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Was Mayor Hollis' boom for the mayoralty washed away when the streets were flushed? It is a new thing in politics to read a man out of the republican party because he wants to be mayor.

East and West Side headquarters are being opened by the various candidates for mayor of Des Moines. Ex-President Benjamin Harrison has declined in a letter to have his name presented to the St. Louis convention.

The ground hog failed to "see his shadow" at 12 o'clock, which is the traditional hour, the sun having been obscured by clouds. General Gomez sends word from Cuba that prayers are appreciated, but that cartridges and ammunition are priceless.

"Kidney Wort" Campbell, ex-mayor, is again a candidate. It is alleged that he visited the "crap joints" Saturday night last and left a few "fivers." He has a brilliant prospect of staying at home. The age of consent will probably be raised from 13 years. Some advocate placing it at 18 years.

One of the latest moves of the over-zealous men and newspapers is to declare a man out of the republican party because he is a candidate for mayor. Such attempts are too purile for serious consideration. There should be a manufacturing bill passed at this session of the legislature.

The cigarette problem in Iowa is a step in the right direction. These "little stinkers" are injuring the manhood and youth of the country very rapidly. The French nation is suffering and vitiating from the use of absinthe, and America is being injured by the use of cigarettes. The bill was introduced by Senator Phelps, of Cass.

man discharges men for sustaining the rights of a man, and retains the man who is in the wrong, it is plain that he has no conception of equity. If a man attempts to pay his employees less than he owes them, it is not an evidence of immaculate honesty.

Sir Samuel Lewis, K. C. M. G., the coal black Negro who was knighted on New Year's day, is 52 years old. He was educated at Wesley College, Sheffield, and University College, London.

Bishop Arnett was refused accommodation at a hotel in Boston. He is a scholar, a gentleman and a faithful and intelligent minister. Is this the cause for his rejection?

Booker T. Washington, the famous Southern Negro leader, at a recent social gathering told how he acquired his last name, as follows: "Before the war the slaves all went by the name of their master, but as soon as freed they almost invariably wished to change it, feeling that they were his property no longer."

Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, probably delivered the most peculiar speech ever listened to in the senate of the United States or read by the American people. There was none of the elements of a scholar on a statesman in it.

The appointment of a scholarly woman to a professorship in the University of Michigan has been spoken of as a unique thing, the latest and most advanced step in the "emancipation" of women. As a matter of fact, we are just getting back to a point which had been already attained in Europe before the reformation.

The Negro Solicitor seems to think THE BYSTANDER is inconsistent because it does not agree with all the republican party does and says. We are not made of that kind of stuff. We believe in the principles of the republican party.

ples we can not and will not follow it. Some of the greatest intellectual battles of the age have been fought within the republican party. The caucus and the party whip have silenced this strong point in the party. When the republican party has done wrong it should not be covered up. When a paper sees only the loaves and fishes and forgets the multitude it can be of no manner of benefit to the cause it is supposed to espouse.

Recent reports in regard to the acquisition of property by Negroes are surprising to many who have not carefully watched the march of events. On Emancipation Day the statement was made in a public address at Memphis, Tenn., that the Negroes in the thirteen southern states, including Missouri and Maryland, pay taxes on \$136,300,000 worth of property.

A Brief Outline. During the month of January THE IOWA STATE BYSTANDER made contracts with home merchants for \$300 worth of advertising. The firms are the leading ones in the city and among the best in the state. Extra copies of the paper were sold to our white patrons, they having bought all extra copies for the past two or three weeks.

CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Quarterly meeting was held at the A. M. E. church Sunday last. Rev. A. A. Burleigh, presiding elder, was present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rasper very elegantly entertained at dinner Monday Rev. Burleigh, Rev. and Mrs. Wade. W. T. Patterson of Iowa City was in this city this week attending the quarterly conference at the A. M. E. church and visiting friends.

CASUAL OBSERVER

I sometimes sit and ponder Over the days of long ago; Of the schoolmates of my boyhood, Of the joys I used to know.

It is pleasant sometimes to dwell in the past, to think of the old school house, the school teacher and the schoolmates. It is a period that comes but once in a lifetime, and it is all too brief. In the year 1857 there was started a seminary in the pretty village of Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

Time has wrought many changes; the buildings today are massive and imposing and have increased in number. Today it equals the State university at Iowa City in its collegiate department. Its campus is large and grand. Its faculty is composed of men of national reputations as educators.

In the 60's a colored man of probably 35 years of age came to the village and was seized with a thirst for knowledge, which the law of the land prohibited him from obtaining. He had no money, but he had a large heart and a willing hand.

After the above refusal was made, another made application. He was nearly 40 years old. He was admitted and went to school for some time. He began learning the alphabet. He worked during odd hours to obtain the money to pay his expenses.

In this session of the legislature there are two or three who went to this school. Their friends are proud of the niche they have out in the temple of fame. They worked for every dollar paid to get through school.

One of the former state officials of Iowa was a graduate of this school. He was a poor boy, with a head full of brain that needed cultivation. When other and possibly more fortunate young men were playing base ball, foot ball, or engaged in other amusements, he was looking for work and generally found it.

