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## IOWA'S LEADING COLORED PAPER.

## CITY NEWS

Levi Broomfield was in Omaha last week.

The wedding bells will ring October the 4th, in our city.

Miss Bessie Stewart was confined to her room the first part of the week by illness.

Mrs. T. A. Clark and children are the guest of Mrs. McFadden, 737 Lake street Chicago, this week.

Rev. Searcy of Albia passed through our city Tuesday en route to the general conference.

Rev. Johnson of Clarinda stopped off in our city a day while on his way to Minneapolis.

Miss Mary Bell returned this week from a visit with her parents in Dallas county.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 316 West Third street. Tunes Pianos and repairs Organs.

Rev. T. W. Lewis visited a day with his sister, Mrs. Martha Bass, before going to the general conference.

WANTED—Reliable men to organize local lodges. Address African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Iowa.

Harry W. Hughes, who has been a sub mail carrier, has been made a regular carrier. We are glad to see young Hughes' success.

WANTED—First class barber to go to Mason City, Ia. Married man preferred. Address Box 527, Mason City, Iowa.

Rev. Walker, formerly of Pittsburg, Pa., but now pastor of the Baptist church at Muchaknock, paid this office a visit this week.

Dr. Francis J. Peterson left Tuesday evening for Minneapolis, Minn., to attend the annual conference. There will be preaching at his church Sunday morning by Rev. H. McCravens, and in the evening Rev. Raikes will preach.

We received an invitation announcing the marriage of Mr. Waldon of Newton to Miss Josie Whitsett, formerly of Newport, but now of Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 19.

A party was given last Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Woods, Eighth and Grand avenue, in honor of Miss Ferren Harris of Keokuk. A large crowd was present and all had a jolly time.

NEW—A Secret Fraternal Insurance Society, exclusively for the colored race. African Monarch of America, Sioux City, Iowa.

Mr. Coalson has been to Minneapolis to make arrangements for the excursion party to be taken care of. There will be a committee to meet the party out from Minneapolis, and accompany them to the city. After reaching the city they will be conducted to headquarters that have been arranged for them, and from there will be sent to the different stopping places. The Minneapolis people are not sparing any pains to make it as pleasant for the party as can be expected on such an occasion. The ladies must be sure to take heavy wraps as the evenings are very cool. Be sure to remember the time and place of leaving—Saturday, the 15th inst. at 9 p. m., over the Rock Island.

CAUTION—Protect your loved ones by insuring in the African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Iowa.

Colored Jeweler at 316 West Third street; will buy old gold or exchange for new.

J. Frank Blagburn has changed the date of his report of the Afro-American Council to Wednesday evening.

The Lincoln club will meet in the Redhead block, next to the Valley bank, on Court avenue Monday, Sept. 17, at 8 o'clock sharp. Arrangements will be made for active business and speakers will be arranged for. This should be a campaign of education among the Negroes of Iowa and the United States. The rights of the Negro as a man and a citizen are in the balance. Remember the day and date and come yourself and bring your friends.

The H. B. S. Reading Circle held a very interesting meeting with Mrs. A. O. Smith. After an able paper on "Negro Literature" by Mrs. G. I. Holt, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. R. A. Wilburn; Vice President, Mrs. E. T. Banks; Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Waricks; Assistant Sec'y., Mrs. Emma Jackson; Treasurer, Mrs. J. P. Hamilton; Editresses of the Oracle Mesdames Palmer and Denney. Mrs. Emma Jackson will be the next hostess and the following programme will be rendered: Quotations from foremost authors; Paper of the afternoon, subject "The Afro-American Council and the good it has accomplished," led by general discussion; Address on the subject by Mr. J. Frank Blagburn; Oracle by Mrs. L. E. Palmer.

## NOTICE.

Those who contemplate going on the excursion to Minneapolis must not forget that the Rock Island route is the one to go over and not the Chicago Great Western R'y.; as they have advertised the same rate on the same date and hour, but would not do so with the committee that waited on them first, but just as soon as the Rock Island offered the \$4.00 rate they offered the same. Now let us be men and Women and stand by the Rock Island. R'y.

## A NOTED HORSEMAN.

Among the number of fine horses that were exhibited at the Horse Show this week, there were several that were trained and owned by a colored man, Mr. Thomas Bass of Mexico, Mo. Among those he exhibited were Rex Belleac, Rex Denmark and Columbus that has a wide reputation as a High School horse. The contest last Tuesday evening was very close between Columbus and Limestone Bell, in fact the larger portion of the audience seem to think that Columbus was entitled to first prize, and even the judges conceded that the contest was very close, yet they awarded the first prize to Limestone Bell. Mr. Bass has been dealing in fast horses since 1892, and horses won several first prizes at the Worlds' Fair. He has recently sold Annie Bridgford to Mr. Thomas F. Cook of Algona, Iowa, for \$400.00. Mr. Bass owns a very beautiful home at Mexico, and has been very successful with his horses. He is assisted in caring for them by Mr. E. D. Cooper and others.

GRAND REUNION OF COWBOYS At Granite, the new Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad town on Red River, in New Oklahoma, Sept. 19th, 20th and 21st.

The second homeseeker's excursion in September (Tuesday Sept. 18th) grants one-half rate plus \$2.00 to that district, and tickets are good 21 days. You can arrive in Granite in time to see the Grand Comanche Indian Dance, the second day of the reunion. Remember that our route is through the beautiful Indian Reservation to be opened up for settlement early summer of 1901. Don't miss this chance to see this Reservation. Any C. R. I. & P. ticket agent will quote you rates, conditions, time and trains, etc., or address JOHN SEBASTIAN, G. P. A., Chicago.

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## A SAD TRAGEDY.

On last Sunday evening our city was thrown into confusion and astonishment by the shooting of Wm. R. Foster, a prominent young attorney, by Miss Hattie Mash, who alleges that Mr. Foster betrayed her. The shooting occurred in the restaurant at the northwest corner of Second and Grand avenue. The girl claimed Foster has accomplished her ruin under promise of marriage and had just refused to fulfill his promise. She admits the crime was deliberate and says she intended to take her own life immediately upon killing her alleged betrayer. Her purpose was not accomplished either as to Foster or herself. Foster's wound did not prove fatal and he succeeded in disarming the girl before she could carry out her design against her own life.

As an indirect result of the shooting, Mrs. M. A. Hayes and her daughter, Mrs. R. J. Putnam, received injuries which it was at first feared might prove fatal. The two women were run down by the wagon of Fire Chief Burnett who was driving Sergeant Morris of the police station at a furious gait in an effort to overtake the fleeing woman who had attempted Foster's life. The two women were in a buggy. The collision occurred at the corner of Seventh and Grand avenue. The women were thrown to the pavement and picked up unconscious, covered with blood from head to foot. Mrs. Hayes' head struck a street car rail and it appeared at first her skull had been fractured. The wound proved to be nothing more serious than a deep contusion and both women soon rallied under a physician's care and are rapidly progressing toward recovery. Mrs. Putnam is the wife of R. J. Putnam of the Bankers' Life association.

When Foster was shot and succeeded in wresting the revolver from the girl after a fierce struggle in which one finger was shot off he was laboring under such great mental strain that he did not realize that he was shot.

Mr. Foster's condition is critical. He is at Mercy hospital where the doctors performed an operation last Sunday night. No one is permitted to see him and hear his story of the tragedy, so we can only publish the girl's story as she related it to a newspaper reporter in the cell:

"Will and I have been keeping company close to three years now. He has been going with me steadily for a year and a half and I was the only girl he waited upon during that time. We became engaged a year ago and finally the first of September was set as the date of our marriage. Our relations became intimate and as a result I am now in a delicate condition.

"The first intimation that I had that he did not intend to keep his promise and marry me was about three weeks ago. It was then a week from the date we had agreed upon for our marriage. I have met him repeatedly since, but never could persuade him to change his determination. Friday night I was with him and he told me he would rather go to the penitentiary than marry me and said he was going to leave Des Moines and go to some other town to live.

"No we did not quarrel any last night. The worst trouble we had was Friday night. I bought the revolver on Thursday and made up my mind to shoot him. I suppose the only reason I didn't shoot him Friday or Saturday was because I couldn't get my heart up to the point where I could do it.

"But I made up my mind to shoot him Sunday night and I did it. That's all there is to it."

LATER—Wm. R. Foster died at Mercy Hospital at 3 o'clock and will be buried in the city as soon as his sisters arrive from Missouri. We will say more in next issue.

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## EMANCIPATION.

The colored people of Bedford and vicinity will hold their accustomed celebration of emancipation of 1900, at Court House Park, Bedford, Iowa, Saturday, Sept. 22. J. L. Thompson, of Des Moines, orator of the day.

## PROGRAMME.

The procession will form in front of Steele's opera house at 10 o'clock a. m., and from thence up Main and Court streets to the court house park, headed by the Bedford band. Arriving at the park the programme will proceed as follows: Called to order by the president, D. Isom; Chorus, America; Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. J. E. Johnson; Song by chorus; Welcome address by the city mayor, B. F. Manley; Ad-

dress, W. E. Miller; Music by band; Song of freedom of the four million slaves; Proclamation read by Miss Birdie Lucas, of Bedford; Song, "Father Abraham has Spoken;" Address, L. T. McCoun; Address, G. L. Finn; Music; Address by orator of the day, J. L. Thompson, of Des Moines. There will be amusements to please all.

## The Issue that Confronts the People.

Imperialism and militarism are only bubbles blown by Mr. Bryan to deceive the people and to draw their attention from the real issue, which is the 16 to 1 plank in their platform. If it were not, why did Mr. Bryan say that if it was not put in the Kansas City platform that he would not be a candidate. He was satisfied with any sort of a platform if the 16 to 1 was in it. But the issue which every honest man should consider, and the one that is over shadowing this country is "whether we shall abandon the policy which has brought this country to such a high pitch of prosperity, and has revived every branch of industry." This will be the question that every voter must consider before going to the polls on election day, is whether he wants national prosperity, that was brought about by McKinley and the Republican party, or the 16 to 1 and the times of 1893 again. These are the real and only issues, consider them well.

The colored man that has any race pride will not be long in making up his mind with which party to cast his vote, at the coming election. He will never vote with the party that is trying to rob him of his elective franchise. He can not at any time cast his vote in a way to effect his race or his manhood.

The Democratic party all over this country is the real enemy of the colored man. The Tammany police were the real leaders of the disgraceful riot in New York. The leaders of Tammany Hall are the real criminals, the men who led the mob are followers of them.

## ALBIA NEWS.

Mr. W. G. Davis of Denver, Colo., has returned home after three or four years in Denver.

Mr. Doel Burk is back in our town again.

Sunday being quarterly meeting day a number of our people took advantage of the cheap rates and made a trip to Oskaloosa.

Miss Henerietta Jones, Mrs. Maggie Nelson, Messrs. Burt Jones and Reese Underwood have been attending the fair in Oskaloosa this week.

## TUSKEGEE NOTES.

Everything is being put in readiness for the opening of school Tuesday, September 11th. On last Monday the industrial department resumed operation. Teachers and students are coming in daily, and everything is taking on form for the twentieth annual session of the school, which we look forward to as the most successful in the history of the school.

Principal and Mrs. Washington have reached Tuskegee for the opening of school. The former from Indianapolis where he went to deliver an address before the Afro-American Council, after the National Negro Business League at Boston; and the latter from Detroit, where she has been in attendance at the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Club. The German government has just applied to Principal Washington in a cablegram for three Tuskegee graduates to take charge of and conduct a model farm in one of the German provinces on the West coast of Africa. This is a highly significant incident.

## CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Mrs. Milligan gave a tea Friday evening in honor of Miss Nellie Fowler of Ottumwa.

Mrs. Oliphant and daughter gave a two o'clock dinner Sunday in honor of Miss Nellie Fowler of Ottumwa and Mrs.

Yancy of Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr. Campbell is on the sick list.

Mrs. Person and daughter Ida will leave Thursday for Tennessee.

Misses Oliphant, Nellie Fowler, Messrs. George Oliphant and Willie Hollings went up the river Sunday evening.

Miss Allie Price entertained Monday evening a few friends in honor of Miss Nellie Fowler of Ottumwa.

A picnic was given Thursday in honor of Miss Nellie Fowler and Mrs. Yancy.

Mrs. Yancy left Monday morning for her home in Milwaukee, Wis.

## CLINTON ITEMS.

A good size congregation was present Sunday evening to listen to the farewell sermon of the pastor, Rev. R. Holly, who upon this occasion was at his best, putting forth what was considered the ablest effort of the year. At the conclusion of the discourse a most beautiful zither solo was rendered by Prof. A. M. Damon.

Bethel Literary society met in regular session Tuesday evening at the home of the President, Mrs. A. M. Damon; at the conclusion of business musical numbers were rendered, followed by the serving of refreshments.

Edward Henderson of Chicago visited the past week with his father, Wm Henderson and family.

We congratulate the editor of the Bystander, John L. Thompson, on his appointment to a clerkship in the Treasurer's office in Des Moines. This is an instance where ambition and perseverance are evidenced as paving the way to success, and should be hailed with delight by all Afro-Americans of the state of Iowa.

Band No. 1 of Bethel church entertained at a social Wednesday evening the 6th. A pleasant time was spent by those present.

