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IOWA'S LEADING COLORED PAPER.

CITY NEWS

Hear the Tennessee Jubilee Singers Saturday night at First M. E. church.

The Rev. Henry McCraven will preach at the white revival meeting on the East Side at 7:30 Sunday evening.

Last Sunday Bro. McCraven preached at Carbondale. He had a very good audience, and enjoyed a walk of about five miles in the snow storm.

Miss Joe Richardson, of Clive, Iowa, is spending this week in the city, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. C. W. Henry is on the sick list for the past few days.

Go and see Mr. W. L. White's special shoe sale before you purchase your shoes.

Again we are in receipt of several letters for publication without any name signed. We will not print anonymous letters, remember.

The East Side Baptists will hold aseries meetings next week, commencing Sunday. Rev. Goins, of Macon City, Mo., will preach. He is a young able student and deserves your presence.

W. L. White Shoe Co. will continue special sales next week, look for their display add in the Bystander next week.

Mr. Thomas Simpkins, of Omaha, Neb., was called to the bedside of his wife who is dangerously ill, at the home of her mother. The many friends of the family are hopeful of her recovery.

Snowden & Miller's Original Tennessee Jubilee Singers will sing Saturday night at First M. E. church, cor. Ninth and Pleasant streets. Everybody should hear them.

Rev. T. Reeves, pastor of the A. M. E. church, made the prayer at the opening of the Senate last Monday morning. He was the recipient of a great many compliments from the members of the Senate on the eloquent prayer he made.

Preston B. Durely, for the past ten years he treasurer and business manager of the Daily News, died at his residence, 705 Eighteenth street, at 5:50 o'clock Wednesday morning. Necrosis of the blood was the cause of his demise, his illness having lasted but one week.

The McKinley Inauguration will draw an immense crowd from all parts of the United States. His carriages was made and bought in Chicago; everything is made of American material and by American laborers.

Miss Agnes Roy entertained the Fin' De Siècle Club, at her home on Pleasant street, this evening. Following are the names of the members of the club. The Misses Hickin, Roy, McCravens, Lankford, Bell, Davis and Stewart. All the members of the Club will be attired in masquerade costumes. Those young men who have received an invitation should prize it very much because the girls say they are going to have a "swell" time.

J. M. Heath who has been employed by Mr. J. D. W. Hall as coal deliverer for several years, and one of our oldest coal deliverers in town; he is a punctual and trustworthy and has made many friends in our city, yet there are a few of his enemies trying to down him in the estimation of the people, thereby causing him to lose his job. He has worked with Mr. Hall for three years, and they speak of him.

The Kings Daughters' will give a Birthday Literary entertainment on next Thursday evening, March 4th. The following program will be rendered. Open address, Reeves; solo, Mrs. Frank Biagburn; information, Miss Hattie Mash; duets, Mrs. Coalsen and Birney; solo, Mrs. P. Raff Johnson. Special invitation to all.

We have made arrangements whereby we can give our readers THE CHICAGO WEEKLY INTER-OCEAN and IOWA STATE BYSTANDER for one year at only \$1.50. Now is your time to get one of the best Weekly Newspapers in the United States. This special club rates only lasts a short time, so send in your orders at once.

W. L. White Shoe Co. has one of the largest and best line of shoes in the city.

Mrs. H. H. Hooker has been quite sick with rheumatism.

Mrs. Wm Coleson was sick last week unable to be at church last Sunday.

Quite a snow storm fell last Sunday.

Mr. H. H. Lewis had quite a lapse of sickness last week with lagrippe. He is improving at this writing.

Have you ever tried Eureka coal? If not, call at 316 W. Seventh street, or 411 East Sixth street. Phone No. 170.

Mrs. C. W. Henry will leave this week for Washington, D. C., to attend the presidential inauguration. She will meet her sister from Michigan there.

Mr. Chester Bass of Clive, Ia., left last week for a visit among his old friends and relatives in Fayette county, Iowa, having lived there some years ago. There are quite a number of farmers up there and they are doing well.

The entertainment given by the North Star lodge last Monday eve was tolerably well attended. The present offered to the nicest appearing married lady on the floor, was awarded to Mrs. Clara Conley of Webster City, which was a beautiful Curtley's orchestra furnished the music. Supper was served in its usual manner, a good time reported.

Messrs. B. & D. Hassenbusch have just opened a mammoth new furniture store on West Ninth and Walnut streets. They are from Kansas City, Mo. They have a magnificent line of goods to select from. We advise our readers to give them a call before making your spring purchases. They are nice gentlemen to meet. See their ad.

Remember that the Champegn & Son Steam Laundry do first-class work on short notice and guarantee satisfaction. Give us a call, 816 W. Grand ave. if

Pearson's Studio wish to call your attention to their excellent photographs, taking six out of eight first premiums at the Iowa State Fair in 1896. Your continued patronage is kindly solicited. Studio corner of Sixth and Locust.

WELL ENTERTAINED.

Below is what the St. Louis Globe Democrat had to say of our fellow-townsman, Geo. I. Holt, as a tenor singer:

Mr. George I. Holt, the tenor, of Drake University, of Des Moines, Iowa, made his first appearance in St. Louis last night at Entertainment in Exposition hall, Exposition building, before an appreciative audience, supported by a number of St. Louis' most talented colored musical artists.

Mr. Holt called forth a well-deserved encore from his audience by his artistic rendition of Mattel's supplication, "For the sake of the past," and sang for his encore "Queen of the Earth," in a very acceptable manner. He also rendered "Ever," by Sir Arthur Sullivan, and by "Normandy's Blue Hills," by Trolere.

Mr. Holt possesses a highly cultivated tenor voice, of much sweetness, and promises to become one of the greatest colored singers in the country. He was accompanied by Miss Pelagid Thomas, of Alton, Ill., a well known solo pianist. Richard D. Barrett, a young quartone of local fame, and Miss Naunie J. Varrs, of St. Louis' sweetest sopranos, divided the honors of the evening with the star.

Wedding Bells.

Cupid's working among our society. Mr. A. H. Jones was married last Saturday evening at the home of Rev. Reeves to Mrs. Georgia Morgan. Mr. Jones is one of our industrious young men, and owns a nice home on 1319 Park street, where he and his amiable wife will make their future home. It was a very quiet affair, only a few near relatives and friends were present. They are pleasantly located in their neat cottage where friends are invited.

