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That distinguished little woman of brains, culture and bravery, Miss Ida B. Wells, lectured in St. Joe Monday on "Negro Inequality."

Hampton's colored and Indian school celebrated its 37th anniversary Thursday, May 23, with very impressive ceremonies and a brighter future than ever.

The woman's edition of The State, Columbia, S. C., was a gem of thought and fully demonstrated the fact that no race of men can rise above its women.

There has been a new journal started in Kansas City, Mo., called the "Kansas City Cor.erator." It is newsy and sparkling like a jewel. We wish the enterprise success.

Monday the convention of Negroes convened at Kansas City, Mo., the object of which was to discuss the race problem and to devise ways and means to obliterate race prejudice.

The Columbia (S. C.) Female Seminary and college for women held graduating exercises last week. The hundreds of bright, intelligent and cultured young ladies from the seminaries are in a great sense looked upon as the guardian angels of our republic.

Dr. Majoe is authority for the following mortuary reports of Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, as regards the ratio of the two races: Louisiana, white per 1,000 inhabitants, 21.40; colored, 25.44. Mississippi, white, 20.09; colored, 23.05. Texas, white, 19.10; colored, 29.50. Since Negro physicians have become general the death roll has decreased 20 per cent.

The Republican, of Seattle, Wash., is cut in a new dress, and presents a much improved appearance. This fact shows that its able editor, Mr. H. R. Cayton, is enterprising as well as prosperous. He says "a colored man will do just as well as the whitest Caucasian under favorable conditions and circumstances." This is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Omaha Enterprise: Our minds are given us, but our characters we make. Our mental powers must be cultivated. The full measure of all powers necessary to make a man are no more a character than a handful of seeds is an orchard of fruits, but plant the seeds and tend them well and they will make an orchard. Cultivate the powers and harmonize them well and they will make a noble character.

We are in receipt of the premium list for the Iowa State fair which will be held in Des Moines on September 6 to 13. It promises to be one of the best exhibits held for many years. We hope that the Negroes of Iowa will take more interest in these annual exhibits and make as good and as large a showing as possible. Newton and Ottumwa people had some nice handiwork on exhibition a few years ago and captured several prizes. Let the

young men and women the farmers and all others prepare something for the fair. Let the people of Iowa know that the Negroes of this state are advancing along the various lines of improvement.

We have been employed at one place in this city for the past eight or nine years and there has been but a single applicant of a colored youth who desired to learn the trade. Mr. J. A. Vaughn has been a carpenter in this city for many years. He is an excellent workman. He has not had a single application of a colored apprentice. There are dozens of places where colored boys can learn trades if they desired and had the honesty and industry and perseverance necessary to accomplish anything in this world.

Following is a quotation from Dennis S. Thompson's Kansas City talk on "We Must Go Forward and Not Backward." "While we are discussing emigration to Africa and every other thing known to mankind, we should by no means live in ignorance of the fact that, although a great number of our people are emigrating, there will always be the greater number in this country, and we should employ the best methods possible to enlighten and elevate our people. It might be well to add that those people who look upon the Negro as incapable of mental development and unfit for moral improvements and responsible positions, are sadly mistaken and laboring under some form of insanity. We can by no means expect to go backward, so it is evident that some one must continue to keep things moving. We notice, however, only a difference exists among our people and other nationalities; while we discern a disposition on the part of other races to give the younger generation a chance to do something, the older men of our race are just to the reverse; they stand in the way of others and will not do anything themselves."

The attempt to establish a co-operative store should not fail. It is something that is needed and is a practical solution of a vexing question. The idea that such a store should equal the large store in the city in amount of stock and capital and clerical force should be thrust aside. The mammoth oak tree is the growth of many years and springs from an acorn. Men who have been failures in business enterprises of their own and are known to be dishonest cannot possibly make such an enterprise successful. Men of known integrity in business and social life and who are morally and mentally sound are needed to give confidence and unite those who have means to invest. We have plenty of such men. The Negroes of Des Moines have been waiting for outside influence to better their condition. Try and see if something cannot be done in this direction by every member taking an active interest in co-operation in all laudable enterprises.

The decision of Judge Goff, in the South Carolina case, has been reversed by the United States court of appeals. The registration law stands and the constitution cannot be abrogated by any state. Chief Justice Fallerton (dem.) and Judge Simonton (dem.) were of the court of appeals with Judge Goff. The registration law was planned by Robert Toombs, an unreconstructed rebel who, with Jeff Davis, would not become a citizen of the United States even under the general amnesty law. Bob-Toombs claims that the government of the United States owes him an apology. This decision by the court is very discouraging to the Negroes, but greater obstacles have been overcome and crushed. We hope that the doctrine that a man is a citizen of the United States before he is a citizen of any state will soon be recognized as a sound principle and that no technicalities in law will allow an abrogation of any part of the constitution.

MISSOURI NEGRO CONVENTION. The Negroes of Missouri held a convention in Kansas City on June 10. There were 150 delegates present. The convention was called to order by J. Silas Harris, of Kansas City. Nelson C. Crews was made temporary chairman. The mayor of the city delivered a welcome address. There were several subjects discussed in an able manner, "Negro Citizenship," "Negro Churches and What They Are Doing," "Secret Organizations," "Crime and Punishment," "Politics and Political Parties," "Farming and Mechanical Trades," "Homes as How They May Be Increased and Bettered." These subjects were discussed by many. A long set of resolutions were adopted. The question of morality was entirely ignored in the discussion and it is the very foundation of all societies and all organizations, and the Negroes of Missouri or any other state can not ignore it with safety as to its permanency. The convention desires all states to follow its example and hold state meetings. It did not seem to be aware of the fact that Iowa has had annual meetings for the past three years and will have a larger session than ever before on July 3 and 4 of the present year. A permanent organization was effected by the Missouri Negroes and we hope it will grow in interest and usefulness.

Facilis Decensus. "I am told that it is very easy to get a divorce in this country," said the visiting Englishman. "The first step is undoubtedly easy," replied the American. "What is that?" asked the Englishman, as he produced a notebook and pencil. "Getting married."

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

FORT DODGE ITEMS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Rev. Burton goes to Ottumwa Tuesday to meet the Sunday School Convention.

There is one colored graduate in Iowa Falls—Mr. Will Ricks. A very enjoyable time was had at Mrs. Joseph Kennett's residence Monday evening. Ice cream and cake were served.

The number of colored scholars in our schools is seven. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Houston gave a reception in honor of the Renix Bros. Friday evening.

BOONE NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Miss Eva Heywood has gone to Clinton.

Mrs. Turner is on the sick list. Mrs. Harris is the mother of a fine daughter. Samuel Johnson has gone to Clinton. Miss Georgia Lewis, of Webster City, is making a short visit in the city.

George A. Brown will give a select picnic June 21, his 29th birthday. The Children's Day exercises were held in the church Sunday. All present enjoyed the program.

The Y. L. S. C. gave a festival Tuesday at the church.

CEDAR RAIDS NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Mrs. G. H. Wade left Monday night for Davenport to attend the convention and spend a few days, the guest of Mrs. Tillman.

Misses Mary Rhodes and Belle Cary, of Muchakinoek, are in the city. Miss Mary Allen, of Tipton, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Greenwood on Seventh street.

Rev. Wade left Saturday for Muscatine, thence to Davenport to attend the convention and district conference. Rev. Thomas filled the pulpit of the A. M. E. church Sunday.

There are quite a number of strangers in our city now. We are glad to see them. Mrs. Henry Martin has been quite sick, but is better now.

Mrs. Wm. Davis left Tuesday morning for Keokuk to attend the Grand Court.

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. The lawn social at Mrs. Cartwright's last Wednesday night was a grand success. There was a large attendance and all enjoyed the evening.