Mr. John Sayles is around again after two weeks of serious illness.

Items of interest to the Bystander are solicited by the correspondent, same to be handed in not later than Tuesday afternoon of each week.

Mrs. Benson we are pleased to note has opened a dressmaking establishment on Fifth street.

## BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Rev. Higgins farewell sermon was preached Sunday night from Acts 20th chapter and 32d verse. "And now, brethren, I recommend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Mr. Jackson Morgan of Dubuque is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell.

Mrs. Carter after two weeks illness is able to be out again.

Mr. Linnuel Reid will take his departure for Muscatine Friday to spend a few days with his brother-in-law.

Mrs. Ubanks and Miss Williams of Ft. Madison made a pleasant call on Mrs. Kenney while visiting in Burlington last Thursday.

Mother Langford is feeling somewhat indisposed this week.

The Christian Endeavor presented to Mrs. Gracie Morris Allen a handsome reference bible as the organist for the past year. Mrs. Allen responded to the Endeavor in a most religious way and gave to the Endeavor many an encouraging word.

Rev. and Mrs. Higgins presented Miss Denora Smith a handsome bible for the church organist of the past year.

The reception was given Monday evening for the minister.

Miss Mary Brown is very ill.

Mr. Wesley White spent a week in Muscatine visiting and attending the street fair.

Mrs. Kenney has been very ill, but is better at this writing.

Miss Jesse Dorsey of Quincy, Ill., is in the city having a pleasant visit with her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tyler.

Mr. Dave Jones and Harry Wicks returned home after several months absence.

There came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Tigges Tuesday, a ten pound milk maid and said, papa you can not run the farm and carry mail too, so I come along to help you, Mother and baby are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tyler, accompanied by Miss J. B. Dorsey of Quincy, spent a pleasant day in Peoria Sunday.

Mrs. Warfield is taking her vacation.

There is a great many strangers in our city at the present.

Don't forget the Lincoln Club meeting Monday evening.

\$1.00 VIA SPECIAL TRAIN TO Farmers' Home Day, Iowa State Agricultural and Mechanical College Ames, Iowa, Thursday, Sept. 20th 1900.

Vir the North-Western Line, Excursion tickets will be sold at the above name rate, good going and returning on special train, Sept 20th. Apply to agents, Chicago & North-Western R'y.

## SOME GIANT TREES.

From 20 to 30 Feet in Diameter and More Than 350 Feet Tall.

I would like to draw attention to a bunch of immense trees in the mountains fifteen to twenty miles from my place, near Latourel, on the O. R. & N., says a correspondent of the Portland Oregonian. I used to make every year a trip to the mountains, lasting generally eight to ten days, and it was on one of my last trips, about four years ago, that I discovered on the northeast side of the divide, between the waters of the Bull run and the Hood river, this bunch of giant trees. The like I never saw before or since. Before I saw these giants I had measured from time to time some trees at home which girdled 29 to 30 feet around about three feet from the base, but these trees could not be compared at all with the big trees I found in the mountains. They would appear as mere sticks against those giants. I honestly believe that those giants will girdle 60 to 80 feet around near the base, and that they are 350 to 400 feet high. They stand on a kind of flat or bottom and this flat is well protected from discovery, as far as I could perceive, by steep and high bluffs not only from the Hood river side up, but from the main water divide down. These big trees are, in my mind, somewhere near the north line of the National park, but it is doubtful if they are in it. There are two species of the giant trees. One species has a yellowish and not very rough bark, is straight and round as a candle, has no limbs to an immense height, and has a nice, wonderful crown. The father of this very aristocratic species in our mountains is surely the emperor of our forest. People must not think that this tree is the so-called "noble fir," because I know not only the "noble fir," but many other mountain trees very well. Nor must they think that this species is one of the common trees in the mountains. I cannot say how many such giants there are. There may be hundreds, there may be thousands. On our way home one of my companions was drowned in the Bull run, and therefore I never went to the mountains again, but have always had a desire to go and investigate further about those big trees. Cedar is the second species of the big trees. They rival in size and grandeur the first species. But the most wonderful thing about them seems to be that they are, in spite of their immense diameter and age, seemingly sound and hard, through and through.

## The True Christian Spirit.

A citizen of this republic is not permitted to be master of his own speech when language is to be conveyed by common carriers, such as the post-office department and the telegraph. Yesterday a man who wanted to be vigorous started a telegram as follows: "To hell with likes and dislikes." It was in reply to an inquiry if he liked something. A ring brought a messenger, by whom the dispatch was taken to the sending office. Presently the boy returned, saying: "Mister, they can't send it like this; you'll have to change it." The astonished citizen cried: "Can't send it? Change what?" The boy blushing placed his finger on "hell." Pink rushed to the office. "Look here, operator, what's the matter with this telegram? Why can't you send it? Are you a Sunday school superintendent?" "No, sir; I'm all right. I sent it as far down as 'hell,' when the chap at the other end of the wire challenged me. He refuses to receive it." And, to be accommodating the man made it read, "Hang likes and dislikes," which went through without burning the conscience of the receiver—New York Press.

## Caused by a Cow's Tail.

Lock Haven (Penn.) Spe. Philadelphia Inquirer: Mrs. Joseph Ross, of Pleasant Gap, met with most peculiar accident. When she went into the barnyard to do the milking a cow switched its tail, which caught in the handle of the milk bucket. The hook on the bucket handle caught in the palm of Mrs. Ross' hand. Then the heifer started to run, dragging Mrs. Ross about the barnyard until she was seriously if not fatally injured, the hook at last releasing her after tearing completely through the hand from the fleshy base of the thumb diagonally across to the little finger.

## Votes Counted by Tickets.

Under the Pennsylvania election law votes are not counted for the candidate, but for the ticket or tickets on which his name appears. In the Chester county election all parties agreed upon Joseph Hemphill for common pleas judge, and this is the way the official vote was declared: Joseph Hemphill, republican, 8,162 votes; Joseph Hemphill, democrat, 4,371 votes; Joseph Hemphill, fusion, 1,643 votes; Joseph Hemphill, scattering, 374 votes.

## Quail Are Shy and Sly.

Almost as soon as they are out of the shell quail seem to have the power of making themselves invisible at the wave of a wand. The ground may be as bare as a floor, but somehow they manage to vanish utterly from the eye.

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## KRUGER DEPARTS.

President of Transvaal Arrives at Lorenzo Marques.

Lorenzo Marques, Sept. 13.—President Kruger arrived here last night. Washington, Sept. 13.—The following was received by the war department from the United States army officer, Reichman, who accompanied the Boers in their campaign as a military observer:

"Lorenzo Marques, Sept. 13.—Events have required the departure of attaches from the Transvaal. Request instructions."

This message is interpreted at the department to mean the complete collapse of the Boer resistance to England. Captain Reichman was cable permission to start at once for the United States.

The flight of President Kruger from what is now designated as the Vaal River colony and his arrival last night at Lorenzo Marques is regarded here as indicative of an early end to the hostilities in South Africa.

## RESUME OF THE DISASTER.

Total Death List Will Never Be Known Property Loss \$20,000,000.

Chicago, Sept. 13.—The following statement was received at 11 o'clock last night:

"Galveston, Tex., Sept. 12.—Charles S. Diehl, general manager of the Associated Press, Chicago.—A summary of the conditions prevailing at Galveston is more than human intelligence can master. Briefly stated, the damage to property is anywhere between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. The loss of life cannot be computed. No list could be kept and all is simply guesswork. Those thrown out to sea and buried on the ground wherever found will reach the horrible total of at least 3,000 souls.

"My estimate of the loss on the island of the city of Galveston and the immediate surrounding district is between 4,000 and 5,000 deaths. I do not make this statement in fright or excitement. The whole history will never be told because it cannot be told. The necessities of those living are total. Not a single individual escaped property loss. The property on the island is wrecked; fully one-half totally swept out of existence altogether. What our needs are can be computed by the world at large by the statement herewith submitted much better than I could possibly summarize them. The help must be immediate. (Signed) R. G. Lofe, Manager Galveston News."

## ASSASSIN CONFESSES.

Says Murder of Von Kettler Was Ordered by Government.

Peking, Sept. 13.—The Japanese have arrested the assassin of Baron von Kettler, late German minister to China. The assassin, who has been handed over to the Germans by the Japanese, confessed his guilt. He was arrested for trying to sell to a Japanese officer a watch with initials, which he admitted taking from the body of Baron von Kettler. He afterwards admitted the crime, saying that the imperial government had ordered the commission of the act.

Colonel Prietkoff's party engaged five hundred Boxers seven miles from Machipo. The Boxers were armed only with swords and spears. The Russian cavalry charged them, killing many with sabres. The charge was made through a corn field, and the Russians succeeded in killing the remainder of the enemy's forces. The casualties among the Boxers are estimated at 200. One Russian officer was wounded and two Cossacks killed.

## LI HAS AUTHORITY.

Imperial Edict Gives Him Absolute Control of Peace Negotiations.

Washington, Sept. 11.—The Chinese minister has received an imperial edict conferring on Li Hung Chang extraordinary power for a complete settlement of the Chinese trouble. It gives him authority to make any terms according to his own discretion without referring them to the emperor. This is unusual authority, and it is claimed at the Chinese legation that it gives Li Hung Chang credentials adequate to meet all objections heretofore raised to his power to negotiate for peace. The edict is dated two weeks ago, but is just forwarded from Li Hung Chang Minister Wu delivered it to the state department this morning.

The dispatches received from Hamburg today announce that Germany will send two additional detachments of 5,000 and 6,000 men respectively to China early in October. These troops, it is reported, have already been ordered to prepare for the journey.

## Russia's Indemnity.

Peking, Sept. 13.—The Russo-Chinese bank, which closes here today and removes to Shanghai, will confiscate, as part indemnity to be paid Russia, the imperial university fund of 5,000,000 taels, deposited with it against which the Chinese drew for the payment of their troops.

## Butler Captures Spatzkop.

London, Sept. 11.—The war office has received a report from Roberts saying that Butler, September 8, attacked and captured the Boer position at Spatzkop. The Boers retreated over a narrow causeway, losing heavily. The British had thirteen men killed and twenty-five wounded.

## Karl Li Ordered to Peking.

Washington, Sept. 12.—Minister Wu received a dispatch from Li Hung Chang giving the imperial edict, signed by the emperor, directing him to proceed immediately to Peking to cooperate with Prince Ching toward peace negotiations and the settlement of all war difficulties. The edict is dated August 27. Accordingly Li asks the powers to cooperate in affording him personal protection and facilitating his journey. Minister Wu will probably ask that a United States gunboat be designated for Li's use.

# THE NEWS IN IOWA

Sheriff C. H. Jackson and Chief of Police James Nelson of Sioux City arrived in St. Louis a few days ago armed with requisition papers for Frank Peyton, the self-confessed murderer of John Robson, a prominent merchant of Sioux City, and will take the prisoner to that city.

The Kossuth county republican convention endorsed the candidacy of Harvey Ingham for congress and gave him the naming of the delegates to the Fort Dodge convention. The convention was enthusiastic for its candidate and is confident of his making an excellent showing.

Burglars entered the dental office of Dr. P. P. Dorr at Fort Dodge and possessed themselves of a valuable amount of gold filling pellets. The entrance into the office was made through a window, which was pried open with a jimmy. No clue to the identity of the authors of the burglary has been discovered.

Sioux City has established a rather unenviable record in the matter of divorces. The clerk of the district court has made a summary of the divorce suits which have been filed this year, and finds that their number is 250. This record is an appalling one when it is placed beside the number of marriage licenses issued in the same length of time.

Governor Tanner has honored a requisition from Governor Shaw for the extradition of Alice M. Hamilton, charged with entering the room of E. M. Millard of Creston, June 25, forcing open a valise and securing \$2,300 in cash, then going to Afton, where she secured a livery team under pretense of driving to the home of an aunt, but instead driving forty miles and abandoning the team and taking a train for Bloomington, Ill., where she now is.

Mason City is rejoicing at the news received from Syracuse to the effect that the National Military college will be located in that city. The college is to be a memorial to soldiers and sailors and is to be run by their endowments. Two million dollars have already been pledged to the school. Mason City donated the location and gave \$100,000. The plan was conceived by Col. Al Sartor, ex-governor commander of the National Sons of Veterans' association. Mason City organized about a year ago and has been persistently pushing the matter since.

A settlement of the sensational damage case of D. A. Dillow vs. the Upper Iowa Ice company at Fort Dodge for personal injuries has been accomplished. Dillow sued for \$3,000 damages for injuries received while in their employ last winter. Dillow was "riding the dog" and a broken rope resulted in the crushing of his foot. Plaintiff charged his employers with criminal carelessness in the character of the rope. The case was tried in the present term of the district court, the jury finally disagreeing after a protracted session. By the terms of the agreement the defendants pay Dillow \$300 and agree to pay the costs in the case.

At Des Moines a few days ago Mattie Mash, colored, shot and perhaps fatally wounded William Foster, a colored attorney. Immediately after the shooting the Mash woman jumped into a buggy and lashed the horse in desperate efforts to escape capture. Sergeant Morris and Fire Chief Burnett, in the chief's buggy, started after her, and at the corner of Seventh street and Grand avenue they collided with a buggy containing Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Putnam and Mrs. M. A. Hays. The occupants of the buggy were thrown to the pavement and the two ladies injured severely, but it is not thought fatally. Officer Livingstone continued the chase and captured the woman near Twelfth street and Grand avenue. The woman charges that Foster had accomplished her ruin under promise of marriage, and declined to keep his promise.

