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ONLY AFRO-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN PAPER IN IOWA

### "NO NEGRO NEED APPLY"

The Republican convention met Thursday for the purpose of endorsing Senator Allison and selecting delegates to the St. Louis convention. It was largely attended and quite a boom launched. We desire to speak of the treatment of the most loyal class of voters in the republican party.

Some time ago the IOWA STATE BYSTANDER called attention to the fact that selections from the Afro-Americans for positions or as delegates were made without consulting those to be represented. Men have been selected in the past without moral or political honesty and who had no record in accord with common decency. These are some of the kinds of men the Mahaska county people have sent in days gone by to represent them in a national council. They have proven traitors to the people they represented and to the party they were identified with.

This paper called for a free expression of opinion in regard to the choice for an Afro-American delegate to St. Louis convention. These publications extended over a period of three or four weeks. Woodbury, Lee, Polk and other counties met in convention and passed resolutions endorsing T. L. Smith of Lee. There was almost a unanimous choice of Mr. Smith by those writing individual letters which we published. In none of them was the name of C. R. Foster mentioned. The only opposition Mr. Smith met was from an Afro-American democrat and traitor. If the loyal Afro-American republicans have not the privilege of saying who shall represent them in a delegate capacity, who has?

There was not an Afro-American delegate in the state convention. Yet there are 16,000 voters in the state! Neither were there "ushers" or one shown political "recognition" by being allowed to scrub the hall. The Afro-American was notable by his absence as a delegate. There can be only one conclusion drawn from this circumstance. There were six candidates for alternate delegates at large—four white and two black. The latter were both defeated. Of course a show of being desirous of having one of the latter was ostensibly made. No regard was paid to publicly expressed opinions of good citizens of both races. Robin Cruso, Blanchard and his man Friday Foster seemed bound to rule or ruin, and consequently no representation is given whatever to 16,000 Afro-Americans. Col Swalm defeated Mrs. in four years ago, and...

head in shame when the event is referred to. It has been stated on the streets of this city that Hon. J. S. Clarkson sent a telegram to a "Nigger" democrat and traitor, asking him to meet him in this city for the purpose of having a consultation. Can it be that Col Swalm's experience with a Democratic Uriah Heep has not come to the knowledge of Judge Blanchard and J. S. Clarkson?

That the Afro-American was not wanted in the Allison delegation is no surprise to those who know his record Allison has never taken any interest in the welfare of the Afro-American and his speeches in congress and in campaigns reveal this fact. Reed, McKinley and many of the other candidates have found occasion to say something in favor of justice—justice pure and simple—to the Afro-American. There are delegates to the St. Louis convention from nearly every northern state with the exception of boasted Iowa. It is no surprise that in Texas, Louisiana and Alabama a "Lily White Republican party" is organized, but in Iowa, a state that heralds the fact that it stands near the head in point of intelligence, it is amazing.

It seems plain to us that the republicans are attempting to thwart all desire of Afro-Americans to organize in this county and state. In this city the party attempted to send an Afro-American democrat—who has been indicted by the grand jury for keeping a house of bad repute and has been guilty of many crimes and misdemeanors—to the republican state convention. This is disgusting and these men should be made to know that such men do not in any manner, shape or form represent the intelligent Afro-Americans of the community.

The duty of the Afro-Americans seems plain to us. They should not give up republican principles. They are just as good as ever. An organization should be formed and cemented together so as to protect itself from traitors and enemies within and without. Nothing will be accomplished until the young men and old men get together, stand together, work together and it need be fall together. Things are going from bad to worse. Bury petty jealousy and strife, put on the armor of intelligence and a great battle can be won. Insults should be resented. If the Afro-Americans are capable of assisting in winning great victories they should be allowed to enjoy its fruits. There has been too much strife inside of the ranks. This should be replaced by intelligent and united effort. This does not mean compromise with wrong or wrong doers. An incident occurred here sometime ago which will show the strength of honest men who recognize the discipline of organization. Two Swedish gentlemen made application for the same appointive position. The Swedes were entitled to one appointment. They were sent back and told to secure the endorsement of the republican club. One received two votes more than his opponent. He was given the position immediately. This is made possible by organization.

