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J. H. Middleton of Webster City leading a few days with her husband in a legislative employer.

Mrs. Ed Good arrived in our city this week to visit friends and her husband, who is working in the legislature.

Mrs. Mary Edmund left Wednesday morning for Peoria, Ill., to join her husband and make that city her future home.

We learn that Miss Delia Richardson, a youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, of Clive, has been sick the last week.

Miss Blanche Winnifred Renix, being unable to attend the marriage of brother James Ward to Miss Alice Knox of Oskaloosa.

Mr. Bell, of Stuart, Iowa, father of A. L. Bell, is a visitor to the Capital City, this week. Mr. Bell is one of the energetic colored farmers of his county.

Mr. Geo. Stovall, a capitol employee, spent a few days visiting his family in Waterloo, Iowa, returning last Saturday. He brought his little five year old daughter with him to visit awhile.

Edward Morton, son of N. E. Morton, has been employed as elevator boy at the Moershell, Duffy & Forthingham store. He has a good place and is punctual and attends strictly to business. We wish him success.

N. B.—Again and again we have said in these columns that we would not publish letters sent to this office unsigned. This means every letter written. We received one from Keokuk unsigned. Please remember our rule if you wish your correspondence printed.

About twenty young people met and surprised the Renix brothers at their residence, 1010 Center street, Saturday evening. The evening was spent in music, games and social converse. After refreshments they left at a late hour, feeling they had been royally entertained.

The King's daughters will meet at the home of Miss Susie Mash, 104 South First street, Wednesday, March 31. The following program will be rendered:
Recitation.....Miss V. Jackson
Reading.....Miss Marsh
Dance.....Misses Taylor and Jackson
Miss McKnight, Pres.
Miss Jackson, Sec'y.

The Fred Douglass-Portrait committee will give a concert at the Tabernacle on April 8th. Great preparations are being made and the concert will be a rare musical treat. The colored people of Des Moines have a state wide reputation for their musical genius, and all their leading artists will participate in the event. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to purchase a fine oil painting of the Rev. Fred Douglass. The portrait will be presented to the State and is to be placed in the Capitol.

Musical Entertainment.

Through general solicitation, St. Paul's A. M. E. church choir gave a special song concert at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, which eclipsed all former efforts. The fame of this choir is not confined to our state, but is well known, and perhaps the best church choir in the middle-west. Des Moines is well known for her many skilled musicians. A professional musician, who was in our city a few months ago, remarked that "a singer who appears before a Des Moines audience must know something."

Owing to the blowing wind and snow storm which was raging all day, the crowd was not as large as anticipated, yet a goodly number was present. The choir is composed of Mesdames Wm. Coalsen, contralto, (also organist); W. H. Birney, J. H. Shepard and J. E. Bigburn, sopranos; Mr. J. E. Moseley, first bass; Dr. E. F. Johnson, second bass; Mr. Douglass Miller, tenor. Being a sacred concert it was opened with prayer by Rev. A. L. Frisby, of the Congregational church, after which the choir sang, "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" then "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night." The bass solo J. E. Moseley, entitled, "Palm Branches," was heartily applauded, duet by Mesdames Birney and Coalsen, was so beautiful that the house at certain times was held spell bound. It was the best of the evening. The soprano solo sung by Mrs. J. F. Bigburn, entitled the "Everlasting Hills," was well rendered in her sweet cultured voice, and she received applause. She was a student at Wilberforce University, Ohio. And when the choir sang, "Wake the Song of Jubilee," the audience could not hold their appreciation any longer, but echoed them to the echo.

Then Mrs. Wm. Coalsen, the star contralto of the west sang, "Pity, O Saviour," receiving applause and new encomiums. "Glory to the Lord in the Highest," by the choir, was well rendered, then Mrs. Mae Ruff-Johnson, a graduate of Highland Park college, sang a soprano solo, entitled "Glory to My God," this night, which pleased the audience so well that she received an encore. She possesses a highly cultivated voice. The program was closed by a song by the choir. The church is proud of their choir and all the people of Des Moines, irrespective of race appreciate their efforts, as about one-half of the audience was white. The choir is making great progress under Prof. J. E. Moseley, as director.

