

The passion play will be enacted at Ober-Ammergau twenty-seven times during the coming summer...

During the volcanic eruption in the Hawaiian islands last summer the smoke rose to a height of between five and six miles...

It is strange now to recall that, as a girl, the late mother of the German empress was exceedingly anxious to marry Napoleon III.

The recent trials at Indian Head, on the Potomac, of the armor made for the Russian battleship Retvizan...

A correspondent of "Figaro," writing from Madrid, gives a very favorable account of the present condition of Spain...

It is noticeable that all the great generals, either of the past or present, have been known to the public and their soldiers by some familiar nickname.

It is estimated that the state of Maryland lost \$3,000,000 during the past season through the ravages of the pea-louse...

By the action of the senate in ratifying The Hague peace treaty, the United States now stands before the world as a nation no less ready to practice than to preach arbitration.

In a Brussels street traversed by an electric tram-car it has been noticed that the trees on one side of the way begin to lose their foliage early in August...

NEWS OF IOWA

Don Stewart, a farmer 30 years of age residing near Albia, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor.

W. Gillis and wife were badly burned by the explosion of a lamp. The burning oil was scattered over Mrs. Gillis' clothes and she went screaming from room to room.

Archbishop Hennessey died at his home in Dubuque on the 4th, after an illness which had extended over a period of several weeks.

At Des Moines a few days ago Hovea & Miller, attorneys for Mark Chies, E. Romani, J. D. Hagerman and S. Nenderman, saloon men cited to appear and show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court.

Tom Tuttle, 19 years old, whom the authorities at Chariton have in custody on the charge of implication in the brutal assault which was made on Miss Anna Hemming recently...

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A. I. Breckenridge, for several years secretary of the Perpetual Building and Loan Association at Waterloo, has been arrested, charged with embezzlement.

Section men going to work from Cedar Rapids found a heavy steel rail across the Northwestern track between Ehler and Ryan...

The coroner's jury investigating the death of little Hazel Rogers, of Fort Madison, who shot herself recently, returned a verdict of suicide.

The farmers of Marshall county propose to take measures to better protect themselves from hunters. A mass meeting of farmers and land owners has been called to perfect an organization...

The Farmers' Bank at Farmington was robbed of about \$5,000 a few nights ago. It is said that the thieves left several thousand dollars in gold and silver, taking only paper money.

There was another jail break in O'Brien county a few days ago, being the third one within a year. William B. Tate, who had been in jail for a couple of months on the charge of burglarizing a freight car...

Word from Independence states that Dr. George W. Appleby has been released from the insane asylum and that he has returned to Bristow to resume the practice of medicine.

In a vault beside the remains of his predecessors, Bishops Loras and Smith, at Dubuque, lie the remains of John Hennessey, the first arch-bishop of Dubuque. The obsequies occurred on the morning of the 8th and were of the simplest character.

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Twenty-three Des Moines saloon keepers and owners of buildings occupied by saloons have been notified to appear in the district court to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court...

LORD ROBERTS'S BOLD MOVE.

Compels Boers to Abandon Fourteen Miles of Trenches. OSFONTEIN, March 8.—Lord Roberts's forces attacked early yesterday morning. General French turned the northern part of the position of the Boers, who fled, leaving a gun and large quantities of forage and tents.

LONDON, March 8.—Lord Roberts wired yesterday morning from Osfontein and in the evening from Poplar Grove, fourteen miles eastward. By an application of the elementary principle of strategy, the Boer positions, fifteen miles long across his path, have been emptied and their holders have been obliged to retreat in confusion...

BRITISH BUDGET PASSES.

Measure Provides for Raising of \$300,000,000 War Funds.

LONDON, March 6.—Public interest centered yesterday in the budget, with its proposals for financing the war, which were adopted by the house of commons. The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, estimated the deficit in the revenue this year and next on account of the war at \$20,000,000.

FAMOUS THEATER BURNED.

Home of Comedie Francaise, of Paris, is in Ruins.

PARIS, March 9.—The Theater Francaise, the historical playhouse of France, and the home of the world-famed Comedie Francaise, is a mass of smoking ruins. Only the mere outside shell remains standing.

HE YIELDED TO THE HOUSE.

President Has Not Changed His Personal Views.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The Post says: "President McKinley, in conversation with callers at the white house yesterday, reiterated his belief that the people of Porto Rico were entitled to free trade with the United States."

PORTO RICO.

Senator Davis Introduces a Bill for Free Trade with the Island.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Mr. Davis, of Minnesota, has offered an amendment to the Porto Rican bill in the senate. Its effect is to have the tariff laws of the United States applied to Porto Rico upon foreign imports...

To Pension Queen Lili.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The senate committee on foreign relations authorized the reporting of the amendment to the diplomatic appropriation bill appropriating \$20,000 to be paid ex-Queen Lillooukani...

Secretary of War Visits Cuba.

HAVANA, March 8.—Secretary Root arrived yesterday on board the United States transport Sedgwick. He was received with a salute from the Cabanas fortress.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL

THE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

Washington, March 2.—Pettigrew secured the adoption of a resolution calling on the president to furnish information relative to the saloons established in Manila since American occupation and the amount of liquor sold there.

Within two hours after the reading of a special message by the president regarding the immediate passage of a bill to place in his hands all the moneys collected upon Porto Rican goods since the Spanish evacuation of the island...

Des Moines, March 3.—The Titus bill providing that the labor of Iowa convicts shall be utilized in the manufacture of supplies for the army and navy in order that it shall be kept from competition with free labor...

HOUSE.

These bills passed the house: Raising the salary of the treasury and guards at the state penitentiaries; giving cities and towns power to prevent the maintenance of gambling houses...

Des Moines, March 5.—McArthur's resolution memorializing Iowa congressmen to support rural mail delivery extension was passed. Other bills were passed as follows: Reducing the cost of prison wardens and guards...

SENATE.

Des Moines, March 6.—Among bills introduced was one by Fitchpatrick authorizing the state to purchase land for home for inebriates. House bill providing that farm leases shall be recorded in order to protect the innocent purchaser of property...

Lyman introduced a bill similar to the one already in the senate to repeal the legalizing the contracts of building and loan associations entered into prior to 1897 and involving a trust of interest in the mortgage...

SENATE.

Des Moines, March 8.—The senate passed the house bill by Sauer providing that the polls of the state shall be kept open until 7 o'clock in the evening...

HOUSE.

After an all morning discussion the joint resolution to submit to the people a proposition to amend the constitution and provide for woman's suffrage was lost in the house by a vote of 41 to 47.

STEYN TAKES FIRM STAND.

Says Boers Will Fight to the Last and Europe Will Be Astonished.

LONDON, March 9.—A. G. Hales, the correspondent of the Daily News, who was captured by the Boers Feb. 9 and released a few days ago at Bloemfontein, telegraphing from Sterkstroom, Tuesday, says: "While I was a prisoner at Bloemfontein I had an interview with President Steyn. He said the burghers were determined to fight to the last man...

Boer Prisoners Number 4,460.

CAPETOWN, March 5.—The railroad is now repaired northward from Kimberley to Riverton. The engineers are pushing the work rapidly.

Within the last year an ancient grave was discovered near Rome and opened. In it was found the skeleton of a woman with a complete set of false teeth, displaying admirable workmanship...

DES MOINES, March 9, 1900.

The senate judiciary committee decided to report for passage the bill to Senator Hazleton to allow district judges compensation for their expenses while attending court away from home.

The house appropriations committee voted to report for passage a bill requiring all students of the State Agricultural College who are not exclusively studying in the agricultural departments to pay tuition...

The supreme judgeship contest is getting interesting. New candidates are developing with great rapidity, especially so long before the state convention. Seven candidates are now being talked of...

Senator Hazleton, of Pottawattomie, has secured the passage of the following resolution by the senate:

"That the governor be and is hereby authorized to appoint, in commission such number of delegates as may seem to him proper, and to empower the same to investigate in behalf of the state of Iowa the financial, commercial, manufacturing, agricultural, horticultural, mining, economic, judicial social moral or religious condition and interests at any exposition of this or any foreign country...

Another evidence of the fact that the Duluth & New Orleans railroad will build its line to Des Moines during the coming season is given in an item from a paper of that city...

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FILIPINOS AMBUSHED.

MANILA, March 4.—Colonel Anderson with the Thirty-eighth infantry, employing the insurgents own tactics, ambushed the enemy near Batangas. Through spies Colonel Anderson learned that a detachment of insurgents would pass a certain road...

