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CITY NEWS

Watch This Space.



Wm. Thompson of New Boston Ia. is in our city.

Eagle Coal. Once used always used. Phone 529.

Mrs. Alice Renix is still very ill at her home 778 9th. St.

J. B. Vaughn is troubled with sore eyes, he is improving now.

Mr. Charley Comley of Webster City is in our city this week.

Rev J. H. Carter of Chariton, Ia., was in our city this week.

Attorney Woodson of Mahaska county is in our city this week.

Rev. Reeves will preach at Marquisville next Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Ed Good of Grinnell, Ia., is here working in the lobby as a candidate.

Phil Brown of Sioux City is here shaking hands with old friends.

Wild Rose Coal Co. Lump \$2.50. Fifth and Market. Phone 199.

Attorney A. L. Bell left today for a visit to his old home in DeSota, Iowa.

Rev. T. Godbow has been very sick the past week, but is better at this writing.

Gov. elect Shaw will be inaugurated next Thursday, a large crowd is expected in our city.

Mrs. Issac Kirtley is improving some she was taken from the hospital to her home Tuesday.

Frederick Wright of Marshalltown a brother to Herbert is spending a few days in the Capital city.

The Stewardess will serve supper at the A. M. E. church, corner of Second and Center streets, January 13, 1898.

Miss Blanch Renix entertained several couple at dinner Sunday Dec. 26th. Those present report a pleasant time.

It is rather interesting to be an onlooker at the lobby rooms of the Savery Hotel and see various candidates work for position.

Miss Della and brother Elmer Richardson returned last Saturday from a visit in Oskaloosa. They report report enjoyable time.

Mrs. Strange is quite sick at her home, 808 West Eleventh, since Xmas, and the members of Good Samaritans are requested to visit her.

Later—E. W. Shompson of Decatur county who was candidate for file clerk, has withdrawn in favor of Attorney Geo. H. Woodson, of Mahaska county.

Those who called at the Bystander office are; Phil Brown of Sioux City, Charles Comley of Webster City, Geo. H. Woodson of Muchaknock, Charles Harris of Ottumwa and W. H. Mason of Iowa City.

O. M. Homan has moved to 516 East Locust street, where you can go and get the best meal in town for 20c. Call and see him and don't forget the number, 516 East Locust street, Des Moines, Iowa.

The old folks literary convailed last Tuesday for the first time at the East Side Baptist church. A good program was rendered. They will hold meetings every Tuesday night. Attorney J. Rush is on the program for next week. H. Brown, Pres.

The P. L. D. club met last Monday evening at its club rooms and an excellent program was rendered. The reading of the Emancipation Proclamation by Miss Zella Davis was excellent, Miss Davis is a highly cultured young lady. The payer by C. S. Ruff was very interesting. The comic recitation by H. W.

Hughes was very laughable. The paper by Mr. Pierce was also very instructive. Mr. Pierce is a very able young man and a representative race man this city should be proud of all such men of his stamp. The song by Mrs. Blagburn was very good. Program Jan. 10th. 1898:

- Address.....J. E. Moseley
- Song.....Mrs. E. F. Johnson
- Recitation.....Mary Bell
- Paper.....Mrs. Feirson
- Critic.....Sarah Porter
- Journalist.....T. S. Ruff
- Quotations from J. G. Whittier. Question box miscellaneous.

The Des Moines Harmonic Society gave Governor Drake a pleasant surprise Thursday afternoon by serenading him in his office. Several solos, duets and choruses were rendered to the delight of all who had the pleasure of listening. The Governor highly appreciated the compliment and wish them God-speed. The company afterward went up into the dome and gave an impromptu concert to the highly gratified audience. The Society is composed of Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Johnson, Mesdames Frank Blagburn, Walter Birney and William Coalson and Messrs. Ed. Mosley, Douglas Miller and William Foster.

James L. Snipes, formerly of this city but now of St. Paul, Minn., spent New Year's at the home of Geo. J. Wilson. A formal reception was given him by Messrs Rodgers, Jones, Holt Williams and Hubanks, from 3 o'clock to six.

The H. B. R. C. met with Mrs. I. E. Williamson 1212 W. Mulberry St. After an interesting program the hostess served an elegant lunch. The visitors were Miss Zella Davis, Mr. I. E. Williamson and Master Tommy Barton. The President made following appointments:

- Executive Committee—Mesdames Wilburn, Hamilton and Dennoe. Chaplin, Mrs. Barton; Critic, Mrs. Palmer; Reporter, Mrs. Holt. Circle adjourned to meet with Mrs. R. A. Wilburn 1350 E. Lyon St. Program:
- President's Address.....Mrs. Warrick
- Recitation.....Mrs. Bassfield
- Paper.....Mrs. Barton
- Select Reading.....Mrs. Banks
- Spelling.....Mrs. Holt
- Critic.....Palmer and Wilburn
- Critic.....Mrs. Palmer

The following is a list of the colored foot ball team for 1898:

James Washington, center rush and manager; Cass Pillow, left guard; Cal Phillips, left tackle; Frank Strauther, left end; Solomon Brown, right guard; Harry Cheatum, right tackle; Walter Taylor, right end; Lufe Jackson, or Ed Burton, quarter back; Walter Jackson, left half back; and captain; Miles Taylor, right half back; Ethan Rivers, full back. Substitutes are William Tucker, Eddie Quinn, Harry Lanford and Tonnie Gregory.

James Bruce was caught burglarizing the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cousin, on Locust street, last Sunday night by detectives Harding and Johnson, was arraigned before the police court Monday and pled not guilty, the trial is set for to-day. In searching through Mr. Bruce's room on B street, several pieces of jewelry, silverware and other various things was found in his trunk. It is stated by some that he has been in the habit of pilfering and taking things.

Miss Annie Brown and Allen of Oskaloosa who spent a few days in our city last week returned home Monday well pleased with their visit. They were the guest of Mrs. B. J. Holmes.

J. L. Thompson who spent his holidays vacation in Albany Mo., and Decatur Co., returned last Saturday feeling much recuperated in health, for his studies he reports having a good time.

Lee Blagburn who was a candidate for page of the Senate, has already been appointed. He is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Blagburn is a bright young lad well liked by all the old members and a general favorite in the last session. This appointment brings satisfaction among the colored.

Attorney Albert Bell met with an accident last Monday while at the residence of Mr. Al. Moss. He was going out doors and slip and fell on the ice braking his left arm just above the wrist, he is resting easy at this writing.

Died on the 18th. of Dec., Mrs. Levi McDonalson of consumption, she leaves a husband to mourn her death. Mr. McDonalson has the sad sympathy of the entire community who was acquainted with them.

T'ight will occur the annual election of T. and teachers of the A. M. E. Sunda school.

A surprise party was given on Mr. John Jackson at his pleasant home on

Walnut St. by a number of his gentlemen friends. The evening was spent in games and social conversation, a good time was had by all.

Miss Lizzie Tate after a very pleasant visit Miss Clarinda Smith during the holidays, will leave tomorrow for Colfax where she will visit with friends before she returned home.

Mr. Joseph Hamilton our efficient fireman, is off of duty this week on account of sickness.

The New Stewardess board will give their first sociable next evening.

Miss Bertha Lanford spent the holidays in Osceola visiting her old home.

New Year's Reception

The elegant rooms of the beautiful new home recently built by Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Holmes was open to callers from three o'clock till ten o'clock. Miss Allen and Miss Brown of Oskaloosa Eva Robinson, Mesdames Wm. Fletcher, B. J. Holmes Ella Wilburn R. Wilburn, F. D. Jackson, J. R. Erickson Miss Robinson presided on the piano. The rooms was beautifully decorated with flowers, evergreens ferns ect. they made one feel so very pleasant that you at once knew that it must be a New Year party.

Misses Bertie Hicklin, Bessie Stewart, Sarah Porter, Daisy Hanan received at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Holt, while this was an attempt on the part of the young ladies only to receive they did very well and was much complimented on their method of entertaining. The rooms were nicely decorated, Miss Stewart and Prof. Holt furnish music on the piano.

