





RACE ECHOES.

John Ellis Clark, once town crier of Chicago, died recently in that city at the age of 108.

Texas Negro Republicans are demanding a Negro national committee for 1900, and a straight Republican ticket this fall.

It is reported that Hon. William H. Parham is an applicant for the appraisership of the port at Cincinnati.

Earnest Hogan, a colored composer of notoriety has made \$37,000.00 on the song entitled "All Coons Look Alike To Me." He is a comedian and is now with Black Patti.

Mr. George W. Lewis, leading colored man of Adrian, Michigan, was recently defeated for justice of peace, but led the head of the ticket by 206 votes, among which were 161 democratic slips and at same time 180 Republicans cut him off their ticket.

Dr. M. C. B. Mason is corresponding secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education society in the M. E. Church. He has been invited to address the Chatauqua society at Colfax, Iowa, this summer.

Hon. George L. Knox, Editor of the Freeman, will be a candidate for Congressman, subject to the republican convention at Indianapolis, Indiana this summer. We wish Brother Knox success as he is truly a race man and publishes one of the best race journals in America.

"Hearts of Gold," a story of love and a dventure, cast on high lines, dealing with the Negro as a cultured American, is meeting with a ready sale. It is written by Prof. J. McHenry Jones, of Moreheading W. Va.

The election returns of Christian county, Ky. show the election of Rev. James L. Allensworth for corper. This is the Rev's second term. There is a negro deputy jailer, a constable, and a full-fledged member of the municipal body, Councilman E. W. Glass.

The above clipping is the complete returns for the city election of Des Moines, Iowa where Mr. Frank Blagburn was a candidate for market master. By scanning the above table one can see that the lowest majority of votes any Caucasian received was 1,121, but the Negro only got 75 majority. This is a shame. You can plainly see that many white Republicans will refuse to vote for a Negro, but when a Negro refuses to vote for a white Republican he is put on the black list, and it takes years for him to wipe out this supposed wrong. The sooner the white Republicans understand that we must have fair play the better off the party will be, and we assure the citizens of Des Moines when Blagburn's time has expired they will be satisfied that a Negro is as competent to discharge the duties of a public officer as any white Republican.—Illinois Recorder.

Will Wind Up Bank's Affairs. Springfield, Ill., March 25.—The auditor of public accounts has denied the request of the committee selected by the stockholders of the Elmwood State bank, in Peoria county, for leave to settle up the bank's affairs and reorganize. According to law he will proceed to appoint a receiver and wind up the bank's business. This will not interfere with the reorganization of the bank, however, if the assets are required so as to insure its solvency.

Honor W. J. Calhoun. Danville, Ill., March 25.—A splendid tribute was paid to William J. Calhoun by his neighbors and friends Wednesday as a farewell before his departure for Washington to take up the duties of member of the inter-state commerce commission. This tribute took the form of a banquet, and was attended not only by the leading citizens of Danville, but by men distinguished in public life from all over the state.

A new form of delirium tremens has attacked a New York toper. While under the influence of a lively fire he was shocked by an electric fire. Now, when he has taken too much whisky, he fancies he sees sparkling electric wires and withing snakes, which shower him with sparks.

Harris-Emery Co., The Big and Ever-Busy Store. A Lace and Embroidery Sale.

Eclipsing any Des Moines has ever known, begins here to day. A word about this sale— But few stores in America would undertake a sale that would involve the quantity embrace in this sale. We hesitated, but knowing your liberal responses to our offers, and appreciating the matchless bargains there were in the lot, we took it all—OVER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND YARD—enough you say to supply every family in Des Moines. True, and if every family in Des Moines could take a peep at the spread, we feel reasonably sure that we'd supply all their lace and embroidery wants for the season. To give you an idea of what you may expect, we quote a few prices, taken at random by our news gatherer from the lots assorted out in our receiving room. Fine Nainsook Embroideries from the foremost makers of St. Gall, in matched sets—in daintiest patterns—that would cost, to buy at wholesale in the regular way, 25c to 35c a yard—We bought so as to sell you at retail for.....10c Embroidered Swiss, in matched sets—Fines that man can make—that would cost at wholesale from \$1.00 to \$1.50 a yard—We'll retail in this sale at.....50c Platt, Val and Oriental Laces, that are worth 20c and 25c a yard—We'll retail in this sale for.....5c Pure Silk Chantilly Laces, that are worth 50c a yard—We'll sell in this sale at.....15c

Sale of Wash Goods. In connection with our overshadowing Lace and Embroidery sale, we will also offer three grand bargains in wash Dress Goods. The very fabrics—you will want to use these Laces for trimmings—Saturday you get them at these prices—which is less than the maker would get for them today in thousand yard lots. We wish to distribute these bargains amongst as many of our patrons as possible, and to make it advertise our Wash Goods department—so we limit the quantity to one pattern to a customer—none at all to dealers.