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. We predict that the republican managers will take to St. Louis an Afro-American democrat and pay his way, and in the event of victory take care of him. Nothing need be surprising.

## THE IOWA TRAVELER.

### Bird's Eye View of Keokuk.

We arrived in Keokuk on Thursday. We had not been in the city for several years, but all of the old landmarks were there. Main streets just as long as ever and there were no material changes in the buildings. Keokuk will never lose its identity. It is a pretty old town. The people are well-to-do and hospitable. Each trip becomes more interesting under the kind and hearty greeting of old and true friends. It is the fashion of the Afro-Americans of Keokuk to own their homes and send their children to school. The property owned by them is large in quantity and valuable in price. The property is confined to no particular part of the city; some being very desirable business blocks. The schools are filled with pupils. The girls are more numerous than the boys. A trip to many cities of much larger pretensions does not reveal a more accomplished society of young ladies. When we say accomplished we mean young ladies who can attend to the duties of the household from the kitchen to the parlor,—music, brilliant conversation and literature does not place them in an embarrassing position. The parents like to have their children go to school and the children make the most of their opportunity. The following are in the high school: Misses Maggie Drain, Lena Towney, Carrie Smith, Emma Rice, Messrs. Claude Morton, Homer Jones and a few others whose names we did not learn.

Mr. George Caldwell, Sr. and Mr. Oscar Bland are two of the largest Afro-American property and real estate holders in the city. Mr. Caldwell has represented the Hotel Keokuk for many years and his face is familiar to the traveling public. Mr. Bland is city bill poster and the grand master of the Masonic Lodge of Iowa.

Prof. W. H. Jones is the leading barber of the city. He has been in business there for 28 years. The secret of his success has been strict attention to business. He has kept up with the times. When the trade demanded new furniture and a better location he was ready. When it demanded more barbers he supplied them. That is the reason why he has continued to be the first barber in that city. We have seen barbers driven from the business because they would not keep up with the times. Afro-American barbers and business men have lost the advantage in many cities by failure to do the proper thing. Mr. Jones has lately built a nice home on one of the principal residential streets of Keokuk out of the proceeds of his barber shop.

"The Club of 1896" is composed of young men and women who are ably assisting the A. M. E. church.

Last year there were three graduates from the high school, Alonzo and Ella Drain and Nora Bentham, all of whom are teaching school in the south.

J. W. Bland is one of the leading blacksmiths of the city and a substantial business man. Martin Bland is in the same shop. A good blacksmith and a genial man, liked by every one.

Thomas Rush is a general contractor and has been for years.

Dan C. and Ira Anderson are plasterers with a good trade, as is also Leish Gowens.

Mr. Williams is foreman in the large canning factory and has been for a number of years. He is an intelligent young man, a hard worker and a close student of current events.

There are quite a number of carpenters in the city.

Fred Field is bookkeeper for a large wholesale house.

Margaret Ann Court, Mrs. G. W. Bannister, and Brent Court, Mrs. Dixon, are two prosperous organizations. There is also an Eastern Star Chapter.

There are two Baptist, one A. M. E. and one Episcopal church. Masons, Odd Fellows (2), Knights of Labor, Tabernacle (2) by Miss Kate Owens and Miss Ellen Dixon. The Odd Fellows own a good piece of property on Main street.

A Womans' club was organized a year ago and one by the young men of Pilgrim Rest Baptist church.

James Broadis is on the police force and represents 2,000 Afro-American voters. This is poor management and poor organization. But it is said that if a colored man was duly nominated he would fail to receive the support of his own race. Is this true? There is one official, however, that we failed to mention. He is "wood measure" and receives on an average of 75¢ per month.

J. W. Glass, an old time Keokuk barber and a very pleasant man, has a shop on Main street. It is familiarly known as the "Senate" and J. W. Bland's blacksmith shop is called the "House." There many interesting debates are held during the week. C. S. R.