The King Daughters through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. J. Washington received at their home near seventh and Park quite a gay time was had as there were so many more there to receive. Some tried the light fantastic to the music furnish by Hamilton, Boone and Taylor Orchester, others played games they kept until eleven o'clock every one seemed to be well entertained each of the above place served dainty lunches, the former and the latter also setved ice cream.

A COWARDLY DEED.

An assassin attacks President Trip left while on his way to church. E. G. Triplett was president of the Algorn Agriculture College for colored people, he is near Roding is dying from the result of the wound that was inflicted in his back from ambush by the cowardly assassin, while he was on his way to prayer meeting.

ARE WE MAKING ANY PROGRESS.

There are many people who think and say that we as a race are not making any progress, such people should pause and think or inform themselves by reading some good race paper, as to what the progressing Negroes are doing, how many of those faulting people know of the fact that a new brick cotton mill, having form 7,000 to 10,000 spindles and owned exclusively by colored it is nearly completed at Concord N. C. and colored girls and boys will find an open door. Stop complaining and do something. Mrs. Hunphery Ward who has been writing for only ten years has produced very few books has earned \$300,000, this should inspire the women with ability. The opportunity are better today than ever before, let the woman that has natural ability for writing to try what she can do and prove to the world as well as herself, that the race is advancing.

A SAD TRAGEDY.

The Kahler Shoe Store was a scene of a horrible murder about 6:15 o'clock in the evening, an unknown man named Stone walked into the store, after remaining there a while pulled out his revolver and deliberately shot Frank Kahler and to other clerks before he was checked, all the clerks were in the store preparing to close the store.

A Brief Mention of Applicants for Various Positions in the Legislature.

Attorney Geo. H. Woodson candidate for file clerk of Senate from Mahaska Co. he is a coming young man and by his ability push has made himself felt in the Mahaska co. politics. He was a delegate to the Republic State Convention and comes to us well recommend and if elected will make a good clerk, was a graduate from the Howard University of Washington D. C.

Mr. E. W. Thompson of Decatur Co. is also aspirant for the same position though a young man yet he comes strongly recommended and endorsed from the 8th. Congressional Dist. He is a graduate from the Leon High School and has spent one year in Drake University and is trying to make money enough to finish his course, if successful is fully competent and would add dignity to said place.

FOR JANITOR OF CLOAK ROOM.

Mr. Jefferson Logan of Polk Co. is a candidate for re-election. He is a good representative of our race, honest practical and economical and has served several terms and is widely known, he has saved up a nice sum for the rainy days is courteous sociable and will no doubt be one of the janitors.

Charley Comley of Webster Co. comes highly recommended from his county having an active republican worker. He is well known in Des Moines and as this is his first time he was ever a candidate will develop great strength.

J. R. Weeks from the stand point of hard republican work is one of the most deserving candidate before the coming legislature. He is from Polk Co. and the Polk Co. republican remember well how he rallied the boys up, he was elected janitor to the 25th., G. A. and as a rule a man is entitled to two terms. He is a good industrious race man.

Wm. Thompson of Lee Co. an old soldier the father of J. W. Thompson who was janitor at the last session has entered contested race he is an old citizen of Lee Co. is a farmer by occupation and well liked by his acquaintances.

Geo. Burnaugh of Polk Co. is a candidate for re-election. Mr. Burnaugh is well known in our city and popular with the old members and will make a strong fight.

Mr. P. T. Swan of Polk Co. is an aspirant for assistant doorkeeper of the House. Mr. Swan is a working republican and has been for a number of years and as he is the only colored candidate in doorkeeper we hope that he may succeed.

Mr. Frederick Wright of Iowa Fall is an aspiring young man a good worker and firm indication it seems as though he will succeed. He is a brother to Herbert who was file clerk of the House at the 25th. G. A. he is sociable and gentlemanly to meet.

FOR JANITOR OF CLOAK ROOM.

Peter Holmes is candidate for janitor of Cloak room, He is an old citizen and well known and is supported by Representatives Carr and Stewart, if elected will make a good man for the place.

Mr. Phil Brown of Sioux City is a candidate for the house cloak room. He is an active influential republican worker and at one time lived in our city where he was a good worker. He has taken the stump for the G. O. P. on several occasions and deserves to be remembered by the party.

Charles Harris of Wapello Co., is a candidate for re-election. Mr. Harris is a nice appearing young man and by his sociable ways make many friends. His Representative is for him.

H. E. Jacobs of Des Moines is also a candidate. Mr. Jacobs is quite well known here and liked by all and is a young man recently married starting out in life and if successful will do his work well.

Rev. J. H. Carter of Lucas co. who was a candidate two years ago is a rusting candidate now for the Cloak room. At this time it is hard to tell what the out come will be.

Ed. Good of Grinnell is a very strong candidate for re-election for the Cloak room. He is a good republican worker and is well known among the members and will probably be successful.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS

On going through southern Iowa one cannot help looking at the beautiful blue grass and natural shelter for stock, this part of Iowa is a rivalry for first honors in blue grass of Kentucky there are but few days in the year, but what stock can find shelter on one side of the hill and gray all day but little feeding has been done yet this winter. In Osceola I stopped at Mr. and Mrs. James Culp who is a good circumstances having lived there about 14 years their only daughter married Jasper Prince a successful merchant at Coln Ia., they subscribed for the Bystander also Mr. John Bryant another old citizen of Osceola. Mr. Bryant has an intelligent family their son Charles clerks in Mr. Landers drug store, George is a fine musician he plays in the Osceola

band, a piano tuner and plays for one of the fashionable white churches, their youngest son Roy is in the sophomore year in the High school only 15 years old. Rev. and Mrs. Basfield are well liked they are working hard to build up the church. There are several colored farmers owing their own farms having recently moved in from Mo.

MUCHAKINOCK NOTES.

We had Thursday morning at 3 o'clock the greatest fire in the history of our town. The Odd Fellow's building, B. F. Cooper's drug store and Sam Cannady's building all burned to the ground. The Company store was saved. The Odd Fellow's building was insured for a very small amount. B. F. Cooper carried insurance on his building and stock; but Sam Cannady carried none, this is the second building he has lost without insurance. Mrs. Mary Mease's lost is quit heavy, as she had a restaurant in the rear of the Odd Fellow's building and in the excitement did not save anything. The idea is plausible that the fire was Mrs. Jennie Goins went to Ottumwa last week on a visit. Miss Maryetta Brown returned to Washington last week.

Mrs. E. A. London was an Oskaloosa visitor Monday. James Jones and Miss Gertie Cary were married at the parsonage.

Will Tucker was in our city a few days this week and went to Colon to visit his sister. He is on his way to Minneapolis, Minn. Sam Mense has quit us suddenly, where is he?

Alex. Southall is happy over a fine girl. Mr. Dora Smith of Oskaloosa, spent several days in "muchy." James Kirby got his leg and back badly hurt at the fire.

Henry and John Southall, arrived from Kin station, Va., a few days ago and will work here. Joseph Bryant and John Ellis of Spring Valley, Ill., has commenced to work here this week.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

J. Kinney left for his home on Saturday after spending the past week with his brother, William F. Kinney.

Mrs. Peter King is better after a serious illness of two weeks. Mrs. Collins departed for a short stay in Kansas City on last Wednesday evening.

Rev. Toliver occupied the pulpit at the Olive Baptist church, on last Sunday. Mrs. England, once a resident of this city is here for a short visit with friends.

Miss Nancy Mitchell spent last Sunday in New London. A pleasant mask surprise was given William F. Kinney and wife on last Wednesday evening. Mrs. A. Pleasant will depart for the home of her mother in Missouri soon.

Rev. J. W. Washington of Rock Island, pronounced the ceremony at the Tyler-Carpenter wedding, December 23. Willie Brooks, who has been absent from home for eight years came home on last Thursday evening and will spend the winter with his mother.

BOONE DOINGS.

Louis Williams is on the sick list. Miss Irene Cottons departed for Marshalltown Saturday. A small crowd danced at the O. N. O. rooms New Years.

Mr. Russell and family have moved here from Fraser. Rev. Jones of Ft. Dodge preached two good sermons Sunday.

Rev. Strange has been here working in the interest of a gold mining company.

MUSCATINE NEWS.

