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ONLY AFRO-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN PAPER IN IOWA.

Utah is now a state and thus another star is added to the flag.

Senator Sherman of Ohio, made a speech in the senate recently which will be highly endorsed by the American people.

The man who stops to read a thermometer this kind of weather lays himself open to the suspicion that he is dissatisfied with what he is getting.

Have you "sworn off?" It is fashionable. Two men swore off on New Year's day and the first one who took "suthin'" was to buy the other a \$35 suit of clothes. The wager was forfeited on January 2.

At a general meeting of the Congregational church in the East admission was refused to southern delegates of that denomination who failed to treat their negro members as men and Christians. The Congregational church does not compromise with wrong doing.

The 8,000,000 Negroes have not a representative in the present congress. The only chances of representation comes from South Carolina. Hon. George W. Murray and Hon. Henry P. Cheatham are contestants for seats, with a fair show of success. This fact, it seems to us, should open the eyes of the Republican party to its plain and manifest duty.

The hotel lobbies are now a scene of life. Members of the legislature are meeting old friends and a multitude of candidates. The casual observer would think an old-time Methodist love feast was in progress. The Afro-American candidates are quite numerous, and they are a genteel set of men. Well, boys, do not go away mad if you do not succeed. Some one must fail.

The ministerial association of this city passed a long string of resolutions about the Armenian outrages. This is eminently proper as far as it goes. But what is the public to understand by its silence in regard to outrages and burning at the stake and mob violence in the United States? If outrages are wrong when perpetrated by Armenians, are they not to be equally condemned when perpetrated by Americans?

THE BYSTANDER was late in getting out last week. The "devil" got in the office last week, and the foreman, "Geronimo" Ruff, got scared, made a serial leap for the door and came in contact with the "forms" and nearly "pied" them. Many letters do not "show up" at the end of the lines on this account. We hope his satanic majesty will remain outside on publication days. The religious editor's hair stood on end and formed the hypotenuse of a right angle triangle.

We received the initial number of the Douglass Optic, a paper published at Galesburg, Ill., by J. W. Washington. R. R. Dodson is assistant manager and Marion

Anderson associate editor. The name of the editor-in-chief is not given. The paper is neat in appearance and full of wholesome reading matter. If the people of Galesburg will give it the support it should have we feel confident that the management will give them a paper that they can be proud of.

The Waller case should not be crowded into obscurity by the just manifestations and plaudits of the people over the president's message on the Venezuelan question. National patriotism should extend to the humblest citizen within its realm. The humble citizens are the ones who go to the front in times of war. The valor preserves the nation. In times of peace they make a nation wealthy and happy by the toil. It will show an exigency of intellect for this nation to fail to do its duty by all citizens like.

The people who were shouting for the Canadian banking system in this country a short time ago will no doubt keep discreet silence till the flurry caused by the collapse of the Banque du Peuple of Montreal blows over. The entire capital stock of the bank, \$1,200,000, has been wiped out. The statement shows liabilities \$3,687,438.60; assets (apparent), \$3,299,300.37; deficit, \$388,138.23. It is a very thorough smash, and could have not have been more so under the American system.

Savannah Tribune: It is gratifying to note the two colored men who appeared last week before the highest tribunal of the country—the supreme court of the United States—and there pleaded for the recognition of Negro manhood and citizenship. The lawyers were Mr. Jones of Mississippi and E. M. Hewlet of Washington, D. C. They were there in the interest of two colored men who were convicted for murder in Mississippi and who were tried by a jury that members of their race were excluded. This is the main plea made, and the attorneys showed good grounds for it too. The decision is awaited with much interest.

The question of having colored men represented on the police force according to their merit and rank by long service should not be allowed to sleep. There is nothing dormant in good politics or good government. The time to see about these matters is now. The way to do it is to talk, act and vote to the best advantage. Attend the caucuses. Be present at all the meetings. Do not be represented by proxy. Do not let one or two do all the work. No one should be too old or too young or too busy or too selfish to be a good, honest, hard working Republican. The workers always get the benefit. The men who only come out and attend meetings when seeking a place for self is sure to go down in defeat.

New York Evening Post: The liquor question, which has been expected to take much of the attention of the Iowa legislature, may be fought out in the contest for the speakership of the house. The standing committee on the suppression of intemperance, which will be appointed by the speaker, can exercise almost absolute control over all matters referred to it, and by promptly reporting or pigeonholing bills a bare majority of this committee can dictate all legislation on this subject. The "liberal" members, who are opposed to the resubmission of a prohibition amendment, are "lining up" for H. W. Byers of Shelby for speaker. Against him the temperance members are trying to form a combination.

Ben Mitchell is a candidate for second janitor in the senate cloak room. He is a young man who is ambitious and industrious. He has a large acquaintance among the good people of the state and is highly recommended. If he is

successful in securing the place we have no doubt that he will give the best of satisfaction.

There is strong talk of an extra session of the legislature on account of the code revision.

The following are some of the names of the Afro-American candidates before the legislature: H. R. Wright, Marshall, file clerk of house; Chas. H. Harris, Ottumwa, janitor of house cloak room; J. L. Thompson, Decatur, senate file clerk; R. N. Hyde, Des Moines, janitor of cloak room; J. W. Thompson, Manchester, janitor of house cloak room; Jeff Logan, senate cloak room; J. R. Weeks, cloak room; P. S. Ervin, Chariton, cloak room; George Burnaugh, cloak room; B. J. Mitchell, cloak room; C. W. Carter, Chariton, cloak room; Lee Blagburn, page; Mrs. A. O. Smith, paper folder; John Smith, Keokuk, page; Geo. Stovall, Sioux City, cloak room; Ed Good, Grinnell, cloak room; R. J. Brown, Muchakinock, cloak room.

In a recent lecture ex-Senator Henry W. Blair, of Massachusetts, took radical ground in favor of the universal education of the colored race as the only effectual remedy for the unfortunate condition in which some of them are placed. Mr. Blair proceeds upon the theory that the national government is responsible for such education, and he advises the Negroes of the northern states, who hold the balance of power between the two great parties, to demand that the Republican party insert a plank in its platform in favor of national and state education—and says that if it refuses to do so, the Negroes should not support the party. "The delegates of color from the south," he adds, "if they were united, could say who should be the next nominee of the party, and should support no one whose attitude is not favorable to the education of the Negroes, but of the whites of the south as well."

SCISSORS MIGHTIER THAN PEN.

Three little girl babies were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas of Grinnell recently. All three are plump, healthy children with apparently as good chances to live and thrive as any babes in the city, and the mother, who, by the way, is rather a frail and delicate little woman, and whose life for many hours hung by the slenderest thread, we are pleased to hear has rallied, with now a fair prospect of recovery. Rev. John Lucas, the father, is said to have been the first colored child born in this county; in addition to his residence in the city, he is the owner of a good farm in Pleasant township; he is a minister in the M. E. church, is an industrious and worthy citizen. Both he and his wife are highly esteemed and respected by all classes. This addition gives him a family of six children.—Ex.

A Chicago girl of 15 committed suicide for unrequited love. At a time when she ought to have been playing tag and riding her bicycle, unconscious of any masculine creatures other than her father and brothers, this weak-minded child kills herself for "love." The cause can undoubtedly be traced to the sloppy, wretched, sentimental novels the girl of today doses herself with. The sentimental novel does more harm to girls than all the lurid dime novels in the world ever did to boys. If either kind of novel could be abolished, it should be, first of all, the silly, moony novel that girls dote on and boys despise, greatly to the credit of the boys.

Some of the colored people of Chillicothe, Mo., did a very sensible thing this week and we should have been pleased very much to have given them Christ-mas presents. They rotten egged a Baptist minister named Moore, who was charged with being intimate with the wife of a member of their dear pastor's church! This

is strange news, indeed. Usually, pastors who are charged with acts of this kind are exonerated by members of the church. Chillicothe is setting a precedent that we do not believe will be followed to any great extent by church people.

Miss Birdie Bartlett of Chicago is one of the best stenographers and type writers of color in that city. She is employed by a large crockery house.

Miss Lizzie B. Graves, a Chicago young lady, has been appointed forewoman in the sausage department of Swift's packing house. There are over one hundred white girls under her.

Afro-American woman of Memphis will endeavor to build a home for old women and orphans, and twenty-three acres of land will be used for the grounds.

Booker T. Washington secured a donation of \$3,000 for Tuskegee Institute at a Boston lecture held in the interest of that institute.

At the National Federation of Afro-Americans held at Detroit, Mich., recently D. Augustus Straker of Detroit was elected president; B. W. Stuart of Cairo, Ill., E. C. Cole of Iowa, Robert Fletcher of Sacramento, Cal., were elected vice presidents; John Jones of Chicago, attorney; Rev. Jas. M. Henderson of Detroit, general secretary; J. A. Ross of California corresponding secretary; Geo. L. Knox of Indianapolis, treasurer; Professor Richard Greener of New York, national lecturer.

Maria Evans Lawrence, a colored woman, the common law wife of the late Dr. Henry Lawrence, a white man, has been given half the real estate left by Dr. Lawrence, by a Chicago judge. The complainant is now 73 years old and has had two white husbands. She is very much elated at her victory over the brothers and sisters of the dead man, because they did not tell the truth concerning her relations with Dr. Lawrence.