## CITY POLITICS.

On Thursday of next week will occur the republican primaries for the selection of delegates to the city convention which will select candidates for the various offices in the city government. The complexion of the city government will be virtually settled for two years. There have been many important questions agitating the minds of the people. The principal ones are the water works, and gas questions. High taxes has made the people groan under the burden. These questions must be

settled rightly in order to develop the city of Des Moines and its best interests.

Every good citizen should see to it that he is present and takes an active part in the affairs of the party of which he is a factor. There are good and bad republicans, honest and dishonest, men with business capacity and integrity and men without either. All men can aspire to place, but it is the business of the people to see that only well qualified men are elected.

The chief official to be chosen—and he must be a republican—is that of mayor. Reference to the columns of the IOWA STATE BYSTANDER reveals the names of two candidates for the mayoralty. The manner of selecting the candidate for mayor on the republican ticket will apply to all other offices to be filled.

One candidate has made a declaration of principles which are sound, and have been so accepted by all men with good or even fair business judgment. The other has not said a word and must be judged by the company he keeps.

One has addressed the people at various times in the different precincts of the city on public affairs. The other spake not a word.

One has pledged himself to certain principles, which he will carry out if chosen by the people. No one but an insane man would attempt to violate a public pledge. The other has made all of his pledges in private and to individuals.

One has been fighting against corporate greed and for justice to both corporations and to the people. The other has the corporations back of him, urging his nomination with all the skill of an unscrupulous manipulator.

One has treated all men fairly and squarely and is willing to stand on his record as a man and an employer of labor. The other wants the past buried, and says look to the future for a good record. His past is "strewn with the graves of buried opportunities."

One employs laborers and pays them for their work. The other employs labor, makes a profit by it and expect the laborer to throw in his principles.

One enters into a business contract with any responsible man who calls on him regardless of his religion, race or color. The other has been on the defense in these respects since entering the campaign. It has been proven beyond the shade of a shadow of doubt that he stands convicted on the testimony of creditable witnesses, both black and white.

One hires men to work for him because he makes a profit by doing so. The other wants to "fool somebody" and pretends it is the work of "sweet charity!" Bah! Such sophistry.

Judge of all the men by the records they have made and each voter will be true to himself and his best interests. The stay at home Afro-American voters are the ones who injure the cause in which they seem to be so much interested. If anything is accomplished it must be done by taking every step in the affairs of the republican ranks. Let the good citizen attend the party primaries. Find out what you want to do before you go and then do it. If you remain at home you will allow the blemish and criminal classes to carry the day for a few paltry dollars. These men have no regard for principle.

There is talk of some of the delegates giving a proxy to some Afro-American so one can be at the St. Louis convention. Such action should be resented as an insult after the action of the Allison convention. No self-respecting Afro-American will accept a proxy or go as a substitute to a convention from which he was refused a nomination and election. Read This Weeks Bargains.

## TROUBLE IN CAMP

### The Secretary of Fred Douglass League Gives a Few Facts

The Boodling Officers Exposed by the Man Who is in a Position to Know the Fact.

League Officers Get Boodled and Give Beer and Cigars to the Working Members Not in the Ring

Dislikes Macartney for Mayor.

ED. BYSTANDER: Please allow me to say something in defense of the wrong done the Fred Douglas Colored Republican league by misrepresentation through some of the official members of the league. On one occasion a choir began singing in the cathedral, where seven of his brothers had sung before him. At ten he began to teach, and at twelve was an organist. He was well known as a conductor. On one occasion a choir began the chorus "Thanks be to God" in a somewhat sluggish fashion. "Ladies and gentlemen," cried Sir Joseph, rapping his desk, "you have been without water for three years. Now you have got to show your gratitude." More recently he composed by command the special anthem "Oh Perfect Love" for the marriage service of the Duke of Fife and Princess Louise of Wales.

