11.

Mr. Valentine has returned home after a short visit with his brother-in-law, Lawyer Bell.

Rev. Caston preached a very interesting sermon Sunday. The public is cordially invited to hear this gifted pulpit orator and biblical apostle.

A correction was made in the name of the city of Rev. Frank Nott's residence in last week's paper. It should have been Marshalltown, Iowa.

The Pathfinders organization is preparing to give a concert. The young men of the club will spare no pains in making the undertaking a grand success.

Mrs. Thos. Williams and Mrs. John Long went to Indianola Wednesday morning to attend the funeral of the baby of Mrs. Bolden. They returned in the evening.

The editor received several poems entitled "Beautiful Snow," but as the names are withheld the selections are not printed. Des Moines girls are poetic, very poetic.

Miss Clara Smith has been offered an excellent position at a very good salary, in the state of Illinois. She is a capable young lady and a graduate of the Des Moines high schools.

Carrie Knight, a woman of color and a "loud" reputation, attempted to commit suicide Tuesday. It required three men to hold her. She went raving crazy after the first attempt.

Strike and that would cost \$25.00. My warrant at G. W. Chittenden's, corner East Sixth and Grand avenue.

Rev. James Higgins, of Duluth, has been appointed to the pastoral charge of St. Peter's A. M. E. church, recently held by Dr. W. J. Laws, Minneapolis, Minn. Address 1719, South Fifth Ave.

Good goods, courteous treatment, fair dealing, correct prices recommend any business house. All these things we affirm to be true of the Western Union Tea Co., 704 Walnut street.

The Iowa State Bystander will be found on sale at the barber shop of Thurman Barton, on Fourth street, and also at T. E. Barton's shop on the corner of Fifth and Locust streets.

The A. M. E. literary society will convene Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock sharp, for the purpose of electing officers. The executive committee should take notice and govern itself accordingly.

We wish to correct the error that appeared in last week's issue regarding the book studied in our club. We are not studying Harriet Beecher Stowe whatever. The book studied in our club is a book of travels entitled "Views A-Foot," by J. Bayard Taylor.

LADIES' AFTERNOON SOCIAL CLUB. 98c is a whole lot of money now. Notice list of bargains. A splendid line of boys shoes worth \$1.25 to \$1.75, for 98c.

Choice lot of men's lace and Congress shoes worth at least \$1.50. This time 98c is the price. Ladies' warm cloth slippers 29c. worth double. THE HUB. Always cheapest.

Taylor Turner, who will be remembered as the son of Mrs. Wallace, whom he had not seen for more than a third of a century, returned to his home in Bolivar county, Miss., after several weeks visit in this city. He is well pleased with Iowa; but does not as yet know as to his future location. Mrs. Wallace seems very jovial and looks twenty years younger since seeing her long lost son.

There will be quarterly meeting at Burn's chapel, Des Moines street, between Second and Fourth streets Sabbath as follows: Preaching 10:30, 2:30 and 7:30. In the afternoon the Presiding Elder will administer the Lord's supper. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. It is said that the prayer meeting is the key to success in Christ. The result is obvious. A. W. White, pastor.

Sunday evening closed the revival meetings at St. Paul's A. M. E. church. The results were not of the most flattering nature, yet the spirit of the Reformer was always present. Soul saving is a worthy cause. The preacher

is a necessity, but he who would be saved must alone present himself to the mercies and keeping of God. Rev. Clark, as pastor, invites the public to attend Sunday services and is pleased to meet his congregation and friends.

The Ladies' Afternoon Social Club met with Mrs. J. A. Jackson, 1122 Eighth street, Mrs. Shepherd, the president, in the chair. After regular business the hostess served a delightful lunch. At the next meeting the reading will be led by Mrs. J. T. Hagar from "Views of Afoot." We would like for all members to be present; business of importance. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Shepard, 1038 Eighth street.

