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CITY NEWS
Watch This Space.
Burlington Route

Mr. Edward Miller is able to be out again after a severe illness.

Mr. William Lowery still remains quite sick at his home on Fourth St.

In our next week's issue we will have Mr. Weeks' and M. Bowen's file up.

Hotelmen annual sermon at St. A. M. E. church, Sunday evening.

Miss Zella Davis has consented to play a violin solo today before the Y. M. C. A.

Rev. E. D. Wilson of Centerville was in the city a few days this week.

Little Ada Cleggett has been very sick this week with the chicken pox.

Mr. P. Holmes is very sick at the home of J. T. Blagburn on Fourth and School streets.

J. Bell of Desota Iowa was in the city this week, he has a good driving horse that he wishes to sell.

Mrs. W. H. Birney who has been so very sick, is improving slowly she is able to set up a little at a time.

Mrs. Joseph Hamilton who has been so sick for the past two weeks is but little if any better.

Remember voters that you have but a few more days in which to work for Frank Blagburn.

Mrs. G. W. Denney is able to be out again after several weeks sickness.

Mr. Hubanks was suddenly called home last week to the bedside of his mother in Omaha.

I here by pledge myself that in case I succeed in securing the nomination and election as Assessor I shall appoint one or two colored men as assistant Assessor. F. A. French.

In our last week announcement cards we through error got Mr. French's name under Mr. Malay's card, which made it appear as though Mr. French was a candidate for Police Judge, and Mr. Malay for Assessor, which should have been reverse. However it is changed this issue.

Rumor has it that John D. Reeler of Mason City, formerly of this city and at one time business manager of the Bystander has been appointed as one of the guards at Annamos penitentiary by the new warder. If the rumor is true we congratulate Mr. Reeler also the new Warden Mr. Hunter for remembering the race.

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Hair Dressing. Crimped switches and frizzetts combed done to order.

Mrs. D. C. Basfield, 15 1/2 20th St.

AT REST.

With sorrow and sadness we are pained to announce the death of Catherine Thompson who is well known in Iowa, Mrs. Thompson or (Kate), as she is sometime called died at her home in Oskaloosa last Wednesday eve Feb. 17th., she calmly and peaceably passed away into the great unknown surrounded by her bed-side was her two daughters, one son and loving friends, she had been sick for a long time, bed-fast for seven weeks all medical aid that could be rendered was done, but of no avail, as the disease was a complication of her old trouble the lungs and liver aided by a cough which had been with her for many years. She leaves six children living and many friends to mourn her loss; Mrs. Mary Richardson of Olive Ia J. H. Shepard of Des Moines manager of the Iowa State Bystander, B. J. Shepard who lived with her in Oskaloosa, J. L. Thompson a student of Drake University, Eldora Thompson who is with her in Oskaloosa and Edward Thompson of Decatur Ia.

BIOGRAPHY.
Mrs. Thompson was born in Jackson Co. Mo., Oct. 10th, 1836, and spent 27 years in slavery was bought and sold five different times; sold to a man named Martin, of Clay Co. Mo., in 1839; she was then taken to Platt Co., Mo., where she was married in 1852, to Nicholas Martin; later they were sold to Shepard, then separated from her husband and sold to Jacks. After Lincoln's proclamation of emancipation she, with four small children came to Iowa, settling in Ringgold county, working on a farm; she soon moved to Decatur county, where she was married to Mr. Andy Thompson, Nov. 16, 1866, where she spent the most of her life. She was a loving and affectionate mother, sociable to her friends, kind to all, confessed religion and joined the Methodist church, of which she was a devoted member. The funeral was preached at her home by Rev. Burton, of the Wesleyan M. E. church, Oskaloosa, Iowa. Her body was sent to Des Moines, for interment in the Woodland cemetery. A large crowd accompanied the corpse to the depot, in Oskaloosa; also a large crowd met at the depot on Friday, at 11 o'clock and accompanied her remains to their resting place.

We must restrain our feelings, as words, songs, nor tears can not tell; so peace on earth, good will and friendship to all.
The Princess Dancing club will notify its members and patrons, that owing to the failure of Estey & Camp to secure the agency of the property, the dancing school will be discontinued until further notice is given.

