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The Iowa state agricultural fair was largely attended each day, Wednesday the largest crowd being present.

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FREE.

chinery, the inventive genius of man, is phenomenal. The fruit exhibit and attractions at the speed ring were good.

The republican party has saved this country from dishonor several times in its history and in November will do so again.

This is a republican year and you need not fear the result as the people can not be fooled all the time.

The series of republican meetings being held this week were a success. Good speaking, good music and good attendance were characteristic.

In collecting last week ye editor was pleased to find so many colored people owning their own property, and being surrounded by nature's abundant gifts.

RACE ECHOES.

Hon. John N. Conna was nominated as presidential elector for the state of Washington last week.

The first colored newspaper printed west of the Mississippi river was at Brookfield, Mo., in 1866.

Clem West, a Negro employed in the Boston iron works at Mc Keesport, Pa., received a letter from Montreal, Canada, stating that his uncle, J. B. Cleavant, had died there, naming him as his heir.

R. F. Tyler, a son of President John Tyler, is a prisoner at Richmond, Va., charged with shooting with intent to kill Jack Carr, a young Negro.

R. W. Christian, a Negro from Murfreesboro, was severely whipped by a party of marked Negroes for delivering a democratic speech at South Pittsburg, Tenn.

As an incentive to our people to accumulate we will name a few of the rich men of our race: F. Gomez, Mobile, Ala., \$100,000; Bishop W. J. Gaines, Atlanta, Ga., \$50,000; John Thomas, Baltimore, \$150,000; Dr. Robert Purvis, Washington, D. C., \$170,000; W. C. Coleman, Concord

N. C., \$50,000; Hon. B. K. Bruce, Washington, D. C., \$300,000; President W. H. Goler, Salisbury, N. C., \$300,000; J. T. Cook, Washington, D. C., \$200,000; Hon. Fred Douglass, (estate) Washington, D. C., \$300,000; O. O. Simmins, Texas, \$150,000; Daniel Seals, California, \$300,000; George Washington, Centralia, Wash., \$150,000; William Gross, Seattle, Wash., \$60,000.

The Manufacturers' Record of a recent date says: "General O. O. Howard and Cyrus Kehr" of Chicago, and others are planning to establish at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., a great educational institution to be known as the "Lincoln Memorial University," in honor of Abraham Lincoln.

FIRST COLORED NEWS-PAPER IN THE WEST.

Our worthy townsman, Dr. J. Dulin of East Walnut street, told our reporter last week that he was connected with the first colored newspaper published west of the Mississippi river.

COLORED MASON DEAD.

John Therman, the only Negro Member of a White Lodge Expires—A Noted Man. John Therman died in Greenburg, Ind., recently of apoplexy, at the ripe age of 75.

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The smallest Mason in the world is also a member of the same lodge, he being Charles Beekraft, who is four feet, seven inches tall, and weighs seventy-two pounds.

KEOKUK BUDGET.

Regular Correspondent to the Bystander. Elder Malone preached his farewell sermon Sunday.

Elder Rhinehart departed this week to visit relatives in Marshalltown and attend conference.

Mrs. G. Kellise visited over Sunday in Canton, Mo., miss Sadie Benton departed for her school in Kahoka, Mo.

Mrs. L. Hooks is on the sick list. The Tabernacle excursion labor day was a success and a good time had.

Elder Johnson is the pastor of the Seventh Street Baptist church. Services are being held each Sunday.

Miss Lucy Bland entertained company in honor of Rev. Rhinehart and wife Sunday.

BOONE NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander. Wm. Phillips and Jack Minnewater have returned after an extended trip.

Archie Washington received ten pound of bacon at the labor day races.

Rev. Thomas Johnson was in city Sunday for the last time before conference.

A number of our people attended the state fair. School has opened with two colored members, Bessie Coleman and Simon Terry.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Regular Correspondence of the Bystander. Mrs. Jennie Brown and Miss Emma Fetcher of Chariton, who has been visiting Mrs. Knox, has returned home.

Mrs. Etta Smith-Cheek of Jacksonville, Ill., is making an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Mrs. Sallie Williams. The Oskaloosa people welcome her with much joy.

Rev. T. L. Lewis has gone to conference at Moline. Ed. Jones and Mesdames Jones and Minnie Johnson are attending the state fair.

Mrs. Mosley has gone to St. Paul to pay her mother an extended visit. Miss Ola Warthal of Lucas, is visiting her friend, Miss Lizzie Tate.

Henry Hackerdy has been sick for some time. Henry Brown and family have gone to Bloomfield, Iowa.

NEWTON NOTES.

Regular Correspondence to the Bystander. Rev. Waldon left Thursday for Moline to attend the conference at Moline, Ill.

Mrs. Carter entertained a few of her friends at dinner last Thursday. Miss Genevieve Green visited friends in Oskaloosa and Grinnell last week.

F. D. Hooker of Des Moines, spent a few hours in the city recently, enroute home.

Mrs. Jason Green has been visited in St. Paul. Misses Craig and Lucas of Grinnell attended the state fair in Des Moines.

After a delightful visit at the residence of Jason Green, Mrs. John D. Reeler departed for Muchakinoek, where she will visit friends before returning to her home in Mason City.

Mesdames Brown, J. Miller and Clem Miller and Misses Florence Miller and Eldora Green were state fair visitors this week.

The oratorical entertainment given by Miss Emma Mayes at

the A. M. E. church was a pronounced success.

Mrs. A. Hudson has returned from her visit in Mt. Pleasant.

THE BACHELOR WOMAN.

Age 15—She longs to be older so as to attract men's attention.

16 years—She begins to form a vague idea of what people call a passion.

17 years—She talks about love in a cottage and dreams of a tender affection free from sordid interests.

18 years—She silently adores some young man who has shown her a little attention.

19 years—She is somewhat harder to please and much less amiable, because the papers have given her a flattering notice at her debut.

20 years—She is called the beauty of the hour, and being proud of her charms becomes haughty in her demeanor.

21 years—She firmly believes in the power of her bright eyes, and expects to make a brilliant match.

22 years—She refuses an excellent offer because the man is not stylish enough.

23 years—She flirts with all the young men.

24 years—She wonders why she is not married yet.

25 years—She becomes a little more reserved in manner.

26 years—She begins to think that she might be happy without marrying an immensely wealthy man.

27 years—She prefers the society of sensible men to flirting.

28 years—She would like to marry a comfortable living.