Nace Morton is the prime mover of calling a meeting of some of our best citizens for the purpose of organizing what will be known as the Investment and Loan Company. The organization shows business and enterprise and deserves consideration. Following are the officers: W. H. McCreavens, president; N. E. Morton, vice president; H. H. Lewis, business manager; Geo. H. Dunn, secretary and treasurer; R. N. Hyde, W. H. Scott, B. Holmes, J. Allen, board of directors. A meeting will be held in W. H. Scott's barber shop Monday evening.

The literary held at the East Side Baptist church Thursday evening was well attended and the program nicely rendered. The literary holds a worthy and distinct position in society and is the medium through which the mind becomes cultured and educated. Those who partake in the exercises not only help themselves but assist in encouraging others. The political and intellectual standing of many of our leading public servants and lecturers date back to the literary. Encourage the work, congratulate all who assist. A good program is being prepared for next Thursday.

The H. B. S. R. C. met with Mrs. Hamilton, 708 East Walker street, with the president, Mrs. Warick in the chair. At the close of the history lessons Mrs. Palmer read an interesting article on "Afro-American Women's Clubs," she was followed by Mrs. Topson with a well rendered piano solo. After Mrs. Holt read the criticisms, Mrs. Hamilton invited the ladies into the dining room, where a table loaded with all the delicacies of the season awaited them. The circle adjourned to meet with Mrs. Holt No. 1073 West Sixth avenue, where she following program will be rendered. General history, Mrs. Palmer, U. S. history, Mrs. Topson; questions, Mesdames Levels and Lewis; select reading, Mrs. Birney; paper, Mrs. Lewis; oracle and critic.

Mrs. Georgia A. Brown, who has very ably assisted this paper in many ways at the thriving city of Newton, has severed her connection with THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER. She was a hard working, conscientious and faithful agent, and we have no doubt the readers will miss her weekly letters to them. Mrs. Brown will be succeeded by Miss Jessie Moore. She has the esteem of a large circle of friends in that city, where she was raised, went to school and graduated with honor. She is an entertaining writer and we hope that when any item or incident of interest to the public occurs that such notice will be given to her. We hope that all of our agents will be given the news by the people in the various cities in which this paper circulates. It avoids confusion and omissions. Help the agents to gather the news of public and general interest only. Mr. John Lewis is also part company with this week with much regret. He has been a careful chronicler of the Oskaloosa news for this paper, and we know that the people of that city appreciated his efforts in assisting in giving the people a newspaper. Miss Lucy Buckner will be agent and correspondent in the future. She is a young lady who has a host of friends in this city as well as at her home, who admire her for her good qualities of both mind and heart. All news should be handed to her.

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MARRIED MEN FOR USHERS.

How They May Make Themselves Valuable to the Bridegroom.

The married men are beginning to come brilliantly to the front as ushers at weddings and the bachelors are reserved for duty as best men, says the Boston Herald. The matrimonial veterans are the proper men to take charge of the new recruit in their ranks and give him the regulation set up in domestic drill. They are more in sympathy with him and can brace him up for his appearance under fire. They can also give him a number of valuable pointers as to how he is to keep the peace. In one country, at least, it used to be the custom for the bride's father to give the groom the switch, as a symbol of a transfer of paternal authority and a significant reminder to the bride of the importance of wifely obedience. In America, however, this relic of barbarism would not be necessary, it being understood that all brides are going to be obedient, loving and faithful wives. As a proof of this, one has only to look around among his friends and read carefully the daily divorce proceedings to see how far lovely woman is living up to the standard, and, on the other hand, how the whole coast of society is strewn with the wrecks of lives through the disobedience, fractiousness and extravagance of women and the misguided forbearance and general inability to enforce their authority peculiar to American husbands.