Harry Bolden was in our city last week to attend the funeral of his stepfather, Mr. Edmunds.

Rev. J. W. Washington, of Malcomb, Ill., was in our city last Sunday and preached an able sermon Sunday night at Mt. Olive Baptist church.

Rev. J. W. Barnett is expected in our city soon with his stereopticons. There will be a festival at the Mt. Olive Baptist church Thursday night for the benefit of sending the delegate to the Sunday School Convention at Ottumwa.

There was a festival at Mrs. J. Wilson's last Monday evening, given by the Esther Court.

The Children's Day exercises at both churches were grand. William Shackelford is delegate to the Olive Baptist Sunday School Convention.

A CARD OF THANKS.—We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement. Mrs. Lucy Edmunds and Family.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Rev. Johns, of Muchakinoek, was a visitor at the parsonage Monday.

Mrs. Julia Smith is but little if any better. The Children's Day exercises at the A. M. E. church were pleasantly, indeed. All were made glad by the happy voices of the children.

George Jackson, of Sigourney, was in the city Monday. His sister Grace, has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Black returned with him the same day.

A. G. Clark went to Ottumwa Saturday and returned Monday. Miss Dora Smith, of Mt. Pleasant, is in the city and will be the piano accompanist at the cantata, "Queen Ester," to be given at the opera house June 25th.

Messrs. Crump and Martin, of Hedrick, were in the city Monday. Sunday, June 10th, is quarterly meeting at A. M. E. church. Rev. Harrison, presiding elder, will be present, also Rev. Walton, of Carbonado.

Master Varian Jones went to Lacey Wednesday to visit at the Williams home. He went alone. Rev. Jones and wife were entertained at tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hall Saturday.

The Wesley chapel will hold their baptizing at Riverside park Sunday, June 16th. The "Old Folks" concert Tuesday night was a grand success. They were greeted by a well filled house. Aunt Eliza Warren was the leading character. The plantation songs were well rendered. They wish to thank the public for their liberal patronage.

Rev. Jones and wife, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Williams visited at Carbonado one day last week. Subscribe for THE BYSTANDER.

MUCHAKINOCK NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Road Supervisor F. B. McDowell, was up early Monday morning looking up the boys to work the road. He is just the man for that business.

A burglar entered Mike Bronon's house the other night and stole his wife's dress and was caught by Constable A. E. Cary and taken before Justice J. H. McDowell and given fifteen days in the county jail.

Sam Mappin, of Carbonado, was in Muchakinoek visiting Mrs. Lucy Willis last Friday.

Mrs. Ben Scott left for Des Moines Tuesday evening. Charlie Coleman left for Chicago Monday where he expects to make his home.

Mrs. Ned Robertson, who has been sick for some time, was taken worse Monday night.

J. H. McDowell went to Oskaloosa Tuesday on business. Rev. Clark and wife was in Muchakinoek Tuesday visiting their brother, John E. Williams.

H. A. Armstrong, while repairing his well, fell over and saved himself by holding on to a board and hanging by his toes until Mr. Kit Lewis came to his assistance. He would have fallen thirty feet with his head downward.

Walker Reasby was arrested Thursday by constable Cary for an assault with intent to commit murder, on one Dock White, with a rock weighing about seven pounds which fractured his skull. He is not expected to recover.

Miss Mary Rhodes and Miss Belloro Cary left for Cedar Rapids Friday to make their future home.

Mr. William Lewis, of Carbonado, was in Muchakinoek Saturday. S. B. McDowell and J. E. Harris went to Carbonado Sunday.

SIOUX CITY NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander.

Mrs. Morgan (nee Cook) is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Taylor. I wish all our boys and girls in pursuit of knowledge could have attended the closing exercises at the high school last Friday night and heard above all else that oration on the subject of "The Humble Origin of Great Men." Human thought could not have been more beautifully presented.

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WILL GO SURE JUNE 19.

The Event of Events Grows in Interest and we Will Properly Celebrate.

Hundreds Are Going—Accommodations for All—Leave at 7 a. m. Return at 10 p. m.

ALL ABOARD.

The union excursion, with all its paraphernalia, will leave Des Moines at 7 a. m. June 19, and leave Savannah, Mo., at 10 p. m. Everything for the accommodation and amusement of the excursionists will be in readiness and nothing other than a grand good time and a day of recreation is expected.

Ball playing, boat riding, fishing, speaking, foot racing and many other amusements are promised. The train will be joined by delegations all along the line. Don't fail to go. You can stop work for one day. The event will be the greatest ever leaving this city. Save your money and don't be disappointed.

PAY YOUR DEBTS.

During the past year we have sent THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER to many people at their request. We have not received the pay for the past year and the coming year is now over due. We hope all will see to this matter at once.

If you desire the paper to succeed, pay what you owe. If your kind words wish for success mean anything, pay the paper what you owe it. If you desire more news and a larger paper, pay what you owe. If you desire that the Negroes of Des Moines shall establish new enterprises, support the one you have by paying your honest debt to it. A white gentleman who was under no other obligation to the IOWA STATE BYSTANDER only that of a strong personal friendship for the men who established it, gave the business manager \$10 and said, "send that number of copies to colored persons who are unable to pay for the same."

An ex-servant of Cass county, Iowa, entered through the second basement window, where the latch is broken. Who knows but that Garvey, the tramp who seemingly through ignorance wandered into Mrs. Astor's house and went to sleep in one of the servant's rooms, was in reality directed through some such message as this pictured on the Astor fence? The fraternity which has developed this sign language to such a high degree of perfection show considerable ingenuity in its design, but no attempt is made at accuracy of drawing, as that would attract attention.

The sign-pictures of the burglars are made to look as much like the rude scrawls of school boys as possible. From the notebook of the amateur Sherlock Holmes some of these burglars' sign-pictures are herewith produced. It will be seen that they convey accurate information about the interior arrangements of the houses, which could only be obtained either through a spy in the guise of a beggar, who had gained entrance or through some of the servants. Three figures were found scrawled on the gateway of one house. The information thus pictorially conveyed was to the effect that the house was tenanted by a lady, one woman servant and a boy page. That he was a boy page was indicated by buttons on his coat, and the servant was indicated by a short skirt, dotted to resemble a print dress. Another picture in the notebook of the amateur Sherlock Holmes was more easily deciphered, as it showed merely a fierce bulldog guarding the house, a warning to all members of the fraternity. The next sign, taken from a house in the suburbs, was more mysterious and complicated, but upon study it finally resolved itself into the announcement that the man who lived there went out to business at 9 in the morning and returned at 6 in the evening.

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To the practiced eye of the amateur Sherlock Holmes, however, the meaning of this sign-picture on a street corner was plain, as it indicated that a house in that neighborhood had been examined as to its burglarious possibilities, and that within a very short time a robbery attempt might be looked for. Don't get frightened when you see chalk-marks on your front stoop or

DEATH TO HYPOCRITES. The boy preacher, Montrose Thornton, caused quite a sensation in Muscatine some time ago, and now comes a preacher named Perry Thurman of Springfield, Ill., who has been placed under \$1,000 bonds for criminal assault upon a woman. It is understood that he has had a long and checkered career, but luck has been on his side. The people of Iowa have long suffered at the hands of men who claimed to be followers of God, and THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER will soon give a short review of the crimes of Negro ministers in this state. Good homes have been wrecked by them and good men and ministers have suffered by such associations. Many people seem to hold to the idea that it is not necessary for a minister to be a man. It is erroneous. Man comes first, and if one is not a man he should not be a minister. We have to-day in the city of Des Moines a Negro minister who is a thief, a libertine and a general all-around scoundrel, who should be hung or in the penitentiary for life. Yet he is alleged to be a "child" of God, has a license to preach after being expelled from church for an immoral crime, and marries people and arises in Sunday school on the Sabbath day and points out the way to God to innocent children and to good, true and lovable women and girls. There is no use in parading a criminal before the youth who attend Sabbath schools, for the good reason that it gives them the wrong conception of what constitutes a man and a teacher. They know of his evil life and at first are surprised, but later become accustomed to it and may follow his example. There is no objection to any man reforming, but there is serious objection to making heroes of every libertine, thief and hypocrite. Such a man should begin at the foot of the ladder, if he can reach even that point. We will have more to say later. The hypocrites must take their proper places in Negro society if it would improve.

