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A WORD PERSONAL.

THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER was started a year ago the 8th of last June, and it is, therefore, in the second year of its existence. It was a year of almost unprecedented depression all over the country. Many doubted the expediency of starting a newspaper at that time. The men had pluck, perseverance and money, and nothing daunted them. It began cautiously and in a modest way to give the Afro-Americans a newspaper commensurate with its support. Every dollar that came into the office was used for the purpose of improving the paper.

Today THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER has presses, type and other things pertaining to a first-class newspaper. It is now proposed to give employment to as many as possible and to add all of the very latest styles of type and increase the news gathering force of the paper and give more attention to both general and local news. Politics, religion and the economic questions of the day will receive due attention. The BYSTANDER will continue to fight for the home and its sacred altar, for good society and for good government.

The IOWA STATE BYSTANDER has been to great expense, and the men connected with the paper have often been compelled to go into their pockets to pay bills. But they do not regret it, for they realized that the Afro-Americans of Iowa must have a newspaper if they would succeed. It is necessary to have a newspaper in this day and time. The BYSTANDER has been singularly fortunate in its battles for the best interests of the people in general and the Afro-Americans in particular. It proposes, in the future as in the past, to attack wrong, whether committed by a white man or black man. Its enemies are generally found among those who have no defense to make only that of bluff and bluster.

The patrons of this paper, we hope, will realize that they have a duty to perform as well as the owners and proprietors. There are many who have not paid us a dollar, and we hope that they will put the talk so often heard about race devotion and pride into a substantial form, by sending in

what they know to be due this paper. We receive and publish correspondence from cities and towns in Iowa from which we have not had a dollar—but from such places we have often received letters criticizing us for omitting to publish news for people who have never paid a single cent for the support of this paper.

The Afro-American Protective association saw fit to designate this paper as the "official organ," as did the Grand Lodge of Iowa A. F. and A. M. This is simply an empty honor, unless the members of these organizations do their full duty, by patronizing the "official organ" to the extent of a year's subscription. It costs money to run a paper, and the management of this paper is willing to put in dollar for dollar with its patrons. Is this fair? Again, there are many who like to read the news, but are unwilling to pay for this or any other newspaper. This way of doing business is not the manner by which the German, Irish, Swedish and American papers are made successful and powerful for good.

Every man should take some paper of his choice. No Afro-American can fail to support an Afro-American journal without doing injury to himself.

The Afro-American newspapers of this country must and will do whatever of good is accomplished in behalf of the down-trodden of that race. They address larger audiences every week than any single individual, and this fact places upon them great care and greater cause for study and reflection.

We hope all will show their race pride, their honesty and their sincere desire to do the square thing by paying what is due for the years 1894 and 1895.

Many of our correspondents and agents and friends are to be congratulated upon the interest they have taken in the rebuilding of this paper, and are assured of the hearty appreciation of the BYSTANDER family. We hope that they will not forget to do the same in the future, by sending in orders for new subscribers, and cash for both old and new.

The IOWA STATE BYSTANDER for the ensuing year will contain, among other things, the following: Condensed news of the entire city of Des Moines.

State news and State and local politics.

A short sermon by the religious editor, giving the growth of religion from heathen mythology to the present.

Short sketches by the "Man About Town," by Ramona.

General news and notes of the Afro-Americans of the world.

Congressional and legislative proceedings.

The president's annual communication to congress shows that virtually nothing has been done in the Waller case. This government asks for the evidence upon which Waller was convicted and the French withholds it on the ground that it would establish a "bad precedent." This is in line with the weak and vacillating course of the whole administration.

The Colorado lynching of Italians, the Turkish massacres, and the Mexican Negro colonies receive attention in President Cleveland's message, but the lynching and burning of men and women who are at home and citizens of the United States is entirely overlooked. The Turk has shown more humanity and have committed their crimes with less suffering to the victims than have the people of this country. They do not run excursion trains to the scenes of their bloody deeds. It is simply rank hypocrisy for the United States government to find fault or attempt to correct foreign nations as long as its own citizens are burned at the stake.

Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett is again speaking in the interest of law and order. There are many who find fault with her methods,

but none who have as yet offered a better plan of attack. The croakers are afraid of agitation. There was no agitation over the question of slavery! Look at the time when the infamous Missouri compromise was before congress, when abolitionists were lynched in Illinois, when Kansas was overrun by a howling mob of slaveholders and sympathizers, and many more historic "agitations." Out of it all came freedom.

There is a general demand for educated men in the pulpit. Nearly all the Afro-American papers are speaking in plain terms in regard to this growing need, and there is a strong opposition to men who give neither precept or example. There is no one who can preach very long in one place without resource from the field of knowledge. The public has too long attempted to draw water from a well that has gone dry.

Among the first bills introduced in congress this week was one by Capt. J. A. T. Hull, congressman from this district. This bill provides for a home for disabled colored people in the city of Washington. There is no city in the country more in need of such an institution. Captain Hull's effort should be appreciated by all who believe in relieving suffering wherever found.

Bishop Wyman is dead. He was the senior bishop of the A. M. E. church and was held in high esteem by the members of the church. He belonged to the pioneer class of ministers. He held conference in Iowa last September at Keokuk and is well known in the west. His death will necessitate the election of two bishops in the A. M. E. church.

The first duty of Afro-Americans is to free themselves from the Benedict Arnolds and Judas Iscariots. They will prove traitors under any circumstances. Some times they are made traitors by a greed for gold and some times by following a strange woman. Whatever the cause, let the traitors stand alone.

It is but a short time before the city election and the various factions and candidates are at work in earnest. It is the duty of all good citizens to take an interest in such affairs and secure the very best men possible.

Longdon and Frederick of the St. Joe (Mo.) Mirror were sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for assaulting a Negro citizen of that place. While they acted in bad judgment, the sentence seems too severe.

The Congregational church people in Florida are prepared to test the law in that state making it a criminal offense for white and black children to attend the same school or for white persons to teach black.

The interest the Afro-Americans take in the city election for now on will determine their status. The defeats they have met with in the past are a natural result of poor and indiscreet management.

The Italians who attacked the Afro-Americans at Spring Valley, Ill., last summer are getting their reward, several having been sent to the penitentiary and others will soon join them.

The Ladies' Afternoon Social club met on Thursday, December 5, at the home of Mrs. E. G. McAfee, and was called to order by the president. The club was well attended. Needle work and conversation was the order of the afternoon, and a general good time was had by all present. A bountiful repast was served by the hostess, assisted by the host, who expressed himself as desiring to become an honorary member of the club. The club adjourned to meet December 12 with Mrs. Maud Morton on 8th street. All members are requested to be present without fail. Business of importance.

Willis Lewis and Miss Nellie Wear were married at the parsonage last Saturday evening. Rev. P. P. Taylor officiating. They will make their future home at Keb, Iowa.

Mrs. Pearl Smith and Elmer Rhinehart, of Springfield, Ill., came home to attend the funeral of their mother.

Mrs. James Lida Moss, of Fairfield, and Harry Jones, of Albia, attended the funeral on Sunday.

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OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
The weather here is very pleasant, the light snows that fall causing but little inconvenience.

Thanksgiving was observed here by the colored people in various ways. The A. M. E. church choir gave a very creditable concert in the evening, which was attended. The participants rendered their numbers in a very creditable manner.

The members of the Olive Baptist church gave a Thanksgiving dinner down town, and in addition to the usual turkey gobbler, possum and coon were served.

Mrs. J. C. Dunaway and daughter have returned after a two months' sojourn in Galesburg with much improved health.

Mrs. R. Kinney is convalescent.
Mr. J. Johnson and wife were the guests of Mrs. A. Collins on Thanksgiving day.

Lulu Carson spent Thanksgiving with Bell Graham.

Henry Cowden is fast regaining his health.
William Shackelford who learned the printer's trade in Nebraska, is now employed at the Post printing rooms, on Jefferson street.