The man and the woman of the future will be those who have taken every advantage of opportunity, and improved it. They will exert an influence in proportion as they have cultivated the brain. It is the sheet anchor of the hope of America.

labor is honorable, and that a dollar earned with a pick and shovel is entitled to as much as that earned as a lawyer, doctor, statesman, or even the president of the United States. All labor can be done better when it is accompanied by intelligence. A young man who fails to train his mind as well as his muscle does himself an injustice.

Too much credit can not be given to the Afro-Americans who have had no opportunities. Their heads have, many of them, grown gray toiling that others might enjoy the fruits of labor. Taking into consideration the source from whence they came and the chances they had in the race of life, their advancement has been miraculous.

Lift your hat reverently when you meet the teacher of the primary school. She takes the little bantlings, fresh from the home nest and full of his pouts and passions—an ungovernable little wretch, whose own mother admits she sends him to school to get rid of him.

Red Riding Hood. A large and appreciative audience assembled at the A. M. E. church Tuesday evening to witness the rendition of "Red Riding Hood's Rescue."

The costumes of the principal characters deserve especial mention. May Fiening Ruff as "Red Riding Hood," appeared in a charming costume of bright red, with the indispensable red hood and cape. Mrs. J. T. Blagburn appeared as "Grandma" in an old-fashioned black gown, and upon her powdered hair rested a cap of rare old lace.

MUCHAKINOCK NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. William Boyer, who was washed by falling slate in the mine is much improved. Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman are happy over the arrival of a fine baby boy.

Announcement Card. I am a candidate for the nomination as city treasurer of Des Moines, subject to the decision of the Republican city convention. A. B. ELLIOTT. Fred Douglass League. There will be a meeting held under the auspices of the Frederick Douglass League, at 8 o'clock sharp, 504 Walnut street, on February 10, 1896.

CHOICE FOR DELEGATE

The question was recently asked what colored man does the Afro-Americans of Iowa want to represent them as a delegate-at-large to the national republican convention? Second—What material have you got?

To the first question we would say that we have no particular choice, as there are a large number of worthy ones, each would not only be a credit to the state, but would be very helpful in securing the support of colored delegates for Allison. He should be a man with race patriotism, and a lover of his party; a man who has a clean record behind him, and he who stands ready to sacrifice personal interest for the advancement of the race that he represents.

The answer to the second would require much space to name all the good material in the state, therefore, only a few are mentioned: From the Keokuk district we see Hon. T. L. Smith, a true and tried republican, who has worked for fifteen years in Iowa politics; also Mr. Washington of Burlington, a gallant old republican.

And now comes the well known Sixth with her hundreds and hundreds of colored voters. She alone has a score or more able men, among them L. A. Wiles, C. R. Foster, J. H. McDowell, J. W. Brown, H. S. Sawfoot of Pekay, Jason Green of Newton, Jas. Hamilton of Ottumwa, but as the Sixth got the honor (if you call it an honor) to be represented at the Minneapolis convention in the person of Geo. E. Taylor.

Iowa's 16,000 Afro-Americans should be represented by at least one of their own race. The race choice was turned down four years ago by a practically unknown Afro-American, and had he been known then as he is now he would not have been chosen. By a loyal and judicious selection we will be in touch with other delegates and true republicanism. C. B.

CLINTON, Iowa, Feb. 3.—ED. BYSTANDER: It is with pleasure that I name T. L. Smith of Keokuk. He was the legitimate choice four years ago, and the injustice done at that time to both him and the Afro-Americans of Iowa should be made right by his unanimous choice this year. C. L. B.

BURLINGTON BUDGET. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. The heavy snow which fell on Sunday is fast melting away and very pleasant weather now prevails. Arthur Johnson, the little 5-year-old son of Mrs. Beatrice Johnson is very sick.

Read our new advertisements—and then Patronize the firms who advertise with us. R. H. Earley left Monday evening for Kansas City. Mrs. J. Morgan, who has been quite sick is now much improved. BESSIE E. MILLS.

Early, L. Epperson, S. Prentiss, W. Hubbard, George King, Frank Wallace, A. Gordon, Dr. C. Luckett, Fifth ward, P. Swan, George Williams, Sixth ward, Walter Taylor, C. Lewis, Frank Smith, Seventh ward, George Torrell, Henry Tolliver, Youngstown, F. Brown, Boggstown, A. Burrell.

Allison Iowa Legion. A meeting was held Wednesday evening for the purpose of forming an Allison Iowa Legion. After some discussion the following were appointed a committee on permanent organization and plan of organization, consisting of one from each club represented: Tippecanoe—J. L. Crawford. Young Men's—C. A. Balfre. Lincoln—H. E. Teachout. Allison—P. H. Burns. Hebron—S. Leon. Scandinavian—O. K. Oleson. Lincoln (colored)—W. L. Tomlin. Des Moines—W. T. Shaver. J. S. Clark—Ed. Willett.

The contest which came off at the East Side Congregational church last week was well attended. There were six contestants and all did well, showing that they were developing fine delivery of some of the most difficult selections. Miss Maud McCraven won the prize. She is one of the most promising young ladies of city and is a regular attendant at the high school.