A dispatch from Marshalltown says the canning season in Marshall county is practically over. It has been a busy and prosperous one. For the past five weeks the Marshall Canning company of that city has employed 200 hands night and day, putting up 500,000 cans of corn every twenty-four hours. The season's pack will be at least 1,000,000 cans. A larger business than usual has also been done by the Hawkeye Canning company of the same city, in both corn and tomatoes, while at Gilman, in the southern part of the county, a phenomenal season's run has been made, breaking all previous records. The Gilman concern is one of the most extensive in the state, and its product is almost invariably sold entire before a single can is sealed. Marshall county canned corn is in active demand in nearly all parts of the world.

A mysterious case of poisoning happened at Delta recently which has ended in the arrest of the wife of the dead man on the charge of murder. The facts have just leaked out. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuhn of Delta drove to What Cheer, where they purchased four bottles of beer, two of which were drunk on the road home. Just before reaching Delta Kuhn gave a scream and said that he had been poisoned and would die unless immediately helped. He was driven rapidly to Delta, where he was taken to the office of a physician, but expired in a few minutes. His last words were addressed to his wife and were: "You have poisoned me." A coroner's jury was empaneled the next morning and the evidence of physicians who had made a post mortem examination was taken. Mrs. Kuhn was arrested and placed in jail, charged with murder. It is said there is a man in the plot.

Nine Michigan milkmen were recently held up and fined from \$25 to \$500 each for using formaldehyde in the milk which they sold to their customers.

Mattie Mash, the colored girl who has been in jail at Des Moines, charged with assault with intent to commit murder, has been released, no one appearing to file information against her. Her former lover, William Foster, whom she severely injured, is still at Mercy hospital, and it is now thought that he stands a fair show for recovery. He refuses to prosecute the girl, and as a result she was given her freedom.

A hind which has startled the whole city was made on Central avenue at Fort Dodge. While searching among the straw, which had been left by a snake eating "freak" which was one of the attractions of the recent street fair, some boys discovered nine live young rattlesnakes.

Theodore Roosevelt, republican nominee for vice president, will deliver three speeches in Iowa October 5. The first will be at Waterloo in the afternoon, the second a short one from the train in Cedar Rapids, and the third an extensive address in Davenport in the evening.

At Canton, Ill., a few days ago W. J. Ackley died in the county poor house. Thirty-five years ago Ackley with others founded the town of Ackley in Hardin county; this state and it was there Ackley laid the foundation for his future thousands. He was at one time reputed to be worth \$100,000, and friends were numerous. Reverses came, and Ackley became practically penniless and about two years since he applied and was taken into the poor house as above stated.

W. C. Campbell, a half breed, for whom the officers of the South Dakota penitentiary at Sioux Falls have been searching for more than two months has been captured in Sioux City. He escaped from the Sioux Falls prison July 3. He had yet to serve seven months of the sentence of two and a half years which he received on being found guilty of receiving stolen property. Campbell has been in Sioux City a month, unbeknown to the officers. A few days ago he was recognized by Charles Dodson, who has a wide acquaintance among the Indians of the vicinity. Dodson pointed him out to Detective Brott. Campbell made an attempt to escape after Brott placed him under arrest, but he did not.

William Foster, the negro who was shot by Mattie Mash at Des Moines a few days ago, died at Mercy hospital. Immediately upon hearing of the death the police department started in search of the girl. After a hunt of an hour she was located in the restaurant where the shooting occurred and taken into custody. Considerable sympathy is expressed for the girl by some of the leading negroes of the town. It seems that Foster had promised to marry her and had accomplished her ruin and in a desperate effort to save herself she had shot at him. She is now in the custody of the police department.

Robt. Brown and Rees Hoyt, two young men of Cumberland, were arrested and taken to the Cass county jail charged with being implicated in the death of Hattie Spies, 15 years old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Spies, living near Cumberland. The death of the young girl occurred under unusual circumstances. She died in a house in the country, three miles from town, with no one present but the two young men, who are charged with having had a hand in her taking off. It is the general opinion, based on testimony, that they tried to assist the girl to escape the disgrace which had come to her, and that in so doing they were accessories to her death.

Leslie Eastburn, the young man charged with the murder of his sweetheart's father at Bloomfield several weeks ago, after having been convicted of manslaughter, has been granted a new trial and his appearance bond reduced from \$10,000 to \$2,000, which he gave and is at liberty pending the new trial. The defense alleged that one of the jurors had expressed an opinion as to the guilt of the young man before the jury was empaneled. This allegation was proved, with the result that a new trial was granted. It is well known that second trials generally result in acquittal, or a verdict amounting to the same thing. Bloomfield people think that Eastburn will go unpunished.

A remarkably fortunate girl is Mrs. Grace Porter of Fort Dodge, who is the probable heir to a million dollar fortune. Telegrams have been received by Mrs. Porter announcing the death of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Adams, in South Bend, Ind. Mrs. Adams was extremely wealthy, and Mrs. Porter was her only near relative and a great favorite. The provisions of the will are not yet made known, but there is no doubt but what she will be made the principal heir of the big estate. Mrs. Porter is still very young and noted for her personal beauty. She was separated from her husband a short time ago, and at present is securing her living by employment in the office of the Iowa Telephone company as "hello" girl. She has gone to Indiana to look after her interests.

About midnight a few nights ago three masked men, armed with ugly revolvers and coupling pins, proceeded to a Jesse James, to hold up the night operator, Mr. Daugherty, at the C. R. I. & P. depot in Newton. A small baggage check window, opening into the office, was open and the gang very swiftly followed their artillery through it. They rifled the safe and money drawer and then went through the pockets of Mr. Daugherty, securing in all between \$30 and \$40. They then marched Mr. Daugherty outside and locked him in a box car, where he stayed for about half an hour, until liberated by the vigorous use of his pedal extremities. An alarm was soon turned in and the deputy sheriff, with the Jasper county bloodhounds, soon gave chase. As a result five suspects are now in the county bastille. The bloodhounds are young and somewhat inexperienced, and not much faith is generally placed in them. This instance will probably prove their value.

An unfortunate family quarrel John Arthofer of Dubuque struck his brother-in-law, Anton Leibet, with a club, killing him almost instantly. They were on good terms, but foolishly took up a squabble of their children.

Secretary Gage of the United States treasury answers a query concerning the proposed sale of the Sioux City & Pacific railroad that there has not been a bid received. This is looked upon as meaning that the Chicago & Northwestern expects to get it without opposition and is in no hurry to bid. The sale should occur next month.

# RUSSIA PROVOKES CRISIS

Issues an Ultimatum Which is Ignored by Li Hung Chang.

Berlin, Sept. 14.—The news bureau sent to China by the German fleet society cables from Shanghai that it has received the following telegram from the Russian government:

"The Russian government makes the following ultimatum: 'The emperor of China shall resume the government himself and shall have Prince Tuan, the Boxer leader, arrested and punished and shall exclude the empress from any influence upon his government.'

"Li Hung Chang has declared that all these demands are unacceptable, except the first, and has abandoned his proposed departure for the north."

The Lokal Anzeiger has received the following from its Shanghai correspondent:

"It is announced from Nanking that the viceroys apprehend action from Germany. The total of Nanking has ordered 3,000 men mustered into service and the same number recruited among the salt smugglers, whose chief has been appointed commander of thirty war junks.

"The German protected cruiser Seeadler passed Nanking with her decks cleared for action. 'Li Hung Chang has abandoned the peace negotiations because Prince Tuan is opposed to them.'

"Nothing is known here in official circles of such action on the part of Germany as is referred to by the advices to the Lokal Anzeiger."

## WORK OF RELIEF BEGUN.

Situation in Galveston Expected to Steadily Improve.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 13.—Governor Sayers has made the following statement to the Associated Press correspondent on the Galveston flood situation:

"Conditions at Galveston are fully as bad as reported. Communication, however, has been re-established between the island and the mainland and hereafter the transportation of supplies will be less difficult. The work of clearing the city is progressing fairly well and Adjutant General Scurry, under direction of the mayor, is patrolling the city for the purpose of preventing depredations. The most conservative estimate as to the number of deaths places them at 2,000. Contributions from citizens of this state and from other states are coming in rapidly and liberally and it is confidently expected that within the next ten days the work of restoration by the people of Galveston will have begun in good earnest and with energy and success. Of course the destruction of property is very great, not less than \$10,000,000, but this is hoped and believed that even this great loss will be overcome through the energy and self-reliance of the people."

## ONLY ONE HOPE LEFT.

Disinfectants Alone Can Save Galveston Survivors.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 14.—The cry still comes from Galveston for disinfectants. It is the one hope of saving what is left of the population. Telegrams are pouring into Dallas and every other Texas city asking for lime, carbolic acid and anything else that will operate to purify the stifling conditions. A new horror is confronting Galveston, that is, a second disposition of many of the dead. Bodies thrown into the sea continue to float back to the city. They must now be disposed of by burning. The state troops that have been on duty at Galveston are breaking down from their exertions and the unsanitary condition. Adjutant General Scurry called out the Dallas Rough Riders of the First Texas cavalry to relieve the exhausted Houston Light Guards. The rough riders, under command of Captain Paget, will at once start for Galveston.

## COTTON CROP RUINED.

Plantations and Crops in Brazos Valley Levelled to the Ground.

Waco, Tex., Sept. 11.—The chief damage done by the storm in this section was to fruit trees and the cotton crop. The big cotton plantations in the Brazos valley look as if armies had fought battles in them, the plants being laid flat on the ground. The wind blew fifty to seventy miles an hour for sixteen hours before subsiding. The late peaches, which are plentiful and had been sold in advance, were swept clean from the trees. In central Texas 50,000 late peach trees have been planted within the last three years. The crop of fruit on these trees is all gone, and also other late fruit. The vineyards present a scene of desolation.

## AMERICANS KILL THIRTY.

They Surprise Three Hundred Imperialists and a Battle Results.

Peking, Sept. 14.—A troop of American cavalry sent to act as a convoy for cattle, surprised 300 imperialists quartered at Temple Shaho. They killed 30 and captured 120 rifles. The enemy fled northward. Some of the Boxers recently attacked two companies of Russians who were guarding a railway working party at South Maopai station. Reinforcements succeeded in dispersing the attacking party. Two Russians were wounded. As this was not the first occasion when attacks of this nature have occurred a punitive force under Colonel Prietkoff was sent with orders to burn the surrounding towns.

London is twelve miles broad one way and seventeen the other, and every year sees about twenty miles of new streets added to it.

## Prince Ching Captured.

Peking, Sept. 13.—Via Taku, Sept. 10, and Shanghai, Tuesday, Sept. 11.—The Japanese found Prince Ching, leader of the conservative pro-foreign party, in the western hills, twenty-eight miles distant, and are holding him there with a view of a conference and in the hope that he may establish communication with the dowager empress.

"I can't go to that church again; the pastor does not believe that people go to hell." "Oh! Don't say that; he believes that some go." "Well, that is better than nothing!"

# GENERAL STRIKE ORDERED.

Miners in Anthracite Region Go Out Almost to a Man.

Indianapolis, Sept. 13.—At 5:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon President Wilson of the United Mine Workers of America affixed their signature to the document which will call out 142,000 miners of the Pennsylvania anthracite region from their work Monday morning and precipitate one of the most gigantic strikes in the history of the labor world. The document was the official endorsement of the request of the anthracite districts to strike. It was considered by the national executive board of the mine workers last week and when the board adjourned all power to endorse the request for the strike was left in the hands of the national president and secretary. The three district presidents reported that of the 142,000 men in the three districts, 134,500 would go on a strike Monday.

# FIVE THOUSAND VICTIMS

Death List at Galveston Increases Appallingly.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 12.—The Post correspondent was instructed to forward the following address to the people of the United States:

"Galveston, Tex., Sept. 11.—It is my opinion, based on personal information, that 5,000 (5,000) people have lost their lives here. Approximately one-third of the residence portion of the city has been swept away. There are several hundred people who are homeless and destitute. How many there is no way of finding out. Arrangements are now being made to have the women and children sent to Houston and other places, but the means of transportation are limited. Thousands are still to be cared for here. We appeal to you for immediate aid. (Signed) Walter J. Jones." Mr. Jones is the mayor of Galveston.

## THE EMPRESS CAPTURED.

A Dispatch States that the Russians Have Taken Her.

London, Sept. 12.—News agency dispatch from Nagasaki says it is reported that the dowager empress of China was captured by the Russians at Joho.

London, Sept. 12.—A Rome dispatch says the Italian cabinet has decided to initiate immediately negotiations with China.

London, Sept. 12.—France has formally adhered to the Russian proposal to withdraw from Peking to Tien Tsin. The Associated Press learns on unquestionable authority telegraphic instructions sent from Paris and St. Petersburg, to ministers from France and Russia at Peking, directing both ministers to take measures to withdraw legations and military contingents from both countries to Tien Tsin immediately if circumstances permit. Diplomatic circles in London are inclined to believe the step will lead to similar action upon the part of the United States and Japan, and while Germany may hold out until Field Marshal von Waldersee arrives in China she may ultimately acquiesce, leaving Great Britain little choice but to follow suit.