On Dec. 19, at the Olive Baptist church, a grand prize entertainment and concert will be given.

ALBIA NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
Mrs. C. Worth and son spent a week with her sister, Mrs. U. S. Jones.

Rev. Rhinehart left last Sunday night for Ottumwa, where he found his wife very ill.

Mrs. Henry Jones gave a Thanksgiving dinner in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Meadows, of Ottumwa, and Mrs. C. Woods, of the capital city.

Mrs. Susie Snody gave a delightful tea Tuesday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. C. Woods.

Mrs. J. Hackett, of Keokuk, arrived in the city Tuesday evening to organize the Star of Albia lodge.

The sad news was received Saturday announcing the death of Rev. Rhinehart's wife. He has the sympathy of all his Albia friends.

Elder Burleigh held his quarterly conference last Wednesday and Thursday evenings, and preached each evening, which was enjoyed by all. He left for Ottumwa Friday morning.

The Misses Thomas and mother arrived in the city Friday Muchkinock to spend over Sunday, and left Monday, accompanied by their brother, Pearl.

The Thanksgiving supper and concert at the church were a success.

Mrs. Pairago, of your city, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Marshall, and left for her home Saturday evening.

Mrs. S. A. Davis gave an elegant dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. C. Wood, of the capital city, which was very enjoyable.

The latter lady and son left for home Thursday morning.

A delightful surprise party visited the home of Mrs. U. S. Jones on Monday night. It was in honor of her sister. All were loaded with good things and the merriment was kept up till a late hour.

The Jones home is always open to receive friends.
Mrs. Josie Meadows left for her home on Saturday.

H. Jones went to Ottumwa Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Rhinehart.

Willie Yates, of Oskaloosa, made a flying trip to Albia.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
Mrs. C. G. Lee, of Oskaloosa, visited in the city the past week with her sisters, Mesdames Kate McBradley and Betty Fields. She returned home Tuesday morning.

Harry Horn is on the sick list but is improving.

Born to Charles Crolley and wife, last Monday evening, a baby girl. The child did not live long. It was buried Tuesday evening. The mother is doing well at present.

Mrs. Josie Meadows spent Thanksgiving in Albia. She returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Kate Bradley is on the sick list this week.

The entertainment given at the A. M. E. church last Thursday evening was a grand success, both socially and financially. It was under the management of Z. Taylor and wife.

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1870, which has been their home ever since. For thirty-eight years she was a member of the church, and led a consistent, Christian life. The funeral services were held Sunday at the A. M. E. church, being conducted by the pastor, Rev. P. P. Taylor, assisted by Revs. William Williams, of Muchkinock, and H. H. White, of the Second Baptist church of this city. The family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Owing to the inclement weather and for other reasons the meeting of the I. B. W. R. C. was postponed until next week, when it will meet with Mrs. H. T. Elliott.

Mrs. Turner entertained Rev. Williams and wife and Rev. Taylor and wife at dinner the first of the week.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
John Lewis is on the sick list.

Thanksgiving services were held at the A. M. E. church in the morning. Rev. White, of Wesley chapel, delivered an appropriate sermon. The meeting was well attended. The social in the evening was a success socially and financially.

Mr. Lucas and Ed Good, of Grinnell, spent Thanksgiving in our city.

Nate Black and Frank Moore, of Washington, were visitors a few days last week. They returned home Friday.

Mr. Lewis, of Muchkinock, and Mrs. Martha Jones, of this place, were quietly married at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening by Rev. T. W. Lewis.

Misses Lottie and Genevieve Green, of Newton, attended the ball Wednesday night and returned home the next day.

Mrs. G. H. Jones, who has been on the sick list, is somewhat improved.

Subscribe to and read THE BYSTANDER and keep posted on what the Negro is doing in Iowa and other states.

The concert meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. on Sunday evening was largely attended. The members took an active part. Several new names were added to the list. The society is doing a good work among the young people.

Mr. Burnett and wife entertained at dinner Thanksgiving G. W. Black and wife, A. G. Clark and wife, Frank Moore and Nate Black.