The H. B. S. R. C. will meet with Mrs. G. A. Cleggett 1072 8th street, Thursday afternoon Feb. 24th. The afternoon will be spent in discussing the current events of the day.
Beautiful Reception.
The Ladies' Afternoon Social club gave a very nice reception Thursday evening, in honor of their husbands, at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Woods. A few invited guests were present, and a very enjoyable time was had. Each went home appreciating the club and its work more than ever, as social clubs of this kind is what elevates society. Supper exquisitely served of the tempting viands of the season.

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The Spanish Suspected of Treachery.

The destruction of the magnificent battleship, Maine, and the killing of more than 250 American seamen, seems at present to point to murder rather than an accident. Spain should be compelled to produce good proof that she was not the cause of the destruction of our warship, and the mere statement that it was a spontaneous combustion should not be accepted by the administration, and the administration should be slow in accepting the theory of an accidental explosion until they have the full details of a thorough investigation. No mere apology can atone for such a barbarous act.

Coming City Election.

Within a few weeks our biennial city election will soon be over. The republican city primaries will be held Monday, February 28, at which time an opportunity will be given to the voters to vote for their choice, among the candidates for the various places. There are about fifty candidates that have announced themselves for the nineteen different places, to be filled. The Bystander has run the announcement cards and brief write up of nearly every candidate; therefore, voters, you can select the one which seems to be the most fitted to discharge the duties of said office. We think that all the candidates are an excellent class of men, capable to fill the offices; even those few who did not consider the colored voters enough to give their announcement cards. If we could be permitted to express our opinion we would say that we would prefer those to secure the nomination who appreciate and patronize colored enterprise, but you voters are the judge. Be careful look to the interest, welfare and future development of our city, before voting.

Mayorality Contest.

The mayorality contest grows warmer as the time draws near, each faction seems to be well organized and working hard for their respective candidates. Both of the candidates are good men, both are young men, both are well qualified, both favor municipal ownership, both are progressive, active workers in the party, either will strive to build up our growing city, and guard its interest in every particular. The Bystander will gladly and can cheerfully support either that gets the nomination.

John Loper, Candidate for Alderman-at-Large.

Mr. John C. Loper the popular alderman from the 6th Ward has announced his name as a candidate for Alderman at large for the East Des Moines. He was born in Ohio 1851 and came to Des Moines 28 years ago where he has been identified with the up building of our city, was elected Alderman of the 6th Ward two terms and the highest step of Alderman at large would only be a recognition of his worth. He was instrumental in appointing the first colored fireman on the east side department, and at present the east side has two colored firemen. He stands well with the colored people, and would make if elected a good councilman.



ALDERMAN AT LARGE EAST SIDE.

FOR MARKET MASTER.
Mr. H. A. Claw of East Des Moines is a candidate for market master, subject to the convention. He was born in 1831 in Vermont, came to Ia. 1857 to Des Moines 25 years ago and has been a laborer all the time and by his good knowledge in the art of making pumps and scales and putting them up, he would no doubt make a good market master, an active republican and is now working at his trade putting up pumps and scales for the Beckman Bros. He solicits your support.

FOR ALDERMAN.

Mr. S. Green a successful business man and a respected citizen of our city for a long number of years has upon solicitation of his friends consented to announce his name as a candidate for alderman of the 6th ward. Mr. Green was born in the Empire State in 1833 came to Iowa in 1857 and for 41 years has lived in Des Moines has been in the foundry business nearly all the time and by his close attention to business, good judgement and honest dealings has made a success financially until to-day he pays a little over \$800.00 taxes on property in this city which speaks volumes for the best interest of the city which he would have being so identified with its development. He has never held any office in his life no better business man could be found than Mr. Green.



FOR CITY TREASURER.

Mr. Geo. W. Shope of East Des Moines formerly cashier of the Grand ave. Savings Bank, is a candidate for City Treasurer subject to the republican convention. He was born in Penn. in 1838 came to Des Moines in 1870 and has been in various business, first in the Iowa School Desk Manufacturing Co., then in the grocery. He was elected City Treasurer for two terms and served with honor to himself and party, has been a party worker for years a delegate to City, County and State Conventions a good citizen, sociable and courteous to all and if nominated would easily be elected. He is well qualified for the position as demonstrated by his past service, he is working hard for the nomination.

Governor Proclaims a Holiday.

