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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

We offer this month two valuable magazines to those who desire to take THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER. The Ladies' Home Journal is a first class publication and can be read with profit by men and women, old and young. It has a very large circulation because of its merit. We offer The Ladies' Home Journal FREE FOR ONE YEAR to any person sending us four cash subscribers to THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER for one year. It affords a large return to any one devoting a short time in soliciting four names for this paper.

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Pay your honest debts, treat your fellow man squarely and fairly and you will find that God will take care of the hereafter. Have no fear.

C. J. Perry, of the Philadelphia Tribune, was elected to the city council by a majority of 3,894 on February 19. He is a prominent Afro-American and was a member of the Republican State Central committee in 1890.

Secretary of State McFarland has formally announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor of Iowa. He has made a good official, and is known as a splendid campaigner. He has the training and capacity to make an excellent executive.

The fact of the legislature of North Carolina adjourning out of respect to Frederick Douglass and refusing to do the same thing in honor of Robert E. Lee's birthday is certainly an evidence of great progress. Negro Democratic papers prefer to honor Lee instead of Douglass.

Thomas J. Penn criminally assaulted a 10-year-old colored girl and was acquitted at Danville, Va., by a jury. He is a wealthy brute and is "highly" connected. The evidence against him was overwhelming. If he had been a negro he would have had no trial or semblance of one.

We need men of courage to advocate morality, truth and justice. It is a good text for the seven days of the week. Fathers and mothers need courage in training their children; ministers need it in their daily walks and in their utterances on the Sabbath day; newspaper men need it in their

writing, and patrons need it in all of their actions. Let everyone help to lay the foundation in a solid and substantial way, and then the structure will stand to adorn the ages.

There is a scheme on foot to direct the taxes of white and colored citizens to the maintenance of their separate schools in the south. Tennessee, Virginia, Arkansas, Texas and Mississippi are discussing the question. Mississippi seems to be in the lead in this new effort. The education of the blacks has always been distasteful to the southern mind, before and since the war. According to a statement published in the New Orleans Monitor, from a white representative in thirteen counties, the whites paid a tax of \$80,000 and expended \$87,000; and in ten counties, where the blacks outnumber the whites in that proportion of 10 to 1, there was collected taxes amounting to \$234,000, of which \$170,000 was used for school purposes. The reserve was used for the relief of the thirteen counties and those similarly situated. To the claim that the \$234,000 came wholly out of the pockets of the whites, the Monitor says that the negroes by their labor placed it in the pockets of the whites. The question demands the strong opposition of all who are interested in advancement.

JOHN H. WARWICK.

The well-known and old-time barber, who had flourished the blade for sixty years, quietly passed away at his home last Saturday morning. The history of the deceased reads like a romance, in nearly every chapter, from the cradle to the grave. He was born nearly 73 years ago in Richmond, Va. His mother being a slave the young lad's freedom was purchased by a kind nudlato woman for \$200, for whom he had always a cherished spot hallowed in his memory. He began his trade at the age of 12 years, and here he met and became the body servant of Junius Booth, the father of the great actor, Edwin. In 1839 he went to Europe on the British Queen, the second vessel placed upon the water by the Cunard line, and spent some time in Paris, where he did the sights of the French capital to perfection. The same year he went to Washington, and there met Speaker Wade, of the national capital, from Kentucky, and Henry Clay and many noted politicians of his day. He was married in St. Louis and came to Davenport in 1847, where he was ever a prominent figure. Besides his wife he leaves sons: J. L. Warwick, of Sioux City; Gordon, of Chicago; George, of Cleveland, O.; Beverly, of Boston; Iri-deck, of Milwaukee; and daughters, Maria Young, of Baltimore; Mrs. Chloe A. Harper and Mrs. Tillie Stewart, of Milwaukee; Mrs. Lizzie Caves, of Omaha, and a stepson, H. S. Stewart, of Milwaukee. The funeral obsequies were conducted at St. Mary's church by Rev. J. P. Ryan, in the presence of a large gathering of friends.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Des Moines Register: His life was noble and his career great. Champaign Gazette: Fred Douglass will go into history as "The Grand Old Man" of the colored race. Ohio State Journal: He was the Moses of his people. No colored man in a half century will be so widely lamented by both races. Boston Post: It is not that Fred Douglass did remarkably well for a colored man; he did wonderfully well for a man of any color. New York World: Author, orator, statesman and leader of his race, he achieved a position and wielded an influence to which few men can aspire. Toledo Blade: His memory should be ever kept green by every American citizen of African blood, for his labors aided essentially in the mighty work of freedom. Topoka capital: The colored people of the United States may well venerate his memory; not for what he did alone, but for what he was, the prophecy of a coming race. Dayton Journal: In the death of Frederick Douglass one of the great characters of the century has passed away. His career was one of the most remarkable of history. Indianapolis Journal: Frederick Douglass was the man who compelled a reluctant people to admit that a man of African blood could be an intellectual force. He will hold a place in history among the greatest of American statesmen. Rochester Herald: The dominant race in the United States sincerely respected him, and nowhere was he more highly esteemed than in Rochester, where he fought his early battles and laid the foundation for his well-earned fame as the active pioneer of a noble cause. Indianapolis News: Mr. Douglass' struggles and achievements would have been praiseworthy and admirable in a man of whatever race or color. In the instance of one who began life under the most discouraging circumstances, imaginable, they lift him to a high place among the men of the time. Philadelphia Record: There is no city in the land in which the death of Frederick Douglass will awaken a greater sense of loss, or stir up kinder memories of the historic times in which he was conspicuous, than in Philadelphia. His memory will long be cherished by both the white and the colored people of this country. Rochester Democrat and Chronicle: In Rochester Frederick Douglass was always highly esteemed as a citizen and a man of affairs. His death will be sincerely regretted by many old residents who enjoyed his acquaintance. Frederick Douglass was one of the great men of his time, and his memory will be honored in the years to come. St. Paul Dispatch: He was a great man in the work which Providence assigned him; he was a good citizen and a splendid and lofty exemplar to his own people, and when we are building monuments to the men who were leaders and liberators let us express our appreciation of the worthiness of Fred Douglass by the same durable sign.

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.
Rev. J. M. Gordon and Mr. Bowman, of Newton, were visitors at the parsonage this week.

Mrs. John Williams is confined to her home by sickness.

Last Thursday Rev. Jones and wife, Rev. Thurman, Miss Laura Schofield and Mrs. John Williams enjoyed a splendid drive through the coal district, stopping at the pleasant country home of Mrs. Martin Jackson, where a splendid dinner was served.

Mr. Thomas Benton, of Signony, was in the city on business Tuesday.

Mr. London and daughter, Miss Susie, of Muchakinoek, were Sunday visitors, Sunday night the A. M. E. church closed the revival. Before the meetings began eight were added to the church; during the revival ten, making a total of eighteen additions thus far. The members are lifted up and are now preparing for a financial effort.

Mr. B. E. Harris left the city Tuesday for Davenport.

Mrs. Scott, of Charlton, is visiting her daughter, Miss Mollie Scott.

Mrs. Sarah Jones gave a select tea Friday evening. The guests were: Rev. Jones and wife and Rev. Thurman. They were also entertained at the home of Rev. Hiram Lewis Tuesday.

Mrs. Marshall is still confined to her home by sickness.

Monday night the 25th, a farewell reception was tendered Rev. Thurman. It was well attended and a good sum realized from the effort.

Memorial services for the distinguished dead will be held in the African M. E. church, Sunday evening, March 3, at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Committee on arrangements: A. G. Clark, chairman; Rev. S. B. Jones, Noah Kimbraugh, G. W. Douglass, R. J. Anderson, H. Fields, ladies, Mrs. S. B. Jones, chairman; Mrs. C. L. Lee, Miss Lucy Buckner, Miss Laura Schofield, Miss Lizzie Tate, Miss Georgia Blackburn; resolutions, Mrs. A. G. Clark, chairman; Mrs. Jennie Jones, Mrs. S. B. Jones, Mr. G. N. Douglass, Mr. G. N. Black. The program: Hymn, with congregation; "Asleep in Jesus"; prayer, Rev. Hiram Lewis; quartet, sacred; introductory remarks, A. G. Clark; solo, "He Giveth His beloved Sleep"; Mrs. S. B. Jones; Address, Geo. W. Black; selection by choir, principal address by pastor, Rev. S. B. Jones. A. G. Clark, chairman.

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.
Guy Tucker is getting a little better. Harvey Early has been convalescent for the past week, but is able to be out again.

Rev. H. Ford, of Monmouth, Ill., will assist Rev. Alexander in his revival meetings this week.

The Silver Crescent Club met with Mrs. W. Bird last Tuesday evening, and an enjoyable time was had. Miss Nettie Titus and Miss Ada Leslie became members of the club.

There was a surprise party given on Mr. Joseph Wadkins on Saturday night, the event being his forty-sixth birthday. An enjoyable time was had, which is always had at Mrs. Wadkins' lovely home.

