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Readers we are late in getting out our delinquent subscribers' list of this city. However it will soon be completed and our collector will make a call on those who are in arrears. Please be prepared to pay when he call.

One more strange feature about the late democratic national convention was there were so very few colored delegates. Why was this? Having (according to a colored democratic paper) a national democratic league which was to have met in Chicago. Where were they? What was the matter? Probably Bro. Taylor can answer.

The republican party never was better organized than now for a national campaign. With McKinley and Hobart as our standard bearers, a strong state ticket, and the entire congressional representatives candidates for re-election it shows that the republicans are willing to continue their true, tried and faithful servant.

We call your attention to the fact that we are trying to make the BYSTANDER better each issue. We are preparing to add church announcements, secret and benevolent societies, the Des Moines time table, and business directory. It is our purpose to give more reading matter. Subscribe for the BYSTANDER, thus building up and support your race enterprises.

The nomination of McKinley has been received everywhere in a way, which signifies that the republican party will give him great support and elect him by a decisive majority. There is nothing to be said against him—he is a statesman, thoroughly tried and never found wanting, and his fellow countrymen know that they can vote for him with the full assurance that he will make a safe and successful president.

We notice by the Negro Solicitor that there has been a state call for the Negro democrats to meet in this city July 20 to select one delegate from each congressional district to represent Iowa in the National Democratic Negro league physicians, but in Chicago August one should have the self-informed ones signed by Charles stands highest and again, D. C. It and gives investment, acquirement call for

a colored man to bob up in such an organization and ask for the co-operation of representative Negroes.

Our watchword shall be an honest dollar, good the world over. Protection to American labor and industries, and revenue sufficient to maintain the government, without further increasing its public debt. This is a forcible statement of the principles and purposes championed by McKinley and Hobart—and favored by the people who are going to elect the next republican presidential candidates.

A strange thing to us is to see some of our colored people walk by a cigar or newspaper counter, owned by a colored man, and go to some other stand to buy cigars, especially when they have the cash to pay. Why not trade with the drug stores, with the clothing store, the dry goods store, grocery, restaurant and all other places where the proprietor employs colored help. Let the employer know that you appreciate this fact. That is the way the colored people do in Chicago and other metropolitan cities, and they have hundreds of colored clerks.

The national democratic convention is a thing of the past. It will become noted because of its turning down their long tried and experienced leaders—such as Hill of New York, Vilas of Wisconsin, Watson of Kentucky, Bland of Missouri—and the greater insult was the slap they gave Cleveland and his administration, which had done much to build up their party. The convention went back on the long cherished principles of sound money, and nominating a young free silver populist as their standard bearer, all which seems strange to the public. Such action must, no doubt, be very humiliating and hard for true democracy to accept.

### DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF

The democratic party is divided against itself in this country. This is the great over-riding fact of the situation. No matter what the circumstances may be the democratic party has the endurance to take severe punishment, as it is invariably on the wrong side of all great questions. The party is preparing to go into the present campaign with its forces hopelessly divided. The former great leaders are no more in the councils of the party. Three times was President Cleveland nominated and twice he lead the party to victory—the last time securing entire control of the government, and now he is discarded and ignored. The feature of the democratic convention was that it was without a recognized leader—one the party could trust. Can the people trust a party, the members of which can not trust each other.

### RACE ECHOES.

Professor Walter F. Craig of New York, enjoys the distinction of being the representative violin soloist and musician of his race.

The first American missionary to Africa was Rev. Lot Cary, a Negro who began life as a poor tobacco packer in a ware house in Richmond, Va.

The first clock ever made in this country was in 1770 by Benjamin Beneker, a Negro who had never seen a clock, but who had seen a watch which had attracted his attention and inspired him to make something like it.

Wiley Jones of Pine Bluff, Ark., is the sole owner of a street car line, a race track and park. He is a capitalist quoted at \$80,000.

F. J. Louden, manager of the first jubilee singers is estimated to be worth over \$100,000. He has a beautiful home in Ravenna, O.

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000 theological graduates in the ministry and 25,000 other men who have studied for one or more years in theological seminaries and are now preaching; 1,000 physicians practicing—one of them editing a medical journal; 600 lawyers, graduates of law schools, sixty-five dentists, and sixty-five pharmacists. There are 200 newspapers and four magazines edited by colored men. In 1892 the colored men contributed \$300,000 for education and paid taxes on property valued at \$374,000,000—100 books of poetry, biography, religion, science and general literature have been written by colored men; essays, poems and other articles have been published in the leading magazines of the country; four banks and thirty-seven building and loan associations are also conducted by them.

Shaw university, Raleigh, N. C., for colored people, gets \$25,000 by the recent death of Mr. Geesen, a wealthy citizen of Massachusetts, who leaves by will the above amount to that institution.

The town of Judson is on an island in the Mississippi river, just above Memphis. The island is owned by a Negro planter. Elmer Judson, this Negro, the son of a wealthy white planter, contests his father's will, and the courts duly allow him a party of the property. The island is eleven miles long and eight wide. It has a population of about four hundred and fifty inhabitants, all of which are black, and no white person is allowed to come there except as a visitor. The town is well organized and governed, and Mr. Judson is an educated man with progressive ideas. He owns everything on the island, and most of the inhabitants are his tenants. He is justice of the peace, and is greatly interested in the welfare of his people. The town has several shops, stores, two churches and a school.

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J. W. Echols of Athens, Ga., owns and operates two grocery stores.

George S. Williams is one of the largest land owners of Savannah, Ga.

The printers at Tuskegee university, Tuskegee, Ala., have organized a union.

Dr. R. J. Macbeth has the distinction of being the only colored dentist in Charleston, S. C.

Philadelphia is the home of three of the most prominent female doctors the race has produced. These women are Drs. H. Tanner, Caroline Anderson, and Rebecca S. Cole.

C. C. Leslie is the largest fish and produce dealer in South Carolina. He does business with hundreds of dealers in and out of the state. He has just received a diploma and medal from the late Cotton States exposition.

The colored voters league of Pittsburg, Pa., has appointed a committee to make arrangements for the interstate convention of the colored voters league to convene in Pittsburg, August 12. The convention will bring together the representative colored men of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

### OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.  
Misses Della Davis and Ether Ward of Albia is the guest of Miss Eldora Thompson.

Mrs. Ben of Davenport spent a few days with Mrs. George E. Taylor.

Messrs. Willie Yates and Elmo Williams gave a lawn party at the residence of Joe Tate, Monday evening in honor of Miss Davis and Miss Ward. The evening was pleasantly spent.

Miss Myrtle Cooper of Knoxville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Minnie Brown.

The M. E. and the A. M. E. church are making preparation for an excursion to Coppack in August. Time undecided.

Miss Francis Brown left for her home in Ottumwa Saturday.

### AN OPINION.

Justice Harlan Gives His Reason for Dissenting from the Majority in the "Jim Crow" Car Decision.

