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## CITY NEWS

### Watch This Space.

Burlington Route

Mrs. L. R. Palmer is quite sick this week.

Darkest America at the Grand Opera House, Saturday afternoon and evening.

NOTICE—The Dancing Academy is now being managed by Messrs. Hubanks and Williams.

Misses Emily Hanan and Minnie Weeks spent Friday at Clive, with the Misses Richardson's, also, Rollan Weeks.

Remember that Saturday afternoon or evening is the last chance to see Darkest America at the Grand Opera house.

You should not fail to hear the children on Easter at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Edward Cumley arrived in the city, yesterday for a short visit with relative.

The Afro-American Extravaganza at the Grand Opera House, Saturday afternoon and evening.

Dr. Frisby will make a short talk before the men's meeting, Sunday afternoon at the A. M. E. church.

A very pleasant social event of the season was a reception held last Monday by the Great Western Band at their hall. It was quite largely attended, and every one went home wishing the band continued success.

See Darkest America at the Grand Opera House, Saturday afternoon and evening.

Madames Johnson, Holt, Bell, Warrick, and the Misses Bass, and Pater, are drilling the children for Easter services they say the children will present one of the best programs that the school has heard.

A very beautiful reception was given by the Ladies' Afternoon club, at the beautiful residence of Mr. & Mrs. Mash on Walker street, last Thursday evening. It was a surprise to Mr. Mash, as it was his 31st birthday. A very large crowd was present and a good program was rendered. Dainty lunch was served and all enjoyed themselves nicely, as the host and hostess understands how to entertain.

Geo. M. Metzgar the retiring custodian of the State House tendered employees of his department with a banquet at the Savery last Wednesday evening, about thirty was seated at the banquet table, H. H. Lewis was the only representative of his people, he was pown for a toast and when his name was call he did credit to the occasion. The employees presented M. Metzgar with a past commander badge.

Mrs. H. E. Jacobs has been ill the past week.

Mr. J. Robinson came in from Marquisville last Monday to vote the republican ticket.

Misses Minnie Weeks and Maude Williams were callers at the legislature, last Tuesday.

WANTED—A good boy to work for me; age from 10 to 15 years. Call at once at 379 School street.

Mr. R. N. Hyde deserves special mention for the labor; time, money and hard work that he done in behalf of Mr. Blagburn's candidacy.

Rev. J. S. Hughes, of Hannibal, Mo., a Christian preacher is in our city this week, may remain indefinitely.

The Harris Emery Co., and Moershell, Duffy & Fotheringham, had their great millinery dept. opening, this week.

Mrs. W. H. Gordon, left last week for several months visit with friends and relatives in Chicago and Dixon. She reports a very pleasant time.

Mr. R. N. Hyde, H. H. Lewis, J. H. Shepard, Wm. Coalson, E. T. Banks, Dr. Johnson, et. al., was instrumental in the successful management of Mr. Blagburn's campaign.

Toilet Soap! Toilet Soap! I am a walking business man Give me your order at any place and time. Prices to suit any body. J. T. Blagburn.

The entertainment given by the Stewardess of the A. M. E. church was success they realize quite nice sum for stewards department of the church, these Ladies under the of Mrs. Taylor have arrange to give a social each month for the benefit of their Pastor.

## Darkest America.

One of the best colored comedy companies on the road, is here now playing at the Grand Opera house—Darkest America. Its aim is to show the home life among the colored people of the south, with its peculiarities, antics, and humorous sallies. They have a good colored band, which does excellent playing. They give a parade each day.

The H. B. R. C. was entertained by Mrs. L. R. Palmer, March 31. A large membership was present, and the program was rendered with ardent zeal. It has gone down in history that the H. B. S. is one of the oldest organizations among the Afro-American Women, which means deeds, and not words. Program for April 7th: Quotations from Whittier; Biography of Whittier, Mrs. Dennis; Current Events, Mrs. Hamilton; Paper, What does the Success of a Literary Club depend, Mrs. Smith; Paper selected, Mrs. Clegg; Musical, Basfield and Wilburn; Critic, Mrs. H. H. Lewis; entertained at Mrs. A. O. Smith by Ada Lewis.

Mr. C. J. Perry late of Storm Lake has move to our city, and will be at home at 510 west Third street. Mr. Perry is a Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, he has excepted a position with the Gibson-Tompkin electric Co. 518 Locust street, he will have charge of the mechanical parts of the Co. business. Mr. Perry is an expert and he comes in our midst not only as a master in all the details of Engineering, he is a very pleasant gentleman to meet, we welcome all such men to our city.