The masquerade festival that was to have been given by Naomi Court January 30, and was postponed, will be held February 25, at Masonic Hall, Sixth and Walnut street. All invited. C. A. Clegggett, Matron, Nettie E. Willett, Secretary. Misa Clara South is among the sick.

NEWTON NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Grandmother Merone has been very ill but is slowly improving. Mrs. Charlotte Gurley of Marysville, Mo. is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Martin. Rev. Searey will leave for Evans Saturday, where he expects to hold a series of meetings. Mrs. G. A. Brown entertained Miss Thompson and the Misses Green at tea Tuesday evening. All report a good time. Mrs. W. Waldon is indisposed this week. Miss Nancy Thompson expects to attend the father's entertainment in Des Moines, February 11. Mrs. W. A. Searey was given a jolly surprise in honor of her 22nd birthday. Refreshments were served and congratulations extended the hosts.

OSKALOOSA NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Rev. T. M. Lewis went to Muchakinoock last Tuesday to assist Rev. Williams in his meetings. Mesdames Bush and Fields are on the sick list. George James is up from Muchakinoock spending a few days at home. Miss Crump of Hedrick has visited at the home of George Taylor a few days. Eliza Ford is suffering with la grippe. Rev. White is able to be out. Oskaloosa has a new physician. Dr. F. H. Lawther of Chicago arrived in the city Monday and will make this his permanent home. William Fields is ill, confined to his bed. Mrs. Fanny Carter went to Evans Sunday.

OTTUMWA NEWS. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. The Y. B. W. met at the residence of Mrs. Henderson on North Marion street. The subject "which does the most evil, jealousy or whiskey." All were well entertained. WASHINGTON NEWS. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. The A. M. E. quarterly meeting was held the 19th ult. Rev. Thorn of the M. E. church, assisted Rev. Basfield in the absence of Rev. Burleigh, who did not arrive until the following Wednesday. During the revival we hope for many converts. All religious branches of the churches are progressing. S. D. Johnson being an active worker. Rev. and Mrs. Bosfield were agreeably surprised by his flock, who brought many good things.

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DES MOINES, IOWA

Remember that traditional conon, Premier Salisbury, and come down.

Having reached the poetry stage now, this war question ought to be stopped.

Whether Uncle Sam or anybody else acknowledges it, Cuba is "a belligerent."

The man who "resolved" a month ago is paying 50 cents a dozen for loopholes.

Alfred Austin was much more successful in laying his pipes than he has been in piping his lays.

Transvaal should now add another demand. England should be compelled to pull off Alfred Austin.

As to Prince Henry, it has been noticeable of recent years that dead princes are very popular in England.

A New York parrot has learned to talk Latin. It prefers English, however, when excited. It can't swear in Latin.

A considerable amount of first-grade history was made in 1895, but it looks as if the output for 1896 might be even greater.

One of the ironies of life is the fact that the man who has money enough to pay as he goes can get all the credit he wants.

The man who sits down to wait for his opportunity will some time discover that it passed that way several hours before he sat down.

Now that General Campos is out he takes the same view of the situation that the rest of us do. Spain will see it that way, too, before long. She will have to.

The national woman's suffrage convention demands the ballot. We might have known that this cry would be renewed when the ballots were made large enough to be spread over the pantry shelves.

Last week Judge J. D. Rose of Curryville, Mo., was dying from hiccoughs. Grocer W. H. Sistrunk of Lexington, Ky., read of the case and telegraphed the judge to drink lemonade. He did so and recovered. He wrote to Mr. Sistrunk saying he had saved the writer's life and inclosed \$1. This can hardly be regarded as a judicial declaration of the value of the judge's life, however. The cure is said to have been effected by the shock to the judicial mind caused by a Kentuckian recommending lemonade as a beverage.

X. Pene came very near being extinguished at Atlanta last week. He had charge of the Dahomey show at the exposition. He made no money, and when the exposition closed found himself with a lot of half-starved and half-frozen savages in his hands. They got hold of big clubs, iron pots and other weapons and tried to kill Mr. Pene. He has asked the Belgian consul at Atlanta for aid. He says he is under a bond for \$35,000 to return the Dahomians to their home, but he has no money to take them back or to buy them food.

Estimates of the European beet sugar crop vary so widely from month to month that it is difficult to rely upon them, but "there is a consensus of opinion that this year's crop will not amount to more than 4,000,000 tons, if so much." This will be a reduction on last year of about \$40,000,000, and as the production of cane sugar in Cuba is certain to be diminished, on account of the revolution, while the West Indian crop generally is said to be smaller, stocks in Europe are likely to be materially reduced in the next few months. It is noticeable that the low price of sugar this year has caused a great increase in consumption, for, according to German official statistics, the quantity of beets consumed in 1895 amounts to 145,210,395 cwt., as against 106,443,515 cwt. in 1894.

Pension appropriations as reported to the house for the next fiscal year are slightly below those for the current year, amounting to \$141,325,820. The bill, carrying the appropriation provides that in expending it during the fiscal year covered, whenever a claim for pension under the act of June 27, 1890, has been or shall hereafter be rejected, suspended or dismissed, because of any defect or informality in the application, and a new application shall have been or shall hereafter be filed, and a pension has been or shall hereafter be allowed in such claim, such pension shall date from the time of filing the first application, provided the evidence in the case shall show the disability to have existed or to exist at the time of filing such first application, anything in any law or rulings of the department to the contrary notwithstanding.

