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CITY NEWS

Watch This Space.

Burlington Route

Rev. Brookings of Muchakinoek was in our city Sunday.

Frank Johnson returned from Gallatin Mo last Thursday.

Mrs. Sarah Granville of E. Lyon street is on the sick list.

Mr. A. L. Hughes has improved and is now able to be up.

If you are a race man now is the time to show it.

Captain Willett has over one hundred ten names on his roll.

Miss Nina Hamilton contemplates on making a visit to Ottumwa very soon.

Rollen Weeks has accepted a position on the elevator at the Savery House.

Mrs. Wm. Fletcher will leave Sunday for an extended visit to Omaha, St. Joe and Kansas City.

The H. B. S. R. Circle met with Mrs. Hamilton, after a pleasant time adjourned to meet with Mrs. Holt, 557 Eighth street.

A few friends of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gravens enjoyed a card party at their home on 14th, Street Monday.

Mrs. Ella Smith passed through the city last Monday on her way to Denver where she will join her husband.

John L. Thompson returned yesterday from a week visit at his home in Decatur Ia., also call in Missouri.

Those that intend to come to the session of the grand lodge, should notify Frank Blagburn.

Call meeting, of the P. L. D. July 5th at Mrs. Warrick 1012 Woodland Ave. to make arrangement for a picnic July 11.

Over thirty people attended the picnic given by Nace Morton's Drun corps at Greenwood park last Thursday, and all present report a delightful time.

Mr. Charles W. Turner has enlisted with the Ninth Battalion at Chicago which city he left Tuesday for Springfield. It is also reported that his brother Arthur has also enlisted with Charles.

Bank checks must bear two cent stamp after-to-day or they will be returned marked, W. T. U., which means, war tax unpaid.

The young people of the East side Baptist church will give an entertainment on the 8th. of July and as there is a very competent committee that has charge of the arrangements it will no doubt be a good entertainment.

J. C. Perry was nominated for Justice of the Peace and W. M. Stewart for constable of Saylor Township Friday at the republican primary, both of these men are colored and represent the mining camp, Marquisville, also W. H. Cobb was selected as a delegate to the convention.

It is to be seen how many race loving men we have in Iowa, and how many that are willing to show their race patriotism by enlisting in a company that will have colored officers.

Miss Eldora Thompson has returned from Clive, where she has been visiting with her sister Mrs. Richardson. She will now visit her brother Mr. J. H. Shepard, before returning to her home in Oskaloosa.

Editor J. L. Thompson has been selected reading clerk of the County Republican Convention to be held to-day at the Tabernacle this is a compliment of Mr. Amos Brandt, the present county chairman. This is the first time to our knowledge that the colored republicans has been recognizing in the temporary organization.

Mr. James Ford, formerly of this city, who now lives in Helena Mont., and was known among the early settlers as "uncle Jimmy," is very sick at the latter place. He came to this city in the sixties, and lived here until about two years ago, when he left for Helena to live with his son.

As Des Moines is in the center of the state, and as the next session of the grand lodge of A. F. and A. M. will hold its next in our city, it bid fair to be the largest gathering of masons ever held in the state, the local lodge are making all the necessary arrangements to entertain their friends.

The following officers were elected at the Grand Court session held at Davenport, Ia. June 14: Mrs. Ruth Richardson, G. M. A. M. Davenport; Mrs. Mattie Woodard, V. G. M. A. M., Keokuk; Mrs. A. D. Johnson, G. Treasurer, Muchakinoek; Mrs. L. R. Palmer, G. Secretary, Des Moines; A. A. Bland, G. W. J., Keokuk; Mrs. L. Bright, G. I. G. D., Davenport; R. Holley, I. G. C. director, Cedar Rapids; G. Bembry, 2. G. C. director, Davenport; W. H. London, 3. G. C. director, Muchakinoek; M. A. Cooper, G. O. G. K., Burlington.

A WORD TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

The month of June and July we will begin our annual tour of collection as most of our annual subscription list comes due, we ask every subscriber that has not already paid to please lay away the amount that you owe for the Bystander so that when our collector calls you may pay your delinquent. Several failed to pay their dues last year which makes them owing for two years or more. We know that you like the Bystander for its news, you know that you owe for the Bystander and we need the money very much, as we have been moving and buying some type. Therefore with this brief notice, we hope to receive your dues by remittance or that you be ready and pay when our collector calls this means all of our subscribers in the city and out.

Special to the Bystander.

Washington, D. C., June 27. "I see in reading the Des Moines news in the Bystander, that at a mass-meeting held at the court house last Monday evening that the impression was made that Congressman Hull was in favor of white captains for colored companies. I must say that I know this to be a mistake, for as soon as this order was issued, Mr. Hull said to me, that he thought that was a decided mistake and that we had men in our town that are competent of taking care of a company, and he would like to see the war department modify that law, so that the captains could all be colored men. I will do my best to bring about a change.

No two men in Washington have worked harder to have this change made, than Congressman Hull of Iowa and Congressman White of North Carolina. They have gone almost daily to the war department to see if this matter could not be changed. Now every man in Iowa that knows me, knows where I stand as a race man, I believe in making demands as a race, not only make them, but die for them as other men and races do. I don't want to go to war, but if I was going I would go as a citizen, a soldier, and a man. What I want you to do is to lay this matter at the feet of the right man, and that will be at the feet of the governor of our state. If the governor in making up his quota for the state had put in this company or two companies and commissioned the officers selected by the company, that would have been the end of it. The power to commission in the state is in the governor, and not the Congressman. Your stand is all right gentlemen, but saddle the right man before you make your charges. T. E. BARTON

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LARGE MEETING AT COURT HOUSE BY COLORED MEN WHO OPPOSE WHITE CAPTAIN.

"War was declared against those that favored a white captain by many of the leading colored citizens on last Monday evening at the court house. Strong resolutions expressing the feeling of those present was adopted, speeches were made by a number of those present protesting against the appointment of one without any military experience. One of the features of this meeting was the reading of the communication from Governor Shaw granting them permission to organize a company and drill with arms.

Whereas, in the organization of the military company of Colored American citizens of Iowa there has prevailed the utmost harmony, good will and patriotism for the protection of the home and the country and for freedom and humanity.

Resolutions.

Whereas, it has come to the members of the company in a semi-official manner that the company as organized, "Must have a white captain." That legislation made an officers of a white fellow citizen regardless of the fact that there are in our ranks, men of color, who have had from three to twenty years experience as actual and practical soldier-men who can show an honorable discharge from the regular army of the United States of America; that it was not a question of merit but of color.

Whereas, while we do not condemn J. A. T. Hull for the legislation alleged to exist in regard to immune regiments we do condemn his undue haste in having confirmed a white fellow citizen as a captain of a colored company who is incapable of discharging the duties imposed upon him by the position; that we condemn and denounce said Hull for never having raised his voice against lynch law during all the years he has been supposed to represent all the people of the Seventh Congressional District, and in favor of the law being enforced as it exist and these evidence before a proper court would show for the reason that he has permitted Afro American soldiers not members of Crocker Post to have suffering and death alleviated by the charity of members of the Post and the good people and white citizens of Polk county; for the reason that he voted against an appropriation for Howard University, an institution established or chartered by the United States, claiming said appropriation was for sectarian purpose, when no such purpose existed, as proven by the law and the congressional record; for the further reason that said Hull has never done any thing during all the years he has been alleged to represent the Seventh Congressional District of Iowa, to recognize the hand and brain of the loyal Afro Americans of the district state or nation.