[Last Week's Correspondence.] Mrs. James Walker is very sick for a week past and at this writing is growing worse.

Mrs. Mott of Washington is in the city care of her mother, Mrs. Walker. Mrs. exercises were held in the Auditorium of the church, and were largely attended. The decorations were handsome and tastily arranged, after the program the children were each given a sack of candy.

The high bridge is not doing much

business while the river is frozen over, teamster do all of their hauling on the ice to save tollage, they save 40 cents a trip by crossing on the ice with a team and 45 cents on foot.

ALBIA NEWS.

The Wooden Wedding given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Snoddy was one of the principal features of the Xmas holiday. The guest invited were to the number of fifty those present about thirty those out of the city invited were Mrs. R. Wilburn and Mrs. M. Woods of Des Moines, Mr. Geo. Taylor of Oskaloosa, Messrs Jones Cloyd and Frank Bryant of Osceola and Mr. and Mrs. Grayson of Hiteam. A very beautiful supper was served by Mrs. U. S. Jones and Henrietta Jones. After which the evening was spent in conversation, music, and games. The happy couple were the recipient of many valuable and useful presents.

Mrs. A. Ford entertained at six o'clock tea Monday evening quite a number of young people.

Mr. Rob. Channey one of our young boys has left here for Colon, to make it his future home.

Mr. J. Thomas is making an extensive visit in Muchaknock and neighboring towns.

Mrs. Talbert entertained a number of youth in honor of her two grand-children Dossie and Burt. The repast consist of ice cream and cake they all report a splendid time.

Miss Waddy Snoddy visited several days of this week in Oskaloosa with her grandmother.

The Odd Fellows initiated the following members at their hall on Tuesday evening they took in Messrs W. Parker, U. S. Jones, B. Grayson and A. Ford, Saturday evening A. Bartlett.

Mrs. Jones Meadows returned to Muchaknock to resume her duty as a music teacher and organist at the A. M. M. church, after a pleasant visit at the parental home.

Mr. Battle of Garden Grove visited in our city several days. The A. M. E. church gave a social on Thursday evening at the city hall.

Rev. A. Ford will preach a sermon to the children on Sunday morning Jan. 9th and to the young people in the evening all are invited.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Mrs. J. Meadows of Albia, was in the city Thursday on business. Mr. Bert Jones of Albia visited in the city Friday and Saturday.

Miss Francis Brown who is teaching school at Muchaknock, is spending her vacation with relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Owens gave a New Years dinner in honor of the return of Miss Owens from Des Moines.

Mrs. G. Taylor of Oskaloosa is the guest of Mrs. Z. Dodd for a few days. The young folks of Ottumwa are anticipating a grand time next week Thursday evening if the weather is favorable, they are going to Keb to attend a party given by the young men's band.

Miss Mae and Clara Owens returned home Thursday evening after a delightful visit at the Capital city. They speak in such high praises of the hospitality and sociability of the Des Moines people.

Mrs. James Hamilton is convalescent.

KEOKUK NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shortridge, 1216 Morgan street, entertained their friends New Years, by keeping open doors. Seventy-five invitations were issued. In the evening quite a number were entertained at whist.

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BY BYSTANDER PUBLISHING CO. DES MOINES, IOWA

The average weekly loss of vessels on the seas throughout the world is twelve.

Weyler finds it easier to whip the United States in Spain than he found it to whip the insurgents in Cuba.

There are no slums, almost no paupers and few wealthy men in Sweden, but the general prosperity of the country probably exceeds that of any other European country.

As nine different nationalities are represented in the Austrian parliament, it is any wonder that the conversation therein is a reminder of the tower of Babel?

The pride which would make Spain crave a short war with the United States as a means to crawl gracefully down from her altitude in Cuba is not attended with a desire for justice or any respect for common sense.

When Henry the Fifth of England came to the throne he told his riotous associates, with whom he had dived himself, never to come within ten miles of the court.

Why restrict immigration? Our police courts help us to answer the question. A professional beggar, who came from England a few years ago, was arraigned in a New York court.

Inequality increases as society advances from the elementary to the complex. And so does philanthropy.

If Governor Black should heed the repeated pleas for pardon of John Y. McKane he will disappoint his friends, strike a serious blow at the sanctity of the ballot and render practically valueless the most wholesome lesson to political criminals ever taught in an individual case in this state.

Paris has about 600,000 electric lights and London twice as many. More than half of Berlin's streets are now lighted with a gas glow light, perfectly white, and five times as powerful as the old flame, and the lamps are being placed rapidly in the other streets, and the city, with a consumption of 10,000,000 cubic meters of gas, will have five-fold the light heretofore obtained from 17,000,000. The 10,000,000 oil lamps burned nightly in England cause 300 deaths annually and 165 fires yearly in London alone.

The great European powers, England, France, Germany and Italy, have cut the continent of Africa up into pieces and each taken a share. Nothing like it was ever accomplished with so little noise in the history of the world.

The story may or may not be true that England refuses to interfere with Germany's free hand in China on the condition that Germany does not coerce England in Egypt, but it is a reflection on the position of England that such a story should even be told.

Fortunately America has one institution, Thanksgiving day, that offends nobody, threatens nobody and competes with nobody.

England agrees not to interfere with Germany in China if Emperor William will not concern himself over British territorial acquisition in Africa. Now let the grab game go on.

When extravagance reaches the point of having silver corn-poppers, sentiment calls a halt. Like the old oaken bucket, the wire popper has a distinct place in "fond recollection"; but while the bucket is largely a memory, the wire medium for bringing corn to its highest terms represents a condition as well as a theory. Long may it wave!

The discoverer of quinine is to have a monument in Paris. A useful inscription would be one telling how to pronounce the name of the substance discovered.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

TRAEER YOUTH DISAPPEARED.

Albert Wheeler Missing Under Peculiar Circumstances.

TRAEER, Jan. 4.—Albert Wheeler, a prominent young man of Traer, has mysteriously disappeared. Three weeks ago he went to Grundy Center on business, and told his mother, with whom he lived, that he would be home in two or three days. He did not return, but his mother thought he had likely gone on to Rolfe, where a brother lives. She wrote there and to relatives in several places, but no trace of him can be found.

HALLS AFTER BIG DAMAGES. Accuse Creston Quartette of Raising Botulism.

CRESTON, Jan. 6.—John and Ella Hall have, through their attorneys, Earle & Frouty, of Des Moines, instituted a damage suit against J. H. Duggan, H. S. Clarke, Sr., H. S. Clarke Jr., and J. E. Markel, claiming of them the sum of \$25,000 damages. The plaintiffs aver that the defendants have conspired since 1892 to ruin the business of the plaintiffs, and as a result of this united conspiracy, the ice business, newspaper venture, and other affairs have been destroyed. The petition of the plaintiffs will be on file January 6.

MURDER AT DES MOINES. Frank Kahler Killed by a Maniac From Sioux City.

DES MOINES, Jan. 6.—The store of L. Kahler & Co. was the scene of a terrible tragedy, the worst that has happened in Des Moines in years. Frank Kahler was shot in cold blood by J. W. Stone, a wandering maniac from Sioux City, and died of his wounds in less than an hour. Thomas Aris, a member of the firm who shot through the arm, while a third bullet grazed the person of Cliff Childs, a clerk in the establishment. The maniac was then disarmed and placed in jail.

WILL FIRE TWENTY CANNON. An Iowa Newspaper's Method of Celebrating.

DES MOINES, Jan. 4.—On Christmas day, 1895, the Des Moines Daily News fired ten cannon shots on the river front to celebrate its attaining 10,000 circulation. It is now nearing 20,000 and will celebrate its new triumph by twenty rounds. The Daily News is only \$1 a year.

Bloodhounds Used. BURLINGTON, Jan. 5.—It is learned that bloodhounds are being used to track the men who attempted to wreck the Burlington passenger train at Murray, last week. Two fine animals from Beatrice, Neb., were given the scent and followed it eagerly across the fields from the Burlington track till it ended in some box cars at a small way station on the Great Western road twelve miles south. It is thought the men took a freight train there, and the dogs and a number of the best road policemen are searching for further clues along this route. It is claimed that important clues have been obtained and the men will soon be in custody.