Washington's birthday is made such by the new code, the following proclamation has been issued by Governor Shaw.
The Proclamation by the Governor, the code of 1897 makes the birthday of George Washington a public holiday.
Now, therefore, I, Leslie, M. Shaw, Governor of the State of Iowa, hereby invite the people of state, to observe in a suitable manner. Tuesday, the 22d day of February instant.

as the occasion is appropriate for patriotic ceremonies, I suggest the fitness of addresses, lectures and platform meetings devoted to non-partisan questions of civil government; and I recommend that there be, thereon a general display of the national colors, and especially that the flag be hoisted on all public buildings.
And I further direct that all public offices be closed on the day named.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and the seal of the State of Iowa this fifteen day of February in the year our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-eight, of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second, and of the state of Iowa the fifty-second.

For Market Master.

Mr. M. E. Young announces his name as a candidate for Market Master, subject to the republican convention. Mr. Young was born in Ohio, 1836, and came to Iowa in 1856, and has lived in Des Moines for the past ten years, running a milk dairy. In 1862 he enlisted in company G, 40th Iowa Infantry, in which he spent several years assisting in destroying treason and preserving our Union. He is a staunch republican and his first vote was cast for Abraham Lincoln; since that time he has taken an active part in upholding and defending the republican party. He has never held an office in this city, is in every way qualified; good morals and would, if elected, add strength and dignity to said office. His many friends are using all honorable means to secure his nomination. He is sociable, courteous to all, and will appreciate any assistance that he may receive.

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Frank Blagburn, Candidate for Market Master.



For Market Master.

This week's issue we present the picture of Frank Blagburn that will be presented at the coming city convention. He is unanimously endorsed by all the colored republican clubs, and is developing strength every day. As we have before given his history, it is not necessary to reproduce it in this issue.

Joe. E. Bruner, whose announcement card appears in this issue has been a resident of this city since 1868. He was twice elected constable of Lee township; the first time he had to overcome a democratic majority of 175, which he did by leading the democratic nominee over 400 votes. Mr. Bruner has always been a hard working republican, casting his first vote for Gen. Grant. Voters should consider well the claim of Mr. Bruner on every loyal republican of the party.

For Park Commission.

Mr. John F. Rollins, a well known citizen of our city has announced his name as a candidate for re-nomination for his second term as Park Commissioner, subject to the republican convention. Mr. Rollins was born in Maine in 1838, and came to Iowa in 1856, and has lived in our city ever since. He was in the drug business for nine years, and for fifteen years in the wholesale paper business. Mr. Rollins has been a successful business man; he never deals in politics, although a good republican. He is honest, capable, painstaking, and will no doubt make a good commissioner, as he has in the past. His re-nomination should be by acclamation. He is a heavy tax payer and is interested in the growth of our city.

For Alderman-at-Large.

J. G. Olmsted is announced as a candidate for Alderman-at-large from Des Moines township. He is in the wholesale boot and shoe trade, and through the efforts of his house, the name "Des Moines" is known throughout this and other western states as the best western market for boots and shoes. He is a large employer of labor, a steadfast Republican and a strong advocate of Municipal Ownership of franchises. He is unfortunately called out of the city during this campaign but his friends will doubtless see to it that the city's business shall have the benefit of his counsel.

For Alderman.

Mr. H. H. Beckman of the firm of Beckman Bros. who are manufacturers in Steam Engines and Boilers, etc., in East Des Moines, is a candidate for alderman of the 6th ward subject to the coming convention. He was born in Iowa in 1866, lived in Des Moines for 12 years where he has been associated in the above name business. He is a good painstaking business man a life long republican has never held an office in Des Moines; voters of the 5th ward will make no mistake in voting for Mr. Beckman, as he will make a good councilman for his constituents and the city at large.

Engineer Higgins Answer.

ED. BYSTANDER:—In last week's Bystander appears a communication from Frank Pelton, claiming to have reduced expenses 30 per cent compared with myself. The deduction is very sly and foxy. In the first place, it would not mean much if it were true, and in the second place it is not true. The claim set forth would mean nothing, because the amount of work required in the engineering department is not the same for any two consecutive years. There may be nearly twice as much one year as another. The engineer must execute what the city council orders done. No one knows this better than Mr. Pelton, yet he always assumes that the work is essentially the same in amount from year to year. This is deception, pure and simple, on his part. Further than this, he should not compare our pay rolls without putting them on the same basis of wages paid. He paid poor salaries to many of his men. He held George M. King, now a candidate for city engineer, on a salary of \$65 per month for fourteen months, at which time he raised him to \$75, which amount he should have received all the time. Then again he paid his chairman, worthy and efficient, \$40 per month, when \$45 would have been

low pay for them. Others on his pay roll received like treatment. From this cause alone his pay roll for the same period gives above is \$632.90 lower than it would have been had he been just to his men.