Ben Nevis and Its Observatory.
 In the current number of Knowledge Mr. Bruce gives an account of "Ben Nevis and Its Observatory." The object of this observatory is to study the height of clouds, their speed, direction and constitution, and to learn as much as possible regarding temperature, winds, etc. It is a true scientific instrument that leads us to sound, as it were, upward, just as we sound downward and explore at the bottom of the sea. The reasons why Ben Nevis, of all places, was most suitable were: (1) Because it was the highest mountain in the British Isles, rising to 4,406 feet; (2) Its summit was in close horizontal proximity to a sea-level station at Fort William; (3) It was situated in the track of the southwest storms, which influence so greatly the weather of Europe, especially in autumn and winter.

Buffalo Intelligence.
 New York Cor. Pittsburg Dispatch: A big bull buffalo had an injured leg, and it was operated on with cocaine and antiseptics, a few days ago. It was not an easy task for the veterinary surgeons, because a buffalo is a powerful animal, and he does not like any one to take liberties with him. But the operation was performed and the buffalo evidently felt better after it. Now the great creature goes willingly to the side of his cage when the surgeons approach. He knows them and remembers that they relieved him, and there is no sign of anything but pleasure on his part when he sees them.

Photographic Rock.
 On the ranch of Paul Miller at Bradley Flat, near Hot Springs, S. D., is a ledge of rock which seems to possess all the properties of a photographic plate. When the rock is moist it will show after a thunder storm a clear photograph of the surrounding trees and bushes. Gradually pictures so taken seem to fade out, being renewed by each new thunder storm, though the same objects are not always reproduced. The rock seems to be a combination of flint and sandstone and is of a dirty red color.

Studying Aesop in Central Africa.
 Probably Aesop is not as much read in our own country as he used to be, but there is a chance for him yet in central Africa. The report of the London Missionary society relates that at Kawiwe an "Aesop class" is conducted by the native teachers on Sunday afternoons. "Sometimes," says the report, "the lessons they draw are very good and helpful, and contain more Christian teaching than the fables themselves would warrant."—Birmingham Post.

A Big Price for Straps.
 A pair of iron stirrups were sold for \$15,000 at the Forman sale in London. They were made for Matthias Corvinus, king of Hungary, and are partly plated with silver, parcel gilt and chased, each of the outer edges having an exquisite border of translucent cloisonne enamel on gold, six inches high and six inches wide. The work is Italian of the end of the fifteenth or the beginning of the sixteenth century.

Big Salaries.
 New York Press: Speaking of big salaries, the biggest on record was paid to George Gould. For ten years' work his father gave him \$5,000,000. The amount went down as "for services rendered." That was at the rate of \$500,000 a year. The highest salary ever paid a railroad president was \$75,000 a year that went to Sir William C. Van Horn when he was president of the Canadian Pacific.

Heavy Fire Losses of a Year.
 The losses by fire in this country and Canada continue to be very heavy as compared with last year. In October the total loss was \$12,046,000, a little less than in September, but \$4,500,000 greater than in October, 1898. For ten months the aggregate losses make the enormous total of \$111,654,000, or \$15,000,000 more than those of 1898 and nearly \$20,000,000 above those in 1897.

Island Without a Targatherer.
 Lousis island, on the coast of Maine, near historic Pemaquid, in the Lincoln county town of Bristol, is one of the few places on earth where there are no taxes. This island, otherwise known as Muscongus, was overlooked when Maine became a state, and was put into no town or county.

Rare Copper Coins.
 There is a premium on copper cents from 1793 to 1814, inclusive, and from 1816 to 1857, inclusive, the rarest being 1799, which sometimes brings \$25, and 1804, which has sold for \$25. Others that have brought \$1 or more are 1793, 1795, 1796, 1809 and 1811.

The First Motor Bus.
 The first "motor bus" has made its appearance in London. It has seats for twenty-six passengers—twelve within and fourteen outside. The journey is between Kennington and Victoria.

Abdul Hamid's Dyed Hair.
 Sultan Abdul Hamid's hair never grows white. It is dyed as often as is needful, for, according to Turkish court etiquette, the sultan's hair must always be black.

Human Sacrifices in India.
 From the records of the Madras high court it appears that the practice of offering human sacrifices to idols is increasing in southern India.

Harris-Emery Co.

Thursday Silks
95 cents for Fancy Taffetas of many popular kinds—corded, Plisse, Pompadour, Hemstitched—all have beautiful colorings and have sold at prices from \$1.15 to \$1.50—We also include plain colored Peau de Soies in this sale. Values from \$1.19 to \$1.50.
55 cents for 10 pieces of plain Black Taffeta Silk—21 inches wide—our regular 75c grade, 85c in most stores.
69 cents for our regular 89c quality Black Taffeta Silk—20 inches wide—They were going fast under our great selling of yesterday.
73 cents for all silk Black Satins and Peau de Soies—We sold this grade at a special sale for 78c once before—our regular price is 98c.

Thursday Hosiery
13 cents for Ladies' Black Wool Hose—double heel, toe and sole—a well made 25c grade—2 pairs for 25c.
13 cents for Ladies' Black Cotton Hose high spliced heel, double toe and sole—sold everywhere at 25c—2 pairs for 25c.
25 cents for Ladies' Fancy Hose—striped across, drop stitch up and down with ribbon effect, French foot with white heel and toe—Hermesdorf dye—high spliced heel, double sole and toe—a fine 35c article.

Thursday on Second Floor
\$1.95 for assorted lot Flannel Waists in polka dots and plain reds, blues and greens—Some unlined and some lined—Odd lot left of our \$3.00 and \$3.95 waists.
\$2.50 for \$5.00 and \$7.00 Winter Skirts—There are 37 only left—some are black and some blue in chevrons, brocades and broadcloth.
98 cents for \$2.50 Wrappers—33 in the lot—sizes 34, 40, 42—all perfect, fine colors—Bargains if you take these sizes.
49 cents for Outing Flannel Gowns—pink, blue and cream—regular \$1.00 grade, but slightly soiled.
25 cents for Children's Gowns of pink and blue striped Outing Flannel—regular 50c value anywhere.
39 cents for Ladies' grey Wool Ribbed Vests—reduced from 75c garment as pants to match are all sold.
75 cents for Ladies' All Wool Black Union Suits—3 styles, button across and button down the front—well made—wide laps. They are regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 garments, and warranted perfect.
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INTEMPERANCE AND PROFANITY.

I will endeavor to touch upon a few of the crimes that are the outcome of intemperance, either directly or indirectly. Intemperance in itself is a crime, inasmuch that it robs so many families of their support and homes; next to that comes falsehood, profanity, gambling, robbery, arson, suicide, and adultery.

These are only a few of the many vices and crimes that are committed daily through the influence of intemperance. A drunkard is a moral light-house, serving as a warning to the young to avoid the wreck of all that can bless humanity, or endear one to those around him. He is a constant illustration of the tremendous power of the appetite and of its degrading influence, when the intellectual nature and the sentiment are brought under the tyrannical control of the lower instincts.

When the manor woman with a mind capable of unlimited development, and a soul of vast capabilities and noble aspirations, the noblest specimen of the handiwork of the Creator is made an abject slave thrust down from her high possibilities to a situation far below the brute; transformed from an immortal being in the image of his Maker into a fallen spirit, a demon, a fit inhabitant of the regions of darkness and despair; how utter is the ruin, how great the condemnation.

Be temperate, whatever a man might have been, let him yield to the demon of strong drink and it requires no prophet to tell what he will be. He inevitably goes down, manliness fades out of his nature, the token of honor, intelligence and integrity vanish from the face that is flushed from excessive debauchery, and with electric speed hastens on the downward path. In his sober moments he often curses the instruments of his ruin, but he is powerless to escape the evils that encompass him becomes worthless idler a miserable cumber of the ground. In the busy hive of human toil there is little indeed that he can do, and has little inclination or ambition to do even that. An outcast from all that is pure, high and holy, he may sometimes turn a solemn thought to the grave where slumbers those whom he once loved and whose love for him endured while life remained, but memory stings him as a viper's deadly fangs. Reflection is bitter to his soul; his brain benumbed with poison no longer thrilled with thoughts that wander through eternity; and he, whose genius once irritated the land and whose eloquence charmed the listening multitude, cracks his maudlin jokes, moistens his lips with the burning draught and stupefies himself until his pain and sorrow is forgotten.

Oh, it is a fearful thing to see men and women on whom God has set, as with his own signet, the impress of intellect and genius, debase themselves to this hell of sin, shame and misery, and yet men laugh and dance as they tread this downward path, and only waken to their danger when they find themselves fettered with bonds they cannot break, and sunk into wretchedness from which they cannot escape. Let those who have not entered upon this dangerous road flee for their lives from a path so full of peril, and let those who already find themselves entangled in the terrible snare, cry to the Mighty God for deliverance, and hasten to escape, ere it becomes impossible. So much for the drinking man or woman.