A writer in the Iowa State Register, who is evidently too cowardly to sign his name, has an article on the affairs of the First precinct of the Second ward. He says that "M. Halloran is the regularly elected committeeman;" "that since his removal J. A. Halloran has been recognized as acting in M. Halloran's stead" and that R. N. Hyde has been appointed in M. Halloran's stead by some mysterious means. By what authority did J. A. Halloran act for M. Halloran? In the first place M. Halloran never was a member of the city committee. He has been a member of the county committee. R. N. Hyde has been a member of the city committee nearly ten years. These facts we learn from good authority. The writer uses the following language: "It now appears somebody has crucified and buried Halloran and appointed R. N. Hyde as city committeeman for the precinct. It is no longer true that 'an Irishman, if he behaves himself, is as good as a colored citizen.'" The animus of this quotation is apparent. It has nothing to do with the formation of the city committee. If there was anything irregular in its formation there is a remedy. Whether M. Halloran is an Irish-American or R. N. Hyde is an Afro-American is not germane to the point that the writers attempts to make. One thing is certain and that is that is that the Irish Americans and Afro-Americans have given to this country and the world the best example of valor on the fields of battle and the best example of judgment and honor in the various avenues of life. This writer and others are using more vehemence than judgment in their anxiety to defeat some particular persons for office, and if continued will injure the very cause which they support.

Owing to lack of space some important news was omitted.

FOR THE YEAR 1896, A. D.

From the Washington, D. C., Colored American.

The wise Afro-American should resolve for 1896

To spend less than he earns.

To patronize enterprises.

To respect the true dignity of labor.

To subscribe for at least one race paper.

To pay for the same without being damned.

To promote harmony between the two great races.

To observe decorum in the literary society or stay away.

To stop so much Negro national convention nonsense.

To acquire a larger bank account than he had last year.

To gain an honorable standing in the world by deserving it.

To look a head before embarking in any permanent undertaking.

To protect by every means the good name of the women of the race.

To remember that color is merely an accident, and is only skin deep.

To refrain from kicking any man simply because its fashionable.

To cease finding a source of gratification in the downfall of a brother.

To remember that it is just as easy to be a gentleman as it is to be a cad.

To contend for broad principals, instead of petty personal advantage.

To discover merit in a Negro without waiting for some white man to point it out.

TO STAND BY THE RACE BY VIRTUE OF WHOSE SUPPORT HE HAS RISEN TO EMINENCE.

To quit rushing out of church or theater before the completion of the exercises.

To quit indulging in low gossip, scandal mongering and assassination of character.

To respect the real worth in woman whether she be clad in silken gown or four cent calico.

To study the science of politics, and for the same purposes the white man does.

To cease destroying caucasian confidence in our business integrity by buncoing and sharp practice.

To learn that a word of commendation to the struggling is more profitable to the race than a volume of censure.

That holding a little federal office doesn't make some people any better than some people who do not.

To discontenance chartatans, montebanks and adventurers whether they were livery of the pulpit or march in secular ranks.

To quit the abominable practice of stirring up prejudice between the darker and lighter shades of the Negro people to gain a political or social point.

To remember that the scamp who insists upon bearing tales to a wife concerning her husband, or to a husband concerning his wife, is an enemy to both, and a scoundrel on general principles.

To be proud when a Negro succeeds, no matter whether he hangs up his hat on a Republican or Democratic peg, whether he kneels at a Baptist, Methodist or other altar; or whether he mingles with the kid glove aristocracy or hobnobs with the common herd.

Let the prudent, sagacious Afro-American live up to these resolutions honestly, consistently and permanently and we shall have taken a long leap toward the millennium of blessed promise, and a Happy New Year greeting for 1897 will have more depth and meaning than mere "sounding brass and tinkling cymbals."

A Word from Muchakinock.

To the Baptist Brotherhood of Iowa—Dear Brethren: The executive board of the Iowa Baptist association met at Evans a few weeks ago and appointed a committee, Revs. S. Johnson, S. Bates and T. L. Griffith to visit the church at Oskaloosa and see if it is possible to maintain the Baptist cause in that town. We found

the outlook favorable, if only \$75 can be raised so that they can make the first payment on a piece of property so as to secure the debt. The property costs \$275, but the \$200 can be disposed of in easy payments. Upon the promise of the Oskaloosa church to raise \$35 for repairs, we requested the churches of this state to raise \$75.

We wrote to several pastors requesting them to urge their churches to subscribe if possible, not less than \$5 and as much more as they could, and to report their subscriptions to me the secretary, at once. Only four churches have reported and three of these were small. We would like to hear at once from Davenport, De Moines, Keokuk, Ottumwa, Mt. Pleasant, Evans, Burlington, Colon and all our churches in this state. Kindly send me your subscription and send the money about February 1, without further correspondence from me. Brethren, this cause is a worthy one and it deserves your aid. Shall it be said that we will not do anything to help ourselves? Let us rally to the support of the needy, deserving field, which Rev. A. A. Hampton is earnestly and successfully endeavoring to maintain. "Come over and help." Subscribe right now.

Your in Christ, T. L. GRIFFITH, secretary, Muchakinock, Iowa.

GEDAK RAPIDS NOTES.

Special to the Iowa State Bystander.

Mr. Oliphant is dangerously ill at his residence on Tenth avenue.

Misses Etta Davis and Daisy Hannan returned from Davenport Monday night.

Mrs. Mary Bowlin is reported sick.

Little Clyde Washington of Galesburg returned home Monday, after very pleasantly spending the holidays with Cedar Rapids relatives.

Mrs. Fannie Hawkins very elegantly entertained at New Year dinner.

Mrs. G. W. Wade and children, Henry Martin and family and W. H. Milligan.

The correspondent has been a little indisposed, but is convalescent.

W. H. Milligan was up from Muchakinock New Year's day. He returned Friday.

Don't forget the Leap Year social to be given by L. I. D. circle at A. M. E. church January 16. It will a rare treat, especially to the men. No admission.

Rev. Wade reports that his church at Iowa City gave a very successful entertainment on New Year's night in commemoration of the Emancipation Proclamation issued by Lincoln thirty-two years ago.

A week of prayer is being held at the A. M. E. church.

Henry Martin is confined to his room with a sore throat.

Following are the new officers of the L. I. D. circle. President, Mrs. W. H. Raspberry; vice president, Mrs. A. M. Gomer; secretary, Mrs. S. V. Holly; treasurer, Mrs. G. H. Wade. The circle is in prosperous condition with bright prospects. It has thirteen active members. A literary department has been added of much interest.

All should take the Bystander.

Services at Drake Mission Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30; Sunday school at 3 p. m. Protracted meeting since watch night have been largely attended; churchmen having united with the church. Sacrament Sunday evening. Rev. Thos. Johnson pastor.

John McClain celebrated his 25th anniversary on the 8th. A large number were present and each was served an excellent repast of five courses. The music was furnished by Messrs. Green and Clegg. Dancing and games were indulged in and stories of Johnny's life told. The worthy young man was wished many happy anniversaries and after thanking his happy family for their hospitality all departed for home much pleased with their evening's pleasure.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

The International Association of Machinists is increasing its membership with much rapidity.

Grape traders in Portugal, who tread out the juice with their bare feet, get 50 cents a day.

In St. Louis a new effort is to be made to interest all the local labor bodies in the building of a labor headquarters.

Centrifugal force is used to refine steel ingots at the Nykropps works in Sweden; the pressure drives out all gas, leaving perfectly sound ingots.

The Indianapolis bicycle people are all busy.

An offer has been made to the city of Binghamton to keep its asphalt paving in repair for 4.8 cents per square yard, or 2 cents per square yard if the space about street car tracks be excepted and if the asphalt is not sprinkled.

A man in Detroit has discovered the lost art of tempering copper so that the metal may be utilized in place of steel where corrosion puts steel at a disadvantage. He has made both cold and hot springs of great elasticity, has made good knife blades, and best of all, is able to weld the metal itself and weld it to iron or steel.

VAGRANT NOTES.

The Marlborough muff is the latest. Smaller sleeves are seen on swell gowns.

Some people mistake contrariness for originality.

Opera costumes are this year resplendent with spangles.

Be sure and have a few gorgeous buttons on your new frock.

VENEZUELA IN PARAGRAPHS.

Eight states are in the union.

Population of Venezuela is 2,121,998.

Venezuela contains 568,000 square miles.

Fifteen per cent of the population are full-blooded Indians.

The territory in dispute is about the size of our state of Maine.

British Guiana was acquired by England through treaty in 1814.

In 1893 the amount of gold mined in Venezuela was 47,000 ounces.

Slavery in the republic was abolished by the decree of March 24, 1854.

Venezuela's export trade with New York reaches \$5,000,000 a year.

Difficulties between Venezuela and Great Britain first arose in 1836.

It is estimated that seventy-five revolutions have occurred since the establishment of the republic.

An absolute separation of church and state has been effected, civil marriage is insisted on, and other admirable and progressive institutions have been established.

Previously to 1886 her public school system was very unimportant, only 1312 pupils being in attendance at the public schools in the year mentioned. Now the attendance exceeds 100,000.

The constitution makes presidents ineligible for election, and it is the earnest endeavor of Venezuelan statesmen to establish the politics of the country on a firm footing of peace and order.

United States Minister, Mr. Pile, of Virginia, once ventured to present himself to the president on one occasion minus a necktie. President Blanco very sharply reminded him of his forgetfulness of etiquette, and shortly afterward sent him about his business.

JUST ABOUT WOMEN.

The mother of Dwight L. Moody is still living, at the age of 90.

The empress of Austria, who is been staying at Aix-les-Bains, Ins. is upon taking her mineral bath at 4 o'clock every morning.

In several of his popular novels William Black speaks of his wife as "Queen Titania," and gives the impression that she is a small woman.

Sarah Bernhardt drew a large audience to a Paris civil court lately, where she was sued for not paying a horse dealer's bill.