"In my opinion; the judgment this day rendered will, in time, prove to be quite as pernicious as the decision made by this tribunal in the Dred Scott case. It was adjudged in that case that the descendants of Africans who were imported into this country and sold as slaves were not included under the word 'citizens' in the constitution and could not claim any of the rights and privileges which that instrument provided for and secured to citizens of the United States; that at the time of the adoption of the constitution they were considered as a subordinate and inferior class of beings, who had been subjugated by the dominant race, and whether emancipated or not, yet remained subject to their authority, and had no rights or privileges but such as those who held the power and the government might choose to grant them."

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"There is a race so different from our own that we do permit those belonging to it to become a citizen of the United States. Persons belonging to it are, with few exceptions, absolutely excluded from our country. I allude to the Chinese race. By the statute in question a Chinaman can ride in the same passenger coach with white citizens of the United States, while citizens of the black race in Louisiana, many of whom, perhaps, risked their lives for the preservation of the union, who are entitled by law to participate in the political control of the state and nation, who are not excluded, by law or by reason of their race, from public stations of any kind, who have all the legal rights that belong to white citizens, are yet declared to be criminals, liable to imprisonment, if they ride in a public coach occupied by citizens of the white race. It is scarcely just to say that a colored citizen should not object to occupying a public coach assigned to his own race. He does not object, nor, perhaps, would he object to separate coaches for his race, if his rights under the law were recognized. But he does object, and he ought never to cease objecting, that citizens of the white and black races can be adjudged criminals because they sit, or claim the right to sit in the same public coach in a public highway.

"The arbitrary separation of citizens on the basis of race, while they are on a public highway, is a badge of servitude wholly inconsistent with the civil freedom and the equality before the law established by the constitution. It can not be justified upon any legal grounds.

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### FOR WOMEN

The dainty, pretty, and becoming fancy waists appear to be as popular as ever.  
The latest hats are charming and bewitching, with their brimbooked by full box-platings of the latest tulle.  
The tan shoe is not as popular as last summer, and when worn of a dark russet shade.  
Among the newest fancies of fashion are the bright green belts of alligator skin.  
Every variety of flower that nature has produced, and many others, which must have originated in the fertile brain of the flower maker, are in conspicuous evidence, and flower bonnets are shown among the newest hats.  
Straw hats with rows of plaited tulle around the brim are among the prettiest fancies, and the platings are sometimes wide enough to stand up around the crown with a twist of velvet or ribbons between.  
Vails which are designed to enhance the loveliest complexion and improve a poor one are made of black Russian net, spotted with chiffon, and lined with the thinnest pink tulle.  
The closely fitting sleeve is fast gaining in popularity, and in thin material, such as chiffon, net and muslin, it is often arranged in puffs, with insertions of lace between, with narrow black velvet ribbon drawn through the lace.  
The skirts of heavy cotton and linen gowns are made without any lining, and five yards is considered ample fulness at the bottom, unless they have the broad box-plait effect in front, which some prefer.  
A most sensible fashion is the one of making street gowns to clear the ground, and some of them are even shorter in the back than in front, so the skirt which trails ever a little bit is altogether out of fashion.

Women are now responsible for about 200 patented inventions per year. The Jeff Davis mansion at Richmond will be made into a museum for Confederate war relics.  
Photography has become such a forger that the Bank of France will print its bills in three colors as a prevention.  
Four billions three hundred and eighty thousand postage stamps are used in a year by the people of the United States.  
Broadway was first called by the Dutch, who settled New York, "Broad wagon way," and the term was finally shortened by the wagon's being left out.  
A machine for sawing granite has just undergone a test in Montpelier, Vt. It contains \$4,000 worth of diamonds, and the entire cost of its structure is \$10,000.  
The sun, if follow, would hold 300,000 globes as large as the earth, and an eye capable of hourly view 10,000 square miles would require 55,000 years to see all its surface.  
Banana Juice is said to make a first-class indelible ink. A spot on a white shirt from a dead-ripe banana is marked forever, and the juice from bananas thoroughly decayed, is a bright, clear carmine.

The oldest piece of linen paper in existence, so far as is known, is a manuscript containing a treaty between the kings of Aragon and Castile. It is dated 1177, and is still in fair state of preservation, retaining the ink very well.  
To tell whether a thermometer accurately does its work, invert the instrument. If the mercury does not fall to the end, or if it breaks into several small columns, the thermometer contains air and is inaccurate. If perfectly made, the slender thread should fill the tube, or should break off at the bulb and fall to the end of the tube.

Printer's Ink, in recent numbers, contains a number of queer advertising ideas, such as the ad. printed in quadruplicate on pies in a big Boston eating house. As every Bostonian eats pies, this idea is capable of expansion.  
A bicycle store hangs in its window a sign: "Bicycles sold for \$5 a pound; 20 pounds for \$100."  
An English debutante in a newspaper advertisement: "Would a lady in society take a young lady, aged 27, with her to any good dances? Five guineas an evening; highest references given and required."  
A Summer snap opera company in a large American city makes money by its theater program. One of the ads. states that "Blank dress shields are used in all the costumes on the stage."  
Tristram Shandy's tutor needed no more qualifications than the companion called for in the following English advertisement: "A lady in delicate health wishes to meet with a useful companion. She must be domesticated, musical, early rising, amiable, of good appearance, and have some experience of nursing. Total abstainer, preferred. Comfortable home. No salary."

See anyone buy one of those sheets of "all the popular songs of the day"? Or step on the toe of a man who didn't happen to have corns? And on that foot?  
Or see ghosts when you were so fortunate as to have a gun with you?  
Or tell a girl that another girl was beautiful, and have her receive the information amiably?  
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**MYSTERIOUS SHOOTING.**  
Burlington, July 13.—Two unknown men late at night stopped W. L. Linder, a wealthy merchant, while on his way home, and without a word of warning shot him down and then disappeared down a side street. Either they were waiting for Mr. Linder or they mistook him for some one else, as they allowed others to go unharmed past the position which they had taken on a low stone wall on a fashionable residence street until he arrived. They fired at such short range that his clothing was burned by the powder. A bullet struck him in the center of the chest, making a ghastly wound, from which he can hardly recover. With blood spurting from his breast, Mr. Linder walked a few feet and fell fainting into the arms of neighbors who rushed out at the sound of the shots and his calls for help. The men who shot him only waited long enough to see if he was hit, and then disappeared, making no attempt to rob him, and it is not thought that it was their intention to do so. The whole event is clouded in mystery, and the police can discover no clew whatever.

**WICKED REV. DR. SCOTT.**  
Waterloo Minister Elopes With a Little Girl of His Flock.  
Waterloo, July 15.—On the 6th Rev. G. E. Scott, pastor of the First Methodist church of Waterloo, disappeared. Until recently his departure was attributed to mental derangement, but it now develops that he eloped with Daisy Dorlan, the 15-year-old daughter of P. S. Dorlan, a prominent citizen, whose home affords the comforts and luxuries enjoyed by the average young woman. Daisy is a charming girl, and it is recalled that for months past, at various church gatherings, socials, suppers and the like, the pair would seldom be found far from each other, and the affection did not seem to be all on the minister's part, Daisy giving him a full share of attention. While these things were noticed by many, not all were suspicious. Scott drew \$1,500 from the bank before his departure. He had been in the ministry for twenty years and was a preacher of more than ordinary ability.