## GRAND ORCHESTRA CONCERT.

Mrs. Frank Blagburn one of Des Moines leading soprano singer has been engaged to sing in one of Chicago Grand Orchestra concert on the 18th inst. where many of the leading musicians of the white city, will take part in this concert, Mrs. Blagburn has for several years been identified with the musical circle of our city, where she has appeared in a number of concerts, her many musical friends will consider this a complimentary acknowledgement of their rank as musicians. Mrs. Blagburn will remain over Sunday and sing at Dr. Ransom church, we was in error in our st issue as to the date, she will be the guess of Dr. and Mrs. Ransom. The Dr. was her former paror at Springfield.

Miss Della Richardson is spending this week at her home in Clive.

Mr. McFall, who used to make our city, but has been off of this route for some time, is again in his old place, and is now in the city.

The Leader store is making a spring cheap sale of a magnificent bankrupt stock of dry goods. Now is the time to get good bargains. Give them a call, No. 502 E. Locust street.

Miss Lillian Debbs, of Minneapolis, Minn., who has been visiting in our city for the past few months, her old home, returned home last Sunday evening.

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## P. L. D. SOCIETY.

Program for April 4th: Duett... Zella Davis and Bess Stewart Recitation... Selma Stanton Solo... I. H. Williamson Paper... Mrs. N. Brown Journal... Ruff and Pierce Critic... Sarah Porter Paper... Geo. Alexander Quotations from S. T. Coleridge.

## Harry W. Hughes.

But one shoe store in our Capitol City can boast of having a colored man as a clerk, and that is the W. Lr White Shoe Co., No. 506 Walnut, who carries one of the best and largest line of shoes in our city. The young man that works in his employment is Harry Hughes, who was raised and educated in our city. He is well liked, and has a host of friends among both races who are proud of his progress. He graduated from the West Side high school last spring and immediately entered the employment of Mr. White Shoe Co., as a general man of all work, but by his strict attention to business and adaptability to learn, he now understands the leather, grade, making and selling of goods better than the average shoe salesman. We hope that our colored people will appreciate Harry's promotion and show your appreciation by trading here, because all the clerks there are nice sociable people, and we think that Mr. W. L. White would appreciate their patronage.

## COLORED TROOPS MAY GO TO CUBA.

Washington, March 29—By order Gen. Miles, orders were issued today for the transfer of the Twenty fifth Regiment of infantry to Dry Tortugas. The fact that this regiment is made up of colored troops is regarded as quite significant in showing the purpose of the war department to concentrate the colored troops in the vicinity of Cuba, inasmuch as it is recognized that the negro is better able to withstand the Cuban climate than white men. There are three other colored regiments in the army, with an aggregate strength of over 2,000. The movement will begin in about two weeks, and the troops on arriving at Tortugas will go into camp, there being no regular barracks there for them. They will be instructed in artillery practice.

## BLAGBURN ELECTION

The vote at our late election showed that our candidate, Mr. Blagburn, was greatly scratched by the republicans, and if it was not for the democratic votes that was cast for him he probably would have been defeated. Why was this? What reason had a true or sincere republican for such action? Was it because of his lack of qualification, or character? No, it was not. It was simply because he was a colored man, and that only. A careful perusal of the vote shows that his greatest scratches came from precincts where the ignorant foreign element lived; also from the strongholds of the A. P. A. of the East Side, and a precinct that last year held the banner for gaining the largest majority in the county—yet he lost it. Think of it! Is that republicanism? All the republican majorities ranged from 1,100 to 3,000, except Mr. Blagburn's, and his majority is only 75.

Of course, as it is no larger, we are glad that it was no less. We simply call the attention of our readers, especially republicans to those appalling facts.

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## SCRIPTURE CAKE.

1 Cup of butter—Judges 5,—Verse 25  
3 1/2 Cups of flour—1, Kings 4,—Verse 22  
2 Cups of sugar,—Jeremiah 6,—Verse 20  
2 Cups raisins—1, Samuel 30,—Verse 12  
2 Cups of Figs—1, Samuel 30,—Verse 12  
1 Cup of water,—Genesis 24,—Verse 17  
1 Cup of Almonds—Genesis 43,—Verse 11  
6 Eggs,—Isaiah 10,—Verse 14  
1 Table spoonful of honey,—Exodus 16 Verse 31

A Pinch of salt—Leviticus 2—verse 13, Spices to taste,—1, Kings 10—verse 10 Follow Solomon's advice for making good boys Proverbs 23,—verse 14, And you will have a good cake.