Lewis Clark and Mrs. Patsy Lee, of your city, were married Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Stapleton. A large number witnessed the ceremony. Their many friends wish them happiness. Rev. White officiated.

The A. M. E. church choir is preparing a musical program to be rendered some time during the holidays.

Mrs. Pruitt's little niece is lying very sick at the home of L. D. Buckner.

Mrs. C. G. Lee has returned home from a visit in Ottumwa.

Mother Dickens is reported very ill at this writing.

NEWTON NOTES.

Special to the Iowa State Bystander.
Miss Agnes Roy, one of the capital city's most charming and accomplished young ladies, is visiting in the city, the guest of the Misses Brown.

The musical treat given by the band boys was indeed a success. Paul Waldon is to be congratulated on his skillful management.

Misses Lottie and Genevieve Green attended the union ball at Oskaloosa.

Mrs. Pansie Green has at last recovered from her recent illness.

William Fine and Fred Green are skillful skaters, and their performances on the ice were watched with interest by spectators.

Rev. W. A. Searcy has at last succeeded in organizing some very good societies.

Miss Jessie Moore is still very ill.

Mrs. Ella Waldron will spend the winter with her parents in this city. At present she is in Colorado Springs.

The Golden Eagle quartet contemplates giving a swell ball New Year's. Watch for further announcements.

A number of our ladies entertained at dinner Thanksgiving day.

BOONE NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
Mrs. Turner entertained a few friends at her home Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Lewis, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. Harris, has departed for Webster City.

At the residence of Mrs. Smith, on Eighth street, occurred the wedding of J. B. Robinson to Miss Augusta Hopkins.

Rev. N. N. Pharris, of the A. M. E. church officiated.

At the home of James Anthony and wife, Thanksgiving evening, before a few friends, Rev. Wm. E. Randall united in marriage their daughter, Hattie, and J. W. Ruse.

DAVENPORT NEWSLETS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.
The S. A. T. club met at the beautiful residence of Mrs. Parton, in Moline, Nov. 21, and was royally entertained. The parlors were decorated with chrysanthemums and music furnished by the Afro-American mandolin club. After the program a repast of seven courses was served.

On the evening of Nov. 21 the Chrysanthemum annual banquet was celebrated by the elite of the tri-city. The tables in the dining hall were laden with all the delicacies of the season, and were decorated with huge bowls of cut flowers.

Toasts and responses were given by prominent citizens of the tri-city. Dancing was indulged in till a late hour to the music of Biener's orchestra.

Sir Rufus R. Dodson, C. G. M. of tabernacles and temples of Illinois, Indiana and Iowa, arrived in the city on an inspecting tour of the Pride of Iowa, of this city, and Hyregore, of Keokuk Island.



FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

GOOD SHORT STORIES FOR THE JUNIOR REPUBLIC.

"The Way That Father Comes"—Strange Feline Specimens Found on the Island of Cerros—Give God Your Best Thought.

THE way that father comes each night, home faring from the city, is scanned with eager glances bright. By Marjory and Kitty. Twin sentries by the garden gate.

In spotless white the sisters wait—Two tiny maids with faces fair, With deep blue eyes and soft brown hair.

The way that father comes they know Must always be the right way, Trodden a thousand times, and so It always seems a bright way.

The quiet lane their eyes discern Is known at every grassy turn, And, hung with blossoms, arched with green, It is the sweetest ever seen!

The way that father comes they deem Awaits his coming only; Though crowds went by, the way would seem,

Without him, sad and lonely! It is his voice they long to hear, His quick, firm footsteps drawing near; It is for him alone they wait, In loving patience at the gate!

The way that father comes, we guess, Is where new joys will find him—An Eden for the wilderness Of toil and care behind him!

The troubles of the day forgot, He hastens to a blissful spot, Where, rosy twilight growing dim, The children soon shall welcome him! —J. R. Eastwood.