School Election. The following were elected directors: East Side—W. H. Boyle and A. H. Larson. West Side—L. M. Mann and D. D. Fleming. University Place—T. F. Grefe and J. K. Macomber. North Des Moines—S. F. Prouty and O. C. Riddle. Capital Park—J. C. Tate and George Rankin. Oak Park—E. Chavenges and R. W. Cunningham. Greenwood Park—F. S. Jaquith. Grant Park—L. W. Barlow.

REASONABLY EXPECTED. Richmond, Va. Planet: James H. Barton, who established a white settlement, north of this city and refused to allow any colored residents to live within its confines has walked away with what is estimated to be \$30,000 of other peoples money. His return is anxiously awaited by his deluded victims and curses from former Christian households and weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth from the Negro-haters is a common occurrence upon the avenues of this revenue-sacked village. And so ends the roll of prejudice.

Mr. Macartney had in his employ one Baker, who is a colored citizen of Des Moines. The night clerk tried to knock Mr. Baker down but Mr. Baker, being too much for him, knock him down. The night clerk discharged Mr. Baker and refused to pay him his full amount of wages. Mr. Baker went to Mr. Macartney and told him. This was about the seventeenth of January 1896. Mr. Macartney told him he endorsed the action of the clerk and that he (Baker) would have to go. The clerk would not pay him the full amount due him. Mr. Macartney told Mr. Baker that he would have to settle with the clerk according to the clerks wishes. Now this is a true statement of Mr. Baker's. Now then if the colored voter of Des Moines can consistently support such a man as that, why we had as well all emigrate to the south where we would not expect any better treatment. P. T. SWAN.

## Musical Notes.

Adelina Patti is fifty-three years old.

The home of the De Rezke brothers is in Poland. Edouard is married and has two children. Jean is unmarried.

Ellen Beach Yaw, the soprano, received her earliest musical instruction from her mother and later from Madame Bjorkstern of New York. Later she studied with Delle-Sedie and Bax in Paris, and with Randegger in London. She is delighting the Chicago pub-

lic this week.

Chopin, the pianist was the son of a Frenchman, a resident of Poland, and it is for this reason probably, that the French pronunciation of the name "Showpal" is preferred to the Polish "Kogeen."

Sir Joseph Barnby the composer of "Sweet and Hon" died recently at his home in England. The Review of Reviews says of him, "The death of Sir Joseph Barnby leaves a void in the cause of music which it will not be easy to fill. A principal of the Guildhall School of Music he infused new life into that great institution, while as a choir trainer he was probably without a rival." He was born in 1838 and sprang at once into his career. At seven he began singing in the cathedral, where seven of his brothers had sung before him. At ten he began to teach, and at twelve was an organist. He was well known as a conductor. On one occasion a choir began the chorus "Thanks be to God" in a somewhat sluggish fashion. "Ladies and gentlemen," cried Sir Joseph, rapping his desk, "you have been without water for three years. Now you have got to show your gratitude." More recently he composed by command the special anthem "Oh Perfect Love" for the marriage service of the Duke of Fife and Princess Louise of Wales.

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I am a candidate for city engineer on the republican ticket. I desire the support of the colored citizens at the coming primary and city election. In return I will accord your people full recognition by appointing some suitable colored men in the office. Further I can assure you that I will show your people the courtesy and consideration all citizens and taxpayers are entitled to. Those of the colored people who know me for the last twelve to sixteen years will testify that I always treated them as a gentleman will treat his equal. Mr. Schreiner is a good republican and if nominated will give the city a good administration as an engineer. Don't forget to visit. Read their bargains. You will be surprised.

The Afro-American doctors of Texas will hold their tenth annual meeting next month.

"Who freed you" will not carry as many votes this year as it did in the past. It is better to talk intelligently to men of reason.

American Guide, Little Rock, Ark.: To many of our preachers are in the courts. Somebody ought to be in power to say who should be allowed to degrade the title "reverend."

H. H. Holmes, who has figured so conspicuously in the courts of Pennsylvania for several months, is destined to hang for the murder of B. F. Pictzel, the decision of the lower court being sustained by the supreme court of the state.