Suicide at Des Moines. DES MOINES, Jan. 7.—J. A. Larson, foreman of the Iowa Printing company's bindery, who mysteriously disappeared on the 3rd, was found dead in a room at the St. George hotel. Larson lay face downward upon the floor grasping a revolver in his left hand, and with a bullet hole in his right temple. The exact circumstances of his death are unknown and mysterious. The wife of the dead man says she knows no reason for the act unless it was the fact that he had been working hard and had complained of being tired.

Talbot Loses Suit for \$10,000. SIOUX CITY, Jan. 6.—Judge Gaynor, of the district court, has put a quietus on the much litigated case of D. H. Talbot vs. the Sioux City National Bank, of Sioux City. Talbot sued for \$16,000, alleged to have been paid as interest at an usurious rate. The court sustained a demurrer to the petition, which leaves Talbot's last hope in the supreme court. Talbot is the man who presented a valuable library to the State University at Iowa City.

Go to Penitentiary. MAQUOKETA, Jan. 6.—George Morehead, convicted of murder in the second degree, was sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary at hard labor, after having been denied a new trial. Application was made to Judge House to admit defendant to bail pending an appeal to the supreme court, but his honor was of the opinion that it was not a bailable offense under the new code, and therefore denied the application.

Iowans Inherit \$17,000,000. GILMAN, Jan. 6.—The Beale, Korn and Baker families are the subjects of many congratulations and some envy because of the recent announcement that they are interested as heirs, more or less direct, in a fortune of \$17,000,000, left by Jacob Baker, colonel in the command of George Washington. The property is said to consist of \$6,000,000 in cash, \$4,000,000 in real estate and coal lands in several eastern states.

FEAR FOUL PLAY.

Relative of John W. Horn Believes He Has Been Murdered.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 7.—September 21, last, John W. Horn left San Francisco for Tacoma with a letter of credit for \$25,000 issued by a San Francisco bank, since which time nothing has been seen or heard of him. Horn was a returned Klondiker and a letter from relatives in Eldon, Iowa, suggests the possibility that he has been murdered. The police at San Francisco have been unable to learn anything about him since he stepped on a north-bound boat.

Whitney's Bondsmen Suffer. COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 7.—The bondsmen of R. N. Whitney, the defaulting customs agent, will make good his shortage, but will appeal to congress for reimbursement. Under the democratic administration his office was checked up in October, 1894, and for the last time in October, 1895, more than two years ago. The bondsmen believe that the government should have given his business more attention. Relief will have to be afforded by special act of legislation.

A \$10,000 Slander Suit. CENTERVILLE, Jan. 6.—Lis Edwards has sued James Mower for \$10,000 damages, sustained by him by reason of the alleged circulation of defamatory statements concerning him and his false arrest on an unfounded charge. He alleges that Mower said he stole a cow, had it butchered and sold it in Moulton and had him arrested for the crime which he never committed as was shown.

Abie Balm Will Not Die. WEST POINT, Jan. 7.—Abie Balm, the victim in the awful tragedy that came near being enacted here, is getting better, and the chances for recovery now are considerably better. He is, however, still a very sick man. The hearing of the seven arrested men has not yet been held. It is probable that the grand jury will investigate the case. The stories of alleged neglect by the Balm's of their father is now denied.

Budd Will Meet Heikes. DAYTON, O., Jan. 7.—Rolla A. Heikes, who on New Year's day successfully defended the east iron medal in the 100 live bird race with Grimm, has received a challenge from Charles W. Budd, of Des Moines. Heikes will probably name February 23d as the date for the match to be shot in Fairview Park, near Dayton, 100 live birds for each man and \$100 a side.

Gov. Shaw Will Preside. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 5.—Leslie M. Shaw, governor-elect of Iowa, will preside over the deliberations of the coming monetary convention to be held in Indianapolis, as permanent chairman. Chairman Hanna received his letter of acceptance and Russell Seeds, representing Mr. Hanna, left for Des Moines, bearing important papers for Mr. Shaw.

Novak Is No 3996. ANAMOSA, Jan. 5.—Frank Novak has begun to learn the stone cutting trade. His name has been submerged into No. 3996. His cell is known as 157. He is less handsome than formerly. His moustache and his fine clothing are missing. He remains stolidly indifferent to his prison garb and labor.

One More Pardon. DES MOINES, Jan. 7.—Gov. Drake has pardoned Mrs. Dr. C. V. Smith, convicted of performing a criminal operation on Ollie Newman, of Swan.

Kemble Gets His Job. WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The president has nominated J. B. Kemble for collector of internal revenue for the southern district of Iowa.

IOWA CONDENSED. Heikes and Grimm shot at Dayton, O., a few days ago for the east iron medal and title of champion wing shot of America. Heikes won by a score of 93 to 90. The conditions were 100 live pigeons, five traps, thirty yards fire.

Mrs. James Miller, living at Ames, and her 18-months' old baby were fatally burned, the baby dying within a few hours. The father and husband lighted a fire with kerosene, and the flames caught the clothing of the mother and baby. He is unhurt.

The dry goods house of A. C. Sweet, one of the oldest in Independence, has been closed by Claffin, of New York; Marshall Field, of Chicago, and Wilson, Larrabee & Co., of Boston. The total liabilities are \$15,230; the assets are about \$6,000. The list of creditors is a long one and considerable litigation will ensue.

Ottumwa dispatch: Warren Beckwith, the young college athlete who ran away with Robert Lincoln's daughter and married her, was in Ottumwa on his way to Anaceto, I. T., where he will investigate the industry of sheep raising, with a view of embarking on a large scale in the business at that place. He will take his wife there. It is believed that Robert Lincoln is backing the proposed enterprise.

At the meeting of the Iowa State Association of Electionists at Des Moines, Professor Ott, of the Drake School of Oratory, criticised the address of President Jordan, of Stanford University, before the State Teachers' Association, declaring that he stepped almost to vulgarity without even an excuse of teaching a moral, and also declaring that many of his illustrations lacked the intellectuality which gives wit an excuse in a public address.

ALL OVER THE WORLD

HANNA'S CHANCES SLIMMER. Will Get Caucus Nomination But May Not Be Elected.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 2.—The caucuses for the nomination of officers of the legislature, which convened today, were held Saturday night. Republican opposition in Ohio to President McKinley and his appointments assumed organic factional forms. The result of caucuses showed that the nominees of the Hanna slate are short three votes of election in the house and one in the senate. And the opinion prevails that Hanna will fall short four votes of election on the joint ballot Wednesday, January 12, unless changes are made in the meantime.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senate passed a bill providing for a \$40,000,000 congress of the representatives of the Indian tribes of the United States to be held in Omaha during the progress of the international exposition this year.

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BRITAIN CALLS A HALT. Demands That Each Power Have Equal Rights in Chinese Ports. MANCHESTER, Eng., Jan. 5.—The Manchester Guardian says: "The government has categorically stated that Great Britain will refuse to recognize any special rights granted to any Chinese port to any particular power. Any port open to any power must be open to all or open to none. If Russia has been granted the right to winter ships at Port Arthur, Great Britain will enforce her right to the same privileges, and her ships will winter there, whether China concedes or does not concede the right. If Germany obtains a naval station at Kiaoo Choo, Great Britain insists on having a lease of ground for a naval station at the same port, and will support every other power in making the same claim. The contention of the government is that the most favored nation clause in the British and all other treaties with China forbids any special concessions of the nature contemplated by Germany at Kiaoo Choo and prevents nations from having special benefits in which others have not a share. The government has not declared that the same principle applies to such transactions as railway and mine interests."

TO SAVE CHINA. Teller Urges the Interference of the United States. NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—In an interview in which he urges that the United States take action to frustrate the plans for dismemberment of China, Senator Teller says: "If this dismemberment is permitted our treaties with China fail and we shall have to deal anew with the powers who take possession of Chinese territory. But that is not the worst of it. If the dismemberment occurs the people of what is now China will become producers for the whole world. Competitive production and trade will be introduced against which neither we nor any other people can successfully contend. The economic conditions of the whole world will be changed. The people of China have greater power of production than any other like number of people. All they need is to be aroused to have their efforts properly directed. Inspired by the enterprise and energy of Germany and Russia, they would become the producers for the globe, and would produce so cheaply there would be no competitor."

