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THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER FOR THE CAMPAIGN, FROM THIS DATE UNTIL JAN. 1, 1896, 50c. CASH MUST ACCOMPANY EACH ORDER.

We hope to see our readers at the Iowa state fair with a larger exhibit than ever. The fair is one of the best of educators.

An extra session of congress is now predicted in order to place the supreme court of the United States in working condition for its October term.

One of the first men to wait upon Gov. Altgeld, of Illinois, was Hon. J. C. Buckley the Afro-American member of the legislature of that state.

A full rigged British ship, the W. D. Waller, arrived in a Florida port recently, having as her captain a colored man, W. E. Price, and a crew of white men. Such a sight is an unusual occurrence in American waters, but it excites no surprise in England.

Texas Freeman: Three colored clerks are in charge of mails between Houston and New Orleans over the Southern Pacific route. Messrs. M. C. Hackett, W. M. Holmes and J. A. Jones are young, capable "fellows" and register near the top mark in their examinations.

The Nevada, Storey County, Watchman has reached its twenty-second mile post. It is a large paper, full of good and wholesome reading matter and we hope our young friend and brilliant writer, V. A. Hallon, may live to see the paper prosper under his management during the coming twenty-two years.

The commander-in-chief of the Spanish forces in Cuba has resigned from the hopeless task of subduing the Cubans. The Cubans are very cheerful of the prospect of gaining their independence. We hope that they will annex the country to no other nation, but will make another Republic and show what the black men can do in the way of self-government.

Extracts from the speech delivered in this city on July 4 before the banquet of the Afro-American Protective Association are to be found in some of the leading papers of the state. It was a great speech. Yet there are some who claim they cannot see the benefits of organization. Such projects of the mind give stability and merit to the men and the organization. The College City Chronicle, of Lamoni, Iowa, reproduced nearly the entire speech. The public eye is on the Negro and he will be judged according to his work.

Independence Bulletin Journal: W. E. O'Brien, state labor commissioner of Iowa, woke up the other morning, and like Byron, found himself famous. And all this comes from the fact that

in his report he advocates the abolishment of his office as of no earthly advantage to the people. This is said to be the first instance on record of the kind, but most of the gentleman's critics seem to forget that it is also about the only case in which an actual workman, and not a professional politician, has been appointed to fill a place in which the interests of the wage earners are to be looked after. Had Sovereign proposed such a thing during his incumbency we would have been filled with amazement, but that a practical man like O'Brien, who has scruples against taking the money of the tax payers without giving and return, should do so causes us no surprise. The establishment of this office was a surrender to a gang of demagogues who wanted an additional place for a tax eater. The office costs the state in the neighborhood of four thousand dollars annually and does not return a dollar in value.

THE LABEL SUI.

Information was filed before Judge Phillips some time ago charging the editors of THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER with felonious, malicious and slanderous libel on one Mrs. John A. Logan. The article was published several weeks ago. The case came on for hearing on the 15th inst. Judge Bishop, who represented the defendants, entered a demurrer to petition filed. After arguments covering about two hours, the court rendered its decision in a clear and forceful manner. Showing the laws governing parties or persons in public and private life are widely different, and anyone who voluntarily goes into public speaking, etc., is subject to favorable and unfavorable comment, and that newspapers have a right to criticize severely within certain well defined limits. The demurrer was sustained and the article held not to be libelous, etc.

THE LIBEL SUI.

The BYSTANDER will continue on the even tenor of its way. No honest person need have the least fear of the columns of this paper. It has been true in the past and will be true in the future. The Negro race must improve its own members. It must drive ignorance and dishonesty and immorality to the rear. They are still stones about the necks of the Negroes of Iowa. We have called attention to immorality in the pulpit. We expect to call attention to the men and women who sit on the dead limbs of ignorance and superstition and attempt to teach people the right.

THE STATE FAIR.

All indications point to this year's fair being a hummer. Everybody owes it to himself and to his state to help make it a great success by giving it his support. It is a state institution inaugurated especially in the interest of the farmer. The farmer cannot afford to let this enterprise languish. "None but the brave deserve the fair." It took brave men to start the fair this year, but Des Moines merchants were equal to the emergency and bought \$10,000 worth of tickets in advance. This, together with \$10,000 raised by patriotic directors on the board, made it possible to hold a rousing fair this year.

GIRLS VS. BOYS.

As a most careful observer's answer to the question relative to the decrease in marriages, there are two causes. The first the young lady teachers who are making good wages are unwilling to give up \$50 and \$75 jobs for \$25 men, that is if the man is worth nothing but his wages. Then, young men of promise, deserving young men, look upon some of these "fashion plates" and "living pictures," we know nothing of practical life, and come to the conclusion that no amount of "drumming on the piano" can atone for scorched biscuits and burned potatoes, and they will not have the girls.—St. Joe Mirror.

ALL SMITHS THERE.

They tell a story in Dalton, Ga., of a recent revival meeting in one of the rural districts of Whitefield county. In the middle of the service the preacher said: "Will Brother Smith please lead in prayer?" Seven men arose and began praying at once. This aroused the preacher and he said hurriedly: "I mean Brother John Smith!" At this announcement one sat down and five more got up and began praying. The preacher saw his mistake, said nothing and let the eleven pray it out among themselves.

Rev. Dr. Williams was installed to the pastorate of East Side Baptist church last Sunday afternoon by the pastors of the different Baptist churches of the city, assisted by Rev. Clark, of the A. M. E. church and Rev. White, of the M. E. church. The address of welcome to the new pastor was delivered by Rev. Clark, of the A. M. E. church which was very fitting. Bro. Mason, of the First Baptist church (white) give the charge to church. After other features of the occasion had been performed the meeting dismissed with an old-fashioned hand shake.

The Eastern Star initiated twenty-six new members Tuesday evening and elected the following officers: Most worthy Matron, Mrs. G. H. Cleggett; Most worthy Patron, George H. Cleggett; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Searey; assistant matron, Mrs. Luella Wilburn. There were a large number present. Mt. Olive and Naomi courts being well represented.

Head Dr. Williams next Sunday evening at East Side Baptist church. Subject, "Tongues of Fire."

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Mrs. W. Jones, of Oskaloosa, was a visitor in the city last Sunday, the guest of Mrs. E. P. Taylor. Mrs. M. Shoppshire, who is visiting at the home of Mrs. Mary Johnson, is reported on the sick list this week. Mrs. Betty Fields entertained Miss Nellie Ford at tea last Saturday evening. Mrs. Georgia Capart, of Des Moines, is visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs. W. F. Watts. Mrs. Mason and Miss Lily Elliott attended the celebration at Albion Monday. Messrs. L. J. Shelton and Jeff Thomas were excursionists to Burlington last Sunday. Mrs. Anna Dodd was reported on the sick list the first of the week. The infant child of Mrs. Freeman died at her home last Saturday evening. The funeral took place from the family residence and was conducted by Rev. P. P. Taylor. Rev. Samuel Johnson, of Des Moines, was in the city last Monday. Louis Graves and family went to Mchakinoek last Tuesday to attend the funeral of their sister-in-law. Rev. C. R. Brooking, of Mchakinoek, was in the city this week on his way to Burlington. He preached at the Second Baptist Church Wednesday evening. Mrs. Lynch, of Keokuk, is a guest at the home of Mrs. James Gilbert this week. Rev. F. Johnson, of Mt. Pleasant occupied the pulpit at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday. Owing to the inclement weather Monday evening, the "Sunflower" entertainment was not well attended. It will probably be repeated. The watermelon feast at the Second Baptist Church Tuesday evening was fairly attended and all present seem to have had a very good time. There is soon to be given at the Christian tabernacle a musical concert which all music-loving people should attend. It will be under the management of J. E. Woods. Particulars will be made known in another issue. Rev. P. P. Taylor and wife and Mrs. E. Horn spent a very pleasant day out at Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson's Tuesday. They report an excellent time.