A man recovered over \$3,000 damages from a neighbor for having sold a piece of property in a fashionable part of St. Louis to an Afro-American. In St. Louis they advertise "property to rent to colored tenants."

Republican papers use a queer kind of logic to convince Afro-Americans. For instance they say that because there were two Afro-American candidates for alternate delegate-at-large the reason both were defeated. If this be true, why were not the four white men defeated?

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CITY NEWS

Articles not appearing will occur next issue.

Miss Ada Richardson is on the sick list this week.

Miss Bessie Stewart is sick with rheumatism.

Hear Rev. Dr. G. W. D. Gaines at East Side Baptist church.

A large number of reclamations at East Side Baptist church.

Everybody attend the 3 o'clock meeting at East Side Baptist church.

Mrs. Gatewood met with an accident last week, having sprained her ankle.

Stewardesses board elite social Thursday evening. "Rough and Ready" supper. A novel entertainment.

The Pathfinders will meet on Monday evening next. It is to the interest of every member to be present.

Miss Mable Bass, who has been at Oskaloosa the past week attending her sick aunt is expected home today.

Miss Zoe Richardson, the only Afro-American attending the I. B. C., will play one of Mendelssohn's waltzes at the I. B. C. literary Saturday evening.

A. L. Renix is in the city visiting his family and will return to Cedar Rapids soon, where he will meet his brothers and his troupe. All are well.

Send in names for the McKinley club being organized. We have seventy-five names which will appear next issue. At least fifty will go to St. Louis in June.

An examination occurred at the government building recently and there was not an Afro-American present. What is the matter with the boy and girl graduates?

Mr. Jason Green of Newton was among the visitors at the state convention. He was looking evidence for his mother to procure a pension, and reports good success. Mr. Green is also an old soldier.

A very right reverend gentleman said that he was supporting Macartney for the money there was in it. He claimed that he is not the right kind of a man. We wonder what he tells the Lord when he prays?

R. B. Likes was in the state convention and did all he could to injure the chances of an Afro-American candidate for delegate to St. Louis. He is a candidate for alderman in the Second ward. Attend the primaries on the 19th and see that he deserves.

Uncle Richard Stewart has two children who are very sick and one of them is at the point of death. They should be helped as they are in destitute circumstances and need help. Their number is 1414 Buchanan street. Mr. Stewart is an old soldier who the present administration look a small pension from.

There will be at least ten young ladies from without the city who will attend the Pathfinders' entertainment on April 7. Miss Anna Logan, sister of Mrs. Joseph Shepard, will be present and bring a girl friend from Omaha. The young men should see to it that all of the young ladies are properly escorted and entertained.

We have prepared and are sending out to our subscribers a statement of their indebtedness to this paper, and we trust that those receiving the same will be prompt to respond. We need our money to defray current expenses, and as we have been business-like and patient with you we ask you kindly to call at our office, 316 West Fifth street, and settle for your subscription.

St. Paul's A. M. E. church—Second and Center streets—Rev. Timothy Reeves pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m., subject, "Christ a Man of Sorrow and Acquainted With Grief; Sunday schools at 3 p. m., T. E. Barton superintendent. Subject of evening, 7:30 p. m., "When We Were Without Strength God Laid Help on One Mighty to Save." Good music. All are welcome.

A large and interesting meeting was held at Webster's Hall, Tenth and Center streets, Monday evening. Many good speeches were made on city affairs. The Afro-Americans and Americans presented their views with equal ability. Capt. E. T. Banks presided. John Allen, Albert Bell, John MacVicar, J. G. Berryhill and J. N. Miller were speakers. The last named gentleman is a candidate for alderman in the Third ward.

The editors of the BYSTANDER were the recipients of nice bouquets and some choice cake from the Misses Green of Newton. A "Pink Party" was given on the evening of March 6, and we appreciate the pretty souvenir. Miss Charlotte Green will probably be present and play her rare musical composition, "The Pathfinders March," at the musical and literary soiree and banquet to be given by the Pathfinders on April 7.