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Thirty-Six of a Crew Lost. HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 4.—The steamer Gerona from Portland, Me. bound for London with 400 horses and a general cargo, struck on Seal Island during the thick weather. The captain decided to abandon the ship and all hands took to the boats. The second officer and twenty-four of the crew reached Forbes Point, Woods Harbor. The remainder of those on board, including Captain Baxter and thirty-six others, headed for Seal Island. Whether they have reached there is not yet known, as the weather and water are very rough and it has been impossible to communicate with Seal Island.

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

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LI HUNG CHANG SPEAKS.

Says All of Germany's Demands Were Promptly Met by China.

Pekin dispatch: An interview with Li Hung Chang has been secured and the wily veteran said that China was willing, and even anxious, that the western people should understand thoroughly matters as they were. He then spoke as follows: "The forcible occupation of Kiao-Chao by Germany is a direct violation of existing treaties and of international law. The pretext made for this act of war was the murder of two missionaries by robbers in the interior province of Chantung. The Chinese government offered immediate and full redress for this outrage—punishment of the criminals, dismissal of the local officials and large compensation for all losses. Anxious to avoid hostile acts, the Chinese troops were withdrawn from Kiao-Chao when the Germans landed, and in spite of strong public feeling prevailing throughout the country for the defense of Chinese territory against aggression, my government has not sent re-enforcements to Kiao-Chao."

After stating that China was struggling to emerge from her ancient civilization and to recover from the results of her recent war, the statesman asks: "Should China be distressed by having her shores invaded and her territory occupied because of an occurrence which western countries would deal with by law and not by war—an unexpected incident, deplored by my government and followed by full redress? Our desire is to preserve our territory intact and to steadily improve it as a field open to all countries equally for the development of commerce."

REBELS ENTER MATANZAS. Invasion of the Cuban Province Begun and Fighting May Follow. HAVANA, Jan. 3.—The threatened invasion of Matanzas by the insurgents has begun. Detachments of their cavalry have been pouring into the province from Santa Clara. It is said that about 4,000 rebels have crossed the Hanabana river into Matanzas territory within the last few days. The Spaniards are moving large bodies of troops forward to try to check the advance of the insurgents westward. As Colonel Cepero, who commands the extreme vanguard of the Cuban forces, crossed into Havana territory, after traversing all the province of Matanzas, the objective point of the new invasion is thought to be near Havana city. The Spanish troops stationed near the capital report every day two or more engagements. It is reported that there will be a concentration of Cuban forces in the immediate neighborhood of Havana. The authorities are moving large columns of troops to cover strategic positions near the city.

Letter Sells His Wheat. CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Joseph Leiter is said to have closed contracts for the greater part, if not all of his 8,750,000 bushels of wheat. Negotiations have been under way for several days and are about closed. The buyers are L. Dreyfuss & Co., of New York, the French exporters, and Gill & Fisher, of Baltimore. Dreyfuss' man is in Chicago looking over the wheat and samples have been forwarded to the New York headquarters. Nothing is known about the terms, but they are believed to be satisfactory to Leiter. Gill & Fisher, the Baltimore exporters, are among the largest cash grain handlers in the world, and stand at the head as a corn house.

Tobacco Embargo Removed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—A telegram was received at the state department from our minister in Spain, announcing the revocation of the embargo on exports of tobacco from Cuba, except Santiago de Cuba. Importation of tobacco into Cuba is prohibited.

Education Free-Co-operation in Education. Prof. Ed. Amherst Ott, so widely known on the lecture platform, deserves as much recognition as an enthusiastic educator and author as he does success on the platform. The co-operative plan by which he gives to one person in each town a free scholarship to the Drake Summer School of Oratory and English, is an example of the originality he throws into his plans. It is not a visionary scheme, its practical nature has been proven by many successful applicants. The registration fee is but 15 cents. The first applicant in any town has first chance to receive a scholarship (board and tuition free) to the Summer School of Oratory and a free ticket to the Midland Chautauque.

Valuable Scientific Discovery. LONDON, Jan. 6.—According to a Vienna correspondent Dr. Schenk, professor at the University of Vienna and president of the Embryological institute, claims that after twenty years of experiments he has discovered the secret of exercising an influence over animals and men so as to fix the sex of their offspring. Dr. Schenk declines to reveal it until he has placed his discovery before the Academy of Sciences; but he says the influence depends upon the nature of the food consumed by the female.

Help for Striking Engineers. LONDON, Jan. 4.—Delegates representing 1,350,000 trades unionists in convention have passed resolutions congratulating the striking engineers on their "splendid stand in defense of trades unionism," asking all trades unionists, of whom there are 3,000,000 in Great Britain, to make a weekly levy of not less than 6 cents to support the engineers, whose fight it was said is the fight of labor against capital all the world over.

BREVITIES. The director of the United States mint says from information at hand the world's product of gold for the year 1897 will approximate, if not exceed, \$240,000,000, an increase of nearly 20 per cent over 1896. The gold product of the United States for 1897 is about \$69,500,000, an increase over 1896 of \$8,400,000.

Washington dispatch: Comptroller James H. Eckles, who has made a most notable record since the day upon which, then an unknown Illinois attorney, he was appointed to the important position of comptroller of the currency by President Cleveland, has surrendered his office to Charles Gates Davis, a personal friend of President McKinley, of Evanston, Ill., and who it is claimed will fully maintain the high record set by his predecessor. Mr. Eckles becomes president of the Commercial National Bank of Chicago.

About Infringing a Patent. DES MOINES, Jan. 7.—W. T. M. asks: "If a person should use a ratchet in an improved window shade roller, similar to Hartshorn's, would it be an infringement? Is not the principle of such a ratchet too common to patent?" Without searching the records to see Hartshorn's claims, I will endeavor to answer your question and make the matter plain to you. Suppose Hartshorn's claim is for the combination of a ratchet, a pawl or detent, a spring and a roller for operating a curtain, all the parts may be common but the combination thereof new and patentable. To improve any one such element in that combination, or to add another part thereto to gain a new or improved result thereby would be patentable but not clear of the prior broad combination claim and an infringement if used without license. But if one of the four parts of the original combination claim is left out then the combination is broken and it would not be an infringement of the claim that had four parts in it. To give a definite opinion in any one case all the facts must be known; in other words, the matter supposed to be an infringement must be considered in the light of the patent or patents that are supposed to be infringed.

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OF CURRENT INTEREST.

Savarino Nardo of Rock Street, N. Y., would appear to be endowed with more than the average credulity of his innocent race, inasmuch as he seriously expected one Giuseppe Blanco, a compatriot, to deliver him a barrel of gold in consideration of \$100,000, which he had paid over, and for the return of which he is now suing. His business fault in the transaction was in not stipulating that the payment for the barrel should be taken out of it when it came to hand.

Mark Twain writes to a Vienna newspaper that the recent Thanksgiving reception at the American legation of the American residents in the Austrian capital was a great surprise, because it disclosed the fact that there were twice as many Americans living in the city as had been generally supposed. According to Mark Twain's observations, the men were all medical students, the women all pupils of a noted pianoforte teacher.

An Accommodating Swain. "Swear that you love me alone!" she whispers, hiding her face upon his manly breast. "I swear it," he answers passionately. "Furthermore, I swear that not only do I love you alone, but even when there are others present!"

Beauty is Blood Deep. Clean blood makes a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets Candy Cathartic cleans your blood and keeps it clean, by stirring up the liver and driving out impurities from the body. Begin today to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets Candy Cathartic. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10, 25, 50c.

A shocking death was met by D. R. Fleming, an employe in the Union Iron works at Youngstown, O. A rod of red-hot iron was in some unexplained manner released from his tongue, and penetrated his breast, passing out between his shoulders.

In Olden Times People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Fig's permanently overcomes habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy any other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co.

William Morose of Lisbon, Mich., aged 85 years, was married a few days ago to Miss Jennie Douglas of the same place, aged 16.