Give God Your Best Thought. With all thy mind. (Luke 10:27). Whoever loves God with his whole mind will worship him in all his thoughts. God will be first with him in everything, and he will be constantly planning for the spread of the Kingdom of God. No matter what his sphere or work may be, he will be a true missionary in heart and spirit. God needs the best thought of every man, and will pay good interest for the use of it. There is no kind of Christian work that does not require method, plan, decision and intelligent care in its execution, and there is no work that needs to be done for the good of man, that is not Christian work, if the man who does it loves God. A bricklayer can worship God every time he lifts his trowel, and a carpenter can lift up holy hands every time he saws a board or drives a nail. An architect can be saying something to his Master every time he puts a plan on paper, and the man who constructs a steamer, or builds an engine, can do it with the prayer, "Thy kingdom come." To love God with all the mind, means that we are not only reaching out to him with our highest thought, trying to fathom his truth and learn his will, but that we will also use all our powers of brain to help carry to those that sit in darkness the glad tidings that will give them light and life. But God cannot be loved with all the mind, unless he is first loved with all the heart.

Tame Cats Run Wild. A friend of mine, who recently returned from a visit to the mining camps on the Island of Cerros, which lies in the Pacific ocean, off the coast of Lower California, in speaking of the fauna and flora of that interesting volcanic upheaval, told me that he saw a number of small cats running wild on the island. They were prowling about the rocks, and among the many cacti and giant century plants that form the only vegetation of that arid soil, and afford these cats their only shelter. He describes the color of these animals as varied, many being gray, some entirely black, and a few spotted with black and white.

My friend is undoubtedly correct in the belief that these small cats have descended from domestic animals that had been left on the island, or had escaped from wrecks on the coast, and since that time have multiplied under favorable conditions of food and climate. They prey chiefly upon the rats that are found there of the "trading" and "kangaroo" species.

These kangaroo rats are peculiar to Australia, and must therefore have gained a home on the Island of Cerros in some such way as the cats have done. The cats may occasionally vary their bill-of-fare by catching the mice that infest the huts of the miners, and the Mexican fleeces that fly over from the mainland in large flocks.

My informant heard occasional meows and distant caterwaulings at night—sounds that reminded him more of home and civilization than any other that met his ear during his trip. Once or twice by the mere force of habit, he found himself on the very point of hurling boot-jacks and soap cups at the feline serenaders.

In their habits these Cerros cats are exceedingly wild, as we might naturally suppose. For, no matter how much of a pet a cat may be, if her young are brought up to shift for themselves, or are turned adrift in the woods, even after a domestic kittenhood, they will at once show themselves proficient in

A Cruel Jest. At the theater—Youngster—What beautiful heads of hair these ladies in front have!

Oldster—If the lady whose switch has dropped off—

All six of the ladies bring their hands to the back of their heads spasmodically, and Oldster grins and chuckles, as though he had done a bright thing. —Boston Transcript.

Never Forgetts Himself. Mrs. Yeast—Does your father ever forget himself at the table?

Bobble—You bet he don't. He helps himself first every time.—Exchange.

GASTRONOMIC HINTS.

Only amateur epicures are fascinated by the "first oysters of the season." In the early autumn the bon vivants' fancy is lightly turned to thoughts of game.

A Welsh rarebit will assist one in keeping awake who has to sit up with a sick friend.

The abundance of peaches this year would be more appreciated if they were of a better, firmer quality.

Good oranges are scarce and expensive, and lemons, as to price, may be said to have gone up in a balloon.

The Chinese have more ways of cooking a chicken than we, with all our culinary philosophy, ever dreamed of.

Good celery salad is a contingent upon the quality of the oil used. Avoid the kind used to lubricate machinery.

There is a popular impression that a French cook could make a delicious soup out of an ordinary billiard ball.

Those to whom pears are a fatal fruit seem to increase. Therefore, look not upon the Bartlett when it is granitic.

Young turkey is reasonable and palatable, although farmers say they would be all the better "hardened up" with cooler weather.

Apple pies at a Catskill hotel are described as having a "hard wood finish" that is not only a crust apparently made of the real Georgia pine.