Mr. Chas. Cousins and Miss Annie Dery was united in marriage this week. They are both industrious young people and well known here. Mr. Cousins is in the employ of Mr. Norman Lighty's drug store. Success to them on their happy sea of life.

We advertise in the Bystander because we want your trade in Laundry work. We do all kinds of work and deliver to any part of the city. Telephone to Champegn & Son, No. 171.

The Mayorality contest in Chicago is very hot; the populist and democrats have joined together and nominated Carter H. Harrison. The republican caucus has not been held yet. It will be an interesting campaign.

It will be remembered that the relieving of Senator Daniel W. Voorhees, of Indiana, will recall the fact that he is almost the only living lawyer with prominence that was connected with the trial of the raiders of John Brown.

The charge of Senator Allen of Nebraska, and the Ex-Governor of Illinois, that the last Presidential election was carried by fraud, is of no importance from a political point of view. It will not make a vote for the democratic party. They may repeat the charge, and pretend to believe it, but the hypocrisy of it all is too apparent to be dangerous.

Just five more days and Mr. Cleveland will step down and out.

Mr. J. T. Coleman, who was the founder and editor of the Columbus Chronicle, of Columbus, Ga., has retired from the editorial staff. He is succeeded by Tom. W. Bryan, recently of the La-Grange Trumpet. We wish him success.

PRIDE OF A NATION.

Washington's Birthday Honored.

On last Monday, the American people cease their labor and meet in different cities to honor the birthday of George Washington. In Chicago, Indianapolis, Boston, New York, San Francisco, Denver and several large cities, they had special noted orators. This day like some of our other days should be celebrated, because in the study of the life hardships and character of Washington you learn the true lesson of patriotism and what it takes to be a patriot. It is in this formative period of our country that test a man. After the formative period came the developing period to the war period then the educational and inventive period, and last, a period of refinement and prosperity. Children read the life of Washington, read our constitution, read the Declaration of Independence, studied our laws, our institutions, love, obey, protect and defend our laws, which are the corner stone of our civil liberties.

HANNA TO SUCCEED HON. JOHN SHERMAN.

Hon. Mark A. Hanna will be named by Gov. Bushnell, of Ohio, to succeed John Sherman who will be McKinley's Secretary of State. No better man could be found in Ohio to succeed John Sherman; his great ability as a republican worker and manager. His sound doctrine will make him a valuable addition to the senate. Ohio has again honored herself.

Iowa should not forget the good work done for the Republican party by the Hon. A. B. Cammings, and he should be the next U. S. Senator from Iowa. We depended upon his keen judgment to lead us to the greatest victory the party has had for years.

Van Ginkel Coal Co. Best brightest burning in the city. 101 Court avenue. Phone 421.

FAREWELL GROVER.

Before the next issue of the Bystander President Grover Cleveland will lay down the honored mantle as chief executive of this republic. As this mantle has only honored twenty-one different men since the birth of our nation Grover's administration will live long in the memory of the people and in history. First, because it will be known as an era of financial distress and industrial stagnation. Second, because he failed to operate the government so as to get revenue enough to run the current expenses of our republic. Third, because of the inability of his assistants and fellow-workers to manage the government properly. In many respects Mr. Cleveland rose above party affiliations and showed true manhood and patriotism for his country. Peace be with you, and may you ever be willing to give the assistance if our country should need you again.

ROCK ISLAND NEWS.

The cake walk which took place last Thursday evening was a grand success. The hall was crowded to suffocation, and over two hundred having tickets were turned away for want of room. There were eight hundred present and all were highly pleased with the entertainment. The first prizes was awarded to Miss Sadie Pearson of Rock Island and James Reynolds, of Davenport. The prizes were a handsomely decorated fruit cake and a silver bon bon basket to the lady and a hat and cane to the gentleman. The second prizes were awarded to Mrs. Emma Merchant, of Davenport, and Oscar Jones of Omaha. They were a handsome dress pattern to the lady and a bottle of champagne to the gentleman. Various other prizes were given the most graceful waiters, two steppers, etc. The managers have been requested to repeat the cake walk to accommodate those who could not get in. It will be repeated March 14th at the Opera House.

The revival which has been going on at the Wyman Mission closed Friday night. I am sorry to say there were no additions to the church.

There were a number of visitors in our city last week to attend the cake walk.

A severe thunder storm passed over our city Saturday morning, and at this writing it is very cold. The McKinley club will have an inaugural luncheon on March 4th at the skating rink. An appropriate program will be rendered.

The grip has taken hold of a number of our folks here and refuses to let them loose.

Rev. Washington expects to begin on the foundation for the McKinley chapel next month.

Mrs. Eliza Edmunds and little daughters are visiting relatives in Muscatine, Iowa.

The excitement of the coming spring election has begun in earnest and from present indications there will be a strong fight.

There were no services at the Second Baptist church Sunday evening on account of the storm that was raging.

OTTUMWA ITEMS.

The dance that was given at the Armory Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 16th, by Messrs. Walter Owens and John Hopkins, was quite a success. There were about fifty couples present.

Mrs. Emma Fields returned to Chicago Saturday after having an extensive visit with her parents and friends.

Mrs. Florence Page was elected as delegate Sunday afternoon for the Sunday School Convention to be held at Cedar Rapids.

WANTED—To sell or trade for Iowa property, good lot and house of 5 rooms, 1 1/2 story, situated in Albany, Mo., county, seat of Gentry county, a town of 2500 people, 2 colleges, electric light, etc. For information, address THE BYSTANDER, or WATSON, Mo.

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OSKALOOSA BRIEFLETS.

Rev. Wm Williams, of Muchakinoek, called Saturday on Rev. W. A. Bruce.

Mr. Dr. Lowther has been quite ill, but has recovered sufficiently so as to attend to business.

Go. E. Taylor attended the Grand Reception at Ottumwa last Tuesday. He reports a royal good time.

Mr. Wm. Burgs was an Oskaloosa visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Jamison departed Saturday morning to join her husband, Joe, for a short visit in Brooklyn, Iowa.

Rev. W. A. Bruce and wife departed Tuesday for Albia, where they will assist in the revival meetings.

Dr. Chase lectured in Washington last Saturday. He will soon be in our town to tell his experience of thirteen years in Africa. It is said that he is unequalled.

The executive board of the Christian Endeavor Union met at the Y. M. C. A. on Monday evening, and the following arrangements were made: There will be a social gathering at the Y. M. C. A. on March 10th. The President, Mrs. Jennie Jones, is not able to be but they are doing a good work.