Resolve, That by the action of the republican leaders of the district, the state and the nation in showing a discrimination on the ground of color, and not of merit, we feel that we are not bound by any party ties or "fealty", or affiliation only that dictated by common sense and right reason and respectability.

Second, That we will protect our own interest and that of our own homes and the nation by voting and working for men who respect themselves, the flag of which they are exponent and then constituent regardless of party lines and color.

Third, That we refuse to support, our enemies in any party and as we use all honorable means to defeat any all of such candidates for public favor.

Fourth, That we insist on the Declaration of Independence being full force and operation to-day for all the people of this country.

Fifth, That money and speakers be furnished to persuade all good citizens stand up by the flag and the country, regardless of party and political schemes and politicians.

After announcing that all present and all others who desire to join them would meet in front of the court house on Friday evening to arrange for drilling, the meeting then adjourned.

Special to the BYSTANDER. Phoenix, Arizona, June 24.—Editor

What we want to-day is men of principle, men of zeal and men that are willing if necessary, lay down their life for their race and country, we are not looking to the past we are only living for the present and future. Just stop one moment and consider 20 years of toil and labor and still not one capable of being a captain or lieutenant, I say it is time to stop for we shall be, must be and will be recognized, if we are loyal men and women to our race; for myself I feel as though the message was slender, it is not necessary for our boys to shed their blood under white commanders and we obtain not one mark in history, life is so sweet and short our lives in some respect are just what we make them, Lawrence said, "Don't give up the ship," so I say to you boys be firm to the step you have taken and my heart is with you all, to the end.

A subscriber

NEW ISSUE IN POLITICS.

The friends of Free Trade and Free Silver are trying very hard to agree upon a new issue, to come between the two parties. They know that the money question like the tariff is settle, at least the people understand them, and they cannot be deceived and the leaders of democracy are willing to put Free Silver on the retired list along with Free Trade and go before the people on the cry of, "Down with imperialism." They know that sound money has come to stay. A few years ago no one would ever have thought that the democrats would refused the right hand of fellowship with Free Trade. The people as well as the republican party are clearly in sympathy with the policy of the administration. From a political point of view for the republicans than to have the democratic party to squarely commit its self against the administration on this question of imperialism.

SHOULD HAVE THEIR OWN OFFICERS

The Ledger is in hearty accord with the spirit of the colored men of Des Moines who insist on being allowed to have company officers of their own color if they go to the front. It is a matter of simple right. If negroes are American good enough to die for the American flag they are good enough to be permitted to share at least the minor posts of honor in the army. The sort of patriotism that requires men to fight for a flag under which they are subject to insult is a mighty poor article. Patriotism is not a lopsided affair, but its counterfeit is; and there is a vast amount of the counterfeit article now passing current for the genuine. Every man owes exactly as much to his country as his country owes to him and nothing more. That government which does not treat all its citizens with equal consideration can not in fairness claim equal service from all. All the colored men ask is a captain of their own blood and the fact is not disputed that they have men qualified for the position. The colored Americans considering that they have had just one generation in which to develop themselves, have made a most surprising advancement and in spite of the prejudice they have had to contend with are steadily making their way to a place of importance and usefulness in the country and the equality guaranteed them in the constitution should be cheerfully accorded to them. They are not asking recognition in our homes, but under the flag that is theirs as much as ours by both birthright and written law. It will not do to say that the colored man should forego all his ambitions and other natural rights out of gratitude for his freedom. Freedom was his Godgiven right and the country that permitted it to be taken from him owed him its restoration and what reparation it could make for the horrible wrongs of his long and cruel bondage.—Lacona Ledger

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES

The primaries held on last Friday were with a few exceptions very harmonious and the best of feeling existed among the party worker, not with standing the fact that in one or two cases there was a great many candidates seeking the nomination at the hands of the republicans. The good result shows that the republicans of Polk county were united in selecting the candidates for various offices. For judges of the District Court Conrad, Holmes, Bishop and Proudly received from 100 to 180 instructed delegates. McQuiston and Tate will have a sufficient number of delegates to nominate them on first ballot, Morris will be nominated for Supervisor of Des Moines Township and Teachout for Lee township; Halloran and Tru will be the next Justice of Peace in Des Moines Township; Baker and Riddle will be their Constable, Patterson, Blyler, Rhyne and Sunberg will fill the similar office in Lee Township. Mr. McLennan claims the County Attorneyship all though Mr. Miller's friends claims that it will be settled this afternoon in the convention; Cook has the lead Canady a close second. The good result of this year's primaries shows that the republicans of this county are united and will elect the entire ticket with an overwhelming majority.

A Southern Governor.

Colored Officers Commissioned.

A second Governor in the South is going to appoint Negro officers to command Negro troops. The first was the Executive of North Carolina, and his action was not surprising, because he owed his election largely to the Negro vote, having been chosen as the result of a fusion between the Republicans and Populists. But Gov. Tyler of Virginia is a Southern democrat of the strictest sect, and it is a notable event when such a man gives commission to black men. Two battalions of colored troops in Virginia, having been recruited up to the required number, will be turned over to the United States government as at present organized. Governor Tyler holds that the colored companies, being organized under the same laws as the white companies, and their officers having passed all the examinations creditably, are entitled to the same privilege accorded to the white companies—that of having officers of their own selection. The Richmond Dispatch says that, after earnest thought over the question, Governor Tyler "is thoroughly convinced that to pursue any other course than the one he has marked out for himself would be a violation of his oath of office, wherein he is pledged to make no discrimination on account of race or color." The Dispatch dissects from the view that this course is required by either sound public policy or the laws of the land, but it readily accords to the Governor sincerity of motive and conscientious desire to do his duty as he understands it, and adds that "this is a case where no one can suspect him of bending his opinion to gain popularity." Now that this question is settled, the Richmond editor expresses the hope that the President will see to it, as he has said that he would, that the Negro troops are kept separate and apart from the white troops as much as possible.

Colored Company will have Colored Captain.

Congressman Hull notified J. L. Thompson, the secretary of the colored company last Tuesday, the telegram read thus: "Washington, D. C. June, 28th—J. L. Thompson, Ed. Bystander, Des Moines, Iowa: Colored company can have colored captain, elect at once and send me, have so notified Brandt."

Through personal efforts of Congressman Hull the war department has decided to change its former ruling, and allow this company to elect its officers from its own ranks. We are glad that the war department has seen the injustices in having such a rule; one that is so unjust, one that says to one class of its citizens, you need no qualifications to lead another class of its citizens, and to the latter class says, you can not lead, even though we know you are qualified, you must be subordinate to all others. But before 12 o'clock the next day Amos Brandt, the white man, who was confirmed captain by the senate the day before received this telegram: "Washington, D. C. June 29.—Amos Brandt: you are appointed captain and your company goes in the Seventh regiment. The colored company with colored captain will have to go later and I do not know when they can be taken in. If your company is ready the men can be mustered in this week and draw pay from the time they put their names down. J. A. T. HULL.

With the two telegrams before you, can any one explain why Mr. Hull should change possession so soon, he knew that Mr. Brandt had a week or more the start of Captain Willett, and then to send this last telegram to be published in the daily papers. One of his captains has all the encouragement of going to the front in a few days, while the other must wait a long time before they can go, if they go at all. It looks just a little dark to us, but perhaps when Mr. Hull comes home he will explain it to the satisfaction of all.