NOW FOR PROFANITY.
 Profanity is a brutal vice. He who indulges in it is no gentleman. I care not what his stamp may be in society, what clothes he wears, or of what culture he boasts. Despite all his refinement, the light and habitual taking of God's name betrays a coarse nature and brutal will. Profaneness is an unmanly and silly vice. It certainly is not a grace in conversation, and adds no strength to it. There is

no organic symmetry in the narrative that is ingrained with oath, and the blasphemy that bolsters an opinion does not make it any more correct. Nay, of these expletive argues a limited range of ideas, and consciousness of being on the wrong side, and if we can find no other phrase through which to vent our choking passion.

Again, profaneness is a mean vice. It indicates the grossest ingratitude. According to general estimation, he who repays kindness with contumely, he who abuses his friend and benefactor, is deemed pitiful and wretched.

And yet, O profane man, whose name is it you handle so lightly? Is that of your benefactor. You, whose blood would boil to hear the venerable names of your earthly parents hurled about in scoffs, jest and abuse, without compunction and without thought name of your Heavenly Father.

Finally, profaneness is an awful vice. Once more, I ask, whose name is it you so lightly use? That name of God—have you ever pondered its meaning? Have you ever thought what it is that you mingle thus with your passion and wit? Is it the name of Him whom Angels worship, and whom the heavens cannot contain.

Profane man and woman, though the habit be ever so strength, when the word of mockery and blasphemy is about to leap from your lips, think of God, and instead of the rude oath, bow your head in silent prayer for mercy, deliverance and forgiveness.

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SHORT SERMONS.
 For its exercise or manifestation trust demands an object or being to be trusted.—Rev. T. Jefferson Danner.
 Better a very little real faith straight from the heart than a vast amount of vague belief.—Rev. D. C. Garrett.
 A secret of blessedness in work is the conviction that we are doing the work that God wishes us to do.—Rev. R. J. Kent.
 The Bible exhorts us to that patient continuance in well doing that is necessary to the building of Christ-like character.—Rev. J. R. Shannon.
 Progress is not blind, and now, more than ever, the evolution of the race should be guided by intelligent foresight.—Rev. G. D. Smith.
 With the right conception of man's being here, not for happiness but for worthiness, suffering itself is an angel in disguise.—Rev. Ira Billman.
 All human law is based on the conviction that the punishment should fit the crime. The common sense of justice requires that.—Rev. Dr. Crowe.

ALBIA NEWS.
 The A. M. E. Church people will starve at their church, on March the 4th.
 Mrs. Thompson of Ottumwa spent a few weeks in our city, the guest of her daughter Mrs. W. A. Searcy.
 Mr. C. G. Tolson who has been quite sick at his home in Hocking, is much better at this writing.
 Mr. E. Tolson, Albert Anderson, and Ollie Tolson of Hocking spent Sunday in our town.

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AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.
 There is always compensation. Our angels go out that our archangels may come in.
 Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.
 It is poor wit who lives by borrowing the words, decisions, main, inventions and actions of others.
 What an absurd thing it is to pass over the valuable parts of a man, and fix our attentions on his infirmities.
 Virtue will catch as well as vice by contact; and the public stock of honest, manly principle will daily accumulate.
 A greater value should be set on having received instructive and useful lessons than of possessing great store of wealth; for the latter is transitory good, the former is durable.
 There is scarcely a generalization for one sex which does not apply equally to the other, so perfectly alike in nature are men and women. The difference is only in circumstances.

Why the Leaves Turn.
 The common and old-fashioned idea is that the tints of autumn foliage are caused by frost. Stated briefly, the causes are these: The green matter in the tissue of a leaf is composed of two colors, red and blue. When the sap ceases to flow in the autumn and the natural growth of the tree ceases, oxidation of the tissue takes place. Under certain conditions the green leaf changes to red; under different conditions it takes on a yellow or brown tint—due to difference in combination of the original constituents of the green tissue, and to the varying conditions of climate, exposure and soil. A dry, cold climate produces more brilliant foliage than one that is damp and warm. This is the reason that our American autumns are so much more gorgeous than those of England.

It is better to be generous than selfish, better to be true than false, better to be brave than to be a coward. Blessed beyond all earthly blessedness is the man who in the tempestuous darkness of the soul has dared to hold fast to these venerable landmarks. Thrice blessed is he who, when all is drear and cheerless within and without, when his teachers terrify him and his friends shrink from him, has obstinately clung to moral good—thrice blessed, because his night shall pass into clear, bright day.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To (Being the person in possession of the real estate hereafter described) and to Mary B. Weeks, guardian, (in whose name the same is taxed.) You and each of you are hereby notified that on the ninth day of December A. D., 1898 the following described real estate to-wit: Lot three hundred and eleven (311) Mann's second addition and forming a part of the city of Des Moines and all within the county of Polk and state of Iowa, was sold for the then delinquent and unpaid tax of the year 1895 to A. H. Kelsey, that the undersigned is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of said sale and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the land be made unless redemption is made within ninety days from completed service hereof.
 LOUIS MORGAN,
 Owner and holder of certificate.

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by all Druggists.

Gold Basis for India.
 London, Aug. 10.—In the house of commons Tuesday the secretary of state for India, Lord George Hamilton, in introducing the Indian budget, said that after careful consideration the government had deliberately concluded that a gold standard was required in the interests of India, and that they would not be deterred from prosecuting this policy by all the means in their power.

P. D. Armour Has Recovered.
 Chicago, Aug. 10.—P. D. Armour has sent messages announcing his complete recovery from the illness that kept him away from his office for several weeks last spring. He went abroad in May, and he writes to friends that he now feels better than at any time within the past five years. He will return Oct. 1.

Agree to a Conference.
 Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 10.—President Simon Burns of the Glass Workers' association received a telegram from President Chambers of the Manufacturers' association announcing that the manufacturers were willing to meet the workers in conference to consider the wage scale at Pittsburg, Aug. 15.

Senator Beveridge Returns.
 Victoria, B. C., Aug. 10.—Senator and Mrs. A. J. Beveridge of Indiana returned from Manila by the Empress of Japan Tuesday. The senator absolutely refuses to express an opinion upon anything connected with the Philippine campaign, and most especially declines to discuss Gen. Otis.

Look Was Missing.
 A drill sergeant was unpopular among his men. They found him particularly so one day he had on hand a party of recruits whom he was putting through the funeral exercise. Opening the ranks so as to admit the passage of the supposed funeral cortege among them, the instructor, by way of practical explanation, walked slowly down the lane formed by the two ranks, saying, as he did so: "Now, I'm the corpse. Pay attention!" Having reached the end of the line he turned, regarded the men with a scrutinizing eye for a minute, and then remarked: "Your ranks is right, and your leads is right, but you 'aven't got that look of regret you ought to 'ave."—Youth's Companion.

The Stuart King of Scotland.
 To be king of Scotland for many a day implied that the monarch ascended in childhood, and came to an unnatural death while in the prime of life. Thus James I. ascended the throne when he was 12, and was murdered. James II. was 7, James III. 9, James IV. 15, and all were killed—the last two in battle. James V. was only 16 months old when he became a king, and his daughter, Mary Queen of Scots, was 8 days old when she came into that hard heritage. She was a widow at 18, she married Darnley when he was not yet 25, abdicating a few weeks after she had married for the third time. Her son, James VI., thus became king when he was 13 months old.

JUSTICE FOR RED MAN

18 THE MISSION OF MR RICHARD C. ADAMS.

Who Represents the Delaware Tribe—Heartless Syndicates and Corporations Would Deprive Indians of Home That They Are Entitled To.

(Washington Letter.)
 Richard C. Adams, a full-blooded Delaware Indian, who represents his nation at Washington, is a lawyer of superior intellect and acquirements. He is devoting not only his life, but his fortune also, to the work of having justice done to the red man. He has written some good poetry and has also compiled a little history of the Delaware tribe, which he has on his tongue's end. The Delaware Indians were once one of the most powerful tribes on the North American continent. When first met by the white man they claimed and controlled all of the territory between the Hudson river and the Potomac. Under the spreading elm tree at Shackamaxon, 217 years ago, they sold to the founder of the state of Pennsylvania, William Penn the vast area within its borders for a nominal sum, and largely as an act of friendship and brotherly love which they entertained for the white people at that time and have ever since. But the Delawares have been forced much against their will and their interest to cross the continent, unwilling but always yielding graciously, having utmost confidence in the promises that "this move will be the last," until now but a handful of them are left, where they have purchased homes in the Cherokee nation, Indian Territory. And here, where they were assured by both the Cherokees and the United States government that their rights and interests would be protected, they find that their very homes are now being covered with applications for mineral leases by both Cherokee citizens and citizens of the United States—wealthy corporations—who claim the protection of the United States government and deny the rights of the Delaware Indians. They have no money left in the hands of the government, and, if deprived of their rights in the Cherokee nation, they are paupers. If they win in their contention, they are rich. The Cherokees are rich; they have a large fund in the hands of the government. The Delawares, Mr. Adams claims, have an interest in this fund, but have no means of obtaining any portion of it to defend their rights. Through the efforts of Mr. Adams and



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 John Bullette the Twenty-fifth section of the Curtis bill became a law. It provides that before any allotment shall be made of lands in the Cherokee nation, there shall be segregated therefrom, by the commission heretofore mentioned, in separate allotments or otherwise, the 157,600 acres of land purchased by the Delaware tribe of Indians from the Cherokee nation, under agreement of April 8, 1867. This Mr. Adams claims, has not been done, although it has been demanded. The questions as to the rights of the Delawares are now in the Court of Claims. If their contention is sustained, that the lands which the various mineral syndicates desire to secure possession of are Delaware lands, the Cherokees cannot make the leases. But the Delawares fear that these leases may be executed by the secretary of the interior without awaiting the decision of the court.
 "We are now trying to secure our last little homes in the Indian Territory and protect them from the grasping greed of heartless syndicates and corporations," says Mr. Adams.