Some women in Galicia, Austria, have sent the Emperor Francis Joseph a petition worded as follows: "Sire, we women of Galicia, prostrate at the foot of the throne, present this our ardent request: At present, whereas every man, young or old, is liable to military service, we women, often more robust than effeminate men, think we ought not to be excluded. The arms now in use are well made and easy to handle. We, therefore, pray your majesty to institute a corps of amazon volunteers."

Mrs. Isabel C. Barrows, one of the first women to enter the civil service at Washington, for a long time figured on the pay roll as "I. C. Barrows," to avoid the reduction of pay which would probably ensue on the discovery of her sex. All went well until she was obliged to appear in person, together with other government employes, to take the "iron-clad oath" that she had never borne arms against her country. The fact which most conclusively proved that she had not also resulted in the paring down of her pay.

RAM'S HORNS.

We sometimes pray for more grace, when what we need is more grit.

Our trials do not weaken us. They only show us that we are weak.

The preacher, who does not practice all he preaches, preaches too much.

The things which do the most to make us happy cannot be had for money.

No man that gives as much as he ought to give, ever wants his money back.

The devil hates a prayer meeting, but he likes the part some people take in it.

High up among the things written on the gate of hell, is "Sacred Concert."

A self-made man generally spoils his boy in trying to make him like himself.

If the Christian will keep his light shining, God will put it where it can be seen.

It is just as true that little sins are real sins, as that little snakes are real snakes.

To have a real revival of religion, the preaching must be clear cut against sin.

Don't try to stop the wind. Have your ship ready to be helped on its way by it.

When one man is heating a furnace for another, he never thinks about the price of coal.

It is hard to understand why unassuming people are so apt to wear squeaking shoes.

The man who is not willing to serve God for nothing, is not willing to serve him at all.

What a bright world this would be, if people were as ready to give gold as good advice.—Ram's Horn.

MISSING LINKS.

In Iceland codfish beaten to a powder are used as bread.

Journalism has now become a university subject in Germany.

The last toll gate in Montgomery county, Pa., has been abolished, but there are still several in Philadelphia.

Lake Nem's bottom seems inexhaustible. A second Roman barge has been found there by the side of the one brought up a short time ago.

A woman moonshiner with a Winchester rifle gave the revenue officers a lively tussle near Clermont, Fla., last week. She is but 30 years old.

A St. Bernard was sold for \$2,350 at the Birmingham, Eng. dog show. This is said to be the highest price ever paid for a St. Bernard at auction.

There are 109 women in the world to every 100 men.

Anglomania is not so popular a malady as it was two months ago.

Grabowski is the name of Russia's most successful turfman. He made \$60,000 this year.

Leadville, Col., is building an ice palace whose walls will require 15,000,000 pounds of ice.

It costs New Yorkers \$2 a head to bear Yvette Guilbert, and they appear perfectly satisfied.

An English librarian recently died of tuberculosis, contracted from books read by consumptive patients.

Fitzsimmons and Julian have decided to call it a draw and quit. This will mean a great saving of printer's ink.

Mr. Julian speaks of Mr. Fitzsimmons as an "ungrateful bum." Thus the pugilistic melee goes merrily on.

An alliance between the American eagle and the Russian bear would be sure to put the growl on the British lion.

With the removal of John L. Sullivan to Chicago will vanish Boston's last claim to be considered culture's headquarters.

Another advertisement for Col. Ingersoll: The law class of the Missouri university has decided not to invite him to lecture.

McDonald county, Mo., has an orchard of 6,000 acres, the largest in the United States, and perhaps the largest in the world.

Chicago is to have a bicycle police squad, and there is likely to be a reduction in the avoidances of some of the members of the force.

The announcement that the New York Grant monument will not be completed next April appears to bring out no expressions of surprise.

The women who have been objecting because they were excluded from the Chicago Open Board of Trade don't know when they are in luck.

No one will object to Col. Harvey's efforts to eliminate selfishness from politics if there is occasion for going into secret session to do the work.

It seems likely now that, after all the Armenians have been killed, the powers will see to it that there is an amicable adjustment of the little misunderstanding.

One of the first results of war talk is to develop the sensitiveness of capital. It will scurry to cover if any one happens to mention that Mars is liable to be in the ascendant.

It is not difficult to count the men who are really candidates, but when it comes to trying to count those who think they are candidates the task assumes serious proportions.

Here is a man with a conscience, and no mistake. Mr. G. Green, of McClure, Kan., while intoxicated, swore out a warrant against himself, was arraigned, pleaded guilty, paid his fine, and went home very happy.

England is showing a disposition to weaken power and embarrass this country financially. She has that privilege, but our people can manage to scrape along with thin pocketbooks if hers can contrive in some way to live without anything special to eat.

That is a singular telegram which a college football player makes public showing that not only the students but the faculty of a state university in the northwest joined in offering a good and valuable consideration to him if he would pretend to be a student in the college and play on the team. Can it really be true that reform of the football mania in colleges must begin with reform of the faculties?

Many people are kept guessing what the next foot thing done by society folk with apparent intellect will be. Banker Higginson's wife in Boston eloped with a man twenty years younger than herself, leaving four children and hundreds of millions. Then Charles W. Deering, grandson of the man who makes the Deering self-binder and other instruments, abandoned a home of wealth and culture and ease to enter the regular army and carry horses at Fort Riley. By what process of reasoning either of these persons could have persuaded themselves to do such inexcusable and irretrievably idiotic things no human intelligence can ascertain.

One of the most competent historical critics in the United States describes Von Holst's "Constitutional History" as chiefly useful to counteract extravagant and unreasoning patriotism. Perhaps it is for this the University of Chicago keeps him.

The president should be careful how he restricts Gen. Miles from talking about our coast defenses lest that gentleman, through sheer paucity of subject matter, be driven to lengthy details that he is a candidate for president.

A florist is paid \$5,000 a month to keep the vault decorated in which lies the body of the late J. W. Mackay, Jr., son of the bonanza king. A hundred families might be maintained on this sum that is worse than thrown away. Such an ostentatious display of grief seems to be foolish. It is selfish and cruel.

A highway robber is said to have restored to his victim enough money to pay street car fare. He had no disposition to take what was due the company. "A fellow feeling," you know.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

ROBBED OF \$976.

Thieves at Sioux City Grab a Woman's Well Filled Purse. SIoux CITY, January 8.—Two men entered the second hand store of Nead & Young, on lower Fourth street, in broad daylight and purchased some goods. Mrs. Nead was the only person present, and they tendered her a \$20 gold piece in payment. She went into a back room to get the change and one of the men followed her. She brought out of a trunk a wallet containing \$976, and when the man saw it he grabbed it and ran. She followed, and he knocked her down and both men escaped. The money belonged to Mr. Nead and had been in the house but a short time, and it was supposed no one knew of it.

J. S. Millsbaugh, owner of the leading laundry in Sioux City, was found near the Milwaukee depot with his feet frozen and unconscious. He probably fell there, as he had not been robbed. His feet will have to be amputated, and had it not been for the fur overcoat he wore he would have been frozen to death.

ONE DOLLAR.

Iowa's Best Daily Paper Only One Dollar a Year.

DES MOINES, January 7.—The Des Moines Daily News has solved the problem of placing a first-class condensed daily paper within the reach of all. The regular price of the Daily News is \$2 a year, but until February 29, 1896, any person can take it at \$1 a year, cash in advance. Only yearly subscriptions taken at this rate. Present subscribers can extend their subscriptions one year for \$1, up to February 29. Thus, for \$1 you can have a daily paper during the coming legislative and throughout the presidential campaign. No such offer was ever made before. The News gives absolutely all the news of the day in condensed form. Address, The News, Des Moines, Iowa.

TWENTY MEN NEAR DEATH.

Excavation at Winterset Caved in Wrecking Two Buildings.

WINTERSSET, January 9.—The large two-story building occupied by the C. D. Devington Hardware company collapsed, carrying with it the building adjoining, and which was occupied by the Smith Drug Company. Both buildings with their stocks are complete wrecks. The stock of hardware in the Devington building had been removed to the second story to permit of the first floor being taken out while workmen were digging an immense cellar beneath the house. Nineteen workmen barely escaped with their lives. M. L. Smith, T. F. Mardis and John Couch were hurt by flying debris. Couch's injuries are serious. Property loss is about \$8,000.

INSANE HOSPITAL BURNED.

Jefferson County Poor Farm and Insane Asylum Destroyed.

FAIRFIELD, January 9.—The Jefferson county poor house and insane retreat near Libertyville burned. There were twenty-five poor and fifteen incurably insane inmates. All were saved by the care of the steward, John Williamson, and his wife, Susan Williamson. The buildings were old and the loss is about \$8,000. Insurance, \$4,000. The inmates were brought to the city and are being cared for by the county authorities. It is said that the fire was caused by the pipe of an aged inmate named Thompson.

KEOKUK TRAGEDY.

Mrs. Winnie Hays Murdered by Her Husband.

KEOKUK, January 7.—Mrs. Winnie Hays died from what the attending physician pronounced a carbuncle on the neck. The father of Mrs. Hays was dissatisfied and caused a post-mortem examination to be held. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict that deceased came to her death from an abscess caused by blows inflicted upon her by her husband, Edward Hays.

Defendant Captured.

DES MOINES, January 7.—C. O. Davis, alias E. C. Misner, whose right name is L. C. Douglas, has been arrested in Canandaigua, N. Y., and will be brought back to Iowa at once to stand trial on the charge of defrauding the depositors of the bank of East Peru. He skipped out of East Peru on July 3, 1895, and since that time has succeeded in eluding the officers of the law.

Appointed by Drake.

DES MOINES, January 7.—Governor-elect Drake has appointed Gen. H. H. Wright, of Centerville, to be adjutant general, and Capt. W. H. Fleming, of Des Moines, to be private secretary.