Marrying an American heiress is not all gold and sunshine. It is announced that during the remainder of his honeymoon the duke of Marlborough will be under the gaze of his mother-in-law, while the duchess must suffer the presence of her stepfather.

It has been resolved to do away with the usual bottle of French champagne to dedicate the new battleship Kentucky, and to use "a bottle of twenty-year-old Bourbon blue grass whisky." Kentucky doesn't want the battleship hoodooed at the start.

The situation in Cuba seems to be about this: Spain and its army holds Havana and adjacent districts and the insurgents the rest of the island. Of course it was wicked to burn sugar cane and blow up railways and destroy bridges, but the insurgents seem to know how and where to hit to hurt Spain in its tenderest spots.

A Denver soldier is said have died of a broken heart because he was refused a pension. Consider, though, what must have been the grief of the lawyer who was interested in the case.

# ALL OVER THE WORLD

IN CUBA.

HAVANA, February 4.—Only brief items about insurgent operations in Pinar del Rio, the most westerly of Cuba's five provinces, have been cabled from here. Taken separately, they have given only a vague idea of what has occurred during the last three weeks. Now that the conquest of the province by the insurgents has practically been completed, a review of the campaign may not be uninteresting. It will be remembered that when Maximino Gomez and Antonio Maceo, with two large columns of mounted men, invaded Havana province, coming almost to the gates of the capital city, and burning cane fields, destroying railway bridges, stations and cars all over the province, the two rebel leaders separated at Pinar del Rio. Gomez passed the line of troops thrown across the island south of this city, and Maceo began the conquest of the western provinces. Spanish official reports have had him fleeing before the columns of General Luque, General Navarro and General Arizon, and being driven toward the jumping off place at the west end of the island. According to these reports, Maceo's band has been defeated many times. As a matter of fact, he entered the province with 2,000 men, and he now has 5,000. All are mounted, armed and well equipped. He also has plenty of ammunition. He obtained 11,000 rounds at Canabas and a large quantity at Giano.

HAVANA, February 4.—Despite the earnest efforts of Gen. Marin, Gomez has pushed his way through the wall of troops and has met Maceo in Havana province.

MADRID, February 5.—In an interview at Coruna, just after his arrival there, Gen. Campos, late captain general of Cuba, declared it imperative that the troubles in Cuba should be ended, either by force of arms or the granting of reforms, comprising even Cuban autonomy, if necessary. Cuba, he said, could no longer provide the money necessary for the expenses of further warfare.

HAVANA, February 6.—The Madrid correspondent of La Discussion sends word that Campos, in an interview, said: "We will accomplish no more, not less than I. But in case he fails he will not be believed. Having been appointed by the conservative party and backed by the liberal party, only a great and unexpected catastrophe could bring about his removal."

PREMIER SALISBURY. Wrong on the Armenian Trouble—Sees a Light in Venezuela.

LONDON, February 2.—The Marquis of Salisbury is said to have disappointed his warmest admirers, especially in his exposure of the weakness of Great Britain in the east and his explanations of her reasons for non-interference in behalf of the Monroe doctrine, however, shows that the common sense policy advocated by Mr. Gladstone in the treatment of the Venezuelan question is finding root in high places, and it is most timely showing, for public sentiment is becoming strongly opposed to the premier's attitude toward America, North as well as South.

LOAN A BIG SUCCESS. Thousands of Bids and Nearly \$600,000,000 Subscribed For.

WASHINGTON, February 6.—Four thousand six hundred and forty bids for \$558,369,850 worth of bonds. Such is the tremendous total of the subscriptions opened at the treasury department in accordance with the terms of a call issued a month ago inviting proposals for \$100,000,000 of United States 4 per cent bonds to run for thirty years from February 1, 1895. The immense offerings astounded experts. As yet it is impossible to state who are the best bidders. A syndicate composed by J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Deutsche Bank of Berlin offered to take the entire amount at 110.6877.

5,000 Were Killed. LONDON, February 5.—The Daily News gives alleged trustworthy details of the massacres at Orfa, on December 26, and also on October 23, according to which 3,500 persons were killed, 1,500 having perished in the great Gregorian church. Syrians and Catholics are spared. The wells of the city were filled with dead bodies. Foreigners, the dispatch says, were protected by a strong guard placed about the American priests.

Allison Forces Encouraged. WASHINGTON, February 5.—General Harrison's letter of withdrawal has given the Allison forces added courage and it is believed that he, more than any other candidate, will profit thereby.

Proprietor Dunlop Is Guilty. CHICAGO, February 5.—Joseph R. Dunlop, proprietor of the Dispatch, has been found guilty of sending indecent matter through the mails.

Not Qualified. "Can you sew on buttons?" asked the leop-yeer young woman. "No," he answered. "Has your father educated you so that you know how to take proper care of a bicycle?" "No, I can't say he ever has."

"Then," she said bluntly, "I must crush the fond fancy which was blossoming in my heart. The words I meant to speak must be unsaid. You are not the kind of a man who would make home happy."

