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CITY NEWS Watch This Space. Burlington Route.

Willie Roy is improving nicely now; he is able to be out again. Miss Bessie Stewart although not bed fast, is ill this week.

Miss Sarah Porter is working in the BYSTANDER office. Mr. Chas. Turner, who went to Vanston, Ill., last week, now expects to make it his future home.

Miss Della Lankford expects to leave Saturday for St. Louis. Miss Zella Davis is doing stenographic work for the Dempster's Mfg. Co., during the illness of their regular stenographer.

There will be a meeting of the colored republicans next Tuesday evening at the court house. All the republican candidates will be invited to be present and speak.

Mr. J. M. Moseley one of our well-known musicians will leave next week with the Black Bostonians; success to Edward.

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

Mrs. Montague, who has been very low; is no better and does not seem to improve. Her many friends are anxiously hoping for a change for the better soon.

Voters who have not registered in our city, or have changed from the precinct since last general election, should be sure and register Saturday, March 26.

Just as we go to press to day, the sad news of the death of Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, Register of Treasurer, died yesterday morning, from complication of stomach troubles, at his home in Washington, D. C.

The Black Bostonians at the Grand Opera House Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, seats on sale at Streams & McCammon's.

The East Side Baptist church expects to make another payment in a few weeks. Preaching every Sunday; theme for Sunday, "The Eagle stirred her nest." T. Godbow, pastor.

Mrs. W. H. Birney is improving very nicely.

A very interesting meeting of the H. B. S. Reading Circle was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Hamilton. Mrs. Ella Smith, the new President and officers were installed. Mrs. Wilburn read the paper of the afternoon.

Des Moines will have a base ball team this season, the organization has been completed and they will be known as the Capital city ball team, most of the members have had considerable experience as ball players, and with a little practice they will be ready to meet all comers, the players and their position on the diamonds are G. Ferguson, first base; Captain Phillips, catcher; F. Farmer, pitcher; B. F. Pernnough, shortstop; Ed Robinson, second base; B. E. Johnson, third base; W. Taylor, W. Green and J. Walters, fielders.

The Stewardess will give a concert on Thursday evening March 24 at the church. Admission 10c. The program is as follows: Rev. Reeves, Opening Address; "An Epitomic Review of the Traditional History of the American Negro."

PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR SOCIETY. Program for March 21, 1898: Address..... Mrs. G. H. Cleggitt Song..... J. C. Williams Recitation..... Mary Bell Journal..... Ruff and Pierce Recitation..... Nettie Tolliver Critic..... Sarah Porter Quotations from Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Men's meeting at the A. M. E. March 20th at 4 o'clock p. m. Program—The adoption of the constitution and by laws; The object of the Men's meeting, C. B. Woods; Remarks by John Wingo; The report of the committee on the murder of Mr. Baker the colored Post Master at Lake City, N. C.

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Hon. Charles L. Davidson, Railroad Commissioner, died at his home in Hull, Iowa, last Tuesday of apoplexy of brain. His death was a surprise to all, as it was not expected. He was a strong character; well liked and highly esteemed by all who knew him; was re-elected last fall for his second term of office.

SIoux CITY. Special to the Bystander. In looking over the nominations in your recent city convention, we were pleased and gratified to see the name of your worthy citizen, Mr. Frank Blagburn. Your victory and triumph is but an exemplification of the old adage, God helps those that help themselves, and we, the colored republicans of Woodbury county send our congratulations, hoping that every Afro-American in your city will be so patriotic and loyal on the day of election as to cast his ballot for your distinguished citizen, Mr. Blagburn, and your entire republican city ticket.

SEAWEED has not even in our wildest moments ever been dreamed of as an instrument of electoral corruption. Yet the Tokio newspapers just to hand contain the account of the trial of a member of the Japanese parliament who was accused of bribery by corrupting his constituents with presents of edible seaweed.

CUNNEY IS DEAD.

Hon. Wright Cunney, of Texas, died at his home in Antonio, Texas, week before last with consumption. He was undoubtedly the leading republican politician, either colored or white, in Texas, with natural capabilities as a politician; he was a brave leader among leaders for years. His word for honesty and truth, and authority was final; he is called the boss, meeting with his first political defeat at the National convention at St. Louis, when his faction was turned down by the committee on credentials notwithstanding the brave speech and hard fight that Iowa congressmen, W. P. Hepburn made for him. He was an Allison man and not on the prevailing side; yet he was true to his promise. It is said that this defeat aided his death, like that of James G. Blaine; a defeat was hard to take. He has held a large number of offices of honor and trust; the last was revenue collector at Galveston port, under President Harrison. He was quite wealthy, and highly esteemed by both white and colored people.

Cuban's Insurrections.

This Paper was Read before the Men's Meeting on the 6th inst. by Geo. Alexander who is attending Highland Park College.

Freedom battle once begun, Bequeathed from bleeding sire to son, Those baffled oft is always won, The most glowing pages of history are those which record the different wars and heroes. Rome saw some great ones, among them the Gallic wars in which her great heroes took part. Caesar the great. France saw her Franco Prussian war, and with the aid of three such men as her Napoleon, she would have been able to have won it. America saw her greatest wars, the revolution of whom Washington was the hero; and the Civil war of which Grant stars as a leading man or hero.

Cuba is the island, which Spain has kept under her foot for so many years. She is queen of the Antilles, and well is she named, for she is one of the garden spots of the world. Her people are of Spanish extraction, although there are a few foreigners in the island. The government of Cuba was in the hands of the Spanish until the late war and in some, Paris Spain still holds the hand of oppression. The Spaniards helped themselves to all of the most important offices and what few there were left some tyrant would hold it, this did not stop there but continued until the taxes become so great that the people could not stand it, so using the words of our patriot Patrick Henry "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death."