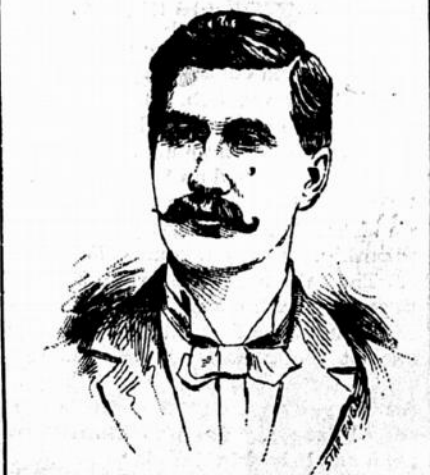
In the second place, his exhibit of my pay rolls is incorrect. Beginning with June of 1897, he has included in my pay roll due to the field work of investigation, the expert's charge for the same, and some other special rolls, all of which were separate from our department as Mr. Pelton now is, and were not charged to our fund at all and could not be charged to it. The pay rolls exhibit this, but Mr. Pelton pays no attention to that. My pay roll correctly stated it as follows for 1896; April \$163.78, May \$607.20, June \$593.86, July \$633.35, August \$610, September \$510, October \$410, November \$410, December \$236.66, and for 1897, January \$159.71, February \$202.50, March \$555, April \$526, May \$555, June \$600.23, July \$606.65, August \$565, September \$552.90, October \$450, November \$395, December \$235, and for 1898, January \$595, making a total of \$10,079.93.

This is carried through Jan. 1898, to please Mr. Pelton, though there is but little sense in doing so. Our appropriations are by the year, and should have ended his comparison with December, 1898.

Now, let us see how it is. Mr. Pelton's pay roll for the period mentioned as he gives it is \$9,702.45. Had he paid his men the same wages as I paid, which wages are low enough, he would have increased the amount by \$652.90, making the total \$10,355.35. In the same period my pay roll was \$10,079.93, making a difference in favor of Higgins of \$275.42.

I insist that it is fair to put the men on the same scale of wages to make comparison, otherwise the comparison is but a trick to deceive.

Let us see again. When the appropriation ordinance of 1896 was prepared, Mr.



Pelton insisted on an appropriation of \$6,000 for the engineering department. He expected to remain in office, and wanted \$6,000 for the pay of his force. He was defeated, a circumstance I think he remembers, and within a few months was going about the city saying he could run the office for \$3,000. What is our record for the year 1896? A total of \$5,521.62 from January 1896, to January 1897, or \$474.88 less than Mr. Pelton's own estimate of the needed amount.

What next? Our appropriation for '97 was made \$5,500. We paid for help in the engineer's department in 1897, \$5,244.99, or \$255.01 less than the appropriation, and all this time paying just wages to the men.

Had I paid poor wages I could have shown a saving of 30 per cent, as Mr. Pelton proposes to do. As it is the drop from \$6,000 to \$5,425 means a drop of 12 1/2 per cent. But I shall not play the demagogue on that matter. Straight business is what we want. Let Mr. Pelton stand on his merits as an engineer as the other candidates propose to do, and quit trying to fool the people. There is another statement in his article which is misleading. The assessment clerk and driver were transferred, as he states. Their combined salaries amounted \$100 per month. We used neither one of them in 1896. I placed B. Schriener in the office at a salary of \$100 per month instead. As he put in most of his time bringing up records that had been allowed to lapse during Mr. Pelton's term the matter is about a stand-off. We have had the driver on our pay roll since March, 1897, a fact Mr. Pelton conveniently overlooked. There is nothing there to his advantage, and he may as well come out in the open and play fair.

If this particular citizen of Greenwood Park desires to continue this newspaper warfare I will accommodate him, but it would seem that one who has had twenty-five years experience as an engineer in the city of Des Moines should stand solely on his merits as an engineer.