It is here that the married men who are glittering successes can as ushers, guides, philosophers and friends get in their finest work by their advice, example and precept. It may be that they are making a beginning by having the organist play "Oh Promise Me That Some Day" you will obey; it being, under the circumstances, proper to "point a moral" in song, instead of having it "adorn a tale" of woe hereafter. It may be that the married men as ushers chuckle among themselves over another prisoner brought in, another doomed man, as it were, in matrimonial row. Be this as it may, they rarely have the nerve to openly indulge in ghoulish glee at the wedding breakfast, right under the noses of their own vigilant-eyed spouses. Let us hope, however, that there is likely to be rejoicing over one sinner of a bachelor who has chosen the better part and forsaken the evil of his ways, and is now numbered with the clean, who have the help of beauty's love and the harp of domestic harmony in his hand. The lyre will come later. Make friends, then, girls, with the married men! They know who will suit you better than you do yourselves. They always have in stock or up their sleeves among their friends the very best material out of which the kindest and blindest husbands are made.

Bagging Trousers.

A genius, who has devoted a great deal of his time to the question, has, he says, discovered how to prevent trousers from bagging at the knee. This is a piece of news which should send the public, or at least the male portion of it, into transports of joy. It will be no longer necessary for the poverty-stricken groom to put his trousers under a mattress at night, nor for those who are proud of their husbands, to iron their trousers—the husband's trousers—after they have gone to bed.

The theory which has been evolved is that all trousers are cut from cloth in which the thread runs up and down and straight across the leg. Hence, when the strain comes on the knee of the trousers, those threads stretch, because the strain is directed upon them, and the trousers bag. A tailor has made a pair of trousers so that the threads run diagonally across the leg; and the result is said to be highly satisfactory. The strain is distributed indirectly upon the threads of the cloth, and the trousers fall back into their proper shape as soon as the strain has been removed.—N. Y. Sun.

A Bit of Superstition. There is a dry goods store in this city that has a side and front entrance. Recently a man was seen wandering hopelessly about, going up one aisle and down another until the proprietor of the store observed him.

"Are you looking for some one?" asked the merchant.

"I'm looking for the awy out," said the man.

"There is the door," responded the surprised merchant.

"But that is not the door by which I came in; I'm not going out by some other way."

"This way, then," said the merchant, and he piloted the man to the side door.

"Thanks," said the customer; "I don't believe inviting bad luck by going in at one door and going out at another."

And the astonished merchant went back to hunt up an almanac and find out in which of the dark ages he was living.—Detroit Free Press.

Fedal Grip.

An English device for enabling cyclists to obtain a firm grip on the pedal is now in use. It consists of steel plates with leather blocks for fastening to the sole of the shoe, with the object of affording cyclists a firm grip on the pedals. It is claimed that by using this appliance the shoe cannot slip, and the rider is able to "claw" the pedal round, so to speak, a new method of riding recommended, we understand, by well-known cyclists as the correct way of pedaling, since, to a great extent, it overcomes the "dead center."

A great advantage in connection with these blocks is that, when not required for riding purposes, they can be readily removed, thus making walking easier and more pleasant than when the blocks are nailed to the shoe, as in the old system.

New Evidence.

"Gentlemen of the jury," said the court, "what is your verdict?" "We find," replied the foreman, "that the plaintiff is not entitled to a divorce." "But that finding is directly contrary to the testimony." "Your honor, after we retired, we discovered another way to arrange the pages of the letters of the woman in the case." "There was no such thing as going behind the facts."—Detroit Tribune.

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A Special Bargain Of 38 pieces of Bedford Cords Chiveron Suitings, Diagonals, Wool Debages, Pin Checks, including several other weaves in blacks and colors, 36 to 40 inches wide, worth from 25c to 40c per yard, your choice at..... 13 1/2c YARD. NO SAMPLES CUT.

50 pieces Printed Satines, Pongees and Hebna Cloth, all new choice Spring Styles, your choice of this lot at, yd..... 9 1/2c A SAVING OF AT LEAST 5 CENTS A YARD.

10 pieces extra good quality All Wool Dress Flannels, 40 inches wide, was a quick seller at 50c yard, we will close this lot at, yd..... 26c

One lot of Flannelettes and Outing Flannels, worth all the way from 10 to 15 cents a yard, your choice Thursday and Friday, yd..... 6 1/2c

50 dozen Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, worth 10c a pair, Thursday's and Friday's price..... 4c Pr.