TO ALL TO WHOM THIS MAY COME

GREETING: Know ye, that I have granted, and do hereby grant permission for the organization and drilling of a military company to be composed of the residents of the city of Oskaloosa and vicinity, the officers of which shall be elected by the members thereof.

This permission is granted with the understanding that the State of Iowa is to be at no expense for either for arms, equipment, uniforms, or subsistence, and is subject to revocation as provided in section 2200 of the code.

Further, it is not to be understood as giving the company which may be organized under this permission a place in either the National Guard or the Volunteer forces of the United States. Dated, June 17, 1898.

L. M. SHAW, Governor of Iowa.

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A New Flying Squadron

Commodore Watson's squadron, ordered to European waters, has great fighting power. The battleship Iowa carries four 12-inch and eight 8-inch breech-loading rifled guns and six 4-inch rapid-fire guns in her main batteries, and twenty 6-pounders, forty 1-pounder rapid fire guns, and four gattlings in her secondary batteries. She carries thirty-six officers and 450 men.

The battleship Oregon has four 12-inch, eight 8-inch, and four 6-inch rifles in her main batteries, and thirty rapid-fire guns of smaller caliber in her secondary batteries. She carries thirty-eight officers and 424 men.

The protected steel cruiser Newark has a speed of nineteen knots and carries twelve 6-inch rifles in her main batteries and four 6-pounders, four 3-pounders, and two 1-pounders rapid-fire guns, four Hotchkiss revolving cannon, and four gattlings. She has thirty-four officers and 350 men, and is manned mainly by the Illinois naval reserve. The lighter cruisers—Yosemite, Yankee, and Dixie—carry about sixty guns and have in all about sixty officers and 700 men. They are manned mainly by the New York and Michigan naval reserves.

The squadron will carry 230 guns, 108 officers, and 1,984 men. Both the battleships are good sailors, having a speed of seventeen knots, and the cruisers are much faster. The vessels are as well manned as any in the navy, and Chicago has a strong contingent on each of the battleships, as well as on the flagship, the cruiser Newark. The Newark, it is said, will join the Iowa Oregon at Santiago and sail from there to the Spanish coast. Before they sail Santiago will have surrendered or have been captured.

BUSINESS RECIPROCITY.

Many of our citizens do not watch the places where they purchase the goods. It is wise to see if they employ any colored help or ever advertise in a colored journal. Many of these places absolutely refuse to do either, but at the same time willing to have you spend your hard earned dollars in their places. Show your man and womanhood and refuse to deal with such men on every occasion. The time demands that you rise to the emergency. Look for all that is fair and just at all times and where you find fairness try to return the same. Watch the column of the Negro journals and trade with those merchants who advertise therein.—Illinois Record.

The war department has a rule that companies of colored soldiers must have white captain though the other officers may be black. It strikes as an unjust rule and we will not be surprised that the Negro object to it. If they are good enough for soldiers they are good enough for officers and if they are intelligent enough to be good privates they know enough to be captains.—The Baxter Era.

REFUSED TO ADMIT NEGROES.

The courts of appeals of the state Maryland, decided last Tuesday that the Maryland Institution Art school of Baltimore is not compelled to admit colored pupils. This suit had been brought by Henry Clark Jr., a colored boy, who had been appointed by a colored alderman named Cargill. At one time, colored pupils had been admitted to the school, lately the color line had been drawn and now will the judges of the high courts of that state will so far forget the oath they taken when they entered upon the duties of the office as to hand down such an opinion there a fair minded person who will say, there is a word of honesty or justice in such an opinion?

Under God the Negro is fast becoming as he should be the most potent of all other human factors in solving the Race problem or in bettering his general environments.

I am compelled to come to this conclusion, after a careful bringing-together of the many significant words and deeds, which I hear and see on every side; word and deeds which are as I am satisfied the true indices to the most prevailing moral tendency of the Negro race in America.

In the debate at his ordinary lyceum the resolutions drafted in his convention be they Civil, Political or religious. In his lectures, his graduating orations and in his every day conversation, the Negro declares his determination to work out a noble destiny: word or not all that attest to the fact of the important part which the Negro is taking in the work of self preservation and development fitted in the fact of his noble humanity for human society capable of assimilating the life emanations of other endowed with an apprehensive reasoning power, an spring of action, productive of faith, hope and love, the Negro is an active and functional part of this nations life; he, by the force of his personality affects as others. Its morals, its politics and its religion by his splendid conception of duty and faithfulness to perform that duty the nations wheels of progress are greatly assisted in their momentum by his moral virtues the nation's life is becoming holier by his faith, its religion more fixed and by his bravery its honor maintain and

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The writer was much perplexed and discouraged after hearing the great Bishop H. M. Turner said at Wilberforce, Ohio, "in this present month of June, the Negroes in Africa have a bad opinion of the American Negro; the men especially; as a result of the American newspapers publishing and heralding abroad the awful report that the American Negro men are rapists in such so that white women can not pass for them, but some relief came when he asked a bright intelligent African Methodist preacher who's name I can not recall, but he is a pastor of one of our, "Dayton Ohio Churches," what could we do to successfully contradict other damaging reports of which the Bishop speaks and redeem our reputation a broad where it is dealing as a result of these reports. He said in reply, "Send over there some such representative persons of the race as, "Hallie Q. Brown," and let them present the race to the people in a true light, look at this and you will get a glimpse of the Negro by his personal worth ameliorating his conditions and making for himself an immortal name in the military sphere. I copy the following brief editorial from, "The Des Moines Daily News," dated June 29, "A bad rule modified," Congressman Hull has notified the colored people of Des Moines that the rule against colored companies having captain of their own color has been modified and that they can go ahead and elect their own captain. This is right, the rule was an insult to the colored race and nothing but their intense patriotism prevented them from all refusing to enlist upon such humiliating conditions. The opposition to captain Brandt among the colored recruits was of course not personal as Amos Brandt is a popular and able man who has the capacity to thoroughly organize and intelligently lead any company white or colored but was entirely a matter of principle, even those who are prejudice to the Negro has seen and must confess that he no longer acts aimlessly or unprincipally but that he as other intelligent men acts upon principle. This all reveals to the mind last and ample preparation which the Negro is making to ultimately put himself in the front ranks of the worlds civilizers or perish in the attempt.

REV. T. REEVES.

The Review of Review continues strong on war topics. In July number the editor reviews the whole campaign up to the landing of our troops for the advance on Santiago, showing the precise part which Lieutenant Hobson's exploit had in the general scheme; Dr. William Hayes Ward treats of Hobson's career as that of the typical young American student; Mr. Edwin Emerson Jr. the brilliant young newspaper correspondent, gives notes of his adventurous journeyings in Porto Rico last month; and Dr. Max West, the statistician and economist, summarizes, "Our New War Taxes," in an interesting article, "International Cartoon Comments on Our War with Spain", and the "Record of Current Events", also cover the situation up to date.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Mr. Perry Greenup spent Sunday at Mt. Pleasant.

Quite a number of the Burlington people are anticipating spending the Fourth in Keokuk.

Rev. Gordon of Mt. Pleasant filled the pulpit at the St. John A. M. E. church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and daughter Susie of Ft. Madison were in to attend the wedding of their son Burt.