Immersed in hot water before bitten, the race track restaurant sandwich lessens the necessity of going direct from that place to the nearest dentist.

Cabbage and cauliflower are the two vegetables that can never be cooked at home without the world knowing what you are going to have for dinner.

Venison stewed with wine in a chafing dish will soon be in order, taking the place of monotonous Welsh rarebit, which revived the chafing dish two winters ago.

The cook who serves woodcock without their heads should straightway be given opportunity to seek another situation. The woodcock's brain is an epicurean morsel.

Confinement and Hard Work indoors, particularly in the sitting posture, are far more prejudicial to the excessive muscular exertion in the open air.

Hard sedentary workers are far too weary after office hours to take much needful exercise in the open air. They often need tonic.

Where can they seek invigoration more certainly and thoroughly than from Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a renovator particularly adapted to recruit the exhausted force of nature? Use also for dyspepsia, kidney, liver and rheumatic ailments.

Another Pea to Wheatman. L. A. W.—How did you come to lose that race over in Jersey?

B. C. C.—One of the local mosquitoes settled on the tire of my hind wheel and punctured it before it got half way around the track.

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THE FIRST SESSION.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS FORMALLY OPENED.

Speaker Reed and the Rest of the Nonmembers of the Republican Caucus Chosen as Officers of the House—The Usual Resolutions.

Congress is again in session. At noon Monday senate and house were called to order in their respective chambers amid the usual scenes of animation and excitement.

The Cuban situation received attention from both the Florida senators. At the brief executive session the nomination of Mr. Olney as secretary of state and Mr. Harmon as attorney general were confirmed.

Mr. Callom (rep., Ill.) presented a communication from Evanston, Ill., asking government action concerning the deplorable condition of affairs in Turkey.

Mr. Gallinger (rep., N. H.) offered a similar communication from citizens of New Hampshire.

A resolution of the Idaho legislature urging the election of United States senators by popular vote was presented by Mr. Dubois (rep., Idaho).

Mr. Stewart (pop., Nev.) introduced his bill for the "free and unlimited coinage of silver."

Mr. Call (dem., Fla.) gave notice that he would call up his Cuban resolution to-day. It is in part as follows: "Resolved, That the congress of the United States protest and remonstrate against the barbarous manner in which the war in Cuba has been conducted, and the president is hereby authorized to take such steps as may be expedient in his judgment to secure an observance of the laws of war as recognized by civilized nations."

Mr. Callom (rep., Ill.) introduced a resolution on the Monroe doctrine similar to that presented by Mr. Lodge. He gave notice that he would call up the resolution as soon as permissible for the purpose of addressing the senate floor.

Among the large number of bills offered by Mr. Peffer (pop., Kan.) were those limiting the president's term to six years without re-election; repealing all laws permitting the issuance of bonds; the limitation of the power of injunction.

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Mr. Morgan (dem., Ala.) gave notice that on next Monday he would address the senate on the British claims for Bering sea seizures. In this connection he offered a resolution for an investigation and report on the subject by the senate committee on foreign relations.

At 2:50 p. m., on motion of Mr. Faulkner (dem., W. Va.) the senate went into executive session, and at 3 o'clock adjourned.

PECKHAM IS NOMINATED. New York Man to Be Associate Justice of Supreme Court.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The President has nominated Rufus W. Peckham, of New York, to be associate justice of the United States supreme court, to succeed the late Howell E. Jackson, of Tennessee.

Justice Peckham is a resident of Albany and judge of the court of appeals of New York. It is believed he will be satisfactory to Senator Hill, whose opposition was successful in preventing the confirmation of Messrs. Hornblower and Wheeler Peckham, the two New Yorkers whose names were mentioned in connection with the nomination.

The President also nominated Richard Olney to be secretary of state and Judson Harmon attorney general.

Venezuela Boundary Dispute. Washington, Dec. 4.—The first movement in congress upon the Venezuelan boundary dispute came yesterday in the form of a resolution introduced in the house by Representative Livingston of Georgia.