# FORTY NEGROES SHOT.

Court Marshal at Galveston Makes Short Work of Ghosts.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 13.—Forty three negroes at Galveston were shot by order of the court martial. Their pockets were found to be full of human fingers and jewelry of which the dead had been stripped.

Galveston, Sept. 14.—Tuesday night ninety negroes were shot by the citizen soldiery while looting and mutilating the bodies of the dead for plunder. The ninety probably do not represent a tenth of those who were engaged in the ghastly practice.

## APPEAL OF LOCAL COMMITTEE.

Conservative Estimate Puts Loss of Life at 3,000.

Galveston, Sept. 12.—The following statement of conditions at Galveston and appeal for aid is issued by the local committee:

"A conservative estimate of the loss of life is that it will reach 3,000; at least 5,000 families are shelterless and wholly destitute. The entire remainder of the population is suffering in greater or less degree. Not a single church, school or charitable institution of which Galveston had so many, is left intact. Not a building escaped damage, and half the whole number were entirely obliterated. There is immediate need for food, clothing and household goods of all kinds. If nearby cities will open asylums for women and children, the situation will be greatly relieved. Coast cities should send us water as well as provisions, including kerosene oil, gasoline and candles."

## ENGLAND'S ANSWER TO RUSSIA

Refuses to Withdraw from Peking Till Certain Conditions are Fulfilled.

London, Sept. 14.—Great Britain's reply to the Russian proposition for the evacuation of Peking, sent two days ago, declines to evacuate Peking prior to receiving satisfactory guarantees from the Chinese government for the fulfillment of certain conditions. There is a general disposition here to accept as mainly true the statement that all the powers have now replied to the Russian proposal, that Great Britain and Germany have declined to evacuate Peking, Austria and Italy decided to be guided by Germany's decision, and others have agreed to more or less modified withdrawal as defining the attitude of the powers.

## Helen Gould Prompt to Aid.

New York, Sept. 13.—Colonel Amos S. Kimball, assistant quartermaster general, was informed by army contractors that Miss Helen Gould had purchased 50,000 army rations for the Galveston sufferers. The rations were started from the Pennsylvania railroad in Jersey City at 3 p. m. yesterday. Miss Gould went directly to the contractors who supply the army with provisions and ordered rations identical with those furnished for soldiers, consisting of bacon, canned meats, beans, hard bread and coffee.

# NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, September 14, 1900.

Adjutant General Byers is engaged in completing a statement of the claims payable in funds due the state of Iowa for its expenses in equipping and supporting the volunteer forces raised here during the period of the Spanish-American war. Aside from checking the statement over and securing necessary affidavits the work is completed and the plan is to certify the statement to Washington at once. Exclusive of quartermaster's stores, which the government will return in kind, the state's claims against the government arising from the Spanish-American war amounted to over \$146,000. Of this amount \$91,482.78 has been paid. It was turned over to the treasury of Iowa in one bulk in April, 1899. Since then nothing has been received. It is the plan of the adjutant general to embody in the present statement all claims that can be paid under the act, amounting approximately to \$55,000. It is expected this amount will be paid the coming December. Outside of this there will be several thousand dollars' worth of disallowed and disputed claims. An effort will be made to have these met next winter by an appropriation of congress. In expenses of the governor in his trip to the southern camps, the expenses of the commission that visited the southern hospitals, the expenses of the adjutant general when he investigated the condition of the Fifty-first regiment at San Francisco, and other items the war department will not authorize payment of on its own responsibility. The government has already returned to the state tax tentage that is due it. There are still a large number of uniforms forthcoming and all other classes of quartermaster's supplies with which the state fitted out the volunteer organizations.

L. A. Wilkinson was removed from the office of secretary of the state board of control on September 3 by that body, which at once elected F. S. Treat to the vacancy and advanced A. B. McCown to the position of chief accountant, formerly held by Mr. Treat. The vote for Mr. Wilkinson's discharge was unanimous. He was notified that he would be given until September 30 to terminate the relations, and would be permitted to "resign" instead of having the record show that he was dismissed. Upon tendering his resignation Mr. Wilkinson delivered to the board a communication making many charges against certain members of the board. Among the charges was one that bidders had been given to certain meat bidders by a member of the board, so that telegraphic changes in bids might be made to the favored one's advantage. Some time ago Mr. Wilkinson charged to the board that one of the other employees of the office had furnished the "tips." According to the testimony of members of the board, investigation revealed that the "tip" had been furnished by the bidder himself, innocently to his competitor. Mr. Wilkinson also says that the board illegally allowed changes in the bids. These and other charges are made the cause for an attack upon the members of the board. Mr. Connie and Mr. Kinne deny all charges and say they are prompted by a desire to get even with the members for discharging him.

A meeting of the various temperance societies and the representative of about twenty of the churches of the city was held in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. building for the purpose of discussing plans for procuring funds to carry the fight against the saloons through the courts. Considerable enthusiasm was manifested, and the leaders of the movement are confident of making the liquor cases come up for hearing. It is proposed to raise money by securing the pledges of 1,000 people to give 25 cents a month for four months, and in this way secure a fund large enough to carry the case to the supreme court if necessary.

Secretary Van Houten of the State Agricultural society is sending out report blanks to the secretaries of the different county and district agricultural societies. The law passed by the last general assembly has made a change in reference to these reports and they must be forthcoming on or before November 1. In case any society fails to report at the required time, state aid is forfeited and no representation is allowed at the annual convention.

The law provides that any county or district agricultural society upon filing with the auditor of state affidavits of its officers showing what sum was actually paid out for the current year for premiums and upon obtaining a certificate from the secretary of the state society, showing the history of the state society, showing that he is entitled to receive from the state treasury a sum equal to 40 per cent of the sum paid to any society to be exceeded \$200. This state aid will be forfeited this year in case of failure to report by November 1.

## Hero of Fashoda Falls.

Marseilles, Sept. 11.—Major Marchand, of Fashoda fame, embarked here on a steamer bound for China, where he is going to represent France on the international commission composed of officers entrusted with the settlement of diplomatic questions and any difficulties arising between the different portions of the foreign corps. An immense crowd gave him a rousing send-off.

## Japan Willing to Withdraw.

London, Sept. 12.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times, wiring September 8, says:

"Japan replied that she will not object to the withdrawal of her minister from Peking and other measures recommended by concert of powers, and since her geographical position enables prompt action to be necessary military measures, she is willing to withdraw superfluous troops. According to trustworthy rumors, Russia is preparing to winter 15,000 troops at Chih Pi."

# LOST ON THE... VELD

## A STORY OF THE BOER CAMPAIGN IN NATAL

By H. B. Mackenzie

### CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

But they were hardly prepared for the sight that met their eyes. In the shelter of the kopje, her face turned towards it, lay a young girl, her print worn torn and stained, her face like that of the dead, her eyes closed, her hair falling in tangled masses about her face. She was frightfully pale, and at first they thought she was dead.

"Feel her heart, Preston," said Greene, in a whisper. "What an emaciated creature! Is she dead?"

"I don't think so," said the other. "Quick! give me some water, Greene!" The other obeyed, and Preston put some to the white, stiff lips. The liquid seemed to bring back a feeble flicker of life. Her eyelids half closed, then shut again.

"Quick! get her on my horse! We must take her with us," said young Preston quickly. "We cannot leave her here to die, even if she dies in our hands. Help me, old fellow!"

The girl was a mere featherweight. Greene uttered an exclamation as he lifted her. They carried her to Preston's horse, and managed to hoist her up in front of the saddle, Greene holding her while Preston mounted.

"It's all right," said the latter. "I think I can manage. Get into your own saddle and let us ride as quickly as we can and rejoin the men, Greene."

"I hope she won't die in our hands," said Greene, as he tumbled into his saddle.

The two speculated as to the extraordinary occurrence as they rode onwards. They were young, and had perhaps a touch of romance in their prosaic English hearts, and the lingering traces of beauty in the seemingly dead face had touched them more than they would have confessed.

"What's to be done with her when we get to camp? We have no place fit for a wounded girl, though our quarters may do for wounded men," said Greene.

"Perhaps we can get her sent to Ladysmith. She could be looked after there," the other answered, reflectively.

As they were nearing the camp, suddenly out of the darkness—it was coming on rapidly—two horses whirled toward them, a white man and a native.

"Halt! Who goes there?" said Preston, as the former galloped right in front of him. Then he added, with an exclamation: "Rothes, old chap, is it you? What on earth are you doing here? And you look ill! Are you hurt?"

The other horseman's face was ghastly, and for a moment he seemed to stay in the saddle; but, recovering himself with a great effort, he pointed to the figure Preston was supporting with his one arm.

"What have you there?" he asked, hoarsely. "I have been for six days scouring the veldt between this and Ladysmith, seeking for some one who has been lost upon it; and now I fear you have found something. For pity's sake let me see her face, Lieutenant Preston!"

Without a word the young man dismounted, still holding the inanimate figure securely; then, lifting her down, he laid her gently on the dry sand.

Adair Rothes, who had sprung from his saddle, bent over her. A sound that was almost like a wild cry came from his lips; but no one heard it but Arthur Preston.

"It is she!" he said in a moment, in a choked voice. "Thank God she is still living! You will give her into my charge, Lieutenant Preston?"

### CHAPTER IX.

There was a farmhouse not far from Newcastle, whose owner, a kindly Scotsman, Adair Rothes had known since he came out to Natal.

It was thither he carried Bluebell, not knowing whether she would live or die. The farmer, Mr. Dalziel, learning the facts of the case—he had already heard of the tragedy of New Keiso—insisted on sending his "spider" at once for Miss Elizabeth, notwithstanding the unsettled state of the country.

Bluebell was laid in a pretty white bed in the little bedroom, which opened, like many South African bedrooms, out into the garden; and there she lay for many hours like one dead, with hardly a pulse to respond to Rothes' touch. The tide of her life was very low; it could not be much lower.

When at last it began to rise again, to his alarm it was with a wildly disordered pulse. She was in a high fever, and raved deliriously and without cessation.

How much the man watching her with agonized eyes and racked heart was to learn of all the poor child had come through!

"Water, water!" she would moan. "Not a drop! O God, let me die soon! Don't let me endure this maddening thirst longer! Hark! that was a lion's roar! Oh, I hope it was! Better to die at once! And they say one doesn't feel pain. It is like a mouse in a cat's claws! Oh, anything—anything better than this awful burning thirst! My throat, it's like a red-hot coal!" Then she would imagine herself in Moore's power.

"No, no! I shall die before I marry you—die a thousand times rather! O God, is there no help for me? Help me, merciful, kind God!" Then her voice sank to a whisper. "If Adair were here—ah, he would help me! He is good and brave. But he will never know now that I loved him." The voice trembled a little, and then silence—blessed silence—came.

And Adair Rothes, with trembling hands, and eyes full of passionate, longing tenderness, bent over the unconscious girl with an agonized prayer.

"Merciful God, spare her to me, if it be Thy will! My darling—my own darling! And she cried to me in her extremity, and I did not know of it! Bluebell, Bluebell!"

Miss Elizabeth arrived in the spider twenty-four hours after, and could only bring Rothes' hand in silence, her thin, sorrow, unlovely face working convulsively.

"God will spare her, Miss Elizabeth," Rothes said huskily. "We both owe a debt we can never repay to the young fellow who found her, for you know it was not I who did so. We might never have seen her again but for Lieutenant Preston."

Rothes knew his duty lay in Ladysmith, yet he could not tear himself from Bluebell's side until he knew whether it was to be life or death. Mercifully, the delirium did not last long, and on the third day, after a long sleep, she opened her eyes, that had full reason in them, upon her aunt.

"Auntie, where am I? she asked feebly. Oh, what a fearful dream I have had!"

When Miss Elizabeth ran for Rothes the strong man felt himself trembling like a child. He returned with her quickly, but he could not speak when Bluebell's eyes rose to his.

"I have had such a fearful dream, Dr. Rothes," she whispered, her eyes appealing with dumb pathos to his trustful ones. "I am afraid it was a reality, though. Is my father dead? Did Mr. Moore carry me away? And was I dying in the veldt?"

"It is all true"—holding the poor little weak hand in his own strong one—"but, God be thanked, you are safe now—safe and in good keeping. All you have to do is to get well."

"Did you find me?" she whispered. And he felt the little hand quiver.

He had determined not to speak, but the question upset all his determinations. He sank on his knees, holding the little hand to his lips.

"I was seeking for you six days, Bluebell; but after all it was a young officer who found you and gave you to my keeping. Oh, Bluebell, my heart is torn in two when I think of all you have gone through and I unable to help you—not knowing at first you wanted help—I, who would give my life to save you pain! My darling! my own darling!"

A little wave of color spread over her white face; her throat fluttered.

"You—love me, then?" she whispered.

"I have loved you ever since I first met you at Maritzburg, Bluebell; but I never dared to hope. Bluebell, it seems wrong to speak of it at this terrible time; but you do care a little, after all, about me?—do you?"

The little, wasted hand stroked his cheek.