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. The weather here is quite warm and rain is much needed. Mr. King, a well known citizen of this city, departed for Springfield Saturday to stop there ten days or more. Harvey Earley and Earl Smith left for Galesburg last Thursday evening and returned Saturday. The hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Johnson and son were gladdened by the arrival of a relative of Ottumwa last Thursday. Mr. Chas. Harris. Mrs. John Ivy returned from Keithsburg, Ills., last Wednesday where she has been visiting relatives. She was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Miss Mary McDamond. Rev. Brown left for Coppack last Thursday to start a camp meeting there. He was accompanied by a few friends and members of his church. Mr. Peter Johnson, the champion lawn cutter and trimmer, met with quite a painful accident last week while sharpening the cycle. It slipped and cut a large gash in his hand. Prospekt Hill people are all complaining of their yards because he cannot attend them. Mr. Johnsons hand is some better at this writing. The A. M. E. church gave a lawn social at the residence of H. Cooper last Thursday. There was a party at Mrs. John Ivy's Monday night in honor of Miss Mary McDamond, who will leave the city Wednesday. Quite a nice time was had by all present. Mrs. Ivy is one of the best entertainers. Rev. Smith occupied the pulpit at Mt. Olive Baptist church Sunday and delivered two soul stirring sermons. The Hyacinth club have a lawn social at Mrs. Brooks Tuesday the 13. Miss Estella Wilson is delegate to the convention of the Household of Ruth which convenes in Chicago. Miss Wilson is fast coming to the front as a talented singer and is a young lady Burlington should be proud of.

KEOKUK HAPPENINGS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Messrs. James and Henry Vaughn, of Spokane, Washington, were in the city last week, the guests of their mother, Mrs. M. Vaughn. Arthur, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Glass, died Friday evening of inflammation of the bowels. Mrs. Mary Pleasantly entertained Messrs. James and Henry Vaughn at 6 o'clock tea Wednesday afternoon. The Knights and Daughters of Tabor gave an entertainment at their hall Monday evening. Mrs. M. Bland pleasantly entertained a few of her friends Tuesday evening in honor of her brothers, James and Henry Vaughn, of Spokane, Wash. Mrs. A. C. Bettis spent last week at Bluff Park. D. W. Anderson is still confined to his bed. Miss Sadie Benthan is spending a couple of weeks at the teachers' normal institute in session at Patoka, Mo. The members of St. Mary the Virgin gave a lawn social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fields, which was quite a success. There are several society events to come off in the near future.

PEKAY ITEMS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Quite a number of our people were in Albion Monday to celebrate and report a good time. Mrs. Anna Jefferson is on the sick list. Mr. Turner's baby eight months old died Wednesday. Mrs. Turner was here from Oskaloosa to the funeral. Mr. John Burks is happy over the arrival of a bouncing boy. Mother and baby are both doing well. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard have moved to Fishville. Mrs. Florence Garnett, Mrs. Lila

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COLEMAN, WERE SATURDAY VISITORS AT MRS. SAFFOOT.

Mother May, seventy-one years of age, has just finished a crazy quilt of about eight hundred pieces. The wedding bells still continue to ring. Mrs. William Taylor gave her daughters hand in marriage Monday night. The mines run only one day last week but Lewis Coleman is putting in time on the farm. Let us remember that there is more ways to live besides digging coal. If some men would put in more time doing and not worry people so much telling them what they have had and done, they would get along just as well. Anyway their wives and children would have just as much. This winter Mr. Coleman, if he has good luck will have seventeen hogs to kill. H. F. Sawfoot sent to New York and got one potato called "New Fortune" and raised enough for seed next year.

MT. PLEASANT ITEMS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Mr. Baily was a visitor in Fort Lewis last week. Died.—The infant son of Mrs. Susan Grandison, after a lingering illness. The funeral was conducted by Revs. Lewis and Cole. Miss Fidler has returned from her visit in Keokuk. The repairs on Mrs. Jeff Tally's house have been completed and she is now at her home on Madison street. The members of the tabernacle held a picnic at Saunders' grove Monday. An interesting program had been prepared for the occasion, closing with a social in the evening at the home of Mrs. H. Postons. Mrs. Hendricks, of Keokuk, is visiting the family of N. Adams. The many friends and members of the A. M. E. Church gave a very pleasant surprise and donation party on Rev. Lewis and wife. Those present report a very pleasant time. The many friends and family of Dr. M. E. Church, of Des Moines, spent Sunday in the city visiting his father and shaking hands with his many friends.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Quite a number of Oskaloosa people attended the celebration at Albion. Rev. S. B. Jones returned home from Chicago Saturday. The many friends of the colored citizens of this place on Tuesday, August 20, at the court house, in the interest of the John Waller case. Speakers, Hon. John F. Lacy, Judge Blanchard, John Sims and others. The many friends of the A. M. E. Church met at the quarterly meeting at A. M. E. Church. Presiding Elder Harrison will be present. Messrs. J. E. Mosely, of Des Moines, and Fred Green, of Newton, were Sunday visitors in the city. Mrs. John Williams is visiting relatives in Chicago. Mrs. N. Kimbrough, who has been quite sick, is improving under the skillful care of Dr. R. S. Brown.

SIOUX CITY NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Rev. P. F. Matthews will preach his farewell sermon Sunday next as conference convenes the 23 inst. Let all attend and hear him. Miss Mattie Baker, of South Dakota, is visiting her uncle, Mr. Thomas Sturgis. C. F. Williams had his horse stolen from his barn Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. John Shores pleasantly entertained in a select dance a number of their friends at their residence the 7th inst. Mr. Cal Harris has gone on a tour through Colorado and Missouri. He will visit Denver, Kansas City and other places on his tour. Mr. Williams is giving away a prize. Who will receive it?

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stronger now than years ago. He remembered that in the southern states along the Afro-American owned and land saying nothing of their wealth in other sections of the states. These are encouraging truths and should deepen the interest of all friends of law and good government.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING.