The funeral of Miss Belle Jones occurred last Sabbath afternoon from the A. M. E. church. Rev. Mr. Reeves preached a fitting sermon. The church was crowded by her friends and relatives who gathered to pay the last tribute of respect. The floral designs were numerous and showed the high esteem in which she was held by those who know her best. The young lady pall bearers were Misses Sadie Lee, Eva Robinson, Mamie Allen, Cora Bass, Janie Rainey and Sarah Porter; and the young men were John Hardy, C. S. Ruff, James Woods, Walt Hubbard, Frank Johnson and Albert Bell.

Attention Colored Voters. Colored voters can not afford to vote for Jesse Wells. He is not in accord with Afro-American voters and it selected as alderman in the Fourth ward would bring disaster to the Negroes of Des Moines. Remember him when casting your vote.

SIoux CITY NOTES.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. Mrs. Nellie Young, who is quite sick at the Samaritan home, is in a critical condition. Mrs. James Washington has been confined to her bed for several weeks, but is improving.

Isaac Watkins of Sioux Rapids, was in the city to attend the bedside of his sick daughter, Mrs. Nellie Young.

Little Irene Taylor, while playing out doors fell and injured her herself so badly that six stitches were required to sew up the wound.

Memorial services were held at the court house last Thursday evening in honor of the late Frederick Douglass. A good program was rendered.

Mrs. C. Casin, who was removed to the Samaritan hospital for treatment is much improved.

Mrs. James Smith is reported on the sick list.

T. G. Smith and Henry Young left Tuesday morning for Yankton.

NEWTON NOTES.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. Rev. Searcy began a series of meetings at the A. M. E. church Monday evening.

John Lucas of Grinnell and Mr. K. Weston of New Sharon attended the funeral of Miss Jessie Moore, which was held Wednesday afternoon.

Paul Waldon took a business trip to Kellogg last Friday.

Following is the sick list: Miss Josie Whitsett, John Waldon, Mesdames Searcy and Pillow and little Florence Searcy.

It is reported that "The Confederate Spy" will be produced here soon.

Misses Minnie Pillow and Lottie Martin departed for the capital city Sunday.

On Friday evening the Misses Green entertained a number of their friends at a "Pink" party. The parlor and dining room were artistically decorated with festoons of pink and red flowers.

Supper was served in four courses and consisted of all the delicacies of the season. Each guest was presented with a pink bouquet and pink badge bearing the date. Each lady was attired in evening costume. Music and games were the amusements. The occasion was a grand affair.

DAVENPORT NEWS.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. Mrs. G. H. Wade of Cedar Rapids is in the city the guest of Mrs. K. D. Tillman.

Miss M. Humphrey entertained the King's Daughters of Moline Saturday.

The little Silver Tote hand gave a very interesting program at Masonic hall Friday. It was a grand success.

Rev. G. W. Register of Chicago is conducting a series of meetings at the Second Baptist church at Rock Island.

Mrs. H. McGaw will entertain the Autumn Leaf club in April.

Rev. Lucas and wife united with the A. M. E. church Sunday.

Rev. E. C. Coles of Hannibal, Mo., made a flying trip to this city last week.

The Golden Crown Tent of Rock Island gave a social at the residence of the queen mother, Mrs. E. Ferrel on last Friday. In the cake rally Mrs. R. Richardson of this city drew the lucky number.

Master Harry Richardson is taking violin lessons from an Afro-American teacher, Professor Wilson.

Little Julia Hill entertained her Sunday school class on her eighth birthday. She received many beautiful presents. Lunch was served and a program rendered by Mrs. K. D. Tillman. Those present were: Edna Carroll, Gerie Richardson, Mamie Dovie, Blanch Wood, Helen Pitt and Mable Hill. Rev. and Mrs. Tillman, Mrs. Marshall and Richardson.

CEdAR RAPIDS NOTES.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. The L. D. circle will meet with Mrs. G. H. Wade Friday, the 6th at 9 p. m.