29 years—She almost loses hope of ever marrying.

30 years—She dreads the possibility of being called an old maid.

31 years—She gives much attention to her make-up.

32 years—She professes indifference for dancing, and complains of the difficulty of finding good partners.

33 years—She is astonished the men neglect a sensible woman for a pretty doll face.

34 years—She affects unfeeling good humor in conversation with men.

35 years—She is jealous of every woman who is praised before her.

36 years—She quarrels with her best friend because this one marries.

37 years—She thinks the world a very lonely place.

38 years—She consoles herself in her loneliness by talking of her friends who have made unhappy marriages.

39 years—She becomes cross and crabbed.

40 years—She likes to pry into other people's affairs and enjoys a little mischief making.

41 years—She hopes with her money, to tempt some impetuous youth into a matrimonial alliance.

42 years—That hope perishes, and she becomes a man hater.

43 years—She takes to cards and gossip for her daily diet.

44 years—She severely criticizes the bold demeanor of young people of the day.

45 years—She is seized with a violent passion for a handsome distant relative and calls her aunt.

46 years—The marriage of this good looking favorite puts her into a towering rage.

47 years—She gives up in despair.

48 years—She concentrates her affection on half a dozen cats and dogs.

49 years—She takes into her home a poor relation, who has to take care of her and to bear the brunt of her bad temper.

50 years—She retires from the world entirely and dies a few years after, regretted by none—not even her heirs, to whom she leaves a considerable fortune.—From the Old Woman.

BIBLE STATISTICS.

The Apocrypha has verses, 7,081. The Apocrypha has chapters, 183. The Apocrypha has words, 152,185.

The books in the Old Testament, 29. Verses in the Old Testament, 23,241. Words in the Old Testament, 592,430.

The chapters in the Old Testament, 529. Letters in the Old Testament, 2,728-100.

The chapters in the New Testament, 280. Words in the New Testament, 538,380.

The middle verse is the 8th of Psalm 118. The verses in the New Testament, 7,953.

The word "Jehovah" occurs 6,865 times. The middle chapter of the Old Testament is Job 29.

The middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs. The middle chapter and shortest in the Bible is Psalm 117.

Chapter 19 of II Kings, and chapter 37 of Isaiah are alike.

The word "and" occurs in the New Testament 10,804 times. The word "and" occurs in the Old Testament 35,543 times.

The middle chapters of the New Testament are Romans 13 and 14. Verse 21 of chapter 7 of Ezra has all the letters of the alphabet except "j."

The middle verse of the New Testament is Acts, 17th chapter, 17th verse. The shortest verse in the New Testament is John, 11th chapter, 35th verse.

The longest verse in the Old Testament is Esther, eighth chapter, ninth verse. The shortest verse in the Old Testament is I. Chronicles, 1st chapter, 25th verse.

The middle verse of the Old Testament is II. Chronicles, 22d chapter, 17th verse.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

Celery, olives or radishes are placed in flat dishes. Paint can be removed from glass by rubbing it with hot strong vinegar.

A little borax added to the water in which flannel and other woollen goods are washed keeps the texture soft.

A teaspoonful of the best whisky added to a cup of beef tea for an invalid is an excellent way to give a stimulant.

A bag of flaxseed worked in water for some time makes a good wash for varnished paint and keeps the paint bright.

A little finely grated or chopped lemon peel and a little lemon juice are a very nice substitute for capers or parsley in butter sauce, to eat with boiled mutton.

A pinch of powdered sugar and another of cornstarch beaten in with the yolks of eggs will keep an omelet from collapsing. Beat the whites stiff and then cut them into the yolks.

To clean mirrors sponge them perfectly free from all dirt, drying with soft cloths, and when quite dry rub a little powdered blue over the glass, polishing it finally with a soft old silk handkerchief.

About the proper amount of sugar for ice cream is six ounces to each part of cream. With less sugar the ice cream is not so smooth, and more is apt to make it too rich, so it will not beat up so well and will melt quicker.

Olive sandwiches—Butter the bread thickly, spread over one slice a thick layer of olives cut in small pieces with a little mayonnaise dressing spread over. Lay the other slice of bread upon it and press the slices firmly together. Trim off the crusts and cut the sandwich into squares.

WORTH KNOWING.

To salute with the left hand is a deadly insult to Mohammedans in the east.

The brain of an idiot contains much less phosphorus than that of a person of average mental powers.

William C. Usery, M. D., of St. Louis says that the best food for those suffering from typhoid fever is the banana.

In Mexico the mescal plant attains such an enormous size that one of them has sufficed for the making of a barrel of whisky.

Destitute Englishmen abroad can demand to be sent home. They apply to their consul, who gives notice accordingly to captains of ships about to sail.

Ludwig Barnay has given the 1,700 marks he received for his performance at the German embassy in Moscow during the coronation festivities to the relief fund for German actors and actresses.

The Chesapeake & Ohio railway has had plans under way for several months for the erection of a new station and terminal facilities in Richmond, Va., on which it designs to spend \$2,000,000.

The average price of Canadian horses sold in London for some time has rarely been above \$125, a price which, freight and all expenses considered, is said to yield a satisfactory margin of profit.

Litchfield, Mich., has a resident who believes it pays to exterminate weeds. He pulled up a big burdock plant the other day and found upon one of the roots a diamond ring which was lost by his wife four years before.

THE WHEEL.

Bicycles all look alike—until after you have bought a cheap one, says the Somerville Journal.

In New Zealand wheels have always been transported free of charge when accompanied by owners.

A noted chiropractist says bicycle riding produces the high instep so much desired by beauty seekers.

The most recent complaint is that bicycling is practically lessening the number of marriages every year.

"Ducas Brown, Poultry, Fish and Bicycles," is a sign which attracts the attention of the passersby in a small Maine town.

The great East Side Colored Baptist rally at the McKinley tent next Sunday,

NEWSY TRIFLES.

The fruit season for Georgia growers has been one of the most successful ever known.

Sixteen out of the eighteen assembly districts of San Francisco have woman suffrage clubs.

The cost of a London four-wheeled cab is from \$350 to \$400, that of a hansom about \$350.

In Russia the principals in a duel partake of breakfast together before going out to fight.

A flowering plant during its life is said to abstract from the soil 200 times its own weight in water.

It is proposed to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of Natal by an exhibition next year.

English radicals are asking for the appointment of public defenders to oppose the public prosecutors.