They struck down the Spanish flag and commenced that memorable war known as the ten years war, beginning in the year 1868 on the 10th day of October and lasting ten years. On the above date, Cespedes a Cuban Lawyer, raised the five bar flag at Yara, at sun rise he set all his slaves free, some 200 in number, and they with a lot of Patriots followed their leader into the first fray for Cuban Independence.

This small army could do nothing against train Soldiers, besides being without guns or ammunition they were at least no better off, but their came to their rescue men by the name of Marmol, Gomez and Figueredo; and in first part of the month of Nov. 1868 Cuba had mustered into her regular army from 14,000 to 15,000 men nearly all of this uprising was going on in the Mountainous districts. In the western or sea coast part the people were dumb to the cause except now and then some would rise up only to be put down by Spain's soldiers.

In December of the same year General Quesada landed with the first expedition from Nasan, bringing the first consignment of arms and munitions of war. On the 10th day of April 1869 a new government was formed and a House of Assembly established. Cespedes was made president of the provisional government and Quesada commander-in-chief of the Cuban forces. The government which had little beyond its name gave out a proclamation that all slaves on the island were free. This made the Spaniards boil with rage and even the liberal minded Spanish took offense at it, and prepared for war. Then came the ten years of hard fighting the revolution continued on up with its various battles until the year of 1877 when the Cubans saw it was useless to fight against odds, so they abandoned the cause and in February 1878 they laid down their arms. The war had been a long and desperate one. Quesada had been succeeded by general Thomas Jordan, as Commander-in-chief, who was an American, by birth

and a general of the late civil war of U. S. He saw that the rebellion was nearly finished and he resigned his position and was succeeded by general Gomez who after a few months of hard fighting surrendered to the Spanish and laid down his arms.

But there was still one more General for them to make surrender, and that was General Antonio Maceo, he refused to lay down his arms and General Maceo, never did. For he fought until he was pushed into the sea, and then escaped to one of the Antilles, never to lay down his arms, only in death. There have been several small attempts made by different men one was made again in 1880 by General Garcia, who was captured after a little fighting and sent to the Spanish fortress where he afterward escaped to the United States.

Here he and Jose Marti planned another expedition to Cuba. They landed and held their ground for over six months only to find that the country was not quite ripe enough for another outbreak. After that there occurred several small outbreaks all of which were suppressed by the Spanish troops. In 1884 General Gomez and Maceo, visited the United States and Central America with the view of preparing for another invasion. The movement was opposed by the home rule party, so it was abandoned; after that the small uprising went on just the same until the late war broke out which began in 1895.

A new government was set up at this time declaring the separation of Cuba from the Spanish monarchy and a new constitution was drawn up and adopted. The officials of the new Republic were chosen as follows: President Salvador Cisneros Betancourt; Vice Pres. Bartolome Maso; Sec. of war Corioa Roloff; Minister the united States, Thomas Estrada Palma; General in chief, Maximo Gomez, Lieutenant General, Antonio Maceo; Major General Lanches Carrill and Jose Maceo.

And now came the called for men, which was heard all over the Island and the United States. The war has grown, from its infancy into its childhood and now it is beginning to bud out into manhood. Among the celebrated leaders of the Cubans are, Generals Gomez and Maceo. General Maximo Gomez is considered by all to be a great Infantry leader. He comes from a distinguished family of Cuba, to which frequent references are made in Spanish history General Gomez is over seventy year of age and is proud to devote his last days to the cause of his country. The next in the Cuban cause was the Hanibal of America or the lion of the Cuban rebellion, a man that was unacquainted.

This is the Mulatto General or General Antonio Maceo. This man commenced life as a donkey driver, and by his courage, coolness, and military subordination he rose to the rank of Major General in the last war and in the present one to lieutenant General. The Spanish used his name to show that the war is led by Negroes and of race tendencies. It is well they should revenge them selves from their foe for it was easier than to face him like the brave Spanish General Santocildes, and to be killed; it is far better, remain like Weyler did in comfortable apartments than to be carried away on a litter disguised as did General Campos at Bayamo, and still better to stay at home like the butcher did than to be on the peril of drowning as Col. Devos was by being whip into the sea. That was the mulatto as they contemptuously refer to him. General Maceo was a man who knew no fear in his great dashes across the trocha or what was better known as Weyler little ditch amid the storm of bullets, he carried over 27 wounds in his body, and was the last of the Maceo brothers to lay down his life for the cause in which his father had started him. And so ends the great life of a Hero of Cuba.

The war of Cuba has nearly run its course and when she has close the very first monument that should be erected should be that of the great Hanibal of Cuba or General Antonio Maceo.

MOUNT PLEASANT NEWS.

Mr. Wm. Burnaugh has gone to Ft. Madison. Mr. Dave Fiddler has gone to Omaha Neb. to stay an indefinite time. Chas. McCracken of Oskaloosa is visiting parents in the city.

Rev. Breckinridge of Des Moines assisted Rev. Gordon in his revival. She is an earnest christian, working for God and humanity. Hester Bartlett has a slight attack of rheumatism. St Clair Chapel is carrying on a revival, conducted by their pastor Rev. Harriet Poston.

After a long and painful illness, Mr. Henry Johnson departed this life last Monday evening about ten o'clock. He was a faithful christian and our loss is heaven's Gain. He leaves a wife and two children J. Johnson, of Ottumwa, and Mrs. George Wheeler, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to mourn his death.