Mr. Harry Bolden returned to this city last Friday.

Mrs. Rosalie Kenney is somewhat better, but is still troubled by tonsillitis. There was only one man that we know of whose birthday came on the same date as George Washington's. He was Uncle John Simmons, and he spent his birthday quite nicely with baked pork and sweet potatoes. He was 59 years old. We wish him success in his future life.

Mrs. Peter Johnson is able to be around again.

The little daughter of Mrs. B. Johnson, Gracie, is quite sick at present.

NEWTON NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.
Last week Mrs. A. Hays had a severe attack of sickness.

Mrs. Maggie Weldon is much better. On account of the number of entertainments on the 22, Rev. M. J. Gordon's was postponed.

J. Green is found again at his place of business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller entertained at dinner Mesdames Moore and Lucas and their little daughters, Amber and Lena. L. Mayes was appointed one of the constables of election of the First ward for March 4.

An oratorical contest will be given March 29 under the management of the Ladies Sewing Circle. Three prizes, first, second and third, will be awarded to the best speakers. Contestants: Josie, Virgie and Nellie Whitsett, Clara Miller, Emma and Mattie Mayes, Maggie Weldon, Jessie Moore, W. E. Fine, P. Waldon and G. Carter.

The Ladies Sewing Circle will meet this week with Mrs. Thomas Watson (Thursday) afternoon. Officers: Mrs. G. A. Brown, president; Mrs. J. Bell, secretary; Miss L. Miller, treasurer.

MT. PLEASANT ITEMS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.
Miss Florence Dell has gone to Fairfield to spend a few weeks.

As yet Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watts cannot find a name to suit them for their baby girl. My! they must be working for something more than grand for her. Again the angel of death has visited in our midst, and taken one of our blossoms in the garden of life. Miss Gracie Wicks, after some months' illness, passed beyond, where sickness is unknown.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fitzgerald are rejoicing over a fine baby boy. The dance given at the Grand opera house was not such a success as was expected. The Odd Fellows gave an entertainment at their hall on Thursday last week. Quite an interesting program was rendered.

Mrs. McGregor is just recovering from the mumps.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

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Mrs. E. H. Basy, of Oskaloosa, is in the city.

ber of ladies at a thimble party on Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. M. J. Gordon, from 1:30 to 3:30 p. m., at her residence, 316 East Sixth street. Those present were: Mesdames L. Bright, S. Allen, A. Richardson, E. Priestly, H. Applewhite, N. Allen, M. Pash and R. Richardson. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in social chat and needle work, and a very dainty lunch was served.

Rev. S. B. Clemens, of Moline, and Mr. B. H. Harris, of Oskaloosa, will address Bethel A. M. E. Sabbath school on next Sabbath afternoon.

Mrs. Prentiss entertained handsomely the S. A. L. C. on last Thursday, the 21st, at the residence of Mrs. Marshall. All the members were present and a number of invited guests.

After the rendering of the program lunch was served. Adjourned to meet at Mrs. Paveis' in March, where the following program will be rendered: Opening address, Mrs. C. H. Marshall; history, led by Mrs. S. Dangerfield; solo, Mrs. R. Humphrey; reading, Mrs. Tillman.

The Martha Washington tea party given by the Bethel Concert company was a decided success. Rev. G. M. Tillman and Miss E. Lewis appeared as George and Martha Washington, and a host of ladies in Martha Washington costume added beauty to the scene.

Mrs. C. Dangerfield, of Rock Island, entertained a number of ladies at a blue tea this afternoon.

A short synopsis of Rev. Clemens' address at the Auditorium on Lincoln's birthday will appear next week.

SIOUX CITY NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.
Mrs. W. D. Carter has returned to her home at Oreda, Utah.

Mrs. F. W. Adams left Thursday morning for Buffalo, New York and Topeka, Kansas, where she will visit relatives; from thence to Buffalo, to join her husband, where they will reside in the future.

Little Louis Carter is still quite sick.

Mrs. S. Prater has been released from the hospital.

Messrs. E. T. Banks and G. H. Clegg, of Des Moines, are in the city for the purpose of installing the Commandery and Royal Arch Masons.

The ladies of the A. M. E. church gave an entertainment Thursday evening for the benefit of the stewards.

Rev. Matthews has begun a series of sermons on the Lord's prayer, which is divided into eleven classes and will be continued every Sunday evening until the eleven are completed.

Mr. James Washington requested all the colored citizens of the city to meet at the A. M. E. church Monday evening to make arrangements to hold memorial services next Sunday afternoon in honor of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass. Quite an excellent programme has been arranged for the occasion.

Mrs. Charlotte Lee has been sick.

Mr. John Williams has been quite sick.

Deputy Grand H. P. Companion E. T. Banks was here on Monday, in a grand and installed Williams Chapter, No. 12, assisted by Companion G. H. Clegg, of Des Moines, and Rev. P. F. Matthews, of Sioux City. The officers who were installed are as follows: John Williams, H. P.; William Mills, Edward Sutton, scribe; Lewis Grant, C. H.; Jas. Washington, P. So. J. O. W. Moore, R. A. C.; Charles Curtis, M. 3d V.; James Smith, secretary; West Barnum, treasurer; Bleech Crawford, G.

The officers of Palestine Commandery No. 12, was installed by Deputy Sir Knight E. T. Banks. The following officers were installed: T. H. Sturgis, E. C. O. W. Moore, G. E. M.; I. Grant, C. G.; J. Washington, F.; E. Sutton, T.; J. O. W. Moore, R. A. C.; Charles Curtis, M. 3d V.; James Smith, secretary; West Barnum, treasurer; Bleech Crawford, G.

Mrs. Jennie Brunner, wife of Elijah Brunner, died at her home Monday morning at 7 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. P. James. Her mother and sister were present.

There will be an Old Folks' Concert on March 6. All are invited to attend. It will take place at the city hall.

U. S. Jones is on the sick list.

Mrs. Woodfork is improving, after a long illness.

Mrs. Lizzie Gibson has returned from Pekay, after a short visit with her sister, who has been sick.

The city was visited Wednesday night by a large fire. Considerable damage was done.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

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J. Robert E. Crump, of Hedrick, was a Sunday visitor, the guest of Miss Eva Harris.

Miss Mary Watts is reported on the sick list.

Mr. John McClellan left Monday night for Chicago. He expects to remain for some time.

We wish to correct a mistake which appeared in our notes last week. It was Mrs. M. E. Fairis who was visiting Mrs. P. P. Taylor.

Miss Virgil Hill is very low, and it is thought she cannot live long.

Rev. L. J. Jackson returned home from Mystic, Ia., Monday evening, where he has been holding meetings for Elder Fairis.

The revival meetings at the A. M. E. church are still going on with increasing interest. Never at any time, to our knowledge, was the church so worked up as it is now. Up to this writing there has been thirty-four additions to the church. The meetings were placed in the hands of Rev. Fairis, and by his faithful work and that of the pastor has come such wonderful success. Elder Fairis will leave Friday, but the meetings will still go on.

Mrs. Ella Smith, in company with her husband, went to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening. She returned home Wednesday morning.

Joseph Hopkins received sad tidings last Wednesday, announcing the death

of his brother in Galesburg. He left that evening to be present at the funeral.

Miss S. Taylor is reported as being on the sick list. She is suffering with rheumatism.

J. E. Woods, who has been sick for some time, is still confined to his room and is reported as being much worse.

Jeff Wilson returned to his home in Carrollton, Mo., last Friday, after a three weeks' visit with his brother, J. M. Wilson.

Mrs. James Hamilton, returned home Wednesday from Des Moines, where she was called to see her daughter, Mrs. Clay, who was very ill. She reports her as in an improved condition.

DIED—Last Friday, infant child of J. Gooden, in South Ottumwa. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Second Baptist church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. F. Watts.

The A. M. E. Sunday School is like a blooming rose. The attendance last Sunday was the largest we ever saw—it was just lovely. Rev. Kendrick, of the Marine St. church was present and most beautifully addressed the school, which was highly appreciated.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Children's Beacon Light Society, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our departed member.

Whereas, God has seen fit to remove from our midst one of our schoolmates, we sincerely mourn her loss; she will no more meet with us in our little society; she has rendered her last piece with us on earth; we will bear her sweet voice no more till judgment. Oh God! prepare us to meet her in heaven, where parsing is no more.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

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CANCELLED STAMPS.

Surprising Number of Idiot in the Country.
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NAVAL SCANDAL.

Charges of Corruption at the Mare Island Yard.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—The Evening Bulletin gives publicity to a scandal that is said to be agitating the naval officers at Mare Island. The Bulletin asserts that charges are made against the construction and repair department at the navy yard, and an investigating committee has been ordered to San Francisco by the secretary of the navy. A report made by Admiral Beardslee is said to be the cause of the investigation. It is hinted that poor and cheap material and poor workmanship characterized the recent repairs made at Mare Island. As an instance, it is said that the Philadelphia, on which over \$50,000 was expended at Mare Island, broke down on the first cruise after leaving the yards. She was badly beaten on the cruise to Honolulu by the steamer Australia. Her starboard engines were disabled and her port engines badly strained.