**ILLEGALLY TAXED.**  
Sioux City Property Owners to Sue the Municipality for Money Paid.  
SIOUX CITY, July 16.—Town councils in this state will do well to remember in future that where sidewalks are laid on streets not yet brought to grade the expense cannot be assessed to the abutting property owners. The Sioux City council made the discovery a short time ago, and, as many property owners have been compelled to make payment for walks laid under such circumstances, resolved to say nothing of the matter outside the committee room. One of them, however, explained the situation as a joke to a friend, who had been one of the sufferers. The latter promptly circulated the report. Now the city will be the defendant in suits aggregating several thousands of dollars brought by the aggrieved citizens. It is almost certain that they will win.

**FATALLY SHOT HIS BROTHER.**  
Young Man at Sergeant Bluff Killed His Brother.  
SIOUX CITY, July 16.—A probably fatal shooting affray took place on the farm of George Hall, near Sergeant Bluff. His son, Ted Hall, engaged in a quarrel with his brother-in-law, named Cutcutere, and they were separated by Ellsworth and George Hall. After they were separated, Ted Hall shot at Cutcutere with a revolver, but the ball missed its mark and struck Ellsworth Hall in the back, passing into his lungs. The wounded man is in a critical condition. No arrests have been made, and the family tried to keep the matter a secret.

**BIMETALLIC LEAGUE.**  
Meets at Des Moines and Selects Delegates to St. Louis.  
DES MOINES, July 15.—The state meeting of the non-partisan bi-metallic league of Iowa, which convened at Flynn Hall proved an agreeable surprise to the friends of the white-metal at that attendance was largely in excess of their expectations, and the interest more than had been anticipated. Resolutions were adopted declaring that the money question is the dominant issue and endorsing the candidacy of William J. Bryan and Arthur Sewall. Thirty delegates were selected to represent the state at the meeting of the national league at St. Louis.

**Was Not Ely.**  
OTTUMWA, July 15.—The man arrested at Lawson, Mo., a few days ago and thought to be M. L. Ely, who held up a "Q" train here January 12, 1895, and took \$12,000 from the express car, proved to be some other person.

**Kicked by a Horse.**  
CEDAR RAPIDS, July 15.—John Drake, a farmer and pioneer, aged 73, was killed by a kick from a horse. He was the owner of 400 acres of land near Covington.

**TO TEST THE CIGARETTE LAW.**  
CEDAR RAPIDS, July 12.—Donald C. McGedar, a leading tobacconist, was arrested on two charges of selling cigarettes. He was arraigned before Justice Hall and fined \$25 on each charge. These are the first cases commenced in the state under the anti-cigarette law, which went into effect July 4. W. W. Fuller, general counsel for the American Tobacco Company, is in Cedar Rapids. It is understood that these cases will be settled, and that action will be brought in the United States court to test the constitutionality of the law.

**WEEMS AND HAMMILL.**  
The Murderers of Conductor Ridpath Were Not Hanged.  
DES MOINES, July 14.—Governor Drake has commuted the sentence of George Weems and John Hammill, convicted of the murder of Conductor L. B. Ridpath in Des Moines about two years ago, and saved them from death at the hands of the hangman. They will go to the penitentiary for life. The governor's action was prompted by a belief that there was really no intent to murder.

**TWENTY-SEVEN DEAD.**  
Awful Railroad Wreck Occurs Near Council Bluffs.  
LOGAN, July 13.—A terrible head-on collision occurred here on the Chicago & Northwestern. The Union Pacific Pioneer excursion train, on which were 1,300 persons who had been picnicking near Logan, had just pulled out to return to Omaha, when No. 58, fast freight, came around a sharp curve and before either train could stop, they crashed together. Twenty-seven people were killed outright and forty more were seriously injured. The wreck occurred as a result of Engineer Montgomery of the excursion train, mistaking orders. He was ordered to wait at Logan until a fast freight and the east-bound passenger train had passed. He waited for the passenger train and then started out, having forgotten about the freight. The trains were going fifty miles an hour when they met three miles west of Logan. Engineer Montgomery jumped and escaped with a broken arm.

LOGAN, July 14.—In the wreck on the Northwestern twenty-eight persons were killed and fifty-one injured, many of whom will die. Twenty-four of the dead are badly mutilated and identification is hardly possible. The list of the injured is a lengthy one. It contains twenty-eight or more names of persons who were seriously hurt, dangerously so, to a greater or less degree. In addition, there was at least fifty, if not a greater number, who received injuries of a minor nature. These consisted of bruises and cuts or slight disfigurements which will practically amount to nothing.

**BREVITIES.**  
C. A. Walsh, of Ottumwa, has been made temporary secretary of the democratic national convention. William Gray, a horse buyer of East Buffalo, N. Y., was sandbagged at Williamsburg and robbed of \$3,500 in cash and a gold watch. James E. Blythe has written a letter withdrawing from the race for the congressional nomination on the republican ticket of the Fourth district, and Umpstead is now sure to be renominated.

The Iowa College of Law, at Des Moines, seems to be growing faster than any other law school, and it is to have a new building this year. Neat catalogues have been prepared by the secretary, Prof. P. S. McNutt. At Boone recently Caleb Townsend, an old soldier, fatally shot Charles Nelson, a young Swedish clerk, at the home of the former, at midnight. Nelson will die. The men had trouble over Townsend's wife, who is a young woman of bad reputation. She married Townsend, who is 70 years old, but a few months ago.

Dubaque dispatch: The examination of Christian Eckerlebe, charged with the murder of Minnie Keil, was continued in Justice Campbell's court. By request of Eckerlebe's attorney, the examination was continued to July 16. Defendant was refused bail and he was conveyed to the Jackson county jail at Andrew. Spots on his coat sleeve and shirt, supposed to be blood, will be examined by Dubaque chemists. Nobody had been found who saw Eckerlebe on the fatal day from 6 a. m. till after 4 p. m., two hours before the murder. Eckerlebe was one of the party which started out to search for the missing girl, and he piloted the party to the place where she was found.

A Bristow dispatch says: A desperate hand-to-hand conflict occurred between two hired men on the farm of Barnett Neal, two and a half miles east of Bristow. One of the men is terribly cut up, and his assailant is in custody, and will have his preliminary trial as soon as his victim is able to appear in court, if that time ever comes. The two men, whose names are Fred Wheeler and Cicero Walden, became involved in a quarrel over the right to use a certain pitchfork. They came to blows, and during the fight that followed Wheeler knocked Walden down and threw him out of the barn, where the men were working. Shortly after, Walden returned to renew the attack, this time carrying an open knife. He made two vicious lunges at Wheeler, both times cutting through the clothing and just grazing the flesh over the heart. Wheeler, being unarmed, ran for the house, followed by the now furious Walden, who kept lunging at his victim. He succeeded in cutting a gash about eight inches long, just below the shoulder blade, which fortunately did not enter very deeply into the flesh. When Wheeler succeeded in getting out of reach of the knife, Walden picked up a rock and struck the fleeing man a terrific blow in the right temple, cutting a terrible gash and it was feared fractured the skull. Wheeler bled profusely, but by the use of cobwebs was enabled to check the flow of blood until a doctor could be summoned, who sewed up the wounds. Walden gave himself up to the authorities.