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Mail orders posted on or before Saturday, April 16, will be filled at above prices. No use to order samples, for the pieces will be sold before you have time to get and order from sample. Just send along the money for as many yards of whichever kind you want, and leave selecting to us, we'll pick a pretty pattern. Same applies to Lace and Embroideries. Lots will go too quick to order from samples.

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"The thing I especially enjoyed after a somewhat lengthy sojourn on the other side was a real genuine American grate fire," commented the traveler, to the Detroit Free Press. "In London I felt as if I was burning something very precious with the landlady charging 6d a scuttle for coal. I remember sitting around a stove in an English hotel. The weather was cold and the coal in the stove bunched together. I took a poker and stirred it up. "That makes it burn faster," commented the landlady gravely. "That's just what I want," I replied. "A red-faced, hearty Englishman broke in: "You Americans are decidedly thin-blooded, don't you know?" "Then in Italy you shiver about all winter and in Germany those big, high crockery stoves never seem to thaw you out. So when I arrived in America, you see, I had a jolly, big fire in the room at my hotel and I piled on the coal, knowing that it would not break my bank, in spite of the price of the big, abominable coal trust. But after one has paid 6d a scuttle for a mighty little scuttle of coal he does not feel disposed to criticize the trust. I felt like a lord, "thin-blooded American," though I might be, and was just in the mood to read and appreciate that agreeable little volume, "The Reveries of a Bachelor." Those reveries would not seem half so pleasing when read before the smudge of a peat-fire in Germany or before the little skimpy grate fire of a few pine cones in Italy—not the Italy of sunshine but the Italy of the cold, disagreeable, wet days."

Will Not Go to Little Rock. Peoria, Ill., March 25.—Walker V. Powell, grand chief of the Order of Telegraphers, has returned from a long tour through the southwest. Mr. Powell denied absolutely the report sent out from Little Rock, Ark., that the national headquarters were to be removed there. He said that only a national convention could decide that.

Sign Posts in Corea. The sign-posts in Corea are extremely quaint. Each is shaped like an old-fashioned English coffin, and is topped by a very grotesquely painted, grinning human face. They all wear the character of Shang Sun, a great Korean soldier. Chang Sun lived about one thousand years ago. His life was devoted to the opening of his country to the feet of his countrymen. He interposed the hills of Corea with pathways and to-day from every sign-post he beams upon every Korean wayfarer. Beneath his beaming face a traveler may, if he is learned enough, read his name; he may read, too, whether the road or roads lead; how far the next settlement is, and one or two other hints that are presumably of general value to the Korean traveling public.

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 a few hours and caused the ruin of \$50,000 worth of property in adjacent buildings that were drenched by water. The property loss will aggregate nearly \$200,000. No lives were lost, however, though several women and two or three men had narrow escapes and a dozen persons received slight injuries.

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A Chimney of Nature's Make. A peculiar natural wonder has been discovered about three miles north of the famous wind cave in Fall River county, South Dakota. Three men a short time ago, formed a company to develop some mining claims, and selected sites for two shafts. Blasting was started, and when down about ten feet, rock was taken out that assayed \$7 in gold. They went down but a short distance further, when they broke through into a natural chimney, which was about three feet across and extended to China, so far as their ability to sound it has determined. One man climbed down about forty feet, and found no evidence of any bottom. The walls are splinter-shaped, like an auger, and are blackened as though by internal fires. The most curious varieties of mineral-bearing rock have been found there, and specimens are now awaiting close examination and selection for assay. The most curious of all is a black stone that pulverizes readily in the fingers, leaving a black oily stain like plumbago. The natural chimney will afford the prospectors an excellent opportunity to find out what there is in the earth there, and is a lucky discovery.

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BICYCLE CURVES.

The Feet of the Rider Never Moves Backward. Almost every bicyclist believes that as he rides his wheel his foot swings backward with the pedal. He thinks his feet describe a series of circles, following the pedals around and that they move backward and forward just as much as they move up and down, says the New York Journal. This, it has now been found by careful measurement, is quite a mistake. From the time you mount your wheel until you dismount, they are constantly moving forward, not in circles, but in a series of curves. The reason for this is that as your foot swings under the crank shaft the bicycle moves forward much more rapidly than the pedal swings back. The result is a constant forward movement. While your foot moves backward in relation to your body, yet it moves more rapidly forward in relation to the ground. It has been found by testing a bicycle with ordinary gear that the wheels make two and one-quarter revolutions as one revolution of the pedals. Starting your machine when the pedals lie in a horizontal line it will be found that the wheels have made a complete revolution before the pedals again come to a horizontal position, or half-way around the circle they describe. For every inch shaft the latter moves forward more than two inches over the ground. This will be apparent when you consider the forward movement of the pedal above the crank shaft. Your foot then advances much more rapidly than any part of the cycle. If the bicycle were suspended in the air your foot would move backward just as much as it moved forward, and un-

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