NOTICE. There will be a meeting of the Afro-American Protective association at the court house next Wednesday. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. Business of great importance is to be discussed.

WAYS OF THE WICKED

SIGN PICTURES IN USE BY BURGLARS.

What Chalk Marks on the Front Stoop or Area Gate Mean—Not the Rude Scrawls of Boys—Leaves from a Notebook

THE AMATEUR Sherlock Holmes has added another note-book which records the significance of trifles that are important clues to the doings of the criminal class.

Spots of ink, cigar ashes, marks on the finger and the parrot's beak after truth as revealing times, places and occurrences in which people may have been engaged. There is a whole literature on the muds of New York and vicinity, their color and consistency and the various degrees of atmospheric moisture under which they will be reduced to a fluid state, while toothpicks and matches as characteristics of various restaurants and localities are full of meaning, says a New York exchange. Now it appears, by what the amateur Sherlock Holmes has been revealing in a moment of confidence, that the dead walls of New York, stoop of houses, basement entrances and area gateways are the sign-posts of the criminal classes, and that what look like the rude scrawls of boys are in reality the secret symbols by which burglars communicate with each other. Chalk marks under the edge of one of your front steps may mean that your house has been spotted and will be broken into on a certain date. A rude drawing on the area railings may to the enlightened eye of the initiated mean: "This man has a burglar alarm on his second-story windows and keeps a revolver under his pillow, but the silver is in the butler's pantry on the first floor and the house may be entered through the second basement window, where the latch is broken."

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INSANITY AND THE CAUSE. It is estimated that the number of insane persons in the United States is 168,900. Causes of insanity.—Hereditary, 24 per cent; drink, 14 per cent; business, 12 per cent; loss of friends, 11 per cent; sickness, 10 per cent; various, 29 per cent. This result is the medium average arrived at by Muhlhal on comparing the returns for the United States, England, France and Denmark.

CURRENCY. Perhaps the Vassar girls who are now learning to row and play ball will finally get muscular enough to handle a broom. Bismarck says he cannot spell because he was lazy at school. But if he had been any more industrious he might have depopulated Europe.

John LaFarge, whom France has signally honored, is reported to fill an entire room with his art work at the Champ de Mars Salon, is sixty years old, though he looks younger. Since the death of Inness he has been the dean of American artists.

Mr. Howells remarked recently that he knew only two American women who smoked cigarettes. Concerning this the editor of the Critic says: "These two have confessed to me, and they say that there is a third whom Mr. Howells knows quite well, but whom he has evidently not caught in the act as yet. Her time will surely come, though."

In a letter written in 1893 and only recently published Robert Louis Stevenson says that as a youth he wrote so good a hand that his landladies would say, "Ah, no wonder they pay you for that." Then writer's cramp seized upon him, and his hand became so bad as to puzzle his friends; but the printers for the first time began to send him "clean" proofs.

FACTS BOILED DOWN. Trolley cars are to be introduced in Cairo, Egypt. Ten editors are members of the English parliament. There are 25 women running country papers in Kansas.

The White House of the confederacy is now used for a colored schoolhouse. The estimated population of the world in January, 1895, was 1,500,000,000. All officers in the Austro-Hungarian cavalry must hereafter learn telegraphy.

There are springs of fresh water in the Persian gulf that furnish supplies to vessels. In India, it is said, the native barber will shave you while you sleep, so light is his touch.

Two thousand patents have been taken out in this country on the manufacture of paper alone. The deepest well on our Atlantic coast is that at the silk works near Northampton, Mass.; depth, 3,700 feet. Endeavors are being made in England to establish the Sabbath year, one year's rest in seven, for school teachers.

The new photograph of the heaven which is being prepared by London, Berlin and Parisian astronomers, shows 6,800,000 stars.

area gateway. The probabilities are that they are merely the idiotic scrawls of boys. At the same time examine them closely and if they seem to point to burglarious intent or design it might not be a bad idea to report the matter to the police. The latter will probably laugh at you among themselves, having not yet developed many Sherlock Holmes propensities, but the fact that the signs have been noticed will, in some mysterious way, soon be known to the criminals, and those enterprising gentry may be frightened off.

A TINY SAN FRANCISCO BABY.

Just About as Big as a Half Column of the Examiner When Six Weeks Old.

San Francisco has a miniature baby that is a more remarkable specimen of minute humanity than even the diminutive Cranford, N. J., baby that created interest hereabout last March. The Cranford baby weighed two and a quarter pounds when born, and after two weeks old was thirteen inches long and weighed three and a half pounds. The San Francisco baby was six weeks old on April 24 and was

If they do not exercise more care it is to be apprehended that Messrs. Corbett and Fitzsimmons will some time meet by accident.

Any criminals that get in the way of that Indiana postmaster who wants to be a detective will be promptly sent to the dead letter office.

The alleged decrease in the visible supply of wheat is no greater than the decrease in the visible supply of cash in the possession of the bears.

The Yale-Harvard athletic contests appear to have reached the basis of professional sporting events. The ablest letter writer will win.

What profited it a man to be born in the White House and die a pauper? That is the sad fate which has overtaken a grandson of President Tyler.

In the bath scene in "Charlotte Corday" Mrs. James Brown-Potter accidentally stabbed Kyle Bellew. Have the other methods of advertising failed?

And now comes a family which has been blessed with one more than triplets, and the fond parents have named the fourth one Groveretta. This naming fad ought to be checked.

Russian journals are still in mourning for the czar. They will continue to surround their front page with a border of black until a year shall have elapsed from the date of his death.

There is probably nothing in the story that Queen Victoria is contemplating early abdication. The old lady finds it just as easy to sit around and be queen as to sit around and not be queen.

Harvard has been beaten this year at base ball, athletics, trap shooting and other kinds of sport, but has come out as well as ever in literary contests with rival colleges. After all, however, young men are supposed to go to college for literary purposes, not for athletics, and Harvard men should not be downcast.

An Oklahoma convict who was nearly dead with lung disease, having been given the liberty of the penitentiary corridors at Guthrie, pried open the doors with an iron bar and made his escape. These prison convicts will stand a great deal of watching. In default of pardon they usually manage to slip out in some other way.

A teacher in a Russian university, and quite a famous man at that, has been banished from the school and from the country because he would not cut his hair. There was no appeal and he had to go. Russian tonsorial artists are now having the order printed in large letters, framed and hung up in their studios. And we might add that, owing to the rush of business, the price of hair cuts has advanced.

One of the attorneys who argued the income tax case before the supreme court gives the opinion that while the decision does not affect the income tax of war times, "those who paid the tax before it was due in order to go to Europe or elsewhere without making a protest will not be able to secure its return, as the payment was in the nature of a voluntary one."

It is said that a certain Swedish copper mine has been worked without interruption for 800 years, and is estimated to have had a total yield in eight centuries of 1,200,000 tons, worth at the average value of \$28 per ton—more than \$32,000,000. A record of its production shows that the output was 1,336 metric tons in 1633, reaching a maximum of 3,455 tons in 1650, and slowly decreasing since 1890, being 271 tons in 1891.