The Misses Mary and Martha Brooks entertained at tea Saturday Miss E. M. Wilson and Nellie Sykes of Fairfield.

Rev. J. W. Washington of Rock Island passed through our city Saturday. Miss Belle and Graham returned from their visit in Keokuk.

Burlington is putting forth every effort for the entertainment of the K. of T. Grand Lodge July 6 and 7.

Miss Nellie Sykes who has been visiting here left for her home in Fairfield.

Mr. John Johnson arrived in our city last Monday after an absence of a few months, he was accompanied by his wife.

Mr. Calvin Wilson is suffering from a severe cold which some fear will go in to consumption, we hope it will not be the case as he is one of our coming men.

The Bystander's solicitor will be in Burlington soon all should be prepared to pay their delinquencies.

Notice to the S. S. Superintendents of the St. Paul Dist., A. M. E. Church

I have in my possession, I think a sufficient number of the State S. S. Normal question leaves to supply all of the schools for teachers are those who wish to take up the work right away, and if you will send a two cent stamp and the number of leaves you wish I will gladly send them to you.

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SHAFTER SEES SANTIAGO.

American Troops Within Three Miles of the City.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—A dispatch from Shafter dated Monday says everything is progressing well and that the troops have occupied a position abandoned by the enemy on the previous day, within three miles of Santiago, and from which the city can be plainly seen. It is quite evident from the tone of the dispatch that the advance has been made without the loss of men. In another dispatch the general informs the department of the safe arrival of the Yale with troops which recently sailed from Newport News.

GENERAL MERRITT GETS AWAY

Left On the Newport for Manila Wednesday Morning.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—The steamer Newport, with General Merritt on board, sailed yesterday morning for the Philippines. General Merritt expects to reach Manila by July 25 or August 1, at the very latest. Before his arrival General Greene will have consulted with Dewey as to the advisability of making a joint attack on Manila. Merritt's installation as governor-general will be attended with as little ceremony as possible. In his proclamation he will assure the people that their forms of worship and their churches will not be interfered with. This will be made clear, as will also the fact that their property will not be confiscated, in order to offset the representations to the contrary which have been made by the agents of Spain.

CAMARA'S SQUADRON.

Now at Port Said, But Unable to Obtain Coal.

NEW YORK, June 28.—The Tribune's Cairo, Egypt, special says: "Admiral Camara has asked to be allowed to purchase 10,000 tons of coal for the Spanish fleet at Port Said, but Egypt refused to permit the ships to coal in Egyptian waters. Pending the deliberations, which are likely to last a long time, the fleet intends to remain at Port Said." A later dispatch adds: "The Egyptian government has instructed its authorities at Port Said to prevent the 150 stokers engaged there by Admiral Camara from his fleet from embarking on Spanish ships, and has courteously informed Admiral Camara that so doing would be an infringement of the laws of neutrality, which Egypt intends vigorously to observe. The Audaz's machinery requires repairs, and Camara has signified his intention of remaining at Port Said for three days."

ST. PAUL DISABLES TERROR.

Spanish Torpedo Boat Sent to San Juan in Sinking Condition.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The navy department posted the following bulletin: Captain Sigbee reports that while off San Juan, Porto Rico, he was attacked by a Spanish unprotected cruiser and the torpedo boat destroyer Terror. The Terror made a dash, which was availed by the St. Paul. The St. Paul hit the Terror three times, killing an officer and two men and wounding several others. The Terror dropped back under cover of the fortifications and with difficulty was towed into the harbor in a sinking condition. Later the cruiser and a gunboat started out but remained under protection of the forts.

Spanish Troops Advancing.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Gen. Shafter has reported to the war department that Spanish troops numbering 8,000, with pack trains and cattle, are advancing from Manzanillo and are within fifty-four miles of Santiago.

Spanish Cruiser's Boiler Explodes.

MADRID, June 30.—The cruiser Antonio Lopez while trying to enter the river San Juan near San Juan de Porto Rico, secretly with a cargo of provisions and war material, was detected by two American warships, but escaped by swiftly changing her course. Her captain, determined to land her cargo, headed for shore at Salinas. The shock of grounding exploded the boiler. It is not known whether there was any loss of life.

Reign of Terror at Havana.

KEY WEST, June 28.—Reliable news just received from Havana says that a reign of terror exists there. The police threaten to revolt and are being watched by troops. Famine is imminent and the city is panic stricken.

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Finest lakes and sport in the country. Hundreds of delightful places along the Great Northern Railway. For information address S. J. Ellison, D. P. A., 404 Walnut St., Des Moines, Iowa.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

PLEA NOT GRANTED.

The Kicking Indians of the Tama Reservation Turned Down.

DES MOINES, June 29.—Governor Shaw has written a letter to the Indian chief who visited the state house recently to protest against cutting roads through the reservation at Tama. The governor says in his letter that he has found upon investigation that the land was bought by the Indians and was not an original reservation, so that the government has the right to lay out roads within it. Relative to the claim of the chief who visited Des Moines that he and not the man who is occupying the place at Tama is chief of the tribe, the governor says in his letter that it is evident that the man who is occupying the place of honor, distinction and responsibility is entitled to it by virtue of an election at which he was chosen, the election supplanting the claim of the protestant who alleges hereditary right.

DOLLAR RATE IS PERMANENT.

Paper Trust Cannot Intimidate the Daily News.

DES MOINES, June 29.—The paper trust has nearly doubled the price of white paper since the war began and its representatives are urging newspapers to put up their price and make the people pay the advance. The Des Moines Daily News pluckily refuses to do so. It announces that its price will continue to be \$1 a year, 75 cents for six months, 50 cents for three months, 25 cents a month. The Daily News is a 4-page paper with the Associated Press dispatches boiled down for the busy reader. It has over 25,000 circulation already—as many as any four other Iowa dailies—and is now working for 30,000, with every prospect of success.

OVERCOME BY GAS.

Charles Gould Meets Death While Cleaning a Well.

OSAGE, July 1.—Charles Gould, a farm employe working on the farm of Edward Hitehook, near this place, was overcome with foul air and gas while cleaning out a well, and died shortly after being removed. His son was also overcome while attempting the rescue, but will probably recover.

Colored Company From Des Moines.

DES MOINES, June 29.—The colored citizens of Des Moines have been badly stirred up because of the refusal of the war department to permit a company of local colored volunteers to have a colored captain. After holding two mass meetings a telegram was received from Congressman Hull stating that he had secured permission for the selection of a colored captain. E. S. Willett has already been chosen and the company is now being gotten in readiness to move.

Killed by a Train.

ATLANTIC, June 29.—Henry Thies, a farmer living five miles east of Minden, attempted to drive across the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific track ahead of the Chicago flyer, but was caught. Mr. Thies and the team were instantly killed and flying lumber from the wagon struck and killed a 16-year-old tramp on the blind end of the baggage car. The shock forced a 2x2 sealant into the express car, and the messenger had a narrow escape.

Candidate to Succeed Judge Thomas.

DES MOINES, July 1.—Judge Lot Thomas, of the Fourteenth judicial district, has tendered his resignation to Governor Shaw, to take effect August 14, on account of his nomination for congressman from the Eleventh district. Frank H. Hessel, a lawyer and banker of Sioux Rapids, is the only candidate for the appointment, which will be made after the bar of the district has been heard from.