Visitors present at the Solicitor's ball, were Miss Eldora Green and sister, Geneva, of Newton; Miss Hattie Rhodes of Muchakinoek; Mr. Frank Moore and sister Hattie, of Washington; Mr. Ike Burr, of Ottumwa; Miss R. C. Ola Warthal of Colon, whom were present at the Grand Reception and ball.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

The Light House met on the 19th inst. at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin on 10th Avenue. Quite a number were present and the papers were read by the following Mrs. O. B. Claire, Greatness and Godness; Harry Martin, Moneyless Man; Thos. Davis, The Power of Education; Mrs. G. H. Wade, Antonio Maceo. Papers were also read by Henry Martin, O. B. Claire, Mrs. W. H. Milligan, Mrs. Laura Martin and G. H. Wade, after which the following officers were elected: President, W. H. Milligan; Vice, President, Mrs. Ida Claire; Sec. Mrs. G. H. Wade; Assistant Sec., Mrs. Ben. Hawkins, after which an elegant lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Chas. Gable. The society then adjourned to meet on the 26th, at the residence of G. H. Wade.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, of Iowa City are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John, of Oak Hill.

Gus Murphy has left the city for Sigourney, a barber and Thos. Lowry will be found at his old stand on Third Avenue.

The Ladies' Industrial will meet Friday the 26th, with Mrs. Geo. Tyler of First Avenue.

Don't fail to attend "Inauguration" supper at the A. M. E. church, March 4th, given by the Industrial circle.

MUCHAKINOCK NOTES.

Who were the young men, who a few days ago went to Oskaloosa and got caps and hats so very cheap? They got them so cheap until they were fined heavily by the Mayor. You must not try to get something for nothing!

The "Big 40" gave a banquet Wednesday night, that was second to none in our city. There were about forty present and the evening was spent in various amusements. The club was organized with Wm. Watkins, President; C. P. Jones, Secretary, and Ben. Green, Treas.

Rev. Thomas and wife, of Albia, and son, Britton, are visiting at this writing, at the home of Rev. T. L. Griffith.

Mrs. Alice Massey returned to Des Moines Thursday afternoon.

Several weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

Joe Ellerick, who for some time was manager of the Greenway Drug Store Co. here, (afterwards opening a drug store in Oskaloosa), has returned and opened a drug store in the Star Co.'s building. We learn that Edward Gansell will be found behind his counter.

Rev. M. E. Fannell got his foot mashed by a car in No. 8 mine, a few days ago.

The following is applicable to coal miners, mule-drivers, lawyers, doctors and preachers when you come among us and see us having a good time, don't denounce our people and their religion by saying that you were in a little hell and never expect to come back again, etc., because you are speaking with an unknown tongue, and you know what is said of him who speaks with an unknown tongue.

Don't fail to attend the entertainment given under management of Mrs. W. H. London for the benefit of the A. M. E. church, Feb. 22d. It will certainly be up to date.

Mr. Randolph Willis is in a precarious condition.

J. H. Lewis does not improve from his illness very fast.

Mrs. E. A. London has recovered from a severe attack of lagrippe.

Large amount of winter one at your service for free treatment, blank to-day, Warner's Safe Cure Co., Rochester, N. Y.

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329, 331, 333, East Fifth St.

DO NOT Overlook the Great Bargains we constantly offer. No where can you buy Goods for as little money as of us.

Clothing.

Men's Gray Square Cut Suits \$3.50
Young Men's Square Cut Suits \$3.00
Children's Knee Pants—Suits Trimmed in Broad and Sailor Color, only \$1.25.

Dress Goods Specials.

40 pieces half wool Broad beautiful effects—15c
5 pieces, 34-inch half wool Cashmere, at 15c
5 pieces all wool Serge, 33 inches wide, at 19c
7 pieces all wool, 40-inch wide Homotelia, at 39c
50 pieces Jamestown Novelty Dress Goods—just received—at special prices.

Ladies' Dress Skirts.

17.75 black broadcloth skirt, for \$1.25
\$3.00 black broadcloth skirt, during this sale for \$1.98
42.50 black broadcloth skirt, for \$2.48
\$15.00 black broadcloth skirt, for \$3.00

SHOES

Do not pay regular prices for Shoes when you can buy them of us during this sale at less than they cost to manufacture.

Infants' fine Dongola Patent Tip, silk work and button holes and sewing, sizes 3 to 6, for 39c
Child's Dongola, with Stock Tip or Patent Tip, also in the fine Kangaroo, with Stock Tip and Spring Heel—sizes 5 to 8. We know that 70c is cheap. During this sale—only 50c

Child's fine Dongola, Foxed Canton, red silk work button holes and sewing—hand turned and spring heel—sizes 6 to 8—\$1 value—only 65c
Child's heavy Dongola, with Stock or Patent Leather Tip, Spring Heel—sizes 6 to 11—\$1 value—only \$1.00

Misses' Dongola or Kangaroo Patent Leather, Spring Heel and Heel Flocking—sizes 13 to 2, a \$1.50 value for \$1.00
144 pairs only of Ladies' Dongola Patent Leather Tip, Button or Lace Shoes, all sizes—\$1.00
Hoy's Lace Shoes, a solid, standard screw or sewed—3 to 5—at \$1.00
Men's shoes in all styles and prices. We make a specialty in Men's Shoes at \$1.00
Same quality goods elsewhere, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.
Plenty of Ladies' and Misses' Rubber shoes, at 25c

C. M. Walker has been ill for some time with rheumatism.

The concert given by the Volunteer League under the management of W. H. London for the benefit of the A. M. E. church was a financial success. They had a crowded house and received many compliments from different people.

Mr. Fielding Jewell is much better. Wm. Jewett received the sad intelligence that his father was dead, a few days ago. He was a resident of Virginia.

ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. Josie Meadows of Ottumwa will make Albia her home from now on.

The A. M. E. S. has commenced their program for Easter Sunday.

Rev. Williams returned to his home at Muchy after assisting Rev. Harris in his revival meetings the first of the week.

Rev. Williams is a great revivalist, and was quite a help to the church and people. Rev. Bruce of Oskaloosa, came over Tuesday and stayed until Saturday evening. He is an able and deep speaker.

Rev. Harris should be commended on the manner in which he conducts the meetings.