The sympathy of the community is with this family in their affliction. His funeral will occur Thursday at 2:30 P. M.

James Johnson and family Ottumwa were called here on account of the death of his father. Billy Carter of Keb, Iowa, spent a few days in the city visiting relatives.

N. Arbuckle came in from the west last Friday. After spending a few days with his parents, went on to Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. George Wheeler of Milwaukee Wis., is expected in the city today, being called here by the death of her father, Mr. Johnson.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Those on the sick list are miss Singie Browner and Mrs. Charles Wilson. John Ivy has been trouble with a curious disease of the head. It is hoped he will soon recover; as he is one of Burlington's finest tonsorial artist.

William Shackelford will spend Sunday April 3d in Fairfield, Ia. Perry Greenup returned to our city on last Tuesday.

Sunday April 10th will be set apart as rally day for the Olive Baptist church, at which time the young men will compete with the members.

Joe Watkins is now running on the Railroad as cook. A big musical and dramatic entertainment is soon to be put before the public, under the direction and supervision of J. W. McKay. The proceeds to go to the Olive Baptist church.

Mrs. W. R. Wright has gone to her home in Pittsill, Ill., to visit.

SWEET ENOME THE BRIDE IN HEAVEN.

Sweet Enome, a lovely maiden, Fairest girl I ever knew, Though her hair of raven blackness, And her skin an olive hue; Yet her bright eyes danced with beauty, Rose buds blossomed on her cheek, And two rows of Pearly whiteness, In her mouth did volumes speak. But the angels took my darling, Heaven to claim he as their bride. For our vows were consummated She had vanished from my side. Sweet Enome, now child in Heaven, Daily through those gardens roam I am waiting for the summons When I do, am wanted home.

No, I do not feel heart broken, Nor my fondest hopes are dead, For I'm sure that God will grant it, That we two may than be wed. Full of purest love, is Heaven, Perfect, yes, that realm above Why not then this hope of marriage Union with the girl I love.

Clad in spotless robes, like ermine, Bridal flowers in her hair, I will lead her to the altar, While the harp strains fill the air, Underneath an arch in Heaven Angel standing by her side, With the truest blush of beauty, Sweet Enome will be a bride.

VIRGIE WILKINSON, Indianapolis, Ind.

Our Washington Letter.

Washington, D. C. March 8. To the IOWA STATE BYSTANDER. American patriotism ran high in the House to day, when Mr. Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriation came in from the committee room and announced to the House that the committee had unanimously decided to report a bill to the House appropriating \$50,000,000 for the use of the President for national defense, in event of war with Spain or any other power or powers. The committee recommended that the \$50,000,000 be placed at the disposal of the President until January the 1st. 1899, at this point all party lines were layed aside and American manhood, pride and patriotism ran high, and for four hours and a half war speeches rang out in the House. The vote was taken at 4:30 p. m. and it was a unanimous vote. Unless a change comes, it looks very much like war.

Fashion Notes. Spring millinery is attracting the attention of women of all classes, and one can only wonder who designs all the hats, as there seem to be no two alike. A favorite style has a rather wide brim rolled up at the back and is profusely trimmed with ostrich tips and fans of chiffon.

BENEFIT MAINE MONUMENT FUND. GRAND OPERA HOUSE. 3 NIGHTS. Commencing Monday, March 21st. America's representative refined and up-to-date Colored organization. The BLACK BOSTONIANS. Replete with all the latest VOCAL AND COMEDY GEMS. Presenting the eminent Soprano, MISS Maud Mac Palmer. And a company of 25 ARTISTS. Seats on Sale at Stream & McCammon's. Prices, 15, 25, 50 and 75 cents.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN. Mrs. W. J. Adkerson of St. Paul Minn., after spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. G. H. Wade left last Wednesday for a three months visit with her oldest daughter, Mrs. Robt. Arningham of Holly Springs, Miss. Mrs. Adkerson made many friends while the Rapids and was very much impressed with its people. We trust that she will visit us again in the near future.

Mr. Forc of Marion spent last Sunday in our city visiting among his many friends. Mrs. S. Davidge of Chicago, Ill., is visiting Mrs. G. H. Wade 1016 Tenth avenue.

Those on the sick list at this writing are Mesdames. W. H. Raspberry, Della Marshall, Wm. Blackburn, Misses Etta Davis and Lulu Watkins.

The Light House Society met last week with Mr. and Mrs. Wade of Tenth avenue. Quite a large number were present, and a splendid program carried. The program for the next meeting, which will be held with Rev. and Mrs. Rhinehart, is a debate subject; Why Cuba Should not be Annexed to the United States. Affirmative, Mrs. Wade and Rev. Rhinehart. Negative, Mr. Milligan and Mrs. French Perkins. Mrs. Frank Lowry of Tipton is visiting at the home of her mother-in-law, Mrs. F. M. Lowry.

The Ladies' Industrial Circle met last week with Mrs. Marshall Perkins of Second street. Quite a number were in attendance and most enjoyable meeting was had. The ladies are doing a grand work. Mr. Harry Martin is suffering with severe cold. Mrs. Wm. Martin is convalescent. Cedar Rapids people feel proud of their three most intelligent young ladies of color in High school, namely, Misses Ella Martin, Attie Price and Addie Boney. They are very smart young ladies, and it is hoped that they may not

grow weary but graduate with all honors that will reflect credit on their race. The war question seems to be all the rage here among our people, especially the men. At the next meeting of the Light House Society will occur the election of officers.