The resolution of the last congress that recommended that the boundary dispute be submitted to arbitration, that the action was brought to the attention of her Britannic majesty's government by the president, courteously, and with kindly intent, and declares that her majesty's government has failed to give the prompt consideration to the important request contained in that joint resolution or to answer the same in any manner, such as was due and becoming to the dignity of the United States as a great nation and to the friendly relations existing between the two governments.

In conclusion, it provides for a joint committee of two senators and three members to investigate the facts and recommend proper action to congress, to vindicate and preserve the dignity and rights of the United States in the premises.

Will Push the Walker Case. Washington, Dec. 4.—The Kansas delegation in congress is determined to leave nothing undone to secure the release of ex-Conf. Gen. John L. Walker from his imprisonment in France. After the president's message had been read yesterday, the entire delegation of senators and members, including republicans and populists, held a meeting to decide upon their course of action. It was resolved to push a resolution in both houses calling upon the president for all the papers and correspondence in the case. Representative Curtis of Kansas has received many petitions calling for strong action in the Walker case, which he will present to the house.

Chief Justice Fuller Indisposed. Washington, Dec. 4.—Chief Justice Fuller suffered yesterday from severe pains in the head, and his place at the head of the supreme bench was supplied by Justice Field.

Talmage in Washington.

Bill Introduced in New York Affairs—Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars for Charities—What He Thinks of Certain Books.

Everybody knows that the illustrious divine, who made the Brooklyn Tabernacle famous throughout the world, has recently been called to a pastorate in Washington. His church is the First Presbyterian church of that city, and while in former years a very prominent institution, it latterly, it has been favored with a small and unimposing congregation.



Dr. Talmage

loyal to the old church even though now surrounded largely by business houses. A marvelous change, however, has suddenly come over this time-honored landmark, and to-day the First Presbyterian church of Washington, owing to the wondrous eloquence of its newly installed pastor, is every Sunday besieged by multitudes, many of whom stand there frequently hours in the hope of being able to wedge their way in somehow or other, and to listen to the matchless eloquence of America's foremost pulpit orator.

People all over the country are wondering whether Dr. Talmage, in moving to the National Capital, and in exchanging his Brooklyn residence for a house in Washington, has actually divorced himself from all connection with the east. Dr. Talmage was recently interviewed on this subject by a reporter of this paper, and the reverend gentleman said that as long as his editorial chair had two legs in New York and two legs in Washington, he could never be considered as having severed all his connections with the metropolis.

"The Christian Herald," he said, "with its wide circulation, is a tremendous power for good," and as long as the Lord gave him health and strength he would write for that paper—in fact, he would be in his editorial chair at the Bible House more frequently now than ever. Continuing, the genial preacher said: "There is no paper in America that yields a more potent influence for good than The Christian Herald, with a circulation of nearly two hundred thousand copies weekly. Nothing but death shall separate me from it. Dr. Klopfch, its proprietor, is a man of extraordinary enterprise. This year besides printing The Christian Herald every week in beautiful colors, a veritable enchantment for the eye, he offers as a premium a complete library, consisting of ten splendid volumes, full of interest and full of entertainment, with an elegant bookcase, delivered free of all expense, together with the paper itself, fifty-two times, for the moderate sum of \$3. Hereafter let no home in America be without a library."

I asked Dr. Talmage whether he could recommend the library to people who contemplated securing it, and he said unhesitatingly, "I know every book. They were carefully and thoughtfully prepared, either specially written or compiled by most eminent literary men, and there is not a weakling among them."

"How are the people to secure this great library, and this wonderful paper of yours?"

"Simply by sending \$3 to The Christian Herald at 888 to 895 Bible House, New York City, and by return mail they will be delivered to the recipient. Even if you are a poor boy, I love them still—couldn't live unless surrounded by them. So I'm something of a judge of good literature. And in my whole life I have never seen a better selection in small compass than these ten books which Dr. Klopfch has had prepared for his subscribers. It's a perfect library of information, entertainment and amusement, and is the climax of the wonderfully enterprising and far-seeing management that has placed The Christian Herald ahead of all competitors as a Christian home journal. Do you know," continued Dr. Talmage, "that this paper has in less than six years expended nearly \$700,000 in various beneficences at home and abroad?"