LAFAYETTE HIGGINS.

HYDE PARK CHICAGO.
The jury in the case of Leavy Jackson failed to agree he is still incarcerated in the Cook County jail awaiting a new trial. Chicago can boast of having one of the most clever colored female heires in the country.

Willette C. Bryant alias Edna Brown is this important personage. Miss Bryant is an innocent friend bereft pretty brown skin woman with all of the charms admirably by men, apparently she is just about twenty summers her modes of robbing is unique, she finds out the name of some well known citizens that have a young daughter about 16 or 17 years and visit them and asking them leave to stay, as she has no home or friends in the city she has only been here about six weeks, the same game in our section of the city three years and the kind hearted parents takes her in, the same time in themselves Miss Brown is a very careful lady and

does not go out very much so the kind family goes out and when they return neither Miss Brown or anything that happens to be very valuable what is easily coined is there any more. Mrs. Jones of 6327 Emerald Ave. is one of the victims. Miss Brown after relieving Mrs. Jones of her spare change and a few clothes went to a friend of Mrs. Jones and told that lady Mrs. Jones sent her there; twenty-four hours after the friend was lamenting the loss of a fine seal skin sacque, both ladies will not furnish the police with any information about Miss Brown. Quite queer for Chicago people.

Edward Thompson of Decatur City writes me that they have a foot and a half of snow in that little city of the cyclones, but there is nothing strange about that a week ago this city was literally covered with snow and to day there is quite a few wagon loads left.

In this city there are nothing but masquerades and hard time balls from one end to the other it is simply a life of gaily. They are rebuilding the Coliseum the great structure that was consumed by fire New Years eve it was claimed to be the largest building in the world and W. J. Bryan won his great popularity then during the recent presidential campaign, the building burned to the ground within fifteen minutes, this was the second time this building was wrecked, when nearing completion the first time the great iron girdles fell in and pulled the walls down, it is to be built with an additional cost of a \$100,000 or \$450,000.00 in all and is to be thoroughly fire proof.

MOUNT PLEASANT NEWS.

The Steward's board of the A. M. E. church met last Monday eve to transact business.

Little Johnnie Robinson has been very sick with the fever.

Mrs. J. Tally is on the sick list. The Stewardess board met Tuesday evening at the parsonage to transact business.

Little Clefton, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Green, died last Friday, after a short illness. The funeral was held from the residence of N. Lincoln street Sunday at 2 p. m. The bereaved parents have the sympathy and prayers of the whole community.

Mr. Ed Thomas a former Mt. Pleasant boy runs through the city on the dining car.

Quite a pleasant surprise was given Rev. and Mrs. Gordon, last Friday evening by a large number of their friends.

The many friends of Mrs. McNeal are glad to see that she is able to be out again.

Mrs. Wm. Spotts came to the conclusion that there is no place like Mt. Pleasant, so she returned last Monday to make it her home.

THE KLONDIKE FEVER.

'My Ezra's got the fever, He's not his head to go. Declares he'll find a fortune. Beneath the ice and snow. 'Tis Klondike an' Alaska. As soon as it is light, I know I'm safe in sayin' He dreams on at it night. 'But sure as I'm a woman And he livin' man, He'll freeze to death this winter He can't that climatic stan', 'Tis not that I'm opposin' Younger men than he, But Ezra's no spring chicken He's nigh to sixty three, 'Tis five and forty years have passed Since he and I were wed, Together have we toiled and planned, To earn our daily bread, An' 'hon what's so distressful It almost breaks my heart To think that naught hit Klondike gold' Could Ezra from me part.

'Pears like his love is growing cold Although he swore to me, That only death could us part, So lasting would it be, 'Tis women's hearts must break an' bleed Endure the weight of woe. While men will do just as they please And off to Klondike go.

I feel I'll soon a widdy be For Ezra's bound to go An' then I'll don my widdy's weeds, He's sure to die I kno' My eyes will die to fill with tears I cannot help but cry To think of Ezra leaving me A going there to die."