It is in a lugubrious tone that some of the leading papers of Europe are telling a new and interesting story in regard to Japan. They have suddenly reached the conviction that the little empire is as smooth in diplomacy as she is pulsant in war. According to the European authorities referred to, the powers have been induced to play Japan's own game and now that they have been victimized see how the shells were worked. They say that the empire expected interference so soon as its terms of peace were announced and arranged its stipulations with a view to having them interfered with just as they were. Japan gets a big pay in return for a comparatively small amount of territory which she used as a decoy, and is to remain in control of that territory until the debt is paid. With such real estate security she is not liable to push the debtor, and the wise old governments of Europe are rubbing their eyes to take another look at this precious upstart that so cleverly took them in at the first attempt.

Every multi-millionaire certifies that riches do not bring happiness. There can be no doubt that dodging taxes is a harassing sort of business, easy as it seems to people whose lot is to have no taxes to dodge.

When an advertiser who seeks publicity for his goods through the medium of almanacs and pamphlets wants a little complimentary notice printed in regard to the same he does not apply to the publishers of other almanacs and pamphlets, but to the editor of a regular newspaper.

Nicaragua is bound to have some kind of a fight to give vent to its feelings. Great Britain was a few sizes too large for it, but Costa Rica is not, and there is every indication of another Central American conflict. It is a pity that some way cannot be found to repress the belligerency of those little spoiling for nations.

There will be thirty newspaper men in the next congress, and it is dollars to doughnuts that they keep the secrets of the committee room better than the other fellows.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

SENATION AT THE BLUFFS.

Suicide of a Hospital Nurse—A Policeman Responsible.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, June 14.—Maude Veerrier, a very handsome and well educated young girl, aged 19, is dead by her own hand. She was a student nurse at the Woman's Christian Association hospital, and had been connected with the institution for ten months. She was of bright and happy disposition, and was a universal favorite. She had asked permission of the matron to go to her room and rest for an hour. Later she was discovered in an unconscious condition from an overdose of morphia, and died in spite of the united efforts of a dozen physicians. Absolutely no cause could be assigned for self destruction until it was discovered that she had been meeting clandestinely a policeman. The matter has created such a feeling on the part of the ladies that they have made a demand upon the mayor for the dismissal of the police officer.

BETTER THAN NO BREAD. Boone County Miners Will Return to Work.

BOONE, June 12.—The 400 coal miners at Fraser, in Boone county, have settled with the Boone Valley Coal & Railroad Company and will return to work at the rate of 80 cents per ton. This is the price offered them by the operators on April 1 and refused. They were allowed to work temporarily at the old scale pending a settlement, but this not having been done, after 60 days they were locked out. Meanwhile a committee of miners at the expense of the company had visited the other mining districts of the state and upon their return reported that no reduction asked for by the operators was necessary in order that the Boone section might compete in the coal business. The men then went to work. The other mines of Boone county are still idle, but it is believed all the men will accept the new scale very soon.

VICTORY FOR THE VETERANS. Soldiers' Home Commission Enjoined From Appropriating Pensions.

MARSHALLTOWN, June 14.—Judge Hindman has issued an injunction restraining the commissioners and commandant of the Iowa Soldiers' Home from appropriating any part of the pensions of its members until further orders of the court. The order is the result of an action brought against the board of trustees by a number of veterans for the purpose of abrogating the rule adopted three years ago that all pensions in excess of \$6 per month be withheld and sent to dependent relatives or carried into the general support fund. This litigation has precipitated one of the liveliest ructions that ever occurred in the institution, and trouble has evidently but fairly begun. Both sides are determined to fight the case to the last resort.

CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS. Supreme Court Takes a Hand in the Keokuk Case.

IOWA CITY, June 13.—Judge Robinson, of the supreme court, has issued a writ of certiorari requiring Judge Joseph C. Burke, of the superior court of Keokuk, to certify up his record to the supreme court in the matter of his order punishing the state board of medical examiners for contempt. A hearing was had on motion of the Keokuk College of Physicians and Surgeons to quash the writ of certiorari, which was overruled. The application of the state board of examiners for a stay of proceedings in the superior court was denied. This leaves the matter open in the superior court of Keokuk. The hearing was before Judge Robinson, who called in Judges Kinne and Deemer.

WORSE AND WORSE. Investigations of the Pella Bank Failure Show Liabilities of \$213,000.

DES MOINES, June 14.—It is learned that the half has not yet been told of the failure of the First National bank at Pella and of E. R. Cassatt, under arrest in Des Moines awaiting the action of the United States grand jury. The impression has gone abroad that the total liabilities growing out of the failure amounted to about \$63,000. The facts are that this represents the liabilities of the bank alone, and that the total liabilities of Cassatt and the bank are nearly \$313,000.

SALOONS KNOCKED OUT. Judge Spurrier Issues Injunctions Against Des Moines Saloonkeepers.

DES MOINES, June 14.—Judge Spurrier has granted the injunction against the saloon run by Pressman, and this will at once be followed by injunctions against all other saloons in the city unless the supreme court interferes.

POWESHIEK COUNTY TRAGEDY. John Rutherford Probably Fatally Shot by E. R. Hanson.

GUNNELL, June 12.—John Rutherford was probably fatally shot by E. R. Hanson at Oak Grove, six miles south. A business difficulty of long standing existed. Hanson says he had provoked. It is stated that school children saw Hanson go to Rutherford's house and when Rutherford appeared, he fired three shots. Rutherford has two wounds, in his mouth and in his abdomen. Hanson drove to Gunnell immediately and surrendered himself to Esquire Chafee.

TRAMPS ARRESTED. Burlington, June 12.—Two tramps who answer to the description of the men who shot and killed a constable at Charlton, were arrested at Burlington while beating their way through the city on a freight train. They were armed, but made no resistance. The names given were evidently assumed. Officers are on the way to identify them. The tramps eluded them at Mt. Pleasant, but officers at Burlington were wired and awaited the arrival of the train.

IOWA CROPS.

First Monthly Bulletin Indicates Generally Good Conditions.

DES MOINES, June 12.—The first monthly bulletin of the Iowa crop service says: "All crops suffered to some extent from the freezing temperature in May, but the greatest damage was done to grapes, garden truck and small fruits. The summarized reports of correspondents, made June 1, shows the following average of conditions: Winter wheat, 82 per cent; spring wheat, 94; corn, 93; oats, 98; rye, 89; barley, 93; timothy, 73; clover, 89; millet, 93; flax, 99; broom corn, 93; Irish potatoes, 93; sweet potatoes, 88; apples, 64; plums, 64; grapes, 30; blackberries, 57; strawberries, 40; cherries, 60. Meadows are rated at 69 and pastures at 80 per cent."

CONDENSED ITEMS. Isaac Dickerson is now on trial at Gienwood for wrecking the Cass County Bank.

A first-class law school has been organized at Des Moines. It gives a thorough course, leading to the degree of LL.B. Write P. S. McNutt for catalogue.

If your shoes or their fit don't suit you, send to Ingalls-Chapman Co., Des Moines, for handsome catalogue from which you can order intelligently. Shoes delivered free of expense.

The Iowa State and National Association of Expert Judges of Swine held a convention at Des Moines and elected W. W. McClung, of Waterloo, president, and W. M. Lambing, of West Liberty, secretary.

At the great June trotting meeting at Des Moines, Joe Patchen (28th) will go a fast mile on the 19th; Jno. R. Gentry (2:03 1/2), the world's fastest stallion, on the 19th; Robert J. (2:01 1/2), the fastest horse that ever lived, on the 20th. One far round trip on all railroads.

Des Moines now has a manufactory and plating plant. The Kenyon-Cooper Bicycle Co. is doing bicycle repairing, remodeling special wheels for racing purposes, etc., fine machine work, model making, stamping, baked enameling, nickel plating, copper plating or oxidizing, bronzing, lacquering, etc.