Just then Miss Talmage came in to call her distinguished father to dinner, and the interview ended.

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THE MAN FROM BARABOO. He Knows All About Whisky and Takes His Last Drink.

"Yes," said the man from Baraboo, with a gruesome glare in his liver-colored optic, "I've drank whisky for forty different years, in forty different states, and what I don't know about the ardent wouldn't intoxicate a dove; and, as to 'knowing' I claim to be a judge. Our city clergy make me thirsty with their cock and bull chestnuts about hell being paved with beer bungs and plug tobacco, but I don't believe it, they reason from a false base line. Hell may have been so smoky when they were there that they couldn't tell a bat from a beer bottle; but when it comes to talking about whisky, no one will say that old Tom don't speak from long personal experience. I generally keep a pretty fat jug in my skin, and I know pure fire from pure rot-gut, and I tell you, boys, that every kind of liquor is just alike. They have many handles to the same jug, hey? I mean many names for the devilish broth, but it is, for a fact, all the same, and it makes no difference what's in it, or what devil stirs it up, it's all brewed or boiled for one and the same purpose, and that hellish purpose is to rob a man of his money, of his manhood, of his health, of his home, of his family, of his friends, of his Savior and of his soul. Some people call it 'liquid fire' but I tell you it is liquid crime, liquid murder, liquid pollution of innocence, liquid sorrow, liquid anguish, liquid damnation, and liquid despair.

"Yes, boys, I'll take just one more drink, and then I believe I'll quit."

Good Advice. Cultivate the habits of always seeing the best in people, and more than that, of drawing forth whatever is the best in them.—Cuyler.

"I would like to see powder, please." "Face or butt?"

LABORING GAS.

"That" remarked the gaff, as he flaked his thirst, "meets a long-felt want."—Detroit Tribune.

Bobby—Papa, Jack Mason said his father gave him 50 cents, an'—Papa—Well? Bobby—I'd like to say the same of you.—Harper's Bazar.

"De two mos' foolish men on top'er grown," said Uncle Eben, "am de man dat'll trust anybody and de man dat'll trust nobody."—Washington Star.

"Why is a great strong man like you 'round begging?" "Ah, madam; it is the only profession in which a gentleman can address a beautiful lady without the formality of an introduction."—Life's Calendar.

"So you've taken to cycling at last, have you?" "How did you find that out?" "I saw you on your wheel yesterday." "By Jove! I'm glad to hear that. All the rest of my friends happened to see me when I was off."—Richmond Dispatch.

"I called to ascertain, Col. Lexington, if you would make a few speeches for gold." "For gold? Well, I should say so. For gold, silver, greenbacks, notes, garden peas, or cordwood. Times are hard, Colonel."—New York Recorder.

"Aln't a dollar pretty high for a meal like that?" asked the tourist, "I don't mind ownin' up that it is," said the landlord of the Cowboys' Rest, "but them meals costs me 75 cents apiece." "But I happen to know that you sell a ten-cent ticket for \$1." "Yes, I sell I do, but about half the fellers that buys them tickets gets killed before they have eat two meals."—Indianapolis Journal.

A Talking Way. Mrs. Ebony—Dat's a perfectly won'ted revival Eldah Black an' habbin at Zion church. I heah he hab converted your husband. Mrs. Darck—Dat'so, Mrs. Ebony. My husband done got religion turble. I nebber seen such a repentant sinner. Eldah Black do hab de mos' takin' way o' puttin things de caught my good-for-nothin' wifes ole husband jes' like a fish on a hook.

Mrs. Ebony—Whik do eldah say to him? Mrs. Darck—De eldah told him dere was nuffin ter do in hebbin but lay aroun' an' eat, an' de angles ud furnish de chickens.

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