Colored Pythians.
The first lodge was organized here last night. Geo. E. Taylor, Grand Chancellor of Iowa, assisted in the installation. There are fourteen members of the new lodge.

The H. B. S. R. C. was pleasantly entertained at the residence of Mrs. J. T. Blagburn, by Mrs. G. H. Clegg. Eleven members were present, and the program was carried out in full. The program for April 1 is as follows, and the meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. L. Denny, Eighteenth and West Grand avenue. Questions, Mrs. Clay, Mrs. H. H. Lewis will read the magazine. Mrs. Willett will discourse on Shakespeare and there will be a lecture by Dr. Johnson. Mrs. Willett, the new member, was present at the last meeting. An elegant lunch was served.

DOLLIVER'S GRAND SPEECH IN BEHALF OF PROTECTION.

The Pride of Iowa and the Nation's Honor.

When Mr. Dolliver had taken the floor on last Tuesday, the democrats as well as republicans gave him the closest attention, and his speech was punctuated with frequent applause and often with shouts of laughter provoked by his wit and stinging sarcasm. He spoke without notes. He began by congratulating the committee, the congress and the country that the tariff bill had for the first time since the first congress indicated by its name its true purpose; the protection of the industries of the country, as well as the production of revenues, for the first time all classes of the population of the country, said Mr. Dolliver, they are united in favor of a protective tariff; the farmer because he finds that it gave him the best market for his product, the merchant because he finds that his home market is better than his foreign market, the manufacturer because low tariff has closed his factories, the working men because free trade has taken away his employment. Mr. Dolliver rapidly sketched the history of legislation from 1816, showing that Dallas, and even Calhoun defended protection, and that only one great institution in the history of this country that favored free trade, and that was human slavery. He quoted from

the resolution introduced by Abraham Lincoln in the Illinois legislature fifty-four years ago, declaring that a tariff meant prosperity to American industries. Then Mr. Dolliver analyzed the bill, showing that our earlier tariff bill took care of the manufacturers only, this one protected the farmer and the laborer upon the farm and the miners, as well as in the workshop. It will stop the millions of dollars worth of cattle that come from Mexico, and the millions of dollars in other farm products that come from Canada and other parts of the world. He declared that the reciprocity feature of this bill would restore, in his opinion, the advantages that we had under the McKinley law. Mr. Dolliver closed by declaring that the Wilson law stands upon the statute books without a friend, stealing from the treasury, stealing from the working man, and stealing from the farmer. He describes Mr. McKinley as the advance agent of prosperity.

Mr. Dolliver's remarks were followed with great interest throughout, and the applause which greeted him was frequent and vigorous. More than half the members of the republican side and quite a few democrats followed him to the cloak room to tender their congratulations for his able efforts. His speech has the right ring and Mr. Dolliver is a representative that all Iowa honors.

THE SUCCESS OF THE COLORED RACE.

The success for the amelioration of our race, as a whole, depends upon each and every one of us. Each is a unit in the eyes of the world, and to the height that we build our individual self, we will likewise elevate our race in the estimation of the refined class. We must begin this great work of reformation at home with the children while young, may while babes in the cradle, teach them character and refinement, honesty and punctuality, industry and frugality, good manners and race pride. Let the parents seek to teach their children while young to refrain from the old superstitious ideas, noisy ways and careless habits that seem to be a peculiar trait and characteristic of our race in the past days. How often do we see and meet a number of our young men standing on the street corners talking in a loud noisy manner, or worse still, loitering around a saloon? Is this making history for the future of our race? Is it making wealth? Is it laying the foundation for a successful business man or woman? It is a great deal better to go to the city library and read, or to your room, but don't stand on street corners and tell funny stories. One word more and we consider it very important. It is to pay your honest debts when you promise; make your word your security. Several business men said to me that your people won't pay their honest debts. Shame, shame on a man that won't pay his little accounts.

OMAHA NOTES.