Boy Drowned at Knoxville.

KNOXVILLE, June 26.—A small boy, eight years old, son of Frank Stiff, of Knoxville, was drowned in the Des Moines river. The boy went to the river with his Sunday school class for a picnic, and was playing in the water with the other boys, when his hat blew off. He ran into the river after it and went beyond his depth and was drowned.

A Light Sentence.

DES MOINES, June 29.—One hundred dollars each and costs was the price Judge Conrad instructed James and Jennie Brutin to pay into the county treasurer as a penalty for shooting James Doughner, a private in Company L of the Forty-ninth Iowa regiment, while that regiment was located at Camp McKinley. They paid the fines and were released.

Attempted Suicide at Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, July 1.—C. M. Robinson, assessor for the First district of Sioux City, attempted to commit suicide by taking a dose of carbolic acid. His wife had left him on account of family troubles, and he was despondent. He will recover. Robinson is one of the old residents of Sioux City, and is well known in racing circles.

Lacey's Nomination Assured.

OSKALOOSA, June 28.—The republican county convention passed resolutions endorsing John F. Lacey for congressman and chose a delegation favorable to him to attend the congressional convention at Sigourney. Congressman Lacey now has the endorsement of every county and his nomination is assured.

Tragedy in Henry County.

MT. PLEASANT, June 23.—Perry Elliott, in a fit of temporary insanity, shot and instantly killed his niece, Effie Kelly, at Trenton, nine miles northwest of Mt. Pleasant, and then shot and killed himself. Jealousy is supposed to be at the bottom of the trouble.

An Unequalled Summer Drink.

You will be pleased with Colfax Mineral Water. It has no equal as a summer drink.

Drink Nominated.

SIGOURNEY, July 1.—The Sixth district republican re-nominated Lacey for congress by acclamation.

PEOPLE WERE PANIC STRICKEN

Many Persons Injured in a Circus Accident at Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, June 25.—A severe wind storm struck this city, blowing down the main tent of the Sells-Forrepaugh circus while a performance was in progress. The collapse of the canvas caused a panic, in which a score or more of people were injured. One of them, Adolph Halverson, of Sioux City, died of his injuries soon afterward, while Frank Reynolds, an attache of the show, is hurt internally and it is believed he will die.

SIoux CITY, June 26.—One more additional death is reported as a result of the disaster at the Forepaugh-Sells circus. A. G. Steiner, an attorney-at-law, formerly of Canton, S. D., died soon after midnight from his injuries. He was struck on the head by a big center pole, and his wife was also seriously hurt. Dr. M. W. White submitted to an operation on his crushed skull, and will probably recover. All of the other injured persons are reported to be resting comfortably.

IOWA PROHIBITIONISTS.

State Convention at Des Moines Selects a Ticket.

DES MOINES, June 30.—The committee on nominations of the prohibition state convention reported nominations for the party, which were adopted, as follows: For secretary of state, Malcolm Smith, of Linn county; auditor of state, Edgar Brintwall, of Buchanan county; state treasurer, J. C. Reed, of Keokuk county; judge of supreme court, H. F. Johns, of Harrison county; attorney general, Samuel Holmes, of Fremont county; clerk of supreme court, Bertha J. Bowers, of Union county; reporter of supreme court, Benj. Radcliffe, of Cherokee county; railroad commissioner, (long term), R. M. Diehl, of Washington county; railroad commissioner, (short term), A. M. Johnston, of Dickinson county.

Death of Ezekiel Clark.

IOWA CITY, June 28.—Ex-Senator Ezekiel Clark passed away at his home in this city. He was 82 years of age, and had for many years been active in business circles in Iowa City and elsewhere in the state. During the war he was active in procuring funds with which to carry on the issue, and rendered valuable assistance to Governor Kirkwood at that time. He was president of the Iowa City State Bank for several years, but retired from active business life a few months ago, when the bank was reorganized.

Miraculous Rescue.

LANSVILLE, July 1.—A son of James Bryan, aged about 18 months, while playing around the well, slipped on a board and fell in. The well is 28 feet deep with about 14 feet of water. It was some time before the little fellow was missed, and when discovered by his mother he was clinging to a board, which had fallen in with him, and thus kept from drowning. Mrs. Bryan lowered herself by the chain of the pump and brought the child to the surface apparently unharmed.

Goes Up for Life.

DES MOINES, July 1.—Betsy Smith maintained, when brought up in the criminal division of the district court, that she was not guilty of the murder of Mike Smith. Judge Conrad's sentence was that she be imprisoned in the Anamosa penitentiary during her life and that she pay the costs of the prosecution of the case. He then gave her attorneys sixty days to file a bill of exceptions.

No Opposition to Dolliver.

FORT DODGE, July 1.—Hon. J. P. Dolliver was renominated by acclamation by the Tenth district republican convention. There was no opposition candidate.

Fatally Shot His Little Sister.

BURLINGTON, July 1.—While playing with a loaded revolver, a boy named Riepe, 8 years old, living near town, accidentally shot his 2-year-old sister fatally.

Thomas Hedge for Congress.

FAIRFIELD, June 30.—The First congressional district republican convention nominated Thomas Hedge, of Burlington, by acclamation.

IOWA CONDENSED.

Six frame buildings in the business district of Lorimor burned at 2 o'clock a. m. a few days ago. The buildings were valued at \$4,100 and were occupied by E. T. Duff's bank, Carl's dry goods store, Knight's law office, Sullivan's drug store, Ballard & Persinger's barber shop. Most of the merchandise was lost. Very little insurance was carried. The origin of the fire is unknown. The buildings had just been erected and their destruction leaves Lorimor without a frame business building. The total loss will approximate \$10,000.

Creston dispatch: Dr. W. F. Swisher, a prominent physician of Woodburn, was shot and instantly killed by an unknown assassin at 10 p. m. The bullet crashed through Swisher's heart and death was instantaneous. Swisher left his office about 10 o'clock and started home. Less than half a block away he encountered the unknown murderer. Dr. R. P. Lawrence, who was sitting in his yard a short distance away, was the only witness. He went to Swisher's assistance at once, but life was extinct before he arrived. The cause for the crime is hard to determine, but it is attributed to enemies which the doctor is known to have had. Five years ago he came to Woodburn from West Virginia. He had serious trouble there, it is alleged, which prompted his removal westward. The only clue that has developed was the presence of a stranger in Woodburn about dusk on the night of the murder. He kept himself isolated from company. The fact that the stranger hitched his horse west of the town, and that the murderer ran in that direction, creates the impression that the stranger committed the crime. He rode wildly past a camp of movers. A posse was immediately organized and the surrounding country searched, but the murderer escaped. A theory is that one of the doctor's eastern enemies pursued him to his western home for revenge. Swisher was 45 years old and a widower. The murder created intense excitement. There is considerable mystery surrounding it, with little probability of it being cleared.

THE FOURTH OF JULY

BIRTHDAY OF THE GREATEST OF NATIONS.

Why Every Patriotic American Should Rejoice and Give Thanks—History of the Declaration of Independence—Its Signers.

One hundred and twenty-one years ago the bell rang in Independence hall in Philadelphia. To the uninitiated it pealed its sonorous notes for some unknown purpose. To those who, breathless, were waiting for the sound, it told the news that liberty had shaken off her shackles in the new world, that she had taken her rightful place and that hereafter the people would acknowledge the power of no ruler except such as might be chosen by themselves. It was a curious scene in that staid old Quaker town, the last place in the colonies where one would have suspected a spark would be given birth to light freedom's torch throughout the western hemisphere.