Byers Will Be Speaker.

DES MOINES, January 9.—It is practically decided that Hon. H. W. Byers, of Shelby county, will be speaker of the house, all of the opposing candidates having withdrawn from the race.

TRAMPS' TREACHERY.

DUXIE, Ia., January 5.—Several tramps were in Duxie and camped out near the round house. In the morning one of them was found lying by the smoldering embers, drunk, entirely stripped of everything except his underwear, and with his feet and hands quite badly frozen. He had rolled over on the coals and burned his breast very badly. He was taken charge of by the authorities. He states that his companions got him drunk and stripped him of his clothing.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

ATLANTIC, January 5.—Thomas Tate, a farmer of Massena township, Cass county, has mysteriously disappeared. He was in Atlantic about ten days ago, borrowed \$600, paid up his small debts and departed with the balance of the money, since which time he has not been heard of. His wife is anxious about him and has telegraphed to find out where he is. Rumors have been afloat of his being heard of in Oklahoma or Indian territory, but nobody is able to say where he is.

TO REVIVE WEISE CASE.

Persons Suspected of the Girl's Murder Will Be Arrested.

MARSHALLTOWN, January 8.—The Reflector says "that soon after W. D. Mills, sheriff-elect, assumes the duties of the office to which he has been chosen, a party or parties, residing in Vienna township, near the scene where Miss Anna Weise was brutally murdered, will be arrested on suspicion of having committed the crime. Two detectives have been at work on the case for some weeks and spent considerable time at the home of the Bennetts, and it is said are now in possession of sufficient evidence to warrant an arrest. Since the acquittal of Mrs. Bennett, who was charged with murdering Anna Weise, Sheriff Price has been following even the slightest clue, working quietly and never for an instant losing interest in the case, and he firmly believes that before a great while the public will know who murdered Anna Weise.

TO INDICT ALDERMEN.

Judge Husted, of Dubuque, So Instructs the Grand Jury.

DUBUQUE, January 7.—Judge Husted, of the district court, sprung a sensation in his charge to the grand jury. The Dubuque city council recently raised the salaries of the members thereof from \$200 to \$300, to take immediate effect, contrary to the statutes of Iowa. The latter provides that such increase may be made for future aldermen, but not for the council making the increase. The present members voted an increase of their own salaries, and ones of them, it is said, have drawn it. The judge instructed the grand jury to indict these aldermen; also the mayor, if it is ascertained he has exceeded the limit.

TWO IOWA SUICIDES.

Twenty-five Grains of Morphine Do Not Touch an Otitis Max.

OTTUMWA, January 6.—The fact that a man can take twenty-five grains of morphine at a single dose and live has been demonstrated. William Weir, the man who, as it was thought, attempted suicide, is recovering and declares he did not take the drug with suicidal intent, but thought it was a medicinal powder.

WILLIAMSBURG, January 6.—George Herber, about 40 years old, well dressed, came here from Amama. He complained of sleeplessness, ate breakfast and soon after was discovered in his room dead with his throat cut and a razor in his hand. No cause is assigned.

BREVITIES.

The next annual encampment of the Iowa G. A. R. will be held at Cedar Rapids on May 12, 13 and 14.

A Des Moines dispatch says: Governor Jackson has appointed Ed. A. Dawson, of Waverly, Bremer county, railroad commissioner, to succeed Captain J. W. Luke, deceased. Mr. Dawson is of the firm of Gibbs & Dawson, and is about 35 years of age.

A Des Moines dispatch says: Governor Jackson has appointed L. B. Raymond, of Hampton, a trustee of the Marshalltown Soldiers' Home, to take the place of Representative-elect N. A. Merrill, of DeWitt, who resigned a few days ago to take up his duties as a member of the next general assembly. Mr. Raymond will serve the four months of Mr. Merrill's unexpired term.

The Summit house, two other brick blocks and three frame buildings at Creston were recently destroyed by fire. For a time the entire business portion was threatened, a timely change in the wind being all that saved the town. C. A. Allen, proprietor of the Summit House, loses \$20,000. Loss on building, \$50,000. Eight other business firms lost their stocks of merchandise. The postoffice was situated in the Summit house block and the mail was lost almost totally. The American office, Cotton & Black's grocery, J. W. Cherry, druggist; Kunath & Huntington, wall paper dealers; Wilson's candy store; Maine's Bee Hive and Bivin's barber shop were burned. The total loss will probably reach \$200,000, with insurance at about \$50,000.

Every reader of this paper, who is a western farmer, living on his own farm, and who is not a subscriber to the IOWA HOMESTEAD, can have a few sample copies of that practical farm journal sent to his address on trial, free, by simply sending on a postal card his name and postoffice address to the IOWA HOMESTEAD, Des Moines, Iowa. The HOMESTEAD is a practical farm journal. Its editorial contributions live and work on their own farms. They write of the work done on their farms with their own hands. They have years of experience, and are therefore able to advise and suggest from the standpoint of practical personal knowledge of matters pertaining to western agriculture rather than from the standpoint of the sidewalk farmer and ward politician. Send your name and postoffice address to the HOMESTEAD, Des Moines, Iowa, and receive a number of free sample copies.

Frank Ridgeway, alias Harris, shot and dangerously wounded Joe Wallers, near Rhodes, in the south part of Marshall county. It was the result of a neighborhood quarrel. Ridgeway is a peaceable colored citizen, who lives alone. It is said Wallers has long abused and threatened his life. He went to Ridgeway's house and threatened to kill him. Ridgeway warned him away, but he persisted, until Ridgeway drew a gun and shot him in the abdomen. The wound is a bad one but the doctors think Wallers will recover. Ridgeway gave himself up. He had a hearing and gave bonds of \$500 for his appearance.

La Porte, Ind., dispatch: William McCord, an alleged bigamist, left Niles in the custody of Sheriff Price, of Oskaloosa, Iowa. McCord, who is charged with having two wives, was arrested, requisition papers having been issued for his immediate return to Iowa for trial. McCord, it is charged, recently deserted his wife in Oskaloosa, leaving her with the care of four children. His whereabouts were a mystery until recently, when the officials in the Iowa town learned that McCord was living at Niles with a woman to whom it is alleged he is married.

ALL OVER THE WORLD

FEAR FOR PROHIBITION.

Agitation for Resubmission Arouses the Prohibitionists in Kansas. TOPEKA, Kansas, January 6.—The advocates of prohibition in Kansas are greatly disturbed over the resubmission issue already injected into the politics of the state. Governor Morrill declared ten days ago that prohibition was a failure. Simultaneously with this came the announcement that the Kansas resubmissionists would meet with the National Brewers' Association at Chicago January 17. Following this it has been announced that \$50,000 had been raised, principally among liquor men, to start an anti-prohibition daily paper here. The officers of the State Temperance Union say a liquor campaign will greatly injure all classes of business, create factions among the people, and force upon Kansas a war which will damage her credit and good name abroad. They assert that Governor Morrill has brought this trouble upon them by forcing useless liquor prosecutions in Wichita and in allowing saloons to run openly in Leavenworth and other towns.

JAMESON SPEAKS.

Tells Why He Failed to Defeat the Boers. LONDON, January 8.—A dispatch from Johannesburg gives a brief report of an interview with Dr. Jameson. "I only crossed the frontier," said the doctor, "because of the urgent appeals made by the inhabitants of Johannesburg and because I fully believed that the numbers of my countrymen and country-women were in dire peril of their lives. I could have beaten the Boers if the people of Johannesburg had made any effort to help themselves, which I was led to expect they would do. Help did not reach us at Krugersdorp and we could not break through our ammunition had been spent. If the men of Johannesburg had destroyed the railroad to Krugersdorp, which they could easily have done, it would have prevented the supplies or ordnance being taken to the entrenched Boers which enabled them to hold out against our attacks."

OUR ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

Survey Submitted Which May Result in a Compromise. WASHINGTON, January 7.—General Duffield, the chief of the coast and geodetic survey, has presented to the secretary of state the joint report upon the Alaskan boundary which was agreed on by him and the Canadian representative, Mr. King, at a meeting at Albany. The report will probably not be made public until it is transmitted to congress, but it shows a practical agreement between the surveys of the two governments and may have the effect of practically quieting the apprehensions of trouble over the boundary. The greatest difference between the lines run by the engineers of the two governments is but six feet and seven inches, or fifteen seconds of longitude. In view of the results of the two surveys, Gen. Duffield does not hesitate to express the opinion that there can be no serious dispute between the United States and Canada over the boundary.

BOLLN SHORT \$115,000.

That is the Report of the Expert on Omaha's Treasury.

OMAHA, January 8.—The report of the expert submitted to the city council shows that the entire defalcation of ex-City Treasurer Henry Bolln amounts to more than \$115,000. An impression has been circulated that the additional shortage of \$77,700, which was only made public the other day, represents simply an error in bookkeeping. The report shows that this amount must be added to the \$35,000 shortage previously discovered.

MONTANA FOR ALLISON.

Cheering News Brought by Judge William Hunt, Who Knows.

HARTFORD, Conn., January 6.—Judge William Hunt, of the supreme court of Montana, is visiting in this city. He says that Montana is for Allison for president. He says that if Don Cameron were in the field, Montana would be for him first, last and all the time, on account of his attitude on the silver question.

ARBITRATION URGED.

LONDON, January 7.—The special commissioner of the Chronicle, who is now in Washington, in urging arbitration of the Venezuelan question, says: "If Lord Salisbury takes no step, and sees no way, then let him reflect that his attitude is identical with that of the fatal one which lost Great Britain her colonies more than a century ago. The American people are eagerly listening for some word from him. The cost of it would be slight and the gain colossal."