Fred Martin of Hedrick was a visitor in our city last week, returning Wednesday.

Mrs. Price is very much improved. Her friends will be glad to see her out again.

Mrs. Attende Bell of Rock Island was visiting her mother last week. She returned home Wednesday.

Prayer meeting was held Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Henry Martin's on Tenth street.

The bible class meets Friday nights at Mrs. Ben Hawkins'. Everyone is invited.

There was one accession to the A. M. E. church Sunday night. Rev. Wade preached two very good sermons. The subject of the morning sermon was "Who is a Member of the Church Militant and the Church Triumphant?" Evening subject "Pen Pictures of Noted Characters."

The Easter Chorus began practicing last week. They anticipate a good program Easter Sunday.

W. H. Hilegan returned from Muckahonok last week to remain. He says that work in the mines is very dull now and many are being discharged on that account.

The steward board of the A. M. E. church met Monday night to transact important business.

Mrs. H. J. Martin says she is the happiest woman in the world now over the release of her brother, ex-convict Walker, from prison. She does not rejoice alone, because there are hosts of his friends who rejoice with her.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. Mrs. Wyatt Smith left last week for Chicago to purchase millinery stock for her new store.

Mrs. Henry is much improved.

Rev. H. H. White returned from Missouri last week and is now in Des Moines. He is traveling in the interest of the Second Baptist church.

Mr. A. Meally spent a pleasant day at Kelb last Sunday.

Mrs. L. M. Shelton entertained the I. B. W. R. C. at Mrs. Wells-Fowler's last week. United States and that of "The Black Phalanx" was conducted by Mesdames M. J. Scott and M. Owens. After routine business lunch was served. The circle adjourned to meet with Mrs. Z. B. Taylor.

A donation party was given Rev. P. P. Taylor and family Monday evening.

The jubilee concert at the Baptist church last Thursday was a grand success.

Mrs. H. Clark of Kelb was the guest of Mrs. M. Turner this week.

KEOKUK BUDGET.

Special Correspondence to the Bystander. Mr. Jones gave a birthday surprise party on his wife Thursday evening. About 100 persons were present. Mr. Jones and sons presented her with a diamond pin. All had a good time.

Mrs. H. Beckner has been quite ill, but is much improved.

Mrs. R. Wilson is quite ill.

Mrs. Brooks has been quite ill for two weeks.

The two Baptist churches are still carrying on their revival meetings.

Rev. Guy and wife and little daughter of Canton, Mo., were the guests of Mrs. W. H. Jones last week.

Miss Ella Drain returned home from her school Wednesday.

Rev. J. W. Malone preached an able discourse both morning and evening.

Mrs. H. Beckner is confined to her home by illness.

UNVARNISHED FACTS.

The following letter was received by a citizen of Des Moines, and we publish the same by special request. It explains itself:

CINCINNATI, O., February 20.—Dear Sir and Brother: Your letter making inquiries about the Kirkwood house, is before me. In an answer would say, that in company with Dr. Mason, who was my guest, and to speak before the Social Union of the Methodist church of Des Moines, I went to the Kirkwood to secure the proprietor of his clerks were behind the desk, but I know that they refused to entertain him, and I therewith took him to the Savery, where he was entertained in first class style. I felt very much outraged over the matter at the time, and felt like making a big fuss about it, but thought it better to go good, and let the matter pass. I did not take him to my own home for the reason that my boy had scarlet fever, and we were not permitted to entertain any one outside of the family. These are the plain unvarnished facts in the case. Yours sincerely, W. H. W. HARRIS, D. D.

The H. B. S. R. C. met March 12 with Mrs. D. F. Levels. The following officers were present for three months, Mrs. M. W. Bell, president; Mrs. Levels, vice-president; Mrs. Wilburn, secretary; Mrs. Warricks, assistant secretary; Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Clegert editors. Program for March 19 will be Longfellow Day. Biographical, Mrs. Holt; Selection, Mrs. J. Children of the Lords Supper by Mrs. Lewis. Levels entertained the circle in her usual pleasing style. The circle adjourned to meet next Thursday with Mrs. H. H. Lewis, 1122 Mulberry street.