A forty-four-year-old chancery case has just been decided in England, and there was a little money left for the contestants.

The piles of old London bridge, driven 800 years before, were found to be in good condition when the new bridge was erected.

The city attorney of Helena, Mont., warns the council that the indebtedness is over the limit and future contracts will be illegal.

A New Orleans man who rides home on a street car is met every evening by a pet cat, which waits for him at his usual place of alighting.

In Albania the men wear petticoats and the women trousers. The women do all the work and the husbands attend to nothing in particular.

India rubber has been generally considered absolutely watertight, but experiments with a hermetically sealed rubber bottle of water show that it is not.

It is a strange fact that the right hand, which is more sensitive to the touch than the left, is less sensitive than the latter to the effect of heat or cold.

A couple in New York who have lived happily together for thirty-five years refuse, although starving, to go to the poorhouse, because they would be separated.

An electric road will be built by San Francisco men from that city to San Jose, so as to take in towns not on the railroad. Stanford University will be in the centre of the line.

In a French village near Clermont an old woman has been almost stoned to death by peasants, who declared that she was a witch with an evil eye, and had caused the death of several cows.

A Pekin newspaper started last May under the name of the Klau-Schu-Tschu-Chu-Pao, and edited by Chi Zung, is said to be publishing Li Hung Chang's notes of travel in Europe.

Books bound in the skin of departed friends are sold by the London Figaro to be the fashion now in Paris. So are cigarette cases, tobacco pouches, pocketbooks and prayer books made of the skin of notorious criminals.

Lady Georgiana Grey, aunt of Earl Grey, is nearly 100 years of age, but though she is not very brisk upon her legs, manages to keep informed on politics and the talk of the day by having guests to dinner almost every night.

A pair of ancient soldier's boots, found in a cupboard of a very old building in Surrey, England, weighed about ten pounds each, being made of the thickest hide, lined and padded, with very thick soles and large rowelled spurs, attached by steel chains.

Dr. Carl Peters, the explorer, is said to have left Germany for good and to have left directions to have all his affairs there wound up, since the sentence of Herr Schroeder, the east African administrator, to fifteen years imprisonment at hard labor for brutality to the natives.

PENCIL POINTS.

A good corn country is never a summer resort. People who can't make coffee, never stop trying.

The devil hasn't a monopoly of the hell business. Do love affairs finally give the victim heart disease?

When you loaf, remember the rights of busy people. That man or woman never lived who was not a coward.

We all have strings to us which some one else is pulling. It is not the walking that makes a bill collector tired.

It is surprising how sick some people can become, and live. We have noticed that when a man is busy, he drops politics.

There should be more work, or less money, in office holding. No one has ever attempted to pull teeth by Christian science.

The only men who complain of a scarcity of dogs, are the Arctic explorers. No one can go out in what is called society without being somewhat of a gad.

When a woman tells a man she loves him without being coaxed to, it scares him. When you think you have heart disease, the real trouble is probably indigestion.

People acquire a little more pride as they grow older but they are as weak as ever. If you can't play on the piano, don't be modest about saying so; boast about it.

A Terre Haute young woman prevented her sister's elopement by entering a charge of profanity against her

ANNA IVOR'S REQUEST.

Personal letters reach Mrs. Pinkham by thousands; some asking advice, and others, like the following, telling of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done and will ever continue to do in eradicating those fearful



female complaints so little understood by physicians. All womb and ovarian troubles, irregularities, whites, bearing-down pains, displacements, tendency to cancer and tumor are cured permanently. "I feel as if I owed my life to your Vegetable Compound. After the birth of my babe I was very miserable. I had a drawing pain in the lower part of my bowels, no strength, and a terrible backache. Every day I failed. My husband said if I would try a bottle of your Vegetable Compound, he would get it for me. The change was wonderful. After I had taken the first half bottle I began to have great faith in it. When I had taken three bottles, I was well and growing stout. It is a pleasure for me to write this to you. I only ask women in any way afflicted with female troubles to try it."—Mrs. ANNA IVOR, Pittsford Mills, Rutland Co., Vt.

MISCELLANY.

Teacher—What celebrated event occurred at Plymouth Rock? Tommie—I know. Teacher—Well, let us hear you tell the class what it was. Nobody else seems to know. Tommie—They started a new breed of chickens there.—Cleveland Leader.

Gouverneur Morris of New York, in 1772, proposed to the Continental Congress a decimal currency system. He suggested ten units equal one penny; ten pennies, one bill; ten bills, one dollar; ten dollars, one crown. In 1784 Jefferson proposed the system as now in use; Congress in July, 1785, resolved that the coinage should conform to the decimal system.

Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, a French writer, composed the "Marseillaise." He is said to have written the song and composed the music one evening in a burst of patriotic frenzy. He called it the "Song of the Army of the Rhine." It was sung by the volunteers from Marseilles and the south of France as they entered Paris, Aug. 10, 1792, and received its present name from them.

FAST MAIL TRAIN TO OMAHA.
One of the Best Trains to be Found in the World.

"If you will go down to the Union depot almost any evening now you will see the finest mail train in the United States or elsewhere for that matter," said Chief Clerk P. M. Coates of the Railway Mail Service in charge of the Chicago and Omaha fast mail. The cars have nearly all been remodeled, renovated, and painted anew. The third set of cars is now in the Burlington company's shops undergoing treatment. All the old lamps have been removed and instead the entire train of five cars is lighted with the latest gas. There are seven lamps of four burners to each car. The cars have been refitted with new trucks or the old ones taken apart and refitted piece by piece. All the most modern appliances in the matter of couplings and air brakes help to give the flyer the best possible equipment of air and train extant.

The new fast mail engine No. 590, built especially for service on the Nos. 7 and 8, by which Uncle Sam's trains on the "Q" between Chicago and Omaha are known, has been trained into fine service, and others of the same pattern will soon be on the rails. The government train now makes Omaha in eleven and one-half hours, running 500 miles between 3 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.

Chief Clerk Coates says that he cannot remember of a single instance when Uncle Sam's flyer has been one minute late at the Union Pacific transfer this year.

His Substitute.
Upton—You don't go to church very often? Downs—No, I find it much more comfortable sleeping on a lounge.