"I love you with all my heart, Adair. I knew it that awful night when the Boers"—she paused, shuddering. "You'll take care of me, and not let that dreadful man come near me?"

He folded the hand to his breast, and, bending, kissed again and again the pale little face, cheeks, and eyes and lips.

Rothes went back to Ladysmith next day. The battle of Elandslaagte had taken place, and the hospital in the little town was full.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalziel were kindness itself, and insisted on the Leslies staying as long as ever they felt inclined.

On the first day on which Bluebell was able to get up Adair Rothes appeared. It was two days after the battle of Ladysmith, of which word had been brought to the Dalziels.

Bluebell welcomed him with a blush and a smile that made Rothes' heart throb. But there was something in his face which made Bluebell's heart fret with mingled fear and anxiety.

"You have some news? What is it? Tell me quickly, Adair!" she breathed, lifting her face from his hiding place.

"Yes, my darling," Rothes answered slowly; "I have strange news for you. I do not know how you will take it, Bluebell; something very terrible happened at the battle on Monday. Some one was killed there—some one whom you knew!"

"It was Gerald Moore!" said Bluebell quickly. She turned very pale, and shivered a little.

"I went up to him, when the battle was nearly over, hearing him groaning. I did not know who he was till I was beside him. He was moaning for water, and I turned to get him some. As I did so a wounded Boer near called: 'Look out, doctor!' I stepped aside, and as I did so a bullet whizzed past me, striking my ear. I turned and saw Moore on his elbow, a look of such unnatural hatred on his face as I shall never forget, his gun still in his hand. As I turned he ut-

tered a strange sound, the gun dropped from his hand, and he fell back on the grassy knoll. When I reached him he was dead!"

With a little cry Bluebell folded her arms about her lover's neck.

"Oh, Adair, thank God! thank God, you were saved!"

For a few minutes Rothes did not speak. His strong mouth quivered a little. At last he said:

"Now comes the strange news I have for you, Bluebell. Papers were found upon Gerald Moore, and the officer into whose hands they fell—the general, Bluebell—sent for me. He knows me personally, and knows what you are to me. Those papers affect you, and you only."

"Adair, what can you mean?" she asked, in startled surprise.

Adair took her hand in his, and held it for a moment without speaking.

"A barrier has risen up between you and me, Bluebell—a barrier such as I never dreamt of. I am a poor man—you are an heiress."

She uttered an incredulous exclamation.

"It is true, Bluebell. Now we have the real reason of Moore's determination to marry you. He had seen an advertisement in an English paper, gone home, learned everything, and came here with his mind firmly made up as to his own course. As you know, your father always declared he had been done out of Timlaverstock. His cousin has had it in his possession for fifteen years. Maurice Leslie had three sons. Your father never hoped to come into the property; but, by a strange fatality, these sons have all died since. Maurice Leslie, on whose mind it always preyed that he had cheated your father out of his inheritance, has made you his heiress. You—not your father."

"Oh, Adair!" The girl clung to him, her arms clasped round his neck. "I do not wish to be an heiress. I am happier as I am."

"It seems," said Rothes, "that your father's cousin died a few months ago. The lawyers are now searching for you. You must write to them, Bluebell. And I have been thinking, dear, you and Miss Elizabeth are safer out of the country just now. We must get you to Durban, thence to Scotland."

She uttered a little cry, her face deathly white.

"Adair! You wish to get rid of me, then? Oh, and I thought—I thought—you loved me!"

He clasped her close, covering the sweet face with passionate kisses.

"My own darling! But, Bluebell, do you think I am so selfish as to wish to keep you here during this dark time that is coming upon us, when you might be living in luxury and safety at home?"

"And you in danger, doing your duty here?" she half sobbed. "Adair, are you to have all the unselfishness and I none? No, dear, I shall not go. I have made up my mind."

They were married. The bride's father had been but a month in his lonely grave, and they were themselves in the midst of that dark tragedy which had not then ended. But human love, next to divine, can lighten the darkest sorrows and the most terrible surroundings.

"You are not afraid," he said, as, having bade farewell to the weeping Miss Elizabeth, who had agreed to go meantime to Maritzburg, he led his wife into the pretty little house that was beginning to look desolate and deserted in the forsaken town.

She raised her sweet face to his. Her eyes were full of tears, but they had a smile in their depths.

"I am sad at parting with poor auntie," she whispered. "But I am glad, so glad, to be beside you, Adair, and I am not afraid with you, dear. Why should I be. We are together, and God is all over, and He can take care of us in the future as He has in the past."

(The end.)

### Men's Shortcomings.

A current monthly puts the blame of men's faults on women. It says: "Women make society; they are accountable largely for the faults of the male portion of it, at least for the growth and extent of fault. If men fall short it is because women have not demanded higher standards. And if the woman who works is not treated with the same courtesy as she whose delicately gloved hand holds her own bank book, it is the fault of that same dainty hand, which is not held out in kind comradeship to one that wields pencil or scissors. Men get their cue from woman's treatment of women. But men are rarely unkind; theirs is rather the absence of kindness; and of the two, the latter were preferable."

### Severe Sealed Instructions.

There is a certain lawyer who in his youthful days liked to play hockey occasionally. Once being required to bring a written excuse he applied to a classmate to help him out. So his friend wrote: "Dear Mrs. G.: Please give Sam a whipping, and oblige his mother," and sealed it. Sam handed it in, perfectly satisfied; but imagine his consternation when the teacher proceeded to carry out instruction. All importunities were of no avail. Sam caught a whipping and learned not to play hockey again.

### Worked Hard for It.

"You seem to have quite a sum in your bank, Bobby," remarked the visitor. "Yes," said Bobby; "ma gives me 10 cents a week for coming to the table with clean hands and face." "Ten cents is a good deal of money for a little boy to earn every week." "Yes, ma'am, but I have to do a large amount of work for it."



### What Two Women Saw.

There is a man in this town who is marvelling over the long range and the sharp range of feminine eyesight. His surprise is due to a little incident he witnessed the other afternoon.

Two women boarded the open trolley in which he rode and took a seat directly in front of him. One was fat and spoke in a soft gurgle; the other was thin, nervous and sharp-voiced. Having finished reading his paper the man noted these things in that idle, trivial spirit which seems to possess the average trolley rider.

Presently as the car whizzed along he saw the two women turn quickly, nod vigorously toward the sidewalk and hail some one there with an eager "How do you do?"

The car went buzzing by so fast that although the man glanced involuntarily in the same direction, caught only a flitting vision of pink-clad girlhood escorted by a something in trousers. But in that sixteenth of a second the two women in front saw! The man is wondering yet how they managed it.

"Was that the young fellow Marie is engaged to?" asked the fat woman of her companion.

"Yes, John Blank's son. Fine looking, isn't he?"

"Well, I never saw him before, but he struck me as being too thin and gawky. But that sort of hat makes a man appear like an overgrown school-boy. Marie looked as though she thought he was pie."

"I should say she did! By the way, how that girl has improved!"

"Yes; she looked better today than I've ever seen her. A new dress does so much for a woman."

"Why, that wasn't a new dress. That was the pink organdie she wore so much last summer. Don't you remember it?"

"Was it, really? It looked different to me, somehow. Hasn't she changed it a little?"

"Yes, I noticed she had put in a tucked yoke and sleeves."

"It fitted her well, but I thought the deep shade of pink about her throat was rather trying."

"Well, Marie never had much color, you know, and a pink hat does bring out the yellow in a woman's skin."

"But those French roses on that Tus-

can straw were exquisite. She never got those for a penny."

"I should say not. She's an extravagant creature. As she held up her skirt I saw she wore a new taffeta simply lace cobwebs. Ruffles and ruffles—"

The man in the rear blinked his eyes.

What sort of X-ray penetration belonged to that sex, any way?—Dorothy Maddox in the Philadelphia Inquirer

### Importance of Cheerfulness.

"Laugh and grow fat," is a proverb that is worthy of being made a part of one's creed for daily living. Proverbs are merely epitomes of human experience, and that particular saying commends itself to the observant mind. A laugh is complex in its workings, but direct in its result. It has a physical movement, causing the arteries to dilate and the flow of blood to hasten, thus promoting an increase of vital processes and a mental action through stimulating the blood vessels of the brain, says the New York Tribune.

### DOTTED PINK MUSLIN.



In combination; black taffeta belt, black ribbon on the bodice; skirt laid in tucks.

### To Remove Stains.

To remove grass stains soak and rub the spots in water and cream of tartar.

Sprinkle salt on a wine stain and pour hot water through it until it is gone.

Fruit stains may usually be removed by pouring boiling water through the stain.

For mildew, wet the spot with lemon juice and expose to the sunlight. Or soak in water with chloride of lime, one tablespoonful to a gallon.

### AN AUTUMN WAIST.



OF LIGHT-WEIGHT FLANNEL, CUT WITH VERY SLIGHT FULLNESS AT THE BELT, FINISHED WITH TUCKS.

## THE GALVESTON HORROR

Details Show that the City is Indeed a Wreck.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 11.—The first reports from the appalling disaster which has stricken the city of Galveston do not seem to have been magnified. Communication was had with the island city by boats and reports received here last night indicate that the death list will exceed 1,500, while the property loss cannot be estimated, although it will reach several million dollars.

The names of all who perished in Saturday's great storm will never be known.

At the army barracks near San Antonio a report is current that more than 105 United States soldiers lost their lives in Galveston. This report, however, lacks confirmation.

A mass meeting was held and liberal contributions were made for the immediate relief of the destitute.

Governor Snyers appealed to President McKinley for aid. This appeal was met with a prompt response that 10,000 tents and 50,000 rations had been ordered to Galveston. Governor Snyers also addressed an appeal to each municipality in the state, asking for prompt assistance in caring for the sufferers.

Telegrams of inquiry and sympathy have been pouring in throughout the day and night from every state in the union, and in almost every instance substantial relief has been offered. The stricken city is in imminent danger of a water famine and strenuous efforts are being made here to supply the sufferers. Reports from the interior confirm the loss of life and destruction of property reported in former dispatches.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 11.—Advises by boat from Galveston say the storm commenced raging between 9 and 10 o'clock Saturday morning and by noon the waters from the gulf had inundated the island as far inland as Twelfth street. From there the waters gradually encroached on the island, rising about fifteen inches an hour. At 6 p. m. there were thirty-six inches of water in the lobbies of the Tremont hotel, the highest point in the city. Across the street, where the ground is lower, a horse was drowned. At 9 o'clock the water on Market street was level with the seats of the street cars. After that it gradually receded, but the wind was cyclonic in its force. It reached a velocity of eighty-four miles an hour and then the instruments in the government observatory were wrecked. The loss is appalling. The waterworks are in ruins and the cisterns are blown away, so that the lack of water is one of the most serious of the present troubles. Ruin is everywhere. Electric light and telegraph poles are nearly all prostrated and the streets are littered with timbers, slate, glass and every conceivable character of debris.

There is hardly an inhabitable house in the entire city and nearly every business house is badly damaged. The school buildings are unroofed, such edifices as the Ball high school and Rosenberg school buildings being badly wrecked. The fine churches are almost in ruins. The elevators and warehouses are unfit for use. The electric light plant has collapsed and so has the cotton factory. From Tremont to P street, thence to the beach, not a vestige of a residence is to be seen.

In the business section of the city the water was from three to ten feet deep in stores and stocks of all kinds, including foodstuffs, are total losses. While the Post correspondent was in Galveston Saturday night it was a common sight for him to see women and children emerging from once comfortable and happy homes dazed and bleeding from wounds, the women wading neck deep holding babies over their heads. To add, if possible, to the calamity, the city is cut off entirely from the world. The telegraph lines are down and the cable which connects Galveston with Mexico is cut. In sailing for Texas City the Post correspondent used a strong glass but could see nothing of any of the bridges which connect the island with the mainland, but where the bridge should be a big ocean vessel is stranded.

### DAMAGE TO HOSPITALS.

Great Loss of Life Reported From Large Institutions.

Houston, Tex., Sept. 11.—An Associated Press correspondent who visited Galveston writes as follows:

"The first hurried glance over the city showed that the largest structures supposed to be the most substantially built, suffered the greatest."

"The Orphans' Home fell in like a nose of cards. How many dead children and refugees are in the ruins could not be ascertained."

"Of the sick in St. Mary's infirmary, together with the attendants, only eight are understood to have been saved."

"The Old Women's Home on Rosenberg avenue collapsed and the Rosenberg school house is a mass of wreckage. The high school is but an empty shell, crushed and broken. Every church in the city, with possibly one or two exceptions, is in ruins."

"At the forts nearly all the soldiers are reported dead, they having been in temporary quarters, which gave them no protection against the tempest or the flood."

"No report has been received from the Catholic Orphan asylum down the island, but it seems impossible that it could have withstood the hurricane. If it fell, the inmates were no doubt lost, for there was no aid within a mile."

"The bay front from end to end is in ruins. Nothing but pling and the wreck of great warehouses remain. The elevators lost all their super-works and their stocks are damaged by water."

### SUSPECTED CASES OF PLAGUE.

At Glasgow One Hundred Cases Are Under Observation.

Glasgow, Sept. 8.—It is officially announced that there are thirteen suspected cases of plague and 100 under observation. The authorities believe the spread of the plague to be checked. Three Norwegian sailors belonging to the trawler *Herrn* of Bergen have become ill at Aberdeen, showing symptoms of bubonic plague. The health officer of that port expresses hope, however, that the outbreak will prove not to be the plague.