The delegates to the Iowa State Sunday school convention at Ida Grove June 18-20, will have a special car with streamers the entire length inscribed, "Iowa State Sunday School Convention Car." Will leave Des Moines via C. & N. W. Tuesday, June 18, at 9:25 a. m. Delegates that go via Des Moines, Ames or Jewell Junction are asked to join and have a good time on the way as well as at the convention.

Creston dispatch: The preliminary examination of George E. Metcalf, charged with robbing the American Express Company and the C. E. & Q. of \$100 while acting as joint agent for these companies at Thayer, has been continued until June 24th, the defense asking for the continuance, desiring to get witnesses from Kentucky, where Metcalf claims that he was born. The man employed at Thayer went by the name of Neal Florence, but the company claim that Metcalf is the man. The case is being bitterly contested and is creating great interest. The accused is a Knight Templar.

A dastardly attempt was made ten miles east of Kellogg a few nights ago to wreck the east-bound Denver limited train on the C. R. I. & P. The train was going at a reasonable speed when it suddenly struck a rail from which twelve spikes and the fish plates at both ends had been removed, and laid under the rail which was thus raised several inches out of line with the connecting rail, undoubtedly for the purpose of derailing and wrecking the train. The engine and tender jolted over the misplaced rail without leaving the track, but the baggage and mail car left the rail and was shunted around diagonally. The engine brought the train to a stop within a distance of 100 feet. No clue.

An important criminal capture was made a few days ago in the town of Maynard. One of the most notorious and desperate gangs of thieves in the country are now in jail at West Union awaiting trial. No doubt they are the gang that robbed the jewelry store at Fayette of \$8,000 worth of stock recently. During the past thirteen years they have existed as a gang of thieves and successfully plundered stores of all kinds. Many safe robberies in the vicinity during past years are now credited to them. The police fell upon the leader, Sam Smith, and he, in despair, implicated Jud Paig, N. Smith, Al Rich and Fred Conrad. None of the gang have toiled in many years, but have lived entirely from their plunder. Heretofore all were supposed to bear good reputations, all being supposed good citizens and above their present condition. Keys were found on the premises of the leader of the gang fitting the locks of almost every business house in town. Many improved burglar tools were also discovered.

Judge Spurrier, of Polk county has decided that the mule law is invalid in Des Moines. The grounds are that the petition upon which the mule law was raised is fraudulent; does not contain sufficient names; and was not compiled and prepared in accordance with the provisions of the mule law. The prohibition law is now in effect and saloon men are liable to prosecution for all liquor sold. The bar is removed. The saloon men will probably ask for a rehearing. The matter will be taken to the supreme court.

Creston dispatch: Neise Miller and his father, who were robbed of \$5,000 on a "Q" train between Albia and Ottumwa a few days ago, went to Albia, where they found a man who had been arrested charged with the theft. It appears, however, that the man had found the pocketbook by the side of the railroad tracks with \$4,700 worth of securities, but no money, and had turned it over to the authorities. The man was released, as it was clearly shown that he was innocent, the thief having taken the money, \$800, and thrown the pocketbook from the train.

THE WORLD IN GENERAL

FOSTER'S FAT FEE.

Said to Have Received \$100,000 For His Services to China.

CHICAGO, June 13.—A special from Washington says: "John W. Foster, former secretary of state, who has been the counsel for China in the negotiations with Japan, has cabled that his work is completed, that China has negotiated her loan and that he expects to be in Washington by July 1. It is said that the negotiations of China from the outset to the end have been dictated and conducted by Mr. Foster. It has been ascertained also that by reason of his extended acquaintance in Russia, which he formed when United States minister there, he was enabled to secure for China the endorsement of the Russian government of the Chinese loan. With this endorsement it was possible for China to negotiate the loan in Paris, which was done. In the history of the world's diplomacy it has probably never before occurred that a foreigner has been given to such an extent the confidence of another government. It is ascertained that the Chinese government acted in strict accordance with the advice of Mr. Foster on every subject. The fee of Mr. Foster is said to be \$100,000."

BIG CROP OF SUGAR BEETS. An Immense Yield Expected by the Nebraska Farmers.

OMAHA, June 14.—Sugar beet fields at Grand Island and Norfolk are in splendid condition and promise an immense yield. The same is true of fields at Arlington and other points. At Norfolk the acreage is largely in excess of former years and the crop is in advance of the season. Fields are in fine condition. At Grand Island the acreage is double that of former years and will approximate 4,000 acres. Fields have never been more promising. Factory owners anticipate a larger output for the state than ever before, as there are a greater number of individual planters.

PAPAL SUCCESSION. Growing Possibilities That the New Pope Will Not Be Italian.

LONDON, June 14.—The Rome correspondent of the Standard telegraphs that it is announced there that the papal nuncios at Paris, Lisbon, Madrid and Vienna will be created cardinals. The news causes much interest in vatican circles, because it will disturb the equilibrium of the preponderance of Italian cardinals in the sacred college. The pope, in announcing the fact, said: "We hope thus to create a position more in conformity to papal interests in the world and to furnish the sacred college with the means to successfully surmount the difficult and delicate period of our succession."

A CRUEL CAPTAIN. The Master of the "Why Not" Abandons the Passengers.

PARIS, June 13.—A dispatch to the Figaro from St. Brieux says the police of Erguy are keeping the captain of the British vessel "Why Not" under surveillance and it is probable that he will be arrested on the charge of abandoning his burning ship on the high seas with her passengers on board. The "Why Not" had 20 passengers, all French, who were driven ashore at Erguy. Nineteen of them were saved and one was drowned in attempting to land.

VERY FEEBLE. The Czarevitch Now Has Only One Lung.

NEW YORK, June 14.—A dispatch from Berlin says: It is reported that Grand Duke George of Russia, the czarowitz, now has but one lung remaining. The physicians in attendance declare that a catastrophe is inevitable, though they are unable to say how far his life may be prolonged.

THE ADVANCE IN LEATHER. The immense advance in the price of the hides and leather is causing a great deal of comment. W. B. Bentley, of the firm of Bentley & Olmsted, of Des Moines, one of the largest wholesale shoe houses in the west, in speaking of the remarkable condition of the market, said: "Nothing like this advance has ever before been known in the leather business. Some kinds of hides have advanced 150 per cent in the last few months, while leather which sold last summer at 8 cents is now 15 cents, and sole leather which sold at 21 cents is now 36 to 38 cents, and going higher. As there is undoubtedly a real scarcity, prices of leather must rise higher for some time to come. It has been reported that our factory at West Pullman is closed. This is incorrect. On the contrary, it is turning out over 2,000 pairs of shoes daily. Having purchased a large amount of leather before the advance, we have been able to continue selling at lower prices than we could have done otherwise."

Another Way. "Anna, your lover was again in the kitchen till 10 o'clock last night. I cannot allow that any more." "I too, have been thinking if we couldn't have supper a little earlier."

Needed Winding. Man with watch (handing it over)—"It isn't three weeks since you cleaned and overhauled this watch, and it's out of order again. It won't go." Watchmaker (examining it, winding it up, and handing it back)—"That's all it needed."

Man with watch goes away in a towering rage, and watchmaker loses a customer.

A Passing Pucker. A tear clung for an instant to her curling lash. Her lip quivered. "I have quarreled with my husband." "I thought you were two minds with but a single thought."

"That was just the trouble. I wanted to use it for spring millinery, while he wished to devote it to the new baseball rules."

All of which goes to further illustrate how foolish it is to get married without a second thought.

Don't throw old shoes at the bride. Make a neat package and send them to her three years after her marriage. They may be acceptable.

TROUBLE IN IDAHO.