The meeting of the Afro-American Protective Association held Monday night was fairly well attended. Many who were absent allowed pleasure to call them away from a duty. The call was published in the city papers and was issued by Charles Woods, president of the local association, and R. N. Hyde, president of the state association. There were over 100 present. R. N. Hyde presided and stated the object of the meeting. He gave a clear statement of the late trouble in Spring Valley—how men, women and children were driven from their homes by an armed mob composed mostly of men who were not American citizens. He urged upon his hearers the fact that mob rule was on the increase and that good citizens must stand together in favor of law and order if they would have such disgraceful affairs cease. After the remarks of the presiding officer a motion was offered and carried that a committee be appointed on resolutions. The committee retired and very appropriate remarks were made by John F. Blagburn, T. C. Barton, A. L. Bell, G. I. Holt and Henry McCraven. W. W. Warwick was inclined to be unimpeachable and flattered the red flag in great style. To him the past was dark, the present almost unbearable and the future had no hope for the Negroes of the United States. A woman who hails from—God knows where—said says her name is Mrs. John A. Logan and she is a member of the Iowa Association. She was not up for discussion, and of the things she did speak there is an open question of severity. It was demonstrated at this meeting that she did not represent the sentiments of the many good, true, loyal and intelligent Afro-American citizens of this community.

The attention of the meeting was called by Mr. T. E. Barton to the discussion of the Spring Valley matter in the city press. He was very severe on the Des Moines Daily News, which published quite a long editorial placing the Italians in the lowest scale of humanity, intelligence, and placing the Negroes just a little lower, if possible. He desired all men to read the papers, listen to the speeches and watch the actions of public men in order to correctly judge of the merits of expressed friendship. The committee reported the following resolutions: WHEREAS, A number of American citizens were driven from their homes by an armed mob in Spring Valley, Illinois. Resolved, That we, the Afro-American Protective Association of Des Moines, condemn all actions which abridge the liberty of men to honestly compete in all fields of labor and business. That we believe in the protection of all American citizens in their rights and privileges as such citizens against foreign or domestic invasion. That we believe it to be the paramount duty of the state of Illinois to enforce the laws of that state against those who have sullied its fair name and fame. That we believe it to be the duty of the state of Illinois to enforce the laws of that state or of the nation should be punished without fear or favor. That we condemn all actions which have a foundation in fact and law. That we condemn the action of the state and municipal authorities in the state of Louisiana in its treatment of the Negro and American citizens who were shot to death in the city of New Orleans and hope that the chief executive of Illinois will preserve the peace and dignity of the state of Illinois. That all we ask is an equal opportunity and protection in our rights as American citizens. That we further condemn the action of the treatment of Afro-American citizens in the state of Texas, who were driven out of families to a place of safety and sell their property at a sacrifice. And be it further resolved, That we will assist in financial help and if necessary by our presence in righting all depredations committed upon by any person or persons, without due regard to the law.

CHARLES S. RUFF, REV. T. A. CLARK, REV. W. H. SEARCY, EDWARD BARNETT, DR. E. F. JOHNSON.

The following committee on correspondence was elected to correspond with the Chicago Spring Valley committee and see that assistance, if any, is needed: T. E. Barton, Dr. E. F. Johnson, Charles Ruff, John Earley and Rev. T. A. Clark. They will write at once and if any money is needed both the local and state associations will respond promptly and liberally. President Hyde received a telegram yesterday from D. W. Jones, one of the committee in Chicago, in which that gentleman said that everything was quiet at the mines just at present, and that if they needed help the Iowa Association would be notified at once. There is music in the air for a grand excursion from this city to Macon, Mo., Friday night, September 20, for the grand celebration of Emancipation day Saturday September 21. The round trip will be \$3.00 from Des Moines and \$2.00 from Ottumwa. Accused of Stealing \$15,000. Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 15.—Herman L. Mueller, the alleged defaulter, is now charged with having embezzled \$15,000 during the five years of his services as Kansas City agent for the Schlitz Brewing company of Milwaukee. The examination of the books shows a shortage much larger than at first thought. The peculations were made in amounts from \$50 to \$500. Mueller is still in jail, having been unable to furnish a bondman. Japan's Cabinet Crisis. Tokio, Aug. 16.—By imperial command Count Ito, the prime minister, has resumed his duties. He accepts an elevation to the title of marquis offered him by the emperor. A rupture is thus averted, but the personal relations of certain members of the cabinet are greatly strained.

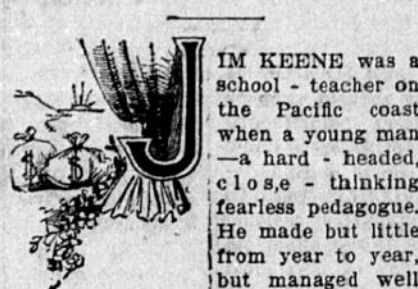
KEENE'S OPERATIONS.

HE IS MERELY A NATURAL GAMBLER. Gould Wiped Him Out in Wheat, but He Soon Had Another Fortune—He Was at One Time a Country School Teacher. I AM KEENE was a school teacher on the Pacific coast when a young man—a hard-headed, close-thinking, fearless pedagogue. He made but little from year to year, but managed well and saved most of his salary. Through his pupils he became the friend of many rich and influential men, more or less interested in mining, as everybody, in fact, was in those days. The spirit of speculation was born in him, and he always had an eye out for something by which to convert an honestly earned dollar into a hundred or a thousand. If he ever had a conscience opposed to gambling, he bravely buried it under the shadows of the Coast range, where it lies to this day undisturbed. He did not teach gambling to his pupils, but he practiced it himself whenever he saw a chance to make it pay. But his gambling was always of a high order. It was no mere poker party that he cared to join, no faro bank to play, no roulette wheel. He gambled in great railroad deals and mining developments. About this time the stock of the Bonanza mines was away up in the clouds. Some were as high as 500 or 600. Keene became convinced that the bubble was going to burst, and laid his plans accordingly. He got together every dollar that he had saved, all that he could borrow and all that he could persuade his friends to let him invest on commission, and sold these stocks. People thought him crazy when he began operations, but they were stunned afterward to see his predictions verified. The stock went down with a rush. It amounted almost to a collapse, and Keene, in the thick of it all, selling and doubling up and selling again, found himself a rich man in a very short time. It is said that this, his first great speculation, made him \$3,000,000. The stock, some of it at least, went down to 25 and 30. The bottom simply fell out, and Keene stood there to get what was left of the enormous losses of the investors. After his great coup Keene's ambition soared aloft, and he sought the Rocky mountains and descended upon the eastern slope of the United States. He had long been watching with absorbing interest in the career of Jay Gould, and he determined that he would start east for the purpose of taking Gould's scalp. With this announcement, boldly made to his western friends, he came to New York with his \$3,000,000 and a great and glorious reputation as the ablest and most fearless, the shrewdest and the most successful speculator this country had ever produced. He was as much a curiosity in New York as the wild man of Borneo. People could never get it through their heads in those days that a poor school teacher could sell something that he did not have and make a fortune of \$3,000,000. Keene's first movement here was in wheat. He determined to take Gould's scalp in that direction. He got up the great wheat corner that has already been handed down to history as the hugest of his operations, as well as the most unfortunate. Gould had heard his boast that he would take the scalp of the mouse-trap peddler, and quietly awaited the scalping process. Wheat went up and up and up as Keene fastened his clutches upon the supply, and all the while Gould was, like B'rer Fox, laying low, waiting for the time to ripen. And the time did ripen. When Gould thought the fresh young man from the high school of the Pacific slope had taken upon his shoulders a little more than he could stagger under he started to take the starch out of him. With the western Union at his service he sent out all over the country orders to sell wheat. Keene admitted the other day that he was dumfounded by the defeat of Domino in the Suburban. Well, dumfounded is a small word to express his feelings when he discovered that wheat was being sold right from under him and his great corner. Down, down it went. The market was broken. The corner was smashed. Gould, the prospective victim of Keene's scalping knife, sat in his office and watched the reports of the ticker. He saw Keene go down to ruin, and smiled. He saw the young man wiped out. All his \$3,000,000 gone, and his credit injured, debts piling up around him until he was submerged. And the ghoulish Gould laughed. But Keene was not to remain long in the slough of despond. He rallied. He bought in all his debts for 50 cents on the dollar and settled. Then he resumed operations, got into cattle feeding and a few other good things and in a short time had another fortune. This fortune he will keep. When rich for the first time he settled upon his wife and his son, Foxhall, sufficient to make them comfortable for life. Nobody knows what he is worth now. It may be \$2,000,000 or \$10,000,000. He has ceased his reckless folly. He is a conservative business man compared to what he was when he burst upon Wall street. He will not lose what he has. He will go along in a dignified way, speculate a little when he feels like it, and enjoy the running of his horses. And he will go down to his grave respected alike by friend and foe as one of the most fearless of his kind. Men with noses that, when viewed in profile, appear arched, are usually witty and clever in conversation.