BOONE DOINGS. mamie Clay continues very ill. Mr. Nelson of Ames was in the city Sunday. Mr. James Antony took a trip to Des Moines Monday. Mr. Simon Terry will speak to the colored voters the 18 inst. at the Phillips' hall.

The Dunbar singers are rapidly coming to the front; they will sing for the R. R. Y. M. C. A. in a few weeks. Tuesday afternoon Mr. John Terry was accidentally stabled by a stranger; the wound is not serious.

THE ANSWER OF TOIL.

When oh, will thou stop? Thou ceaseless motion of time, Thou laborous machine of time Thou who tends the fertile soil With thou wondrous skill and chime, Speak oh, thou of man And tell me can it be true That thou guideth the willing hand As they, their daily task pursue? Thy question is hard my friend Yet I shall answer thee A great power then I weals the end That maketh thou what thou wouldst be It is he whom weals every power Our vale, mount and sea That maketh for thee, time and hour The same as given to labor and me For man is but a work of art If stands will soo decay To pull him and toil apart Is but a master peice thrown away. All should toil and save Be they in pulpit, mine or farm. For when there is a waring wave Thou, faces a raging storm Take the incidents of thy birth Borne to the world with care Taken from the dust of earth speechless, tender, small and ba At first you try to crawl And then commence to walk Though an infant tiny and small You ever try to talk You may read life's lessons page by page And take them over one by one But labor comes with every age Without it the battle of life is never won. Hiawatha W. Rhea, Chicago, Ill.

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IOWA LEGISLATURE.

SENATE. Des Moines, March 11.—By a vote of 21 to 19 the senate this morning refused to adopt the Lewis substitute providing for the election of the members of the board of control instead of their appointment.

SENATE. Des Moines, March 12.—The senate made very little progress on the board of control bill today. An amendment by Pusey, giving the board the same power as the district court to punish for contempt, during an investigation conducted by it, was adopted.

HOUSE. Bill to prohibit the importation of swine having died of infectious diseases passed. The application for pardon of Theodore Buehler, a Minn. county murderer, was denied. A resolution was adopted fixing March 24 as the time for final adjournment.

SENATE. Des Moines, March 14.—Nine bills were passed in two hours at the morning session. Among the more important measures passed by the senate were the one by McArthur providing that all inspectors may appoint deputies in certain cases without extra cost to the state; by Ellison providing that persons over 18 years of age convicted of four or more felonies, and where the value of the property stolen did not exceed \$20, shall be imprisoned in the penitentiary not to exceed three years.

SENATE. Des Moines, March 15.—The senate made such rapid progress on the board of control bill that a vote may be expected by not later than the last of this week, and it is possible it may be passed by a vote of 21 to 19.

SENATE. Des Moines, March 16.—The senate passed a bill to create a board of control for all the state institutions except the state university, the agricultural college and the normal school. The previous question was ordered by a vote of 21 to 12, thus preventing consideration of the Lewis substitute.

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THE NEWS IN IOWA

COMES INTO HER POSSESSIONS

A Real Live English Duchess Discovered in Marshall County. MARSHALLTOWN, March 16.—Victoria Jennings Ballard, the English duchess, whose romantic history was recently published in the Des Moines press, and who lately moved to Marshalltown from Des Moines, is about to pass into possession of her fortune. Sir Andrew Bedford, late of Warwickshire, England, has reached Iowa in search of her. He spent a day in Marshalltown without success and then went to Des Moines, after requesting the chief of police in Marshalltown to find her if possible. Marshall Jones was successful and at once communicated with him.

DUBUQUE LAWYER MURDERED. Assassinated in His Room by Some Person Unknown. DUBUQUE, March 17.—Wm. O. Lavake, law partner of State Senator Malloy, was assassinated in his office, corner of Seventh and Main streets, at 5:15 p. m. Four shots were fired into him, one on the left side of his head, one in his throat, another in his breast, and one through his hand.

BANK BURGLAR CAUGHT. Bob Durkin, Captured in New York, is Now in Ottumwa. OTTUMWA, March 15.—Sheriff B. F. Sluts arrived in Ottumwa having as a prisoner Bob Durkin, who is charged with having been the chief conspirator and operator in the robbery of Bradley's Bank at Eldon, sixteen months ago.

BOOK COMPANY WINS. Judge in Minneapolis Case Instructed Jury to Find for Plaintiff. DES MOINES, March 18.—In the Minneapolis case of the American Book Company against the publishers of the pamphlet recently issued by President Gates, of Iowa College, the judge instructed the jury to find for the plaintiff, leaving to the jury only the question of the amount of damages suffered by the circulation of the libelous pamphlet.

SERIOUS FIRE AT OSCEOLA. Osceola, March 16.—A fire broke out in the residence part of Osceola that at one time threatened to wipe out the northwest portion of the town. It caught in a barn occupied as a storage tank for the city oil house. The fire spread to the new house of R. McKeever, then to that of Wm. Coons. Each were totally destroyed.

DEATH OF MRS. THURSTON. Expires on Board the Yacht Anita at Sagua La Grande, Cuba. NEW YORK, March 15.—A dispatch from Havana says: "A telegram received by Consul General Ee from Consul Barker, says the wife of Senator Thurston died on board the yacht Anita, in the harbor." Mrs. Thurston was in excellent health when she left Washington. Meager advices say she died of apoplexy.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The reported sale to the United States of two Brazilian cruisers, Amazonas and Admiral Bruu, now receiving finishing touches in an English shipyard, has been confirmed. It is learned that Spain has not secured the O'Higgins, and that Chile will not sell her to Spain. It is said furthermore that she has not and cannot purchase ships from either Chile or Argentine Republic.

LIQUOR BILL BURIED.