Rev. Wm. E. Wilson is in Kansas City, attending the annual conference, which is in session at this writing.
Attorney A. L. Bell, of Des Moines, spent several days in the city, leaving Tuesday afternoon for Lincoln.
Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, wife of Rev. Wm. E. Wilson is somewhat improving, but is not yet able to leave her room.
Dr. M. O. Ricketts is convalescing.
Rev. J. A. Harris and McCarthy arrived in the city Monday, where they have been conducting a series of meetings.
Miss Mattie Walker, accompanied by her sister, Miss Jessie, has returned from Marshalltown, Iowa, where she went to attend the funeral of her mother. Miss Jessie will return to Lincoln institute shortly.
Mrs. John Saunders is an applicant for the position of police matron.
Miss Francis Gambol entertained a number of her friends at her residence on Twenty-fourth-st. Wednesday evening.
Mrs. M. J. Halsey, of Harlan, Iowa, arrived in the city Friday morning. Mrs. H. is here with a view to returning to the city to live.
The Trans-Mississippi Exposition has been changed from Miller's Park to the old fair grounds.
Master Rufus Courtney Long celebrated his tenth anniversary on last Thursday.

A large number of his friends were present and enjoyed the afternoon thoroughly. The ladies of Mt. Pisgah church have organized a sewing circle as an auxiliary to the church. Mrs. J. Taylor is president. A meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Edna Williams 2569 Mercy-st., last Wednesday. Lunch was served by Mrs. N. Howard and E. Ramsey.

PHOENIX ARIZONA.

To day is the most windy of any day since our arrival and threatens us with a sand storm, such as is only known here.

Last Sunday closed the annual session of the Maricopa county Sunday school union.
Mrs. J. W. Bolten was chosen delegate from the Allen Sunday school, (colored) so named in honor of Bishop Allen of the A. M. E. church. Our delegate was a member of the committee of resolutions. Last Sunday evening Mrs. G. W. Tuce informally entertained a few friends in her beautiful home. Those present were Mesdames Reeves, Gregg, Bell, Bolton Wilburn and Miss Butts. Messrs Wilburn, Bolton and Bell, after a pleasant social chat all went home much pleased with an evening spent with Mrs. Tuce. There has been but one death among colored people in fifteen months.
Mr. Saffel has returned to Frankfort, Kentucky.

Mrs. Eugene Thomas has returned from a visit to her old Texas home, and is receiving a royal welcome from her many friends. Mrs. Thomas has spent much of her life as a missionary.

A. J. Wilburn has succeeded H. H. Harvey in the Maricopa Club, Mr. Harvey will engage in business for himself.
We have no sick list to report, as your correspondents have from Iowa town.

Editor Geo. E. Taylor of the Negro Solicitor, Oskaloosa, Iowa, was a visitor to our city last week, also this week. Mr. T. is looking well and hopes to be able to keep enough silver democrats in line to have an organization in 1900. He is here in the interest of K. of P.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

The Light House society met last Friday night with Miss Emma Oliphant of Tench Avenue. The society numbers now twenty members and is growing in interest at each meeting. The following papers were read: Mrs. Ella Kippers, "Wonders;" G. H. Wade, "Equador;" O. B. Claire, "The Church of Notre Dame;" Mrs. Laura Martin, "Frederick Douglass;" Henry Martin, "Good Manners;" W. H. Milligan, "Energy and Courage;" Mrs. G. H. Wade, "Edgar Allen Poe;" "Oration," Thos. Davis, "Brutus' Conspiracy with Cesar;" journal, critic report. The society adjourned to meet on the 26th inst. with Mrs. Fannie Hawkins.
Misses Eva Broady and Lala Watkins were elected delegates to the S. S. Convention which meets here in May.

The Ladies' Industrial club meet Friday the 26th, with Mrs. W. H. Lovell, of First-st., West.

A grand concert at the Y. M. C. A. on the 8th of April, given by local talent for the benefit of the A. M. E. church.

Quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church, April 11th. Rev. Bundy is expected to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Clare are moving to their home out in Kenwood Park.

Mr. Len Forester met with a severe accident last week while cutting timber in the woods. The axe slipped from his hand cutting his foot in a terrible condition. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

The young men of the Y. M. C. A. conducted services at the A. M. E. church Sunday night, which was well attended. A good meeting was had. Mrs. Lulu Martin entertained at 5 o'clock tea Saturday afternoon, Mesdames Ida Claire, Ella Kippers, Mattie Wade, Kate Gable and Miss Emma Oliphant. A pleasant time was had.