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I AM KEENE was a school teacher on the Pacific coast when a young man—a hard-headed, close-thinking, fearless pedagogue. He made but little from year to year, but managed well and saved most of his salary. Through his pupils he became the friend of many rich and influential men, more or less interested in mining, as everybody, in fact, was in those days. The spirit of speculation was born in him, and he always had an eye out for something by which to convert an honestly earned dollar into a hundred or a thousand. If he ever had a conscience opposed to gambling, he bravely buried it under the shadows of the Coast range, where it lies to this day undisturbed. He did not teach gambling to his pupils, but he practiced it himself whenever he saw a chance to make it pay. But his gambling was always of a high order. It was no mere poker party that he cared to join, no faro bank to play, no roulette wheel. He gambled in great railroad deals and mining developments. About this time the stock of the Bonanza mines was away up in the clouds. Some were as high as 500 or 600. Keene became convinced that the bubble was going to burst, and laid his plans accordingly. He got together every dollar that he had saved, all that he could borrow and all that he could persuade his friends to let him invest on commission, and sold these stocks. People thought him crazy when he began operations, but they were stunned afterward to see his predictions verified. The stock went down with a rush. It amounted almost to a collapse, and Keene, in the thick of it all, selling and doubling up and selling again, found himself a rich man in a very short time. It is said that this, his first great speculation, made him \$3,000,000. The stock, some of it at least, went down to 25 and 30. The bottom simply fell out, and Keene stood there to get what was left of the enormous losses of the investors. After his great coup Keene's ambition soared aloft, and he sought the Rocky mountains and descended upon the eastern slope of the United States. He had long been watching with absorbing interest in the career of Jay Gould, and he determined that he would start east for the purpose of taking Gould's scalp. With this announcement, boldly made to his western friends, he came to New York with his \$3,000,000 and a great and glorious reputation as the ablest and most fearless, the shrewdest and the most successful speculator this country had ever produced. He was as much a curiosity in New York as the wild man of Borneo. People could never get it through their heads in those days that a poor school teacher could sell something that he did not have and make a fortune of \$3,000,000. Keene's first movement here was in wheat. He determined to take Gould's scalp in that direction. He got up the great wheat corner that has already been handed down to history as the hugest of his operations, as well as the most unfortunate. Gould had heard his boast that he would take the scalp of the mouse-trap peddler, and quietly awaited the scalping process. Wheat went up and up and up as Keene fastened his clutches upon the supply, and all the while Gould was, like B'rer Fox, laying low, waiting for the time to ripen. And the time did ripen. When Gould thought the fresh young man from the high school of the Pacific slope had taken upon his shoulders a little more than he could stagger under he started to take the starch out of him. With the western Union at his service he sent out all over the country orders to sell wheat. Keene admitted the other day that he was dumfounded by the defeat of Domino in the Suburban. Well, dumfounded is a small word to express his feelings when he discovered that wheat was being sold right from under him and his great corner. Down, down it went. The market was broken. The corner was smashed. Gould, the prospective victim of Keene's scalping knife, sat in his office and watched the reports of the ticker. He saw Keene go down to ruin, and smiled. He saw the young man wiped out. All his \$3,000,000 gone, and his credit injured, debts piling up around him until he was submerged. And the ghoulish Gould laughed. But Keene was not to remain long in the slough of despond. He rallied. He bought in all his debts for 50 cents on the dollar and settled. Then he resumed operations, got into cattle feeding and a few other good things and in a short time had another fortune. This fortune he will keep. When rich for the first time he settled upon his wife and his son, Foxhall, sufficient to make them comfortable for life. Nobody knows what he is worth now. It may be \$2,000,000 or \$10,000,000. He has ceased his reckless folly. He is a conservative business man compared to what he was when he burst upon Wall street. He will not lose what he has. He will go along in a dignified way, speculate a little when he feels like it, and enjoy the running of his horses. And he will go down to his grave respected alike by friend and foe as one of the most fearless of his kind. Men with noses that, when viewed in profile, appear arched, are usually witty and clever in conversation.

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The following committee on correspondence was elected to correspond with the Chicago Spring Valley committee and see that assistance, if any, is needed: T. E. Barton, Dr. E. F. Johnson, Charles Ruff, John Earley and Rev. T. A. Clark. They will write at once and if any money is needed both the local and state associations will respond promptly and liberally. President Hyde received a telegram yesterday from D. W. Jones, one of the committee in Chicago, in which that gentleman said that everything was quiet at the mines just at present, and that if they needed help the Iowa Association would be notified at once. There is music in the air for a grand excursion from this city to Macon, Mo., Friday night, September 20, for the grand celebration of Emancipation day Saturday September 21. The round trip will be \$3.00 from Des Moines and \$2.00 from Ottumwa. Accused of Stealing \$15,000. Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 15.—Herman L. Mueller, the alleged defaulter, is now charged with having embezzled \$15,000 during the five years of his services as Kansas City agent for the Schlitz Brewing company of Milwaukee. The examination of the books shows a shortage much larger than at first thought. The peculations were made in amounts from \$50 to \$500. Mueller is still in jail, having been unable to furnish a bondman. Japan's Cabinet Crisis. Tokio, Aug. 16.—By imperial command Count Ito, the prime minister, has resumed his duties. He accepts an elevation to the title of marquis offered him by the emperor. A rupture is thus averted, but the personal relations of certain members of the cabinet are greatly strained.

THE BEE INDUSTRY.