Supplies in Philippines.
 Handling rapidly large quantities of supplies is, therefore, a very important part of military duties. A steady procession of government transports hurry across the Pacific loaded with necessities for the troops. When the supplies reach Manila, they must be hurried over the island of Luzon. Many men are required for this work, but men cannot be spared from the firing lines or garrison duty. Besides, the handling of supplies is not very dignified or pleasant work for the American soldier. The Chinese coolies have therefore been employed for this labor, and very hard working and useful little fellows they are, too. Stripped to the scantiest attire possible, they put their shoulders to heavy burdens and, busy as ants, make up in numbers what they lack in size.

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SIKOUX CITY.
Rev. T. A. Clark has been on the sick list since his return from Des Moines.
The young people's meetings are quite interesting. Mr. Charles Watkins led the meeting on last Sunday afternoon.
Messrs. L. D. Robinson and M. N. Nelson of Boone, Iowa, are in the city.
The entertainment given by the carpet committee at the church on the 27th was a financial success.
Mr. G. C. Carr has moved his barber shop and printing office to 311 Nebraska street. Mr. Carr promises very pleasant quarters for the accommodation of all who wish to give the Searchlight a call.
Louis Smith of Yankton, S. D., is visiting in the city.
The musicale rendered by the choir on Sunday evening was a rare treat. The choir with the addition of a few more voices will give a grand concert at the Peavey Grand opera house. The choir is under training now.
There will be a Four Thumb wedding given by the Sunday school shortly.
Miss Mary Blair was called to the bedside of her mother, who is very sick at their home at Port Pierce, S. D.
Quarterly meeting was well attended. Presiding Elder Bundy is expected in the city before long to hold quarterly conference.
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Austin was baptized on last Sunday evening.
Mr. R. H. Hens is on the sick list.
Mr. E. A. Comley left for Winnebago City, Minn., on last Tuesday.
Mr. A. Ross has been on the sick list.

BURLINGTON.
Rev. and Mrs. Jas. Higgins received an invitation to attend the reception and banquet tendered to Bishop B. W. Arnett and wife by the Fourth Episcopal district at Quinn chapel March 6. Also the reception to Mrs. B. W. Arnett March 7 at Bethel church by the ladies of the Mite Missionary society, and regret their inability to attend either.
Mrs. Preston Irving of Sheridan, Iowa, was in the city for a few days last week, looking the picture of health.
Rev. White of St. Louis, Mo., is at the Baptist church conducting revival services.
The fifteenth anniversary of St. John's A. M. E. church occurred last Sunday March 4. In the morning, Rev. Jas. Higgins preached from the text, St. John 17: 14-15. At 3 o'clock the services were very impressive, a short discourse by the pastor, and the reading of the mortgage by Mr. S. L. Tigg, which he handed to Brother Wm. Emanuel, who burnt it. Mr. S. L. Tigg also read the note, and handed it to Mr. G. W. Brown, and it was also consumed.
Mrs. Jas. Higgins read a paper on the anniversary of the church. Mrs. Edward Allen read a paper on the "Duty of Members to the Church," which was very instructive. "The Relation of the Sunday School to the Church" was well rendered by Mrs. Julia Folks. At 3 o'clock the choir rendered some excellent music under the direction of Mrs. Grace Morris Allen. And a short discourse by the pastor.
Bright Angle lodge, No. 2193, held a social and entertainment Wednesday evening at their hall. Mr. A. L. Drew received the first prize, \$12 on a suit of clothes, and Mr. A. Pleasants the sack of flour.
Quite a merry sleigh party went out last Friday evening. Among the number was Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mitchell, George Taylor, Cora Brooks, Jennie Brown, Sophie Bird, Ida Palmer.
Mrs. Parthena White who has been at Mercy hospital for several weeks, has fully recovered and returned to her home on Main street.
It is a noble act on the part of the colored people of Omaha to secure the permanent property of the famous Abraham Lincoln park.
Mrs. Jane Ross of Jonmouth is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson. Charlie is all smiles; he is the father of a bouncing baby boy.
Friday Night class of St. John's A. M. E. church is increasing in interest. Miss Lenora Cooper is secretary and Mr. Edward Allen treasurer. The pastor, Jas. Higgins, is leader.
Bishop B. W. Arnett has notified the pastor, Rev. Jas. Higgins, that he will pay a visit to Burlington before his time is out.

KNOXVILLE NEWS.
Mrs. M. Kay, who has been visiting her mother of this city, departed for her home in Indianola.
Mrs. Edward Jeffers and niece, Miss Jessie Jeffers, departed for their home in Quincy, Illinois, where Jessie will visit for a while.
Mrs. Lizzie Mofield of this city is very low at this writing.
Lloyd Russell of Company D, Fifty-first Iowa, who resided at Columbia, Iowa, departed this life February 27, 1900. Thirty of Company D boys of this city were in attendance and 11 of Company H from Chariton met at Columbia Thursday to attend the funeral.
Mr. W. P. Bird is on the sick list this week.
Miss Halle M. Bird of the Western college, Macon, Mo., is taking a course in music. She likes her teacher and room mates very much. Success to Miss Bird and the rest of the students.
We would like to hear from Ottumwa.

DUBUQUE.
Last Sunday was missionary day. There was a fair attendance at the morning and evening services.
Mr. Ed Martin is visiting in Burlington.
Mr. J. C. Mills met with a severe accident last week which laid him up for a couple of days.
Mr. Taylor Peden is in our city.
Mrs. Norris read a very interesting paper last Sunday evening at the church.
Mrs. Rober, who has been ill, is improving.
A sociable will be held at the church Tuesday evening.
A pound party was given last Friday evening at Rev. Johnson's for his benefit. There were quite a number present.
The club will give another entertainment soon.

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ORIGINAL NOTICE.
In the District court of the state of Iowa, in and for Polk County: Plaintiff, Isabella Broadstone, vs. Defendant, Chas. W. Broadstone. To the above named defendant: You are hereby notified that there will be a petition on file in the Clerk's office of the District court of Polk county, Iowa, on or before the 15th day of February A. D. 1900, by the plaintiff (Isabella Broadstone), asking to be divorced from you on the ground of wilful desertion, without the knowledge or consent of the plaintiff, and that unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of said District court, which will commence at Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, on the 6th day of March A. D. 1900, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon.
J. B. RUSH, Attorney for plaintiff.

CHURCH AND CLERGY.
The Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman is to write the life of D. L. Moody.
Bishop Edsall has just completed a highly successful mission at Jamestown, N. D.
Tomkins Avenue Congregational church of Brooklyn raised over \$27,000 for missions during the year.
The death roll in the Congregational ministry in Great Britain was unusually heavy during the year 1899.
A congress of the history of religions will be held at Paris, France during the first part of September next year.
The receipts of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, for the year make a total of \$38,000, of which \$17,000 is from pew rents.
The annual council of the South African churches was held at Graaf Reinet, and owing to the preoccupations of the war, only thirty-eight delegates attended.
Since his resignation from the Church of the Pilgrims relief from care has conduced to a marked improvement in the health of the venerable Dr. R. S. Storrs.