Ray Watson, the 13-year-old son of Conductor Frank Watson, of Clinton, fell from a log and was swept under a raft in the Mississippi river. He was drowned. Col. D. B. Henderson was renominated for congress from the Third congressional district by the republican convention held at Waterloo. He had no opposition. A few nights ago three men, named Pierce, Lane and Cavenaugh, confined in jail at Albia for burglary in Marion county, worked their way through the north wall with a brace and bit, and are now at large. Milwaukee dispatch: "Phantom" Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, Iowa, is again the champion wing shot of the world. He won the honor from George L. Deltor, of Milwaukee, in a match at National park. The score was 96 to 88 in Gilbert's favor. The targets were 100 live birds to a man. The betting was a trifle against Deltor, as he had won the trophy from Gilbert at Watson's park, Chicago, August 6, of last year, by only one bird, and as Gilbert's work of late has been of the very steady, reliable order. The Iowa man demonstrated that he is totally void of nerve-shaking.

He that has a spirit of detail will do better in life than many who figured beyond him in the university.—Webster. The smallest salary paid to a head of a civilized government is £3 a year, to the president of the republic of Andorra, in the Pyrenees. In the United States a driver of horses sits on the right hand and turns his eye in that direction. In England the national custom is the reverse. She—They say he married Miss Wrinkles for her money. Has she got much? He—She must have lots of it. Have you never seen her? Prof. A. P. Lyon of New York City says that he has ascertained by actual computation that the bible contains 3,500,000 "ems" of matter. The Real Article—"Uncle Simon, what's an orator?" "He is a man who can get people to stay in a room and hear him talk without having the door locked."

Europe's population has increased by 28,928,000 in the last ten years, nearly half of the increase, 12,510,000, being in Russia, while France has remained stationary, her total increase being only 67,000.

**THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.**  
DOBS FRIBOR SECRETARY OF STATE FOR JUDGE.  
Congressional James for Electors-at-Large, Dabson for Railroad Commissioner, Remley, McCarthy and Herriot Renominated.  
For Secretary of State—G. L. DOBSON, of Polk county.  
For Auditor of State—C. G. MCCARTHY, of Story county.  
For Treasurer of State—JOHN HERRIOT, of Guthrie county.  
For Attorney General—MILTON REMLEY, of Johnson county.  
For Railroad Commissioner—E. A. DAWSON, of Bremer county.  
For Judge of Supreme Court—SCOTT M. LADD, of O'Brien county.

DES MOINES, July 16.—At 11 o'clock yesterday morning the republican state convention was called to order by Chairman McMillan, of the state central committee. Rev. H. H. Green of Decatur offered prayer and the chairman then announced the illness of Rollin J. Wilson, and introduced Congressman Hepburn as temporary chairman. His address was received with enthusiasm. After naming the committees the convention adjourned. The committee on resolutions was composed as follows: First District, Col. D. G. Palmer, of Washington county; Second, Senator Ellis, of Clinton; Third, J. H. Funk, of Harding; Fourth, G. N. Haugan, of Worth; Fifth, S. B. Packard, of Marshall; Sixth, W. G. Mieservey, of Jasper; Seventh, A. L. Wood, of Madison; Eighth, J. B. Harsh, of Union; Ninth, Edward Lockwood, of Harlan; Tenth, Geo. E. Roberts, of Webster; Eleventh, E. P. Heizer, of Woodbury.

The districts selected candidates for electors as follows: First district, Felix T. Hughes, of Keokuk county; Second, John Covnie, of Marengo; Third, George H. Richardson, of Wright; Fourth, Dr. Amos Babcock, of Chickasaw; Fifth, Welcome Mowry, of Tama; Sixth, W. A. Nichol, of Monroe; Seventh, E. H. Addison, of Story; Eighth, Paul McLean, of Union; Ninth, D. L. Heifsham, of Mills; Tenth, D. E. Chase, of Hamilton; Eleventh, Henry Linderink, of Sioux.

When the convention was called to order in the afternoon the committee on credentials reported full delegations from each county and the report was adopted. Smith McPherson was made permanent chairman, and addressed the convention briefly. Senator Allison was called for and addressed the convention. He was followed by Senator Gear. The report of the committee on resolutions was presented by Chairman Roberts and adopted by acclamation. For secretary of state Messrs. Dobson, Chassell, Byrkit and Hanford were in the field. Mr. Dobson was nominated on the third ballot by the following vote: Dobson 642, Chassell 321, Hanford 176, Byrkit 2.

The nominations of C. G. McCarthy as auditor of state, John Herriot as treasurer of state, and Milton Remley as attorney general were made unanimously by acclamation. For supreme judge Messrs. Weaver, Leggett, Ryan, Waterman, Harvey, Burnham, Ladd and Lewis were the candidates. On the sixth ballot Ladd was nominated by a vote of 704 to 430 for Weaver and 4 for Leggett. Messrs. Campbell, Dawson and Kemble were in the race for railroad commissioner, and Dawson was nominated on the first ballot by the following vote: Dawson 708, Campbell 224, Kemble 202.

Major E. H. Conger, of Polk county, and Hon. Ed. S. James, of Clinton county, were unanimously selected as electors-at-large, and then after the electors of the congressional districts had been approved and ratified by the convention, the convention adjourned sine die. Following is the new state central committee: First, H. O. Weaver, of Louisa; Second, J. M. Kemble, of Muscatine; Third, A. M. Shellito, of Buchanan; Fourth, T. L. Green, Fayette; Fifth, W. W. Lee, Tama; Sixth, N. E. Kendall, Monroe; Seventh, J. M. Kittleman, Warren; Eighth, John D. Burrows, Page; Ninth, I. M. Treynor, Pottawattamie; Tenth, John Stevenson, Greene; Eleventh, H. G. McMillan, Lyon.

At a meeting of the committee Chairman McMillan and Secretary Treynor were re-elected. **POINT YIELDED BY SPAIN.** HAVANA, July 16.—Captain General Weyler has notified Consul General Lee that Americans imprisoned in Cabanas castle will be brought outside the walls to talk to consular representatives whenever desired. In England twenty-four hours' written notice be sent from the consulate. Chicago dispatch. At a meeting of the state executive committee of Illinois, the honest money democracy, of Illinois, a resolution was adopted in favor of the national convention for the purpose of nominating democratic candidates for the office of president and vice-president upon a democratic platform.

**FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.** A radish eighteen inches in length has been grown near Widan, Germany, which is said to be in the exact form of a baby, even to the fingers and toes. The East London Water Company has issued a notice forbidding the use of garden sprinklers and all similar apparatus. A drought in London is imminent. More than 10,000 persons are engaged in the manufacture of explosives in England. Last year forty persons in the business were killed and 167 injured by accidents.

Rome dispatch: The cabinet, which was formed by the Marquis di Rudini, just four months ago, has resigned. The cabinet rejected a proposal submitted by General Ricotti, minister of war, for a reduction of the numerical strength of the army, whereupon General Ricotti, minister of war, at once offered his resignation. In view of the action of General Ricotti, Premier Rudini, and the other members of the ministry, placed their resignations in the hands of King Humbert, who has accepted the Marquis di Rudini's resignation of a new ministry.