**RACE ECHOES.**

A \$75,000 capital instalment and supply company has been organized by seven colored men at Newark, N. J.

On the 2nd and 3rd of October the National Afro American Medical Association will convene at St. Louis.

Mr. Roscoe Conklin Bruce, son of the late B. K. Bruce, and a student at Harvard University, addressed the Men's Sunday club at Chicago last Sunday. His subject was, "Character of Abraham Lincoln."

The German government has asked Prof. Booker T. Washington to send three of his graduates to take charge of and conduct a model farm in one of the German provinces, on the west coast of Africa, and yet some of our people say what is the use of being educated.

**DOCTOR YOURSELF.**

"Gonora" Tablets are mailed and guaranteed by Kidd Drug Company Elgin, Ill., to cure all forms of diseases of Urinary organs, and system, Bladder, etc., including Gonorrhoea, Gleet, Whites, Leucorrhoea, unnatural discharges, irritations and ulcerations of the urinary organs and mucous membranes never gives stricture, harmless and painless. An internal remedy with injections combined; only one in the world. Sent per mail on receipt of price, \$3 per package or 3 for \$5. Don't fool with cheap substitutes. Retail and wholesale of Hurlbut & McArthur, Des Moines, Ia. Full line of rubber goods; name what you want.

**CLINTON.**

(Special to the Bystander.)

Clinton, Iowa, Sept. 11.—The A. M. E. literary society met on the above named date at the home of Mr. Damon, North Second street. After the business of the society was transacted the following programme was rendered:

1. Recitation... Mrs. J. T. Culbertson
2. Solo... Viola Moreland
3. Instrumental... Helen Ely
4. Baritone solo... Schiller Emerson
5. Instrumental... Schiller Emerson

By request Prof. Damon rendered some very choice selection on the cello, and Mr. Schiller Emerson and Miss Helen Ely entertained those present for the rest of the evening with piano solos.

The society is prospering nicely socially and financially, and its special aim is to do all they can for the church and charitable purpose.

The guests from out of the city were: Miss Estrella Thomas of Monmouth and Miss Gracia Eleann; Gash of Galesburg, Ill. Refreshments were served Mesdames Damon, Smith and Allen. At a late hour they departed after having a very enjoyable evening.

**Cured of Chronic Diarrhoea After Thirty Years of Suffering.**

"I suffered for thirty years with diarrhoea and thought I was past being cured," says John S. Holloway, of French Camp, Miss. "I had spent so much time and money and suffered so much that I had given up all hopes of recovery. I was so feeble from the effects of the diarrhoea that I could do no kind of labor, could not even travel, but by accident I was permitted to find a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and after taking several bottles I am entirely cured of that trouble. I am so pleased with the result that I am anxious that it be in reach of all who suffer as I have." 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."

Venice has had three international art exhibitions since 1895, and all of them have been successful. The last one, which closed on Nov. 13, occasioned the sale of \$70,000 worth of paintings, 19 per cent of which went into the pockets of non-Italian artists.

**DANGER IN IOWA.**

**Chairman Weaver Gives Warning to Republican Voters.**

**What a Ten or Twenty Per Cent. Loss of Vote Will Do.**

**Such a Falling Off Would Elect Several Democrats to Congress from Iowa.**

**Urgent Necessity of Keeping Up Iowa's Republican Majority, Which Sustains the Credit of the State.**

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 10.—"Did you ever take the trouble to calculate what would be the effect in the congressional districts of Iowa of a falling off in the republican vote of ten to twenty per cent.?" asked Chairman Weaver, of the republican state committee, as he took down a copy of the official register giving the vote by congressional districts in 1896 and 1898. "The only serious danger which confronts us as a party and as a campaign committee in Iowa this year is the apparent overconfidence of republican voters. They seem to think that it doesn't matter much whether they vote or not, that everything will be all right anyway. I think I can show these men the danger of the course they are pursuing and convince them that it is necessary for every man to have his vote counted this fall if he expects to be satisfied with the results."

"Let us take the First congressional district. In 1896 the republican vote was 21,944 and the plurality 3,295. A falling off of 20 per cent. from that vote would give the district to the democrats by a large majority, for the full democratic vote will be polled this fall. In 1898 the republican vote was 17,817 and the plurality 3,249. Twenty per cent. loss from that vote would give the democrats a comfortable margin. They are counting on just this thing happening, and that is the reason why they are claiming that they will carry the First district. That district is made up very largely of strong republican counties, offset by some democratic strongholds. The democrats will all vote. The republicans up in the country are expected by the democrats to stay at home. Democratic expectations are based upon republican carelessness and a close organization on the part of the democrats. This they have throughout the state this year very much better than they have ever had before. Secretary Walsh, of the democratic national committee, boasts that he is in personal communication with 32,000 precinct workers in Iowa. "Take the Second district. In 1896 the republican vote was 22,202, a plurality of 3,320. In 1898 the republican vote was 18,799 and the plurality 1,282. Even a ten per cent. loss here would defeat Capt. Rumpke, the republican nominee. "It will be said that the Third district is safe because in 1896 it gave Col. Henderson a majority of 10,423 and in 1898 a majority of 6,941. But it has not always been so in this district. In 1890 Col. Henderson carried the district by a plurality of 198 and in 1892 by 1,459. If there is a heavy falling off in the republican vote in that district this year it will encourage the democrats to make another fight on Col. Henderson and he will have to stay at home two years from now and defend his seat in congress. The same may be said of the Fourth and Fifth districts. They have good safe majorities now, but both of them have in recent years been carried by the democrats and if the republicans relax their hold for a single year, it will be necessary to make another big fight to hold those districts. "In the Sixth district Maj. Lacey was elected in 1896 by a plurality of 1,201. His vote was 21,970. In 1898 he had a plurality of 1,417 over Gen. Weaver, the republican vote that year being 19,738. It does not require much figuring to show that a ten per cent. loss in the republican vote in that district this year would land a democrat in congress. The democrats are making a special effort to carry the Sixth district. Col. Hepburn had 24,783 votes in the Eighth district in 1896, but his majority was only 827. In 1898 his vote was 22,327 and his majority 2,605. That is another district which democrats are claiming and will make a great effort to carry. If ten per cent. of the republicans in that district were to refrain from voting Col. Hepburn will be defeated. The same would be true in the Ninth district, where the republican vote in 1896 was 24,904 and the majority 2,245. Two years later Smith McPherson, with 21,976 votes, had a majority of 3,818. The district is now considered safely republican, but if there should be a slump in the republican vote this year it would be again placed in the doubtful column. The Seventh, Tenth and Eleventh districts have always been republican by large majorities in recent years. But there is no surer way to disrupt the politics of a district and make trouble for the party than for the republicans to show a lack of interest in the election of their congressman and allow his majority to reach low-water mark.

"The records of the county votes here show that in many counties the republican county ticket has been elected by a small majority and that if five or ten per cent. that is one republican in ten or twenty, stays at home and does not vote the republican county ticket will be defeated and the party organization will thereby be demoralized and the democrats will be entrenched in a position of advantage for the future. "It is just as necessary to roll up a big majority in Iowa this year as it ever was. Iowa is now considered a sure republican state. Is there any republican who desires to participate in casting a cloud upon that title by reducing the majority to such a point that the democrats will be encouraged to claim that Iowa is veering around toward the democracy and may, by strenuous efforts on the part of the democrats, become a democratic state? It will be much easier and much more satisfactory for republicans to retain their hold by bringing out their full strength this fall than by permitting the state to slump and make a misleading record. Iowa's position in favor of sound money and protection has been worth millions of dollars to the credit of the state. Iowa farmers and business men can borrow money on better terms than any other state west of the Mississippi. This is because the policy of repudiation and national dishonor has never found any sympathy in Iowa. But let it appear that there is any chance of a reversal of this judgment, that free silver is gaining ground in Iowa, and the situation will be very different. Capitalists will look askance at Iowa securities."

**Flooring Hewed with Adz.**  
There are millions of feet of flooring in the Philippine islands which have been hewed, out with the adz. Some of the floors of the best houses of Manila are of this kind. One can see the rough places where the chips have been cut out, but the grain of the wood is so fine that, from daily sweeping and scrubbing, it has taken a polish like that of a plate-glass mirror.

**He Wasn't the Dog.**  
A citizen walking past a butcher shop in Beatrice, Neb., saw the butcher and a customer rolling over the sawdust floor in a lively rough-and-tumble fashion. He pried them apart and then learned that the customer had come in to buy some dog meat. The butcher nonchalantly asked: "Do you wish to eat it here or shall I wrap it up?" Then the trouble began.

**To Filter Water.**  
An easy way to filter water is to take a clean, deep flowerpot, and put a compressed sponge in the bottom. Over this put a layer of pebbles an inch thick, then an inch of coarse sand, a layer of charcoal, and over all another layer of pebbles. The water will filter pure and clear through the hole at the bottom of the flowerpot into another vessel below.

**Why They Are Called Hangers.**  
Wall paper does not hang, and yet the person whose business it is to paste it up is called a paper hanger. The reason is simple. Long before the introduction of wall papers Arras, a town in France, was famous for its tapestries, called "arras." These were used as wall coverings and the men who were employed to put them up were called hangers.

**Digging Baked Potatoes.**  
Near Binghamton, N. Y., farmers are digging baked potatoes from their fields. The fields adjoin a peat bog and the peat runs back under the land. Recently the bog took fire and has been burning ever since. In places the fire has worked back under the potato patches and the potatoes have been nicely roasted in the ground.

**Mason and Dixon Line.**  
Prof. W. B. Clark of Johns Hopkins university has been appointed by the governor of Maryland commissioner on behalf of that state, to act with a similar commission of Pennsylvania and the superintendent of the United States coast and geodetic survey in the re-establishment of the old Mason and Dixon line.

**Takes Plant Boarders.**  
A Philadelphia woman makes a comfortable living in summer by taking plants to "board." When the wealthy residents of the city close their homes, preparatory to spending the season at the seaside, the woman calls and gets their plants and takes them to her own conservatory.

**Professor of Embryology.**  
Dr. Charles Atwood Kofoid has been appointed assistant professor of embryology in the University of California. He is now completing his work as superintendent of the state natural history survey of Illinois, and will not assume his new duties until the first of next year.

**The Shah is Progressive.**  
The shah of Persia has sent an agent to this country for a brief examination of the electric trolley system of Greater New York. The shah purposes to establish a trolley car line between Teheran and a port on the Caspian sea, a distance of 93 miles.

**Japanese Art.**  
Japanese art, according to Albert East, is "great in small things, but small in great things." Among other things, it has never succeeded in successfully transferring to canvas the "human form divine."

**Tobacco as Brain Stimulant.**  
Thomas Nelson Page is the latest author to testify to the virtues of tobacco as a brain stimulant. He is himself a smoker, and always smokes just before taking up his pen and more or less while writing.

**To Honor Mrs. Gladstone.**  
It is proposed to commemorate the late Mrs. Gladstone's useful and beautiful life by endowing a Catharine Gladstone ward in the Women's hospital in London as a fitting monument.

**Stevenson's Christian Name.**  
Adlai E. Stevenson has a great deal of trouble with his acquaintances over the pronunciation of his Christian name. Not one person in a dozen, he says, pronounces it properly.

**Men Dye More Than Women.**  
A New York druggist said recently that according to his experience men use hair dyes to a much greater extent than women.