Miss Bertha Thomason. Leon Iowa.

## OUR S. S. NORMAL.

To the teachers of the State Sunday School Normal work of the St. Paul District, of the A. M. E. church, greeting the allwise. God has brought us through another eventful winter, and to see the introduction of another spring. Each season has its peculiar events and duties, among those of the latter is the annual convention of our Normal and Sunday School workers, which convenes at Muehakinock, May 26th. In calling your attention to our Normal work, I am sorry to say to you that the work is greatly neglected this year; partly I think on the account of it being new work, and partly on account of our inactivity and indifferent attitude towards it. The work is itinerant moving from place to place and hence it can not be centralized and located as most schools are, in which the Normal loses much of estimate which the populace puts upon schools of the fixed class. Another thing which has caused our Normal to suffer is the immediate demand of the local Sunday School for teachers. The superintendent has a class in school without a teacher and he must have one trained or not. He can not wait, but the present rule of the Normal is that, he can not get one from its source for two years, and there is a conflict. The S. S. Normal of the state of Iowa saw this defect and has sought a remedy in adopting the following plan: It has a course of studies so nearly complete, that when a teacher or person has mastered them it can meet this immediate demand of the school with a competent teacher. It may take three, six or twelve months, this will be governed by the teacher. It has occurred to me that it would be wise for our Normal to adopt a plan similar to the above. Say 1st, put all the questions of the various teachers on a printed slip with blank space for answers. 2d ask just enough questions out of each text book to give the teacher in answering them a fair general knowledge of its contents. 3d have these printed and sent not only to those teachers and other S. S. workers who may be in attendance at the S. S. convention, but to every one of our S. S. within the St. Paul district, with the appended request that each pastor or superintendent form and superintend a Normal class in his and forward to the Normal faculty or any portion of it, that may be designated. Blanks when filled out, and name of the person filling the same; which when passed upon by the faculty and found to measure up with the standard: the students there in Normal shall be furnished with an A. M. E. S. S. Normal certificate or a diploma, which shall entitle them to teach in our S. S. In conclusion I would be glad to hear any suggestion that you may make for the good of the work, and if this plan meets your approval you will do me the kindness to inform me by mail, hoping to hear from you soon and to see you ere long. I remain your co-laborer, in the Master's cause. Rev. T. REEVES, President, 780 West Ninth St., Des Moines Ia.

## INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA.

A distance of more than 400 miles lies between the Metropolis of that grand old state Iowa, and Indiana's fair Capital. Bidding good bye to loved ones at the depot in little city of Newton, which is thirty-five miles east of Des Moines, and is the garden spot of the Hawkeye State, borne by a rapid characteristic of those iron steeds, we were soon brought face to face with the Father Water's. Crossing that massive structure which spans his mighty heart, we cast a longing glance backward to the dear State, whose soil we had learned to love, then glancing up and down at the huge steam boats ploughing this mighty river we thought, thus are we ploughing the waves of the river of Time. Leaving water and steamboats behind, we hasten on and the miles and miles of level land stretching to the east, north, south of us, tell

## WAR OR PEACE

The court of inquiry about the cause of the Maine explosion has made their report and sent it to the President, and he has transmitted it to congress with no specific recommendation. He has sent his ultimatum message to Spain. He furthermore states that he will see that our food for the starving Cubans will be given them upon humanitarian principles, not as a menace to Spain. If Spain objects he will use naval intervention, such are the state of affairs now, and it looks very much like war. While we do not favor war, yet we think that the time is fully ripe for the United States to free Cuba and get indemnity for the destroying our vessel.

## REPUBLICANS CARRIED

The Straight Ticket.

It was a Grand Republican Victory.

Blackburn Made a Good Run Considering the Many Odds he had to Contend with.

It was a grand republican victory. Blagburn made a good run considering the many odds he had to contend with. No city election was so enthusiastically and hotly contested as our city election held last Monday. The democrats and a few weak and narrow minded republicans tried to defeat Mayor MacVicar and Frank Blagburn, our only colored candidate for Market Master. Mr. MacVicar had the A. P. A. association fighting him; and Mr. Blagburn had the foreign element, especially, fighting him; yet the old reliable republicans paid no attention to the whims of ignorance on account of color, but voted the ticket straight. We are glad of MacVicar's election and hope that he may become Gov. Shaw's successor. While we are exceedingly glad of Mr. Blagburn's election, who is a worthy young man in the right place and a complement to the colored voters of Des Moines, as it is the first colored man that was ever elected for a city office in Des Moines. It will open new fields and aspirations for us; It will unite the races closer together in business and politics. It will show to our sister states who have had colored men as representatives in their legislatures that we are coming. Let us continue to work together.