They Split. "I hear," said Slogo, "that the politicians up your way organized a regiment to go to Venezuela." "Why—did? Got 700 men the first meeting." "Organize?" "Now. All split up over electing officers."

"All wanted to be colonel?" "All? Couldn't get a man to touch it."

"Why, what do you mean?" "A hundred and seventy-five wanted to be sutler, and 525 were devil-bent on being quartermaster. Wouldn't a man give in, so we quit."

# SHORT HALF A MILLION.

Trusted Cashier of a Bank Plays Havoc With the Funds.

ROME, N. Y., February 6.—There was great excitement among citizens of Rome when it was learned from an authoritative source that the shortage in the Fort Stanwix National Bank amounts to \$375,000, and that the Hon. Geo. Barnard, trusted cashier, ex-mayor and vestryman, would be found in debt to the bank personally nearly \$75,000. One of the directors of the bank said he would not be surprised if the shortage amounted to \$500,000, and declared that Barnard's personal shortage might reach \$100,000. Barnard has not taken a vacation for thirty years, and after the disclosures, the treasurer for this reason believes that he did not desire anyone but himself to handle the accounts. So far as the man is concerned, during the many years he has resided in Rome he has always been thought to indulge in no extravagance and no dissipation. The overdrafts of the J. Winslow Jones Canning Company, of Baltimore, and others amount to \$200,000, it is stated, but who the others are it cannot be learned. It is estimated that the capital stock of \$150,000, the surplus of \$30,000 and the undivided profits of \$140,000 will be practically wiped out after the investigation is finished, and also that an assessment will be levied to pay the creditors dollar for dollar.

# EXAMPLE FOR POWERS.

Formal Claim Presented by America for \$1,000,000 Indemnity.

LONDON, February 4.—To America belongs the distinguished honor of being the first civilized nation to demand indemnity from Turkey for outrageous operations in unfortunate Armenia. News of a trustworthy nature has been received that the American minister, Mr. Terrell, called at the Turkish foreign office in Constantinople and made his formal demand for an indemnity. The amount claimed is \$1,000,000.

# TERSE NEWS.

The emperor of Germany is determined to double the navy and Bismarck endorses the scheme.

It is said Acting Captain General Marin, of Cuba, is ambitious to strike a death blow to the insurrection before the arrival of Gen. Weyler.

Hon. John Morley, chief secretary for Ireland in the late Rosebery and Gladstone liberal cabinet, speaking at Arbroath, in Scotland, said that Lord Salisbury blundered in questioning the Monroe doctrine, to which America is strenuously attached. He added that if there ever was a case for arbitration it was the Venezuela boundary dispute.

A proclamation has been gazetted by the Transvaal government to the effect that the government believes that the threatened closing of the mines is due to an intention to recommence disturbances, and warning all that the government intends to vigorously protect the peaceful development of mining and to inflict the severest penalties of the law upon all those attempting to interrupt it.

The national board of trade of America, by an unanimous vote, directed the president of the board to send a peace message to the associated chambers of commerce at London, England. The message reciprocates the friendly sentiments of English commercial bodies, and expresses the wish that commerce and religion may unite to honorably avert collision between the English speaking nations.

A Pittsburg dispatch says: Hugh Dempsey, ex-district master workman, Knights of Labor, sentenced to the penitentiary three years ago for complicity in poisoning the non-union men at the Homestead steel works after the great strike of 1892, has been pardoned and released. The Commercial Gazette, in this connection, publishes the story that nearly fifty persons died from the effects of the alleged poisoning at Homestead. The names, dates of death and attending physicians, collected for the commonwealth and filed with the board of pardons in 1895, were used in behalf of the commonwealth in the argument against Dempsey's release. The board kept them from the public.

Corn and Oats in Crib and Bin. ATLANTIC, February 5.—Over 2,000,000 bushels of corn are cribbed on the division between Stuart and Council Bluffs, and there is about the same amount cribbed on the Ruthven branch of the Rock Island, Des Moines to Ruthven. There are probably 300,000 bushels of oats binned at the stations between Stuart and Council Bluffs.

Lally Murdr Trial Continued. CEDAR RAPIDS, February 6.—In the district court, upon motion of attorneys for defendant, the case against Thomas Lally, who is charged with the murder of his mother, and that of William Robins, who is charged with assault with intent to commit murder, were continued until the March term.

DICKERSON JURY DISAGREED. Was Discharged After Deliberating Three Days.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, February 4.—The jury in the Dickerson case was discharged after being out three days. Contrary to numerous rumors and predictions, the jury stood 9 to 3 for conviction.

Gunn-Boatman Case. OKALOOSA, February 4.—P. C. Merlat, the young man who kept company with Irene Severt just before her fatal illness, has been arrested on the charge of being the author of the girl's shame and consequent death.

Keokuk Fire. KEOKUK, February 1.—A fire broke out in the dry goods house of the Brinkman Company originating from a furnace. The stock was valued at about \$25,000, with insurance for \$13,000. Before the fire could be extinguished a large portion of the stock was destroyed and the remainder badly damaged.

Switchman Killed. CRESTON, February 3.—Switchman Curtis Murray was killed in the Burlington yards at Pacific Junction. He was pulling a pin when he fell and was run over.

# THE NEWS IN IOWA

RESUBMISSION DISCUSSED.