**ANOTHER CONVENTION.**  
"Honest Money" Democracy of Illinois Issues a Call.  
CHICAGO, July 15.—The "honest money" democracy of Illinois wants a "new democratic national convention." This is proclaimed in a manifesto just issued. The manifesto is signed by the sixteen leading democrats who constitute the "honest money" state executive committee. The proceedings of the Coliseum convention are bitterly arraigned. It is condemned for almost every act, from the rejection of Senator Hill as temporary chairman to the nomination of Bryan for president "who" it is said, "is not in his political conviction and has not always been even to his professions, a democrat." The convention is scored for the casting out of the Michigan delegation and for refusing to commend the administration of President Cleveland. All this, it is pointed-out, creates such a crisis as has led the "honest money" democrats of the state to "make up their minds that a new democratic national convention should be called for the earliest feasible day to nominate democratic candidates for president and vice president, and to adopt a platform of democratic principles." Several reasons are advanced why a new convention is essential; why a new ticket should be put in the field. In this connection it is urged that "republicans cannot argue the sound money question to democratic voters," and "that democrats will not listen to lessons on finance accompanied by abuse of the democratic party."

**WORST IN YEARS.**  
Fuller Deaths Received of the Great Japanese Tidal Wave.  
VICTORIA, B. C., July 12.—Additional details of the Japanese wave of last month have been received by the steamer Braemar from Yokohama. The advices are to June 22, and show that the disaster was probably the most fearful of modern times. The death list has been greatly augmented since last advices and will probably go far beyond fifty thousand. Distress among the survivors of the terrible visitation is appalling. Thousands of injured are dying from lack of medical assistance and many are upon the verge of starvation. The wave originated not far from the Japanese coast and appears to have visited an extent of over 300 miles of the coast line. Even in Hokaido it wrought destruction. The most southerly limit of its ravages appears to have been just a little north of the famous archipelago of Matsushima. Had the wave impinged upon the coast south of Kinkas, it would have worked ruin among the towns and villages of this region, but it missed the promontory and began its devastation with the villages of Unagawa and Okachi, situated across the neck of the peninsula. Nineteen thousand, seven hundred and forty persons were killed in Miyas Gi prefecture and in the Iwate prefecture 22,150 perished, and 1,244 were injured, making a total for the two prefectures of 37,150 killed and 1,244 injured. A dispatch from Morika says that over 90,000 people were either killed or injured by the wave. In Kesuu, in the district of Iwate, one town and eleven villages were destroyed and 6,000 people perished. In Minami Hei district three towns and eight villages were overwhelmed, 5,627 persons being drowned and 332 injured. A full investigation will probably double these figures.

**WON'T RUN FOR GOVERNOR.**  
Mr. Bland Says He Wants to Get Back Into Congress.  
LEBANON, Mo., July 15.—Mr. Bland has received many telegrams urging him to become a candidate for governor. He has issued a statement that he will not be a candidate for governor; that he does not want the nomination, and under no circumstances would he enter the gubernatorial race. He made this statement in the most positive and emphatic manner, leaving no doubt that he meant it, and that further effort on the part of his friends to induce him to become a candidate for governor would be useless. In this connection Mr. Bland said he was a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress in this, his old district. He desires to go back to congress to make the fight for free silver in the house.

**TERSE NEWS.**  
Toledo, Ohio, dispatch: Hon. Frank H. Hurd, ex-congressman, lawyer and one of the most prominent free traders and democrats in Ohio, died in his apartment in the Budy house here, after an illness of five days. The immediate cause of his death was apoplexy. Word is received that the Three Friends landed an expedition near Camaguey and the same night sighted the Spanish warship Alfonso XII. All the men and ammunition having been landed, the Three Friends started on their way back. In their haste, they left their three surf-boats, which were found by the Spaniards and taken to Havana. Alderman Kent, of Chicago, says Alderman Powers tried to bribe him. At Chicago recently five masked men robbed the New York Biscuit Company, Morgan and Randolph streets, of \$1,750, five minutes before noon. The robbery, one of the boldest ever perpetrated in Chicago, left the police department paralyzed. It took place within a block and a half of Chief Radenoeh's residence and six blocks from the Desplains street station—the headquarters of Inspector Shea. The money was on the cashier's table awaiting the arrival of the employes to be paid off. Rome dispatch: The cabinet, which was formed by the Marquis di Rudini, just four months ago, has resigned. The cabinet rejected a proposal submitted by General Ricotti, minister of war, for a reduction of the numerical strength of the army, whereupon General Ricotti, minister of war, at once offered his resignation. In view of the action of General Ricotti, Premier Rudini, and the other members of the ministry, placed their resignations in the hands of King Humbert, who has accepted the Marquis di Rudini's resignation of a new ministry.

**PLATEFORM.**  
The republicans of Iowa, assembled in convention, mindful of their duty in the tenfold contest already begun, proud of their past and confident of their future, submit to the people of the state the principles which they deem essential to the welfare of their country. We heartily approve the platform of the party announced at the national republican convention recently held in St. Louis, and we pledge our fellow republicans throughout the United States to carry all its declarations to triumphant success in the coming election. We cordially endorse the candidates of that convention, and we hasten to assure our sister states that Iowa, speaking through a magnified majority, will cast her electoral vote for William McKinley and Garret A. Hobart. We recognize the revolutionary character of the convention lately held in Chicago. We appreciate the dangers of its startling doctrines and the immediate danger that would follow their adoption by the government. We have seen the ruin accomplished by the free trade declaration of 1892, and we have now had a demonstration that the ruin shall be made complete by the overthrow of our financial system and the substitution of an experiment that can result only in untold misery and incalculable loss. We believe that every possible fluctuation of money standards between the Iowa producer and his consumer is a margin between them. If it is not an advantage to have a common standard with his customer abroad, then it is an advantage to have a common standard with the other communities of this union. The interest of our export trade, for the furtherance of the policy of reciprocity, and for the promotion of our commerce, as well as for the benefit of our silver producers, we pledge support of the Iowa representatives in congress to the promotion of an international agreement to establish the gold standard, and to oppose the same considerations to oppose the proposition to carry the United States to silver monometallism. We are opposed to the change to a single silver standard because it will decrease and not increase the supply of money in the country, because instead of restoring confidence in the currency it will destroy it; instead of inspiring enterprise it will spread alarm; instead of aiding the silver producer and the bankrupt laborer it will make more unemployed; instead of furnishing employment to labor it will make more unemployed and unremunerative that which it has and instead of giving the producer and farmer it will injure them, and finally because it would do infinite injustice and involve our country in repudiation and dishonor. We denounce as false the statement of the democratic party that we have contracted or that our policy will contract the volume of our currency; on the contrary, we assert that the principle we advocate is the only principle that will give to the country the money, stable in its purchasing power and adequate in amount, which the prosperity of the people demands. The republican party, under its policy, assures the people of an ample currency, composed of gold, silver and paper, no one kind preferable to another; none of it subject in the hands of the people to variation in value, but every dollar as good as gold and there held by the real power of the government of the United States. We stand upon the ground which the republican party has made. 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**WORST IN YEARS.**  
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**WON'T RUN FOR GOVERNOR.**  
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LEBANON, Mo., July 15.—Mr. Bland has received many telegrams urging him to become a candidate for governor. He has issued a statement that he will not be a candidate for governor; that he does not want the nomination, and under no circumstances would he enter the gubernatorial race. He made this statement in the most positive and emphatic manner, leaving no doubt that he meant it, and that further effort on the part of his friends to induce him to become a candidate for governor would be useless. In this connection Mr. Bland said he was a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress in this, his old district. He desires to go back to congress to make the fight for free silver in the house.