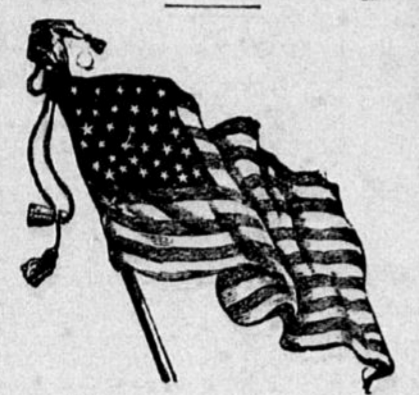
Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists. If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, in addition to other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

REPUBLICAN PARTY.

THE PRESS OF THE COUNTRY DEFENDING ITS RECORD.

Mexico is a Sample of What Would Result Should Bryan Win—Silver Wave is Receding—The Silver Syndicate.



The condition of Mexico is naturally attracting a good deal of attention, from the fact that it is on a free-silver, 16-cent dollar basis. Its example is, however, of very little importance as an object lesson for the United States, for the reason that other factors of much more potency enter into the case to determine the real condition. Still, it is pertinent to inquire into the facts, apart from making an argument for or against any particular theory of money.

Whether one concludes that Mexico is prosperous or not depends altogether from one's point of view. So far as concerns business men, those, whether foreign or native, who have enterprise and capital, Mexico is pros-

perous. It has vast resources of gold and silver, and no end, hardly, of good land. The industrial class are fairly industrious and never think of striking. They work long hours and are much more contented with their wages than our laborers, skilled or unskilled. The government is stable. The proverbial unrest and chronic state of revolution which prevailed prior to the administration of that truly great statesman, Juarez, no longer curses the land. The term "Mexicanize," as formerly used, ought to be blotted from our language. It is positively slanderous. Not only is there peace at home, but Mexican credit is good abroad. The national debt is being paid, interest and principal, in gold. No advantage is taken of creditors to force a depreciated silver currency upon them. We repeat that from a business man's point of view Mexico is prosperous, highly so.

But when viewed from the standpoint of the people, their condition and opportunities, it is altogether different. The great mass of the people are abjectly poor and wholly illiterate. Their contentment is due to their ignorance and to the fact that they and their ancestors never knew any better condition. The climate is mild and their absolute necessities are few. The best paid labor, the labor in mines, towns and factories, does not command over one-half the pay common on this side of the line, and that, too, in a 50-cent dollar. The agricultural labor is paid about one-quarter the United States rate, besides the depreciation of the money. A citizen of the United States, accustomed to our ways of living, can hardly conceive the abjectness of the poverty of the peons, the class which does about all the work of every kind and constitutes at least 90 per cent of the people. They have nothing in the way of clothes except the rags on their backs, live mostly on beans and a vile native coffee, their only luxury being a kind of liquor, worse than harem-house whisky, and on which one can get beastly drunk for a few cents. Their houses are like pig pens, no such things as bedsteads or chairs being found in them. A few descendants of the Spanish grandees have great estates and are very rich, while the peons, attached to them by a system of practical serfdom, get less actual share in the profits of the land they work than did the plantation negroes of the cotton belt before the war.

It is wholly immaterial to those poor people whether Mexico is on a silver or a gold basis. They themselves are on a copper basis, and are bound to stay there until their general plane of civilization is raised. To hold up Mexico as a model for America, or as an example in any point of view, is simply preposterous.

Another reason why Mexico can furnish no criterion by which to judge a monetary system is that the money metals are the great staples of production in that country, except as agricultural products are raised for domestic use. The gold yield is much larger than statistics indicate, for the reason that there is a tax on the out-

put of both gold and silver. There is no attempt to smuggle out the silver—it is too bulky—but a great part of the gold produced escapes taxation, and, in escaping taxation, eludes the statisticians. There is supposed to be \$5,000,000 in gold in the country and ten times that amount in silver money. There is more than that amount of each metal produced annually. The statistics of 1894 gave the gold output as \$4,500,000. The actual amount must have been at least \$6,000,000. The silver output was \$60,817,300, about three times as much as all Europe, Asia and Africa produce. To go to Mexico for lessons in finance is much like what it would be to study their penicils for models of workmen's homes.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

St. John's Fatal Admission.
Mr. William P. St. John of New York, an able and persistent advocate of the free coinage of silver, while testifying in 1891 before the house committee on banking and currency, outlined a bill for free coinage which provided "that the silver dollar now existing shall be coinable without limit in amount on producing the bullion for it, and on the same terms now prescribed for gold."

In answer to the direct question, "Would your theory put the country on a silver basis?" he replied: "Immediately." He was then asked: "How long would that condition prevail?" He answered: "I would not predict the achievement of actual bimetalism in the United States under the bill earlier than two years; that is, two years at the outside. I should expect it earlier if conditions now existing abroad—existing outside of France—prevail; I would expect it to be accomplished within one year."

Inflation in Paraguay.
Less than a decade ago Paraguay authorized its state bank to pay its indebtedness in gold or silver, at its option. This is the free coinage definition of bimetalism. What were the results? The notes of the bank were discredited, and gold went to a premium of 200 per cent. The bank became insolvent, and gold went up to 600 per cent. Then the bank com-

HIS CURIOUS WAY OF SHOWING IT.



FROM CHICAGO INTER OCEAN: MR. BRYAN ASSERTS THAT HE IS OPPOSED TO FOREIGN DOMINATION IN OUR AFFAIRS.

promised its outstanding obligations at fifty cents on the dollar.

The paper money of Paraguay, with its face in gold in 1885, declined in value until today \$5,000,000 of it has an actual purchasing power of less than \$1,000,000.

The rate of interest on money has risen to 18 per cent.

The motive of the inflationists, who brought this ruin upon their native country, was the desire to pay debts in depreciated money. The spirit of 1776 was tame in comparison with their patriotic resolve not to wait for the consent of any other nation to adopt bimetalism in the populist sense of that word. They said that it is the stamp of the government which gives value to coin and to paper, and that it would not be affected by the suspension of payment in gold. And now where are they? Without credit, with multitudes of their people unemployed, with labor poorly paid, the industries of the country paralyzed and the national debt increased by 10 per cent.

And this is the feast spread for us at Chicago, of which we are invited to partake. Thank you kindly, gentlemen, but really you must excuse us; we have a previous engagement, which we can not break, even to please you. Some other day!

Sample Object Lesson in Pay Envelopes.
Chicago Special: The "business man's" political campaign is proving remarkably prolific in practical devices for educational purposes. The latest comes from Easton, Pa., from which point it was sent to this city by the vice president of the National Switch and Signal company, which corporation has a branch office in the Monadnock building.