Not Her Fault.

Susie—And so you are an old maid, auntie—a real old maid! Aunt Ethel—Yes, Susie, dear—I'm a real old maid.

Wifely Confidence.

"I feel really sorry for my husband during the holidays," remarked the very complacent woman. "Indeed!" "Yes, he is so correct in his habits that when New Year's comes he can't swear off."

Goes the Other Way.

"Begin at the bottom and work up," my boy," said the old gentleman. "That's the way to succeed in life." "Yes," replied the young man, thoughtfully, "but it doesn't work in the immediate instance."

Always Ready.

Ho—When you are asked to sing and don't wish to, you always have such a convenient cold. "Where do you get them?" "She—Oh, they're kept 'on draught' all over town."

OIL KILLED THIRTY.

Boatman Carrying 1,173,036 Gallons of Crude Oil Exploded at Sea.

PHILADELPHIA, January 7.—The British tank steamer "Widdowson," Captain Stonewell, which sailed from Philadelphia on December 11 for Rouen, France, with 1,173,036 gallons of crude oil in bulk, valued at \$30,653, and manned by a crew of thirty men all told, is believed to have been blown up or foundered at sea and all hands perished, no tidings having been received from the ship since she left Delaware breakwater that day. She probably met with disaster when not far from this shore by the gale of December 14, which is thought to have sent to the bottom the Star Line steamship Laurestina, which left the same day bound for Sligo, Ireland, laden with grain.

DEPENDING ON UNCLE SAM.

Venezuela All Excited by the Friendship of America.

NEW YORK, January 9.—The steamer Venezuela, Capt. Hopkins, from Venezuela ports, has arrived. She sailed from La Guayana January 1. She brings news that the greatest excitement prevailed throughout the country over the attitude of the United States government on the boundary question. Demonstrations were numerous in all the principal cities. Troops were constantly marching in many of the cities, and the American flag was carried in all the parades, causing the wildest enthusiasm among the people.

THE CUBAN CRISIS.

HAVANA, January 9.—The insurgents are burning and destroying up to within eight miles of this city. The district around the village of Calabazar has suffered. Calabazar is only two miles from Vento, where the apparatus is located upon which Havana depends for its water supply. In the Calabazar and Hojo Colorado districts the cane has been burned in the fields of Maulin, Garro and Baracoa.

WANT JAMESON BANISHED.

LONDON, January 9.—A dispatch from Cape Town says it is reported at Pretoria that the Transvaal government demands the banishment of Cecil Rhodes, ex-premier of Cape Colony, and Dr. Jameson from Africa, and that an enormous fine is demanded from a British Chartered Company. It is said Emperor William will support a demand of the Transvaal republic for \$2,500,000 indemnity from England for the raid.

TERSE NEWS.

The Ohio and Kentucky legislatures met on the 6th. The state legislatures of New York, Massachusetts and Maryland convened on the 1st. The first state officers of Utah were inaugurated with imposing ceremonies on the 6th. Turkey has accepted the mediation of the powers between the government and the insurgents of Zeltoun.

Banker J. P. Morgan, who has been organizing a syndicate to take the latest issue of government bonds, says he will take all or none.

Among the New Year's honors which have been gazetted in England is the appointment of Alfred Austin to be poet laureate of England.

Emperor William telegraphed President Krueger, of the Transvaal republic, congratulating him upon his success in repelling the invaders.

At Lincoln, Neb., recently Judge Holmes sentenced George W. Davis, convicted of wrecking a Rock Island passenger train near Lincoln, whereby eleven lives were lost, to the penitentiary for life.

Washington dispatch: President Cleveland has issued his proclamation declaring Utah a state of the union.

The new constitution, which was brought here two weeks since by the Utah commissioners, Jerrald R. Letcher and Hoyt Sherman, nephew of Senator John Sherman of Ohio, had previously been examined by the president and Attorney General Harmon, who found them to be in all respects in accordance with the terms prescribed in the enabling act.

The London Daily Chronicle recently printed an article saying that it has learned on the highest authority that Earl Greyville in 1883 virtually concluded with Blanco a treaty containing an arbitration clause covering the Venezuelan international boundary dispute. The marquis of Salisbury, however, on coming into power later in the same year cancelled this clause by limiting the provisions of the treaty to commercial questions. Nothing could have been more unfortunate, says the Chronicle, inasmuch as the boundary dispute was on the eve of a permanent settlement. The Chronicle adds that it is convinced by careful researches that there is debatable land both north and south of the Schomburgk line, and that it would be a grave error to imagine that a rigid insistence on the Schomburgk line and a declaration that there is no ground for arbitration constitute the essence of the English case.

The exercises attending the elevation of Mgr. Sattoli to the cardinalate occurred at Baltimore on the 5th, in the presence of many visiting prelates. A dispatch from South Africa says Dr. Jameson has been severely defeated by the Boers before Johannesburg. It says this news has been confirmed. A later cablegram from Governor Robinson forwards a dispatch from the British agent at Pretoria stating that Dr. Jameson's force has surrendered. Colonial Secretary Chamberlain has cabled to Governor Robinson his regret that Dr. Jameson's disobedience has led to such loss of life.

At Washington recently the oath of office required to be taken by a cardinal was administered to Mgr. Sattoli in the private chapel of the Catholic legation. The duty was performed by Mgr. Sharrett, the auditor of the legation and designated as legate for the occasion, while several church dignitaries acted as witnesses. The members of the Venezuelan commission, excepting Mr. White, met in the office of Secretary Olney, at Washington, received their commissions and elected Justice Brewer as president.

ENGLAND'S CATHEDRALS.

Beautiful Architectural Specimens to Be Seen in Small Towns.

It was my privilege to see ten of the cathedrals of England, and situated, as some of them are, in small towns, one comes on visiting them to know more of the life of the people than the tourist can attain who flies from one great city to another, says a writer in the Springfield Republican. Each traveler will have his favorite among them, and all have their excellences and defects. Some of them are partially spoiled by the smoke of the town, and any restoration ought to be welcome that will clean it off. Such is the case with York and Lincoln, and, to a greater extent, with Peterborough, whose magnificent facade, or rather architect's conception of it, is best appreciated by the study of a photograph. As the English are not inclined to the apotheosis of dirt, they have in many cases removed the disgrace in recent years, and Peterborough itself is now made glorious within, in all the marvelous beauty of its cream-white stone. When these buildings are not in smoky towns the atmosphere, after the lapse of ages, has sometimes heightened the architectural effect, so that they grow old gracefully, and Salisbury even beautifully. Salisbury and Canterbury seem well-nigh perfect. In Durham the marble columns are marred by a puerile doting; the towers of York are not all finished. The wonderful central tower of Lincoln has lost its pinnacles; the great facade of Peterborough is out of proportion to the building; the external effect of Ely is too much like a fortress; the spires of Litchfield are not mates in color and are somewhat ornate; but upon Canterbury and Salisbury the eye rests content. And yet he is little to be envied who would not find intoxicating joy in every one of these, so great are they and in their varied power so lifting the beholder above and beyond all incidental defects, and it is quite to the credit of the young woman from Springfield who is said to have burst into tears at the sight of Westminster abbey.

GLADSTONE'S HEART.

It is Always in the Right Place, as Told by Anecdote Proves.

An anecdote of Gladstone showing his consideration for all about him is told by a reporter for an English journal. He says: I was traveling in a train by which Mr. Gladstone was journeying to the north, my mission being to report his utterances at various stations. We found this no small job—indeed, one to which some danger attached—for the orator's speeches on some occasions were only terminated by the wheels of the engine revolving, and the train steaming out. Naturally anxious to get the "last words," we lingered in one case so long that we had to make a desperate bolt for our carriage door, and enter the now swiftly moving train at the peril of our limbs. Our feat evidently attracted the notice of the distinguished passenger, and filled him with anxiety for our lives, for at the next station a note came round to us that Mr. Gladstone would jot down the concluding words he uttered, and send them to us. It was a graceful and considerate act—one of the many which rendered our greatest living political orator dear to the hearts of the journalists.

A Child's Petition.

A poor little damsel had trouble with her mother not long ago. The direct consequence was that she was sent into her own room for meditation and, supposedly, repentance. A listener happened to overhear the mite's defiance, when she thought herself unobserved and alone. She threw herself on her knees before her bed and, burying her face in the pillow, began a prayer for guidance. But the petition had this very significant comment: "O Lord, consider how I am treated!"—New York Times.

Shoveling Up Fish.

Because of the long drought many of the little lakes of Michigan have almost dried up, and lately the farmers have been making money by driving wagons into the shallow waters and literally shoveling the fish out of the lake into the carts and selling them in neighboring towns.

New London, Connecticut.

New London, Ct., is going to observe its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary next May and already steps are being taken with that end in view by the mayor and common council, the board of trade, the civic and military organizations of the city.

ATCHISON GLOBULES.

No man is better than his opportunities. A good dog is worth more than you can get for it. There is a "story" on every man that ever lived.

We should like to see the man who can stand up against his kin. When a man has prosperity, how the people like to see him lose it! Men, as a rule, do not like to lie, but their wives ask too many questions. When a man talks too much, it may be said that he has a runaway tongue. The man who looks at a clock five minutes, to see what time it is, is lazy. You bet if a young husband fails to kiss his wife when he comes home, the girls notice it.

We have often wondered that the Salvation army does not finally recruit a woman who can sing. If we kept a hotel, we would not buy a piano for the parlor. Every guest who cannot play, tries it. Women like to receive love letters, because they may be able to produce them some time, and make trouble.