A Minnesota Farmer Who Has No Great Respect for Honey Gatherers. Bees, said Farmer William Russell to a reporter for the Minneapolis Tribune, are just like human beings. When they are busy they are virtuous and peaceable; but when in idleness they become vicious, given to foolish actions that dissipate

DES MOINES, IOWA

IF this scheme to tow canal boats by electricity does away with canal boat drivers, whence will come our future Presidents?

The king of Corea has called upon an American to run his kingdom for him. Can it be possible also that Queen Victoria has cast the eye of hope upon Richard Croker?

In celebrating the German victory over France Buddy Hohenzollern proposes to ignore entirely the services of Bismarck. In other words, the tin soldier proposes to boycott the old war horse.

Bismarck is an old man, and it is cynical commentary upon his life that he gives in saying that through all the years that he has lived he has not experienced more than twenty-four hours' happiness.

The United States navy has too many officers and too few enlisted men. Nearly every class of cadets that is graduated from the naval academy at Annapolis provides a supply of young officers in excess of the available vacancies, and in spite of the most skillful maneuvering some of the cadets in each class fall to secure commissions and are discharged, although well qualified for the service. The surplus of officers is one of the legacies of the civil war, during the course of which several classes of unusual size were rushed through the naval academy in order to meet the necessities of the time.

The new administration of Great Britain has very much the aspect of a nice little family party. In it are a father and a son, Mr. Chamberlain and Austen Chamberlain; a father-in-law and a son-in-law, Lord Salisbury and Lord Selborne; two brothers, Arthur and Gerald Balfour; an uncle and two nephews, Lord Salisbury and the Messrs. Balfour; and two brothers-in-law, Lord George Hamilton and Lord Lansdowne; and, when the cabinet meets the clerk of the house of commons, they will find him to be the husband of Lord Salisbury's niece.—Boston Herald.

A Michigan dispatch says: "A new species of grip has appeared in Shiawassee county, locally known as 'Trilby.' Its symptoms and varied accompaniments are severe pain in one or both sides, sore throat, headache, high temperature, and difficulty in breathing. It is no respecter of persons, but seizes old and young, prostrating them usually within a few moments from the first indications of illness. There are 500 cases of 'Trilby' in Owosso, and similar reports come from Bancroft, Morris, Perry, and other parts of the county. As yet, however, no deaths have been reported." This ailment comes from Du Maurier's hypnotized maiden having posed in her bare feet and left off her stockings in some of the recent Trilby dances.

That retribution for unscrupulous dealings is sometimes visited upon the wrongdoer speedily and from an unexpected quarter is illustrated in an incident given in the "Missionary Review," and taken from a native paper. "A milkman at a fair made 50 rupees by selling milk which was largely water. Grateful for his prosperity, he made an offering to the shrine and set about washing away his sins by bathing in the river, though it does not appear that he reckoned the adulteration of milk among them. He laid aside his garments, in which were the 50 rupees, and proceeded to his bath, when a monkey seized the garment and climbed to the topmost branch of a tree overhanging the water. To the horror of the bather he saw the beast take out the silver pieces and drop them, one by one, into the swift-flowing stream. There was nothing to be done but to bear his loss; but mindful of how the money was obtained the man piously exclaimed to the river, 'Mother Gunga has claimed her own!'"

Edward Eggleston originated the Christian Endeavor Society in his popular story, "The Hoosier Schoolmaster," which he wrote in 1872 in a small house in Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn. It is in this fiction also that may be found "The Church of the Good Licks." In 1877, when Mr. Eggleston became the pastor of the Lee Avenue Congregational Church (now the Lee Avenue Theater), he organized for the young people a Society of Christian Endeavor, in imitation of the one in his book. The weekly meetings in the church drew together such a company of bright young men and women as that town never witnessed in similar gatherings before or since. All the professions were represented; and the object was chiefly social culture. It was from the success of this small company in making one evening in the week agreeable and profitable that the great gathering in Boston has come to pass.

A Kansas man and his wife spent a fortune in suing each other for divorce. After they had gotten rid of all their money they concluded to live happily together in poverty. This is a new demonstration of the theory that the way to get any satisfaction out of wealth is to spend it.

In the present Salisbury ministry blood, or title does, for nearly all of them belong to the titled classes; but so does education count, for nine of the members are graduates of Oxford and three from Cambridge.

As an indication of the various vocations that lead to affluence and independence, it may be cited that the alimony asked for and practically settled upon the wife of pugilist "Jim" Corbett—\$100 per week—is larger than the sum allowed in any of the swell American divorces of the last several seasons.

We hear a good deal about the horse going into innocuous desuetude, but when a horse fancier pays \$37,000 for a single animal the equines can afford to indulge in a horse laugh.

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.

Prominent Lawyer at Spencer Takes His Life to Avoid Arrest. SPENCER, August 14.—A. C. Hendershot, of the law firm of Allen & Hendershot, and a son of Judge Hendershot, of Ottumwa, shot himself through the heart with a 38-calibre revolver. He had forged notes to the amount of about \$8,000 to cover advances from a loan company. He was on the point of being arrested, but got matters hushed up and delayed taking his life until he could get his wife and children and his aged parents, who were visiting, off on the forenoon train. He then went to his house and prepared for death. He took off all his clothes but his underwear, lay down upon his back and fired the fatal shot into his breast just below the heart. When he was found shortly after the act by parties who went in search of him, the following confession was discovered near his body and a letter to his wife, which is not yet made public: "To the Public: I sacrifice myself to save others from disgrace. I hope that my acts will not be laid up against my family. I have spent my wife's money with what I have taken and leave her nothing. When death comes, charity should begin. While the beginning was not my fault, I cannot explain, and for that reason I assume all responsibilities. Yours, A. C. HENDERSHOT."

ASSASSINATION OF A FARMER.

Martin Krantz, a Farmer in Buchanan County, Beaten to Death. INDEPENDENCE, August 15.—Martin Krantz, a farmer living eight miles south of Independence, was assassinated in the lane near his home. He had been unmercifully beaten about the head. The fiendish work was done early in the evening and Krantz was found early in the morning still alive. He was unconscious, however, and died about noon. Frederick Ludwig has been arrested charged with the crime. He is a neighbor of Krantz. Considerable bad blood existed between the two men, arising several months ago. Ludwig has a large family and his sons were seen following Krantz around the night before the murder was committed. Ludwig himself has a bad gash on the head, an ugly wound, concerning which he says nothing. In fact, he will not talk at all, preserving a stolid silence under arrest. Krantz was a wealthy farmer. No other possible reason for his assassination can be conceived than that suggested, the feud between him and his neighbor. The body was not robbed—another thing which leads to the same theory.

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Resisting a Sheriff Ends in Wounding Five Little Ones. IOWA CITY, August 15.—A bad shooting affray occurred in Frank Pierce, Johnson county. Sheriff Jones was engaged in serving a writ of ouster on Dr. Geo. Smith, who, with his brother John, occupied the building of James W. Cupp. The brothers resisted the officer, John being armed with a shot gun and George with a revolver. They warned the sheriff away, threatening to shoot, and he, disobeying their orders, was fired on by John. The charge missed the officer, but lodged in the bodies of five children across the street. Two of the victims are the little daughters of James W. Cupp, aged 5 and 12. Two were sons of Charles Zager, aged 13 and 11, and the fifth an orphan boy aged 15 named Charlie Petrie. The elder Cupp girl and elder Zager boy are thought to be fatally wounded and the others seriously. The Smith brothers were arrested and are now confined in the county jail.