Meeting of the Iowa State Temperance League at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, February 5.—A meeting of the Prohibition Amendment League was held here for the purpose of discussing the proposed constitutional amendment. L. S. Coffin presided. Senator Rowen said he believed the legislature would resubmit the amendment. Representative Funk said he feared that if the amendment was submitted next year it would meet with defeat, but he would vote for resubmission, and believed if the resolution was voted on now it would carry. Mrs. Aldrich said men, unlike women, held party interests above principle. She believed not to pass resubmission was a concession to the liquor interests. Mr. Campbell said the real danger was in the passage of a manufacturer's law. Funk said he would sacrifice everything else to defeat the manufacturers' bill. Senator Kilbourne said he would regard it as an act of bad faith for any republican who two years ago voted for resubmission to vote against it now. Mrs. N. M. Smith scored the republican party for its attitude on prohibition. Senator Young said he would ask the legislature not to pass resubmission, but to defeat manufacturing. Representative Van Houten said he would oppose manufacturing and resubmission.

# PLEADING SELF-DEFENSE.

Murder Case on Trial at Ottumwa Produces Contradictory Evidence.

OTTUMWA, February 3.—The case of the state vs. John Rama for manslaughter is now on in the district court. Rama shot and killed Ed Rutherford a few weeks ago, and claims that it was done in self-defense. Rutherford's brother, who was with him at the time he was killed, says that he and the deceased were driving to Ottumwa on a load of wood. The defendant was walking to town ahead of them. Rutherford testified that when he and his brother drove near Rama they stopped their horses and the man afterwards killed got down off the load of wood and cried, "Say, John." He stated that Rama then turned around and without a word pointed a revolver at Rutherford, who then climbed upon the wagon, when Rama said: "I will get you yet," and pointing the revolver at him fired. Physicians were placed upon the stand who testified that the course of the bullet was down and outward, which would show that Rutherford was not in the wagon when shot, as his brother testified. The indications are that Rama will be acquitted on the grounds of self-defense.

# IOWA PRIMARY LAW.

Many Legal Sioux City Voters Barred From Casting Their Ballots.

SIoux CITY, February 3.—The adoption of the primary election system by the republican city central committee has resulted in a complication, and the members of the committee are puzzling their heads in an effort to reach a decision which will give satisfaction to all parties. The clause over which the misunderstanding arises provides that no person shall be allowed to vote at the primaries whose name does not appear upon the poll books as a regularly qualified voter at the last preceding state, county or city election. Many legal voters whose names do not so appear, owing either to absence from the city at the last election, length of residence, or neglect on their own part, are consequently debarred from participating in the primaries. These men are vigorously protesting against the attitude of the committee, and a few talk of recourse to the courts.

# Muscatine Dynamite Conspiracy.

KEOKUK, February 6.—Sheriff Wiley, of Muscatine, came to Keokuk and placed Miss Ella Strommer under arrest and took her to Muscatine. She is wanted as a witness in the dynamite conspiracy, and fled from Muscatine when the recent grand jury returned their indictments against alleged conspirators. She was employed as a servant in a Keokuk home.

# Corn and Oats in Crib and Bin.

ATLANTIC, February 5.—Over 2,000,000 bushels of corn are cribbed on the division between Stuart and Council Bluffs, and there is about the same amount cribbed on the Ruthven branch of the Rock Island, Des Moines to Ruthven. There are probably 300,000 bushels of oats binned at the stations between Stuart and Council Bluffs.

# Lally Murdr Trial Continued.

CEDAR RAPIDS, February 6.—In the district court, upon motion of attorneys for defendant, the case against Thomas Lally, who is charged with the murder of his mother, and that of William Robins, who is charged with assault with intent to commit murder, were continued until the March term.

# DICKERSON JURY DISAGREED.

Was Discharged After Deliberating Three Days. COUNCIL BLUFFS, February 4.—The jury in the Dickerson case was discharged after being out three days. Contrary to numerous rumors and predictions, the jury stood 9 to 3 for conviction.

Gunn-Boatman Case. OKALOOSA, February 4.—P. C. Merlat, the young man who kept company with Irene Severt just before her fatal illness, has been arrested on the charge of being the author of the girl's shame and consequent death.

Keokuk Fire. KEOKUK, February 1.—A fire broke out in the dry goods house of the Brinkman Company originating from a furnace. The stock was valued at about \$25,000, with insurance for \$13,000. Before the fire could be extinguished a large portion of the stock was destroyed and the remainder badly damaged.

Switchman Killed. CRESTON, February 3.—Switchman Curtis Murray was killed in the Burlington yards at Pacific Junction. He was pulling a pin when he fell and was run over.

# QUEER TRACT OF LAND.

Peculiar Condition of Affairs in Clay County.

FOUR DODGE, February 6.—Clay county is the possessor of a township that beats the record for irregular congressional tracts of land. There are several quarter sections in it containing several hundred acres and many that contain less than fifty acres. John Parsons, of Fort Dodge, knows this, and has studied over it more than any one. He has gone so far in searching for the cause as to inquire what party was in power at the time the survey was made, so that he might curse it as long as he lives. Mr. Parsons traded for 778 acres of land in that mirage of a township a couple of years ago, and about a week ago he traded the same land to Messrs. Meservey and Merritt, of Fort Dodge. Those gentlemen learned that there were some tracts of land that appeared to have been surveyed, and it measured 612 1/2 acres, being over 150 acres short. As the land is worth \$25 per acre, it is a loss of \$4,000 to Mr. Parsons.