MUSCATINE NEWS.
Dr. Peter Tounley has changed his residence from East Seventh street to Chestnut street.
Mrs. Alice Maxie is quite sick at the home of her mother, Mrs. Peter Tounley.
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lamb has been quite sick, but is better at present.
Rev. Gordon is making strenuous effort to pay the indebtedness of \$480 on the A. M. E. church.
Mr. Charles Lee treated members of the D. Y. W. Y. K. club and other friends to a bobsled ride Thursday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Peason dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Seay of South Muscatine Sunday.
The smallpox scare has just about died out. The schools have been closed for two weeks.
The D. Y. W. Y. K. club held a masquerade party at Appel's hall in South Muscatine last Tuesday evening. Two prizes were given; one for the best dressed person was awarded to Miss Gertrude Lee and the booby prize awarded to Evelyn White. An interesting musical program was rendered.
There will be a debate at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening. Subject, "Resolved, that the United States should not grant divorces." Affirmative, Miss G. Lee and Mr. J. Barnes; negative, Mrs. G. W. Parson and Mr. Abe Seabrooks, after which the stewardess will serve refreshments.
Mrs. Dora Price, after a visit of three weeks with her mother, Mrs. G. Patterson, in Iowa City, returned home last week.
Miss Cora Thomas of Albia is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Cair.
Mr. Sawyer Lamb, who has been ill, is better at present writing.
Mr. Kenyon Moore, formerly employed at the Commercial hotel, is now working at the Hotel Grand.
There is a rumor of a wedding to take place soon.
The Misses Greenway are reported sick at their home on Pine street.
Mr. Forest E. White is kept quite busy now he has a class of 15. He is teacher of mandolin, guitar and banjo. He has some fine compositions for the guitar which he hopes to place before the public at an early date.
The many friends of Rev. Seary are pleased to know of his recovery from smallpox.
Mr. Edmund Lee has returned from Muchakinock, Iowa.
The Bystander is all right, only the Muscatine subscribers do not get their papers regularly, and it is causing dissatisfaction.
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In a monograph, just published in Germany, it is shown that the Philippines are among the few places on earth in which the trees from which gutta percha is procured will flourish. The value of this statement is not to be underrated for two reasons: One is that gutta percha is an indispensable material for the making of submarine cables and golf balls; the other is that the trees in Sumatra and Borneo, from which the chief supply has hitherto been drawn are almost entirely exhausted. The cause of this exhaustion lies in the primitive and destructive methods which were formerly employed for gathering this valuable commodity. The natives who never have any thought for the morrow have ruthlessly cut down whole forests of trees, so that they might scrape the gutta percha, which is nothing but the sap from inside the bark. This wholesale destruction carried on for years has greatly diminished the annual crop, but the discovery that these trees grow and can be successfully cultivated in the Philippines offers hope that a new mine of wealth has been found for American enterprise as soon as the islands are pacified. While the chief use of gutta percha is, of course, for the isolating covering of electric wires, a large quantity is used for the manufacture of golf balls, for which no other material seems so well adapted. Its hardness after having been submitted to the proper pressure, and its toughness make it the only golf ball material yet discovered. The amount of cable laid since 1856 is some 41,853 knots, representing a cost for the cables alone of millions of pounds sterling, and as the prospects are that during the next fifty years many more cables will be required and laid, the demand for gutta percha is almost unlimited. The wealth which gutta percha in the Philippines holds out to American enterprise is in proportion to this demand.

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In a monograph, just published in Germany, it is shown that the Philippines are among the few places on earth in which the trees from which gutta percha is procured will flourish. The value of this statement is not to be underrated for two reasons: One is that gutta percha is an indispensable material for the making of submarine cables and golf balls; the other is that the trees in Sumatra and Borneo, from which the chief supply has hitherto been drawn are almost entirely exhausted. The cause of this exhaustion lies in the primitive and destructive methods which were formerly employed for gathering this valuable commodity. The natives who never have any thought for the morrow have ruthlessly cut down whole forests of trees, so that they might scrape the gutta percha, which is nothing but the sap from inside the bark. This wholesale destruction carried on for years has greatly diminished the annual crop, but the discovery that these trees grow and can be successfully cultivated in the Philippines offers hope that a new mine of wealth has been found for American enterprise as soon as the islands are pacified. While the chief use of gutta percha is, of course, for the isolating covering of electric wires, a large quantity is used for the manufacture of golf balls, for which no other material seems so well adapted. Its hardness after having been submitted to the proper pressure, and its toughness make it the only golf ball material yet discovered. The amount of cable laid since 1856 is some 41,853 knots, representing a cost for the cables alone of millions of pounds sterling, and as the prospects are that during the next fifty years many more cables will be required and laid, the demand for gutta percha is almost unlimited. The wealth which gutta percha in the Philippines holds out to American enterprise is in proportion to this demand.

Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

By Edward W. Hopkins.

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CHAPTER II.

Having gone thus far, Rob would not have been a true boy had he not looked forward to this great change in his life without more or less eagerness and pleasure. And Rob was a true boy. He was a good boy, and a good scholar. He was the best runner, the best football player, and the best swimmer in the circle of boys in which he was leader. The blood of splendid health coursed through his veins. He was sturdy, strong and handsome. What boy such as this would not hail with delight a life in South America, with prospects of adventures in wild and mysterious places.

Mrs. Cleverdale so far entered into his hopes and plans, that at last she became not only reconciled to the parting, but pleased at it. It meant so much for the boy she dearly loved. She believed that her own life would not be long, and she was glad of this opportunity for Rob to find a home where his future was assured.

And at last the eventful day came. Mrs. Cleverdale had a friend, a lawyer, who undertook to get Rob safely off. "He goes to Rio de Janeiro on the United States and Brazil mail," said the lawyer, Mr. Brown. "At Rio he changes and takes another ship. Fortunately, I am acquainted with the captain of the 'Vigilancia,' which sails next week from here. I will take Rob to see him, and then we can rest assured that he will arrive safely. There is no better sailor or better man afloat than Captain Baker of the 'Vigilancia.'"

So Mr. Brown took Rob to meet Captain Baker. The captain of the 'Vigilancia' was a fine, hearty man, every inch a sailor, and every inch a gentleman. He won the boy's heart at once by his kindness.

"Don't you worry about this young gentleman, Mr. Brown," he said. "He and I are going to be very good friends."

uel Starnes, and he was apparently of mixed English and Spanish parentage. He was quite handsome and well dressed, with black, piercing eyes, and a firm look about the mouth. Rob was glad to be friends with Mr. Starnes, for the sail to Buenos Ayres would have been a long and lonely one without a friend to talk to. The captain of the 'Royal Mail' was not so friendly as Captain Baker, and Rob fell in with Mr. Starnes most of the time.

Mr. Starnes was much interested in Rob's prospects, and his coal-black eyes glistened when Rob, in the innocence of his heart, told what a splendid offer Mr. Horton had made him. But Mr. Starnes, while getting all Rob's story out of him, said nothing about his own business on board the 'Royal Mail.'

The ship stopped at Montevideo, in Uruguay, and then entered the River de La Plata.

It was on a black and moonless night when Rob and Mr. Starnes were standing near the rail chatting. The few passengers were distributed far away from them, and the crew were busy. There was no one near enough to see in the darkness, just what was going on in that portion of the deck.

Mr. Starnes was bending over the rail. "Look down there," he said to Rob. "See that splendid phosphorescent light."

Rob leaned far over the rail and peered downward.

Suddenly he felt a clutch from behind. A hand was clapped over his mouth, and, without being able to cry out or to make a struggle for his life, Rob was shoveled over the rail, and went down like a log into the foaming waters that churned around the speeding steamer.

CHAPTER III.

The Rescue on Board the Black Cat. The steamship of the Royal Mail was

night was too black for the men on the steamer to see the 'Black Cat.'

The captain had taken extra precautions to avoid a collision of any kind, and a half dozen lookouts were distributed throughout the schooner. With but half her sails spread to the gentle night breeze, the 'Black Cat' glided easily and noiselessly through the water.

The Royal Mail was now far up the river, and her lights could just be distinguished; they flickered, then were gone. The 'Black Cat' was crossing the path of the steamer, not more than three minutes after she had passed.

"His!" came a cry from a lookout in the bow. "Me hear cry—see? Listen!"

"Ho! Me hear um!" said another lookout who had strained his ears.

"What um be? Man in water?"

"Him over there!" shouted a fellow who was as black as the night itself.

"Hark! Hear de same sing over?"

Captain Torrovo had rushed forward, and was listening intently.

Faintly there came to his ears the words, "Help! I am drowning! Help!"

"Boy in the water," said the captain, whose ears never deceived him on the water. "Hey! Port there! Hard! Stand by there to rescue! Lower away a boat!"

Men sprang to obey the captain, and in an instant there was a small boat resting on the water, with four swarthy and almost murderous looking men in it—for what? To rescue a human being from drowning. These men would take the life of another as quickly as look at him if his life was necessary to their own safety. But the cry for help that came from the black water of the river had found a response in their own hearts, as it might have found in the hearts of the manliest and most courageous of the sailors on a man-of-war.

When Rob struck the water, after his sudden plunge from the deck of the 'Royal Mail,' he went down deep into the river, and for a moment was bereft of his senses. But this was simply for the moment, and up he came again to the surface, to battle bravely for his life. He saw the receding lights of the steamer, and cried out as lustily as he could for help. But the steamer had gone too far for his voice to be heard on board, and it was heard instead by the men on the 'Black Cat.'