AN EXCELLENT SHOWING.

The July Figures of the Security of Davenport. The July figures of the Security of Davenport are full of interest, as they show good, substantial increase in both assets and net surplus. The assets now amount to \$249,525.03; surplus to policyholders, \$170,012.70; reinsurance reserve and all other liabilities, \$79,512.33. When the times are considered, the decreased volume of stocks of merchandise carried, and the general insurance situation, this showing is excellent. It proves beyond a doubt that the Security is a strong, progressive company and one of the best in the state to-day.—The Underwriters Review.

THE ORLEANS CLOSED.

Prohibitionists Swoop Down on the Spirit Lake Hotel. SPIRIT LAKE, August 16.—The prohibitionists of Spirit Lake had the wine room at the Hotel Orleans searched. Able Brothers, proprietors of the hotel, closed the hotel and seven-fifty guests have departed.

CANNING FACTORY BURNED.

NEWTON, August 14.—The large canning factory in this city burned to the ground. The loss will be in the neighborhood of \$30,000, with but \$9,000 insurance. The plant had just been put in readiness for the season and work was to have commenced at once. Farmers who have raised sweet corn and tomatoes for the factory will suffer loss. Quite a large amount of last season's product was stored in the cooling room and was mostly burned. The fire is supposed to have originated from spontaneous combustion of slack coal about the engine room.

WHERE THE DANGER LIES.

AMEN, August 14.—Professor Stalker has been conducting some experiments with a view to determining the transmission of tuberculosis by heredity and by the use of milk from tuberculous cows. So far as the examinations have been conducted, it is found that the milk had all to do with it. Healthy calves were taken from tuberculous cows and fed on the milk of healthy cows for three months. When killed there was no evidence of disease. The reverse was the case when healthy calves from healthy cows are fed on the milk from infected animals.

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A Council Bluffs dispatch says: Herman Kohaupt killed Mrs. Kruger in Pleasant township, using a gun. After shooting her he beat her head to jelly and escaped. Herman Kohaupt was an employe of Kruger. Kruger was away from home. Retreating about dusk, he asked for his wife and the children told him that their mother had gone out to get some cucumbers and that Kohaupt had taken the gun shortly afterwards and gone shooting. Later the body of Mrs. Kruger was found near a slough some distance from the garden and the ground gave evidence of a struggle. The breast, neck and face of the woman were filled with shot, and the skull was crushed in by the butt of the gun. Later a party of men who had organized themselves into a vigilance committee, came across Kohaupt's body lying in the edge of a corn field. Less than twenty rods from the spot where he had killed the woman, he had returned to the house after killing the woman to get a razor with which to end his own life. His throat was cut on both sides and it had not taken him long to bleed to death. Young Kohaupt is said to have been naturally of a murderous disposition. He was fond of torturing animals, and of saying how much he would enjoy cutting his own throat and the throats of people who did not suit him. He did not get along at all well with Mrs. Kruger, and was frequently heard to say that he would shoot her at the first opportunity. He is believed to have been somewhat unbalanced mentally.

RECOVERY OF DEAD.

NEW YORK, August 14.—The body of Pietro Morino was taken from the ruins of the collapsed West Third street building. This makes fifteen deaths as the result of the collapse. It is believed that there are still two more bodies in the ruins. The cause of the collapse of the Ireland building, in which fifteen lives were lost, came to light when the workmen engaged in clearing away the debris in the cellar uncovered an old fashioned well under the foundations.

THE MATE IS HOLD RESPONSIBLE.

His Steamer Crathie Responsible for the Awful Elbe Disaster. BREMER, Haven, August 14.—The admiralty court has rendered a decision in the inquiry made into the sinking of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company's steamer Elbe in collision with the British steamer Crathie in January last. The court holds that the blame for the collision must be attributed to the mate of the Crathie, who deserted his post immediately before the occurrence and went into the gallery of the Crathie.

A CABINET CRISIS IN JAPAN.

Count Ito Made Marquis Without His Will and Knowledge. TOKYO, Japan, August 13.—There is a cabinet crisis. Count Ito, the prime minister, was created a marquis without his knowledge. Feeling himself in a false position, he refuses promotion while certain of his colleagues remain unhonored. He has left the capital and will not return until the question is settled. Count Yamagata, the war minister, declines the title of marquis, for similar reasons.

FEVER AT PEORIA.

SEVENTEEN WERE SHOT.

Mexican Authorities Deal in a Summary Manner With Bandits. TUCSON, Ariz., August 14.—The Star's advice from Fronteras, Sonora, Mexico, says: Six weeks ago Col. John Weirs, a messenger, was killed and \$6,000 taken by highwaymen in Sonora, south of Bisbee. The Mexican authorities have pursued the bandits with unrelenting vigor. Seventeen of the number captured, who were in some way concerned in the affair, have been convicted and shot. One of the accused was an American. Forty others who belonged to or sympathized with the robbers, have been pressed into the Mexican army. Nearly all of who were taken were from Fronteras. All of the robbers who had infested that region have been shot or are under arrest.

TORNADO STRIKES MINNESOTA.

Buildings Wrecked and Crops Destroyed in Steele County. OWATONNA, Minn., August 15.—A tornado swept over Steele county, doing immense damage. It centered at Belle Plaine. Hall stones from four to six inches in diameter fell to the depth of four inches, breaking glass fronts in the business places, all the windows in dwellings, churches and the city hall. Smaller buildings were unroofed and overturned. Horses standing on the streets were knocked senseless. The corn crop in that region is totally destroyed. Culverts and railway right of way were washed out and trains cannot pass Bell Plaine.

WHISKY TRUST SALE.

Property Sold Under the Hammer in Chicago. CHICAGO, August 15.—One of the most remarkable legal fights in the history of corporation litigation has just come to an end. The property of the Distilling and Cattle Feeding company, commonly known as the whisky trust, was sold at auction on the mere house steps. The sale proved a mere formality, as there were no bidders besides the re-organization committee, whose bid of \$9,800,000, incorporated in the judicial decree of sale, was accepted. The fight began January 28, when Greenhut had himself appointed receiver, only to be summarily ousted by the court a few days afterwards.

OMAHA TROUBLE ENDED.

The Matter Will Go to the Supreme Court. OMAHA, August 15.—The new police commission sent a letter to the old commission asking for a conference. The old commission agreed. After an animated discussion, the old fire and police commission refusing any compromise except on the basis of permitting the supreme court to pass on the situation, the new commission yielded, agreeing that the old commission should continue to conduct the affairs of the city until a decision was rendered in the case. This is considered a definite settlement.

ITALIANS ON A RAMPAGE.