**TERSE NEWS.**  
Toledo, Ohio, dispatch: Hon. Frank H. Hurd, ex-congressman, lawyer and one of the most prominent free traders and democrats in Ohio, died in his apartment in the Budy house here, after an illness of five days. The immediate cause of his death was apoplexy. Word is received that the Three Friends landed an expedition near Camaguey and the same night sighted the Spanish warship Alfonso XII. All the men and ammunition having been landed, the Three Friends started on their way back. In their haste, they left their three surf-boats, which were found by the Spaniards and taken to Havana. Alderman Kent, of Chicago, says Alderman Powers tried to bribe him. At Chicago recently five masked men robbed the New York Biscuit Company, Morgan and Randolph streets, of \$1,750, five minutes before noon. The robbery, one of the boldest ever perpetrated in Chicago, left the police department paralyzed. It took place within a block and a half of Chief Radenoeh's residence and six blocks from the Desplains street station—the headquarters of Inspector Shea. The money was on the cashier's table awaiting the arrival of the employes to be paid off. Rome dispatch: The cabinet, which was formed by the Marquis di Rudini, just four months ago, has resigned. The cabinet rejected a proposal submitted by General Ricotti, minister of war, for a reduction of the numerical strength of the army, whereupon General Ricotti, minister of war, at once offered his resignation. In view of the action of General Ricotti, Premier Rudini, and the other members of the ministry, placed their resignations in the hands of King Humbert, who has accepted the Marquis di Rudini's resignation of a new ministry.

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BRIEFLETS. Mrs. Firman Brown is indisposed this week. Miss Anna Smith will leave next week for a visit in Okaloosa. Mrs. H. A. Williams, who has been quite sick is slowly improving. Miss Zella Davis remains about the same. Mrs. Ad. Brown, who has been sick is improving. Mrs. A. O. Smith was on the sick list this week. Rev. Tunner, who has been dangerously ill for some weeks, is slowly improving. Oh! Where did you get that good cigar? Why of Frank's at the Aborn House cigar stand. It is a daisy. The H. B. S. R. C. memorial exercises in honor of the late Mrs. Slove has been postponed owing to so much sickness. St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday school picnic will be held at Union Park, next Tuesday afternoon, July 21. Rev. Lomack is having the foundation for his new church built to cost \$5,000. It will be 43x62. Mr. George Wilson, who made many friends while in the city, left for Chicago Thursday. We regret to lose such an affable fellow. Mr. Frank Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Henry, is paying them a visit. Frank looks well. Mrs. Henry and Frank will soon visit Michigan. The Pathfinder will give a grand party and excursion on the river Wednesday. The J. S. Clark steamship and barge will be used. Everything will be first-class. Wait for invitations. Mr. George D. Woodson and F. P. Davis, of Mahaska county, made this office a pleasant call this week. Mr. Davis is justice of the peace at Colon, while Mr. Woodson is the only attorney at Muchakinoak. Mrs. A. R. Marshall of Helena, Mont., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jno. Carpenter, at 614 Chestnut street. She is a member of the household of Ruth and speaks very highly of the orders in Montana. She will visit St. Louis and the east before returning home. The summer school at Drake university is attended by the following Afro-Americans: Miss Dora Gaines, of this city who has been teaching in Missouri; Mr. Boywell, of Dallas, Texas, who is attending the chautauqua assembly and summer school of oratory, and is also J. L. Thompson. The following are the colored delegates to the republican conventions: Mahaska county, J. R. Brown, Geo. D. Woodson, F. P. Davis; Polk, Jeff Dogan, E. G. McAfee; Decatur, J. L. Thompson, and some others their proxies. This made a good showing of representative men, and made a good impression among the delegates. Some of these faces have been noticed in our conventions before this time. Following is the program of the Athenian literary society to be given at the First African Church of Christ Monday evening, July 20: Song, society; instrumental solo, Miss Fannie Harlin; vocal solo, Miss Mary Parks; recitation, Mrs. Maude Taylor; duet, Misses Maple Morton and Anna Smith; declamation, Miss (Gertie Lewis); dialogue, Misses Elsie Early and Emma Watts; quartette, Bert Johnson, Walter Taylor, James Strauther and Charles Shiel; oration, Mrs. Susie Lewis; journal, Mrs. Lomack; critic. Exercises at 8 sharp. A colored married woman who came from Okaloosa two or three weeks ago, thus claiming to be looking for honest work, was very nicely caught recently in her own trap. One evening recently her lawful husband arrived in the city. This learning where his wife had rented a room on west Fifth street, south of the federal building. She being absent, he quietly seated himself in front of the door and awaited her coming. Shortly she returned in company with another man. All of the parties are still in the city. Republican State Convention. Pursuant to call on Wednesday morning, July 15, at 11 o'clock, the republican state convention was called to order by McMillin of Rock Rapids, state chairman. Hon. W. P. Hepburn was made temporary chairman and delivered an excellent speech. After prayer the call was read. Then the districts were called, and each announced one man as a member on committee on resolutions, one on credentials, one on permanent organization and one vice president, after which the convention adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Re-assembling in the afternoon, the committees made their different reports. Committee on permanent organization recommended Smith McPherson as permanent chairman, McPherson, upon assuming the chair, made the best five-minute speech of the day. Allison was called for and responded in a short timely address, oratory and enthusiasm being above par. Hon. Dave Henderson was called and replied in a rousing speech. Congressman Dooliver was loudly called for, and, after asking the convention to get to work and at the close of the convention, he would make a speech. Senator John A. Gear was forced to make a few remarks. The convention proceeded to ballot for secretary of state after the platform was adopted. On the third ballot George L. Dodson, of Polk county, was nominated—the present incumbent. McCarty was nominated by acclamation, as was also John Harrett and Milton Remley for their second term. The greatest contest was for judge of the supreme. After taking five ballots Scott M. Ladd, of Sheldon, was the successful candidate. Only one ballot was required to nominate Mr. Dawson, of Bremer county, as railroad commissioner. The two electors were named by acclamation, Major E. C. Conger, of Des Moines, and Hon. Ed. S. James, of Clinton county. The districts named their electors, and the work of the convention was a thing of very steady, reliable order. The Iowa maid demonstrated that he is totally devoid of nerve-shaking.