The Ladies' Afternoon Social club met on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Della Abbey and was called to order by President Mrs. Jackson. After the usual business conversation and needlework was taken up. The club was visited by Messrs. Fred Jackson, Ed Cumley and Gus Cumley and Mrs. Lankford. A general good time was had. The hostess served an elaborate tea assisted by her mother. The club adjourned to meet March 19 at the home of Mrs. Fletcher on Crocker street.

First African Christian church, School and B streets, Rev. F. Lomack, pastor—Revival meetings have been interesting and successful this week. Logical and able discourses have been delivered each night by Rev. Lomack. Three additions to the church. Sunday services: Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Sunday school at 3:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:45 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services. Special attention to strangers.

Announcement Cards.

I am a candidate for renomination for assessor in the Second district, subject to the decision of the republican primaries. B. M. ROSENBERG.

I am candidate for city engineer, subject to the decision of the republican primaries. B. SCHREINER.

I am a candidate for park commissioner, subject to the decision of the republican primaries. A. W. GUTHRIE.

I am candidate for alderman of the Fourth ward, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. D. L. MITCHELL.

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.

I am a candidate for the office of mayor of the city of Des Moines, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. JOHN MACVICAR.

I am a candidate for alderman of the Fourth ward, subject to the voters of the various precincts of that ward. T. F. MORGAN.

I am a candidate for the office of mayor of the city of Des Moines, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. F. C. MACARTNEY.

F. A. French is a candidate for assessor in the Second District to succeed B. M. Rosenberg, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. F. A. FRENCH.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of city engineer, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. FRANK PELTON.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of city auditor, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. THOMAS WATERS.

I am a candidate for the office of city auditor, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. B. O. HANGER.

I am a candidate for alderman in the third ward, subject to the decision of republican city convention. JAMES N. MILLER.

C. A. Ryden is a candidate for the office of city treasurer, subject to the decision of the republican city convention. C. A. RYDEN.

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Original Notice. In the district court, of the state of Iowa, in and for Polk county, April 5, A. D. 1896. W. H. Griffith, plaintiff, vs. Edward R. Mason, et al, defendants. To Frank E. McCrary, and Harry L. McClure, executors of the estate of George W. McCrary, deceased, or their successors in trust, and to James C. Holden, trustee of the estate of Albert Weber, or his successor in trust: You are hereby notified that the petition of plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now on file in the office of the clerk of the district court, in and for Polk county, Iowa, claiming of Edward R. Mason the sum of three thousand four hundred forty-one and 6/100 dollars with interest, amount due on his certain promissory note to plaintiff, dated May 19, 1892, for \$3,000, and the further sum of \$1,129.32 paid by plaintiff for taxes on the hereinafter described property for defendant, and for legal attorney's fees; and asking for the foreclosure of the mortgage securing said note on the north ten (10) acres of the west one-half of the east one-half of the northwest quarter (W. 1/2 of E. 1/2 of N.W. 1/4) section seven (7), township seven north (7S), north of range twenty-four (24) except a strip 220 feet wide of the east side thereof, and asking that plaintiff's lien be decreed to be superior to your liens, if any, and that your equity of redemption be cut off and barred. Personal judgment is asked against Edward R. Mason alone. For further particulars see petition. And that unless you appear before noon of the second day of the April term A. D. 1896, of the said court, which will convene at Des Moines on the 6th day of April A. D. 1896, default will be entered against you and decree rendered thereon. LAWRENCE M. BYERS, Attorney for the plaintiff.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE. In the district court of the State of Iowa in and for Polk county April term, A. D. 1896, Mary C. Anderson, plaintiff, vs. Anders J. R. Anderson, defendant. To Anders: You are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the clerk of the district court of the state of Iowa, in and for Polk county, a petition of Mary C. Anderson, the plaintiff, asking that the marriage and bonds of matrimony heret