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

It was on the seventh day of June, 1776, that the delegates from the colonies sitting in congress in Philadelphia considered the following resolution introduced by Virginia's statesman, Richard Henry Lee: "Resolved, That the United States colonies are and ought to be free and independent states and their political connection with Great Britain is and ought to be dissolved."

ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON.

adopted by the unanimous vote of the thirteen colonies. The enthusiasm of the patriots at hearing the intelligence was unbounded. While congress had been discussing the subject, crowds assembled outside the hall and in the streets, anxiously awaiting the result. When it was announced at noon the state house bell, on which was inscribed "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto the inhabitants thereof," clanged deep and melodiously and the throng gave vent to long and loud shouts of exultation.

JOHN ADAMS.

mother country and said to the world that they had cast off their swaddling clothes, and were now able to walk alone. To speak with absolute truth, all the delegates did not favor his progressive step. Some opposed it on the ground that it was premature. Nevertheless the resolution overcame opposition and was indorsed as stated, by the majority of one. Thirteen colonies were represented. Because seven of them voted and stood for independence, the United States is today what she is. Subsequent events have proved that had the action taken been delayed, the question of independence might have slept in peace until the herald of the people, no one knows how many years after, sounded the tocsin of revolution. The delegates thought it wise to defer the question of final consideration to July 1, 1776, by which time they believed there might be a more united feeling among the people.

ROGER SHERMAN.

what with rejoicings and bonfires and illuminations. The cannon boomed and messengers rode away hotly in all quarters to announce the news. Washington then was in New York with the army. By his orders it was read to the

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off two jumbo freerackers and three or four packs of the regulation size, all at once, yet he couldn't tell me anything about the declaration of independence or through what adverse circumstances we made our way to the proud position of a free people. While I was striving to give him a little valuable instruction he let off another batch right at my feet, and I was grateful to escape with a few burnt holes in my clothing. That boy might explode fireworks till old age incapacitated him, and he would be no more like Washington or Jefferson than he is today. Our forefathers went to the town hall on the day we now celebrate just because the law permits more racket than we make in all the rest of the year put together. They listened to the teachings and stimulating admonition of some real statesman. They sang patriotic anthems and they renewed their vows of fealty to the nation. It is about time to get back to the good old way of doing things in many matters bearing directly upon our welfare as a people.

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was the man whose fame is ticked into our ears every time we hear a telegraph instrument, whose genius is placed in broad light whenever we enjoy the illumination of electricity. The second rose to be president of the nation he helped to form. The third is the father of what the world knows as Jeffersonian democracy. The fourth, puritan, patriot, leader, gave more in moral force and determination, in knowledge of the law and its common sense principles than almost any man who assisted at the birth of the nation. The fifth was the man of whom the majority of people know comparatively little, and yet there was none who better deserved a place of honor in the public mind. Eminent as a financier, a shrewd judge of human nature, his touch on the helm of state was exactly what was needed to keep the young craft on her course.

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

Jefferson had spoken but little in congress and he had no part in the acrimonies which then prevailed. In a plain brick house, corner of Market and Seventh streets, Philadelphia, he drafted the declaration of independence. The work was almost wholly Jefferson's, only a few verbal alterations being suggested by Adams and Franklin. It then was approved by the committee. A few passages were struck out by congress.

ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON.

Caesar Rodney, one of Delaware's delegates, in order to have his vote recorded, rode in the saddle from a point eighty miles from Philadelphia, all night, and reached the floor just in time on July 4 to cast Delaware's vote in favor of independence. On that day, ever memorable in American annals, the declaration of independence was recorded.

JOHN ADAMS.

By a strange coincidence John Adams died on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of the declaration of independence. His last words were "Jefferson still survives." But at 1 o'clock on the same day Jefferson also passed away.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

No one can say more emphatically than I do that it is patriotic to burn powder when it is needed. No one can denounce it more religiously as a nuisance in times of profound peace. The youngster that sings his hair, blisters his ears or blows off a finger or two on the Fourth, has no higher conception of our institutions nor will do more for their perpetuation than will that youngster who bows to parental authority and sits in the back yard blowing a tin whistle in honor of the day. I have seen a half-grown boy touch

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Eat in Haste

And suffer at leisure. When your abused stomach can no longer cheerfully and properly perform its duties, a few doses of Hood's Sarsaparilla are like fresh water to a withered plant. This medicine tones the stomach, restores digestive strength, creates an appetite and with a little care in diet, the patient is soon equal in perfect health. Try it and you'll believe it.

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Is America's Greatest Medicine. Hood's Pills cure constipation, 25 cents.

CURRENT EVENTS.

ill or otherwise incapacitated. Then he will occupy the place of the absent one.

More than a third of the French crown jewels have been bought by Americans.

All fresh-water snakes in India are poisonous, and all salt-water snakes are poisonous.

Cooking utensils made of aluminum, instead of tin, are coming into vogue in the French army.

A female monkey in the Zoological Gardens of Vienna is a trick bicycle rider. She performs wonderful antics, and her imitations of the human riders are irresistibly droll.

It is said that herrings are so prolific that if a pair of them could be left to breed and multiply undisturbed for a period of twenty years, they would yield an amount of fish equal in bulk to the entire earth.

The Krag-Jorgensen rifle, now the arm equipment of the United States infantry, has a range of three miles. At this distance an expert can easily pick off a man, while a soldier unaccustomed to its use could not hit a barn.

Several sailors of the Russian navy were given shore leave at Hong Kong and enjoyed themselves by buying Chinese talismans, candles and eating them in the public streets. Every man devoured at least a pound.

The new "shelter cloak tent" is made in two pieces, and is intended to be carried, when the army is on the march, by the two soldiers who occupy the tent. The halves are so arranged that the tent is taken apart each half can be carried by a soldier as a water-proof cloak.

The eldest of five married daughters was married at a farm-house in Erie, Pa. A plain-spoken guest, desiring to say something cheering to the groom, remarked aloud, "Well, Jim, you have got the pick of the batch." The other four daughters stared at him with stony visages.

An instrument for seeing objects under water has been invented by a hydrographic engineer of Russia. By its aid the bottom of rivers, to the depth of from forty-five to sixty feet, can be distinctly viewed. In the examination of wrecks this submarine telescope will be of great service.

The stomach of an ostrich is often made the receptacle for strange things. One of these birds mysteriously died on a California farm, and a post mortem was held. It had followed about a gang of men who were building wire fences and swallowed the bits of wire they chipped off from time to time.

Sand-flies, black flies and mosquitoes are very annoying to our troops in the south. A preventive is made thus: Take olive oil or cottonseed oil, and mix with it enough tar to give the mixture the consistency of ordinary vasoline. Apply the preparation to exposed parts of the body, face, neck and hands.

The advancement of the sons of influential politicians, over the heads of young men educated for warfare, has caused much dissatisfaction. A satirist has expressed his opinion on the subject: "Sons of great men all remind us we may make our lives sublime, and with papa's push behind us we can get there every time."

HALF FARE.

Washington, D. C., and Return.