The educational feature, devised by Charles Hansel, the official mentioned, is a pay envelope. The work of this corporation is entirely with railroads, and, outside of the eastern states, includes large contracts in California.

Conditions Prior to 1873.
Some of the free-coinage men still say that all they want is to "restore the conditions that existed prior to 1873." In 1873 the total world's production of silver was 61,100,000 ounces and the silver in a dollar was worth \$1.04 in gold. Last year the world's product of silver was 165,000,000 ounces and the silver in a dollar was worth only 50 7/10 cents. Will the silver miners restore the production of 1873 as "the first step toward restoring the conditions?"

The first false teeth were made of lead plates.

can be relied upon in the crisis now before the country to cast her vote on the side of prosperity and national honor.

From Nebraska, the home of Candidate Bryan, who is now swinging round the circle, the word goes forth that the republicans of that commonwealth will not be satisfied with less than 25,000 majority for McKinley. They know Bryan there, and all that he stands for, and are eager to register their opinion at the polls. Missouri, too, is lining up for the battle for sound money, and every day sees new accessions to the ranks of national credit.

In fact, the same story comes from all over the country, and the Bryan managers are perceptibly alarmed. They are making herculean efforts to bring about a display of enthusiasm, and the tour of the "boy orator" through the east has been arranged in the hope that his presence may arouse his followers to a semblance of life. So far the indications are that the plan will not be a brilliant success. All the glittering generalities that Mr. Bryan can find among his book of quotations, together with his latest stock of "new and pleasing metaphors," cannot serve the people from their purpose to give the advocates of financial heresy a lasting lesson.—Kansas City Journal.

The Silver Syndicate.
The New York Press gives to-day another chapter of the great speculation of the Silver Mine Owners' Syndicate. This free-coinage movement had its origin with these silver kings, who wish to sell their white metal for twice what it is worth in any market in the world. It is financed by men who, already enormously rich, hope to double their vast fortunes. It is the owners of silver mines who are supporting the free-coinage literature, distributing free-coinage literature, paying the salaries of free-coinage stump speakers and "backing" free-coinage candidates. Are they doing it for the good of the country or for the money there is in it for themselves? Do men go into speculations that promise 100 per cent profits out of philanthropy or out of greed for dollars? Will the people who have allowed themselves to be imposed upon by these silver kings persist in a scheme to add millions on millions to the enormous fortunes of a few score men by depriving the plain people of half the value of their savings and their wages?

The only people in this country who could profit by the free and unlimited coinage of silver would be the owners of mines, bankrupts who wish to repudiate their debts and speculators in the returns of the men who toll for their bread. If this nation ever should sink to the level of a silver basis the workingman would not be able to lift his head for a generation to come, the farmer would plunge deeply into debt because the working classes, who are the greatest consumers of farm products, would have their purchasing power cut in half, and this whole country would become the victim of the money sharks of the world.

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PALMER AND BUCKNER.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 3.—The convention was called to order at 11:40, and upon being called for W. C. P. Brockbridge, of Kentucky, addressed the delegates. He was followed by F. W. Lehman, of St. Louis. Senator Vilas reported the platform and it was adopted. The convention then proceeded to the nomination of a candidate for president. The names of Henry Watterson, of Kentucky; John M. Palmer, of Illinois; and General Bragg, of Wisconsin, were placed in nomination. Palmer was nominated on the first ballot.

The convention proceeded to the selection of a candidate for vice-president and General Buckner, of Kentucky, was nominated by acclamation. Resolutions giving the national committee power to exercise the offices of the convention offered by Broadhead of Missouri, were adopted. They also instructed the committee to see that the names of the candidates were placed on the ballot in every state. Adjourned sine die.

The national committee held a meeting immediately after the adjournment. It was decided to have an executive committee of nine to manage the campaign, and W. D. Hynum was elected without opposition for the chairman of the committee. Mr. Hynum was appointed to select the other members of the committee. John P. Frenzel, of Indianapolis, was chosen for treasurer, and the choice of secretary was left with the committee. Both the presidential and vice-presidential candidates will be notified of their nomination in Louisville on September 12. Headquarters of the executive committee will probably be located in Chicago.

FEVER IN CUBA.

The Yellow Fever is increasing at an Alarming Extent. WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—The malignancy of yellow fever in Cuba is increasing with the advance of the season, and the disease, in a most dreadful type, is now playing havoc with the unacclimated Spanish troops, according to special reports received from the sanitary inspectors of the United States marine hospital service. These show seventy-one deaths in Havana for the week ending August 27, fifty-one of these being in the military hospital, at which 122 new cases were under treatment, twenty-two in Matanzas, the same number in Santiago, twenty-five at Sagua La Grande, with 190 new cases, and similar conditions in all other sections where the Spanish forces are massed.

ANXIETY IN TURKEY.

No Further Disturbance, But There May Be. CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 7.—Great anxiety still prevails here, but there has been no further disturbance. The ambassadors have sent a collective note to the British government, dwelling upon the organized character of the massacre and citing several cases bearing this out. They quote the declaration of two Musselmans, who assert that they were requisitioned by the police, who provided them with weapons and sent them to kill the Armenians. Other and similar evidence was also presented, and the ambassadors finally demanded a strict inquiry into the causes of the outbreak and that steps be taken to suppress it and insist upon the severe punishment of the culprits.

CHOLERA SCOURGE IN CAIRO.

Sixty-One New Cases, and Fifty-Four Deaths in Three Days. CAIRO, Sept. 6.—After weeks of practical freedom from cholera in Cairo, fifty-four deaths have occurred during three days, out of sixty-one cases. The sanitary authorities are greatly alarmed at this sudden outbreak, particularly as cases are widely scattered along the Khaleef Canal, traversing the city. All the British medical officers attached to the sanitary department have been summoned here.

Italian-Brazilian Troubles.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—The Brazilian legation has issued a note announcing that there is every indication of a peaceful and cordial solution of the difficulty which has arisen between Brazil and Italy regarding the claims of the latter country for indemnity as a result of the recent and past outrages in Brazil upon Italian subjects.

Iceland Earthquake.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—Steamers arriving at Stornoway, Scotland, from Iceland, report that the severest earthquake since 1781, occurred on the night of August 25. The report says that two churches were destroyed, cattle killed and farms destroyed. The center of the disturbance seemed to be the volcano Hecla.