Alarming State of Affairs in the Cour d'Alene District.

BOISE, Idaho, June 14.—An alarming state of affairs exists in Cour d'Alene, in northern Idaho. News reached here indicating that serious trouble is likely to break out there at any time between the miners' union and the law and order men in that section, who have organized to protect laborers in their right to work if they can get employment and the mine owners in their right to employ whom they please. A man who incurred the enmity of the miners' union was killed there recently, murdered with an ax, which was found buried in his skull, and a coroner's jury returned a verdict of suicide. Governor McConnell has made a requisition on the government for arms and obtained several hundred stands. Over 200 volunteers are drilling here to prepare for the coming conflict, which seems imminent. Idaho has no state militia.

ARE PUT TO DEATH. Three More Negroes Lynched in Florida for Assaulting a White Woman.

LIVE OAK, Fla., June 12.—Three more negroes have been done to death by Lafayette county citizens for that unpardonable sin, assault upon a white woman. First reports stated that a negro, Bill Collins, had been lynched, but reliable information just received makes it certain that the lynchers claimed three victims. The woman upon whom the outrage was attempted is Miss Jeannette Allen, 18 years old and the belle of Lafayette county.

DEATH TO TRUSTS. The Distillers and Cattle Feeders Company Unlawful.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 14.—A decision has been handed down by the supreme court in the whisky trust case in which the decision of the Cook county court declaring the trust illegal is affirmed. It is one of the strongest affirmations of combinations for the purpose of cornering or controlling prices in products ever promulgated by any court.

TO IMITATE DES MOINES. Sioux City's Anti-Saloon Element to Attack the Saloon Petitioners.

SIoux CITY, June 13.—Plans are being made by the anti-saloon element of Sioux City to commence an attack upon the liquor business, similar to that in Des Moines. The decision of Judge Spurrier of Des Moines that the saloon petitioners are insufficient is cause for the sudden action.

SETTLEMENT MADE. Honduras Government Pays United States \$30,000 on Claim of Mrs. Renton.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 13.—A special to the World from San Juan del Norte, Nicaragua, says: "The Honduras government has paid to the United States about \$30,000 in gold in the settlement of the claim of Mrs. Renton for the murder of her husband."

WILL DRIVE OUT THE NEGROES. Judge Goff's Decision on Registration Laws in South Carolina Reversed.

RICHMOND, Va., June 13.—The circuit court of appeals has dissolved the injunction of judge Goff in the South Carolina registration case. Chief Justice Fuller, Judges Hughes and Seymour heard the argument in this case.

SILVER CONVENTION. Fifteen Hundred Delegates in Attendance from Twenty States.

MEMPHIS, June 12.—Fifteen hundred delegates, representing twenty states, attended the convention called by the Central Bimetallic League. Many prominent men were in attendance. The affair was non-partisan.

BREVITIES. Richard Olney was sworn in as secretary of state on the 10th.

Isaac Dickerson, of the defunct Cass County Bank, is now on trial at Glenwood.

It is stated on good authority that Natoli will be created cardinal at the next consistory.

Debs and the other A. R. U. officers have been sent to the Woodstock, Ill., jail to serve their sentences.

The Forster lumber yards, covering three acres, at Milwaukee, were destroyed by fire at a loss of over \$100,000.

Washington dispatch: President Cleveland has appointed Richard J. Olney secretary of state and Judson Harmon, of Cincinnati, O., is appointed to fill the place of attorney general, made vacant by the promotion of Olney. Mr. Harmon has been for a long time judge of the common pleas court, at Cincinnati, and is a man of about 50 years of age, one of the most conspicuous lawyers in the west, and upon the retirement of ex-Governor Hoadley from his Cincinnati firm upon his removal to New York, Mr. Harmon took his place at the head of the firm of Harmon, Colston, Goldsmith & Hoadley, the last named being a son of ex-Governor Hoadley, of Ohio.

The recent rains were general over the west.

J. K. Emmet, jr., shot at and tried to kill his wife at San Francisco. Their 8-year-old girl prevented him from making a success of the job and then kept him from committing suicide. Whisky was the cause.

President Cleveland has issued a proclamation urging citizens of the United States to maintain strict neutrality relative to the Cuban struggle and ordering all officers to exert themselves to prevent violation of the law.

Telegrams recently received from the Black Forest district of Wurtemberg, Germany, which was deluged by a cloudburst and inundated by the consequent overflowing of the river Eyach, state that fifty persons were killed in the Baden district and all of the bridges spanning the river were carried away.

Special reports from sixty-seven counties in Kansas, state wheat will make half a crop; that corn is in splendid condition and promises to be the largest crop on record and that fruit will make two-thirds of a crop.

POPULIST STATE CONVENTION

Proceedings of the Recent Convention at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, June 12.—The populist state convention was held yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. About 500 were in attendance, making it the largest the party has ever held. A. R. Starrett, of Humboldt county, was made temporary chairman and T. W. Ivory, of Mills county, temporary secretary. Later permanent organization was formed with E. H. Gillette, of Des Moines, as chairman and Mr. Ivory as secretary.

The following resolutions were adopted: First—The people's party of Iowa in convention assembled reaffirms the principles of the Omaha platform.

Second—We denounce the late decision of the supreme court on the income tax, in the interest of corporate wealth, and the issue of interest-bearing bonds.

Third—Recognizing with satisfaction the expression of individual opinions among citizens, irrespective of party, in favor of the restoration of silver to its constitutional place in the coinage of the country, at the ratio of 16 to 1, we extend the right of fellowship to all men who are willing to join with us in the detronement of the money power of Wall street and Europe and the emancipation of the producing classes of the world.

Fourth—We declare for the adoption of the initiative and referendum.

Fifth—We further demand that until such time as a government system of finances can be established, that all banking institutions, national, state and private, be required to give security to depositors for all moneys received for deposits.

Sixth—We demand that the legislature of Iowa shall provide, by adequate legislation, for the inspection of all workshops and factories where more than ten persons are employed, that the physical and sanitary conditions may be improved and the lives, limbs, health and convenience of the employes be better guarded.

Seventh—The salaries of our public officers being far in excess of the returns from productive industry, we demand of the next general assembly a readjustment of the salaries of all public officers, on a basis to correspond with the reduced prices received for the products of labor.

Eighth—We believe that the expenses of government should be borne in proportion to the ability of the citizen to pay them, and to this end we favor a graduated state income tax, also a state inheritance tax similar to those of New York and Illinois.

Ninth—We demand a state tax of ten per cent upon all future contracts made payable in gold, the same to be paid by the holder.

Nomination of officers resulted as follows: For governor, Sylvester Crane; for lieutenant governor, A. R. Starrett; for supreme judge, T. W. Ivory; for railroad commissioner, E. J. Taber; for state superintendent, L. B. Taber.

A MINE ON FIRE. Fate of Nearly Four Hundred Men Unknown.

BRESLAU, June 11.—The Segingolten mine, belonging to Count Von Donnersmark, caught fire and burned some time before it could be extinguished. Of the 400 miners at work when the fire broke out, only forty have reached the surface in safety. The fate of the others is unknown, but the worst is surmised. Ten dead bodies have been recovered.

BRESLAU, June 13.—The loss of life in the fire at the Segingoltes mine, belonging to Count Donnersmark, which broke out when 500 miners were at work, is not so great as was at first anticipated. Nine bodies have been recovered and fifteen are still missing. The rest of the miners escaped. There is no doubt that the missing miners were suffocated.

A BOLD ATTEMPT. A Desperate Scores a Failure Trying to Rob a Montana Bank.