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When a man is in love is the best time to get him to join church.

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Where no one ever dreams."

Arabin Proverbs.
He that knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool. Shun him.
He that knows not, and knows that he knows not, is simple. Teach him.
He that knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep. Wake him.
He that knows, and knows that he knows is wise. Follow him.

Tremendous Exodus to the Klondike.
Despite the warnings of those who have been on the spot, and predict suffering in the Klondike region, thousands of adventurous Americans are wending their way thitherward. All of them should be provided with that medicinal safeguard, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which warms and nourishes the system, and prevents malaria, rheumatism, kidney trouble, besides remedying liver complaint, dyspepsia and constipation.

The importation of dutiable food and drink articles into England in November were valued at nearly \$15,000,000, and for eleven months \$120,000,000.

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Marselles has a 107-year-old woman who still carries her living by keeping a newspaper kiosk.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
To quit tobacco easily and forever, be wiser, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Write Starling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

He (at dinner, to his young wife)—My dear, I'm afraid your cook book must have some misprints in it.

SITUATION IN THE EAST.

HONG KONG, Jan. 5.—The British warship Powerful has arrived here. The Powerful is a first class cruiser of over 14,000 tons displacement and 25,000 horsepower, with a speed of 23 knots. She carries a crew of 840 men.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Evening News says it is reported in the city that the negotiations for a Chinese loan of \$10,000,000, guaranteed by the British government, are practically concluded.

BERLIN, Jan. 7.—The Reichsanzeiger announces that according to a telegram from Peking an understanding has been reached between China and Germany regarding the cession of Kiao-Chow bay. Arrangements, it is said, are practically as follows: It is intended by cession to render possible for Germany the fulfillment of her just wish for possession, in the same way as other powers, of a base for trade and navigation in Chinese waters. The cession takes the form of a lease for an indefinite time. Germany is at liberty to erect on the ceded territory all the necessary buildings and establishments, and take measures required for their protection. Continuing, the Reichsanzeiger says: "The ceded territory comprises the whole inner basin of Kiao-Chow bay, as far as high water line on the larger headlands, situated south and north of the entrance of the bay, to a point where they are naturally bounded by mountain ranges; also the islands situated within and in front of the bay. No obstacle is to be raised by China to any measures Germany deems necessary for regulation of water courses. China has transferred to Germany, for a period not stated in the telegram, a lease of all her sovereign rights over the ceded territory. If for any cause Kiao-Chow bay should prove unsuitable for the objects Germany has in view, China, after arriving at an understanding with Germany, will cede another piece of territory on the coast which Germany may regard as more suitable for her purpose."

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Dispatches from Shanghai say that J. McLeavy Brown, the British Korean customs agent at Seoul, maintains a firm hold of his post, and that M. Alexeff, the Russian agent, who has been endeavoring to obtain control of the finances, on account of the fact that all the funds are vested in Mr. Brown's name in the Hong Kong Bank at Shanghai, which institution honors Mr. Brown's signature only.

MONETARY COMMISSION

Report of the Commission Appointed by the Indianapolis Conference.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The report of the monetary commission appointed by the executive committee of the Indianapolis monetary conference has just been made public. The commission first recommends that every obligation of the United States for or hereafter issued shall, unless otherwise expressly provided, be payable in gold. It also proposes the gradual retirement of the greenbacks, delegating to the national banks the power to issue notes. The chief difference between the plan brought forward by the commission and that proposed by Secretary Gage is that, whereas the secretary proposes an issue of gold bonds to retire the demand notes, the commission proposes their gradual retirement on a plan similar to that proposed by President McKinley, with a pledge in law that every money obligation of the government, unless otherwise expressly provided, shall be paid in gold. The men who prepared this report are: Ex-Senator Edmunds, Professor J. Lawrence Laughlin, C. Stuart Patterson, Stuyvesant Fish, T. G. Bush, Colonel George E. Leighton, W. B. Dean, J. W. Fries, Judge Robert S. Taylor and Louis A. Garnett.

CLARK PRESENTS A GOLD BILL

He Wants the Yellow Dollar the Sole Unit of Value.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Representative Clark, of Iowa, has introduced in congress a bill making the gold dollar the sole unit of value, restricting the denominations of treasury or national bank notes to \$10 or its multiples; those outstanding of less denominations being called in and standard silver dollars given in exchange and certificates destroyed, while after July 1, 1900, the treasury is to refuse all such certificates as payment of public dues. The national bank acts also are amended to charter banks with a paid-up capital stock of \$20,000, which may issue currency to the amount of the face of the securities they deposited with the government, the tax on circulation to be one-half of 1 per cent, payable annually in January.

Thirty-Five Miners Drown.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—A special from San Antonio, Texas, says: A dispatch from Guana Jula, Mexico, says that the San Puerto coal mine was suddenly flooded with water from an underground river and thirty-five miners were drowned. There was no suspicion that an underground river existed anywhere within the vicinity of the mine, although that portion of the level was exceedingly damp. An expedition will be sent into the mine as soon as possible to recover the bodies.

Bartley Must Go to Prison.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 7.—The supreme court of Nebraska rendered a decision affirming the penitentiary sentence of twenty years imposed on ex-State Treasurer Bartley, convicted in the district court of Douglas county of embezzling \$735,000. The opinion is very lengthy and is concurred in by all of the judges. Bartley since his conviction last fall, has been in the county jail at Omaha.

Angell to China.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Charles Page Bryan will be made minister to Turkey in the place of Dr. James B. Angell, of Michigan, who will be sent to China. Mr. Bryan has been consulted and has agreed to accept the exchange.

WHEN THE BALLET REHEARSES.

Nondescript Costumes on the Pretty, Simple Young Girls.
I learned that ballet dancers, when they rehearsed, wear a nondescript costume that is most amusing, consisting of white trousers gathered in at the knee, over which are their fluffy tarlatan skirts, and on top the ordinary waists of their dresses, says Harper's Bazar. The effect is something like that of those Nuremberg paper dolls in three parts, over which we used to scream so with laughter as children in putting incongruous heads and skirts on the same body. A serious looking plaid blouse, finished in what might have been a powder puff of tarlatan. A tailor-made jacket of light cloth, worn with blue stock, looked oddly enough above the fluffy white petticoats. Half the girls wore cheap little shirt waists, as plain as those of an American school girl. They all looked young and simple, had pretty faces, and seemed to be having a thoroughly good time. Those who were not on the stage sat seriously in the boxes and knitted or crocheted. The premiere danseuse had a cold and wore her ordinary street dress. She was a slim Italian girl of 17, with great Italian eyes and soft brown hair, who partly supports her mother on her somewhat meager salary and lives what is never questioned as a perfectly honest and virtuous life. One reads the details of it in her simple black dress, evidently made at home, without slightest thought of coquetry, and a last year's green velvet hat, trimmed with cock's feathers that time had caused to droop somewhat mournfully. She smiled and dimpled as she caught sight of Mme. Lacour, and a little later, as the band of coryphees rehearsed over and over again the intricacies of the "chain dance," and all the other dances, in response to a sign from the author, she and Don Juan, in the person of a slender French girl with short, curly blond hair, came and joined us in our loge. The "star" told us that she loved to dance better than to do anything else in the world. She was born loving it; but, unlike little Morleena Kenwigs, or any of those infant phenomena of whom we read, who execute the most astonishing pas when their feet have scarcely learned to walk alone, she only began her artistic training at the age of 11. At 15 she made her debut as premiere in a grand ballet in Florence. She was not at all afraid. The more people there were and the more she had to do the happier she was in dancing. They said she was successful because she always smiled. She smiled because she loved it.

His Wheels.
Visitor—And he imagines that he sees ghosts all the time? How horrible! And do they clank chains?
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There is a great gas well at Piney Fork, Pa., whose roar is distinctly audible a distance of six miles.

A WINTER SCENE.

No more the scarlet maples flash and burn
Their beacon fires from hilltop and from plain;
The meadow grasses and the woodland fern
In the bleak woods lie withered once again.
The trees stand bare, and bare each stony scar
Upon the cliffs; half-frozen glide the rills;
The steel-blue river like a scimitar
Lies cold and curved between the dusky hills.
Like agate stones upon earth's frozen breast
The little pools of ice lie round and still;
White sulle clouds shut downward from the west
In marble ridges stretched from hill to hill.
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WHAT MAN DOES NOT LOVE BEAUTY?