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.
SENATE.
Washington, Feb. 11.—Consideration of the Indian appropriation bill was resumed by the senate to-day, and after being amended to some extent the measure was passed. The most important amendment to the bill was that offered by Pettigrew, which, if finally enacted, will restore the free homestead law so far as it relates to Indian lands ceded to the United States, for which lands the settlers have been obliged to pay the purchase price to the Indians. The bill carries appropriations aggregating nearly \$8,000,000.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The senate devoted almost four hours in executive session to-day to the consideration of the Hawaiian treaty. The principle speech was made by Senator Pettigrew, this being the third time that he has spoken in support of the treaty. Teller and Brewster made brief remarks. White, of California, tried to get a vote on the treaty, but Davis said he could not say when the debate would cease.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by HALL'S CATARRH CURE.
P. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Catarrhs are not cured by local applications.
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Hall's Family Pills are the best.
How mad soprano singers look at another soprano singer's concert.

A Favorite Calendar.
With the approach of a new year most people discover the need of a new calendar. This fact accounts for the great number of these articles that burden the mails at this time. Among them all the one which suits us best is that published by N. W. Ayer & Co., Newburyport and Medicine Advertising Agents, Philadelphia. The 1898 edition has just arrived and been put in commission. Its chief attraction is that the figures are clear enough to be read across the room. It is, however, a most handsome specimen of the printer's art, while its business talk always interests business men. We are not surprised to learn that the edition has been doubled in recent years. Its price (35 cents) includes delivery by mail to any address in perfect condition.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The senate to-day after a warm debate, adopted a resolution asking the attorney general to explain whether he had abandoned the plan to purchase the Kansas Pacific and had asked the appointment of a receiver for the road, as reported; also whether the government had agreed not to be a bidder.

SPAIN REFUSES A DISAVOWAL.
MADRID, Feb. 15.—The note from Minister Woodford demanded that Spain should formally disavow the insults to President McKinley contained in Senator De Lome's letter to Senator Canalejas. The cabinet council, it is reported, decided unanimously to reply to Minister Woodford that Senator De Lome's spontaneous resignation and the terms of the decree accepting it were considered sufficient satisfaction. It is understood that Minister Woodford received this intimation and dispatched a long cipher telegram to Washington.

ANOTHER STEAMSHIP HORROR.
Vessel Wrecked and Eighty-seven Lives Lost Off Canary Islands.
TENEFRE, Canary Islands, Feb. 17.—The Compagnie Generale Transatlantique steamer Flachat, bound from Marseilles for Colon, was totally wrecked on Anaga point. Her captain, second officer, eleven of her crew and one passenger were saved. Thirty-eight of the crew and forty-nine passengers were lost. The Flachat struck on Anaga point during a thick fog and sank in two. The steamer Susu brought the fourteen survivors to Santa Cruz, and after landing them returned to the scene of the disaster.

LETTERS FROM THE RESTORED.
Many Wonderful Cures Recorded, Hoping that others may be benefited.
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A BEAUTIFUL GIRL'S AFFLICTION.
From the Republic, Vergennes, Ind.
The Tuckers of Vergennes, Ind., like all good parents, are completely wrapped up in their children. Their daughter, Mary, is fifteen, and has given them much concern. She is fifteen, and from a strong, healthy girl, three years ago, had become weak and listless. Her blood became impure and finally she became the victim of nervous prostration. Doctors did not help her. Most of the time she was confined to bed, was very nervous and irritable, and seemed on the verge of a fatal illness.

"One morning," said Mrs. Tucker, "the doctor told us to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which he brought with him. He said he was treating a similar case with these pills and they were curing the patient. We began giving the pills and the next day could see a change for the better."

DISCUSSED THEIR DAUGHTER'S CASE FOR HOURS.
The doctor came and was surprised to see such an improvement. He told us one pill after each meal until she had been used with her pills. She has not been sick since, and we have no fear of the old trouble returning. We think the cure almost miraculous.

THE NEW WORLD.
Interest is aroused in the Canadian West. The exhibits of grains and roots in a vegetable, the product of the fertile lands of Western Canada, which were made at the several state and county fairs in some of the Western states this fall, have awakened considerable interest in the lands which the Canadian Government has opened for settlement, and which are given free to settlers. The agents of the government, who are to be found in these states, are flooded with inquiries regarding the conditions on which these lands may be secured. Large numbers have located on these lands during the past year, and send back to their friends most encouraging reports. They say they have entered on an era of prosperity, and are well pleased with both the agricultural possibilities and the climate. The provinces of Manitoba, Assiniboia and Alberta are especially adapted to diversified farming. In some parts the country is especially adapted to stock raising, and it is being profitably pursued. In these parts snow seldom remains a week at a time, the warm breezes from the ocean affecting the climate thus favorably. When the desired crops in these lands are fully known there will be a rush such as has scarcely ever before been known. Information as to all railway rates, illustrated pamphlets, etc., will be forwarded with pleasure by the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, if you will send the name of the name of an agent of the government.