Suddenly Rob, who was not trying to swim, but simply to keep himself afloat, which he was able to do, heard the splash of oars near him. Then he heard the voice of a man calling out to him:

"Hoy! Hoy! Where him be?"

"Here I am!" shouted Rob. "This way! This way!"

A few strokes of the oars brought the boat nearer still, and then the boat was allowed to drift, while a man steered in the bow ready to seize the person who needed help as soon as he came in reach.

"Light, quick!" said this man in the bow.

Suddenly a gleam lit up the darkness, and the rays of a small lantern were turned on the water. Rob was then about ten feet from the boat. He at once took a few strokes toward it. He was seized in the strong hands of the man in the bow, and in a moment more was dragged into the boat.

His life had been saved—by smugglers.

The lantern was extinguished, and an instant later a light was displayed on the deck of the 'Black Cat.' Toward this the men rowed, and in about five minutes more Rob, shivering, soggy with soaked clothing, and ready to shout and laugh and cry all at once, from his mixed emotions, stood on the schooner's deck.

(To be continued.)

Doing Penance for Sin.

In former times persons guilty of grievous and notorious offenses were required to make open confession and further to make satisfaction for the scandal given by their bad example by doing penance publicly in a white sheet in their parish church, says Stray Stories. The sheet was used to show clearly to every one which was the offender. The last time that public penance was done in an English church was on Sunday evening, July 30, 1851, when a man named Martree, in the Church of All Saints, East Martree, made an open confession of immorality and promised to perform the penance thus imposed upon him by the vicar. No white sheet was used on this occasion. The last case in which one was used appears to have been one in St. Bridget's church, Chester, in 1851. But on that occasion the penance was not public, the church door being locked. In the previous year however, public penance in a white sheet was done in a country church in Essex and a similar thing occurred in Ditton church, near Cambridge, in 1849.

Meteorological Use of the Kite.

In the meteorological section of the British association Mr. Rotch gave an account of the work done at the Blue Hill meteorological observatory, Massachusetts, by means of kites during the last year. The maximum height attained was 12,440 feet in February of this year. The fact that the increase of altitude obtained this year is smaller than in former years seems to indicate that the extreme height to which the kites can rise is being approached. The attempt of the United States weather bureau to secure daily records with kites at sixteen stations was unsuccessful for forecasting on account of light winds, which prevented daily flights at all the stations, but many data were obtained simultaneously in the free air and at the ground.

ROSEBERY IN FAVOR.

MAY AGAIN BECOME BRITAIN'S PRIME MINISTER.

Has the Support of That Section of the People That is Opposed to the War Against the South African Farmer Republic.

Sentiment in Great Britain is beginning to set in toward Lord Rosebery, and if present indications hold good he may eventually become prime minister again. Lord Rosebery's recent speech in the house of lords has brought him into high favor with those who are not exactly satisfied with the way in which the war is being carried on in South Africa. Some of his friends are stoutly urging him for the portfolio of foreign affairs in Lord Salisbury's cabinet, while others are shrewdly hinting that he might serve the country to better advantage in Lord Salisbury's place. Just at present Lord Rosebery is doing effective work by reason of his strong personal influence coupled with his judicious exercise of the privilege of free speech in parliament, and he is satisfied to remain where he is, but if it becomes necessary to make some change in the administration of affairs he will probably yield to popular pressure and accept the premiership. This description is given of Lord Rosebery: In person he is a little man, with cul-



LORD ROSEBERY.

tivated tastes and a fine presence, always paying great attention to his dress, but never a fop.

He is the fifth earl of his name, the title having been given to his ancestor in 1703. He was born in 1847 and succeeded to his title when barely past his majority. In 1878 he married Hannah, the daughter of Baron Rothschild, and heir to his immense property. Twice in succession he won the derby—in 1894 with Ladas and in 1895 with Sir Visto. In the same years, 1894-95, he was prime minister. Lord Rosebery's oratorical gifts manifested themselves at a very early age, and as a member of the house of peers he has often been called upon to put these gifts to account. His many public services outside of parliament have won him great thanks. Especially did he accomplish good things for the city of London while chairman of the London county council between 1889 and 1892. He has been Lord Rector of the universities of Aberdeen and Edinburgh and has done much for educational interests in Scotland. His ideas are in the main very liberal, and while he has been often accused by his opponents with dealing more in word than in facts, in practical life he has been very effective, putting his ideas to good use. For instance, the tenants of his large estates, both in England and in Scotland, have much cause to rejoice at the enlightenment of their landlord.

Joke Retected on Her.

A Portland woman wagered a box of chocolates with her young man and lost. One evening when they were on the way to a whist party, she produced the candy. During the evening the young man thought that to pass the chocolates around would be a nice thing to do, but the young woman earnestly protested when she saw what her escort contemplated, told him the chocolates were intended all for him, and even threatened not to like him any more if he gave any of them away. He concluded to run the risk of incurring the lasting displeasures of his bet girl, and invited the company to help themselves. The confection looked too tempting to resist, and so the acceptance was general. Then a very remarkable scene ensued, which would give a man from the street the impression that a new social diversion had been introduced in the shape of a spitting contest. The chocolates had a soap filling, and the whist party came to a premature end. The innocent victims have not yet forgotten and forgiven, while the young man is cogitating whether it would be safe for his future happiness to ask the young woman to leave her happy home for him.—Wakeville, Me., Mail.

An Announcement Which Had Effect.

A minister in a town not a thousand miles away, on a recent Sunday surprised his audience by reading the following announcement from the pulpit: "The regular session of the Donkey club will be held as usual after the service. Members will line up just outside the church door, make remarks and stare at the ladies who pass, as is their custom. Any member known to escort a lady to church like a man, and sit with her like a gentleman, will be promptly expelled from membership." The effect was marvelous.—Penfield (Pa.), News.

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY

RICHEST FARMING COUNTRY IN THE WORLD.

A Complete System of Irrigation Relieves the Anxiety About Rain That Prevails in Other Parts of the United States—East and West Compared.

We are permitted to publish an extract from a private letter written by a gentleman who has recently been devoting his time to the personal investigation of practical farming by irrigation in the west. His vivid portrayal of the advantages of that system will no doubt interest our readers. He says:

"There is a vast, an immeasurable difference between farming in the east and farming in the west. If the farmers of the east could only be made to understand the advantages enjoyed by their western brethren, I verily believe there would soon be no land for settlement in the great irrigation states. The irrigation farmer has absolute certainty of crop, and certainty of its perfect maturity. He never plants that he does not reap, and when I say reap I don't mean the reaping of scattered stands of half matured grain such as the eastern farmer cuts at the close of a dry season; but the reaping of fields that frequently average 50 bushels of wheat to the acre—every grain of which has reached the perfection of development. There is no anxious scanning of the skies for the 'cloud no larger than a man's hand' and fervent prayers that it may envelop the heavens and send down water to the thirsty fields. The irrigation farmer never thinks about rain. He watches his growing crops, and the day and the hour moisture is needed, he is out with his hoe flooding his fields with water from canals that skirt them.

"Everything grows in the west that grows anywhere else in the United States north of Tennessee. Potatoes frequently yield 500 bushels to the acre, and barley is grown far better than any raised in the east. The fruits are delicious. I never saw any to compare with those grown in Idaho, where apples, peaches, plums, cherries, pears, apricots abound, and where there are thousands of acres of Italian and German prunes which I am told have made fortunes for their owners.

"To my mind, Idaho is the best watered and most inviting arid state in the Union. I made a careful investigation of the great Snake River valley in that state, along and tributary to the Oregon Short Line Railroad, and saw there evidences of prosperity such as I have never seen elsewhere in the United States. This wonderful valley is said to contain over 3,000,000 acres of arable land. It is threaded with great irrigation canals in every direction, and there are vast tracts awaiting only the touch of the farmer to make them productive. The sun doesn't shine on finer or more fertile land. When I saw the happy homes, the well filled granaries, the sleek, fat stock, and the smile on the face of nature reflected in a smile of contentment on the faces of the farmers, my heart went out in pity to the thousands in the east who are struggling along from year to year, tolling against adverse climatic conditions, and never knowing how soon a drouth will wipe out the profits of prosperous years.

"Lands can be had in this Snake River valley almost for the asking, but they are going, day by day. The Oregon Short Line is making extraordinary efforts to bring the advantages of Idaho to the notice of eastern farmers, and is flooding the country with conservatively written descriptions of the state. Write to the General Passenger Agent of this Railroad at Salt Lake for printed matter about Idaho, and read it carefully. It will be a revelation to you and I sincerely believe will end in your removal to the west."

SHORT SERMONS.