Miss Maggie Jones made a flying trip to Oskaloosa one day this week sick list are Mrs. O. Marshall, Tolson Davis, Brummer and Jones.

Mrs. Ben. Grayson entertained a number of little folks at her home Friday evening in honor of her nieces, Carrie and Lulu Davis.

Mrs. Davis and her three children will leave Albia for Fort Dodge, Friday. They intend making this their future home.

KNOXVILLE ITEMS.

Died, Feb. 16th, of old age, Anderson Jeffers. Deceased was the first colored settler of Marion county, age 87 years. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Lawther and Griffin, and one son, T. Jeffers, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his death.

Mrs. Stella Mason returned home after an extended visit with relatives in Sharpsburg, Iowa.

Mr. W. E. Jeffers, of Galesburg, Ill., came Thursday to be present at his uncle's funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawther came over from Oskaloosa to be present at the funeral of her father.

Mrs. W. P. Bird is on the sick list, also Mrs. W. H. Mason.

Mrs. John Kay was over from Russell one day last week.

Mr. Curdemp Jeffers is on the sick list.

RACE CHOES.

The Iowa State School for the Deaf, Council Bluffs, has two colored pupils and both are bright and smart.

The United States has less than 2,500 colored soldiers now. Reduced by "Grover."

Miss F. A. Clemmons is writing a book entitled "Our Afro-American Women."

The Negro building at the Tennessee Centennial will cost \$12,000.

The Theological department of Livingston College, Salisbury, N. C., has been closed.

Lawyer W. B. Townsend has resigned the position of assistant city attorney of Leavenworth, Kansas.

By the will of the late Miss Ella Thurston, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Tuskegee Institute is bequeathed \$3,000.

Alabama supports two state normal and industrial schools besides the great agricultural and mechanical college for colored youths.

The Seattle Republican is responsible for this statement: Johnson, a Georgia man has been married 21. He is 71 years of age and his wives are dead one after another.

The colored physicians of St. Louis have organized a physician's conference. At the first meeting were present Doctors Scoot, Perry, Mansfield, Field, Jones and Curtis. Not present, Perry, Puryear and Jackson.

Henry Turner, a wealthy colored farmer, living a short distance from Lebanon, Ill., is soon to have his income considerably increased by a royalty from a coal company, who are about to sink a shaft on 200 acres of his property.

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IS MODERN, IOWA

It is always easy to find reasons why nobody else should be liberal.

If you cannot lend money you can least lend a helping hand to the suffering poor.

It is often hard to convince a just man that it is right to do something for his desires.

There are plenty of Nihilists in Russia who would be glad to lance the world's boil for him.

Some people seem to act on the supposition that things which are foolishly necessary good.

We become partners with thieves when we make it impossible for men to earn an honest living.

Remember that recounting the weaknesses of other people does not make you any stronger.

If we were really aware of what ailed us, most of the people on earth would be better and get along faster.

There are few men on earth who do not nurse a secret belief that they were intended for greater things than they possess.

There are people who would be better pleased with a tin can full of stones than with a purse of gold, because the former would make the louder noise.

A woman and a red table cloth were the saving instruments that prevented the wreck of the Chicago and West Michigan fast train from Chicago near Grand Rapids last Saturday night.

A horse became tangled in a cattle-guard when the train was nearly due. Taking the red cloth from the table the woman ran through the storm to stop the train. She succeeded, and when the horse was extricated the train proceeded.

The constitution of the United States has been most cordially praised by Mr. Gladstone and by Lord Salisbury, and now another well-known Englishman, Mr. Lecky, pays tribute to it in his new book, "Democracy and Liberty."

Mr. Lecky admits that in certain respects our government is superior to that of Great Britain, and he attributes the progress of the United States to the conservative and steady influence which our constitution exercises.

As well as individuals have progressive movements adopted the benefit would not be theirs only. One of the most important cutting a canal through the Isthmus of Suez, the Egyptian canal, and the canal through the Isthmus of Panama.

De Lesseps, utilizing the same plan, won fame and fortune, and national selfishness as yet offers no obstacle to its use by the commerce of the world.

Hiram C. Wheeler, the Iowa farm king, has sold his farm of more than 4,000 acres in Sac county and will move at once to Texas. He has purchased more than 7,000 acres of land fifty miles northeast of Galveston and proposes to establish the largest dairy farm in the world.

To this end he has ordered two milking machines, capable of milking 200 cows each, at one time, similar to the one successfully used upon his Iowa farm for more than a year, and proposes to deliver milk to Galveston people as promptly as if the dairy was located only one mile from the city.

The name of Lawrence R. Wehr belongs with that of John Maynard and Giles, the engineer. On Christmas day a trolley car carrying thirty passengers was running from Bethlehem to Allentown, Pa. At the base of a hill where the electric road crosses the tracks of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, Wehr, the motorman, stopped his car. The conductor ran ahead, looked up and down the track, and shouted, "All right!"

The motorman started the car. At the same moment a train which had been hidden by a curve, shot into view. Wehr saw his danger in time to jump, but he thought of the passengers and kept his post. He stopped the car with its front platform on the railroad track, and the train six feet away.

Not a passenger was killed, but Wehr's mangled body was found on the pilot of the engine. The country which is honored by such a deed ought to be proud to support the widow and eight children of this man who was "faithful unto death." But they were left penniless and are now in sad circumstances. The soulless corporation will give nothing. No millionaires' checks have come to brighten the saddened home. Perhaps the people with little mites will take the matter in hand.

James Corner, a telegraph operator in Montreal, claims to have discovered with his naked eye, a new star which appears about every evening at 5 and disappears about two hours later. If James didn't see the star till about 11 p. m. the mystery would be easily solved.

The barbers of New York city have asked the state legislature to pass a bill changing the name "barber" to "tonsor." This change may satisfy the barbers, but how will the "tonsonal artists" regard it.

Nevada's secondary interest in opening its doors to pugilism has been of a financial character. It has fixed a stiff tax on the industry, and it will get in addition a large income of dollars from thousands who will flock to the state when fights are held. Thus still the root of all evil.

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THE NEWS IN IOWA

THE OWL LAKE CASE.

Judge Thomas Confirms the Title in an Important Land Case.