Ten Killed.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 7.—A special from Middlesboro states that a bloody battle occurred in the northern portion of Bell county, Kentucky, between moonshiners over the division of money made by selling liquor. Three men and a boy are reported killed.

Not Long in Darkness.

"What shall I put on the stone beside your wife's name, date of birth and date of death?" asked the marble cutter of the widower. "The light of my life has gone out," replied the bereaved one. "It was done, and the stone was set up in the cemetery. In the course of a few months it was discovered that some one had added: 'But I have struck another match.' And the addition was amply sustained by the facts."

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Low Rate Excursion South.

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month till October about half rates for the round trip will be made to points in the South by the Louisville & Nashville railroad. Ask your ticket agent about it, and if he cannot sell you excursion tickets write to C. P. Atmore, General Passenger Agent, Louisville, Ky., or Geo. B. Horner, D. P. A., St. Louis, Mo.

One Maine man has gone into the unique business of raising doves for weddings, parties, etc. Very low rates will be made by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway for excursions of September 15th and 20th, to the south for homeseekers and harvesters. For particulars apply to the nearest local agent or address James Barker, G. P. A., M. & K. T. Ry., St. Louis.

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Queen Victoria owns a dress manufactured of spider's webs. It was a present from the late empress of Brazil.

There is a species of humming bird in the Islands of Panama that is not larger than a common housefly.

The top of the tower of Babel was no nearer heaven than the top of a pig sty.

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CITY NEWS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1896.

Read our new advertisements and then Patronize the firms who advertise with us.

Henry Tolliver is a Des Moines visitor this week.

Read our "ads" and trade with those who patronize us.

Charles Bradford of Carroll, Iowa, is a state fair visitor.

Hear Rev. Dr. Grant at the McKinley tent next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Hear Rev. Dr. Tilden at the McKinley tent next Sunday at 3 p. m.

Wesley Overton of Muchaknock was a state fair visitor this week.

Haworth Hall, an old Des Moines boy, has returned to this city from Omaha.

Peter Bell, Attorney Bell's father, of Desota, Iowa, is attending the state fair.

Subscribe for the BYSTANDER at once, while it is only 50 cents from now to next January.

Rev. W. L. Grant of Topeka, Kas., will speak at the McKinley tent Monday evening on the money question.

Lewis Perkins, one of Muchaknock's best young men visited the state fair this week for the first time.

James James and sister, Miss Rosa of Muchaknock are visiting Miss Clarinda Smith and attending the fair.

Miss Pennie Taylor of Webster City is a state fair visitor this week. She is the guest of R. N. Hyde and family.

Ed. Good of Grinnell is attending the fair. He worked in the legislature last winter. Ed is looking well.

The young people of the East Side Baptist church have organized a literary, which meets every Friday evening.

Captain J. A. T. Hull has arrived in the city from Washington, D. C., and will at once enter the campaign.

Mesdames B. J. Mitchell and Sarah Breeden are entertaining Mrs. Barbara Carter and Mrs. Mattie King of Ottumwa.

The great meeting of the East Side colored Baptist church next Sunday at the McKinley tent—near of Y. M. C. A. building.

We have made arrangements whereby we can furnish you the BYSTANDER until January 1 for 50 cents. Send in your subscription.

Mrs. E. W. Fowler of Ottumwa, arrived in the Capitol City last Saturday and is enjoying a social visit with her friend, Mrs. J. K. Weeks on Tenth street.

Oliver River, one of our Des Moines boys, has returned to this city to visit his parent after an absence of nearly two years.

Woody Thomason of Leon, Iowa, visited the state fair this week. They are industrious young farmers in Decatur county.

U. S. Jones of Albia, who is well known in our city, is visiting his mother-in-law, Mrs. Wilburn, and viewing the great sights at the fair.

Rev. Zeller of Burns M. E. church has made a sudden exit from the city to unknown parts. Some of his members are very indignant at his actions as a minister.

C. E. Marshall, formerly of Ottumwa, but now of Chicago, is preparing to enter the L. A. W. races this week. He is the only colored man entered in the L. A. W. association.

Miss Lucy Good of Leon arrived in this city Wednesday to visit Miss Agnes Roy and attend the state fair. Miss Good is one of Decatur county's most accomplished young ladies.

Benjamin Shepard of Oskaloosa, passed through this city this week enroute home from Decatur City, Iowa. While here he visited his sister, Mrs. C. H. Richardson of Clive, and J. H. Shepard of this city.

Following is a list of the fancy work on exhibition at the state fair art hall conducted by Miss Eldora Green of Newton: Crochet work, infant's shawl, infant's saque, child's slippers, toilet mats (five), ladies' hood, table cover, infant's hoods (two), two yards woolen lace, two tidies.

Miss Eldora Green of Newton, who is well and favorably known in this city, is visiting Miss Agnes Roy and attending the state fair. She has some fine fancy and crocheting work that took first prize last year. We hope she will be successful again this year.

Married—Mrs. Maggie Bush and Henry Freeman, formerly of Oskaloosa, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Thursday, September 3, by Rev. C. M. Williams of the East Side Baptist church. The happy couple will make their home at 1119 Fremont street. Success.

Following are the newly elected officers of the East Side Baptist Literary society: Wm. Foster, president; A. B. Taylor, vice president; Miss Zelma Stanton, secretary; P. T. Strange, treasurer; A. L. Bell, editor; Miss Rosie Terry, journalist; Misses Edie Jackson and Blanche Renix, program committee.

Mesdames Denny, Williamson and Smith were the getters up of a most enjoyable surprise party, at the home of Mrs. Palmer, in honor of her guest and friend, Mrs. D. F. Level. The evening was pleasantly spent. Mrs. Level has been a resident of this city for the past ten years, and it is with many regrets that we announce her removal to her new home in St. Paul.

The old folk's concert last Tuesday evening was a success. The most interesting feature was the old-time costumes

of by-gone times. The first song entitled "Roll de Jordan Roll," captivated the audience and Douglas Miller's recitation entitled "Newborn's Friend," delighted all. At the concert a festival was enjoyed. Much credit is due the management, Mesdames Braeden and Smith, for the success of the entertainment.

BRIEFLETS.

Mrs. S. Williams of Boone is visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Barton.

Mr. W. L. Grant has made for himself a national reputation as a speaker.

Editor J. L. Thompson left for his home on business Thursday evening.

Mrs. E. T. Banks is some improved, but is still confined to her home.

Everybody should go and hear the great orator at the big McKinley tent, Monday.