Police Required to Quiet Them Down at Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, August 14.—A body of 100 armed Italians, carrying a red flag at their head, marched to the corner of Shady street and Forbes avenue for the purpose of driving off laborers employed by Booth & Flynn, in grading the streets. The laborers stood their ground until the Italians began firing and then they fled. A police alarm was sent in and a force of reserves were hurried to the place in patrol wagons. The Italians fled when they saw the police coming but twenty-one of them were captured. They will be held for trial on charges of rioting.

THAT CHINESE MISSION OUTRAGED.

Policy of China's Provinces is Against All Foreigners. LONDON, August 14.—An editorial in the Times expresses sympathy with the Europeans in China. The article says: "It is needless to discuss the missionary controversy. The attacks are anti-foreign and anti-missionary, and if they are allowed to succeed in their manifest purpose, the whole policy of opening up China, which has been pursued by the American and European governments for years past, will be defeated. If the Pekin government is impotent to control the provincial authorities, we must deal with the latter directly."

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

I. S. MOINES, August 12.—A copyright has been granted to C. S. Miller, of Des Moines, for his illustrated catalogue of "Columbian Art Ribbon Work," showing what may be accomplished by means of the ribbon needle, for which a patent has been granted. Robert Fullerton, of Des Moines, has been allowed a patent for a cup cover having a dial and pivoted pointers adapted to be used as a safe-guard to prevent the mistakes and dangers incident to administering improper quantities of medicine or proper quantities at improper times. Nine patents were issued to Iowa inventors for the week ending August 6. Valuable information about obtaining, valuing and selling patents sent free to any address. Printed copies of any United States patent sent upon receipt of 25 cents.

THOS. G. AND J. RALPH ORWIG, Solicitors of Patents.

Talks Care of Himself.

"There's one thing that lessens my labors somewhat," remarked the Fool-killer, thoughtfully. "What's that?" "The man who rocks the boat and points unloaded fire arms at people generally smokes cigarettes. Even if I don't get a chance to give him my personal consideration, he gets attended to in time."

One Great Drawback.

Ethel—She would have married him were it not for one thing. Marie—What was that? Ethel—He had no bad habits for her to break him of.

A Familiar Malady.

Stamp collector (triumphantly)—"I have just succeeded in securing a fine specimen of the recently counterfeited 3-cent stamp; cost me only \$1.50, too." Friend—A dollar and a half for a counterfeit stamp? Why, man, you must be crazy!" "But you see, my dear fellow, it is certified to as a genuine counterfeit."

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A Council Bluffs dispatch says: Herman Kohaupt killed Mrs. Kruger in Pleasant township, using a gun. After shooting her he beat her head to jelly and escaped. Herman Kohaupt was an employe of Kruger. Kruger was away from home. Retreating about dusk, he asked for his wife and the children told him that their mother had gone out to get some cucumbers and that Kohaupt had taken the gun shortly afterwards and gone shooting. Later the body of Mrs. Kruger was found near a slough some distance from the garden and the ground gave evidence of a struggle. The breast, neck and face of the woman were filled with shot, and the skull was crushed in by the butt of the gun. Later a party of men who had organized themselves into a vigilance committee, came across Kohaupt's body lying in the edge of a corn field. Less than twenty rods from the spot where he had killed the woman, he had returned to the house after killing the woman to get a razor with which to end his own life. His throat was cut on both sides and it had not taken him long to bleed to death. Young Kohaupt is said to have been naturally of a murderous disposition. He was fond of torturing animals, and of saying how much he would enjoy cutting his own throat and the throats of people who did not suit him. He did not get along at all well with Mrs. Kruger, and was frequently heard to say that he would shoot her at the first opportunity. He is believed to have been somewhat unbalanced mentally.

RECOVERY OF DEAD.

NEW YORK, August 14.—The body of Pietro Morino was taken from the ruins of the collapsed West Third street building. This makes fifteen deaths as the result of the collapse. It is believed that there are still two more bodies in the ruins. The cause of the collapse of the Ireland building, in which fifteen lives were lost, came to light when the workmen engaged in clearing away the debris in the cellar uncovered an old fashioned well under the foundations.

THE MATE IS HOLD RESPONSIBLE.

His Steamer Crathie Responsible for the Awful Elbe Disaster. BREMER, Haven, August 14.—The admiralty court has rendered a decision in the inquiry made into the sinking of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company's steamer Elbe in collision with the British steamer Crathie in January last. The court holds that the blame for the collision must be attributed to the mate of the Crathie, who deserted his post immediately before the occurrence and went into the gallery of the Crathie.

A CABINET CRISIS IN JAPAN.

Count Ito Made Marquis Without His Will and Knowledge. TOKYO, Japan, August 13.—There is a cabinet crisis. Count Ito, the prime minister, was created a marquis without his knowledge. Feeling himself in a false position, he refuses promotion while certain of his colleagues remain unhonored. He has left the capital and will not return until the question is settled. Count Yamagata, the war minister, declines the title of marquis, for similar reasons.

FEVER AT PEORIA.

SEVENTEEN WERE SHOT.

Mexican Authorities Deal in a Summary Manner With Bandits. TUCSON, Ariz., August 14.—The Star's advice from Fronteras, Sonora, Mexico, says: Six weeks ago Col. John Weirs, a messenger, was killed and \$6,000 taken by highwaymen in Sonora, south of Bisbee. The Mexican authorities have pursued the bandits with unrelenting vigor. Seventeen of the number captured, who were in some way concerned in the affair, have been convicted and shot. One of the accused was an American. Forty others who belonged to or sympathized with the robbers, have been pressed into the Mexican army. Nearly all of who were taken were from Fronteras. All of the robbers who had infested that region have been shot or are under arrest.

TORNADO STRIKES MINNESOTA.

Buildings Wrecked and Crops Destroyed in Steele County. OWATONNA, Minn., August 15.—A tornado swept over Steele county, doing immense damage. It centered at Belle Plaine. Hall stones from four to six inches in diameter fell to the depth of four inches, breaking glass fronts in the business places, all the windows in dwellings, churches and the city hall. Smaller buildings were unroofed and overturned. Horses standing on the streets were knocked senseless. The corn crop in that region is totally destroyed. Culverts and railway right of way were washed out and trains cannot pass Bell Plaine.

WHISKY TRUST SALE.

Property Sold Under the Hammer in Chicago. CHICAGO, August 15.—One of the most remarkable legal fights in the history of corporation litigation has just come to an end. The property of the Distilling and Cattle Feeding company, commonly known as the whisky trust, was sold at auction on the mere house steps. The sale proved a mere formality, as there were no bidders besides the re-organization committee, whose bid of \$9,800,000, incorporated in the judicial decree of sale, was accepted. The fight began January 28, when Greenhut had himself appointed receiver, only to be summarily ousted by the court a few days afterwards.

OMAHA TROUBLE ENDED.

The Matter Will Go to the Supreme Court. OMAHA, August 15.—The new police commission sent a letter to the old commission asking for a conference. The old commission agreed. After an animated discussion, the old fire and police commission refusing any compromise except on the basis of permitting the supreme court to pass on the situation, the new commission yielded, agreeing that the old commission should continue to conduct the affairs of the city until a decision was rendered in the case. This is considered a definite settlement.

ITALIANS ON A RAMPAGE.