HUMBOLDT, Feb. 22.—Judge Thomas has decided the famous Owl Lake case in favor of George R. Pearson, who drained the lake and received title from the county. Attorney General Remley intervened in a private suit to assert the claim of the state to the land or the lake as it was. The court holds that inasmuch as the state applied to the secretary of the interior, submitted proofs and had the land patented to the state as a swamp, it cannot now deny that it was swamp and claim it in its sovereign capacity, as it seeks to do. The land was patented to the state and by it to the county, which made a contract with Pearson, by which he drained it and received several thousand acres of land in payment. The object of the state's intervention is to protect the lakes of the state for the use of the people. Judge Thomas intimates in his opinion that there may be an appeal from the decision of the secretary of the interior in the federal courts. Attorney General Remley says he will appeal to the state and United States supreme courts.

SUIT AGAINST THE MILWAUKEE COUNCIL Bluffs Firm Sues the Company for \$150,000 Damages.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Feb. 25.—Fiscal notice has been filed in the federal court in the case of Deere, Wells & Co. against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway company. The railroad company is one of the defendants in a damage suit brought by Deere, Wells & Co. for destruction of their warehouses by fire two years ago. The implement company alleges that the fire was started through the carelessness of some of the employees of the railway company while burning a lot of waste paper on their premises on the opposite side of the street. It was a very windy evening, and it is contended that the railway employees permitted the wind to carry blazing paper across the street, lodge beneath the platform of the plaintiff's building and start a fire that destroyed nearly \$150,000 worth of property. The suit against the company includes nearly all of the losses paid by the insurance companies. The case will be tried at the March term of court.

TOO MUCH FREE MILEAGE. Proposal to Make It a Crime for an Officer to Accept Such a Favor.

DES MOINES, Feb. 24.—It is quietly given out that one of the most sensational features of the legislative session can be looked for soon. It is the introduction of an amendment to the penal statutes, by which it will be made a crime for any state officer, supreme or district judge, member of the legislature, or attaché of the legislature to ask, solicit, or receive any railway mileage, pass, ticket or other free transportation; or any telegraph or express franks or other favors at the hands of corporations of public character. This law, on both sides of the pit a good deal of sentiment has been worked up in favor of it, in a quiet way, and members of both houses have agreed to support it.

Iowa Butter Leads the World. WEBSTER CITY, Feb. 21.—Hamilton county has been the cause of Iowa leading the world in the production of butter-making at the recent session of the National Butter Makers' association, held at Ostrom, Minn.

The creamery which submitted the winning butter in competition with nearly every state in the union is located at Randall. The score given was 98 1/2. Congratulatory telegrams have been pouring in on H. H. Miller, the fortunate butter-maker, ever since the award was made.

Had a Narrow Escape. ELDORA, Feb. 20.—Mr. Frank S. Hill, the West Marion street liveryman, had a narrow escape from death. It was a short time after school and the streets were full of children, when George Miller's dray team took fright and ran down the street without a driver. Frank saw them coming and threw himself in front of them, but was knocked down and run over by the team and dray. He was frightfully bruised, but no bones were broken, and he is not seriously injured.

Damages Cases Compromised. LE MAR, Feb. 24.—Two cases of \$10,000 each against the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad company were settled and dismissed in the district court of Plymouth county. The railroad company paid \$1,000 in each case to compromise. The cases were brought by the estates of Ernest and Clara Hildebrande, man and wife, who were killed at Le Mars on the night of May 30, 1896. Hildebrande and his wife were hotel employees. They bought tickets to Sioux City and got on board the midnight freight. The train was thrown from the track and both were killed.

Banker Pleads Guilty. NEWTON, Feb. 25.—J. H. Jordan, who was cashier of the Jordan bank of Baxter, which made an assignment last spring, and who was indicted on three charges, two of fraudulent banking and one of obtaining money under false pretenses, changed his plea of not guilty to guilty of fraudulent banking before Judge A. B. Dewey. Jordan was sentenced to six months in jail.

Held to the Grand Jury. FT. MADISON, Feb. 23.—James Scott, who fired four loads of shot into the person of Frank Milmeier, had a preliminary examination and was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$1,000. Milmeier is still in a dangerous condition.

Can't Publish Code. DES MOINES, Feb. 23.—Investigation discloses the fact that after the code work is completed the state cannot publish the work, and that Emlin McClain will probably reap the profit.

Judge Cole Gets a Horse. DES MOINES, Feb. 25.—Judge Cole has been found guilty upon a court of cruelty to animals. His horse took a fall from a fence and was killed.

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A NEW USE FOR CORN.

Can Be Converted Into Soap at Very Small Expense.

DES MOINES, Feb. 24.—The Crystal White Soap company of Des Moines, which is owned by the Mason brothers, has just completed a series of experiments in soap manufacture that bid fair to revolutionize the vegetable soap business of the country and to furnish a market for the surplus corn grown in the middle west. In short they have discovered a process of making soap from corn. The soap maker employed by the company has been experimenting for some time, but not until within the past few days has he undertaken to turn out any of his finished product. He is not satisfied as yet with results, but has gone far enough so he is certain the new process will be a success and that corn oil will take the place of cotton seed oil of cocconut and other vegetable oils in the making of soap. The first turned out is a success so far as tests go and the tests have been about as severe as could be applied.

Des Moines Newspaper Man Dead. DES MOINES, Feb. 24.—Preston Bradley Durlay, for over ten years business manager of the Daily News, died at his residence in Des Moines of necrosis of the blood, in the 58th year of his age, his last illness dating from one week ago.

IOWA CONDENSED. Gov. Drake has appointed a commission to take charge of the work of soliciting relief for the starving and plague stricken poor of Iowa.

The ways and means committee of the legislature have agreed on 33-1-3 per cent as the basis of assessment of property under the new revenue law.

Lewis Kellehan, the Sherburne, Minn., murderer and robber, whose home is in Rock Rapids, is now on trial at Fairmount.

At Shenandoah recently Will Fountain, Arthur Magee and Ed Brown, three young men living near the Wash depot, got on a drunken spree and proceeded to make things lively. They are in jail for cutting and severely injuring A. B. Stoddard, a barber. Stoddard was slashed back of the ear with a knife, the wound extending down and across the neck.

In the district court at Cedar Rapids recently Henry Schultz, the young highwayman who attempted to hold up the agent of the Milwaukee road at Fairfax, last December, together with Frank Wolf, who was killed by the agent, was sentenced to ten years in the Anamosa penitentiary. Frank Waterbury, for grand larceny, was given two years in the penitentiary.