Mrs. Pinkham Counsels Young Wives to Keep Their Attractiveness.
A Letter From a Young Wife.

Seven-eighths of the men in this world marry a woman because she is beautiful in their eyes.
What a disappointment then to see the fair young wife's beauty fading away before a year passes over her head!
I feel as if I would like to say to every young woman who is about to be married—
"Strengthen yourself in advance, so that you will not break down under the new strain on your powers." Keep your beauty, it is a precious possession! Your husband loves your beauty, he is proud to be seen in public with you; try to keep it for his sake, and your own.

The pale cheeks, the dark shadows under the eyes, the general drooping of the young wife's form, what do they mean? They mean that her nerves are failing, that her strength is going and that something must be done to help her through the coming trials of maternity.

Build her up at once by a course of some tonic with specific powers. Such as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. You can get it at any druggist's.

Following we publish a letter from a young wife—of her own accord she addresses it to her "suffering sisters," and while from modesty she asks to withhold her name, she gives her initials and street number in Chambersburg, Pa., so she can easily be found personally or by letter:

To my Suffering Sisters:—Let me write this for your benefit, telling you what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I am but nineteen and suffered with painful menstruation, leucorrhoea, dizziness, burning sensation back of ears and on top of my head, nervousness, pain and soreness of muscles, bearing-down pains, could not sleep well, was unable to stand without pain, and oh! how I longed to be well!

One day I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham telling her all, knowing I could do so in perfect confidence.

She wrote me a lovely letter in reply, telling me exactly what to do. After taking nine bottles of the Compound, one box of Liver pills, and using one-half package of Sensitive wash, I can say I am cured. I am so happy, and owe my happiness to none other than Mrs. Pinkham.

Why will women suffer when help is near? Let me, as one who has had some experience, urge all suffering women, especially young wives, to seek Mrs. Pinkham's advice.—Mrs. R. S. R., 113 E. Catherine St., Chambersburg, Pa.

Try Grain-O.
Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee.

The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. At the price of coffee.

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Great men are the true men, the men in whom nature has succeeded.—Henri Frederick Amiel.

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Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free. Sold in 25 and 50 cent bottles. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

A ton of oil has been obtained from the tongue of a single whale.

Smoke Sledge Cigarettes. 20 for 5c.

Baldwin's locomotive works have more orders on hand than at this time of year for six years.

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Take Caser's Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure druggists refund money.

A new discovered spot on the sun, which is visible just now, is said to be 30,000 miles in diameter.

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IDEAS IN GOWNS.
For dressier occasions there was a mouse-colored corduroy velvet, the skirt cut into a point in front, crossed over from left to right, the edge bordered with steel cord; the bodice crossed over the reverse way, and was cut square at the neck over a chemise of tucked green poplin.

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RACE ECHOES.

A colored Salvation Army is the latest thing in the city of Louisville.

Miss Georgie DeBaptisti, daughter of Rev. R. DeBaptisti of Evanston, Ill., has been appointed directory clerk in the Chicago postoffice.

Hon. J. Milton Turner of St. Louis and ex. Congressman Murry of S. Carolina are conducting a large machine shop in St. Louis. The latter who is in Washington preparing to make a contest for his seat in congress has a valuable patent on a combination farming machine which they are manufacturing.

Honors come to Lawyer John G Jones of Chicago, says the Chicago Sun when he himself did not know it or expect it. Charles H. Kelly for many years a residence of Chicago, died Dec. 10th, 1897 leaving a large estate to be divided among relatives and several educational, religious and benevolent institutions. Having implicit confidence in the ability and integrity of Lawyer Jones he named and designated him as executor to carry out the provisions of his will. Dec. 15 in the circuit court of Cook County Lawyer Jones was appointed receiver of the estate of the late Daniel Scott of Chicago. Mr. Scott is a colored man and died about a year ago estimated to be worth \$150,000.

Girls your every day toilet is a part of your character. A girl who looks like a fury or sloven in the morning is not to be trusted, however finely she may look in the evening. No matter how humble your room may be there are eight things it should contain viz.: a washstand, soap towel, comb hair tooth and nail brushes and a mirror. These are just as essential as your breakfast, before which you should make good and free use of them. Parents who fail to provide children with such appliances, not only make but commit a sin of omission. Look tidy in the morning and after dinner work is done improve your toilet. Make it a rule of your daily life to dress up in the afternoon. Your dress may or may not be anything but calico but with ribbon or a bit of ornament you can have an air of self-respect and satisfaction that always comes with being neatly dressed.

OSKALOOSA NEWS. Doctoa Brown is in St. Paul this week, business and pleasure combined.

Robert Johnson is home from a brief visit among relatives and friends in Galesburg. He reports a very pleasant visit.

Will Cratic was visiting among friends and acquaintances in Ottumwa.

William Burgus of Evans was in town last Friday and purchased an organ for use in his hall.

Mrs. A. H. Moracken of Mt. Pleasant, has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Nutch Moseley during the past two weeks.

Ruben Hill was initiated into the mysteries of official life in the county last week. He was assistant turn key at the jail for several days during the absence of the regular officer.

Professor Henry Cooper has opened his dancing school again, after having adjourned during the holidays.

Comodore Lee has returned from an extended trip in the southwest. While in Macon, Mo. he attended a convention of the colored teachers of Missouri. Mr. Lee was a guest of honor.

Miss Eldora Thompson and niece, Miss Della Richardson of Des Moines, visited in Muchakinock last week.

Lawyer Woodson is suffering from a badly spained ankle.

John Barquet was confined to his home this week by illness. Frank Jones of Davenport filled his place at the hotel Birdsal during his absence.

Rob Jones of Des Moines was in the city a couple of days last week.

Oscar Hall of Washington was in our city last week.

L. Shields and wife of Ft. Worth, Texas were in the city last week.

they are now visiting in Keb and they may locate in that place.

Henry Deary visited Knoxville people last week.

Tge fan drill at the A. M. F. church Tuesday evening, was quite well attended and the audience was pleasantly entertained. A number of the drill appeared in costumes, and the sight was indeed a pretty one. Mrs. George Jones and Mrs. Ed Jones have had the class in preparation and have been very successful in their efforts. The proceeds goes toward defraying the church debt, which will be decreased several dollars thereby.

There was an emancipation proclamation observance at Wesley Chapel church Saturday, January 1. The ladies furnished a splendid dinner free to all during the afternoon. In the evening a special program was presented to a good sized audience. Miss May Lafayette read the proclamation and then Rev. J. S. Burton delivered a brief address, "What have we done as a race." He was followed by William Hart, A. Hardy and others.

There was quite a gathering of friends at the Christmas dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Burnett, those present were: Rev. Burton and wife, E. Jones and wife, G. W. Black, wife and daughter Ruth, A. G. Clark and wife, Mrs. Tensley and daughter.

MARQUISVILLE NEWS. A concert was given at the Baptist church New Years eve, and the program rendered was very nice. Miss Sidney Davis was superintendent of the program. The main features of the evening was a dialogue by Miss Jackson and Mr. Reeves, also a dialogue by Will Hamet, entitled Imagination.

Mrs. Anna Brown and Mrs. Allen was visitors from Oskaloosa, and entertained by Mrs. Hopkins. Rev. Reeves and daughter, Agnes spend New Years day with Mrs. Pindexter.

More than It Was Worth. Judge Walton, who presides over a court at Washington, is a man of grim humor. One day, in the lobby, a member of the bar was seeking to convey the impression to a group of whom Judge Walton was the center, that his income from his profession was very large. "I have to earn a good deal," the lawyer said. "It seems a large story to tell, judge, but my personal expenses are \$6,000 a year. It costs me that to live." "That is too much, Brother S—," said the judge: "I wouldn't pay it—'t isn't worth it."

The Fabric of a Dream. The situations in which men frequently find themselves in dreamland was well illustrated by an Irishman, who, when recently relating a remarkable dream he had had, remarked "Then I thought I was walking about naked, wid me hands in me pockets."