Keep quiet, and look sympathetic, and you will gather a lot of material for the next time you want to talk. We saw a married woman on the streets to-day chewing gum, and pushing a baby buggy. We wish she would quit it.

Do you know that no woman has so much faith in her husband that she lets him keep the marriage license in his possession? On the stage, the heroines command in tragic tones that the heroes leave them; in life, with equally tragic tones, they implore to be taken along.—Atchison Globe.

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WHERE DID YOU GET THIS COFFEE?

Had the Ladies' Aid Society of our Church out for tea; forty of them, and all pronounced the German Coffeeberry equal to Rio. Salzer's catalogue tells you all about it! 35 packages Earliest vegetable seeds \$1.00 post paid.

LOCAL NEWS.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 1896

Advertisers Can Reach

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

Miss Agnes Roy is quite ill this week.

Rev. W. A. Searcey of Newton is in the city. The week of prayer next week at the East Side Baptist church.

Big "400" will meet at 120 East Locust street Sunday evening.

Mrs. Mary Douglas is troubled with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Henry Strauther, on Park street, is very sick and is not able to leave the house.

Concert at First African Christian church, Thursday January 16.

Mrs. Thomas Williams has gone to St. Paul to visit her daughters.

An agreeable surprise was given E. T. Banks and wife Wednesday evening.

R. N. Hyde had his sleigh out New Year's day. He drives tandem like an old veteran.

R. N. Hyde has been committeeman in the ward in which he resides for the past ten years.

Mrs. T. Reeves was very sick last week but is able to be out again and is rapidly recovering.

Rev. Williams, of the Baptist church, is studying medicine in the office of Dr. E. F. Johnson.

Rev. T. L. Smith of Keokuk will preach at East Side Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. Richard Hyde, from Conger, Ia., was in our city visiting her sister, Mrs. Henry Taylor.

A. J. Vaughn, who has been quite sick is now able to walk about and enjoy the invigorating air.

Mrs. Henry Taylor and Uncle Lewis, who went home with Mrs. Richard Hyde, returned home Saturday.

The skating rink at the bath house was opened with great eclat Tuesday evening. A very large crowd was present.

If you want the best coal in the market—order it of Redhead at the Coal Palace, 317 Sixth avenue. 1-9-3 m.

Captain E. T. Banks returned home after a four week's visit in Mississippi and Alabama. He left his aged mother in fair health.

Mrs. Cooper left for her home this week in Burlington, after spending several days visiting relatives and friends. She was formerly a resident of this city.

Miss Belle Jones entertained a few of her friends at luncheon New Year's evening. The repast was nicely prepared and enjoyed to the fullest by all present.

John H. Rogers left for his home in St. Louis on Friday. John is a very popular young man in our city and has many friends. He will return in two weeks from his southern sojourn.

The city has been victorious over the Capital City Gas Light company in the federal court. The water company is fighting a case against the city in the above named court at the present time.

There was a general trimming up of the dead limbs at East Side Baptist church last Wednesday evening. One dozen members were excluded. Some for non attendance, others for dancing and getting drunk.

Sam Lewis now has a horse and buggy. It is an excellent turnout. Mrs. Lewis is teaching her husband how to drive. He is a very apt scholar, and is thinking of buying another horse so as to drive tandem.

P. S. Ervin of Chariton was a pleasant caller at our office this week. He is one of the leading citizens of that city, a hard worker and an intelligent gentleman. He has two daughters, Misses Gertrude and Seymour, both of which will graduate soon. His son, Charles F., is studying medicine in that city.

A leap year party was given in honor of Johnny Brown last Friday evening. The Benix Brothers' mandolin orchestra furnished the music; an excellent lunch was served and a happy time was had.

Rev. T. L. Smith of Keokuk, is in the city. He is always looking to the best interest of the Afro-Americans in Iowa. He has done more for the organization of the colored voters and society generally than any one man in the state. It is a pleasure to meet a man of the unselfish devotion of T. L. Smith.

One of the surprising facts recently discovered is that ministers of this country are receiving higher salaries than the school teachers. School teachers are an absolute necessity to our civilization. They are hard workers, and between the school house and the home the moral status of the nation is determined. School teachers do not get what they rightly deserve.

The attempt to organize a "blue blood" society in this city failed. There is enough strife in this world without injecting this nonsensical idea into the minds of the people. One of the originators of this scheme can be seen nightly parading the streets, in hall ways and visiting rooms of white who would not speak in the day he is simply a fille de joie.

Smith, colored, was arrested for stealing rags off left in the bottom of a second street by the owner of a boat in which he lived in a boat.

A poor fellow with sold the complaint was

filed by Police Officer Rosenberg. Smith's wife is out on \$500 bonds for larceny from her person, stealing \$17 from some man, her trial being set for today.

Herbert Wright and wife were in the city Sunday. Herbert is an old time favorite in this city. He is young, ambitious and a hard student; he practices law in Marshall county and will, in all probability, be elected justice of the peace very soon. His wife is a charming young lady and is a member of the highly esteemed Gomer family. We had the pleasure of meeting the Gomers during our experience as printer's "devil" on the Cedar Rapids Republican. Miss Wright's sister is attending Wilberforce college and will graduate soon. They were the guests of George I. Holt and family while in the city.

S. L. Mash is contemplating going to Chicago for the purpose of practicing law there. We have known Sam for the past ten years. He was at the beginning of that time a pupil in the public schools, a regular attendant at Sunday school and president of a literary society. When he was admitted to the bar in this county there was not a white or black man who had a brighter future. His natural ability merit a higher place at the bar than the every day lawyer occupied.

A strange thing has happened in the state of Kentucky. That state now has a Republican governor and he has recently offered a reward of \$500 for the conviction of the parties who shot a man and burned up a house in which there was a woman. The woman's charred remains were found in the debris. We desire to call the attention of Negro Democrats to the fact of a reward being offered in a state which has been the home of lynchers and where they have more than once burned human beings at the stake without let or hindrance.

The Ladies' Afternoon Social Club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Shepard, 1058 west Fifth street, and was called to order by the president. The entire membership was present. Mrs. Chas. Windsor had her name enrolled and became a member. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Fred Jackson; vice president, Mrs. Hooker; secretary, Mrs. Shepard; assistant secretary, Mrs. Holmes; treasurer, Mrs. L. Washington; reporter, Mrs. E. G. McAfee. The club adjourned to meet Jan. 16, 1896, with Mrs. Lewis Washington, 1112 Center street.

The H. B. S. R. C. met Thursday at Mrs. L. E. Williams's, with the president, Mrs. H. H. Lewis in the chair. The circle was opened with prayer by Mrs. Denney. After the transaction of business the program was carried out. The program for Jan. 16:

- History of Greece Government
Mrs. Smith
Religion Mrs. Level
Geographical History Mrs. Cleghorn
Products Mrs. Blighburn
Manners and Customs Mrs. Norton
Longfellow Mrs. Williamson
Discussion to be opened by Mrs. Horace Lewis and Mrs. Palmer. Subject, "Will it be beneficial to the Negro to have organized a separate W. C. T. U.?" Questions, Messadames Williamson, Banks and Barton, Reva, Reeves and Searcey and Miss Zella Davis were visitors.

The circle listened to a most excellent address by Rev. Searcey. The hostess served refreshments in five courses, assisted by Mrs. Williams, Mr. Foster and Miss Stella Barnaugh.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. E. R. Crump returned to her home Hedrick, after a pleasant week's visit in the city with friends.

Miss Blanch Henderson is reported on the sick list.

Miss Jeannette Woods of Des Moines is visiting friends and relatives in the city this week.

Mrs. Emma Gardner of Burlington was the guest of her father over Sunday. She returned home Monday.

Miss Pearl Dobson spent Christmas in Centerville.

Mrs. M. J. Scott is reported on the sick list this week.

Miss Maggie Mason returned to her home in Hendrick Thursday, after a week's visit with Miss Hattie Williams.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents in South Ottumwa, on Tuesday evening, Miss Helen Johnson and William Doney of this city. Miss John son is one of Ottumwa's most popular young ladies, and is much loved for her many excellent qualities. Mr. Doney is one of Ottumwa's best young men and enjoys a wide circle of friends. There were only a few of their many friends present. They received a number of valuable presents just such as are necessary to begin housekeeping. Rev. W. F. Watts officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor went to Centerville last week to spend Christmas. They returned home Friday.

Miss Mary Owens is reported on the sick list.

Mrs. Mary Willson, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. M. O. Williams, returned to her home in Kirkville, Mo., last week.

The Ida B. Wells Reading Circle kept open doors at the residence of Mrs. Queen B. Taylor New Year's day from 1 o'clock p. m. to 9 o'clock. Those who called were greeted with a warm reception. A delightful repast was served. Mesdames U. S. Jones of Albia, L. M. Shelton, Jessie Meadows, Henrietta Jones of Albia, rendered some very fine music, which was highly appreciated. This was the grandest event in the history of the society.

Married, at the Selena Baptist church, Wednesday evening, Miss Mary Casey and Mr. Frank Brown, both of this city. Rev. H. H. White officiated.

The social given at the Baptist church Wednesday evening was a very social affair. Rev. White will preach a New Year's sermon Sunday.

The banquet given by the King's Daughters Wednesday evening was a grand affair. It was largely attended. It was styled a leap year entertainment. An excellent program was rendered, the principal feature of which was the oration by

Miss Jeannette Woods of Des Moines. Miss Woods has an excellent delivery and proves herself capable of doing whatever she undertakes. After the program was rendered the ladies treated every gentleman in the house to his supper. It was just grand. Much credit is due to Miss F. A. Brown, president of the society, and Mrs. P. P. Taylor for the success of the banquet. Messrs. Jos. James and I. P. Johnson of Muchaknock attended the banquet Wednesday evening. Bert Jones and sister Henrietta attended the banquet.