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FUNERAL OF DOUGLASS.

The Body Lies in State at the Rochester, N. Y., City Hall.
Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Just before the train bearing the remains of Frederick Douglass pulled into Rochester yesterday morning there marched in the train-house the funeral cortege, including the Douglass League of Rochester, bearing the league banner draped in mourning. The mayor, members of the city council, and other city officials came in carriages. At the city hall the body of Rochester's famous son lay in state several hours. The decorations were elaborate. The procession formed at the city hall at 1:30 o'clock and proceeded to the Central Church. The crowd was so dense at the church that the guard of eight policemen had to be doubled.

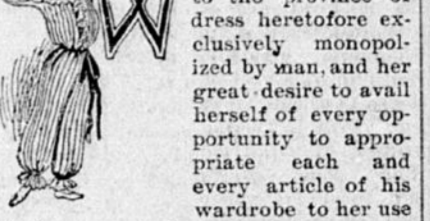
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FOR WOMAN AND HOME

INTERESTING GOSSIP FOR THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

Some Pen and Ink Sketches of Popular Costumes—For a Widow—A Tea Gown or What?—The Pajama—Kitchen Recipes.

WOMAN HAS MADE another invasion into the province of dress heretofore exclusively monopolized by man, and her great desire to avail herself of every opportunity to appropriate each and every article of his wardrobe to her use is shown again in a feminine adaptation of the useful pajama. To be sure, this negligee costume appears in a new guise, transformed into a thing of beauty, to gratify her more aesthetic taste, by the use of lace, yards of satin ribbon, and a blouse waist of the latest Parisian proportions, but it is a pajama still, with all the elements of comfort possessed by its more severe



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CHARLES S. RUFF, Editor. DES MOINES, IOWA.

THE young czar of Russia might as well have his measure taken for a suit of boiler iron underclothes.

AS M. ZOLA is coming to this country too, we respectfully submit that he be compelled to wipe off his boots before he is allowed to land.

THE only sweetheart of the poet Whitier is becoming numerous enough to make it probable that the girls believed what the boys told them in those days.

NEW YORK is driving all the tramps out of her limits and the foreign nobleman will hereafter have to court the American heiress by cable and mark it "collect."

CANADA is now supplying almost the whole of the robe mittens eaten in New York, his of beef, most of its butter and all of its eggs. What a curious state of affairs.

WHERE'S the man who predicted an open winter? Let's have him. Let's shake him till his back teeth rattle. His optimistic notions are responsible for acres of goose-pimpled cuticle.

A MAINE schoolboy hanged himself because his teacher frowned on him. If he had grown up to manhood he would probably have killed some good girl because she refused to marry him.

GOFF, of Lexow investigation fame, reached for a year office and has reached for a raise in salary, all of which goes to show that reform enjoys no particular snap in respect of retainers.

If people exercised as much care and shrewdness when investing in advertising as they do when investing in banks, mining stocks and real estate, there would be more believers in the value of printers' ink.

If the unfortunate man whose nose was bitten off by a thug who apologized and said "it was all a mistake" could catch the maker of the mistake a jury will make none in letting him serve an adequate sentence for his "error."

THE kaiser has issued strict orders for the punishment of all officers of the army who maltreat private soldiers. The war-lord of Germany knows that the military power of his country lies in the men in the ranks, and he can afford to disgrace more officers to keep the rifle bearers in good spirits.

It breaks the ice-man's heart to think that next summer will probably be distinguished for its mildness, and that half of the superabundant crop will have no sale. For the thought of reducing the price to the consumer and doubling the quantity sold will never invade the ice-man's skull. It is too humane.

TWENTY years ago millions of buffaloes were roaming over the West. Now it has been found necessary to enact a law punishing with a long term of imprisonment any one who even attempts to kill one of the last twenty-five. What a commentary this is on the recklessness of hunters in this country!

THE report of the agricultural department shows a marked falling off in the number of horses, mules and sheep throughout the country. The value of horses has declined twenty-four per cent, of mules twenty-three per cent and of sheep twenty per cent, while the number and value of milch cows show an increase.

So long as intelligent juries acquit murderers upon the ground that their crimes were the result of hypnotism, ignorant men and women are not to be censured for pleading the spell of witchcraft in extenuation of similar misdeeds. But that is not to say that either plea should be accepted. The prison, if not the gallows, is the place for people of such unbalanced minds.

IMPRISONMENT for life is generally considered preferable to death, but there is room for doubt about it in the case of Marie Jonaux, who has been convicted of triple murder in Belgium. She is to be placed in a cell where daylight cannot penetrate, and is never to see a human face or hear a human voice again. It is hardly to be expected that she will long survive that kind of punishment.

It is an ill blizzard that blows nobody good. During the severe weather of the past month, which ripened the ice crop, twenty thousand men have been engaged at different points on the Hudson river gathering the harvest. These men get anywhere from \$1.50 to \$3 and \$4 a day. Many of them are carpenters, masons and mechanics out of work in their regular occupation. The cold snap was something of a "snapp" to them.

THERE are different methods of saving human life, but that carried out by the "hero of the hour, Stevens, the hardy American sailor, who kept his comrade alive (on a wreck of Long Island) for nearly forty hours by beating him with a rope" is perhaps the most peculiar on record.

"THE priests may ride bicycles," says a contemporary, "but they must do it with due regard to their cloth." And so must other bicyclists. Reckless scorching often plays hob with the rider's cloth.

THAT Yale's brightest graduate should have been frozen to death while in a drunken stupor is no reflection on that great institution of learning, but it does indicate that college training doesn't always give a man sense enough to come in out of the cold.

MILK sold in front of the Vanderbilt and Gould houses on Fifth avenue at \$2 a pitcher recently, and New York talks of it. Why, that is nothing to what water has cost from the same source.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

ANAMOSA PRISON.

History of the Case of Convict Gillespie. ANAMOSA, Feb. 28.—Another noted criminal has been received from Fort Dodge in the person of Henry Gillespie. He is a mulatto, and has since his residence of three years in Fort Dodge commanded the good will of all with whom he came in contact on account of his great strength and fierceness.

About the middle of December there was confined in the city jail for prostitution a girl by the name of Lena Anderson. During the night some one forced the lock from the door and gained an entrance to the cell, blew out the candle the defenseless girl had burning, and committed the crime of rape. In the morning the girl told the story of the assault upon her person and Gillespie was arrested. At a preliminary hearing he was bound over to await the action of the grand jury. He was indicted and his trial was had recently. The jury after being out five hours returned a verdict of guilty. The case created all the more interest on account of the reputation of Gillespie previous to his going to Fort Dodge. He came from Sioux City, and from what was reported at the trial and what has leaked out since, he is supposed to have been implicated in the Haddock murder case. At the time of his going to Fort Dodge his check was good for \$5,000, and he still owns considerable property. For the past year up to the time of his arrest he has been assisting the city of Fort Dodge in various ways and had behaved himself as became a gentleman.

MURDER AT NEWTON. Ex-Sheriff Zollinger Reaches His Home Bleeding and Dying. NEWTON, Feb. 26.—This community was greatly shocked when the news spread that J. R. Zollinger, a prominent merchant and an ex-sheriff, was found dead and had probably been murdered. Mr. Zollinger left his place of business about 9:30, and when he reached home his wife noticed blood flowing down over his face, and, on inquiring what was the matter, he stated that he had fallen or been hit. These are the only words he spoke. A physician was summoned and on examining a large gash was found on his head. He never regained consciousness, but died between 12 and 1 o'clock. It is a very mysterious case, some believing he was waylaid, and the thug, failing to bring down his victim, had fled without accomplishing his full purpose, that of robbery, nothing on his person having been taken. Others think he was overcome with a stroke of apoplexy and struck his head against an electric wire pole. Which ever it was happened within a few rods of his home. Two clubs were found near the spot where the first blood was visible, which makes it look like a case of murder. Mr. Zollinger had been a captain in the army, and his funeral was conducted by Masonic and G. A. R. organizations of Newton.

TOUGH CROWD. One Smashed With a Monkey Wrench. FOREST CITY, Feb. 26.—A drunken row in the town of Thompson ended in one man being mortally wounded and the perpetrator under arrest. The circumstances are about this way: A brother of the celebrated Eugene Riley, who was chewed by a bull dog a few years ago, in company with one Whitlock, filled up on illegal whiskey and went down to August Garkie's blacksmith shop to get him drunk and induce him to go on Riley's bond, or perhaps, compel him to. When Garkie refused Riley assaulted him with a club and Garkie returned the assault with a large monkey wrench, and broke Riley's skull. Riley is expected to die before morning.