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DIPHTHERIA IN WINNECONNE.
How It Was Stamped Out, After the Modern Treatment Had Failed.
Thirty-three cases of diphtheria were reported at Winneconne, Wisconsin, and the schools were closed.

Of the thirty-three cases twelve were subjected to so-called modern treatment; four of the two were treated died, a death rate of 33.3 per cent. Mr. J. Ulrich, a resident of Winneconne, had observed the marvelous success Mucosolvent had met with and in his enthusiasm had induced many mothers to use it. His own family was one of the first infected, Mucosolvent being used to the exclusion of everything else with splendid results.

Compared with other treatments, its success was so very pronounced, that Mucosolvent was generally adopted, with the result that by its use also the other twenty-two cases recovered, not one proving fatal where Mucosolvent was depended on to induce recovery.

We recommend its presence in every home, for all throat troubles. In averting developments of diphtheria, scarlet fever and croup, it is unequalled. Upon receipt of the price, \$1 per bottle, the Mucosolvent Company, 356 Dearborn street, Chicago, will express it, charges paid. This makes a splendid article for agents to introduce in their locality, as it is backed by overwhelming and convincing testimony. Forty-page book free.—Chicago Opinion.

Brief Hints.
A wild duck dashed through the bedroom window of a house in Penobscot, Me., and so startled the owner that he remained speechless and inactive for several minutes. When he recovered the power of motion, he saw that the duck had crawled under the bedclothes, in the effort to warm itself. The next day the family dined on wild duck.

SPRAYING FRUIT TREES.
The question of spraying fruit trees to prevent the depredations of insect pests and fungus diseases is no longer an experimental necessity.

NEW INVENTIONS.
Amongst the various inventions which were issued last week by the United States Patent Office was a patent covering a guiding mechanism adapted to be attached to the handle bars of a bicycle, so that the front wheel can be locked in any suitable position, which of course, would prevent the wobbling of the front wheel for a nallies horsehoe. Another bicycle invention provides a seat post which is yieldingly held within a tube and prevents shock being imparted to the saddle. Inventors desiring further information relative to the law and practice of patents may obtain the same in addressing Sues & Co., registered patent attorneys, Bee Building, Omaha, Neb.

THE HANDSOME CALENDAR OF THE YEAR.
The Youth's Companion Souvenir Calendar for 1898, which is a series of twelve pictures faithfully copied in twelve colors and embossed in gold, is recognized as the richest and most costlier and most beautiful of large quantities. To buy and reproduce famous paintings involves an expenditure which could be better put to use in this case, the enterprise is sustained by the appearance of more than 200,000 subscribers. Every new subscriber to the Companion for 1898 gets this beautiful Calendar without additional charge.

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"What a smiling countenance she—Yes, who would have thought her old enough to have cut her wisdom teeth!"

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Sent out by the Chicago, Great Western Railway, a dissected map of the United States, printed on heavy cardboard, and the puzzle consists in putting the pieces together so as to form the complete map. It will be found interesting and instructive to old and young.

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Jane Addams is doing missionary work among the wealthy women of Chicago by trying to get them interested in the poor.

Wisdom is to the mind what health is to the body.—Rochefoucauld.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.
Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

Anthony Hope, the novelist, is coming to America to give a series of readings.

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Young Womanhood
Sweet young girls! How often they develop into worn, listless, and hope less women because mother has not impressed upon them the importance of attending to physical development.

No woman is exempt from physical weakness and periodical pain, and young girls just budding into womanhood should be guided physically as well as morally.

If you know of any young lady who is sick and needs motherly advice, write to address Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., and tell every detail of her symptoms, surroundings and occupation. She will get advice from a source that has no rival in experience of women's ills. Tell her to keep nothing back.

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KEOKUK NOTES.

To hartly endorse the nomination of Frank Blagburn for the office he seeks. Des Moines will reflect credit upon herself by having such a worthy citizen.