The T. B. W. R. C. met at the pleasant home of Mrs. M. O. Williams in South Ottumwa. The meeting was very interesting, the lessons especially, as the teachers are both competent and worthy of their positions. The society was honored with the presence of Mrs. E. Gardner of Burlington, Mrs. A. Jones of Albia, and Mrs. Wilson of Kirkville, Mo. Each lady delivered quite an interesting and encouraging address, and took it as a grand step for the ladies of Ottumwa.

AS OTHERS SEE US. WASHINGTON, Iowa, Jan. 4.—I hope you will find space in your valuable paper for a few lines from Washington. I shall be glad to write bits of news occasionally if you have space for printing. We very much enjoy reading the Bystander, and hope for it a prosperous year. MRS. D. S. JOHNSON.

St. Paul A. M. E. Church, corner Second and Center, T. Reeves, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Class meeting at noon. Pleading at 10:30 a. m. "Man Out of His Place, God Calls Him." At 7:30 p. m. choir will give a musical concert of unusual interest. All are invited.

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. Mason of Hedrick visited in the city during the holidays.

A reception was given at the Masonic hall on January 2 by the ladies of St. Mary's court in honor of Mrs. Mason of Hedrick.

Mrs. A. Collins entertained the following at dinner on January 1: C. Jones and wife, Mrs. Johnson and others.

The "Big Five" entertained about twenty of their friends at a banquet on January 1.

TIPTON NEWSLETS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Tipton gave an entertainment consisting of possum supper, concert and grand ball, which was a success, socially and financially, making \$120 and clearing \$85.

Mrs. A. Gaspey of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Ruth Richardson of Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith, Mrs. Cook and daughter, Miss Eva Cook of Dixon, Ill., and Miss Maud Ray of Elgin, Ill., were in attendance at the grand ball last evening.

There were prizes given to the handsomest lady, best dancer and homeliest lady and gentleman present, Mary Allen receiving the prize as handsomest lady, Miss Eva Cook of Dixon, Ill., as best dancer, Miss Maud Ray of Elgin as homeliest lady and Mr. E. Smith of Dixon as homeliest gentleman.

Miss Ruth Richardson remained to organize it possible a tabernacle. We wish her success.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Cook and daughter, and Miss Maud Ray returned home by the 10:30 train this morning.

Mrs. E. Hogan has been quite ill, but is convalescing.

BOONE NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Miss M. V. Hopkins has been on the sick list.

At the residence of Mr. John Graves on Dec. 19, 1895, at 8 p. m., occurred the wedding of James Robinson and Ellen Shoorts. Rev. N. N. Pharris officiated.

Charley Anthony took a trip to Clinton and Anamosa Wednesday.

Mrs. N. N. Pharris is on the sick list.

The A. M. E. Sunday school had a Christmas tree and an entertainment Christmas night. All enjoyed a pleasant time.

Will Terry has secured a position at the Butler house.

Rev. Pharras, while endeavoring to catch a street car, fell and cut his lip quite badly.

Misses Anna and May Coleman gave a pound party New Year's at the residence of G. W. Brown.

The installation exercises of the A. M. Sunday school were held Sunday. We hope the officers are well qualified for their positions.

The friends of Rev. Pharras presented him with a sum of money with instructions to purchase an overcoat. He is well pleased with such expression of friendship.

KEOKUK BUDGET.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mr. Wm. Tichenor, wife and children of Bushnell were the guests of Mrs. French Bland during the holidays.

Miss Rhoda Johnson of Quincy spent the holidays in the city and was the guest of her uncle, Selby Johnson.

Alonzo Drain spent the holidays with his parents.

Misses Flora and Sadie Bentham were home during the holidays the guest of their parents. Mr. J. Bentham and wife.

Mrs. John Crai presented her husband with a fine ten pound boy on January 3.

The 4-year-old son of Geo. Ashby and wife was seriously scalded Monday by a boiler of hot water being accidentally overturned.

Mrs. C. Franz entertained in honor of Misses Nora and Sadie Bentham during the holidays.

Mr. V. Fields gave an elegant family dinner Christmas.

A. J. Fields and wife entertained New Years.

French Bland entertained New Years in honor Mr. Tichenor and wife of Bushnell.

Miss Lucy Bland spent a few days with friends in Canton.

Miss Belle Wilson of Kankakee is the guest of her uncle, Geo. Bamister.

St. Joseph Guild gave their annual ball, Thursday evening, January 2, at Armory hall.

Mrs. Wm. Shadricks is very low.

The young people at the A. M. E. church gave a grand concert and social New Year's party.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

Mrs. Lucy Linsey is very sick at her home at Southwest Washington street.

The A. M. E. church entertained Christmas night, with a very pleasing program by the little ones, followed by distribution of presents from a beautifully-decorated Christmas tree, to the delight of every one.

Perry Greenup of Burlington is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. D. S. Johnson.

About twenty of the young people gathered at the home of Mrs. D. S. Johnson Tuesday night in honor of her guests. The evening was spent in games and music. All departed at a late hour, declaring that the evening was delightfully spent.

New Year's night the people of Washington met at the A. M. E. church to celebrate the Emancipation Day.

Following is the programme: Opening Address..... Rev. Basfield

Reading of Proclamation..... Mrs. Emma Barnes

Paper, subject, "Progress"..... Mrs. James Redd

The Future Negro..... D. S. Johnson

Remarks..... Isaac Hall

Declaration..... Mrs. D. A. Basfield

Hearts and Homes, vocal solo..... Mrs. D. S. Johnson

George Jackson of Sigourney spent the holidays with friends.

Four of our little girls and boys made New Year's calls Jan. 1. A lively time is reported.

Mrs. James Redd entertained Mrs. D. S. Johnson and guest to 5 o'clock New Year's eve. They reported a delightful time and a delicious dinner.

Notice of Appointment.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested.—That on the 7th day of January, 1896, the undersigned was appointed by the district court of Polk county, Iowa, administrator of the estate of Joel P. Davis, deceased, late of said county. All persons indebted to said estate will make payment to the undersigned, and those having claims against the same will present them, legally authenticated, to said court for allowance.

Dated, Jan. 7, 1896.

LYDIA M. DAVIS, Administratrix.

In connection with our newspaper, we have a first-class job printing office, and are now prepared to do all kinds of work, such as visiting cards, business cards, note heads, letter heads, statements, dodgers, posters, and, in fact, everything in the job printing line. We hope our friends will remember this when in need of anything in that line. Prices reasonable.

Bring in your job printing, and we will do you good work and give perfect satisfaction.

Domestic Bargains Extraordinary. That's a STRONG TERM, but our very low prices allow us to safely use it. Please note these prices and bear in mind that you get our cash discount besides.

12 1/2 Dutch blue calicos..... 9c

6 1/2 apron gingham..... 5c

10c dark outtings..... 7 1/2c

8 1/2c dark outtings..... 6 1/2c

10c white shaker flannel..... 5c

This will astonish you.

500 yards 10c plaid gingham..... 6 1/2c

2-inch bleached pillow muslin..... 8c

5-inch bleached pillow muslin..... 9c

1-4 good brown sheeting..... 12 1/2c

1 case 36-inch bleached muslin, equal to the fruit of the loom..... 8 1/2c

The best 5c twilled crash in the city for..... 4c yard

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Please Investigate our Big Cut on Blankets

If you are needing any, now is the time to buy them. Here's some bargains out of our

Gents' Furnishing Dept

Men's Heavy blue gray wool Socks, German make, worth 35c, for 17c.

Men's heavy Cotton Socks, regular price 15c, for 8 1-3c.

Men's heavy Work Shirts, worth 75c easy, for 50c.

Any Cap in our house for 25c.

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And Our Cash Discount Besides. Is the attraction at the Big Store—We have given away hundreds of dollars to our customers during this sale, and expect to give away hundreds more.

HOW CAN YOU AFFORD TO DO IT? you say. It's simply converting our goods into cash before inventory, and we prefer to do that even if we lose money by it.

Our hobby is never to carry over any goods from one season to the other.

That Table of Dress Goods At 50 Cents

Which were 75c, \$1 and \$1.25 is a chance for you to buy a fine dress for little money.

The 39c lot of Dress Goods

Have some beautiful goods among them—examine them. These two lots are worthy of your attention.

If you don't believe That we are nearly giving Jackets away, just look at our east window. It makes our buyer sick to see the loss we take on them. Prices are one half and sometimes one-third the former price.

HERE'S A LIST, WORTHY OF CAREFUL STUDY—Ladies' Ecu Rib Vests and Pants

16 2-3c, were 25.

Ladies' Fine Ecu Rib Vest and Pants—

35c, were 50.

Ladies' Fancy Hose, drop-stitch—

19c, were 25, 35 & 50

Badger Union Suits—

\$3 each, were \$4.

Portage Extra Fine Union Suits—

\$3.75, were \$5

150 Gloria Umbrellas—

79c, were \$1.00

On every item you get the discount besides.

Ladies' "Apollo" Kid Gloves,

69c, were 85

Boys' Plaid Windsor Ties—

15c, were 25

Slightly soiled Ladies' Handkerchiefs—

8 1-3c, were 10, 12 1-2, 15

Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose—

9c, were 13

Ladies' Black Cotton Fleece Hose—

19c, were 25

And the Discount Besides.

Ladies' Wool Hose—

25c, were 35

Children's Fleece Hose—

29c, were 45

Toilet Articles At Cut Prices.

Rose Cream, 10c a bottle.

Kirk's Perfumes, 13c ounce.

Kirk's Fine Soap 5c a cake—and lots of other items the same way.