Referred to Committee on Suppression of Intemperance, Probably Killing It.

DES MOINES, March 16.—Potter's malt and vinous liquor manufacturing bill received its death blow in the house. It had been recommended by the committee on domestic manufactures for passage, but when it was reached on the calendar the point of order was made by Prentiss that it be referred to the committee on the suppression of intemperance. Speaker Funk ruled that the point was well taken and so referred it. Potter at once appealed from the chair's decision but only six members voted to change the ruling. As the committee can retain the bill in its possession for ten days, its defeat is assured, as it will without doubt not be reported upon until near the end of the session.

CITY AUDITOR FEARS IS MISSING. Left a Note Saying He Was \$2,900 Short in His Accounts. BURLINGTON, March 18.—Burlington citizens were violently shocked by the discovery that John S. Fear, city auditor, had decamped and left a shortage which he acknowledged to be at least \$2,900. Mr. Fear has always been one of Burlington's most trusted citizens, and during the illness of City Treasurer Mason was left in absolute charge of the city funds.

BEATEN AND ROBBED. Misfortunes of a Well-Known Davis County Horse Buyer. BLOOMFIELD, March 17.—William Hall, the horsebuyer of Lancaster, was held up by masked highwaymen on the road near White Elm, badly beaten, and robbed of \$1,800 in cash. Mr. Hall had drawn the money out of the bank at Milton and started for Eldon, where he was to buy horses. Mr. Hall was driving alone in a light buggy. When in a solitary part of the road near White Elm he was suddenly confronted by two armed men on horseback, whose faces were covered with masks.

FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM. Sudden Demise of Hon. C. L. Davidson, Railway Commissioner. HULL, March 16.—Hon. C. L. Davidson, railway commissioner, was found dead in his room yesterday. He had eaten a hearty dinner and worked a while in his garden, after which he retired to his room and was packing his grip to take the afternoon train for Des Moines. As he failed to make his appearance near train time, a messenger was sent to his room, who discovered him lying on the floor dead.

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A WORD OF ADVICE.

To Those Coming to Alaska or the Klondike Gold Fields.

Every miner should be impressed upon his mind, prospector or trader coming to Alaska, to the Klondike, or the Yukon country, and that is the necessity for providing an adequate and proper food supply. Whether procured from the supply stores here or further on, this must be his primary concern. Upon the manner in which the miner has observed or neglected this precaution more than upon any other one thing will his success or failure depend.

TERRIBLE CHICAGO FIRE. Loss of Life Estimated at Fifteen or Twenty-five—Many Injured. CHICAGO, March 17.—It required just twenty minutes for one of the most savage fires Chicago has seen since the famous cold storage warehouse fire on the World's Fair grounds in 1893, to take anywhere from five to fifteen lives, main thirty people and reduce a seven-story brick building to a pile of blazing timber, red hot brick and twisted iron.

WILL BE NO WAR. So Says a Washington Official, a Personal Friend of the President. CLEVELAND, March 17.—Frank H. Morris, fourth auditor of the treasury, and a personal friend of McKinley, is in Cleveland, and in speaking of the Cuban question, he said: "There will be no war. I find reports have been greatly exaggerated all over the country. The war preparations are just what the country needed for twenty years. Many of our ports have been almost defenseless, but this is being remedied in a rapid manner now. In a short time they will be comfortably fortified against an invasion."

SPAIN'S PROTEST UNHEEDED. Not Being in Official Form It Gets No Official Recognition. WASHINGTON, March 18.—A new development in the Spanish situation is in connection with the definite representations submitted by the Spanish government to the state department concerning the assembling of a large fleet of American warships at Key West, the war preparations and the influence which these might have on the approaching elections in Cuba.

MINSTRELS' HUMOR. Witty Answer of an Irishman Who "Never Argued with a Lady." The minstrels of Ireland are not all gone from the highways and byways of Erin, says an exchange. The mournful harp and plaintive pipe may have given way to the breezy banjo and crooning violin, but the songs which these accompany are the songs of Ireland still.

SPAIN WANTS DELAY. Will Demand an International Investigation of the Week. NEW YORK, March 16.—A cable from Sylvester Seavey to the Press Publishing company says the report of the United States naval court of inquiry upon the cause of the destruction of the Maine will force a demand by Spain for an international investigation.

FROM EVERYWHERE. Beauty may be only skin deep, but the plump girl gets the most tandem rides. The pawnbroker who takes the most interest in his business has the least principle. Out of sight is never out of mind with true lovers, who turn the gas very low.

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ALL OVER THE WORLD

SPAIN'S ATTITUDE OUTLINED.

Will Stick to the Internal Accident Theory and Refuse Indemnity. MADRID, March 18.—The following semi-official note is made public: "The report of the Spanish commission on the Maine is not yet known, but the statements of several technical officers who have made a close examination of the scene of the disaster show it was indisputably due to an internal accident. The American authorities to the contrary are therefore deplored in official circles as tending to mislead public opinion and render the situation still more difficult from the standpoint of maintaining friendly relations between the two countries. It may be regarded as certain that, should the American technical commission present a report declaring the disaster was due to an external explosion, the public here will refuse to accept any such finding, and any demand for indemnity based thereon will be indignantly repelled by Spain."

TERMINAL ILLNESS. Continued Spanish Rule in Cuba, but on English Colonial Lines. LONDON, March 17.—The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a dispatch from Rome which says there has been a recent exchange of communications between the vatican and Spain in regard to Cuba and the relations with the United States. The pope, it is added, is ready to do all in his power to prevent hostilities, "which might be fatal to the Spanish dynasty."