Judge Birdsall, of Wright county, has decided in favor of the plaintiff in the famous ditch case. This will save farmers many hundreds of dollars. The supervisors ordered the ditch dug and assessed the cost of same to persons whose land abutted the drain. The ditch was some five miles long and cost several thousand dollars. Judge Birdsall held the board exceeded its jurisdiction.

A Iowa City recently Henry Black, the convicted diamond robber, was sentenced to 3 years at hard labor in the penitentiary at Anamosa. During the trial Black used every means to prevent his picture being taken, and whenever he left the court room he would tie a handkerchief over the lower part of his face. The officers are of the opinion that he is an old timer and wanted elsewhere.

Webster City dispatch: Talk of a Chicago Great Western branch, with Hampton at one end of the line and Sioux City at the other, with Webster City as a division station, is the all-absorbing topic. B. D. Hound and V. O. Ford of the Des Moines and Northwestern Land Company have plans, surveys, etc., showing the proposed route. They claim the Chicago Great Western railway has promised to build the road if a right of way can be secured, and they are contracting with farmers for land.

James Scott, who has more than once figured in the police courts, is confined in jail at Ft. Madison charged with the attempted murder of Frank Milmeier, a farmer living near town. Milmeier and Scott were not on good terms. They met and words passed. Scott went home, got his shotgun and started out in search of Milmeier. He ran across him near Atlee's lumber yard walking home, and fired four loads of bird shot into his body at about thirty yards. Milmeier is in a serious condition and blood poisoning is feared.

During the absence of the cashier of a Grinnell bank a few days ago, an ordinary farmer looking man presented a check for an amount between \$300 and \$400 bearing the signature of J. Newcomer, a well-to-do farmer near Grinnell. The check was written on one of the ordinary printed checks and made payable to J. Paul, or bearer. Mr. Paul, in whose favor the check was drawn, is a near neighbor of Mr. Newcomer, and the signature has a very close resemblance to that of Mr. Newcomer. The check was paid without any hesitation. Later it was discovered that the check was a forgery. The swindler has disappeared.

Hamburg dispatch: Fierce flames which raged here threatened the entire business portion of town. The flames were finally gotten under control, but not until damage exceeding \$75,000 had been done. The entire Goldberg block, consisting of a big department store, three big rooms on one floor, with the Julian hotel to the rear, and upstairs and everything in the hotel went up in smoke. The guests got out safely with everything that belonged to them, except Charles Goulding, who was in Shenandoah and who lost about \$500 worth of clothes and valuables. Goldberg's department store and the Julian hotel are fully insured. Mrs. Goldberg's millinery store and contents, worth about \$3,000, was burned. No insurance. The fire started in the basement of the Goldberg department store. It is believed to have been caused by a gas stove.

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ALL OVER THE WORLD

WAR IN CRETE.

BERLIN, Feb. 19.—It is learned the proposal of Germany to blockade Piraeus, the port of Athens, has been rejected by Great Britain. There is little prospect of its being adopted. This, with other information, tends to strengthen the belief that the great powers are not seriously opposing Greece.

ATHENS, Feb. 20.—The Greek steamer Pan Hellenic, conveying munitions of war to the insurgents in Crete, has been stopped and turned back by a British cruiser. The action of the British vessel has created the fiercest indignation here.

CANEA, Feb. 20.—The Austrian vice-consul at Heraklion confirms the report of the massacre of 2,000 Moslems by the Cretan Christians at Sitia, on the eastern extremity of the island.

SALONICA, Turkey, Feb. 20.—The authorities have been ordered to arm and dispatch the reserve of the Third army corps to the Greek frontier.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—General Lee referred the Ruiz case to Secretary Olney, with his suggestions, and what he had learned. It is reported that Secretary Olney told him that he was right, and to go ahead. This he did with a persistence that won him the day. Spanish officials allowed the body to be taken up, and remains were taken to Guanabacoa, and it was understood the post-mortem was performed in the office of Major Frondeveilla, Weyler's "assistant butcher," as he is called by the Cubans. General Lee and several others connected with the consulate were present, and a dozen Spanish officers. An American physician was in attendance, but he was not permitted to do any of the work. The post-mortem did not show or prove any murder, but it did not prove that Dr. Ruiz committed suicide; in fact, all the suppositions were against it. But the Spanish officers hurried it through and thought that Lee would be satisfied. It is stated that the conversation between Lee and the Spanish officers was not at all times up to the "polite" limit, as General Lee was greatly vexed over their indifference. He told them what he thought of the matter, and they parted not on the best of terms. When he arrived at Havana it is said that Gen. Lee wired Secretary Olney that there are many Americans in Cuban prisons who cannot secure a fair trial and that the United States should act promptly in demanding their release. It is said that he politely informed the secretary that unless his ideas could receive endorsement he would resign.

American Prisoners in Cuba. WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Representative Gibson of Tennessee introduced a joint resolution directing the president to demand of the Spanish authorities in Cuba the immediate restoration of liberty of every American citizen, native born or naturalized, now imprisoned by them in the island of Cuba, and that in support of this demand a sufficient number of United States ships of war to make that demand good.

Death of Ropewalker Blondin. LONDON, Feb. 24.—Jean Francois De Gravelot, renowned as Blondin, the ropewalker, is dead. He was born in 1824 and began ropewalking when only 4 years old. In 1859 Blondin crossed Niagara Falls in the presence of 50,000 people, it being the first time the feat had been attempted.

Ex-President Harrison a Papa. INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 23.—Ex-President Harrison is the proud father of a baby girl, which weighs eight and three-quarters pounds. Mrs. Harrison was formerly Mrs. Blinnick, and her marriage to Gen. Harrison took place in New York on the 6th of April, 1895.

Hanna Will Be Senator. COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 23.—Governor Bushnell has issued a statement that upon the retirement of Senator Sherman to enter McKinley's cabinet he will appoint Marcus A. Hanna to succeed him, until his successor is chosen by the legislature.

Corruption at Duluth. DULUTH, Feb. 24.—The grand jury has returned twenty-five indictments against city and county officers, who are charged with misappropriating funds.

BREVITIES. Hon. J. A. Gary, of Baltimore, after a visit to Major McKinley a few days ago made the announcement that he had been tendered and had accepted a cabinet position, but said the portfolio had not yet been decided upon.