DESPERATE BATTLE AT THE BLUFFS. Griswold Bank Robbers Surprise the Officers and Attempt to Escape. COUNCIL BLUFFS, Feb. 27.—A desperate battle between the Griswold bank robbers and Deputy Sheriffs A. R. Hooker and Nick O'Brien took place at the south entrance to the court house about 6:30 o'clock Monday evening. Nick O'Brien was shot through the left groin and his recovery is doubtful. One of the robbers, who gave his name as William S. Smith, was shot through the abdomen and his injuries are considered fatal. William Stellard, a motorman on a passing motor car, was shot in the forehead. His injuries are not serious.

NEW JURY LAW. It Will Go Into Effect on July First. DEBUE, March 1.—Judge Husted, of this city, has received a letter from Attorney General Remley stating that the new jury law of Iowa goes into effect this year, and not in 1896, as a misprint states. All jurors drawn after July 1 next will be under the new law.

ICARIAN COMMUNITY. The Members Conclude to Divide and Dissolve. CORNING, Feb. 26.—Members of the Icarian Community, founded in France before the revolution, coming to this country and living at various points in the south and at Nauvoo, Ill., finally settling at Corning in 1856, have agreed to a division of property and dissolution of the society. The interests of the heirs and other legal obstacles have rendered it advisable to appoint a receiver and put the matter in the hands of the court.

IN SHERIFF'S HANDS. CEDAR RAPIDS, Feb. 28.—The large retail drug house of L. Louis Hillan has been taken possession of by the sheriff under an execution issued on a judgment for \$860 back rental due. No statement of assets and liabilities is given to the public.

IOWA DEATHS. JEFFERSON, Feb. 26.—Uriah Wied, a pioneer of central Iowa, died, aged 81. He was a member of the Methodist church for sixty-nine years.

AN INSANE ACT.

Dead Body of Charles Vetter Found in a Cornfield. CARROLL, March 1.—A few days ago the dead body of a man was found in a cornfield near Halbur. Investigation by the sheriff and coroner disclosed the fact that the corpse was that of Charles Vetter. He was a cripple, and by his side lay two canes and a bottle of strychnine and some orange peelings. Vetter was lying on his face, which was black, one hand grasping with the grip of a vice some binding twine, the other his overcoat. The bottle of strychnine was half empty and cracked. In his pockets were found \$100 in gold, \$6.30 in silver and some deeds, tax certificates and receipts. The theory is that he took half the strychnine—enough to have killed half the people in the township—and then ate the orange to remove the bitter taste. Vetter was a bachelor, about 60 years old, and comfortably fixed. He lived with his brother, and for several weeks has complained of a terrible pain in his head, and has been subject to fits of melancholy.

CONDENSED ITEMS. The first annual convention of the Iowa Liberal League was held in Davernport on the 28th, with an attendance of about thirty. Its object is the repeal of the present prohibitory and mixed laws, and the enactment of a well regulated license law.

At Fort Dodge recently, the plaster mill operated by the Duncombe Stocco company and owned by J. F. Duncombe was burned to the ground. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is over \$30,000; insurance, \$15,000. The mill will be rebuilt immediately.

The Anheuser Brewing Association, of St. Louis, has a large beer distributing warehouse in Cedar Rapids for Central Iowa. An action has been filed in the superior court asking that it be abated as a nuisance and the beer seized and destroyed. It is alleged that shipments in car lots or less are in contravention of the prohibitory law.

Burglars forced an entrance into the First National bank of Griswold. They opened the vault door with explosives, drilled inside to the time lock safe, placing in it a charge, lit the fuse and closed the vault door. The charge proved so heavy that it wrecked the vault, safe and building to the extent of nearly \$4,000. The report from the explosion of the safe was so great that the robbers made a hasty departure, but not before securing nearly \$100 in stamps belonging to the postmaster and \$150 in small change inside the vault door for safekeeping. The small inner safe contained \$20,000, but it cannot be learned if this was stolen until the great mass of wreckage is removed. A large posse is in pursuit of the robbers, who are supposed to be professionals. Later, the inner safe was found to be intact and the contents safe.

Emmettsburg dispatch: Marks Murray, aged 34, was run over by a stock train on the Milwaukee road. After the conductor had reached Algona he wired the station agent here that he thought he had run over something just as he was leaving this station. The agent started east, and just outside the yard found the lifeless body of Murray nearly severed in twain and with both hips crushed. Coroner Henry was sent for, who impaled a jury consisting of C. E. Coburn, James Burns and Fred Scott, who held an inquest and returned a verdict that Murray came to his death by attempting to board a train while in motion, and falling was run over by the trucks of the caboose and instantly killed. Another young man from this place named Dan Galliger, was on the same train, and fell off near Cylinder, the first station east, and had one leg broken and received other serious injuries. Galliger will recover.

The stock of the Lyons Co-operative Association at Clinton has been levied upon to satisfy the claims of the T. M. Gobble Co., wholesale grocers. By this failure nearly 500 people lose all their savings, which they had been induced to put into the concern. The association was organized by the local Knights of Labor, in July, 1887, with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$35,000 was paid up in cash. Thomas Agell was made manager of the company. For the first three years generous dividends were paid, which had the effect of selling much additional stock. The movers worked principally among the less informed class of people, and poor washer-women, farmers and day laborers, gave up their hard-earned money for shares. Four stores were opened in Lyons and two in Clinton. The company had been buying land for the erection of mammoth warehouses, built big brick blocks, and did business on a grand scale generally. It was heralded throughout the country as a shining example of the success of the co-operative plan of buying goods. Poor investments and bad management wrecked it and the assets now will hardly reach \$60,000.

STRUCK BY A TRAIN. A Mote's Body Horribly Mangled by the Cars. CLANTON, March 1.—Aaron Pierce, a mute, of Lamar, Ill., was instantly killed near here by a Milwaukee freight train. His body was horribly mangled. He was walking on the track.

Senator Mills' Proposed Amendment. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—Senator Mills has given notice of the following amendment to the sundry civil bill: "All laws which authorize the secretary of the treasury to sell bonds are hereby repealed."

Approved. A Lewistown, Ill., 3-year-old damsel whose mamma combed the little ones' recalcitrant locks of hair with some extra force the other day and who bore it wearily, finally looked up and said: "Mamma, is you all done?" "Yes, dear," was the answer. "Amen," said the little one, devoutly.

Cruelty. Minnie—That is what I call down-right mean. Mamie—What? Minnie—Why, the church guild is getting up a series of mock marriages, illustrating the rite in various countries and times, and that cat of a Mrs. Potts has asked Belinda Parsany to pose in the "Middle Ages" affair.

Need of the Hour. Stover—Here's a furnace that any servant can run. Houser—Confound it, man! I want one that will run in spite of any servant.

ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

TRIED TO HANG HIM. Angry Hibernians after the Scalp of an Obnoxious Ex-Priest. SAVANNAH, GA., Feb. 28.—Savannah escaped a riot through the assistance of the state militia. The trouble was precipitated by ex-Priest Joseph Slattery's lecture on "Roman Catholic Priesthood." For several days efforts have been made by members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians to revoke the ex-priest's permit to deliver the lecture, but the mayor upon legal advice replied that it could not be done. Threats were openly made against the lecturer, a detail of officers being ordered on duty in the hall where the lecture was to be held; the lecturer continued his offensive language, but the crowd gathered outside began to hurl stones through the window in on the audience. The police ordered the crowd to disperse but they refused, and kept shouting hang him. The mayor ordered out the militia. The riot alarm was sent in, and in a few minutes the companies responded. By the time the military arrived the audience had left the hall and a detail of mounted police stood guard at the entrance. The crowd numbered 3,000 by this time, and were largely spectators. The electric lights around the hall were broken by missiles, and for a time the neighborhood was in darkness. After the military arrived on the scene there was comparative quiet. The streets were soon cleared, and the troops remained on guard duty. As soon as the disturbances had subsided the lecturer was brought from the hall and, escorted by the police and surrounded by two battalions of soldiers, walked to his hotel. The crowd followed and jeered along the streets, but there was no attempt at an attack. Half an hour after the ex-priest was escorted from the hotel by a squad of police.

NORTH CAROLINA TRAGEDY. Grows Out of a Business Rivalry—One Killed. RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 26.—The Caucasian's Lexington, N. C., special says: There was a tragedy here today, which grew out of business rivalry between Dr. Lee Payne and Baxter Shemwell, who are interested in the drug business. Payne is examiner for some life insurance companies and Shamwell wrote that some of the companies' examinations by Payne were not properly made. Payne charged Shemwell with this, and there were hot words, which led to the drawing of revolvers. In the fight which followed Shemwell shot and killed Dr. R. L. Payne, father of Lee Payne, and is said to have shot three other men. Shemwell was arrested to-night, after having defied the officers of the town and fifty citizens for several hours. All the parties concerned are very prominent.