BEATS AS LARGE AS YOUR ARM. The editor of the "Boys' Life" in City, Michigan, Baner, recently paid a visit to Western Canada, and speaking of a pleasure that he had in the Edmonton district, he said: "On August 23rd we had the grandest of visits the model seven-acre garden at Edmonton, owned and operated by one Donald Ross, a typical Scotchman, and as whole-souled, good-natured old gentleman as you often meet. He gave me a basket each a hearty handshake as we walked through the garden, and he introduced in succession by the Canadian Government Agent, who was our guide and pilot while at Edmonton, and to whom we are indebted for many courtesies conferred. Mr. Ross informed us that he cleared from 1897 to 1900 annually from the sale of his 'vegetable flowers and plants. We were able that we never before saw such a growth of vegetables at that season of the year. He said that he raised 750 bushels of onions to the acre. Beets were growing as large as your arm, turnips the size of the head, and cabbages as large as a potato pat. Following are prices that Mr. Ross gave us as receiving for his produce: Beets, 50 cents per bushel; carrots, 40 cents; onions, \$1.25; turnips, \$5 per ton; cabbage, 4 cents each; green corn, 25 cents per dozen; tomatoes, \$1.50 per bushel; potatoes, 25 to 30 cents; cauliflower, \$1.00 per dozen; cucumbers, 15 cents per dozen; strawberries, 25 cents per box; squash, 4 cents per lb., and other produce in proportion. He kept a hot-house 12x180 feet, heated by a furnace by means of the 'Coke' gas, and he himself attended this garden, except at time of gathering the crop. Agents of the Canadian Government are now located at different points in the United States, and using their efforts towards securing settlers on the fertile lands of Western Canada, to which the gold fields are tributary."

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OVERWORKED BRAIN.

From the Record, Florence, Ind.

Determined to rise in his chosen profession as an educator, Ernest Kemper, of Pierceton, Ind., overtaxed himself mentally and physically. He was ambitious, his mind was always on his work. From early morning until late at night he continually poured over his books. "Burned the candle at both ends." "Few persons, even with the strongest constitution, can keep up under such a strain. In addition to his studies, Mr. Kemper was teaching a school some three miles from his home. Finally, his excessive work, all kinds of weather undermined his health. He was taken to his bed with pneumonia and his overworked brain almost collapsed. For several weeks he was seriously ill. Catarrh had taken root in his system and his mind was in a delicate condition. He was sent to Colorado, where he spent three months without receiving any benefit. Then he was treated by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and from the first he began to improve. When he had taken nine boxes he was completely cured. This famous blood and nerve medicine had accomplished what all his former expensive treatment failed to accomplish. Mr. Kemper says his catarrh has entirely left him; he is strong again and weighs nine pounds more than he ever did. He gives the praise of his recovery to the starting teaching again and feels abundant able to continue the work. To prove that the above is true in every respect, Mr. Kemper made an affidavit as follows: "Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of September, 1897. R. P. Warr, Notary Public."

NO COMPARISSON. Juneau Jake—So the boys lynched old Chilkoot Sam? Why, he was a lustless old critter! Couldn't he get gold dust from brown sugar. What a gold dust! Placer Pete—Why, one night last week, when it was freezing the lamp blazes so that a feller could take 'em and use 'em for whetstones, that driving old chilkoot said it reminded him of a cold New Year's day back in the sixties.—Judge.

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Baker's Chocolate advertisement with image of a woman and product packaging. Text includes 'Established 1780', 'Baker's Chocolate', 'celebrated for more than a century as a delicious, nutritious, and flesh-forming beverage', 'Yellow Label on the front of every package', 'WALTER BAKER & CO. LTD., Dorchester, Mass.', 'TOWER'S FISH BRAND POMMEL SLICKER', 'The Best Saddle Coat', 'Keeps both rider and saddle perfectly dry in the hardest storms. Substitutes will disappoint. Ask for Tower's Fish Brand Pommel Slicker. It is the only one. Not for sale in your town, write for catalogue to A. J. TOWER, Boston, Mass.'

RACE ECHOES.

Pueblo has three colored policemen now but Denver has over sixty.

All the street car drivers and conductors of Rock Hill are colored.

Tacoma, Wash., has three colored grocery keepers and they are doing well.

Al and mame Anderson, protean sketch artists, were on the bill at Smith's Opera House, Grand Rapids, Mich., last week.

Williams & Walker, the kings of colored comedians, are at the Olympic Theatre, Chicago, this week meeting with great success.

An exchange says that the Wilberforce University will receive \$36,000 State appropriation for the next two years.

John Arthur, of Pueblo, informed the governor that he has been elected colonel of a regiment of 800 colored men who are eager to get at the Spaniard.

Billie and Willie Farrell are now filling their first engagement abroad, having opened at the Palace Theatre, Hull, England, Feb. 14.

Arnold Stevenson, old man impersonator, with the Al. G. Field Colored minstrels, is enjoying a weeks vacation at his home in Indianapolis.

The Black Patti Troubadours have taken California by storm. It is said to be the best aggregation of colored artists that have ever visited the coast.

The Globe Quartette—J. F. De Lyons, D. Frazier, L. Williams and Erb Robinson, were featured at the Metropolitan Theater, New York City, last week.

'I Wish my Rent Was Paid,' is the title of the latest song, by Dave Reed, jr., published by T. B. Harms & Co., 18 E. Twenty-second street, New York City, N. Y.

George Hammond, late of Isham's Oriental American company, is at present business manager of the theatrical booking department of the Douglass Club, of New York City.

COLORED MEN ON THE MAINE.