Below we give you the majority of each candidate:

John MacVicar mayor.....	1,121
J. E. Mershon, solicitor.....	2,188
B. O. Hanger, auditor.....	2,477
A. R. Elliott, treasurer.....	2,477
L. I. Silvara, judge.....	2,710
Geo. M. King, engineer.....	2,175
Frank Blagburn, market master.....	75
F. A. French, assessor.....	3,758
Sid Foster, park commissioner.....	3,718
J. G. Olmstead, alderman-at-large.....	2,148
Jno. Loveridge, alderman-at-large.....	3,495
John McKay, alderman, 1st Ward.....	662
J. P. Patrick, alderman 2d Ward.....	554
W. G. Work, alderman 3d Ward.....	89
Wm. Hall, alderman, 4th Ward.....	29
Frank Bennett, alderman 5th ward.....	314
J. F. Johnston, alderman 6th ward.....	352
Geo. Richter, alderman, 7th ward.....	321

## WAR OR PEACE

ing plainly that we are crossing the Great Prairie State.

Evening draws near, the sun sinks lower and lower and lower but there are no hills or mountains to obstruct the soft mellow rays as they flood the earth with that rare beauty of those halcyon days of Indian Summer which belong to the month of October. The sun lingers scarce a minute at our horizon, but sinks to rest in evening's glow and soon the rich folds of Night's curtain dotted here and there with the "Angels sweet For get-me-nots is closely drawn.

Thus during the silent hours are we carried on until in the wee hours of night our train halts for us the last time and we have reached our journey's end.

What sights of wealth and beauty the city possesses and she may well boast of being the largest and most beautiful inland city. Her streets and avenues of asphalt together with those of brick and cedar stretching for miles and miles over her level soil cannot but attract the eye of the stranger. Within her limits are those beautiful parks, Military, University, and Mendian Street. Without the city to which the electric cars run are Fairview, broadripple, Garfield and Armstrong. In the center of the city is the Monument Circle on which has been erected an imposing monument to Indiana's deceased soldiers and sailors. The Statue of a woman graces its top. Among the buildings of note are four theatres, Park, Grand, English, and Empire, four leading hotels, Dennison, Grand, Bates House, and English's, the latter occupying the entire northwestern section of the Circular Monument place between Market and Meridian Streets and represents one half million, which added to the value of the ground on which it stands is worth one million dollars. It contains fine rooms and is the largest hotel in the state. Other buildings are the State House, Court House, Jail, Blind Institute Arsenal, Surgical Institute, Deaf and Dumb Institute, City Hospital, Union Station, Tomlinson's Hall, Orphans Home, Female Prison, Insane Asylum, Kindergarten, besides business houses, mills, factories, foundries, breweries, pork houses etc. The Maleable iron works employ over a thousand men. The spires of more than a hundred churches point heavenward and there are fifty-five ward schools beside the High School, Industrial Training School, several Medical, Dental, and Law Colleges. Buttler College is in Irvington which is a suburban town.

There are 25,000 Afro American endeavoring as best they can to enjoy this city's wealth and advantages. They possess three million dollars worth of taxable property and pay tax on Real Estate to the amount of \$2,437,800.00 and on personal property \$925,530.00. They have thirty-six secret organizations, two benevolent institutions and there are nine colored schools in which there are thirty nine teachers with 1435 colored in attendance. There are thirty colored churches, the finest edifice being the Bethel A. M. E. Church of which Elder Graham is Pastor. The church is of brick, with a basement, auditorium, and gallery. It has a seating capacity of two thousand. The number of colored men on Police and Fire Department is sixteen, in service of the Federal Department and letter carriers also Railway Mail service fourteen. Township employees two and county administration seventeen. There are two druggists in business for themselves, merchants, one undertaker, Gent's furnishing house, restaurant keepers, saloonists, tailors, doctors, lawyers, dentists, contractors, men in transfer business, they have the monopoly of the tonsorial parlors, and in fact they are in most all lines of business. They deserve praise for the advancement thus made in the short space of thirty years and may their wheels ever turn forward.