CITY HALL IN FLAMES. Brooklyn's Municipal Building Badly Damaged. BROOKLYN, Feb. 27.—Three alarms were sent out at 7:45 o'clock this morning for a fire which started in the apartments of the janitor of the city hall. The firemen experienced great difficulty in getting water on account of frozen hydrants and before the firemen could attack the fire it had spread from the floor to the clock tower and cupola. At 8:45 a. m. the tower fell to the roof with a crash. The large bell formerly used as a fire bell was melted by the intense heat. At 3:30 the fire was under control and was confined to the upper floors. As far as can be learned no one was injured. The family of Keeper Dunne had a narrow escape from death. The loss is estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

FRIGHTFUL MURDER. Children Find Body of a Man Who Was Evidently Burned at the Stake. CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 25.—Evidences of what the police think to be a frightful murder mystery were found to-day. Two children discovered the mutilated body of a man at Ninety-fifth and Western avenue, in a sitting position and leaning against a tree. The hands, legs and lower part of the body were burned, deep gashes in the head and around the waist remnants of charred robe. An investigation soon proved that the man was either murdered and an attempt had been made to conceal the crime by burning the body, or he had been burned at the stake. He evidently had been dead some time. The feet were gnawed to the bones by dogs.

REVOLUTION IN CUBA. Grave Apprehension in the Island for Public Safety. HAVANA, Feb. 26.—The apprehensions of a revolution are increasing. The governor general has put in effect the public order law throughout the island. This law provides for the immediate punishment of anybody taken in a seditious act. Some twenty-four men have defied the authorities and called for rebel recruits at Ybarra near Malanzanes and trouble is reported at the latter place.

Not a Parallel Case. Boys—Us boys is getting in a life and drum corps, and we called to see if you would subscribe. Mr. Lovepeace—Hum. Boy (encouragingly)—Mr. Gadd, your neighbor, gave us a dollar. Mr. Lovepeace—Yes, but he is going to move away next week.

A Modern Estimate. "Are you sure the girl to whom you are engaged will be able to make you happy?" "Positive," the young man replied. "Has she common sense?" "She has more than that? She has the uncommon dollar."

SCIENTIFIC FARMING.

President Steikney's Latest Project. NEW HAMPTON, Feb. 26.—President Steikney, of the Chicago Great Western railway, has inaugurated a series of meetings along the road to advocate more scientific farming. He will hold one or two meetings at all the important towns along the line, to be addressed by himself and others who have practical experience in special crops, such as potatoes. S. H. Hall, of Minneapolis, addressed a meeting here. He said that nearly 100,000,000 bushels of potatoes were imported annually; that by the rotation of crops and cultivation of potatoes to a greater extent, this deficiency can be made up along the line of the Great-Western. Steikney calls it his gospel of better farming, of smaller farms, and says that it will be preached from one end of the road to the other.

ENGLISH COMMENT. Some Press Opinions on the Recent Loan. LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Economist, in an article on the new United States loan, says: "If the United States government had appealed to the investors direct they would have realized to their own advantage something of the higher price which the loan obtains. It would appear that Mr. Cleveland underrated the credit of the United States, but it will be his duty, nevertheless, to summon a session of the new congress as speedily as possible."

The Statist says: "If the new congress does not pass requisite measures another loan, equaling this one will be necessary before the end of the year and possibly there may be still larger borrowing in 1896."

EASTERN WAR. LONDON, Feb. 26.—A Central News dispatch from Tokio under date of February 22, says that on February 21st the Chinese made another attack upon Hai-cheng from Tong Washan, with four guns, from Lao Yang with six guns, and from Natsun with ten guns. The attack was not successful, the Chinese being repulsed and forced to retreat. The Japanese lost six killed, the Chinese loss is uncertain but that the attacking force from Tong Washan alone left 100 dead behind them.

BREVETTES. The president has nominated William L. Wilson to be postmaster general. One of the most serious mining accidents happened at White Ash, New Mexico, on the 27th. It is reported that forty miners are killed. President Cleveland recently nominated Senator M. W. Ransom, of North Carolina, to be minister to Mexico. On receipt of the nomination, the senate went into executive session and at once confirmed the nomination unanimously.

Near Linden, Ohio, a freight on the Nickle Plate ran down a two horse rig carrying a party of people to church at a road crossing. Miss Allie Hunt and Miss Bessie Hunt were killed; Miss Margaret Hess and Miss Louise Camp probably fatally, and Walter Briggs, driver, slightly injured.

On the 27th inst. Postmaster General W. S. Bissell placed his resignation as a member of the cabinet in the hands of President Cleveland, to be accepted upon the appointment of his successor. His reasons for doing so are that his professional work demands his attention. There are no disagreements with the President.

A recent dispatch to the London Times from Bombay says that the insurgent Bedouins under command of Shiek Syedsule have captured the greater portion of the city of Muscat. The sultan fled from the palace, but succeeded in holding two fort. A hot fire was showered upon that part of the town in the hands of the rebels. With the assistance of the fire from the two forts the sultan was successful in retaking possession of the eastern portion of the city. The British residents, in the town were removed in safety. The result of the fighting is still uncertain.

The commission recently appointed at the instance of Governor McKinley, of Ohio, by the boards of trade and chambers of commerce of Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Toledo to make an official investigation of the destitution of miners in the Hocking and Sunday Creek valleys have discovered some startling facts. In the localities so far visited the committee has discovered that each miner last year earned only from \$75 to \$125, largely because of the great national strike, and that by working regularly they could have earned from \$2 to \$3 every day. In reference to the nationality of the miners, it has been learned that in Nelsonville they are almost entirely American and English; in Shawnee the majority are Welsh, and in Stratsville they are pretty evenly distributed among the English, Welsh, German and Irish.

WON WITH A SONG.

It Was Over the Telephone He Heard Her Sing. They had been lovers, but now they were parted. It was the result of a foolish little quarrel. He had left her without saying good-by, never to return, he said, angrily. But the girl loved him still. Days lengthened into months, but the absent one did not reappear. He was keeping good his promise. Yet the girl did not waver in her devotion to him, and she resolved to win him back. She remembered that he used to be fond of hearing her sing "Annie Laurie," and she wondered if by chance he heard her sing it again he would revive the old love. She thought of the telephone, and decided to try. So it happened that one afternoon she sat in a phone cabinet downtown. Ting-a-ling, ling, went the bell. The connection was made. He was in the business office. "Is Mr. Walker in?" "Yes, I am Mr. Walker. What is it?" In reply the girl began singing in a sweet, plaintive, soprano voice: Maxwellton's brass are bonny, Where early falls the dew, And 'twas there that Annie Laurie Goad me her promise true, Goad me her promise true, Which never forgotful'd I Lay me down and die. He used to call her Annie Laurie. As the tender melody of the old ballad came in trembling tones over the wires tears rolled up in the listener's eyes and his heart almost stood still. He recognized the voice, and as the girl finished singing the verse, he said in a voice choking with emotion: "You are still my Annie Laurie, dear; you are still my love!" It's all right now. The lover had been won back with a song.

Preferred a Crow. Pope Sixtus V detested flattery. He said one day to a nobleman who had flattered him excessively: "I prefer to deal with a crow than with a flatterer."

When asked to give a reason for his preference he said: "A crow only lives on the dead, but flatterers live on the living." Texas Siftings.

Paired. Facetious Friend—Well, have you and your wife settled as to who is to be speaker of the house? Young Husband—Not yet. We usually occupy the chair together.

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If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP for Children Teething. Brooms were used in Egypt 2,000 years before Christ.

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BRIGANDS.

They Descend at Night and Loot a Sardinian Village.

The story of the recent attack of brigands upon the little town of Tortoli, in Sardinia, reads like a page out of the history of the middle ages. The robbers, more than 100 in number, descended upon the town from the mountains. They were armed to the teeth and carefully masked, as if they were afraid of being identified. Their first proceeding was to station pickets at the end of every street leading into the open country; then the main body entered the town, shouting and yelling and firing their rifles, in order to intimidate the inhabitants.

The garrison consisted of only two gendarmes in charge of a brigadier. These three brave fellows turned out on hearing the firing, and, being joined by several courageous and well-armed citizens, opposed the brigands' advance. The fight which ensued lasted several hours, and dusk had set in before the defenders of the town were finally routed, leaving the brigandier dead on the ground and the two gendarmes and several citizens grievously wounded. The brigands now spread all over the town, helping themselves to everything of value exposed in the shops, and breaking into and looting private houses. The inhabitants were terrified, and nobody ventured into the streets.

The strongest detachment of robbers made for the house of Sig. Depo, formerly syndic of Tortoli, and well-known to be possessed of ample means. The servants had been warned of the projected attack and had bolted and barred the house. The brigands, however, soon forced an entrance, and after a short fight, in which the syndic's coachman was killed, the defenders fled. The robbers then went through the house and secured, among other spoils, 27,000 lire in gold, 20,000 lire in paper currency, and jewelry worth 5,000 lire. With this and other booty they marched to their retreat in the hills.

The Greatest Whist-Player.

Deschappelles, the greatest whist player the world has ever seen, had but one hand and was an advanced republican. His manual dexterity was remarkable, and it was very interesting to watch him with his hand and that of his left collect the cards, sort them, play them, and gather them in tricks. Late in life, when he had developed into ardent republicanism, he was supposed to have been mixed up in some of the attempts at revolution which broke out in the earlier days of the reign of Louis Philippe. His papers were seized, and it was proved that he had drawn up a list of persons to be disposed of. Among them was an elderly acquaintance, so described: "Vatry (Alphie) to be guillotined. Reason—citoyen in title. Vatry is a bad whist player."—Argonaut.