Thirty of them were in the crew, of whom twenty two are dead, four injured and four uninjured.

The following colored men lost their lives in the Maine disaster: George Johnson, Washington, D. C.; John T. Adams Washington D. C.; Daniel Lewis, Washington D. C.; Noble T. Mudd, Washington, D. C.; Charles Anderson, Norfolk, Va.; Jos. Gordon Portsmouth, Va.; William Lambert Hampton, Va.; Robert Perry, Norfolk, Va.; Alfred Simmons, Portsmouth, Va.; John R. Bue, no relation; William Cole, man, Brooklyn, N. Y. Charles Hassell, Sala, W. I. Harry Jeetson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles F. Just, Charleston, S. C. James W. Londen, Keyport, N. J.; John E. Marshall Harrison, Ky.; John Mose, Rainwood, N. C.; James Pinckney, Annapolis, Md.; John Warren, Raddolph, S. C.; William Coleman, New York, N. Y. the injured are: James W. Allen, Norfolk, Va.; Robert Hutchins, New York, N. Y.; James William, New York, N. Y. Henry William, Richmond, N. Y.

The uninjured: Westmore James, Charles City, Va.; Daniel G. Toppins, New York, N. Y.; John Toppin, Long Branch, N. Y.; Alonzo Willis, Keyport, N. J.—Afro-American.

ALBIA NEWS. Mr. Frank Marshall of Oskaloosa passed through our city Wednesday enroute for Omaha.

Miss Stella Mason of Ottumwa passed through our city Wednesday on her way to Knoxville.

Mrs. Josie Meadows of Muchakinoek spent Saturday and Sunday at the parental home.

The D. of T. will give an entertainment at the Odd Fellow's hall March 19th.

Mr. Diggs of Cedar, and Roy Grayson of Hiteman spent Sunday in town.

Prosperous Merchandising

These Days...

WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT NOW IS FACTS. THAT'S PRECISELY WHAT WE DO IN OUR ADVERTISEMENTS.

35 cents. The new Figured Mohairs, Brilliant-weaves, and Sicilians, 41-inch, worth 75c and 85c—

50 Cents. Temtation in Colored Dress Goods.

50-inch Clay Worsted, 46-inch Moss violetta Cloth, 48-inch English Covert Cloth—natty browns, tans, grays, blues, green and mixtures in all shades—worth \$1.00.

44-inch new Scotch Cheviots, in handsome mixtures of colors—brown and white—blue and white—green and white—black and white goods—worth 85 cents—grand cloth for Bicycle Suits—

50-inch All Wool Bayadere Cloth—on navy, green and brown goods—with a black Bayadere stripe, giving braided effect—the latest Parisian novelty—

50-inch Little Money (Something new in Checks, Plaids and Bayadere—every yard worth 50 cents—

38 Cents. Shepherds' Checks. Real stylish Plaids—in two-toned checks and double blues—double browns—two shades of tans—two shades of green—blue and white—black and white goods—40 cent value—

29 Cents. These 29 cent goods are copies of imported goods, worth \$1.00 and \$1.25. Today, for the first time, a new check and one-inch silks, in all colors—

49 Cents. A Large Invoice of fancy silk, strengthening our already strong line—We have certainly been headquarters for Walists and Dress Silks this year—which is evidenced by our largely increased business.

The Priestly Fabrics. THE ENGLISH WORSTED SILK WARP EUDORAS—SILK WARP MELROSE—worth, every yard, \$1.50—

GREAT SUCCESS IN OUR GUARANTEED SILKS. We make a price that sell them—

Headquarters On Trimmings. Our line is very large—everything that's new and choice you'll find with us—We make mention of the jetted and Mannekin band trimmings, in combinations of black, gold and turquoise—the correct thing—new buckles, braided ornaments and fronts, the greatest line in the city.

The Touch of Spring. Shown in our Ladies, ready-to-wear garments. In our present stock of Ladies' Coats, Suits, Skirts, Waists, etc. Spring styles, very attractive—Spring prices seem lower than ever.

English Top Coats. Nobby, neat—just the thing for early spring wear—Every coat is lined throughout—all handsomely stitched and strapped seams—Every coat worth a Ten Dollar bill—

Silk Capes. Nicely lined, with ruch of Chiffon and Lace—the best thing you ever saw—

Thursday Suit. Made of an all wool Cheviot, fancy silk lined Jacket, in four different mixtures—It's a good leader at \$10.00—but \$8.75 buys it—

A \$8.75 Leader. Another very stylish suit, made of Cheviots, in the new Spring cloth shades—Satin Rhadama lined Jacket—Fly front—Strapped seams—Tailor made—

Notions in Basement. A few out of many things less than can be had elsewhere—

Vegetable Binding, 9c, 12c, 17c 5c Hooks and Eyes, 2 cards for... 5c 5c Curling Irons... 10c 5c Spool Silks... 10c 5c Children's Handkerchiefs... 1c, 4c and 5c 25c Face Veiling for... 9c 30c Face Veiling for... 11c 40c Face Veiling for... 14c Ladies' Collars, worth 5c, 8c and 10c for... 2c each

These prices are simply introductory to our basement—Bargains in everything in our basement. Carpets and Draperies. Unusual activity in these departments and increasing sales every day—We have talked quite earnestly about you anticipating your wants before the rush comes—Our magnificent assortment deserves your attention. Our goods we know to be reliable. They draw the trade. Come and see our line of Carpets, Rugs, Linoleum—We can please you in style, quality and price. Out of town customers can use our sample order department and get the benefit of the best in our stock. Try it.

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BRAVE MEN WILL MEET FACTS.