VIRGIE WHITSETT.

## OSKALOOSA NEWS.

Mrs. Geo. Douglass and family removed to Colfax last Thursday. We are sorry to lose these most excellent people from our city.

T. Moore writes from Washington that he will return to Oskaloosa in April to locate.

R. T. Hill has been greatly inconvenienced during the past two days by a badly sprained hand, the result of a fall.

Mrs. Jennie Burgess of Evans, was in the city last Week in route to Muehakinock, summoned by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Williams. The Afro-American protective Association donated two dollars toward defraying the debt of the A. M. E. church.

Miss Lena Rhodes of Muehakinock was among Oskaloosa people last Saturday.

Mrs. Rosa Sample has been making extensive improvements to her property. Attorney Geo. Woodson of Muehakinock, went to Hiteman last Thursday to transact business.

WEST—HIGGINS—Married Friday March 25, at the home of the bride in West Oskaloosa, Mr. Geo. West to Miss Lue Higon, only the immediate relatives and friends were present at the ceremony.

## BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

A cold wave swept over Burlington last Sunday.

Rev. Tolliver of Illinois spent Friday and Saturday here.

Miss Eunice Wilson is now agent for the "Life of Mrs. Willard."

Miss Mary Brook was on the sick list the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Johnson entertained at tea on the 27th, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKey and daughter, Ethel.

Mr. John Iry and Mrs. Peter King, walked with the cake at the Clover Leaf Club entertainment last Thursday evening.

Mr. John Simmons announces that he will have plenty of melons for his friends this season.

"Jumbo" Johnson's eye is somewhat better, under the special care of a dutiful attendant.

There is some talk of organizing a colored orchestra here. We hope it will be carried out; as it is much needed.

Mr. John Iry and family spent Sunday afternoon at the Brooks resident on South Hill.

From the way the city election turned out it is doubtful if our colored policeman will be allowed to remain.

## HYDE PARK CHICAGO.

Mrs. Jennie McDonald of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting Mrs. Susan Hunter at 6643 Rhodes avenue. Mrs. McDonald is one of the charming Hoosier's that visits our city every summer, much to the joy of her many friends here.

Mr. J. M. Stewart of 5135 Lake avenue will leave on to-morrow evening for Oberlin College.

Mrs. Stewart is going to put the finishing touches upon her now splendid musical talent, as a vocalist.

There is an Irish Afro-American war going on here, all on account of the Hyde Park mission having a St. Patrick's day Mr. Golden one of our ill to do coal dealers denounced it as an outrage upon the Negro race. Sham-rocks are flying yet.

Mrs. Rosie Alexander who has been lying so near to death, is improving rapidly. Her case has been a most exceedingly mystifying one to the physicians, they are yet at a loss to determine what her illness is. Mrs. Alexander is with her sister, Mrs. Cora Robinson 3133 Dearborn street.

Mrs. Ida R. Wells-Barnett has been spending a great deal of time in Washington, trying to show the president why he should intervene in behalf of Foster Master Baker, of South Carolina; as well as Cuba. The president is showing the same patience with both question. In the meantime lynching and starvation still goes on.

H. W. R.

Husband Kills Wife and Self. Vincennes, Ind., March 25.—William Osterhage Wednesday murdered his wife and then committed suicide by shooting himself. The tragedy was the result of domestic differences.

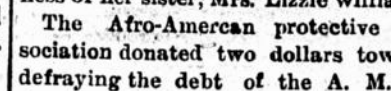
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About 15 hands, six years old, by imp. Abana, out of May Cain, by imp. Tubal Cain; sound and in perfect condition for breeding or racing purposes.

Bay mare, 15 1/2 hands, by imp. Tubal Cain; has gone at the rate of 51. For sale cheap.

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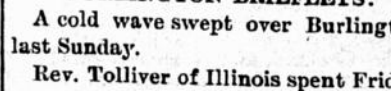
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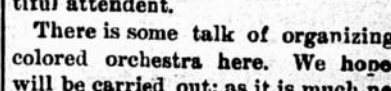
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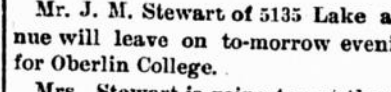
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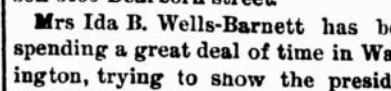
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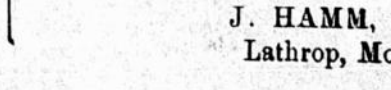
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RACE ECHOES.