Kept Secret for Centuries.

The oldest secret trade process now in existence is in all probability either that method of alloying the hardest steel with gold and silver, which seems to have been practiced at Damascus ages ago, and is still known only to the Syrian smiths and their pupils, or else the manufacture of Chinese red or vermilion.

Rough Luck.

Distressed Female—Oh, please, sir, give me something all the same! Benevolent Gentleman—Why "all the same?" Distressed Female, weeping—Oh, sir, don't you recognize me? I'm the blind man's wife. Benevolent Gentleman—Yes, I remember you; but what's the matter? Distressed Female—Oh, sir, we're in fresh trouble. My poor husband has received his sight.

—Mine eyes are still fashionable, and so are the nightmares that often follow them.



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HIS COUSIN'S WIFE.

He came down to the grand old river-bank plantation to visit his cousin, whom his mother had taught him to love and revere; and he experienced a pang of regret on learning that his cousin was away from home for an indefinite length of time.

While he sat in the old-fashioned parlor thinking of his dead mother and this unknown cousin whose generosity had so cheered his life, his cousin's wife came in to welcome him with warm, outstretched hands, and after that he almost ceased to reckon time.

She was so much younger than he had expected, and so bewitchingly lovely that he was content to stay on and on, daily conscious that he was dishonorable—that he ought to go away—yet finding it more impossible as the days went by, and soothing his uneasy conscience by the assurance that he ought to wait till his cousin's return. Days lengthened into weeks, and he began to feel as if his cousin were a myth—a dark, cloudy, threatening dream. They had never talked of him much, and now his name never passed their lips.

Sometimes when they sat together, on the wide veranda overlooking the swollen river that lapped hungrily against the levee, he caught a glimpse of something like despair in her eyes and noticed the pathetic, downward curve of her lip. It was not until she told him that she could have given half his life to know.

She had been watching a white-winged fruit lugger and, turning to him, caught the anxious questioning of his pale face.

"Did you see out there?" she asked. "Did you think you saw some one drowning?" "Drowning?" He shook his head; then his glance met hers, and suddenly he lost all desire to hide his feelings. He had been resting his chin in his hands, and a glow suffused his boyish features; he would have spoken then, but she interrupted him with a half-frightened wish to make him smile while she knew he must not tell.

"How horrible it must be to drown," she said hurriedly—"to feel the terrible, dark waters closing in upon one—pressing down—down—into that hideous, filthy slime—" "You are not taken," he answered; in the second of time she had given him back his self-control, and the excitement that had darkened his eyes and reddened his cheeks had faded. "I would rather drown than tell you the cool water, letting the little waves kiss you as the darkness receives you—the still, cool darkness—" "Hush, you are foolish! What do you want with silence and darkness? I want you to go out into the light and do something of your talents. I want to hear of you sometimes, after you leave—" She held out her small, white hand to him, and though he hungered to kiss it, he only pressed his fingers against her forehead, and stooping, lifted her handkerchief from the door and gave it to her.

Many nights he paced up and down the moonlit veranda, after she had gone to her room, trying to tear himself away before her husband's return. Yet the memory of her dark, hopeless eyes and wistful lips drove all the blood in his body surging from his heart to his brain and back again, till he was giddy, and pressed his forehead against the cold white pillars to feel the breeze from the river rippling his hair.

Then in the morning he lost all wish to go, and hovered about her, like the wretched moth that kisses the light till his body falls dead.

Once he nervously asked a few questions about her husband, who must be of a strange character to leave her thus alone for weeks at a time. She looked at the boy's handsome face and half smiled; then, pointing to a bit of driftwood tossing on the waves in the wake of a passing steamer, he said earnestly: "Women are like yonder piece of drift-wood only in the wake of a man's life. They are tossed by the careless movements of his and thither as long as they can follow—and then—" Her embroidery had fallen from her hands; now she took it up again, laughing with forced gaiety.

GOT A BABY BOY NOW.

Happiness in a Southern Man's Home—Tells About the Red Flag of Danger at the Railroad Crossing—Warning to America's Men.

"For twenty-six years I have used tobacco in great quantities and create years' trust to cigarette smoking," writes Mr. W. E. Simpson of Lecompte, La. "I want to go on record that tobacco has robbed me of many years of life and a great deal of happiness. I realize it now as I compare my feelings and my condition with that of one year ago, when I was a tobacco saturated cigarette fiend. Many and many a time did I try to quit smoking myself into eternity, but I could not put through a day without suffering extreme nervous torments, which would finally, by the hour till finally, to save myself as it seemed, from almost flying to pieces, I had to light the little, white pipe stick and swallow the smoke. One day I read in my paper 'Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away,' just what I was doing. It came to me like the warning of the man who waves the red flag of danger at the railroad crossing, and said that No-To-Bac was an absolutely guaranteed relief from tobacco poisoning man grasping at a straw I commenced taking No-To-Bac. The effects were magical, it destroyed the nerve craving, and desire for cigarettes. Two boxes, would you believe it, made me well and strong. I have gained weight, my eyes are clear, my brain free from the nicotine and a breath no longer beset with tobacco smoke. I am so happy to-day to write No-To-Bac did it all a year ago, so the cure is time tested and only my friends who have been also cured.

"We have a baby boy now. My wife and I feel that all this happiness started from the time when I first used No-To-Bac, and in evidence of my appreciation and in order that the memory of the happiness may be perpetuated in a living form, we want to name our baby boy after the man who wrote the line 'Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.' No-To-Bac is popular here and all our druggists sell it. Hardly a day passes but somebody asks me about No-To-Bac, so I don't want you to hesitate to use these lines in any way that you think will make known to suffering humanity the happiness that there is in store for the many men with nicotineized brains and weakened resolutions. If they will only make up their mind to save the waste of vital power—to say nothing of the money—now going up in smoke and out in tobacco spit."

"Drowned accidentally in the 22nd year of his age."

MAN OR MONKEY.

Bones of an Unknown Creature Found in Java.

Some excitement, it is said, has been aroused in the scientific world by an alleged discovery of the "missing link" between the monkey and the man. M. Dubois of the Brussels Museum has received the top of a skull and a "reformer of an anthropoid character" from a collector in Java, and after examining them, has come to the conclusion that they are the cranium and thigh bone of some creature between the human and the simian species.

Naturalists are at present suspending judgment on the matter. After examining the bones in a position to deny absolutely that M. Dubois' correspondent has discovered the remains of the man-monkey or monkey-man, but they can not do so, and remark that "Java is a very likely locality in which to find new species of monkey." Neither the believers, nor the skeptics, however, seem to doubt for a moment, that the discovery, if genuine, should be welcome. This appears to be assumed without question by the discussion of the subject as an assumption of the most disputable kind. One can understand its prevalence at an earlier date. In the first enthusiasm of mankind over the triumphant establishment of Darwinism it was not surprising that it was, indeed, only consistent with filial piety to prosecute an active search for our lost ancestor. Everybody in those days was very properly eager to discover him. He was a universal topic both of conversation and of discussion. We applied to one another at every dinner table for help in the inquiry, and the press, as it is often requested to do in other cases of disappearance, "took notice of the application." Then, as the evidence in the literature of from twenty to thirty years ago of the keen interest which was taken by the civilized world in general in the hunt for the "missing link." In scientific circles, no doubt, this was curiosity, but the popular mind, and if M. Dubois and his fellow naturalists think to revive it, we must tell them plainly that they are mistaken.

The unsatiable public have long since recovered their composure. They have had time to get over the intellectual intoxication produced by their first draughts of Darwinian doctrine, and imaginatively speaking, to "take a good look" at the object of their search. Having by this means formed a clear and definite conception of what the "missing link" would be like when found, they have then proceeded to compare this conception with many realities which have been multiplying of late years in the midst, and the result has made itself felt in a distinct and growing conviction that the world—to speak liberally—is amply supplied with missing links already.—London Letter.

PROTECTION OF IRON COLUMNS.

Bricks Laid in Portland Cement Successfully Withstand Fire.

Some experiments were recently made by the building inspection department, Vienna, on the protection of iron from fire by casing it with brick, says Engineering. A column of iron twelve feet long, and built up of two channels connected by lattice bars, was used. This was set up in a small chamber constructed of brick, and the column was loaded by levers. This done, the chamber was filled by a four and one-half inch brick wall laid in fire-clay mortar. The wall did not fit closely around the column, and advantage was taken of this to fix there samples of fusible metals, and which should melt at various temperatures attained. Various samples of stone concrete and other materials were also placed in the chamber between the column. This chamber was then filled with split firewood, which was lighted, and the doors immediately walled up with slabs of plaster of paris. After the fire had broken out the doors were broken in and a stream of water turned into the room from a fourteen-horse-power engine. An examination of the iron then showed that the walls of brick, laid in Portland cement, retained their strength, while most of the material stone left in the chamber had been destroyed. The ceiling had been partly with plaster of paris and partly with terra cotta tiles. Both were damaged. The inclosure around the iron pillars was still standing firm, though corners of the brick work were chipped one inch or so, and the fire-clay mortar was largely washed out of the joints. On removing the casing, however, the pillar was found to be uninjured, even the paint being unscorched, and the fusible plugs only softened. The temperature of 149 degrees Fahrenheit.