If I were called upon to characterize in a sentence the speech of my colleague, which appeared in last week's BYSTANDER, a clipping from the Burlington-Hawkeye, I would say, it likens truthfulness of the several things considered. It applies a superficial view of the many things, but does not indicate thought or study. We are given a little (and sometimes a very little) of the truths on many points, but not enough to warrant one in drawing a conclusion (To carry out the figure of the poet.) We are asked to judge of the appearance of an elephant by grasping its tail or to form our conception of a camel by seeing its leg, and so on through the managerie. I shall show that the gentleman's position is based on half truths which everyone knows are more dangerous and misleading than falsehoods. That false delusive and satanic as Waite and the blacklegs of Burlington. I do not believe that the better class of Burlington people will tolerate such actions. To be short he claims that I stole money, which is false. The church was built by Ed Wilson in 1894. The claims in court is as follows: Rand Lumber Co \$431.40, C. Pitorns \$284.48, Boemer \$64.50, C. Anderson \$131.75, Rent \$71.00, when I came cost of the lot \$800.00 making a total of \$1,796.02. They agreed to pay me \$35.00 per month. When I resigned they owed me \$62.00. I told Sam Lee, if they would pay me \$10.00, I would give them the rest, which Lee begged from the white people the same day that I resigned. I called a council, with Dr. Gordon and Ben Howell (both white) Baptist preachers, they both insisted on me staying. For 30 years colored people have been trying to build a church in Burlington, and must that dirty burglar traitor Waite and the Hawkeye be my death.

He lied on me and I went before two or three thousand people and denounced him he failed to answer, and he seeks to take the black legs to hide behind. My readers to show that all is false, if I used money falsely I ought to be punished, but Oh! that palogot whose guild has benighted my people for two hundred and forty-six years, to give a coward to meet me, but as all white trash seeks advantage of the low black at his back. I will meet any court with Waite, and vindicate myself. In regard to my credentials I furnished them to Samuel Lee, Ben Taylor, Wm. Shackelford and many others, and told them to read them, they did not, what more could have been done. In conclusion let me say, if Waite is such a friend to colored let him show a copy of his paper denouncing the brutalities practiced on the Negroes of this country, which in the last 30 years, thousands and thousands was murdered and lynched. I want to say to all who may read this we have colored Baptist preachers and members to attend to our business without seeking a false, fanatic, delusive, diabolical scape goat as Waite. I am ready to go to Burlington to meet those things Yours in Christ. Pinkney P. Samuel Des Moines, Ia.

NEWTON NOTES. Miss Phoebe Lucas of Grinnell spent several days in the city last week.

The Symphony club gave the last of its entertainments at Whittenberg last Friday evening. The entertainment was a pronounced success in every respect.

Miss Eldora Green has returned home from her visit in Des Moines and reports a lovely time.

Miss Hattie Mayes will entertain friends from the northern part of the state in the near future. Numerous visitors are expected in our city Easter.

Fred Green spent Sunday in Grinnell.

Republican City Ticket. For Mayor—John MacVicar. For City Solicitor—J. E. Mershon. For Auditor—B. O. Hanger. For Treasurer—A. B. Elliott. For Police Judge—L. I. Silvara. For Engineer—George M. King. For Park Commissioner—Sidney A. Foster.

OSKALOOSA NEWS. Mrs. Ed Jones who has been ill for several weeks is convalescent. Ed Murray who recently suffered the amputation of a foot is improving rather slowly.

Charles Maines, our west end tonorial artist, has recently put up a new sign that has been attracting considerable attention. W. M. Burgess, of Evans, was in the city last week attending business matters. Mr. Burgess has recently closed a lease for the Evans Opera House for another year.

W. M. Burgess Jr., late of Keb, is visiting at the parental home for a few weeks. The Endeavor Society gave a Ghost Social Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance and a jolly time. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

Mrs. J. C. Jones has returned from a two weeks visit among friends and relatives in Ottumwa. Miss C. Sanford is home from a visit in Colfax with her parents.

Mrs. D. Bastfield, of Des Moines, was the guest of Mrs. Commodore Lee and Mrs. John Williams Wednesday. George Jones has disposed of his Mahaska County farm and has moved to his beautiful residence on North A. Street our city.

The lady was enroute home from a visit among relatives friends in Washington. Miss Lizze Tate has entered Penn College for a course of training in Delsart Theory of expression.

Wm. Early is home from a trip to Des Moines. Mr. Allen died of consumption at his home in North Oskaloosa Wednesday morning at four o'clock. F. O. Allen's funeral was held at the A. M. E. Church Thursday, at two o'clock. Rev. White officiating. Interment in Forest Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Harry Brooks who died at Fish Hill last Saturday night by the hand of Nick Nelson, was held at the A. M. E. Church, Tuesday morning, at Ten o'clock. Rev. Simon Bowes officiating. Burial was made in Forest Cemetery this city.

The Declaratory Contest at the Wesley Chapel M. E. Church was a very enjoyable affair. Miss Mary Lafayette won the prize which was a handsomely bound volume of poems by Paul Lawrence Dunbar, our beloved poet. Miss Bulah Marshall acquitted herself nicely and was granted second place. She was presented with a beautiful book. There were thirty contestants. The programme was successfully managed by Miss Phoebe Allen. Among those participating were Miss Jenny Hardy, Organist, Luther Brown of Muchakinoek, choir director. The choir had been specially instructed and drilled for the occasion and did some very pleasing work. Brief speeches were made by Lawyer Woodson and George Taylor. A light supper was served and the proceeds went toward defraying church expenses.

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