Class No. 2 is preparing an elaborate reception for Rev. Reeves when he returns from conference.

George L. Smith, his mother-in-law and sister-in-law of Marshalltown, Iowa, are visiting in our city.

Miss Alice Robinson has returned from her visit to Omaha, where she enjoyed a very pleasant visit.

Mrs. Bryan, a colored woman of East Des Moines, dropped dead Monday while at the home of a neighbor.

Mrs. Wm. Cosloun entertained at dinner Thursday in honor Miss Eldora Green, of Newton.

Miss Maude Morton entertained a few friends for tea Friday evening in honor of Miss Hannan, of Cedar Rapids.

John D. Reeler, formerly of this city, but now of Mason City, was combining business with pleasure in the capitol city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Birney, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coalsou entertained at 6 o'clock dinner Tuesday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Coalsou, Mesdames Wells, Fowler, Eliza Woods, Barbara Carter and H. Hing, of Ottumwa; Mr. J. D. Wheeler of Mason City, and others.

A surprise party was given at the home of Mrs. Walter Jackson, on Bluff street, this week in honor of her sister, Miss Tinsley. It was well attended and supper was served in an elegant style. All enjoyed themselves well.

Mr. George Miller and wife, while crossing the railway track on Ninth street, in their buggy were struck by a train, knocked out of the buggy, and Mr. Miller was seriously injured. At this writing he is some better. Mrs. Miller is not so badly hurt and may get well. It is stated that it was the fault of the railway company that the accident occurred.

A surprise party was given on Mrs. Albert Moss the past week by a large number of her friends, the occasion being her birthday. They presented her with a beautiful rocking chair, Mr. J. H. Shepard delivering the presentation speech. Mrs. Moss said words could not express her appreciation. They all enjoyed the evening well.

Mr. M. N. Bell has the only colored tonorial shop on the fair grounds, and it is a paying. The following is a list of his experienced workmen: Ed. Good, of Grinnell, R. C. Night, of Columbus, O.; Wm. Perno, of Oskaloosa; W. R. Week, Geo. Clegg, Emanuel Stanton, of Des Moines.

Much's Speed Ring. The following is the speed list programme for racing at Muchaknock, Iowa, Tuesday, September 22, 1896. Class No. 1, 2:40 pace or trot, \$40.00. Class No. 2, Muchaknock race, \$15.00. Class No. 3, 2:25 trot or pace, \$100.00. Wednesday, September 23: Class No. 4, 2:40, 3 years or under, trotting, \$50.00. Class No. 5, 2:25 trot or pace, \$100.00. Class No. 6, 2:25 trot or pace, \$75.00. W. E. Gladwin, President; Jacob Wilson, Secretary.

STATE FAIR NOTES. Miss Eldora Green has 20 pieces of fine fancy work on exhibition in the floral hall.

Miss Stella Mason, of Knoxville, spent a day at the fair.

Mr. John Railey has some speed horses that entered the races this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bell proved to be good entertainers to the strangers and their many friends at their pavilion at the fair.

Fred Green of Newton was a fair visitor.

Mrs. Ella London of Muchaknock, was a state fair visitor.

Esie Martia of Gardon Grove visited the state fair.

Miss Phie Lankford was one of N. D. Valentine's assistants at the fair grounds.

Mr. T. H. Smith, a successful broom maker of Bonadant, and wife are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Susan White, on Walker street. The cyclone storm just missed them a short distance.

Mrs. Hughes was employed by the Drake University stand as cook on the fair grounds.

MUCHAKINOCK DIRECTORY Muchaknock Branch Office—E. A. Meets Monday night.

LODGE DIRECTORY. G. U. O. F. No. 229: Geo. W. Walker, W. G. C. R. Foster, P. S. James Mallory, E. S. Meets Monday night.

Masonic Lodge Cedar Grove, No. 18: W. M. Pannel, W. M.; C. R. Brookings, secretary; Meets Wednesday night.

K. P. Lodge, Coal Valley, No. 3, E. A. Lon, G. P. Conner, commander; Benjamin Clark, secretary; R. K. R. S. Meets every Thursday night.

Virginia Queen Court—Mrs. John Green, M. A. M.; Alice McDowell, secretary. Meets every Thursday night.

Household of Ruth: Mrs. Liza Wood, treasurer; Jacob Wilson, sec. Meets Friday night.

Daughters of the Tabernacle: Mrs. Alice McDowell, president; Miss Susie London, secretary. Meets Thursday afternoon.

CHURCH DIRECTORY Union Valley Baptist church: T. J. Griffin, pastor. Sunday school at 9 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; prayer meeting Sunday evening from 7:30 to 8:30; preaching at 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

A. M. E.: Rev. W. Williams, pastor; preaching at 10:30 a. m.; class meeting 10 o'clock; Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.; preaching at 3 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening.

One of our oldest residents James Foster have returned from Oregon.

Miss M. Jeanette Wood has departed

for her home in Des Moines.

The fourteenth anniversary of the Odd Fellows lodge was celebrated here the 29th ult. There were about 100 guests present.

Mrs. Fannie Graves has returned from an extended trip to Oregon.

The following are those that are on the sick list: Mrs. W. H. London, T. J. Cannady, and Wm. Shelton.

Oscar Williams got his hand badly cut with a knife while playing with W. W. Lee.

Miss Hattie and Mary Rhodes will make Des Moines their future home.

Miss Francis Brown of Ottumwa has arrived and is teaching her school. We wish her success.

Mrs. Liza Wood has gone to her home in Des Moines.

James James and sister Rosa attended the state fair in Des Moines.

T. J. Hunter was an Ottumwa visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Turner and daughter have gone to Burlington on a visit.

Mrs. Nelson Walker returned from Stanton, Va., where she has been visiting for two months.

Following were the visitors to Oskaloosa Sunday: Miss Mary Brown, Charles Clay, Joseph Tate, R. Anderson and Miss Lizzie Tate.

Miss Warhale of Lucas were in town Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Reeler of Mason City is the guest of Mrs. C. R. Foster.

John Cariberg, an old and respected Swede citizen had his back broke in the mines a few days ago.

W. H. London was in Oskaloosa on business Monday and Tuesday.

A shooting affray occurred this week. The trial is set for next week.

Mrs. Ella London was in Des Moines Tuesday.

Mrs. D. L. McMickin and sister, Nellie Wright have returned to Springfield, Ill. Miss Annie Wright has gone to Joliet, Ill.