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MODERN LOCHINVAR.

By Mrs. M. L. Rayne.



PECULIAR feature of the season of romantic youth is that known as the elopement period, when Young Lochinvar has reached the conclusion that he has more right to the girl of his heart than her father, mother, brothers, sisters and all other relatives combined.

"He was a squire of high degree. She was a lady fair to see. This is a trifle overdrawn, but it gives to their case better than any other two lines in poetical literature."

It was the night of the elopement. There was no moon and the electric lights were dim and flickering.

The girl had taken her favorite brother Tom into her confidence, but Gilbert did not know this. Tom was to entertain the old folks and keep them in the family sitting room until after nine, the hour which was set for the elopement.

"The great mistake that people make when they elope," said Gilbert, "is in setting the hour too late, when the least sound attracts attention to them."

It might have been supposed from those sage remarks, that he was an old hand at the business. But he had yet much to learn.

I have not stated the fact that Gussie's father was wealthy, but Gilbert would have scorned the imputation that this had any part in his plan of marrying her off hand. He knew that instead of the paternal benediction of the novel, "bless you, my children; bless you!" he might receive the paternal taboo, and be left to love, ashes and a crust in a cottage. But he was willing, brave boy, to risk it.

An open window in an unused and unlighted wing of the building is always a suspicious incident. A policeman was regarding this one from a convenient tree on the opposite side of the street; but love is blind, so Gilbert did not see him. He went through the window with the agility of a freeman.

"H-I-s-t!" came from within. "W-h-i-s-t!"

These were the pass words. "If it you?" "Yes—it's me," was the hasty and ungrammatical reply.

"Where's Gussie?" "Gussie who?"

"This time the voice was a growl. Gilbert saw the form of a man, but it did not resemble his friend Bob.

"What will we carry the swag in?" asked the voice with a growl. Good heavens! a burglar! Gilbert felt that his only safety lay in keeping up the delusion of the other that he was a pal—he must get out and find Gussie.

"Give it to me," he said in a disguised tone, as rough as he dared make it. "Show that, pard, I ain't got to run no risk of that sort—I've got the silver, but the jewelry—"

Flash went a pistol, and the report had scarcely ceased when Gilbert's eyes were fixed on a woman married.

hands were plucked, and the policeman was calling for help. The real burglar had made a dash for liberty, and escaped through the window.

"W-w-h-a-t does this mean?" demanded old man Marston, as purple with rage and excitement, he came hurrying in with a light.

"One of em's got off," said the policeman, "but here's t'other rascal safe enough," and he bowed up the sickly features of Gilbert Harding, who was ready to faint, but made a bluff to meet Gussie's father.

"Ha, ha, Mr. Marston; quite a joke, taking me for a burglar; ha! ha!" "It doesn't look very much like a joke to me, young man," said the father sternly; "what were you doing entering my house feloniously in the night?"

"Sure enough it didn't look much like a joke now that he saw it on both sides. Where was Bob Kennedy, that he did not stop forward to help his friend out? Where was Gussie? Where was his own wanted courage? He dared not look Gussie's father in the face, and say: 'I came to steal your daughter.'"

"Will you kindly explain to the policeman that you know me, sir, and that I am not a burglar?" he managed to say at last.

"I know you, certainly," croaked the old man, "but if you are not a burglar what are you doing with my family silver piled up there? You can explain the matter in court. Officer, do your duty. Take this man to the station!"

Did Gilbert hear aright? He had not time to discuss the matter, or indeed to say another word. Some philosopher has remarked quaintly that when a man begins to go down hill, it seems as if all creation was greased for the occasion. So the way for the departure of the policeman and his prisoner was made very expeditious. The other members of the family made themselves invisible, so there was no one to whom he could appeal, and doors opened and shut like magic for them to pass through. And it seemed no time at all before the unhappy lover was locked in a cell at the police station.

But he did not languish there all night. Bob Kennedy, who had been late in keeping the appointment, appeared to bail him out, and after rousing several officials—each of whom was the wrong one—from their beds, he rescued his friend, and then consoled him with a cold bottle and a hot bird in the early morning hours.

He took Bob's advice to leave town on a business tour and to remain until such time as Father Marston's wrath had cooled. There was no notice of the burglary or his arrest in the newspapers, and he left it to Bob to explain away any lingering suspicion against him.

He was to say that Gilbert saw the open window, and followed the burglar to intercept him, or any other harmless untruth that seemed to fit in.

Bob did his part so well that before Gilbert's return he read in the society columns an announcement of that faithful friend's engagement to the versatile Gussie. And then it dawned upon him that there had been no burglar as well as no elopement. And he immediately wrote himself down a name of three letters.

Love and Religion. Here is an interesting story of the effect of Christianity upon the love-making of Ceylon. I find it in the Missionary Review of the World. "It is the customary review of the Singhalese," writes a missionary of Ceylon, "to receive a dowry with the bride; and this varies from 50 rupees to 20,000 rupees. A dowryless girl has not much chance nowadays of getting married. However, there are exceptions. A young Christian man fell in love with a very poor, fatherless girl, who at the time was also a Buddhist. He wished to marry her, but would not do so until she became a Christian. He put her under the care of a catechist and his wife, who taught her, and he paid for her board and lodging. After a few months she was baptized, and a month later married, the bridegroom paying for her wedding attire."

CHIPS. Folly is simply pleasure which hurts. Laughter's wrinkles mock those of time. Theory makes laws for necessity to break. A fault acknowledged is a fault repaid. You can't be happy if you expect too much. Every man either has a hobby or the catarrh. Fate means anything which gets the best of us. Charity is something everybody else should have. We are born crying, live complaining, and die swooning. Egotism is harder to endure than tyranny or falsehood. A good character is in all cases the fruit of personal exertion. Education is a better safe-guard to liberty than a standing army. In forming a bad habit remember that it will be very hard to quit. Every difficulty slurred over will be a ghost to disturb your repose later on. The best education in the world is that got by struggling to get a living. Ambition thinks no face so beautiful as that which looks from under a crown.

HOOBOOS AND OMENS. Old ma—beg pardon; girl bachelors—say that when one's shoes keep coming untied her sweetheart is thinking of her. If a fellow on the way to see his sweetheart stubs his right toe, he's to be welcome; if the left toe he'll get the marble heart.

A Valuable Wife. Del Santo owed his reputation to his wife. She was very positive in character and insisted that he should keep at work and make a living for his family. He did so, and, besides that, made his fame at the same time.

Growing. "Her beauty," observed the silk worm, "grows on me." "Ah, yes," rejoined the ostrich. "I have noticed the same thing." The reader will doubtless shrewdly guess that they were speaking of one with whom clothes made the woman.

It Keeps the Mother Busy. Small Boy—I don't wonder that women's heads so often ache. Little Girl—Why? Small Boy—Every time they see any of their children they've got to think up some reason for not letting them do what they want to.

Supreme Test. Elder Berry—What is your idea of faith? Joblots—Putting a nickel on the plate and expecting a crown of pure gold.

A Medical Reason. First Doctor—And although you failed to cure him you raised your bill? Second Doctor—Yes; my failure made me feel cheap, you know.

Straight Goods. Mr. Crimshaw—Here, waiter! I found some feathers in this frankfurter! Waiter—Yes, sir; it was made out of a bird dog, sir.

Facing the Worst. Merchant (on discovering a man in his cellar)—Who are you? Stranger—The gas man. I have come to see by your meter how much gas you have used during the last month. Merchant—Good gracious! I was hoping you were only a burglar!

Not Money Alone. Alfonso—You never hear of women cashiers running off with their employer's money. Henri—No, not often; but when it does happen they take the employer, too.

Business Chance—A Good Income. We pay you to sell fruit loaves. FRANK NUNESBERG, Louisiana, Mo.; Rockport, Ill.

Max Nordau began to write when 12 years old and was earning money writing when 14.

"Manson's Magic Corn Salve." Warranted to cure or money refunded. Ask your druggist for it. Price 10 cents.

The police board of Jersey City is retiring patrolmen because they are getting "too fat."

"A Cup of Parks' Tea at night moves the bowels in the morning."

Congressman William A. Smith, of Michigan, began his career as a newsboy and street popcorn seller.

One's Cough Balsam. Mrs. Ernest Levenson, who writes so amusingly in Punch, is a very pretty woman, quite young, and always beautifully dressed.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children Teething.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—SENATE.—Elkins sought to secure an immediate vote on his resolution directing that all bonds issued be advertised and the bonds offered to the public. Hill opposed it. Sherman made a vigorous address favoring it and upon a vote only Chilton, Caffery, Hill and Mitchell, of Wisconsin, Murphy and Brice voted against it. Green's introduced and passed a resolution for the present consideration of a bill to repeal the law which requires proof of the loyalty during the war of the rebellion as a prerequisite in any application for bounty land warrants to soldiers in the Mexican war. The bill was passed. Adjourning till Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—SENATE.—Jones, of Arkansas, of the finance committee, reported a free silver bill for the house bond bill and gave notice that he would call it up to-morrow. Finance resumed consideration of Sherman's resolution concerning the gold reserve, and Vest took the floor and arraigned the measure against it. He declared for the income tax law, laying the responsibility for the lack of revenue at their door. Elkins, of West Virginia, offered a resolution, and it was referred to finance committee. Hereafter, by its contemplated issue of United States bonds will be advertised at least twenty days and sold to the highest bidder.

Horse—Spalling, of Michigan, presented a resolution that the Sandwich Islands be erected into a new state to be called State of Hawaii, with a republican form of government to be instituted by the people in convention through deputies, with the consent of the present government and annexed to the United States. Referred to the committee on foreign affairs. Adjourning.

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