Divorce in this country is increasing two and a half times as fast as the population.—Rev. George D. Smith.

God works through human instruments, through the natural laws that he has instituted.—Rev. P. C. Yerke.

I believe we ought to get much pleasure out of this life in the way of innocent enjoyment.—Rev. Dr. Helderby.

Concerning modern trusts, there are many men of many minds. Some defend and some denounce.—Rev. C. F. Wishart.

As much glorious work has been accomplished in the past year as in any year since the coming of Christ.—Rev. Dr. Ward.

We should banish unkind and uncharitable thoughts from our hearts and keep them out during this year.—Rev. J. R. Henry.

Faithful work with tenacity of purpose, which is but another name for good luck, will insure you better things.—Rev. J. L. Updegraph.

All kinds of socialism means the organization of a world in which every man shall be born with an equal inheritance.—Prof. George D. Herron.

Sorrow is a soul tonic. Our grief is our grandeur. Pain is disciplinary. The great and good of all nations have been men of sorrows.—Rev. Ira Billman.

We sometimes talk about a minister who can draw men to his ministry. It is men who draw men. Let the men of the congregation awake.—Rev. H. E. Penn.

One barley and rye originated in the wild forms along the Mediterranean. The first noted species of wheat were brought from Persia.

Our increase of insanity. Much discussion has been aroused lately by the alarming increase of insanity. Our high living is the cause assigned. In the rush for money, men and women neglect their health until the breakdown comes. The best way to preserve the health is by a faithful use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It cures stomach ills such as constipation, dyspepsia and biliousness.

Hogs, like humans, often squeal when they are not hurt.

Blood Humors

Are Cured by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

It Purifies the Blood.

Cures All Eruptions.

Eradicates Scrofula.

"I always take Hood's Sarsaparilla in the Spring and it is the best blood purifier I ever used." Mrs. FRANK GIBBS, Baldwin, Mich. "Eruptions that came on my face have all disappeared since I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and in a few weeks I could not see any sign of the sores." ORIN H. MOORE, Mount Hope, Wis.

Near King William's Town, South Africa, is a nursery under the direction of the Sisters of Saint Dominic. A blacksmith whom they employed was in the habit of going on a spree occasionally, and neglecting his work. Some of the nuns, under a competent instructor, learned the art, and now do all the blacksmithing that is necessary to keep their horses well shod, and their vehicles in good order.

Is an Auburn-haired girl a "red-dy" maid article?

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not spot, streak or give your goods an unevenly dyed appearance.

Portable houses are made in Venezuela for shipment to Venezuela. Four handy men can in three hours erect one of the domiciles.

For Sale Cheap. Ideal stock and timber farm; 160 acres, mostly hardwood without hills or waste land; one-half mile from Mississippi river; freight and passenger steamboats; railroad stations near; good log buildings; well; thirty or forty acres cleared; unlimited hay and grain; excellent soil. Bear, moose, deer, fish plenty. Work for beginner; high wages all year round in neighborhood, which is excellent. English speaking, mixed nationalities. Apply or write to owner, Proprietor of Globe Hotel, St. Paul, Minn.

EMILE CONSTANT.

Tell the truth whether you have an audience or not.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. See E. W. Grove's signature on each box.

The average salary paid to Methodist preachers in the United States last year was \$473.35.

Within the past four years the aggregate of fresh gold mined throughout the world is placed at \$900,000,000.

MAN'S MECHANISM

Delicate Machinery That Needs Constant Care.

Absolute Cleanliness and Regulation as Necessary as for Any Other Kind of Machinery. How to Keep It in Working Order.

There's a screw loose somewhere! One little screw in the big machine gets a trifle loose and the whole apparatus clogs, balks and refuses to work properly. A skillful engineer can tell by the "feel" of his engine when there's a screw loose. Occasional constipation—call it civility or biliousness—needs prompt attention. It clogs the whole delicate mechanism of man, and must be removed skillfully without force or shock. Only a vegetable laxative should be used, and Cascarets Candy Cathartic, which you can eat like a piece of candy, are the most agreeable, natural and effective of all laxatives.

Cascarets are the only antiseptic cathartic, and not only make the liver lively, remove obstructions in the bowels, strengthen the intestines, but kill all germs of disease in the body. Therefore prevent as well as cure.

Buy and try Cascarets to-day. You'll find that's what they do, not what we say they'll do, that will please you. All druggists, 10c, 25c and 50c, or will mail for price. Send for booklet and free sample. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago, Montreal, Can.; New York.

This is the CASCARETS tablet. Every tablet of the genuine Cascarets bears the magic letters "C. C. C." Look at the tablet before you buy, and beware of frauds, imitations and substitutes.

What sound is sweeter than the prayer of a little child.

CARTER'S INK

Ever use it? You should.



ON WEDNESDAY THE SHIP LEFT.

We are going to enjoy every foot of the way from here to Rio, and there he will be placed in good hands for the rest of the trip. He's all right. We sail on Wednesday. Don't forget."

So on Wednesday Rob found himself on board the 'Vigilancia' with his mother and Mr. Brown to see him off. Mrs. Cleverdale could not help crying a little, but she laughed gayly immediately after, and the memory that Rob took away with him was his mother and Mr. Brown laughing away as if they enjoyed the occasion. This helped Rob very much.

On Wednesday the big ship left her dock and steamed away.

It was in the winter time, and Rob, closely muffled in a big ulster, stood on the deck watching the sights as they went down the East river, and down the bay. After the panorama of the passing docks he became interested in the grand view of the harbor, the Statue of Liberty, which looks so different when viewed from the city; the forts, with their ugly looking guns, the taking on of a pilot and his departure—all these things kept Rob interested, so that even when he thought he was leaving his native land, perhaps forever, he waved aside the sorrow, and told himself that soon he would be a man with money enough to come back if he wished.

Captain Baker was very kind to Rob, and, with the exception of a few days of seasickness, the boy enjoyed the trip to Rio de Janeiro—a distance of nearly seven thousand miles—very much.

At Rio, Captain Baker introduced him to the captain of a ship of the Royal Mail Line, which was to go to Buenos Ayres. This was the final step of Rob's long journey, and it was here that his troubles were to commence.

not the only thing afloat in La Plata River that dark night. Hidden from the men on the swift steamer by the thick blackness of the night, and the fact that she carried no lights, was a schooner, which was feeling her way across the broad expanse of the estuary, within hailing distance of the steamship that passed her unwittingly. This schooner was a peculiar craft. She was not so peculiar in appearance as in action. She was a low, narrow craft, built for speed, and carried a tremendous amount of sail. As has been said, there was no light shown on the schooner. She ran the risk of being struck by a passing vessel. But this was only a chance, and her captain knew that if lights were shown there was almost a certainty of being run down by government boats.

Across the stern of this vessel no name could be seen in the brightest daylight. But still she had a name. It was "El Gato Negro," or "The Black Cat."

The crew of "El Gato Negro" was a mixed lot of rascals, some being Spanish, born in South America, some being French, some Portuguese, and some native Indian. "The Black Cat" had a bad name among the officials of Argentina, and she was, in reality, the fastest and most successful smuggler in the world.

She was entering the river, even now, with a cargo of rifles and ammunition, and also of rum and tobacco, on which there is a heavy duty in Argentina, and was making in the dark for a certain spot where the contraband cargo could be landed without fear of detection.

The language spoken on board the "Black Cat" was something beyond printed words to describe. It was certainly a jargon of English, mixed with Spanish, French or any other language that came handy. The men were, to a man, a desperate, cut-throat gang. Captain Torrovo, of the "Black Cat" was on deck peering at the lights of the steamer, which was passing a short distance ahead of the schooner. He grinned with satisfaction as he thought how lucky it was for him that the

RACE ECHOES.

The Odd Fellows have more lodges in Georgia than in any other state in the Union.

Several colored bakers and flour makers are employed by the National Biscuit Company of Philadelphia.

The Negro has one clerk, one pressman and two book binders in the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

Jackson Jones, a colored miller, who has been in the employe of the Milling Co., of Wesley Best & Sons of Columbus Kans., for several years, is said to be one of the best Millers of that state.

County Clerk John M. Wright of Topeka, is president of the County Clerk's association of Kansas. This is the first time a Negro ever held this position, and is a compliment to the race as well as Mr. Wright.

The town of Brooklyn, Ill., opposite North St. Louis, has population of over 1,000 and all the officers of the burg are colored. The town has most of the modern improvements—three good churches a splendid two-story schoolhouse, a city-hall and electric light.

The corporation clerk of West Virginia is Phillip Waters, an intelligent and progressive colored man, who last month wrote 105 charters, a record breaker, 43 for domestic corporations and 62 for foreign corporations. His office is in the Capital buildings at Charleston, and he is so far as known, the only Negro corporation clerk in the country.—Afro-American.