Father Middleton, the new priest of the Episcopal church has arrived with his family from Cairo Illinois.

The community was much shocked by the sudden death of Mr. Martin Bland, one of the oldest colored citizens of Keokuk. The funeral discourse was delivered by Father Middleton, at the Episcopal church.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist church also has a new pastor. The church is holding a protracting effort.

Rev. Tillman reports nine accessions for the quarter, and says "still there's more to follow."

Rev. Ramsey and Mrs. Ramsey of Kahoka, Mo., assisted in the meeting at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Amy Keys has a little girl. OSKALOOSA NEWS.

Mrs. Ed Jones is quite ill with that threatens to be an attack of fever.

Oscar Lee, nephew of Commare Lee is in the city for a few days visit. He comes from and Rapids Michigan.

The protracted meeting that been conducted at the A. M. E. church, during the past three weeks, under the leadership of A. W. White, is continuing a great success.

A number of versions have been made. The masquerade social at Wesley Monday eve a sort of St. Valentine festival was quite large.

attended; all had an enjoyable time.

Notice is hereby given that the above has become incorporated as a corporation for pecuniary profit as provided in Title IX, Chapter 1 Code of Iowa.

The name of the corporation is "Schermerhorn & Co." and its principal place of business is in Des Moines, Iowa.

It is authorized to borrow money and to make notes therefor and to endorse such commercial paper as may be necessary in the conduct of its business.

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Announcement Cards.

Please announce my name as a candidate for City Solicitor, subject to the republican city primaries. J. Edward Mershon, attorney at law.

I here announce my name as a candidate for City Solicitor, subject to the republican primary. W. A. CONNELLY.

Please announce my name as a candidate for City Assessor, subject to the city primary. D. S. CALKINS.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the Third Ward, subject to the primaries. W. G. WORK.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the Fourth Ward, subject to the republican primary. J. A. CAMPBELL.

L. S. Moss, having been endorsed by the republican caucus of the third precinct of the second ward, now announces himself as a candidate for Alderman of the second ward, subject to the action of the republican municipal convention.

We are authorized to announce that Jas. N. Miller will be a candidate for Councilman-at-Large, subject to the Republican primaries.

Please announce my name as a candidate for the nomination as Mayor of Des Moines, subject to the republican primaries. JOHN SHERMAN.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the 3rd ward, subject to the Republican primaries. Charles Butler.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Police Judge, subject to the Republican primaries. L. I. SILVIRA.

We are authorized to announce that J. H. Rambo will be a candidate for Market Master, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries.

Please announce my name as a candidate for city solicitor, subject to the city convention. A. P. CHAMBERLAIN.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the second ward, subject to the city primaries. Dr. U. A. RICE.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the fourth ward, subject to the republican primaries. J. G. BECK.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Markt Master, subject to the city primaries. FRANK BLAGBURN.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the second ward, subject to the republican convention. U. H. SWEENEY.

Please announce my name as a candidate for city Assessor, subject to the republican convention. W. H. BOYLE.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Police Judge, subject to the republican convention. GEO. W. RANDALL.

Please announce my name as a candidate for re-nomination for Mayor, subject to the republican convention. JOHN McVICAR.

Please announce my name as a candidate for City Assessor subject to the republican convention. F. A. FRENCH.

Please announce my name as a candidate for City Treasurer, subject to the republican convention. Geo. W. Shope.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Police Judge subject to the decision of the republican primaries. A. H. Botkins.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Police Judge subject to the republican convention. J. J. Moore.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman at Large for the East Side subject to the republican convention. John Loveridge.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the 5th ward subject to the republican convention. H. H. Beckman.

Please announce my name as a candidate for Alderman of the 6th ward, subject to the republican convention. S. Green.

Please announce my name as a candidate for renomination Alderman at large from the West side, subject to the republican convention. Geo. Garver.

Please announce my name as a candidate for re-nomination for City Treasurer subject to the republican convention. A. B. Elliott.

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Father Middleton, the new priest of the Episcopal church has arrived with his family from Cairo Illinois.

The community was much shocked by the sudden death of Mr. Martin Bland, one of the oldest colored citizens of Keokuk. The funeral discourse was delivered by Father Middleton, at the Episcopal church.

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Rev. Tillman reports nine accessions for the quarter, and says "still there's more to follow."

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