On July 3d to 6th tickets will be sold from all points to Washington, D. C., and return via the Chesapeake and Ohio Ry. at one fare, plus \$2.00, on account of the meeting of the National Educational Association. Tickets will be good until July 15 returning, and may be extended to August 31st. This is the best opportunity you will have to visit the famous Mountain and Sea Shore resorts of the East, also Old Point Comfort and Hampton Roads, the rendezvous of the North Atlantic Squadron.

For particulars and sleeping car reservations apply to U. L. Trullitt, Northwest Passenger Agent, 234 Clark street, Chicago, Ill.

N. E. A. Meeting at Washington.

The Big Four and Chesapeake & Ohio Railways will have a special N. E. A. Wisconsin train, leaving Chicago Tuesday, July 5th, at 1 p. m., arriving in Washington the following afternoon. The party will consist of the leading educators of Wisconsin, and will stop at White Sulphur Springs, Va., for breakfast and a concert on the morning of the 6th. This route has more mountain and river scenery and more beautiful fields than any other line. Write at once for maps, rates and sleeping car reservations. The rate is one fare plus two dollars (membership fee) for the round trip. Bicycles carried free. H. W. Sparks, T. P. A., 234 Clark street, Chicago.

Electric Fans in Sleeping Cars.

The Baltimore and Ohio South-Western Railway officials have solved the problem of cooling sleeping cars in stations at night. At Cincinnati, Louisville and St. Louis this line has sleeping cars placed in the stations at 10 p. m., which do not depart until after midnight, and in order to make them comfortable and cool have placed 15-inch rotary electric fans in each end of the sleepers, thus removing the heated and impure air from all parts of the car. The fans have been in operation about two weeks, and have been the subject of many favorable comments from the traveling public.

Of Interest to Home-seekers.

To those desirous of owning a farm home, and seeking by industry and thrift to attain an independent condition in life, no better chance is afforded than the fertile farming lands, situated along the line of the Chicago & North-Western Ry. in western Minnesota and South Dakota. This locality is forging to the front and yearly gaining immense wealth from its fine crops, dairy interests and stock raising. For further information regarding Home-seekers' rates, etc., please apply to W. B. Kniskern, G. P. and T. A., Fifth Ave., Chicago.

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IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.
FRIDAY JULY 1.
RACE ECHOES.

The colored press is doing some commendable work in favor of Negro officers for Negro troops.—Statesman.

Mr. Howard of Spring Valley, Ill., has been elected alderman of that city. He is the only Negro alderman in the state.

The Iowa Bystander, published at Des Moines, by J. L. Thompson, has just passed its fifth milestone. Congratulations—The Bystander knows how to tell the truth, and does it forcibly and unreservedly. Colored American

The colored man has proven his worth as an independent citizen. He has a destiny. It is being weighed, and much depend upon him making the scale tip in his favor.

If Negroes can not have their own officers in the service of their country, then the country needs not their services. It is an insult to tell us that we are incapable of holding the rank of an officer—no officers no soldiers, is our motto and we are loyal too.—American Citizen K. C.

At the thirty-first commencement of the Decatur, Ill. High School, a class of fifty-five was graduated, and the class honors, a scholarship at Wheaton College were won by Maggie P. Murrell aged 16. At the opera house, the graduation ceremonies were held, Superintendent Gastman of the public schools presented her with a gold watch, the gift of the colored people of Decatur.

In Topeka Kan., a number of colored men are employed as clerks in clothing houses, in grocery stores, in drug stores; one is collector in the National Bank and has been handling thousand dollars daily for a number of years the county clerk is colored also the deputy county attorney, not counting the many school teachers policemen state house janitors, sexton in churches and responsible places in office and bank buildings.

Two of the state building, the Illinois and the Iowa are presided over by Messrs. Charles S. Washington and C. F. Wright and their wives. Mrs. Wright is assisted by Miss Eva Robinson of Des Moines. Both Mr. Washington and Wright are very affable gentlemen and their friendliness and kindness have gone far toward making their buildings the popular pleasure resorts they are. Chicago and Marshalltown have contributed their best, their loss but the public's gain.—The Progress.

The London Spectator says that, "nothing stops the Americans from raising the Negro force to 20,000 men and with them holding the Philippines, Hawaii and Puerto Rico, paying them out of local revenues. With such a garrison those islands would be as safe as drawing-rooms and as full of business as Broadway or Strand, instead of remaining a source of weakness to the Union the Negro can be turned by wise and lenient management into an instrument of empire."

Is the war with Spain to solve more than one of our national problems? Is the field of our conquest so fittingly adapted to the colored people as a place of military residence and practical usefulness that these citizens are to become a "source empire" instead of remaining a source of weakness to the Union? The Spectator reaches into the future with a vigorous advisory spirit, and at most there is much to command consideration in what it says. As for the colored man, there is room for him to become a more useful factor in our national make-up, and in the eyes of himself and his country.

Lynching goes in the South. A regiment of black soldiers should be sent South to avenge the wrongs of their brothers in the past thirty years—Appeal.

Great Slaughter Sale
In Fine Millinery

AT W. W. TOWNSEND'S STORE,
Just North of the Street Car Waiting Room.

REMEMBER THIS ENTIRE STOCK OF MILLINERY is to be CLOSED OUT AT WHOLESALE COST, OR LESS. Within the next 30 days, if possible, IN ORDER TO QUIT BUSINESS. We have over 4,000 Trimmed and untrimmed Hats and Bonnets, Walking Hats and Sailors—CHILDREN'S Hats of all kinds—Also Flowers, Ribbons, Feathers, etc.—Will trim Hats to suit in short order. Come before the stock is broken.

Marshall Taylor, the Indianapolis professional colored rider, is the first of his race to be registered by the L. A. W. It was thought that as the league refuses to admit colored people, it would not recognize Taylor's claim to a number. But Chairman Mott's bulletin contains his name and he is therefore a registered professional.

Surely, President McKinley has been lavish in conferring military honors upon the confederate veterans. Now Mr. President remember the Negro soldier. Negro troops—Negro officers—Daily Recorder

Though we are fighting the Spaniards on the one hand the bot headed murderers have not ceased to kill and butcher the poor Negroes without judge or jury. How much longer shall this inhuman practice go on before the strong hand of the government will put a stop to it?—K. C.

Over 900 republican delegates in Kansas, 35 of them colored.

OTTUMWA NEWS.
Mrs. Alexander who has been visiting in Keokuk returned home Thursday Miss Annie Thompson is able to walk again after being sick several weeks. The I. B. W. club gave a picnic last Friday at Franklin Park to their many friends all present reports good time. Mrs. Davis and Miss Mae Owens entertained Thursday evening at the home of the Misses Owens in honor of Mrs. J. D. Gardner of Springfield Ill. The house was beautifully decorated with ferns and roses and dotted plants. The evening was spent in dancing and games, music was furnished by Miss Bernice Davis.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.
An organization known as the Golden Rule Club, comprised of the leading ladies of the city gave a benefit entertainment at the A. M. E. church Wednesday 22. Those present report an enjoyable time, a neat little sum was given to the Trustees and Stewards.

CEdAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.
The State S. S. Convention which met here last Wednesday and Thursday was a grand success the city was crowded with delegates and visitors. On Thursday a grand parade was had consisting of each school in the city as well as several country and county schools. The state offered as a reward for the largest percent of scholars enrolled from each school present in the parade a beautiful tin hand painted banner three by four feet costing \$15.00. We feel proud to say the African M. E. S. of Cedar Rapids was awarded the banner among a large number of white school. This shows that our people always win laurels for their race if given a chance. Rev. Rb inehart is one of the proudest pastors. The Light House society picniced Thursday up the river at Manhattan Beach.