STATICIAN'S REPORTS. J. H. Shepard, Makes His Annual Report. Mr. President, members and friends of the Afro-American Protective association: I have endeavored to make you a complete report of our race in this state. I have written a great many letters to people in every county in the state. Some were promptly answered, and today I am waiting a reply from some. There has been but little, if any, change in the past year; there has been two or three new coal mines opened to the Negro miners, which have been supplied with miners from our own state. From my best information of the state, there are about 14,000 of our people according to the state census of 1895. Adair county has 400, Adams 375, Allamakee 475, Audubon 3, Benton 15, Boone 100, Buchanan 25, Buena Vista 9, Butler 3, Calhoun 5, Carroll 60, Carr 10, Cedar 40, Cerro Gordo 35, Cherokee 3, Chickasaw 3, Clark 50, Clay 2, Clayton 8, Clinton 250, Crawford 8, Dallas 15, Davis 45, Decatur 41, Delaware 8, Des Moines 475, Dickinson none, Dubuque 105, Emmet 8, Fayette 65, Floyd 1, Franklin none, Fremont 45, Greene 5, Grundy 4, Guthrie 8, Hamilton 46, Hancock 10, Hardin 21, Harrison 30, Henry 350, Howard 8, Humboldt 4, Ida 4, Iowa 2, Jackson 11, Jasper 150, Jefferson, 40, Johnson 46, Jones 37, Keokuk 30, Kosciusko 1, Lee 2,000, Linn 262, Louisa 31, Lucas 112, Lyon 10, Madison 11, Mahaska 2,540, Marion 55, Marshall 150, Mills 40, Mitchell 8, Monona 20, Monroe 200, Montgomery 65, Muscatine 142, O'Brien 1, Osceola 2, Page 265, Palo Alto none, Plymouth 7, Polk 2,000, Pottawattamie 250, Poweshiek 71, Ringgold 7, Sac none, Scott 282, Shelby 15, Sioux 1, Story 4, Tama 18, Taylor 190, Union 83, Van Buren 130, Wapella 1,250, Warren 50, Washington 61, Wayne 15, Webster 52, Winnebago 2, Winneshiek 8, Woodbury 250, Worth 30, Wright 30. In order to get some interesting facts regarding our real intellectual and financial condition, in my letters I asked the following questions, the number of colored graduates from high schools, the number that will graduate this year and the number attending high schools and the number of colored farmers, how many own their farms? The amount of taxes paid by our people in your county, and the number of professional men, many fail to answer at all, and others only in part. So the report will not be complete. It is as follows: Clinton county has four graduates, one in high school, four farmers that own their farms the amount of taxes paid by our people is \$1,500; Des Moines county graduate, none; in high school 6; farmers owing their farms \$5,000; county graduates, 1, in high school 1, farmers 5; taxes paid 150. Mahaska county, graduates 9; in high school, none; farmers, 60; doctors, 3, lawyers 3; taxes paid, 2,500. Webster county, graduates none, in high school 1, farmer, one, Hamilton county, farmers four. Hardin county graduates one, farmers 3. Decatur county, graduates 1, farmers 4, tax paid \$1,000. Scott county, graduates 7, families owing homes 20, taxes paid \$1,600. Woodbury county graduates 1, in high school 2, farmers 4, taxes paid on over \$80,000 worth of property; Polk county graduates 7, in high school 9, farmers 7, doctors 1, pharmacist 1, lawyers 4, taxable property over \$1,500,000. Monroe county graduates 2, in high school 2, farmers that own farms 5, taxes paid \$2,000. Wapella county graduates 4, taxes paid on \$12,000 at property, increase in church buildings 5. You will see by this report that a goodly number are farmers. This is a branch of industry that should be encouraged. This association should receive the encouragement of all. Iowa is a great producing state, and no states in the union can hold out better inducements to the farmer. Farm lands can be had for from \$3 to \$50 per acre. Good climate and the school system is second to none in the union. J. H. SHEPARD, Statistician. Resolution Committee Report. [The Conclusion of Last Week's Afro-American League Report.] We, the Iowa Afro-Americans league in convention assembled renew our appeal to the thoughtful portion of the American people for additional evidences of their love of justice and fair play. We can observe disks on our national ensign wrought by crimes, which go unpunished and wrongs which go unremedied. We appeal to the advance Caucasian to exert every influence in our behalf which guarantees to every citizen, irrespective of race, color, or previous condition, and equal rights and justice to every man, and to help us, the Afro-Americans of this country to make it clear to the minds of the Caucasian of this country that we are human beings, and nothing less; that we have many things consist of intellect, feelings and will; that in this, like other human beings, we have moral judgment, conscience and a sense of justice; that we commend the good and condemn the bad in all races. Let a holy Christianity, especially the ministry, and a powerful public press, help us to convince those, who oppress and degrade us to the plain of dumb beasts; that it is soul that makes humanity and character and not color that makes men; that all discriminations against any people or race on account of color or race is degrading—and all degradation is sin. That the "Jim Crow" car law and the lynching law, and mob violence as the work of savages, and we denounce those composing the mobs as the most dangerous element to society. We most heartily endorse Justice Harlan's dissent from the majority decision in sustaining that the "Jim Crow" car was constitutional. We see through the darkness she brings of coming light, through the clouds of prejudice to a map look forward to the tropic from Gilbert at Wat-park, Chicago, August 6, of last year, by only one bird, and as Gilbert's work of late has been of very steady, reliable order. The Iowa maid demonstrated that he is totally devoid of nerve-shaking.