PECULIAR.

Language Used by Natives Who Gather Camphor.

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The Malays and other Johore natives believe that each species of tree has a spirit, or divinity, that presides over its affairs, says the Youth's Companion. The spirit of the camphor tree is known by the name of Bisan—literally "a woman." Her resting place is near the trees, and when at night, a peculiar noise is heard which is entirely closed. Deafness is a clew, the Bisan is believed to be singing, and camphor will surely be found in the neighborhood.

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Miss Sarah Lee left for Machiknock Saturday morning. Mr. C. C. Lewis is a member of the sick list this week. Mr. J. C. Berry spent a few days in St. Paul this week. The Donkey brays at the Williamson barn Tuesday night. Rev. Searcey will be a delegate to the district conference. Mrs. Thos. Johnson has been sick several days this week. Mrs. Milligan, after several days' illness, is now convalescent. Miss Anna Davis is very sick at her home on Woodland avenue. William Parquette, of St. Louis, is the Renix family this week. Mr. Lincoln, of Conway, was a sojourner in the city this week. Mrs. George Burnaugh is just recovering from several days' illness. Henry McFall was detained from work Sunday and Monday by illness. The baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Michels has been dangerously ill this week. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson were most comfortably located at 776 West Ninth street. Little May Bell has been a chicken pox sufferer for several days, but is now convalescent. Mr. D. E. Level is now employed at the tonorial parlors of Mr. W. H. Gordon on Fourth street. Rev. I. A. Clark is to deliver the Odd Fellows' annual sermon at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday. The New England Cycling Club will meet at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. John McClain Monday evening. Mrs. James Hamilton, mother of Mrs. Henry Clay, of Eleventh street, returned to her home in Ottumwa Wednesday. The Renix Brothers Challenge Mandolin Club left this city the latter part of the week to fill several engagements. Under the able direction of Prof. Geo. F. Holt, we may expect a musical festival of a very high order in the near future. T. E. Barton has been chosen for the electoral college of the general conference to meet in Milwaukee in the near future. The many friends and associates of Miss Maude Watts are pleased to learn that she has been recently converted at her home in Ottumwa. "Parental Blunders" is the subject for discussion Sunday afternoon, at 4 p. m., at the young men's meeting at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church. Mrs. D. F. Level is very sick at her home on Eleventh street. Her friends are doing all they can for her, and it is hoped that she will soon regain health and strength. E. T. Bank, district deputy high Taylor, R. A. M., and George Clegggett, district eminent commander, Knight Templar, went to Sioux City to organize chapter and commandery. At Bloomington, Ind., Preston E. Eagleson, one of two colored students, took first honors; subject, "Abraham Lincoln." He is the son of a barber, and will represent Bloomington at the state oratorical contest at Indianapolis. On the 21st of March Miss Bessie Stewart will discuss the subject of "Social Purity." She will soon graduate from the high school. She is industrious and studious, and will present some worthy thoughts on this very important subject. Mrs. J. C. Berry will deliver a lecture on "The Life, Character and Worth of Frederick Douglass," on March 14th. Mrs. Berry is an entertaining and comprehensive writer and speaker, and will undoubtedly give her hearers an instructive and interesting lecture. The Young Men's Colored Republican Club met at the court-house Thursday evening. Addresses were made by several members of the club. The meeting was not largely attended, and as a consequence another meeting will be held Thursday, March 14. Let every colored voter be present. The Household of Ruth gave a successful surprise party last Tuesday evening, on Mr. and Mrs. Bob's Rakes, at their cosy home at Fourth and Des Moines streets, where ice cream, cake and fruits were brought and served, and an enjoyable evening spent until a late hour, when all departed for home rejoicing.

On Feb. 25, 1895, A. F. A. M., Hiram Chapter, installed their officers as follows: Companion Webster, H. P.; Companion John Reeler, King; Fred Jackson, Scribe; E. T. Barton, Treasurer; G. H. Clegggett, Secretary; E. T. Banks, Capt. Host; H. H. Lewis, Royal Arch Captain; J. H. Shepard, Principal Sojourner; C. S. Stewart, Master of first Vail; C. S. Stewart, Master second Vail; J. E. Tojd, Master third Vail; W. W. Williams, Tyler. There are peculiar people in this world. For instance, there are some who associate together after dark, but who will not speak to each other on

the street or in any public place. Such people are generally of opposite color and sex. When they see their own color they expect to be treated as kings and queens, and society is generally afraid to speak what it knows to be true. Old people know these facts and yet allow their children to associate with them on the most familiar terms.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

Wednesday, March 6, 1895, in Grant Club Room at 8 o'clock.

A large number met last Monday evening and decided upon the above day and date. There will be speaking by both colored and white men who knew Frederick Douglass in life, and by young men who knew of him and admired his long and successful career. Gen. Ed. Wright and Hon. Lafa Young will probably be among the speakers. Messrs. Willet, Frank Blagburn and Fermin Brown will represent the young colored men. They are known as excellent speakers. The A. M. E. and Baptist choirs of the city and the Renix Bros. Mandolin Club have kindly volunteered to assist, and the music will be appropriate and inspiring. We hope there will be a good attendance, and that business affairs will be laid aside in order to be present. It is an occasion all will regret, but it is the last sad duty we can perform for the illustrious dead. Frederick Douglass by his honorable career has done much for the negroes of the land. Let us show the world that we appreciate his efforts. The meeting will be called to order at 8 p. m. by Chairman R. N. Hyde. Vice-presidents, J. H. Shepard, T. E. Barton, E. T. Banks, C. S. Ruff, H. H. Lewis, J. M. Ruff, C. S. Stewart, Rev. T. A. Clark, D. Miller, Rev. J. T. Carton, T. Brown, Rev. A. W. White, Jeff Logan, W. M. Coalson and J. D. Reeler.

H. B. S.

The H. B. S. Reading Circle held a very interesting meeting with Mrs. H. H. Lewis. A large, enthusiastic membership was present. The history classes were ably led by Mrs. Barton. Mrs. Wilburn's paper on "Mortality" was one of the finest productions ever read before the circle and was listened to with profound attention. Mrs. Denny's selection was well read and highly enjoyed by all. Mrs. Birney followed by relating a good story on "Husbands and Wives." The Oracle, read by Mrs. Gordon, was full of good thoughts and was highly appreciated. Mrs. Holt's criticisms were to the point. The hostess served dainty refreshments, which closed one of the best meetings in the history of the circle. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Palmer, when, after the lesson in history by Mrs. Bell, and the question box, the circle will devote the remainder of the afternoon to eulogistic services in honor of the late Hon. Frederick Douglass. Mrs. Gordon will read the eulogy and each member will add her tribute.

A. M. E. LITERARY PROGRAM. Open address, W. H. Hanbard; select reading, Miss Josie Rivers; solo, Mrs. Maud Morton; paper, Miss Bessie Stewart; instrumental music by Mr. Jessie Bohanan and others; ten minutes' address, Mr. E. S. Willett; duet, G. I. Holt and C. S. Lewis; instrumental duet, Jackson brothers; solo, Miss Victoria Goodlow; declamation, W. C. Lewis; solo, Miss Eva Robinson; a talk to society, Mr. Jones Emanuel, instrumental music, Renix brothers; journal, by the journalist; critic, Mr. Charles Clark.

MARRIED.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor, of Park street, Wednesday evening, occurred the marriage of Mr. William Strauther and Miss Rosa Williams, Rev. McCravens officiating. The home was neatly arranged, and ready and willing hands assisted in making the occasion a very pleasant affair. The bride and groom are well and favorably known to all. The wedding was made a happy one by the matrimonial voyage with the best wishes of a host of friends. We bespeak for the newly married couple success.

SEWING HEE.

One of the most delightful parties of the season was enjoyed by a coterie of lady friends of Mrs. J. C. Berry, at her pleasant home on Fourth street last Friday afternoon. An old-fashioned sewing bee took place. Misses Alice and Mabel, assisted by Miss Burnaugh and Mr. Berry, served an elaborate luncheon at 6 o'clock, which was highly enjoyed and bright, witty conversation followed. The sewing was done with music, and all left feeling that they had spent an evening of unalloyed pleasure, looking forward to the day when the hostess recalls them to return the sewing as each lady took a piece of the fancy quilt home to finish.

BURNS CHAPEL, M. E. CHURCH.