# ON TRIAL FOR MURDER.

Mrs. Dr. Pinney's Case Comes Up in District Court at Clinton.

CLINTON, February 5.—The trial of Mrs. Dr. Emma Pinney, a reputable physician, for murder in the first degree has begun in the district court. The case is one exciting much interest. Dr. Pinney was called to attend a Mrs. Emily Johnson, wife of Robert Johnson, who, while under her care, died under peculiar circumstances September 26. An inquest followed and Dr. Pinney was held for murder.

# THE SALARY GRABBERS.

The Cases of the Dubuque Mayor and Aldermen Referred for Argument.

DUBUQUE, February 5.—In court the indicted aldermen demurred to indictments on the ground that the city's special charter gave them the right to fix their own salaries, and that the facts alleged did not constitute a crime. The mayor demurred on similar grounds. Judge Husted then referred the cases to Judge O'Donnell, who will hear arguments later.

# Marshalltown Man Disappears.

MARSHALLTOWN, February 5.—Dan Ryan, a young railroad man, formerly of Marshalltown, who went to Wisconsin some time ago, became lost in a forest near Brule, while hunting with a companion, January 17, and nothing has since been heard from him. A dispatch from Superior is to the effect that Ryan probably starved or froze to death and the body was devoured by wolves.

# The Jury Disagreed.

OTTUMWA, February 6.—The jury in the case of John Rama, on trial for killing Ed Rutherford, disagreed, being 9 to 3 in favor of acquittal on the theory of self-defense. Juror Will Chew was taken violently ill, and this hastened the verdict.

# BREVITIES.

Linsced Cake (oil meal) does not only keep your stock in good order, but is a great flesh producer and is now a cheap as corn. Write Des Moines Linsced Oil Works for pamphlets and prices.

A 3-weeks old girl baby was found recently on the door step at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. McEachern, of Creston, where it had been deserted by its mother. A note accompanied the baby, saying that it was of respectable parents, but that they were too poor to keep it and asked the family where it was left to see that it secured a good home.

A few nights ago Charles Saldeen, a Burlington ice packer who has suffered great loss, owing to the continued warm weather, made an attempt to cut ice by moonlight with the idea that after sunset the ice would freeze somewhat. After a small quantity of ice had been cut, it suddenly cracked in all directions, and three teams were struggling in the swift current. They were only rescued after great difficulty.

A deplorable mistake occurred near Anamosa. George Meade, feeling somewhat badly, thought he would take some quinine, and took what he supposed to be a capsule filled with that innocent drug. In a few minutes violent vomiting and purging were produced and Mr. Meade became so sick that a physician was summoned, when, upon examination, it was found that he had taken a sixty-grain capsule of corrosive sublimate. Mr. Meade has since died.

Dr. George F. Magoun, for many years president of Iowa college, died at Grinnell on the morning of the 30th in the 75th year of his age. Dr. Magoun's health has been gradually failing for several months. Within a week his strength rapidly left him. Mrs. Magoun survives her husband, but is very feeble. Dr. Magoun was born at Bath, Me. He graduated at Bowdoin college. He became president of Iowa college in 1862 and his growth was largely due to his noble efforts.

A tragedy occurred in Hancock county which will very likely cost one man his life and another his liberty. James Ames and a man named Hayden, both of Forest City, drove to the residence of Ole Nelson, who lives in a secluded timber country by Pilot Mound, the highest point of land in Iowa. On reaching Mr. Nelson's they proceeded to the house, where they met Nelson, who refused to admit Jim Ames, but invited Hayden in the house. Ames insisted on entering the house, whereupon a "scrap" ensued between him and Hayden, resulting in gun shot wounds from which Ames cannot recover. Hayden is under bonds.

At Des Moines recently Clarence, the son of N. H. Harvey, while playing with his brother, was pushed into a boiler of hot water, sustaining a fearful scalding, from which he has since died.

At Clinton recently Willie Wilke, a boy about 11 years old, had both legs cut off by being thrown under the wheels of a switch engine. He was going to jump from the engine and in some way was thrown under the wheels. His right leg was cut off at the knee and the left between the knee and ankle. He was taken to Agatha hospital, but there is no chance for his recovery.

# DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 30.—Silver substitute came up, and Call, Mitchell, Perkins made addresses. The urgency deficiency bill was under consideration part of the day, but no action was taken.

HOUSE.

Little of importance was done.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 30.—Vilas made a strong argument against the silver bond bill. Harris asked that a vote be taken on the bill to-morrow at 2 p. m., and after a brief debate this arrangement was agreed to. Bates favored the silver substitute, as also did Pasco.

HOUSE.