At the concert and reception given in Washington, D. C. in honor of the eightieth birth-day of Miss Susan B. Anthony, Mr. Joseph H. Douglass, the distinguished young violinist appeared on both programmes, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, the new president of the woman suffragists, personally congratulated Mr. Douglass on his wonderful talent.

The French postoffice department has issued a singular order, to the effect, hereafter mourning envelopes, that is envelopes with a black border on them, will not be mailed. It is not that the government does not sympathize with such cases; but it is found that such envelopes are easily tampered with. They may be opened and afterward sealed again all traces being covered up by an application of black ink.

MAJOR TAYLOR'S HOME.

Major Taylor purchased a house by proxy for \$3,000 cash right in the residence district of the 400 of Worcester, and there is a large-sized scandal in that neighborhood. The Major sent his lawyer to do the buying. The house was purchased in the right name of Taylor—M. C. Taylor—who was described, to the real estate agent as an American born citizen of the United States and eminently respectable. The agent wanted to see his purchaser, but was put off on one plea and another until he found it impossible to longer resist a cash sale under such advantageous circumstance. The Major and his family moved in, and a few days later the 400 in force descended upon the agent with all sorts of threats. The agent tried to oust Mr. Taylor under threat of a suit, but without avail, and the 400 tried to buy him out for a bonus of \$2,000 over the price he paid. Mr. Taylor would not sell, and his lawyer has advised him that he need not do so and that nothing can be done against him.—Afro-American.

STATE OF IOWA OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE.

ANNUAL CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 1, 1900. Whereas, The Alliance Hail & Cyclone Insurance Company, located at Austin, in the state of Minnesota has filed in this office a sworn statement of its condition on the thirty-first day of December 1899, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to insurance companies; and whereas, said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this state relating to insurance.

Therefore, In pursuance of law, I, Frank F. Merriam, Auditor of State of the State of Iowa, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the state, by agents properly appointed, as required by law until the first day of March, A. D. 1901.

I further certify that the statement shows—

- 1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said company, Dec. 31, 1899, to be mutual.
2d. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, Dec. 31, 1899, to be \$60,194.88
3d. The aggregate amount of liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, Dec. 31, 1899, to be 0
4th. The aggregate income of said company for the year 1899, to be \$74,198.41
5th. The aggregate Expenditures of said Company for the year 1899, to be \$80,186.72
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of my office the day and date above written.

FRANK F. MERRIAM, Auditor of State.

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Des Moines, Iowa, March 1, 1900. Whereas, The American Fire Insurance Company, located at New York in the State of New York, has filed in this office a sworn statement of its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1899, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to insurance companies; and whereas, said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this state relating to insurance.

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I further certify that the statement shows—

- 1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said Company, Dec. 31, 1899, to be \$400,000.00
2nd. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, Dec. 31, 1899, to be \$1,397,333.36
3d. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, Dec. 31, 1899, to be \$1,065,493.15
4th. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1899, to be \$934,283.31
5th. The aggregate Expenditures of said Company for the year 1899, to be \$776,519.87
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of my office the day and date above written.

FRANK F. MERRIAM, Auditor of State.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of a doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, than very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by all Druggists

Orange Free State Flag.

The Orange Free State flag is a simple rectangle of vivid orange. An orange tree in full fruit is the most distinctive feature of the arms of the Orange Free State. Beneath the tree are on one side a lion and on the other a number of oxen. An ox-wagon similar to that on the Transvaal arms and three suspended horns complete the whole. "Spes Bona"—good hope—is written underneath the arms of Cape Colony, the chief feature of which is a lion rampant. A figure of Hope surmounts the shield, the supporters of which are a couple of native animals.

STREET CARS IN ENGLAND.

London Decision That Would Cause A Revolution in This Country.

A London magistrate has just made from the bench a statement which, if it is ever duplicated by a competent court in this city, would or might have consequences terrible even to imagine. It seems that on one of the urban railways there had been a crowded train. A woman had tried to force her way into a compartment already fully occupied and her efforts had excited a mild protest from one of the passengers already seated. The protesting remarks were taken amiss by the woman's husband, a fight followed and then an arrest of the pugnacious husband. It is not a matter of any consequence whether he or the other man was at fault for the scrimmage; what is at least interesting is the fact that the magistrate before whom the case came formally announced that nobody has a right to enter a railway carriage which is already full. Those who take tickets at the starting point, he said, are entitled to seats and tickets taken at intermediate stations are subject to there being room for the holders. If the company issues tickets in excess of the number of seats provided the holders may bring an action for damages, wait for the next train or demand the return of their money. Persons in a carriage which is full have a legal, as well as moral right to prevent others from endeavoring to enter it and the sooner the public understands this the better, as no one has a right to inconvenience passengers already in their places. Such is the English law, according to this interpreter of it. Patrons of our own elevated and surface cars are not likely even to ask if there is any such law in this country. They are so well habituated to traveling in cruel discomfort that the impulse to make effective protest against it has been lost.

PERSIAN RUGS OF IRISH MAKE.

Deft Weavers on the Old Sod Turn Out a Perfect Imitation.

Just a year ago some manufacturers of artistic textiles touring in Donegal resolved on establishing a place for the making of hand-tufted carpets of the description generally known as "Turkish" or "Persian." The peculiarity of this fabric is that from its nature it must be a hand production. The tufts are tied by the fingers in knots in longitudinal warps, which are stretched between two long parallel beams. The carpets are made to the size and shape of any room. The design is placed in front and the girls from three to a dozen, according to the size of the carpet, select the colors indicated row by row, which are tied, then bound down by "shoots" of woolen web drawn across the entire width and beaten firm by small iron-toothed hammers. There is interesting variety and pleasure in the work, and it is such that individual skill and workmanship come largely into play. Altogether, it is just such an industry as is suited to the rural districts of Ireland. No steam power is required and there is therefore no handicap on the commercial side by the absence of coal. The first year's experiment with the Irish girls has proved that they are admirably adapted for the work. The girls show a nimbleness of fingers and sharpness of eye for color and form that have quite astonished their teachers and they take to the work with a spirit and cheerfulness quite refreshing. So convinced are the promoters of its ultimate success that they have planned out a broad scheme that will spread the work all over the west of Ireland and give employment to many hundreds of girls and boys.—London Furniture Record.

Mendicant Students.

Concerning the poorer students of Russia the Saturday Review says: Their mendacity is passive rather than active. Unlike the mendicant friars, they never ask, but they know much will be given them. They know, too—strange fact in a strange country—that the university is open to all, irrespective of means or position. Thus the university becomes the poor Russian's golden opportunity, for here, as elsewhere, there are many posts, for which graduates alone are eligible. A stroll through the streets of Moscow during term time furnishes abundant evidence of the popularity of the university. The uncompromising military blue and green uniform which stamps the student, and which he can never, save under dire penalties, exchange for plain clothes, is to be met with at every turn. A few rich students are caught sight of driving; the many are on foot.

A Cat's Long Jump.

New York Correspondence Pittsburgh Dispatch: How f.- can a cat jump without hurting itself was partially exemplified in Brooklyn. A pretty white cat ran up a tree to get away from a dog, and at last crawled out on a small branch at least sixty feet above the ground. The branch was not much more than a twig, and the cat could not turn around. She sat up there on the swaying limb and meowed. At last the twig broke, and down came the cat. She alighted on the ground on her feet, looked around for a moment, and then bounded away. Which shows that a sixty-foot drop does not hurt a Brooklyn cat, whatever it might do to cats of other places.

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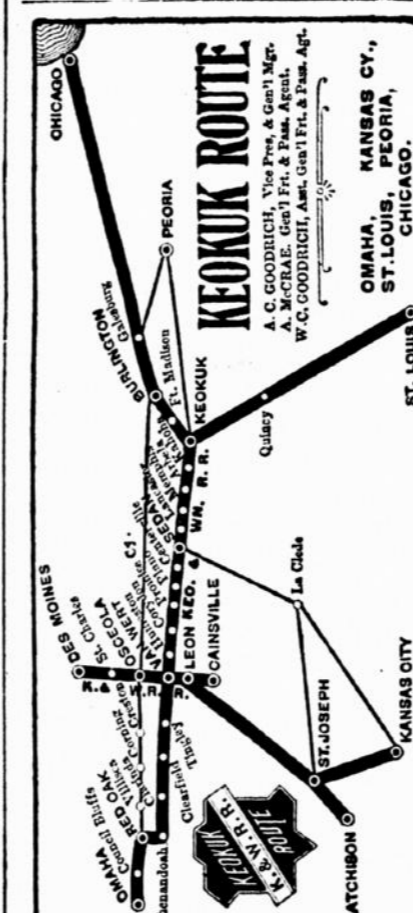
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