BUTTE, Mont., June 13.—A desperate but unsuccessful attempt was made at 1 o'clock p. m. by a lone robber to rob the Silver Bow National bank. The man, who refuses to give his name, walked into the bank when no one was in but a young clerk named Will Thomas, and calling him to the cashier's window levelled a revolver at him and demanded the cash. Thomas instantly stepped down behind the counter and grabbing a revolver began firing, and the robber ran out of the bank. The shots attracted the attention of Police Officer Ingham, who arrested the robber after a chase. The bank is situated on the principal thoroughfare of the town. For a time the bullets were flying thick and fast, but no one was hit.

RISINGS IN SALVADOR. Troops Have Been Sent to the Frontier to Preserve Order.

NEW YORK, June 11.—A special to the World from Guatemala says: Several small risings have been reported within the last few days in different parts of Salvador. Troops have been sent to the frontier to preserve order. The danger of war between Nicaragua and Costa Rica is past. A courier from Santa Tecla reports a rising there among the Coljuteque Indians, the dread of the entire country near Santa Tecla. Fighting lasted from daylight till noon, and was still on at last reports. Gen. Regalardo has gone from Santa Anna to reinforce Gen. Rivas. So far all attempts to re-establish telegraphic communications have failed.

Liable to Misconstruction. Mrs. Snaggs—"I am so glad Mr. Bloomfield is rid of his chills and ague." Mr. Snaggs—"But he isn't." "You said he was." "I did."

"You said the ague had given him the cold shake." "Well?"

Here the discussion ended.

More Than Approp. Daughter—Frank said something to me last night.

Mother—I hope it was approp.

Daughter—It was more, mamma. It was a proposal.

Up in the Style. Fair Maiden—How savagely that cow looks at me.

Farmer Hayseed—It's your red parson's mum.

Fair Maiden—Dear me! I knew it was a bit out of fashion, but I didn't suppose a country cow would notice it.

Honor to Departed Genus. "Byron was a wonderful poet," said Gladys, with a sigh.

"Yes," replied her father, who is one of the biggest advertisers in the country; "he could have sold a tremendous lot of goods with all that stuff if he had only written it a little differently."

It Sticks Closer Than a Brother.

Does rheumatism. Cut off all relationship with it by the aid of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which severs the bond without loss of time, if you use it promptly and persistently. No medicine is more positive and concurrent than that which establishes its efficacy in this obstinate disease. Use it with assurance of good results for neuralgia, dyspepsia and nervous troubles, constipation and indigestion.

It is estimated that two years are required for the Gulf water to travel from Florida to the coast of Norway.

A. M. PRIEST, Druggist, Shelbyville, Ind., says: "Hall's Catarrh Cure gives the best of results for neuralgia, dyspepsia and nervous troubles, constipation and indigestion. It cures every one who takes it." Druggists sell it, 75c.

Too many people do their coaxing with a club. I use Placo's Cure for Consumption both in my family and practice.—Dr. J. W. PATTERSON, Inkster, Mich., Nov. 5, 1891.

Lack of money is the chief cause of suicide in France. "Kasson's Magic Corn Salve." No medicine is more positive and concurrent than that which establishes its efficacy in this obstinate disease. Use it with assurance of good results for neuralgia, dyspepsia and nervous troubles, constipation and indigestion.

At the Odeon theater, in Paris, 800 manuscript plays are received and read every year.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. WASSON'S GUMMAGE SYRUP for Children Teething.

In the domains of the British empire alone some 8,00

A LIVING SHADOW.

REMARKABLE TRANSFORMATION OF A NORTH CAROLINA MAN.

Strange, but True, Story from the Lumber Regions of a Southern State.

(From the Greenville, N. C., Reflector.)

The following interview has just been given our reporter by Mr. G. A. Baker, the overseer at the camp of Col. J. A. Sugg of Greenville, N. C. It will interest any one who has ever had typhoid fever.

Mr. Baker said in reply to my question: "I was living in Beaufort county, and on the 24 day of October, 1892, I was stricken down with typhoid fever. I had the best medical attention and on the 15th day of January, 1893, I was allowed to get up. I was emaciated, weak and had no appetite. I could only drag along for a short distance and would be compelled to sit down and rest. This continued for some time and I began to give up hope of ever getting well. I lost my position in Beaufort county and having secured one in First county, clerking in a store, I undertook it, but was so weak I could not do the work and had to give it up. The disease settled in my knee joints, and I was taking first one kind of medicine and then another, but nothing did me any good. I moved out to Col. Sugg's about four or five months ago and commenced taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I took three a day for about three months, and began to regain my appetite in a week's time, and then my weakness began to disappear, and henceforth I have been able to do as much as any man. I was troubled with dyspepsia and that has disappeared. It is also a splendid tonic for people who are run down. My Editor, God bless Dr. Williams may live for a long time. I know he will go up and receive his reward. Tell everybody that asks you about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People that if they will come to me I can certainly satisfy them in regard to their merits. I always carry a box of pills with me and when ever I feel bad I take one."

We were forcibly struck with the earnestness of Mr. Baker and his statements may be relied on.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain in a condensed form all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing remedy for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous debility, the after effects of a grippé, scapitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness, either in male or female, and all diseases resulting from vitiated humors in the blood. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

The Course of True Love.

"Bridget," said Mrs. Houskisp, "I understand that you have jilted the man who drives the ice wagon for the milkmen."

"Three fer yez ma'am. O! how that came," was the reply.

"And that damp spot on the doorstep is all there is to show for the twenty pounds of ice we take?"

"Well, Bridget, you can either arrange to be a sister to both of them or you can look for another place."

A Family Resemblance.

"Mehitabel," said Uncle Jim, as they stood in front of the cage containing the hippopotami, "of animals reason, I guess there's the politicians of the animal kingdom."

"What do yez mean?"

"Why, G-d heavens, Hittty, look at that snail."

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"Since I've had this check in my possession I've been so proud that my own mother wouldn't know me."

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"His celestial majesty wanted something written about the settlement of the war with Japan," asked the Chinese poet laureate.

"No," said Li Hung Chang, thoughtfully. "I'm sorry to cut you out of the job, but I wouldn't suggest it. The stabs in the royal check book will answer all historic purposes."

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There are two reasons, either one of which ought to be conclusive with every American citizen:

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A cob pipe factory, with a daily output of 8,000 pipes, will shortly be put in operation in Waverly, Tenn.

The reviving powers of Parker's Ginger Tonic render it indispensable in every form of debility, nervous, cold and every form of chronic ailments.

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Spectacles were invented by an Italian in the 13th century.

A Cup of Parke's Ten at night moves the bowels in the morning.

Open the door of your heart to Christ, and He will open the windows of heaven for you.

A MILK-WHITE DOE.

The sound was so faint that only the ears of the skilled huntsman might hear it.

It came from hundreds of tiny hounds, muffled by the grass in the mountain park.

"Antelope!"

"Together we lay face downward—I and my Indian guide—with our long rifles at easy rest, and awaited the coming of the hunt. It dashed over a hogback and into full view—a wildly leaping, straggling, undulating mass of reddish-brown, white-tufted bodies stretched to the fullest speed."

"Nervous? Yes, for a moment more the band would pass us within easy range. We lay with forefingers on the triggers as the timid animals, wild with fear, skimmed along us it waited by the spirit of the wind. Now they are directly opposite; we are now they are directly opposite; we will never have such another shot."

Onward they dashed, and pass so closely by that it seems we can hear their heartbeats. Their great liquid eyes are wild with terror.

Another moment and the herd has swept by us, only the hindmost are visible, and presently are lost to sight.

Absolute silence, save for the rustle of the brown grass as the cooling autumn wind stirs it.

"A shot was fired. My finger was upon the trigger, my aim certain, but I lacked the power even for the gentle pressure necessary to send a bullet straight into the herd. I was under a spell."