Mr. Edward Kippers is on the sick list. Little Fern Martin and Mable Price are sick with the measles.

KEOKUK NEWS.

The A. M. E. church will in the future be fixed up. Our church is doing fine since the revival.
Dr. Haize, of Oskaloosa, is in our city. Mr. Paul Owens is home again, after an absence of a week or so, and says there is nothing like travel for the health.
Mrs. John Given is on the mend, but her little daughter is quite ill.
Mrs. Mary Hardin, of Des Moines, has again come to live in our city, and says, give me my old Keokuk.

Rev. Jean Johnson is on the sick list. Miss Tillman and wife are getting along nicely.

ROCKISLAND NEWS.

Mrs. Melissa Beardsley, one of the oldest settlers of Rock Island died last Thursday, after an illness of three years. The funeral was held last Friday, Rev. Washington officiating.
Mrs. Jane Taylor is on the sick list, but is some better at this writing, and we hope to see her with us again soon.
Mrs. Lulu Slaughter, who has been sick since New Years is able to be about the house again.
Mr. John Cooper gave an oyster supper at his rooms on Monday evening for the benefit of the second Baptist church. He was assisted by Misses Regina and Catherine Morrison, Laura and Beatrice Marshall and Mrs. Hall.
The new court house will be dedicated with great ceremony on the 31st inst.

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Mr. A. H. Dawson and his sister Miss Sadie Pearson go to Muscatine Wednesday to attend the cake walk to begin Thursday the 25. Miss Pearson is the successful winner of two of the three cakes walked for in Rock Island.

Wallace Bialard, of the Rock Island House, will also attend the cake walk in Muscatine.

Mrs. J. W. Washington and the young ladies and gentlemen are preparing a musical treat for Easter evening.

The building club is going to give a concert in the old court house April 1, for the benefit of the McKinley chapel.

The ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star will have their annual sermon preached on Easter afternoon.

Rev. Jackson, of Aurora, will occupy the pulpit at Wayman mission the rest of this year.

Rev. Porter, of St. Louis, is still in the city, and has been called to fill the pulpit at the Half-way church between Rock Island and Moline.

Miss Valley Young, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Washington, has returned to her home in Galesburg.

OSKALOOSA BRIEFLETS.

Miss Ida Buckner was taken on Wednesday's train to Chicago to join her mother where they intend to make their future home.

Mrs. M. Rice, of Gilman, Iowa, returned home Friday after a delightful visit among her many friends.

Mr. Loudon of Muehly was in Oskaloosa on business.

The cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Johnnie Renix, of Des Moines, and Miss Alice Johnson, of Oskaloosa, at the residence of the brides' mother, Mrs. Sarah Knox, Tuesday evening.

Editor Geo. Taylor has returned from Des Moines, where he has been attending to K. of P. affairs.

M. A. Oliver, of Colfax, spent a few days in our city looking after his property interests.

Rev. Wm. Williams, of Muehly was in Oskaloosa Thursday visiting.

Miss Louie Lee arrived home from Kirksville where she has been for several months taking treatment at the infirmary. Her many friends are glad to know she is much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scoyers, of Evans, formerly of Muehly were in Oskaloosa visiting. They returned Monday.

The Rev. Bates of Clinton, was an Oskaloosa and vicinity visitor recently, going to Fort Dodge from here.

The ladies afternoon industrial club met last Thursday, and they admitted Mrs. M. Rice to full membership.

Mr. and Mrs. Cratie gave a party in honor of their son Willie's twenty-first birthday, last Tuesday.

Mr. Andrew Ware, who some time ago contemplated going to St. Paul, has changed his mind; he thinks Oskaloosa is plenty good enough for him. His many friends wish him much success during his stay. Andy is all right.

Prices Mean Nothing

If qualities and styles cannot be seen. We quote Lowest Prices in this city, but prefer to have buyers see qualities before making up their mind as to how Extraordinary are these offerings.