Governor Holcomb, of Nebraska, recently transmitted a special message to the legislature, in which he urges the appointment of a committee to investigate the state treasury. The governor recounts the fact that while over a month has elapsed since the change in state officers, a settlement has not yet been effected with ex-Treasurer Bartley, and he finds that the sum of \$337,000 due the state is as yet unaccounted for. The facts do not warrant the charge that the ex-treasurer is short this amount, nor does the governor so claim; but he insists that there has been unwarranted losses to the state through failures of banks which he declined to approve as depositories.

A Key West dispatch says: General Gomez has succeeded in sliding by General Weyler, and is now between him and Havana. General Gomez gave the command for an advance, with strict orders that any man that struck a match or smoked would be court-martialed. He then advanced on the Moron trocha in the eastern end of the island with 5,000 cavalry and 10,000 infantry. He advanced on the fort at midnight, and when he saw he was discovered by the Spanish, who fired on him, he ordered the cavalry to charge. They swooped down on the fort and captured it, and the whole army went through the trocha. All of the arms and ammunition of the fort were captured. The Spanish evacuated the march. His headquarters were at San Juan de los Rios. Send for Catalogues to Meehan & McCauley, Des Moines, Iowa.

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"WORN OUT."

A COMMON EXPRESSION USED BY AMERICAN WOMEN.

Many do not realize the full significance of these two words.

When a woman is nervous and irritable, head and back ache, feels tired all the time, loses sleep and appetite, has pains in groins, bearing-down sensation, whites and irregularities, she is not "worn out," but feels as if she were.



Such symptoms tell her that a womb trouble is imminent, and she cannot rest too promptly if she values her future comfort and happiness.

The experience and testimony of some of the most noted women of America, go to prove beyond a question that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will correct all such trouble at once by removing the cause and restoring the organs to a healthy and normal condition.

Here is a lady who says:—"Let me add my name to your list of testimonials. For years I suffered with such a weakness of the back I could not stand straight. I had terrible pains in my womb. The doctor said an operation must be performed, as there was no other way to be cured. I was afraid to have the operation performed, and kept trying the medicines that I saw advertised. At last I tried yours. After taking bottles I feel like a new woman. I recommend it to every woman, and cannot praise it enough, for it saved me from the surgeon's knife."—Mrs. MARE BUCH, Dolgville, N. Y.



The sawmill follows in the wake of the turpentine gatherer. The cones of certain species of pine are sometimes eaten as food.

A kin to afford 100 barrels of tar should burn about eight or nine days. The inner bark of the pine tree is in certain sections of the country made into rope.

The yellow pine is one of the most valuable woods of the country, and is used largely for shipbuilding and house timber.

The yellow pine tree often attains a height of seventy feet and upward, though rarely more than two feet in diameter.

An essential oil obtained by distillation of the leaves or needles has medicinal virtues attributed to it by some German practitioners.

Immense quantities of the "pitch pine" grown in the Southern states are exported to Great Britain and the West Indies. It is very durable and polishes well.

In Kamschatka the inner bark of the pine is macerated in water, then pounded and made into a kind of substitute for bread, without any admixture of flour.

We know there is no case of dyspepsia or constipation, or derangement of the stomach, liver, kidneys or bowels so bad that Dr. Kay's Renovator will not cure it. So WE GUARANTEE IT. Never has there been such unequalled success in treating all such cases with any other remedy. You should try it now. There is no better spring medicine. You will be more than pleased if you try it.

Send at once for free booklet with treatment of all diseases, recipes, testimonials, etc. Special booklet on female diseases free. Free of cost of Dr. Kay's Renovator, and \$1, and is sold by druggist or sent by mail on receipt of price. Address Dr. B. J. Kay, Medical Co., Omaha, Neb.

Russian railways have ladies' smoking carriages.

300 BUS. OATS, 173 BUS. BARLEY. M. M. Luther, East Troy, Pa., grew 209 bushels Salzer's Silver Mite Oats, and John Breider, Mishicot, Wis., 173 bushels Silver King Barley per acre. Don't you believe it? Write them!

Fodder plants as rape, teosinte, vetch, spurry, clovers, grasses, etc., in endless varieties, potatoes at \$1.50 a barrel. Salzer's seeds are bred to big yields. America's greatest seed catalogue and 12 farm seed samples are sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 10 cents stamp, worth \$10, to get a start.

The truly great are those who conquer themselves.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound, or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface.

We will give one Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, etc. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Make Ten Thousand Dollars by showing that you can cure a case of Catarrh of the Eye. F. J. CHENEY & CO., St. Louis, Mo.

The man who controls himself may hope to reform other men.

When billions of coffee, eat a Cascaret candy cathartic, cure guaranteed, 10c, 25c.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Washington, Feb. 13.—In executive session the senate voted to take up consideration of nominations in preference to the arbitration treaty. C. F. Amidon was confirmed as district judge of North Dakota.

HOUSE. The house, by a vote of 197 to 91, reversed the finding of a majority of the elections committee and decided the contested election case of Hopkins vs. Kendall, from the Tenth Kentucky district, in favor of the republican contestant.

SENATE. Washington, Feb. 19.—In executive session the senate voted down Nelson's motion to postpone further consideration of the arbitration treaty until March 5. Sherman made repeated efforts to secure a vote on the ratification, but was defeated.

HOUSE. House took up the general deficiency bill, but its consideration was not completed.

SENATE. Washington, Feb. 20.—A resolution by Cameron extending sympathy to the government of Greece in its intervention to free the people of Crete from the tyranny of foreign oppressors and to restore peace with blessing of Christian civilization to that distressed land" was adopted. An amendment making temporary provision for contract or denominational schools for Indian pupils, caused a long discussion, and a vote was not reached.

HOUSE. The house spent the day in discussing the general deficiency appropriation bill and it was not completed.

SENATE. Washington, Feb. 22.—Senate took up Indian appropriation bill. Clause directing temporary contracts with sectarian schools was agreed to. The bill is still under consideration.

HOUSE. The house passed the general deficiency appropriation bill and began consideration of the last of the money bills, that providing for the naval establishment.

SENATE. Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate made slow progress on the Indian appropriation bill, disposing of only one item. A resolution by Mills, of Texas, was adopted asking the president for information as to the death of Dr. Ruiz, at Guanabacoa, Cuba.

HOUSE. The naval appropriation bill was finished and sent to the senate. A bill to permit governors of territories to appoint certain officers without consent of congress, and to allow a debate on civil service, and Grosvener denounced the civil service law as a fraud. Republicans applauded liberally. The bill passed.