I looked at Pablo. His dark face seemed almost pale; his eyes betrayed excitement, not the excitement of anger or fear, but of a tender sympathy.

The same power that had stayed my finger when it would have pressed the trigger had a like effect upon him.

"Senior," he said, "it is the milk-white doe that none may slay."

It was an unfailing remedy for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous debility, the after effects of a grippé, scapitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness, either in male or female, and all diseases resulting from vitiated humors in the blood. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

"Come, Pablo, it is almost dusk, but we must follow; come, stir yourself, you unenthusiastic son of Montezuma, and stir up the milk-white doe."

"Imperturbably, in his calm and solemn impressiveness, "it is death to all who follow the milk-white doe."

"Nonsense, I must have her! let us follow!"

"Have patience, senior, and to-night when we smoke by the camp fire I will tell you the legend of the milk-white doe."

An Indian is the legend he told me:

Before the white man knew there was a western continent, before the Spaniards came, even before the reign of the ancient Quetzalcoatl, Lord of the Seven Caves or Navatlangues and King of the Seven Nations, out of which arose the splendor of the Montezuma empire, the powerful tribes lived in the north. They were as the sands of the desert, vast and without numbers, their arrows were greater than the twigs in the forest.

Their queen was Maxtella. Her skin was as white as the snow on the conifer mountains, her lips were as scarlet as the flaming lily blossom, her eyes were as blue as the chalcuites in the Minas de las Perillitas, and from their liquid depths beamed light and purity of soul.

She was a virgin queen. Her courtiers wooed her in vain. The richest of them all laid his wealth of chalcuites and beautiful shells at her feet; the mightiest hunter brought her trophies of the chase. To all she spoke words of wisdom and beauty, but her love was for no one man; it was for all her people. Her virtue and her beauty were the marvels of those days.

Her counselors were wise beyond their generation. Many things they knew that were unknown to the subjects of Queen Maxtella. They knew of the eastern ocean, of great countries beyond the sea, and that their ancestors had gone years before.

The northern hordes were at peace. So powerful were they that the tribes in the south did not dare to make war upon them, nor would the queen suffer her subjects to make war upon those weaker hordes who dwell in rocks and caves, high up in the cliffs that border the great canyons. There was no fight, no bloodshed, no warring and evil ways. He saw the beautiful Maxtella, and the sight of her touched his black heart. He loved Maxtella, not for her virtue nor her beauty nor her wisdom, but for the love that he himself bore her. He loved her that he might rule the land, and that from his blood and hers might come a race of savage kings, and that the northern hordes might make war upon the tribes of the south and despoil them of their treasure.

Azul knew the black magic art. He brought his richest treasure to Maxtella's court. He used his black art that he might appear pleasing in her sight. His arms and throat were bare. On his head was a snowy white helmet, and his dress was of green feathers. His breast-plate of feather work gleamed like jewels, and his eyes shone upon it. Tall and straight was this vassal chief, and mighty was his stride. Great blue and blood-red stones shone in the handle of his sword.

But the counselors were wise men. They could see his black heart and they were overwise to do so. The vassal read his evil mind, and they spurred him with scorn. They would have driven him from the court, but they were overwise to do so. The vassal held in his hand a wand, sharpened like a knife, by which he worked his magic art.

When the queen appeared he looked at her and she turned pale. Azul was alone the black-hearted vassal chief would suddenly appear and with thoughts of the deer would beat her white body until his savage lashes drew drops of blood.

She sought her couch, but Azul had driven sleep away. When she was alone the black-hearted vassal chief would suddenly appear and with thoughts of the deer would beat her white body until his savage lashes drew drops of blood.

When she went to walk a wolf sprang up in her path, sharp stones cut through the deer skin and wounded her feet.

Now there was a spring of healing water, but when Maxtella went to drink of it a foul odor of poisonous gases arose.

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HALF FARE

To Chattanooga and Return for the Epworth League Convention in June.

On June 25th, 26th and 27th, 1896, the Monon Route will sell tickets at a rate of one fare for the round trip from all points on its line to Chattanooga and return on account of the Second International Conference of the Epworth League. These rates and tickets will be open to all. Tickets will be limited to return fifteen days from date of sale, but can be extended fifteen days by depositing with agents of Q. & C. or Nashville and Chattanooga Railways before June 25th.

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The side trip from Glasgow Junction to Mammoth cave will cost but \$1.25; hotel bill and cave fees will be very reasonable. The guides go into the cave between 2 and 3 o'clock p. m., and at 8 o'clock in the morning, giving them a chance to make two trips in the cave one day.

Further information, with time tables, maps and pamphlets, will be furnished on application to any agent of the Monon route, or by addressing Frank J. Reed, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

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A wonderful well is on the farm of Prof. St. John, near Bellevue, Kan. For two weeks it supplies fresh water, and for the next two weeks salt water, and so continues, alternating between fresh and salt water every fortnight.

Seditious Literature.

Photographs of Mr. Gladstone and of Professor Bryce are seized and destroyed by the Turkish postoffice since the Armenian troubles began, on the ground that they are "seditious literature."

Denver, 1895.

On account of the National Educational Association meeting at Denver, Col. July 5th to 12th, the Chicago Great Western Railway will sell excursion tickets at one first-class fare plus \$2.00 for that date. Tickets on sale July 4th, 5th and 6th and on the 7th for trains arriving in St. Joseph or Kansas City on that date. Tickets good returning until Sept. 1, 1895.

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CHINESE BUTCHER CHRISTIANS.

Believed That American, French and English Missions are Dead.

LONDON, June 11.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says that it is almost certain that a massacre of all the persons connected with the English, French and American missions at Chienmu has occurred. Neither men, women or children have been spared, according to the report. It is admitted that telegrams have been intercepted by the government, the object being to conceal the news of the massacre.

A French gunboat is en route to Wrenchang to investigate the report.

LONDON, June 12.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Pall Mall Gazette says telegrams received from Chinking report that the property of the foreign missions at Kiating, Yochow and Chengtu has been completely destroyed by rioters. The officials at those places refused to afford any protection to the missionaries until the mob had finished their work of destruction. Other missions are reported to be threatened. The Viceroy Lin is chiefly blamed for the action of the mob.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The Methodist Missionary Society has received a cablegram from Rev. J. R. Hykes, at Shanghai, saying that property at Chengtu was destroyed, but the missionaries are all safe. This makes it evident that there was no massacre of missionaries, as reported.

NEW YORK, June 13.—A special dispatch to the World from Hankow, China, says: Riots are general in the province of Szechu, and in at least six cities all foreign property has been destroyed, and others are threatened. So far as can be learned the foreign inhabitants are safe, but they are hurriedly leaving the province.

THE GREAT SILVER DEBATE.

The Horr-Harvey Debate to Be an Exciting Financial Affair.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Lyman J. Gray, president of the First National bank of this city, who is referee for Roswell G. Horr, of New York, has agreed practically with Howard S. Taylor, referee for W. M. Harvey, upon the essential points for the silver discussion to be held at Chicago by Messrs. Horr and Harvey, the basis being Mr. Harvey's "Coin's Financial School." The contest will commence about July 10, a chapter of the book being discussed at each session, of three hours length, to continue daily until otherwise agreed. The contestants will face each other sitting, and when one affirms a proposition the other will cross-examine by questions. Everything said will be reported by a stenographer and published in book form for distribution at actual cost. Each contestant will have ten assistants, who will cover any points omitted by the chiefs at any of the sessions.

The assistants will be men of national reputation and in many instances experts. Anything bearing on the free coinage propositions will be admitted. There will be two judges, Judge Blodgett, of Chicago, having agreed to serve on behalf of Mr. Horr. The papers have been mailed to Mr. Horr at New York for his signature.

CATCHING OF SEALS.