B. F. Cooper our popular druggist and Wm. Lewis attended the state fair.

Revs. Williams and Griffith preached their farewell sermons Sunday.

Our Guests Entertained. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morton of 1177 West street, entertained last evening in honor of the state fair visitors. Their beautiful home was decorated with geraniums, smilax, and roses. Dainty refreshments were served and covers were laid for over forty guests. The visitors from abroad were Misses Good of Leon, Green of Newton, Robinson and Terry of Boone, Hannan of Cedar Rapids, Mesdames Carter, Fowler, King, and Woods, of Ottumwa, Morgan of Boone, Davis of Albia; Messrs. Early of Boone, Hall of Omaha, Harris, St. Louis, Jones, of Albia.

OTTUMWA NOTES. Regular correspondence to the Bystander.

G. T. Hunter of Omaha visited in the city a few days this week.

Miss M. Horne returned home Saturday after visiting friends in Oskaloosa.

Mrs. Davis and daughter the guest of Mrs. Walter Davis.

Rev. P. P. Taylor and E. Meadows left Wednesday for Moline, Ill., to attend the conference.

Miss Ida Hamilton returned Sunday evening from Des Moines, after visiting relatives and friends for two weeks.

Charles Harris left Tuesday for Burlington and Chicago, where he will visit.

Mrs. Carter, Mrs. King and Fowler left Saturday morning for Des Moines to attend the fair.

Mrs. Daisy Johnson and Mrs. J. Harris left Sunday morning for Hedrick, where they were called to the bedside of their sister, Mrs. E. Crump, who is very ill.

Mrs. Fields and daughter, Mattie left Friday for Moberly, Mo., to visit relatives and friends.

At the beautiful home of the Misses Owens were assembled last Thursday the elite of Ottumwa society, invited by the King's Daughters. The occasion was in honor Miss Francis Brown, who left the city Saturday morning for Muchaknock, where she will teach school during the ensuing year. We wish her success in her new field of labor.

Mrs. Emma D. Gardner is again in our city after a pleasant visit in Burlington, and Keokuk, Iowa, and points in Illinois. She is the guest of the Misses Owens.

A Word Personal. Editor State Bystander.—We dedicated the United Brethren South Side church last Sunday, corner of Sixth and Garfield. Dr. George Miller, P. E., presided. Rev. L. H. Bufkin, of the West Church, spoke as also Rev. E. W. Curtis, of the East Side Church. Rev. W. Swender, the pastor, and Rev. Sister MacCoy. But the eloquent speech was made by Rev. Dr. Carpenter, pastor of the Clifton Heights Presbyterian Church. His speech was disinterested and he said he had no jealousy of a church of another denomination, but welcomed anybody who preached the gospel of Christ. A READER.

Song Service. The regular monthly song service at the A. M. E. church was held last Sunday evening. The attendance was large. The unique feature was the Sunday school children's part of the program, Miss Bessie Stewart as organist. The choir opened with an anthem. Mrs. J. H. Shepard then sang a beautiful solo; J. E. Moseley rendered an organ voluntary; and Mrs. Frank Blagburn sang a solo. The choir then rendered an anthem; Dr. E. F. Johnson sang a solo, and other selections were sung, after which the choir rendered the offertory selection, which was very inspiring. Much credit is due Mrs. Conson and those who assisted her for the able and appreciative manner in which the service was conducted.

Notice. To the friends of Mrs. F. Brown.—I believe that my wife was true to me. We separated only for the best, as we thought. F. BROWN.

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Notice to Redeem from Tax Sale. To B. P. White: You are hereby notified that the real estate hereinafter described, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold at tax sale on the fifth day of December 1893, by the treasurer of said county, for the taxes thereon for the year 1892, to-wit:

The undivided sixty-sixty-first (60-61) part of lot forty-three (43), Ira P. Wetmore's addition, an addition to and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa.

That the above described property was purchased at said sale by P. Collins, and that I am the lawful holder of the certificate of purchase thereof.

That the right of redemption from said tax sale will expire and a treasurer's deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from tax sale is made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice.

GEO. G. WRIGHT, JR.

ALBIA NOTES. Regular correspondence to the Bystander.

Miss Lizzie Tate and Ola Warthall passed through the city enroute to Oskaloosa Thursday.

Messrs. H. Bonnan, C. G. Tolson, Ollie Marshall, and Monroe Davis visited over Sunday at their homes.

Miss Maggie Marshall and Jennetta Marshall entertained a number of friends at her home Friday evening. Those present were: Misses Henrietta Jones, Anna and May Hollenworth, Hallie Bird, Eliza Brown, and Messrs. Burt Jones, John Thomas, Will Hollenworth, Charlie Davis, John Brown, and Will Johnson.

Mrs. Carrie Thomas Griffith is sick at her home on east Washington street.

The public schools opened Monday morning, eleven Afro-Americans going to Grant, twenty to the old school and six in the high school room, two boys and four girls.

G. A. Davis and little Bessie visited in capital city this week.

Lon Franklin, and John Wright visited the state fair this week.

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30 pieces brown crash, 4c, 5c, 6c, and 7c.

30 pieces big white bedspreads, 50c, value 75c.

50 dozen ladies' and children's fast black hose, 9c, 12 1/2c, and 15c.

20 pieces white goods for baby dresses, 10c per yard.

4 pieces white flannel, 20c and 25c per yard.

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Notice of Administrator.

In the district court of the state of Iowa, in and for Polk county, September term, 1896. Estate of George Peterson, deceased.

To Jennie Peterson, and to Christina Carlson, C. Peterson, P. E. Peterson, Gustaf Tilton, George G. Peterson, Anton Peterson, J. G. Peterson, P. N. Peterson, and John G. Peterson.

You and each of you are hereby notified that there is now on file in the office of the clerk of the district court of Polk county, Iowa, the application of L. S. Heggen, as administrator for the estate of George Peterson, deceased, for authority to sell real estate, alleging that the personal assets are insufficient to pay the debts of the estate, and that the said George Peterson died, seized of the north half of the northeast quarter (n. 1/2, n. e. 1/4) and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter (s. e. 1/4 of n. e. 1/4) of section three (3), township eight-one (81) range twenty-four (24) of Polk county, Iowa. And that you are the widow and sole surviving heirs of said defendants, and asking that the said administrator be authorized and empowered to said real estate at public or private sale, either for cash or for part cash and part time, subject to the approval of the