SENATE. Washington, Feb. 24.—Allen offered a resolution declaring it the sense of the senate that the president should act promptly to protect Americans in Cuba. A resolution by Hill calling on secretary of state for correspondence relative to American in Cuban prisons was adopted. Morgan, for the committee on foreign relations, presented a resolution demanding the immediate and unconditional release of Jules Sangulany, an American imprisoned in Cuba. Sherman said it was agreed to unanimously by the committee. Morgan gave notice that he would call it up tomorrow. Senate took up the Indian appropriation bill but consideration was not completed. Bill providing indemnity up to \$10 for loss of registered mail matter passed.

HOUSE. Most of the day was devoted to District of Columbia business. W. J. Bryan visited the house during the day and met with a hearty welcome by his old colleagues.

NEW FOREST RESERVATIONS. President Sets Aside Thirteen Tracts for the Benefit of the Public. WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—President Cleveland has issued thirteen executive proclamations, establishing thirteen additional forest reservations, containing an aggregate area of 21,379,840 acres. The proclamations except lands which may have been prior to their date, embraced in any legal order covered by any lawful filing duly of record in the proper United States land office, or upon which any valid settlement has been made pursuant to law. The reservations are located in South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Washington, California and Utah.

Wolcott Encouraged. LONDON, Feb. 21.—United States Senator Wolcott has returned to London after a visit to Paris and Berlin. In an interview prior to his departure for America he said: "I wish you to say to those interested in the United States that I return entirely encouraged with the result of my mission. I have good reason to believe that it will have some of the results hoped for. The exact objects for which I came over here have been largely misinterpreted by the press of all countries, and their very nature made impossible any premature discussion, which could only have thwarted the whole object of my trip. I am, therefore, unable to contradict them or issue a statement on the subject. I am satisfied to abide by the result when all will be known."

Nebraska's Hoodling Official. LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 24.—In the house a resolution was introduced calling for the immediate prosecution by the attorney general of all state officers who are short in their accounts. The matter was referred to a committee to report on within three days.

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THE RECRUIT.



VIVENNE, dear, you must not look so sad. A few short months will pass, and again I will stand by your side. The emperor's call for troops is imperative. Every man who is able to shoulder a musket must go.

Comes, let us take a last look together on the little cottage that I thought would now be ready to receive Viva, my bride.

The silent tears were coursing down the pale cheeks of Vivienne Lamont as "Terre De Laneau" crossed the threshold of the lovely cot they had chosen for their future home.

"See Viva, how the sun shines through the lattice! Cheer up, darling; we will be happy here yet."

"Pierre, I should be the one to comfort you; but it is very, very hard to give you up. Remember, I have no father or mother to care for me. You are my very life, my all, to love. Hark! Already I hear the martial strains. Pierre, Pierre, can you say farewell?"

"Viva, do not make the parting so terrible. Think! would you have me branded as a coward if I had not enrolled my name in defense of my country? Vivienne, your image will be with me through all the hardships I shall endure, and your prayers, dear, will keep me from harm. You must not grieve. Does not the music inspire you? See the bright bayonets in the sunlight. Viva, one kiss, and now farewell!"

By nightfall his regiment entered the gay metropolis of Paris, where M. Le Grande, the commanding officer, was to await further orders.

Among the recruits who enlisted the next day was one Jean Moutjoy. The third day they took up the line of march and proceeded to the Italian frontier.

The troops were scarcely garbished before a series of annoying skirmishes with the invaders began.

The outposts were well guarded, but so unexpected and so quiet were the onslaughts that the soldiers fell without knowing by whom they were shot down.

For four hours had Pierre De Laneau been on duty.

Although he was keenly alert to all that was passing around him, his thoughts reverted to the little village where he had left his Vivienne.

"Darling Viva! how much I would give to see you for one moment. How I long to clasp your hand in mine! How monotonous grows this weary walking up and down in the gloom of night! Hark! Who goes there? Advance and give the countersign. Quick, or I fire!"

A flash, a report, then all was still. "Some spy of an Italian got the contents of my musket that time. How I would like to drive back the whole pack of insurgents! How the moments drag!"

"On my life, I refute the charge brought against young Jean. It was to save me from sleeping at my post that he disobeyed orders, and was caught prowling about. Punish me if you will, but let Jean go free."

"Corporal advance. Let the prisoner, Jean Moutjoy, be brought hither."

With measured tread the young man was conducted to the general's presence.

His ripe, full lips looked more like those of a grieving child, but there was nothing on the whole face to denote either treachery or deceit.

"Jean Moutjoy, if you can answer one question to my satisfaction you will be free. Inform me how you received the wound which even now is far from being healed," said Gen. Le Grande.

The rich color mounted to Jean's face.

Pierre exclaimed: "I see it all. I must have caused all your suffering. It was I," he continued addressing the general, "who, mistaking Jean for some of the enemy's numerous spies, discharged the contents of my musket on his approach, and yet he continued, amid his intense suffering, to watch over me."

"Vivienne! Vivienne!" exclaimed Pierre, as Jean Moutjoy was clasped in his arms.

Great was the rejoicing among the soldiers when Leroy and Fontaine were allowed their freedom.

But when Jean Moutjoy should be sent home was a mystery which puzzled them grievously.

When peace was restored Pierre and Le Grande, almost equals now in rank, rode side by side.

"I shall accompany you, De Laneau, to your village, for you know I am to give away the bride, who is waiting so impatiently for your return."

Giants and Dwarfs. How tall is a giant? In order to be able to answer this question in a general way, 27 recorded cases of giants have been examined, ranging from one at 6 feet 10 inches to one at 9 feet 9 inches. Taking an average, we find that 8 feet is the height of a giant. No giants figured in the calculation. It is curious, by-the-by, to notice how many of these giants were Irish as if the soil and climate of the Emerald Isle were well fitted for the rearing of great men. How small is a dwarf? It would hardly be fair to the miniature specimens of humanity to ignore their claims also to proper measurement. Well, seventeen cases of dwarfs have been dealt with, including two or three examples of the fair and gentle sex, from which it seems that the average dwarf is, as nearly as may be, only 2 feet 9 inches high. The range was from 18 inches, the smallest, to 3 feet 10 inches, the tallest.—Caswell's Magazine.

Natural History Kindergarten. Why do the little birds hop so gayly around the kitchen door? Because they want something to eat.

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