The bill passed extending exemptions allowed dealers in brandies distilled from prunes, apples and grapes, to brand distilled from pears, pineapples, orange and berries. The house went into committee of the whole on the District of Columbia appropriation bill. A bill to pension the widow of James W. Wells, a considerable filibustering and was finally laid aside.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, February 1.—After sharp debate voting on amendments to bond silver substitute began. Allen's amendment forbidding bond issues was defeated. Morrill's amendment as to sequestration was defeated. A motion to table the substitute was defeated, 34 to 43. The free silver substitute was then reported from the committee of the whole to the senate and it was passed, 42 to 35. Senate went into executive session on the nomination of Col. Coppinger to be brigadier general and confirmed it.

The bill passed to-day by the senate as the substitute for the house bond bill provides that from the date of the act the mints of the United States shall be open to the coinage of silver and the dollar shall be of the present weight and fineness, and also provides for the certificates. It further provides for the coinage of the seignorage now in the treasury and authorizes immediate issue of certificates upon the same in advance of it being coined. One section of the bill provides that no bank note of less than \$10 shall hereafter be issued and those outstanding of less amount shall be taken up and cancelled as rapidly as possible. Section 4 provides that the greenbacks and treasury notes shall be redeemed in standard silver dollars or in gold coin at the option of the treasury, and the greenbacks when so redeemed shall be immediately reissued.

HOUSE.

House spent the day in committee of the whole on the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, February 3.—The senate free coinage substitute for the house bond bill was referred to the ways and means committee. President sent a message urging congress to make prompt and reasonable provision for the families of the Italians killed in a riot at Walsenburg, Col., last March. The house went into committee of the whole on the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was still under consideration when adjournment was taken.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—The tariff bill was reported by the finance committee. A resolution to take up urgency deficiency bill was defeated and Dubeis' resolution for an amendment to the rules so as to distribute appropriations among committees was taken up. The debate on the resolution was not concluded when the senate went into executive session and soon adjourned.

HOUSE.

Free silver substitute for house bond bill was reported from ways and means committee with recommendation that the house non-concur. Crisp, representing the minority, asked concurrence. Several independent bills were passed by unanimous consent. District of Columbia appropriation bill was then taken up and after appropriations for six religious charitable institutions had been stricken out the committee rose and bill was reported to the house. Henderson pleaded for appropriations for these institutions. Adjourned.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, February 5.—Committee on foreign relations reported the following substitute for the previous Cuban resolution: Resolved, by the senate (the house of representatives concurring), that the opinion of congress, a condition of public war exists between the government of Spain and the government proclaimed and for some time maintained by force of arms by the people of Cuba; and that the United States of America should maintain a strict neutrality between the contending powers, and accord to each all the rights of belligerents in the ports and territory of the United States.

Resolution relative to distribution of seeds by the secretary of agriculture came up and Vest made a bitter attack upon Morton for his failure to execute the law. Debate on resolution to distribute appropriation bills among the several committees continued during the session without final action. Diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was reported and placed on the calendar.

HOUSE.

Carson, from New Mexico, offered a bill to prevent prize fights. District of Columbia appropriation bill came up and a motion to strike out appropriations for sectarian charitable institutions was defeated. The prize fight bill then passed. House then went into committee of the whole on the free coinage substitute for the bond bill, which continued under consideration during an evening session.

SENATE.

Kentucky Senatorship. FRANKFORT, Ky., February 5.—Mr. Beckham, the newly elected democratic member of the house, has arrived after a drive of sixty-five miles across the country. There are rumors of coming trouble.

Hard Times Tragedy.

CHICAGO, February 6.—Richard Kloeckle, a carpenter who has been out of work for some time, killed his wife, mother and father and three children and then suicided.

F. Hopkinson Smith, the artist, who is noted for his eccentric views of things, made an extended defense of the sultan before the Nineteenth Century club in New York the other day. He believes Abdul Hamid means well.

Signora Duse recently received a rare honor from the king of Sweden. He presented her with the medal of sciences and arts and his autograph and photograph. The king also sang to Duse an ancient ballad that he had set to music. Then he addressed her in Italian and made her promise to call upon him whenever she visited Sweden.

Princess Helena of England (Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein) is writing a book of etiquette for women in good society.

James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet, recently visited Greenfield, Ind., his home town, and was given a rousing reception by the citizens, the city band helping to make his visit pleasant.

The Rev. Minot J. Savage has been invited to deliver the essay before the British and Foreign Association in London next June, an honor never before bestowed upon an American. He has also been elected president of the Council of the National Unitarian Conference.

# HINTS FROM PARIS.

Straps are repeated in materials of all kinds.

The bib front is exceedingly stylish; it may be expressed in silk, wool or velvet. Mollere cravets, Robespierre jabots and any number of fancy neck trimmings are in evidence. Shirring is greatly used, the fullness on the shoulders of waists and at the tops of sleeves being so treated.

Sleeves exhibit quite a variety of trimming. Slashes, through which appear puffs of a different color; bands studded with buttons; Vandyke points edged with lace, all are pleasing in their endless variety. Cuffs play an important role.

Very magnificent are the tight-fitting Louis coats with full fluted basques; the splendid flower damasks and jardiniere velvets show off to advantage in this style of garment, which is eminently adapted for carriage and reception wear.

The Marie Antoinette skirt is new, but it is not adapted for all figures; it is shirred or plaited on the hips and flares widely at the foot; sometimes an un-gored front breadth of