Central Tennessee College is still happy over the fact that it is the only school of higher grade in the whole Southland that received a gold medal for its exhibit at the late Tennessee Centennial.

It is said, more handsome residences are occupied by colored people in Denver, Colorado, than in any other city in America, and they also boast of more than sixty policemen.

The purchase of a colored Woman's Club building with store room and office apartments, is the latest forward movement of the race in Atlanta, Ga.

Is the Leavenworth Herald dead? Will Harris (McCorker), has gone to the St. Joseph Radical and the Herald has not appeared lately.

Negroes and whites are permitted to intermarry in twenty-one states, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

"Oh, gold is good and rank is fair. And high and low mate ill; But love has never known a law Beyond its own sweet will."

ALBIA NEWS.

Mr. C. G. Tolson spent Sunday at home, and returned in the evening to Ottumwa.

Quite a snow storm fell in our city Sunday.

A number of our people are on the sick list this week, among the number are: Mesdames Jones, Davis, Talbert, Hartlett and P. Ford.

The ladies of the A. M. E. church held a social at the City hall last Saturday evening.

Rev. A. Ford returned Tuesday from Chariton, where he has been attending to church business.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Wm Allen of the Casino restaurant is around again after a prolonged illness.

Quartermaster held on last Sunday. Presiding Elder Bunday officiating, owing to the inclement weather, which existed throughout the day.

Election passed off quietly to the satisfaction of the republicans; as their entire ticket was elected with large majorities, with the exception of the 3d ward, Alderman T. W. Hall democrat.

Mrs. Rev. P. P. Taylor, we are pleased to note is improving rapidly, from recent illness.

Friends in Clinton are glad to hear of Frank Hagburn's grand success in the last campaign at Des Moines.

Presiding Elder Bunday left on the early train Wednesday for Washington, Iowa. He reported the district in a prosperous condition.

At the entertainment given by the Stewards last week, the following subject was brought forth for debate:

Resolved—That Spain has right to the island of Cuba. Affirmative R. D. Smith. Negative A. L. Meadows.

Owing to the depth of the subject, it was agreed to hold the question open to be discussed in all its fullness in the near future.

J. J. Ingalls as a Populist. Topeka, Kan., March 25.—John J. Ingalls may declare for silver and become the candidate of the populists, democrats and free silver republicans for congress in the first district.

IOWA BOY.

Indianola, March 23.—Ed. Register: At the close of the war, in 1865, many of the slave holders on the Northern border concluded that Lincoln's emancipation proclamation would never get itself enforced in the central South, and so many slaves were spirited away to the more dense slave sections.

As the boy grew he began to develop a wonderful proclivity toward scientific studies. He studied the wild plants of the woods until he knew every one of them, and off in the bushes, out of the way of intruders, he established a botanical garden.

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So, one day while kneeling in prayer alone, he there came in impression as a voice bidding him to obtain an education and prepare to work for his people, but when he thought of the ways and means he was discouraged.

Another Fire in Chicago. Chicago, March 24.—A fire originating in a basement cafeteria about 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning destroyed the five-story Monroe restaurant building, 118 and 120 Monroe street, in few hours and caused the ruin of \$50,000 worth of property in adjacent buildings that were drenched by water.

Can Not Pass the Senate. Lansing, Mich., March 25.—The strength of the opposing factions in the two houses of the legislature is believed to have been fairly tested, and the result tallies with the claims that the anti-Progessive people have been making for several days.

Central Illinois Inundated. Mount Vernon, Ill., March 25.—Ten inches of rain has fallen in the last thirteen days, and the high water is doing much damage. The mercury fell 20 degrees Wednesday, and it is feared the entire fruit crop will be badly injured.

Four Thousand People Homeless. Zanesville, O., March 25.—This city was visited by the worst flood in its history Wednesday, and as a result property has been damaged thousands of dollars and at least 4,000 people driven from their homes.

Fifty Said to Be Drowned. Cincinnati, Ohio, March 25.—There is a rumor here that fifty persons have been drowned in the flood at Zanesville, Ohio. The rumor cannot be verified yet owing to the wires' being down.

Safe-Blowers at St. Anne, Ill. Kankakee, Ill., March 25.—The bank of John Poutras, of St. Anne, was entered Tuesday night and the vault blown open with nitroglycerin, but the thieves were frightened before they commenced work on the safe.

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