Odds and Ends of Ladies' and Children's Underwear at less than HALF THEIR ACTUAL COST

One lot of Misses' and Children's best quality Wool Caps, former price 65c, we will close them out Thursday and Friday at, each..... 18c

Our great sale on Men's Winter Weight Underwear is having a big Success. If you want to purchase a pair of Gloves or Mitts we will save you big money. Call and see for yourself.

Special bargain sale in Ladies' Corsets, Gloves, Mittens and Handkerchiefs Thursday and Friday.

Ladies' Fur Collars, former price \$2.50 now at \$.98 Ladies' Fur Collars, former price \$3.95 now at 1.48 Ladies' Black Cooney Muffs, former price \$1.00 now .35 Ladies' Black Fur Muffs, former price \$2.00 now .75 Ladies' Alaska Seal Muffs, former price \$4.50 now 1.50 Better goods reduced proportionately.

Moynihan's Arcade 411 WEST WALNUT ST.

HARRIS-EMERY Co. Retailers of Dry Goods, Millinery, Boots and Shoes, Men's and Boys' Clothing, Jewelry, Carpets, Wall Paper, Crockery, Kitchen Utensils Etc.

Moershell-Horne Co. 621 W. Walnut St.

The Alteration Sale. We have through sleeper, and the Phillips management has a special agent accompany the excursion each week, and you will save money and have excellent accommodations, as the cars have upholstered spring seats, are Pullman build, and appointments perfect.

Have you been to our Linen, White Goods AND Embroidery Sale.

Address for reservation and full particulars, JAS. STEWART, City Pass. Agt., Des Moines, Ia. JNO. SEBASTIAN, G. P. A., Chicago

If you don't come you will miss many excellent bargains viz:

54 inch Turkey Red Damask worth 25c for 19c—35c for 25c.

54 inch half-bleached double-faced Damask, worth 35c for 25c.

60 inch bleached double-faced Damask, worth 50c for 39c.

72 inch bleached and unbleached Damask, worth 50c for 39c—75c for 50c.

Special 5-8 bleached Napkins, worth \$1.25 for 89c dozen. Elegant linen towels, 4c, 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, and 25c.

SPECIAL PRICES On all Domestic, Flannels, Blankets and Quilts. 46 inch Unbleached Sheet worth 75c for 5c. Any of your friends will tell you the

We will be closed Saturday morning to re-arrange our different stocks—determine the discounts on different kinds of goods, and be ready to open the ball at 12 o'clock, noon. This sale will be different from all others we ever made. Every article in the store will be reduced, and all goods will be sold for cash. We will charge goods as heretofore at regular prices, but to get the discounts, all transactions must be cash.

For further particulars see Saturday morning Register.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY Will be two big days in Muslin Underwear. Don't delay. We can sell you better garments than ever before at 17c, 25c, 48c, 69c, \$1.00—than you ever bought before, and you can buy

Moershell-Horne Co. Are selling goods cheaper than other stores. Not a few baits, but uniform low prices.

BETTER CLOAKS At \$4.49 and \$7.89 of us than of any one else in this city.

OUR NEW EMBROIDERIES Are taking well, viz: Fine Nainsook, Swiss and Hamburg Edgings and flourcings from 3c to \$1.25 per yard.

It Pays to Be on Deck Early in the Day. Now is your time to select for the

Baby and Children's Wardrobe. Full line of New White Goods in fine checks and dainty stripes from 3c to 65c per yard.

Ladies' Knit Underwear. Natural Fleece Lined and Camels Hair—UNEQUALLED VALUES—worth 59c for 37 1/2c—69c for 45c—\$1 for 89c per garment.

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Eight day, solid walnut, hour and half hour strike, wire bell, \$2.25, fully warranted at G. W. Chittenden's, corner East Sixth and Grand avenue.

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