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THE SECRET OF LONGEVITY.

Sir James Sawyer's Set of Rules to Prolong Life. From the London News: What is the secret of longevity? Sir James Sawyer has been confiding it to a Birmingham audience. Like so many other secrets, it consists in "paying attention to a number of small details." Here is a schedule of them, collected from the reports of Sir James Sawyer's lecture: 1. Eight hours sleep. 2. Sleep on your right side. 3. Keep your bedroom window open all night. 4. Have a mat on your bedroom floor. 5. Do not have your bedstead against the wall. 6. No cold tub in the morning, but a bath at the temperature of the body. 7. Exercise before breakfast. 8. Eat little meat and see that it is well cooked. 9. (For adults)—Drink no milk. 10. Eat plenty of fat, to feed the cells which destroy disease germs. 11. Avoid intoxicants, which destroy these cells. 12. Daily exercise in the open air. 13. Allow no pet animals in your living rooms. They are apt to carry about disease germs. 14. Live in the country if you can. 15. Watch the three Ds—drinking water, damp and drains. 16. Have change of occupation. 17. Take frequent and short holidays. 18. Limit your ambition, and 19. keep your temper. Keep all these commandments, and Sir James Sawyer sees no reason why you should not live to be 100. An interesting point in vital statistics was incidentally brought out by Sir James Sawyer, the death rate during the last 200 years has been enormously decreased, but the decrease has all been between the ages of birth and 35. Those who passed that age had not so good a chance of living as the people who lived 200 years ago. The meaning was that now the weaklings among that young were less easily killed off than they were 200 years ago. With regard to those of 35, those who lived in the olden days had the advantage that there were no telephones, telegrams, trains, daily share lists, or daily newspapers.

WOMAN'S INFLUENCE. Her Love is More Reasonable and Therefore, Less Than It Used to Be. A Swedish writer, Frau Hansson, in her "Das Buch der Frauen," thus describes the relation between modern men and women: "It is a peculiar sign of the times that in spite of the many restrictions of former days men and women have never stood wider apart than at present and have never understood one another more badly than now. The honest, unselfish sympathy, the true, I should like to say organical, union, which is still to be observed in the married life of old people, seems to have vanished. Each goes his or her own way. There may be a nervous search for each other and a short fling, but it is soon followed by a speedy losing. Is it the men who are to blame? The men of former days were doubtless very different, but in their relations to women they were scarcely more social than at present. Or is it the women who are at fault? For some time past I have watched life in its many phases and have come to the conclusion that it is the woman who either develops the man's character or ruins it. His mother and the woman to whom he unites himself leave an everlasting mark upon the impressionable side of his nature. In most cases the final question is not, 'What is the man like?' but, 'What kind of a woman is she?' And I think that the answer is as follows: A woman's actions are more reasonable than they used to be, and her love is also more reasonable. The consequence is a lessening of the passion that is hers to give, which again results in a corresponding coolness on the part of the man."

Alaska's Great Forests. The gold of Alaska, on which the attention of mankind is just now fixed with brilliant anticipation, may not, in the end, turn out to be the greatest treasure which that land possesses. The Alaskan forests appear to be among the most valuable in existence. Extending from Cross sound, a little south of Mount Fairweather, to the Strait of Juan de Fuca, partly in Alaska, and partly in British Columbia, lies what Garden and Forest describes as the greatest continuous body of timber of the cone-bearing or pine family in the world, "almost unmarked as yet by the axe, safe from fire, and of easy access." Security from fire, due to the moist climate, is regarded as one of the chief causes of the continued existence of these magnificent forests.

Adaptation of Dress Silks. An English chemist has recently analyzed a sample of a silk dress that was submitted to him by a lady. He found that it contained only a fraction over 28 per cent of silk, and as much tin was found in it as that present in poor tin ores from Cornwall. The tin occurs in the so-called weighting of the silk. The chemist states that he at once realized the fact that the silk dresses worn by the ladies in Regent street and Bond street, London, taken together, would represent a Cornish tin-mine of very fair quality. He was informed by an expert that the silk he had examined would not stand more than three months' steady wear.

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COST OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Differences in Expenditures for Educational Purposes. Exclusive of \$1,180,000 which it pays to the state, the city of New York is expending this year \$6,000,000 for purposes of education, and about \$4,500,000 of this sum goes for salaries of teachers and school employes. There are about 5,000 school teachers in the city of New York and the rate of pay varies from \$3,000 a year salary paid to the larger number of principals of the male grammar schools down to \$604 a year, the amount paid to teachers of the lowest grade in the primary schools. Roughly speaking, the average rate of pay of a school teacher in New York is about \$675 a year, and it is estimated that the cost per capita of the education of children in New York is about \$25. By a recent inquiry into the cost of tuition in public schools in American cities it has been found that only St. Louis and Philadelphia paid more than New York, the maximum cost per capita being \$249 in Philadelphia and the minimum \$22.70 in Rochester. The differences are largely in the matter of salaries. In Philadelphia principals receive from \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year, professors in the boys' school \$2,500, teachers in the boys' school from \$800 to \$1,800 and teachers in the girls' school from \$800 to \$1,600. In St. Louis the maximum for principals is \$3,000, for assistant principals \$2,200, and for assistants \$1,500 to \$2,000, according to the grade. At the other extreme are Indianapolis and Minneapolis, where high school teachers receive \$1,200 as the maximum, and Pittsburg, where the salaries range from \$900 to \$1,700. Philadelphia expends \$3,500,000 a year on her schools. Chicago's schools cost \$5,000,000, the schools of Boston \$7,500,000, the schools of Brooklyn \$3,500,000, the schools of San Francisco \$1,500,000, the schools of Buffalo \$950,000, the schools of Milwaukee \$700,000, and the schools of Louisville \$575,000. Among American cities which spend comparatively little in proportion to their size for school purposes, New Orleans is perhaps the most conspicuous, and one probable explanation of the small expenditure of public money there is to be found in the fact that a considerable portion of the population is colored and the item of expense for the rudimentary instruction of colored children is, it is well known, very small.

There are in the United States 492 colleges or universities having 7,000 male and 1,500 female instructors. There are 150 theological schools with 1,000 instructors and 9,000 students. There are 100 law schools with 9,000 students, of whom 100 are girls. There are 200 medical colleges with 25,000 students, of whom 1,500 are female. Of these medical schools more than half are allopathic and only 25 are homeopathic. There are in the United States 5,000 high schools, with 7,000 male and 8,000 female teachers, and 2,500 private schools with 4,000 male and 5,000 female teachers. About 10 per cent of the number of private schools in the United States are to be found in the city of New York. There are more medical colleges and law schools in this state than in any other, but Pennsylvania has a larger number of theological colleges than New York. In respect of the number of high schools Ohio stands first among the states of the union and in the number of so-called colleges and universities Virginia stands first—New York Sun.

An Object in View. "Here are your slippers, my dear," said the husband of the Emancipated Woman, as she latter came in, weary with the cares of the day. "As soon as you have put them on and rested a bit you will find dinner ready, and I hope you will enjoy it, for I have cooked one of your favorite dishes. Mr. T. was in this afternoon calling and I just told him that I had the most intelligent wife in the world, as well as the handsomest woman in the city. I am so proud of you, dear."

At this the sweet little husband bent over and kissed his wife fondly. It was easy to see that they were deeply attached to each other.

"That's all right," replied the Emancipated Woman, patting her spouse on the cheek. "You are a dear, good boy and you shall have that new silk hat you have been wanting so long. Now, let us have dinner, for I am as hungry as a hunter."—New York World.

Not Extinct. The speaker described in the following anecdote from "Short Stories" was not the last of his species. Unhappily, his identity is more frequently established by the tag end rather than the beginning of Doctor Kane's comparison: Dr. Elisha K. Kane, on his return from his great Arctic expedition, was invited to a banquet in New York, where an after-dinner speaker talked an hour.

"Doctor, what did you think of the speaker?" asked a friend.

"It was like an Arctic sunset," answered the explorer.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Bright and interesting, but provokingly long in operation," replied the doctor.

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