NEWTON NOTES.
Mr. J. W. Thompson of Pittsburg Pa. was the guest of his sister Mrs. W. E. Fine last Wednesday.

CLARINDA NEWS.
Mr. Mrs. and Miss Jones have gone to Stanbury Mo., to attend the wedding of her son, Allen.

MOUNT PLEASANT NEWS.
Mr. Perry Greenup of Burlington spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Scott Jones and son Adolphus accompanied by her mother-in-law left Monday for their home in Chicago. Mrs. M. Burnhaug entertained Rev. Tate and Mr. Greenup at dinner last Sunday. Miss Dora Smith left Saturday for an extended visit in Council Bluffs Ia., and Omaha Neb. Rev. Gordon spent last Sunday in Burlington, Mr. H. Tansel fill the pulpit. The Women's Aid Society gave an entertainment at Second Baptist church last Tuesday evening. Rev. Gordon was confined to his bed last Tuesday.

It is rumored that Mr. J. W. Fidler was married to Miss Woodson of Chicago last Wednesday they will make Chicago their future home. Miss Loretta Scott returned Monday from a visit to Salem. On the evening of the 22 of June quite a number of friends met at the residence of Mrs. Clara Arbacia in a surprise tended her daughter Mrs. Jones.

Mr. J. Owens is on the sick list. Rev. Tate of Second Baptist church has quite a scheme to find out the age of people, last Sunday he had an age rally in which he requested all of his members and as many of his friends as would put in an envelope as many pennies as they were years old. It was quite a novelty over nine dollars was realized.

ALBIA NEWS.
Miss Henrietta Jones visited several days in Muckaknock the guest of her sister, Mrs. Josie Meadows. The Willing Worker and Busey Bee class of the A. M. E. Sunday School, gave a picnic Thursday and the little folks with their matron report a fine time with many furnished baskets. Rev. T. L. Griffith of Muckaknock made a visit at the home of his wife's parents one day this week. Mrs. Nora McDonald gave a concert at Foster on Friday evening which was well attended by the Foster people. The Ladies of the Stewards board gave a social at the city hall Saturday. Madam Fins, Randolph and Grayson of Hiteman were shopping in our city Saturday. Miss Henrietta Jones entertained about ten of the little Albia youths on Saturday afternoon; these are members of Mrs. Jones Sunday School class. Mr. Richard Love accompanied by Miss Wilkinson of Marshalltown passed through our city en route to Oskaloosa. Burd Jones visited over Sunday at Foster. Fred Green of Newton was in our city Monday on business.

KNOXVILLE NOTES.
Mrs. W. H. Mason of Ottumwa was in the city on business this week. Mr. Sim Jeffers returned to Knoxville to stay. Mr. Lewis Watson who has been visiting his friend Master Roy Bird for a week went to Forbush Tuesday to spend the remainder of the summer. Miss Geneva Jeffers has accepted a position in Belnap's piano store. Mrs. A. H. Brown and little daughter Ida is visiting her mother and sister. Many interesting letters are received from Mr. Byrd which tells that he likes San Francisco and soldier life. Mrs. Celia Jeffers presented her daughter with a fine up right piano. Mrs. Fannie Tomlin has been sick. Mrs. W. P. Byrd is on the sick list. Messrs. Mask and Jeffers were in the city Sunday.

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Day Express	12:45 pm	11:15 pm	Depart
Chicago Local	1:15 pm	11:45 pm	Depart
Rock Is. Accommodation	7:30 am	7:30 am	Depart
Rocky Mountain Limited	8:31 am	8:31 am	Depart
DES MOINES & FT. WEST.			
Denver Limited	8:25 am	8:30 am	Depart
Night Limited Express	9:30 pm	8:30 pm	Depart
Day Express	10:30 am	8:30 am	Depart
Rocky Mountain Limited	11:10 am	11:20 am	Depart
Fast Mail	11:40 am	11:40 am	Depart
KEOKUK & DES MOINES.			
Eldon Express	10:45 am	6:50 pm	Depart
Keokuk Express	11:35 pm	7:25 am	Depart
DES MOINES & FT. DODGE.			
Ruthven Mail and Express	4:30 pm	12:10 pm	Depart
Tara and Ft. Dodge	10:35 am	4:15 pm	Depart
Miss-St. Louis Ex.	9:15 pm	9:15 pm	Depart
St. Paul-Min. Ex.	8:50 am	7:30 am	Depart
WINTERSSET BRANCH.			
Accommodation	6:40 pm	8:45 am	Depart
Mail	11:30 am	4:30 pm	Depart
C. B. & Q.			
Albia Passenger	12:15 pm	3:30 pm	Depart
Albia Accommodation	8:30 pm	5:00 pm	Depart
Albia Accommodation	1:30 pm	8:30 pm	Depart
Albia Accommodation	2:00 pm	6:45 am	Depart
CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN.			
Sioux City, N. & W.	6:15 pm	9:40 am	Depart
Chicago & Denver Ex.	10:45 am	11:40 pm	Depart
Chicago Limited	1:35 am	9:00 pm	Depart
Dakota Limited	1:30 am	2:00 am	Depart
Chicago Express	7:30 pm	7:30 am	Depart
C. G. W.—MAPLE LEAF—NORTH.			
Chi. & St. Paul Limited	8:15 pm	8:30 am	Depart
Chicago & St. Paul Ex.	8:30 am	8:30 am	Depart
Twin Cities Special	9:30 am	9:30 am	Depart
C. G. W.—MAPLE LEAF—SOUTH.			
Kansas City Limited	6:50 am	9:00 am	Depart
Day Express	11:30 am	11:40 am	Depart
Night Express	8:25 pm	8:45 pm	Depart
WABASH RAILWAY.			
St. Louis Passenger	6:00 pm	8:45 pm	Depart
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A MYSTERY SOLVED.
A Deathed Confession Clears Up a Killing of Twenty Years Ago.
From the St. Louis Republic: Twenty years ago Rudolph Popke was found dead on West avenue, with his head split open. A sharp stump near by and an icy sidewalk gave the theory of a fall, so the coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death. Today L. H. Muckensturn, a well-to-do ranchman of Montana, who is here visiting relatives, related a story, the substance of which follows: Muckensturn had for a neighbor a man who went by the name of Long. He was well-to-do and had a family of six children and was well thought of. One day a mule kicked him in the face, from the result of which he died. Before death Long sent for Muckensturn and told him that about twenty years ago he was living in Burlington under the name of Lingren, but his real name was Johnson. One Saturday night he was returning from a dance with a young woman and they met a stranger on West avenue, who appeared to be intoxicated. The man offered an insulting remark to the young woman and Long struck him a stinging blow in the face, knocking him down and causing him to strike his head on a sharp stump. The man lay still and Long and the girl, supposing him to be merely senseless, hurried on. The next day Long learned the man was dead and that his name was Popke. In a day or two Long packed up and, having sworn the girl to secrecy, left for Montana. The girl still lives in Burlington, but her identity cannot be traced now, as Long did not give her name. Long said he had no intention of killing the man, but only to chastise him for the insult to the young woman. The circumstances of the finding of the body of Popke are well known to older Burlington people.

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