Here Are a Few.

- Neckties.....5c up
- New Tecks and Bows, 35c kind, for.....20c
- New Tecks and 4-in-hand, 50c kind, for.....35c

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Albia High school Monday morning after a weeks absence from school duty.

Social at A. M. E. church Saturday evening for the benefit of the S. S.

Sick list, Mrs. Nora McDonald, Messrs. Brummer, Davis, Miss Maggie Marshall.

Mr. C. Thomas visited his wife and daughters at Muehly last week.

Rev. Griffith was in the city one day last week.

MUCHAKINOCK NOTES.

Geo. Willis, of Beaver Hill, Oregon, arrived in our city, Monday. He started when he heard of his father's precarious condition, but unfortunately did not arrive until he was buried.

The shooting match between B. F. Cooper, Sam. Watkins and A. W. Rhodes, was quite exciting. Rhodes killed six of his seven live birds, Cooper five. Rhodes was declared the winner. Mr. R. lives in Colon, and was so much elated over his success that he was loth to leave us, and wanted to arrange for another match for \$25, whereupon Steward Bingham appeared on the scene and defeated Rhodes, killing seven out of nine, and not firing at his light bird. Rhodes got five and also got badly fooled. The boys all say Mr. Rhodes "ain't so warm."

Adam Dixon has been working for W. A. Wells & Co., for the last three weeks in the place of Adam Adams, who is still confined to his room.

Mr. H. Sawfoot of Pekay, was a Muehly visitor, Sunday.

Mrs. Paris Smith left for Boone Tuesday. She will spend several days in Des Moines.

Rev. Thomas, of Albia, is now visiting at the Rev. T. L. Griffith's home.

Mrs. Albert Rhodes, departed for Virginia, 9th inst.

Say, Mr. Editor, who are the three living ex-Presidents of the U. S.?

Miss Alice Coleman, of Chicago is visiting her parents and friends at this writing.

Those on the sick list are, Mrs. Spencer Cary, Mrs. R. T. Jones, J. H. Lewis, Sam Wilson and Chas. Walker.

Mrs. Anna Jones is visiting her mother and sister at the Capitol City this week.

Mr. John Wright went up to Des Moines on business Saturday morning and returned in the evening.

Miss May Davis was able to return to the

Round 1. Both sparring nicely and cautiously; Flockie leads with his left, but falls short, and Green lands heavily on his opponent's ribs, Flockie lands on Green's chin, which caused him to stagger, Flockie lands on Green's stomach lightly. Gong sounded.

Round 2. Both looking fresh. Flockie swings an upper cut on Green's jaw, clinch, and Green lands his left over Flockie's heart heart with terrific force. Flockie feints and Green ducks, and F. lands another hot punch on G's chin. Green lands on F's neck. Gong sounded.

Round 3. Flockie lands right and left on G's nose, awarding him first blood; they clinch, F. down; both men fighting desperately; G. looking like an angry lion, G. rushes F. to the ropes and swings right and left hard on his jaw; F. leads with his left and falls short, and G. lands hard on his opponents stomach. Gong sounded.

Round 4. Both men very weak. Flockie sparring for wind. G. leads with left but falls short, and Flockie lands lightly on Green's neck. F. lands right hard and straight on Green's nose, clinch. Gong sounded.

Round 5. Both sparring for an opening; F. lands on G's chin. G. feints and F. ducks and G. sends his right with damaging force on F's nose; F. weak in the knees, both men down too weak to continue fight.

Referee called it a draw.

AN AMERICAN LUXURY.

See Shivers Abroad Because Coal is so Dear.

"The thing I especially enjoyed after a somewhat lengthy sojourn on the other side was a real genuine American grate fire." commended the traveler, to the Detroit Free Press. "In London I felt as if I was burning something very precious with the landlady charging six a scuttle for coal. I remember sitting around a stove in an English hotel. The weather was cold and the coal in the stove bunched together. I took a poker and stirred it up.

"That makes it burn faster," commented the landlord gravely.

"That's just what I want," I replied.

"A red-faced, hearty Englishman broke in: 'You Americans are decidedly thin-blooded, don't you know?'"