year and further recommend a more united effort on the part of the local as well as the state organization. We recommend that our people should turn their attention more to industrial pursuits and study the ethics of political economy. A. L. BELL, J. L. THOMPSON, REV. T. REEVES, DR. E. F. JOHNSON, Mrs. R. A. WILBURN, COMMITTEE. Masonic News at Muchakinoak. We have just received this short communication as we go to press: The Virginia Court Queen tendered the grand lodge a reception. The table was laden with all the good things that the table could supply. The welcome address was delivered by L. A. Wiles, the young orator; responds by Brothers A. A. Bland, G. W. Baptist, J. H. Shepard, R. S. Brown, A. B. Clair. The music was furnished by the famous Muchakinoak cornet band. On the second day afternoon the election made the special order at 3 o'clock. The election of the grand officers is as follows: A. A. Bland, of Keokuk, grand master; James Washington, of Sioux City, worthy deputy grand master; Geo. Snitter, Marshalltown, worthy senior grand warden; T. A. Coleman, Muchakinoak, junior grand warden; E. T. Banks, Des Moines, worthy grand treasurer; W. H. London, Muchakinoak, recording worthy grand secretary. Next week we will have more to say on this subject. Chautauqua Assembly. This is the first of the two weeks session of the Chautauqua society at Crocker Woods park. Each day's session has been very interesting and instructive. Last Saturday was G. A. R. day, and General John B. Gordon, United States senator from Georgia, lectured on the last days of the confederacy, which was good. Tuesday was woman's club day. The main attraction was the famous lecture on Africa. Mrs. M. French Sheldon, of F. R. G. S., (white) who organized and led an independent exposition for the exploration of the region of Kilima-Njaro, in east Africa, and the author of "From Sultan to Sultan." Mrs. Sheldon is a very fine lecturer. She contradicted several statements that Stanley made in his book. Mr. Stanley's book is more for sale or speculation than it is to give true facts as they are. She was so well received that she was induced to repeat the lecture. OTTUMWA NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. Davis, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. Spotts, and Robert Owens is on the sick list. Rev. Rhinehart officiated at the A. M. E. church Sunday. COLORED VOTERS Grand Ratification Meeting to Be Held at the Court House Next Tuesday Evening, July 21.—Good Speakers. The colored voters of Des Moines and Polk county are requested to meet at the court house next Tuesday evening, July 21, for the purpose of ratifying the nomination of the republican standard-bearers for the presidency—McKinley and Hobart. Following is the interesting program: Song..... Quartet Comparison of the Democratic and Republican Platform. I. E. Williamson McKinley as a Soldier..... P. S. Swan McKinley as a Statesman, J. L. Thompson McKinley as Our Next President..... W. B. Frazier Harmony of Polk County Republicans..... A. L. Bell Unity or Voluntary Submission..... to the Will of the Majority..... Rev. T. Reeves C. S. RUFF, CLYDE LEWIS, DR. E. F. JOHNSON, JAMES WASHINGTON, L. W. WASHINGTON, ROBT. WEBSTER, HENRY McRAVEN, JACOB ROBINSON, E. G. McAFFEY, COMMITTEE. SIOUX CITY NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. L. Garrett is very sick. Miss Edith Watkins left last week for Sioux Rapids to spend the summer with her father. Miss R. Harris of Pierre, South Dakota, is the guest of Bessie Mills. Mr. D. D. Rogers, who left the city last Saturday for Omaha on business, returned Tuesday. Miss Bell Walls of Omaha is the guest of Mrs. C. Harris for several days. Mr. N. Williams left last week for Sioux Rapids to spend several days with friends arrived home Monday well pleased with his trip. NEWTON NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Miss Rhoda Waldon has been on the sick list, but is now convalescent. Jimmie Tubbs returned home from Marengo last Saturday. After a delightful visit with their many friends, Mrs. Bright and Mabel Hill returned to their home in Davenport. The Epworth league is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Josie Whitsett. A large number of Newtonites attended the camp meeting in Colfax last Sunday. Miss Lettie and Clara Miller were capital city visitors this week. The following ladies delightfully entertained Mrs. Bright during her stay in the city: Mesdames A. Hayes, J. Hale, G. A. Brown, A. Fine, C. Miller, and J. Miller. Rumor says the wedding bells will ring in the near future. Mrs. Bright, who has recently been appointed deputy matron by the Most Ancient Grand Matron, Mrs. C. A. Clegg of Des Moines, called the Gold Bell court, No. 12, together at the home of Mrs. Hayes Wednesday evening, July 9. An interesting meeting was held and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: M. K. M., Miss Ella Miller, can get no, Lettie Miller; past S. K. M., hear him talk, Nell Miller; M. W. J., locked. A. Hayes, C. Miller, and with 28,928,000 in the land, Mrs. G. A. Brown, nearly half of the land, being in Russia, while the main stationery, her to being only 67,000.

THE FAIR TOO LATE That is what you will be if you don't do your trading this week. That is, you will be too late to make 90c this week do the work of a dollar next week, for after next Saturday night we go back to our regular prices, regular margin of profits. These regular prices are lower than you get anywhere else, and low enough for us to build up an immense trade all the time. SHOES—The styles are now square toes and there's only a few pairs left. Best come quick and get your size. Size 2 1/2..... 38c Size 3..... 45c Size 3 1/2..... 52c Size 4..... 60c Size 4 1/2..... 78c Size 5..... 88c Size 5 1/2..... 95c Size 6..... \$1.08 Size 6 1/2..... 1.18 Size 7..... 1.28 Size 7 1/2..... 1.38 Size 8..... 1.48 ALBIA NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Misses Eliza Brown and Daisy Jackson returned home from a short visit in Okaloosa Tuesday. Messrs. Faank Bryant, James Clody of Osceola passed through the city Friday morning enroute for Osceola. Misses Delia Davis, Ethel Ward and Burt Jones are visiting in Okaloosa. Rev. Griffith and Mrs. Griffith of Muchakinoak purchased a new harness and buggy in this city and returned home Tuesday. Normal begins here July 20 and a number of our young people contemplate attending. W. G. Davis returned home Saturday morning after a pleasant week's visit with her parents. Miss Stella Mason returned home Tuesday morning. Sick list: Mrs. B. Thomas, Monroe Davis, M. E. Brummer. Rev. Rhinehart officiated at the A. M. E. church Sunday. OTTUMWA NOTES. Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. Davis, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. Spotts, and Robert Owens is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. W. Young left Monday night for Kansas City, where they will make their future home. Mr. Walter Owens has purchased a horse and buggy. The Tribe of God gave an entertainment Tuesday evening. The program was rendered by the little folks. It was well attended. Helen Williams returned home Monday from Kirksville, Mo. Normal opens Monday morning with a large attendance, two being Afro-Americans, Misses Carrie Owens and Pearl Dobson. The Sunday school picnic was well attended. Many of our people will attend the picnic at Agency by Morrell & Co. Mrs. Cook returned home after a few days with Mrs. Jordan. The I. B. W. R. C. met with Mrs. Woods last Friday, the president in the chair. The papers read by Mesdames Wood and Sheldon were highly appreciated. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Zachary Taylor; vice president, Mrs. Woods; secretary, Mrs. Shelton; chaplain, Mr. N. Owens. The club will meet next Friday at Mrs. Windsett's. (Gov and Mrs. William McKinley, Jr., celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of their wedding on the 25th of last January. Mrs. McKinley has been something of an invalid ever since the death of her father, which occurred just before her second daughter was born. Both her children died when very young. Cora Belle Fellows, whose marriage to Chaska, a Sioux, created a sensation some years ago, has been deserted and left in destitution by her Indian husband. She came of an excellent Washington family, but fell in love with Chaska while teaching school on the reservation near Pierre, S. D., and married him in spite of the opposition of her family. LITTLE BITS OF INTEREST. The watermelon grows wild all over Africa. It was cultivated in Egypt B. C. 2500. Two volcanoes in Iceland are advertised for sale in a Copenhagen paper. The price asked is about \$500. An examination of the eyes of white and colored children in the Washington schools shows that the latter are much less liable to shortsightedness and astigmatism. Maxim has discovered that the heat developed by the combustion of smokeless powder is such as to cause carbonation of the gun steel, converting it into soft iron. Were it not for the multitude of storks that throng to Egypt every winter there would be no living in the country, for after every inundation frogs appear in most incredible numbers. The longest Egyptian railroad now extends to Girgeh, 326 miles from Cairo. It is soon to be extended to the first cataract, 710 miles from the coast. This means of course an ultimate railroad connection with the British possessions in South Africa. A new paving material has been invented made partly of cork. Various ingredients, of which cork forms a considerable part, are pressed into blocks, and the result is a substance which, while cheap to produce, is durable, slip-proof, absorbent, and affords a good basis for horses. Wilson—Haven't you gone to house-keeping yet? Newly-married man—No; we're waiting to save up enough to live in keeping with the style of the wedding presents.

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