Des Moines street, between Second and Fourth streets—Services for the Sabbath as follows: Preaching, 10:30 a. m.; subject, "Being Faithful to Duty." We Obtain High Things (Cor., iii. 1): If Ye Then Be Risen With Christ See Those Things Which Are Above." 11:30 a. m., general class; 2:30 p. m., a sermon by one of the ministers of the city. Members and people are respectfully invited to attend this special service. Preaching, 7:30 p. m., Rev. Xing 10: "And I heard a Loud Voice Saying in Heaven, 'Now is Come Salvation and Strength and the Kingdom of Our God and the Power of His Christ.'" A. W. WHITE.

LUMBER TRADE ABUSES.

Action of the Mississippi Valley Association at Minneapolis. Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 28.—The Mississippi Valley Lumber Manufacturers' Association held its annual meeting yesterday in Lumber Exchange Hall. Action was taken adopting a rule for a uniform grading of the output of all mills in the bounds of the association. Inspectors were appointed some time ago and the association gave its official sanction to the plan. Action was also taken regarding freight rates on lumber. A committee was appointed to secure a readjustment of the present schedule, which is regarded as unfair to white pine men of the north. Railroads will be asked to take off a number of obnoxious differentials. The convention also voted for a 50-cent advance in prices.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 22.—Indian appropriation bill came up. House provision to reduce the expenditures for sectarian schools 20 per cent annually was carried. Executive session; adjourned.

HOUSE—House went into committee of the whole on the general deficiency appropriation bill and the day was spent in its consideration.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 23.—An effort to take up the railway pooling bill was defeated, 24 to 43. The Indian appropriation bill was passed. Sundry civil appropriation bill came up. Wolcott presented an amendment authorizing the creation of an American monetary commission to meet foreign countries should they take the initiative in an international monetary conference.

HOUSE—House went into committee of the whole on the deficiency bill and several minor amendments were adopted.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 25.—The belated appropriation bill was up with a prospect of work early and late to complete. The sundry civil bill was then proceeded with expeditiously. The other senate amendments agreed to included: Temporary federal building at Chicago, \$300,000 and beginning of the new government building at Chicago, \$400,000. At 5:35 the senate held an executive session and then adjourned to hold a evening session.

HOUSE—Many members crowded the space in front of the speaker's desk at the opening, pressing for unanimous consent to consider bills. The bill for a bridge across the Illinois river at Hennepin and a number of minor bills passed. The senate amendments to Indian appropriation bill were non-concurred in and the bill sent to conference. The house then in committee of the whole resumed consideration of the general deficiency appropriation bill, and after discussion the bill was passed. Henderson presented the conference report on the postoffice appropriation bill, but without action the house adjourned.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 26.—In the senate the resolution concerning the Mexican free zone was agreed to. The sundry civil bill was taken up, but without disposing of it the senate adjourned.

HOUSE—The postoffice appropriation bill was called up. The labor arbitration bill was also brought up and after discussion the remainder of the day was devoted to eulogies on the life and public services of Philip Sidney Post, of Illinois.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 27.—The consideration of the sundry civil bill was resumed, and without arriving at any conclusion the senate adjourned.

HOUSE—The senate amendment to the joint resolution prohibiting the importation of goods in bond from the United States through the free zone of Mexico, was agreed to. The conference report on the pension bill, reporting agreement on all points, was presented. Several other conference reports were presented and the house adjourned.

SENATE—Washington, Feb. 28.—Senate passed the sundry civil appropriation bill, including the item appropriating over \$5,000,000 for sugar bounties, and a provision for a commission to represent the United States at a monetary convention. The committee on appropriations reported deficiency appropriation bill, leaving only one, the naval, remaining in the committee of the whole. The committee on the "Recent Election Methods of the Democratic Party," which was reported by Hill and others. At 12:25 Friday morning the legislative and executive appropriation bill was passed, and the senate adjourned.

HOUSE—In the house the rush of the closing hours of congress showed itself today in the miscellaneous character of the business transacted. The house, by a vote of 115 to 150 decided to further insist on disagreement to the senate amendment to consular and diplomatic appropriation bill, providing for an Hawaiian cable, and soon after adjourned.

FIRE AT HALIFAX.

Several Government Buildings Destroyed. HALIFAX, N. S., March 1.—Property valued at \$1,000,000 burned a few days ago. All the immigration sheds, wharf offices and other buildings were burned. Several firemen were injured. A heavy wind was blowing and the fire was spreading. Assistance came from Dartmouth. The fire was finally controlled. The government loss six hundred thousand, and the loss on goods in store is four hundred thousand.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Feb. 25, 1895.—United States patents have been allowed to Iowa inventors, during the week, as follows: To M. Flanders, of Hamilton, for a well-drilling apparatus; to Dr. J. T. Robbins, of Newton, for a hot water furnace made almost entirely from short pipe sections that occupy every available space; to Geo. A. Fisher, of Des Moines, assignor of one-half to Marshall Bros., for an improved cylinder printing press; to W. F. Gould, of Des Moines, for a balanced valve. Spitz & Young, of Des Moines, have secured a patent for a mark for cigars, consisting of the print of a black cat with her back up and the word symbol "Hoo-Hoo." Twelve United States patents were issued to Iowa inventors last week. 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.

Prof. Blackie Seriojnly III.

London, March 1.—Prof. John Stuart Blackie, the distinguished author and Greek and Latin scholar, is seriously ill.

Modern Woodmen of America.

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., Feb. 23.—At the meeting of the National Board of Directors of the Modern Woodmen of America, just concluded, very flattering reports were made, showing growth of membership and decrease in the price of insurance. January 1, 1895, the order had \$27,000,000 insurance in force, the average cost being \$4.95 per annum, and the annual cost of management only 25 cents per member, the lowest ever known. The amount paid beneficiaries in 1894 was \$1,250,000. The death rate was less than for five years.

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COFFEE MILLS BURNED.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 24.—The Arbuckle coffee mills have burned. Two hundred and twenty-five girls and fifty men employed in the building were rescued with the greatest difficulty. The loss is \$300,000.

THE DECREE ISSUED.

Catholics and Secret Societies. New York, Feb. 26.—Archbishop Corrigan has sent to every priest in the diocese of New York the following letter:

REVEREND DEAR SIR: A recent decree of the holy office, confirmed by the sovereign pontiff, instructs the bishops of the United States to advise the faithful committed to their charge against affiliation with societies known as Odd Fellows, Sons of Temperance and the Knights of Pythias, with the further injunction that if Catholics, after such admonition, persist in their connection with any of these societies, and will not give up membership therein, they cannot receive the sacraments. The general reasons on account of which it is unlawful for Catholics to join societies forbidden by the church will be found in the third plenary council of Baltimore.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

COLORADO. DENVER, Feb. 24.—Senators Mills and Pease had a row on the floor of the senate over an appointment to a minor clerkship. Mills called Pease a liar, and Pease threw a paperweight, which struck Mills in the side. Mills sprang at Pease, but was met by the latter's son, a committee clerk, who struck him three times, cutting a gash in his face and blacking his eyes. The combatants were separated and the senate appointed a committee to investigate and report who was to blame. The senators are past the prime of life and prominent leaders of the populist party.

INFLUENZA.

An Epidemic of the Disease in London. LONDON, Feb. 25.—Prime Minister Rosebery is confined to his bed with a sharp attack of influenza. The disease is epidemic throughout London. Entire families are affected, and many firms are working with short forces. Three fourths of the members of commons are suffering and several are confined to their homes. A number of schools are compelled to close on account of the illness of the pupils.

Would-be Train Robbers Felled.

AURORA, Mo., Feb. 24.—The Frisco train No. 1, west bound, was held up by three men two miles east of this city. The engineer and firemen were covered with revolvers and marched back to the express car, one of the robbers telling them that if they did not break open the door of the express car they would be killed. The door was opened, but the robbers failed to find anything, as the messenger had eluded them. Not having anything to break open the safe with, the robbers left, disappearing in the darkness.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE.

In the District Court of the State of Iowa and for Polk county. E. M. Engle vs. W. B. Engel. To W. B. Engel.

You are hereby notified that on or before the 15th day of February, 1895, the petition of E. M. Engle will be filed in the office of the clerk of the court of Iowa, in and for Polk county, claiming a divorce from you on the ground of desertion. Unless you appear in a defend before noon of the 24th day of next term, to wit, the 1st day of April, 1895, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon. A. L. STEELE, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF IOWA, ss. POLK COUNTY. Wm. J. Weatherholt vs. Charles L. Warr, Elizabeth Warr and West End Syndicate. 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 Wm. J. Weatherholt, and against Chas. L. Warr, on a judgment rendered by said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1895, wherein it was ordered, adjudged and decreed that the following described property be sold to satisfy said judgment, to-wit: Lots 20 and 21, and twenty-one (21) in block thirty-one (31), in the plat of West End, in the city of Des Moines, now included in the corporate limits of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa.

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that unless the said defendant appear at my office in Des Moines, on or before the 10th day of February, 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 debt, with interest and costs, 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. DEBARAUGH, Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa. By G. W. MATTER, Deputy. Sheriff's Office, Des Moines, Iowa. Dated this 10th publication, February 15, 1895. Printer's fees, \$7.50.

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