"Then in Italy you shiver about all winter and in Germany those big, high crockery stoves never seem to thaw you out. So when I arrived in America in midwinter I had a jolly, big fire in the room at my hotel and I piled on the coal, knowing that it would not break my bank, in spite of the prices of the big, admirable coal trust. But after one has paid six a scuttle for a mighty little scuttle of coal he does not feel disposed to criticize the trust. I felt like a lord, 'thin-blooded American,' though I might be, and was just in the mood to read and appreciate that agreeable little volume, 'The Reveries of a Bachelor.' Those reveries would not seem half so pleasing when read before the smudge of a peat-fire in Germany or before the little skimpy grate fire of a few pine cones in Italy—not the Italy of sunshine but the Italy of the cold, disagreeable, wet days."

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Table with columns for 'R. I. & P. GOING EAST', 'R. I. & P. GOING WEST', 'KEOKUK & DES MOINES', 'DES MOINES & FT. DODGE', 'WINTERSKET BRANCH', 'C. H. & Q.', 'MICHIGAN & NORTHWESTERN', 'G. W. & W.', 'G. W. - MAPLE LEAF - NORTH', 'G. W. - MAPLE LEAF - SOUTH', 'WABASH RAILWAY', 'SECRET ORDERS', 'ICE ECHOES', 'TRY OUR \$1.45 SHOES', 'S. B. STEVENSON', 'LIVERY, FEED AND BOARDING STABLES', 'PATRONIZE OUR HOME INDUSTRY', 'J. M. FERREE', 'HARRIS-EMERY CO.', 'ALBRECHT'S Black Label', 'CASPER & ON'S MEAT MARKET', 'THE BYSTANDER'S PORTRAIT COUPON', 'THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS', 'EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT MUNGER'S LAUNDRY', 'J. D. W. HALL', 'SHANK BROS. FUNERAL DIRECTORS', 'NEW PLACE', 'FLORIST', 'THE CAPITAL CITY COMMERCIAL COLLEGE', 'THE CAPITAL CITY SCHOOL OF SHORTHAND', 'BLAIR THE FLORIST'.

Mississippi is the only state in the Union where colored men over 21 years of age exceed the number of white men of the same age. There are 150,469 colored and but 120,611 whites.—The Republican.

Mrs. V. W. Broughton, Editor of the woman's Messenger, published at Memphis, Tenn., has been appointed chairman of the Committee on education, for the Woman's Department in the Tennessee Centennial.

Dr. R. F. Taucil is president of the Nickel Savings Bank, a new institution located at Richmond Va.

Joseph Mackey, a colored Republican will be an applicant for appointment as postmaster at Richmond, Ky.

According to the Boston Courant a white man was refused accommodation at a colored hotel in Pittsburg.

The Southern Christian Recorder says "the Negroes must buy homes." Well, if the preachers would build fewer churches "Negroes" would have a better chance to buy more homes. We have got more churches and church debts and more churches and preachers to support than we need.—New York Age.

The South Carolina State College for colored youths has an enrollment of 1,008 students.

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Earlier in Her Time. A good joke on a schoolmate came from Cumberland Gap, and is told by the Middleborough News. A lady teacher told one of the boys to name all the presidents, and when he replied he couldn't the teacher said: "When I was as old as you I could name all the presidents in their order." The boy replied: "There were only a few presidents then."

Unkind. "Supposing," said Willie Washington, "that I were to make up my mind to earn my own living by a profession. What would you advise me to study?" And Miss Cayenne, after gazing at him thoughtfully for a moment, simply answered: "Economy."—Washington Star.

A Great Invention. According to a Kentucky paper, when the telephone was first introduced in that state an old farmer who did not exactly understand the working of the invention bought a new pair of boots for his son who lived down in Texas. He hung the footwear across the wire at sundown one evening. During the night some one took the boots and placed a pair of old ones across the wire. Next morning the old gentleman went out and, to his delight, he saw the old boots. He hastened into the house, exclaiming to his wife: "Say, Sal, this here telephone is the best thing yet. John got his boots last night, and I'm blasted if he didn't send the old uns home!"

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