**THE FARMERS' PROSPERITY.**

**How Farm Products Have Gone Up in Price Under Republican Policies.**

Chicago, Sept. 10.—The best showing of the change in the condition of the American farmer between the first nomination of Mr. McKinley and his renomination is a simple statement of the prices ruling for farm staples at each date. It is an argument against the abandonment of republican policies which cannot be met. The following table shows the current market price of different staple crops on June 1, 1896, and June 1, 1900, the quotations given being Chicago market quotations except in case of cotton and hops, which are New York quotations:

Farm Products	June 1, 1896	June 1, 1900	Ad- vance
Wheat, No. 2—No. 3 in store, per bu.	\$ 27 1/2	\$ 37 1/2	37
Wheat, No. 2—No. 3 in store, per bu.	57	64 1/2	13
Oats—No. 2 in store, per bu.	17 1/2	23 1/2	23
Rye—No. 2 in store, per bu.	33	53	61
Barley—Fair to good malting, per bu.	28	40	43
Potatoes—Choice Burbank, per bu.	28	40	43
Hay—No. 1 Timothy, per ton	9 25	11 50	24
Flaxseed—No. 1 N. W., per bu.	82	1 80	119
Butter—Creamery, choice, per lb.	14 1/2	18	26
Cheese—Fullcream, choice, per lb.	6 1/2	8 1/2	20
Packing, 100 lbs.	3 25	5 12 1/2	58
Live Cattle—Butcher steers, 100 lbs., per 100 lbs.	3 55	3 32 1/2	22
Sheep—Westerns, per 100 lbs.	3 25	4 57 1/2	53
Clover seed—Prime contract, per 100	7 40	7 50	1
Hops—N. W. state, choice, per lb.	7 1/2	99	26
Cotton—Middling uplands, per lb.	7 1/2	99	26
Broom corn, fair to good, per ton	32 50	180 00	454
Live Hogs—Heavy, per 100 lbs.	7	12	72
Millet seed—German, per 100 lbs.	80	1 20	50
Eggs—Fresh, per doz.	9 1/2	10 1/2	8
Wool—Tub washed, per lb.	16 1/2	29	76

**LIVE STOCK VALUES.**

**How Prosperity Under McKinley Has Stimulated the Live Stock Market.**

Washington, Sept. 10.—After lands and improvements the greatest item of wealth of the American farmer is his live stock, and the value of such farm stock is a perfect barometer of his financial condition. Practically the highest point ever reached was at the close of 1892, the last year of the Harrison administration, when the valuation was \$2,483,506,681, the country being prosperous, labor fully employed and wages good. The lowest point reached in the past 20 years was at the close of 1896, when mills were closed, fires drawn, labor idle, capital in hiding and business confidence destroyed by four years of democratic administration. In four years the shrinkage of this form of farm wealth had amounted to 33 per cent., making \$828,091,000 the price which the owners of live stock paid for the democratic experiment of 1892. In the three years of industrial activity which followed the election of McKinley the value of live stock has kept pace upward with the increased earning and spending capacity of American labor, and on January 1, 1900, it had advanced to \$2,288,375,413, or a rise of \$632,960,000, or 38 per cent., from the depths of the depression. The figures in detail, as shown in the official reports of the department of agriculture, are as follows:

	VALUE OF LIVE STOCK.	
	Jan. 1, 1897.	Jan. 1, 1900.
Horses	\$152,945,236	\$693,969,042
Mules	92,302,099	111,717,092
Cows	369,238,593	514,812,106
Cattle	507,928,421	689,488,209
Sheep	87,920,942	122,665,912
Hogs	166,272,770	245,725,000
	\$1,655,414,612	\$2,288,375,413

Hon. Charles A. Towne is on his way to Washington, Oregon and California. If he is to beg the voters of those states to alarm themselves about Mr. Bryan's paramount issue, he has a hard task before him. The paramount issue is not calculated for the Pacific coast.—N. Y. Sun.

**Plenty of Hot Water in New Zealand.**  
In New Zealand geysers and thermal springs are plentiful and portions of the country are constantly disturbed. In 1886 Tararawa was in violent eruption, covering villages with stones and ashes for many miles. The beautiful terraces near Mount Rotomahana, the admiration of many tourists, were destroyed. One township was covered with mud. Sixty square miles suffered from this eruption, and 100 people were killed.

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There are millions of feet of flooring in the Philippine islands which have been hewed, out with the adz. Some of the floors of the best houses of Manila are of this kind. One can see the rough places where the chips have been cut out, but the grain of the wood is so fine that, from daily sweeping and scrubbing, it has taken a polish like that of a plate-glass mirror.

**He Wasn't the Dog.**  
A citizen walking past a butcher shop in Beatrice, Neb., saw the butcher and a customer rolling over the sawdust floor in a lively rough-and-tumble fashion. He pried them apart and then learned that the customer had come in to buy some dog meat. The butcher nonchalantly asked: "Do you wish to eat it here or shall I wrap it up?" Then the trouble began.

**To Filter Water.**  
An easy way to filter water is to take a clean, deep flowerpot, and put a compressed sponge in the bottom. Over this put a layer of pebbles an inch thick, then an inch of coarse sand, a layer of charcoal, and over all another layer of pebbles. The water will filter pure and clear through the hole at the bottom of the flowerpot into another vessel below.

**Why They Are Called Hangers.**  
Wall paper does not hang, and yet the person whose business it is to paste it up is called a paper hanger. The reason is simple. Long before the introduction of wall papers Arras, a town in France, was famous for its tapestries, called "arras." These were used as wall coverings and the men who were employed to put them up were called hangers.

**Digging Baked Potatoes.**  
Near Binghamton, N. Y., farmers are digging baked potatoes from their fields. The fields adjoin a peat bog and the peat runs back under the land. Recently the bog took fire and has been burning ever since. In places the fire has worked back under the potato patches and the potatoes have been nicely roasted in the ground.

**Mason and Dixon Line.**  
Prof. W. B. Clark of Johns Hopkins university has been appointed by the governor of Maryland commissioner on behalf of that state, to act with a similar commission of Pennsylvania and the superintendent of the United States coast and geodetic survey in the re-establishment of the old Mason and Dixon line.

**Takes Plant Boarders.**  
A Philadelphia woman makes a comfortable living in summer by taking plants to "board." When the wealthy residents of the city close their homes, preparatory to spending the season at the seaside, the woman calls and gets their plants and takes them to her own conservatory.

**Professor of Embryology.**  
Dr. Charles Atwood Kofoid has been appointed assistant professor of embryology in the University of California. He is now completing his work as superintendent of the state natural history survey of Illinois, and will not assume his new duties until the first of next year.

**The Shah is Progressive.**  
The shah of Persia has sent an agent to this country for a brief examination of the electric trolley system of Greater New York. The shah purposes to establish a trolley car line between Teheran and a port on the Caspian sea, a distance of 93 miles.

**Japanese Art.**  
Japanese art, according to Albert East, is "great in small things, but small in great things." Among other things, it has never succeeded in successfully transferring to canvas the "human form divine."

**Tobacco as Brain Stimulant.**  
Thomas Nelson Page is the latest author to testify to the virtues of tobacco as a brain stimulant. He is himself a smoker, and always smokes just before taking up his pen and more or less while writing.

**To Honor Mrs. Gladstone.**  
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**Stevenson's Christian Name.**  
Adlai E. Stevenson has a great deal of trouble with his acquaintances over the pronunciation of his Christian name. Not one person in a dozen, he says, pronounces it properly.

**Men Dye More Than Women.**  
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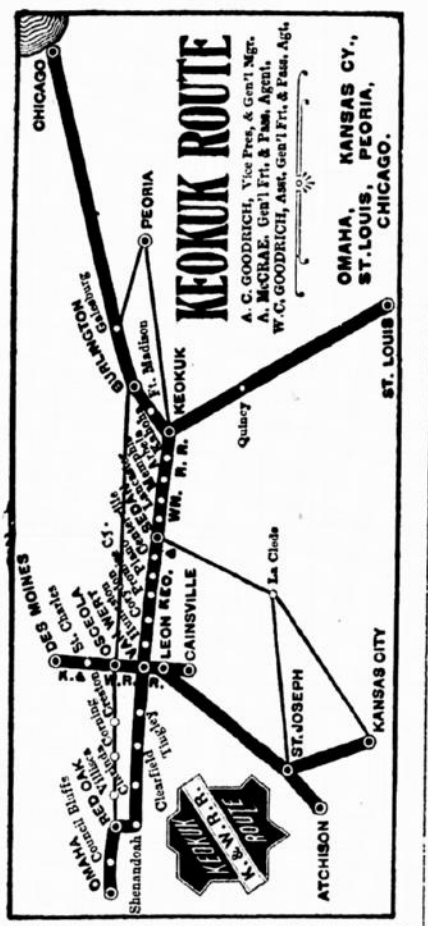
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#### The Ages of Men.

A great man does not always attain a ripe old age; in fact, hardly half of the greatest men of modern and ancient times have reached the limit of age set by the Bible. Among statesmen: Mirabeau was 42; Pitt, 47; Caesar, 55; Richelieu, 57; Cromwell, 59; Frederick the Great, 74; Dismael, 75; Bismarck, 83; Talleyrand, 84. Of great conquerors: Alexander the Great died at 32; Napoleon at 61, Hannibal at 53, Mariborough at 72, Blucher at 76, Wellington at 83, Xenophon at 86, Moltke at 91. The age of the decease of philosophers was: Spinoza, 44; Descartes, 53; Aristotle, 62; Socrates, 68; Linnaeus, 70; Copernicus, 70; Galileo, 78; Kant, 79; Plato, 82; Newton, 84; Humboldt, 89. The longevity of great writers, poets, varies from Byron, 36, to Sophocles, 90. To painters death came at ages varying from Raphael at 37, to Titian at 59.

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#### NEWTON NOTES.

Mr. Paul Waldon departed for Indianapolis, Ind., last Monday, where he will make an extended visit with friends.  
Mr. Roy Hale has returned from his visit in Missouri, and reports a splendid time.  
Messrs and Mesdames John Miller, W. E. Fine, Mr. Clarence Miller and Mrs. Waldon were Des Moines visitors last week.  
Mr. Marrion Mayes has returned home from Davenport.  
Miss Gertrude Green has returned home from her visit in Rock Island, Moline and Davenport.  
Messrs Watson, Waldon, Hayes and Miss Hattie Mayes and Mrs. W. E. Fine were among those who went on the excursion to Oskaloosa last Sunday.  
Numerous visitors are expected in our city this week to attend the Jasper Co. fair.

#### KNOXVILLE NOTES.

Mr. Sim Jeffers returned home from Bussey Friday.  
Miss Mirtylle Cooper is visiting friends in Albion and Chariton.  
Miss Jessie Jeffers entered school this week, also Miss Hallie Bird.  
Mr. Din Jeffers visited in Oskaloosa last week.  
Madam rumor reports a wedding here soon.  
Miss Edie Jeffers is expected to return home soon.  
Clarabell, Udell and Edgar Toulin are on the sick list.  
Miss Lucile Jeffers returned to her home last week after a delightful visit in town.  
Mrs. W. P. Bird expects to visit in Quincy, Ill. soon.

#### MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Miss Jessie Walker has returned home after a visit to Omaha and St. Paul.  
Mr. J. L. Wallace was in our city a few days looking after business.  
Miss Clara Wilkerson gave a party in honor of Mr. J. L. Wallace, and those present voted it a grand success.  
Mr. H. R. Wright and wife returned to Iowa City Monday, where Mr. Wright is attending the law department. Mrs. Grundy went along to look after the cooking for the students.  
Mr. Thomas Cobbs, who has been sick for the past two weeks, is able to be out again.  
Mrs. G. L. Sutin visited over Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Howard Albion.

#### MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

Rev. James Higgins of Burlington was in our city one day last week, attending to business.  
Mesdames M. Burnough and H. Chy returned home after a pleasant visit in Des Moines and Evans Iowa.  
Rev. Miller of Second Baptist church went to Keokuk last week to attend the Baptist association.  
Mr. A. Mason returned last week from G. A. R. encampment in Chicago and also a visit with his sons, Luther of that city and William of Evanston, Ill.  
Mr. and Mrs. Drew of Burlington have come to our city to remain awhile.  
Mrs. J. Tally and daughter Alma have returned from a visit to Chicago and are making preparations to return there this week to make it their future home.  
After running a stand at the Henry county fair last week, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett went to Fairfield this week to run a stand at the Jefferson county fair.  
Mrs. C. Williams of Peoria, Ill., is visiting Mrs. Geo. Coalson.  
Mr. O. Folks of Burlington was engaged to sell schedules at the fair last week.  
Miss Ida M. Godfrey has returned to Kansas City to resume her duties.  
Miss Irene McNeal of Peoria, Ill., is visiting her parents Mr. and M. S. E. McNeal.  
Miss Lulu Lewis returned to her home in Hannibal, Mo., last Tuesday, after a pleasant visit in this city. Miss Lewis is one of the teachers in public school of Hannibal.  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mosely of Ottumwa were here last week. They went from here to Chicago.  
Mr. D. Fidler of Omaha, Neb., is in the city to assist in his brother Joe's barber shop.

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#### Britain's New Halfpenny Stamp.

Great Britain has issued a new halfpenny stamp, green in color; a new bi-colored postage and revenue stamp will also be issued about midsummer, when the stock of the present single colored green stamp will be exhausted.

#### Bent on Revenge.

Indianapolis Journal: "The Dwigges are queer people." "What's the matter now?" "Well, somebody in the neighborhood broke their lawn mower last summer, and they are round taking up a collection to buy a new one."

#### Suez Shipping Tolls.

Receipts from shipping tolls at the Suez canal in the four first months of 1900 were \$5,746,000, against \$6,425,000 in the same period of 1899 and \$5,705,000 in 1898.

#### Phoenix Park.

This is a fine public pleasure ground and favorite resort in Dublin, Ireland. It is one of the beauty spots of the city, and is much admired by tourists.

#### Victoria's Eyesight Test.

The London Chronicle states that Queen Victoria's eyesight is becoming a matter of grave concern to those about her. Even the blue spectacles, with which Dublin and London are alike familiar, are failing of their old effect. All dispatches and all letters, except the most private, are read to her majesty, who now writes little more than her signature with her own hand. A famous foreign eye doctor has been lately consulted, but without any encouraging result.

#### Not All Ring Deceivers.

While the Queensberry family is generally associated with prize fighting and personal eccentricities, there are members of it who have achieved distinction in other lines. One is the Hon. John Douglas, C. M. G., who has just published in Brisbane an interesting history of Thursday Island, the sentry guarding the northern approach to Australia, where he has been government resident for the last 15 years.

#### New Material in Paper-Making.

It has been demonstrated that paper can be manufactured in the south at a handsome profit—the mill at Pensacola, Fla., which has been in successful operation for some months, proves the fact beyond question. This mill is using pitch pine for pulp-making. Recent experiments have shown the availability of wild cane, which grows in vast quantities throughout the southern states, for this purpose.