Police Required to Quiet Them Down at Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, August 14.—A body of 100 armed Italians, carrying a red flag at their head, marched to the corner of Shady street and Forbes avenue for the purpose of driving off laborers employed by Booth & Flynn, in grading the streets. The laborers stood their ground until the Italians began firing and then they fled. A police alarm was sent in and a force of reserves were hurried to the place in patrol wagons. The Italians fled when they saw the police coming but twenty-one of them were captured. They will be held for trial on charges of rioting.

THAT CHINESE MISSION OUTRAGED.

Policy of China's Provinces is Against All Foreigners. LONDON, August 14.—An editorial in the Times expresses sympathy with the Europeans in China. The article says: "It is needless to discuss the missionary controversy. The attacks are anti-foreign and anti-missionary, and if they are allowed to succeed in their manifest purpose, the whole policy of opening up China, which has been pursued by the American and European governments for years past, will be defeated. If the Pekin government is impotent to control the provincial authorities, we must deal with the latter directly."

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

I. S. MOINES, August 12.—A copyright has been granted to C. S. Miller, of Des Moines, for his illustrated catalogue of "Columbian Art Ribbon Work," showing what may be accomplished by means of the ribbon needle, for which a patent has been granted. Robert Fullerton, of Des Moines, has been allowed a patent for a cup cover having a dial and pivoted pointers adapted to be used as a safe-guard to prevent the mistakes and dangers incident to administering improper quantities of medicine or proper quantities at improper times. Nine patents were issued to Iowa inventors for the week ending August 6. Valuable information about obtaining, valuing and selling patents sent free to any address. Printed copies of any United States patent sent upon receipt of 25 cents.

THOS. G. AND J. RALPH ORWIG, Solicitors of Patents.

Talks Care of Himself.

"There's one thing that lessens my labors somewhat," remarked the Fool-killer, thoughtfully. "What's that?" "The man who rocks the boat and points unloaded fire arms at people generally smokes cigarettes. Even if I don't get a chance to give him my personal consideration, he gets attended to in time."

One Great Drawback.

Ethel—She would have married him were it not for one thing. Marie—What was that? Ethel—He had no bad habits for her to break him of.

A Familiar Malady.

Stamp collector (triumphantly)—"I have just succeeded in securing a fine specimen of the recently counterfeited 3-cent stamp; cost me only \$1.50, too." Friend—A dollar and a half for a counterfeit stamp? Why, man, you must be crazy!" "But you see, my dear fellow, it is certified to as a genuine counterfeit."

Well, I declare!

"Well, I declare! You stamp collectors beat my understanding!" "Yes, I suppose so, but who is not interested in philately stamps collect seems like a queer business."

"Huh! It isn't a business—It's a disease!"

THE WORLD IN GENERAL

BIKE RECORDS BROKEN.

Sensational Wheeling Events at Manhattan Beach. NEW YORK, August 16.—The bicycle tournament held at the Manhattan Beach track developed sensational record breaking performances in the amateur and professional ranks. Fred J. Titus, of New York, the famous crack of the Spalding team, lowered the world's amateur competitive record for ten miles. He covered the distance in 20 minutes, 58 4/5 seconds, beating the previous record of 21 minutes 33 3/5 seconds, by 40 4/5 seconds, and incidentally lowering all existing records from three miles up, including the five mile record of 10 minutes and 20 2/5 seconds, held by himself and J. S. Johnson. H. C. Tyler, of Springfield, Mass., lowered Barden's world's professional record for one mile of 1 minute, 50 2/5 seconds, covering the distance 1:49 2/5. He went on for the two mile record, from which he clipped two-fifths of a second, his time being 3 minutes, 56 seconds.

GETS FIVE YEARS.

LOCAL NEWS.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1895.

Advertisers Can Reach The Colored People of Des Moines and Iowa Only Through the Iowa State Bystander.

DES MOINES PASSENGER TRAINS

Table with columns: ARRIVE, DEPART, and various train routes like Chicago, St. Louis, and Des Moines.

Robert Jones left Sunday for a week's visit in Illinois.

Thos. Williams remains quite sick with rheumatism.

Samuel Johnson, of Boone, visited in the city Thursday.

George Harris has gone to Muchakinock for a few days' visit.

The King's Daughters met at the church Wednesday evening.

Charles Wood and family have removed to 776 West Ninth street.

James E. Todd returned from the Centerville encampment Monday.

Mr. Johnson, of Centerville, is the guest of his cousin, John Hughes.

Ladies' tan excursions, worth \$1.00, now 50c. The Hub, 607 Walnut street.

John Thompson accompanied the excursion to Burlington last Sunday.

Mrs. S. R. Palmer has gone to Burlington to visit relatives and friends.

Des Moines has twelve Negro preachers. Is it a good or evil omen?

Men's \$2.00 tan and black shoes cut to \$1.48. The Hub, 607 Walnut street.

Montrose Thornton, the boy preacher and "masher," passed through the city.

B. J. Holmes was unable to attend work several days this week, owing to illness.

Miss Maple Morton will manage the whoop drill at the concert Monday evening.

Miss Mattie Robinson returned home Monday, after several week's visit in St. Joseph.

Mrs. Logan, of Savanah, Mo., still remains in very poor health. She is 86 years old.

Little Helen Washington had the misfortune to burn herself with carbolic acid this week.

Miss Beatrice Grider of St. Joe, Mo., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stanton of 544 Seventh street.

Fire destroyed the home of Mrs. J. D. Carter Sunday evening. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Ladies' \$4.00 and \$3.00 congress shoes—fine quality—a bargain, \$1.48. The Hub, 607 Walnut street.

Messrs. Grant Williams and John Washington arrived in the city Wednesday evening from the east.

Miss Dora Sims, of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city Friday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Barton.

Moses D. Lawrie, of St. Joseph, visited in this city last Sunday. He is quite a promising young man.

There will be a meeting of Douglas club Tuesday evening at the court house. Let everyone be present.

Ladies' white canvas oxford's make the coolest foot wear—\$1.48 buys a pretty pair at The Hub, 607 Walnut street.

Miss Anna Sheldon, of Dixon, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Birney and family of Ninth and Grand avenue.

Mr. David C. Bassfield escaped the persistent delinquent poll tax collector by a sworn affidavit that he was over forty-five years of age.

Misses Sparks and Payne will leave Saturday for St. Joe, Mo., after several week's visiting in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher.

M. L. Rogers Logan, of Mariposa county, Cal., will visit his brother, Jefferson Logan. He has not been in this city for over fifteen years.

We thank our friends who kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our father.

Mrs. Wm. LORSON AND AL. MOSS.

Services every Sunday morning and evening at St. Paul's A. M. E. church. The edifice is inviting, the sermons in-

structive and the singing second to none in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hudlin were in the city Tuesday en route to Chicago for a few days' visit. They will return Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Birney and Miss Catharine Curtis, after a pleasant visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Birney, left left for Crawfordsville, Ind., Tuesday evening.

The ball given at Greenwood park Monday evening was a most enjoyable affair. A large number were present and the accommodations were such as to give all who attended a delightful time.

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