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In an English contemporary is the following advertisement of a shooting school: "Forty acres in extent. Gun fitting a specialty. Instructions in the art of shooting. Patent try guns and targets. Most realistic covers. Practice given at driver, birds, high pheasants, etc. Any number of sportsmen can be accommodated. Experienced gun fitters and instructors always in attendance."

#### Seven Pines.

On May 31, 1862, a severe but indecisive battle was fought between the union and confederate forces, under the command of Gen. McClellan and Gen. Johnson respectively, in a locality a few miles from Richmond, Va., on the Williamsburg road. Seven large pines were located there, and the locality derived its name from the pines.

#### The Sjabbok Described.

The sjabbok, which is frequently mentioned in dispatches from South Africa, is a long whip, made from rhinoceros hide, and polished till it looks almost like amber. It is very tough and durable, and is used by the Boers upon animals and natives, and also for the chastisement of criminals. The crack of the sjabbok sounds like a pistol shot.

#### Selling American Frogs Abroad.

One man connected with the Philadelphia zoo has crossed the Atlantic fifty times in charge of animals. He has sold many huge American frogs at \$2.50 each to owners of German estates to be used for "decorative purposes" in the ponds and lakes. The basso profundo of our bullfrogs is highly valued abroad.

#### Widows Do Not Remarry.

In China it is the rule of good society that widows do not remarry. They are not forbidden to do so, but they are thought more highly of if they don't. In order to encourage them the government, when they have passed the age of 50, and have not remarried, confers on them a tablet containing a eulogy of their virtues.

#### Raising the Hat an Ancient Saturation.

When a knight of old entered a company of ladies he removed his helmet to indicate that he considered himself among friends, and that there was no need to protect himself. This practice has survived in the custom of raising the hat when saluting a lady.—June Ladies' Home Journal.

#### Prince Rupert's Distikes.

Prince Rupert, the heir to the throne of Bavaria, dislikes the attentions of the White Rose league of England, which, because it recognizes the claims of the Stuarts to the British throne, persists, much to his disgust, in styling him "the rightful prince of Wales."

#### Britain's New Halfpenny Stamp.

Great Britain has issued a new halfpenny stamp, green in color; a new bi-colored postage and revenue stamp will also be issued about midsummer, when the stock of the present single colored green stamp will be exhausted.

#### Bent on Revenge.

Indianapolis Journal: "The Dwigges are queer people." "What's the matter now?" "Well, somebody in the neighborhood broke their lawn mower last summer, and they are round taking up a collection to buy a new one."

#### Suez Shipping Tolls.

Receipts from shipping tolls at the Suez canal in the four first months of 1900 were \$5,746,000, against \$6,425,000 in the same period of 1899 and \$5,705,000 in 1898.

#### Phoenix Park.

This is a fine public pleasure ground and favorite resort in Dublin, Ireland. It is one of the beauty spots of the city, and is much admired by tourists.

# DEATH LIST MAY REACH 10,000.

## Galveston Horror the Worst Calamity of Century.

The latest news from flood-swept Galveston increases the horror of the picture left by the terrible tidal wave. At least ten thousand persons were swept into eternity by the wind and wave that set in at 2 o'clock Saturday morning, and continued for twenty-four hours. The following report is from a correspondent at the scene of the dreadful calamity.

The exodus of the people of Galveston, fleeing from hunger and pestilence and thousand-fold suffering, has begun in earnest.

At least 1,000 men and women had taken advantage of the transportation facilities furnished by pressing into service all available small boats and sailed to Texas City and Virginia Point. Other thousands are ready to leave as soon as they can secure passage.

### Must Get Them Away.

Mayor Jones says that there are at least 1,000 women and children and injured men whom it is imperative to take away at once to avoid great mortality among them.

Their going is a blessing to them, and it will be an equal blessing to those who remain behind. The citizens' committee is using every effort to encourage the departure of all who will go, and especially of the women and children. It is furnishing free transportation to many, and in this it is assisted by the railroad companies.

### Survivors Taken North.

Word was received from General Manager Trice of the International & Great Northern Railroad that survivors would be carried free to Houston from Texas City, where most of the boats land, and that transportation to points still further north would be furnished to people unable to pay their way. The Galveston, Houston & Henderson road will also operate relief trains and carry refugees from Texas City to Houston.

The establishment of this passenger service out of the city and of a relief freight service from Clinton to Galveston to bring in supplies, which is promised, will greatly relieve the situation at Galveston, but it is still bad enough.

### May Convene Legislature.

There is much talk of asking Gov. Sayers to call a special session of the legislature to come to the relief of Galveston and appropriate a large sum for it. District Judge William H. Stewart has telegraphed the request to him.

All of the terrors of the previous

though unavoidable neglect, killed most of them. That hundreds of others will die in the same way is probable, even if no pestilence breaks out. Several persons have already gone insane from their sufferings.

But in immediate horror these things are trifles compared to the savagery of vandalism and the almost equal savagery of the punishment that must be meted out to offenders. Many roughs and criminals succeeded in reaching Galveston before the authorities awoke to the need of keeping them

the citizens were furious. Tuesday night the main thoroughfare was intensely dark and deserted, not a lamp in the city being lighted.

### Life Is Held Cheap.

Life is held cheap in Galveston. The awful presence of death of the great and small has made men callous, and a shooting or killing attracts little or no attention. No one walks the streets unarmed and no one is permitted to be about at all except on a pass first obtained from the mayor.

Gen. McKibben, U. S. A., commander

city. None can now be sold to anybody without consent of a special committee. The need of the city is dire, the destitution is awful. Not a business house is open. Warehouses are all wrecked with rare exceptions. Nearly all business is suspended. People are yet too busy mourning for the dead. The city treasurer when asked to estimate the loss to business property and real estate, said: "The assessed valuation and property was \$2,000,000. The loss will exceed two-thirds of that."

It was learned upon unquestionable authority that the military under Adjutant-General Scurry had slain not less than seventy-five men, mostly negroes, guilty of robbing the dead. Two-thirds of this number were shot down in their acts of atrocity.

### Give Thousands for Galveston.

Liberal contributions are being made by the banks at St. Louis, in addition to the \$10,000 secured by the Interstate Merchants' association.

Milwaukee residents are determined to raise \$50,000 inside of forty-eight hours for the Galveston sufferers. The Schlitz Brewing company wired \$2,000 to the mayor of Galveston; the Palst

## STORM HORROR INCREASES.

Latest Estimate of the Dead Is 8,000.

### NINETY NEGROES ARE SHOT.

An Earlier Report Said Only Fifty Looters Were Slain by the Authorities—City of Galveston in an Awful Condition—Dead May Reach 10,000.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 14.—(By catboat to Texas City and express train to Houston.)—The last days of Pompeii were not as terrible as the last days of Galveston. Bonfires are burning all over the city. These are the funeral pyres of a thousand corpses cast back on shore at tide. The cremation has been a necessity to prevent epidemic. The negroes refuse to work and the townspeople are paralyzed with fright and suffering, or are making preparations to leave the doomed island.

A thousand men, women and children have crowded into catboats, lifeboats, sloops, schooners and a single steamboat, the Lawrence, all bent on escaping from the city. Nearly all of them have lost some member of their family. Not one of them carried a valise. The women wear no hats, are unkempt and ill clad. They look as if haunted.

### Ninety Negroes Shot.

At night ninety negroes were shot by the citizen soldiery while looting and mutilating the bodies of the dead for plunder. The ninety probably do not represent a tenth of those who were engaged in the ghoulish practice. The situation has got beyond the control of the authorities. The powers in control have been quarreling. Last night at 7 o'clock every citizen soldier under command of Major Fayling was called in, disarmed and mustered out of service. Chief of Police Ketchum then took charge and the major was relieved of his command. During an hour and a half the city was unguarded and the looters held high carnival. As the major's work was unusually brilliant, the citizens are furious. Last night the main thoroughfare was intensely dark and deserted, not a lamp in the city being lighted.

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The loss of life this morning is estimated by conservative people at 8,000.

### HELP FOR GALVESTON.

The Standard Oil Company Contributes \$10,000.

New York, Sept. 14.—The Merchants' association of this city was notified that word had been sent to Gov. Sayers of Texas by the Standard Oil company, authorizing him to draw upon the company for \$10,000. The subscriptions received by the Merchants' association amount to \$4,850. A carload of provisions and clothing for the storm-stricken people of Galveston left over the New York Central. The cargoes via Buffalo, where it was switched to the Lake Shore, and from thence will go through East St. Louis to Galveston, which point, it is thought, will be reached in five days. This car was sent by the New York World, and this paper will send three more cars and a special express train on Saturday. The special relief train sent to Galveston by the New York Journal and Advertiser left by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad. It was made up of two Pullman sleepers and an express car. In the sleepers were twenty-eight doctors and nurses fully equipped. In the express car were barrels and boxes of the medicines and luxuries that invalids need. After reaching Buffalo the train was taken over the Wabash to St. Louis and over the Iron Mountain system to Houston, Texas.

### May Convene Legislature.

Galveston, Texas, Sept. 12 (via Houston, Sept. 14).—District Judge William H. Stewart has telegraphed to Gov. Sayers asking him to convene legislature in special session to make large appropriation for the relief of Galveston.

### HELP FROM MANY SOURCES.

What the Country Is Doing to Aid the Galveston Victims.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 14.—California is responding generously to Galveston's cry for aid. Already \$3,268 has been contributed, including a check for \$1,000 sent by the San Francisco Theatrical Managers' association in advance of the combined benefit to be given in a few days. The Santa Fe Railroad company has tendered the free use of a full train to convey provisions and goods of all kinds, and these are being freely contributed.

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 14.—Gov. Stephens has issued a proclamation calling upon the mayors of all Missouri towns and cities, the exchanges, commercial clubs, churches and citizens generally, to contribute liberally to the storm sufferers of Texas.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 14.—The Commercial club has appointed committees to solicit funds for the relief of Texas storm sufferers, and a thorough can-

vass of the city is being made, with liberal responses. A good-sized sum will be forwarded.

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 14.—The Commercial-Appeal has opened a relief fund for the benefit of the destitute in Galveston. The paper heads the contributions with a subscription of \$250. Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 14.—The chamber of commerce started a relief committee to solicit funds and called a mass-meeting for tonight to further the work.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 14.—This city has subscribed nearly \$15,000 in cash and six carloads of clothing for the south Texas flood sufferers.

South Bend, Ind., Sept. 14.—As a result of a citizens' meeting a subscription list was started for storm victims in Texas. The Studebaker Bros. Manufacturing company started the city's fund by a donation of \$500 and the Oliver Chilled Plow company added \$200.

### DECLARES 10,000 ARE DEAD.

Capt. Charles Clarke Makes a Report from the Stricken City.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 11 (via Houston, Tex., Sept. 13).—Captain Charles Clarke, a veteran boat owner of Galveston, declares that 10,000 persons were killed in this city by hurricane and tidal waves.

He has been about on boats in the waters around Galveston day and night since the storm and bases his statement on what he thus has seen.

The newspaper statements from here have been too conservative. In their effort to guard against extravagance or exaggeration the newspaper men have so far fallen short in their estimates of the loss of life. Reports at first placed the death list at about 1,000. Many persons gave much higher figures, but it was feared that they were exaggerations, hence the reporters made allowances for excited mental conditions and cut down the estimates. It is beginning now to be recognized that the big figures were nearer correct.

### FIFTY GHOULS SHOT DOWN.

Their Pockets Bulging with Jeweled Adorned Fingers of Victims.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 11 (via Houston, Sept. 13).—Ten ghouls—eight negroes and two whites—were caught after robbing bodies. Their pockets were filled with fingers and ears, cut from corpses. These pieces of flesh bore rings and jewels. The negroes were shot down.

In all about fifty ghouls, despoilers of the dead, have been shot down, and a negro who attacked a woman has been killed. Martial law reigns here. Fiends who, like buzzards, thrive on such times as this, are shown no mercy, are given no trial. The orders are to shoot them down and their orders are obeyed.

A horde of negro rowdies attacked a squad of soldiers guarding St. M hospital, Monday night. Hundreds were fired and sixteen negroes were killed. Every hour during night other shootings of negro thieves were reported at headquarters. Tuesday morning a negro attacked a white woman and murdered her in the most cold-blooded manner. The soldiers caught him and blew his head off. Reports of many similar cases have reached headquarters. The public is used to terrible crimes. It is almost unnoted by these reports.

Eight marauders caught looting the bodies and wrecking stores Tuesday night were killed by the soldiers. The pillagers have become bold, cutting off fingers to secure diamond rings.

Houston, Sept. 13.—A reporter has telegraphed from Laporte the story of the robbery and mutilation of the dead in Galveston and the death of the offenders.

The ghouls were holding an orgie over the dead. The majority of these men were negroes, but there were also whites, who took part in the desecration of the dead. Some of them were natives and some had been allowed to go over from the mainland under the guise of "relief" work.

Not only did they rob the dead, but they mutilated bodies in order to secure their ghoulish booty. A party of ten negroes were returning from a looting expedition. They had stripped corpses of all valuables, and the pockets of some of the looters were fairly bulging out with fingers of the dead, which has been cut off because they were so swollen the rings could not be removed.

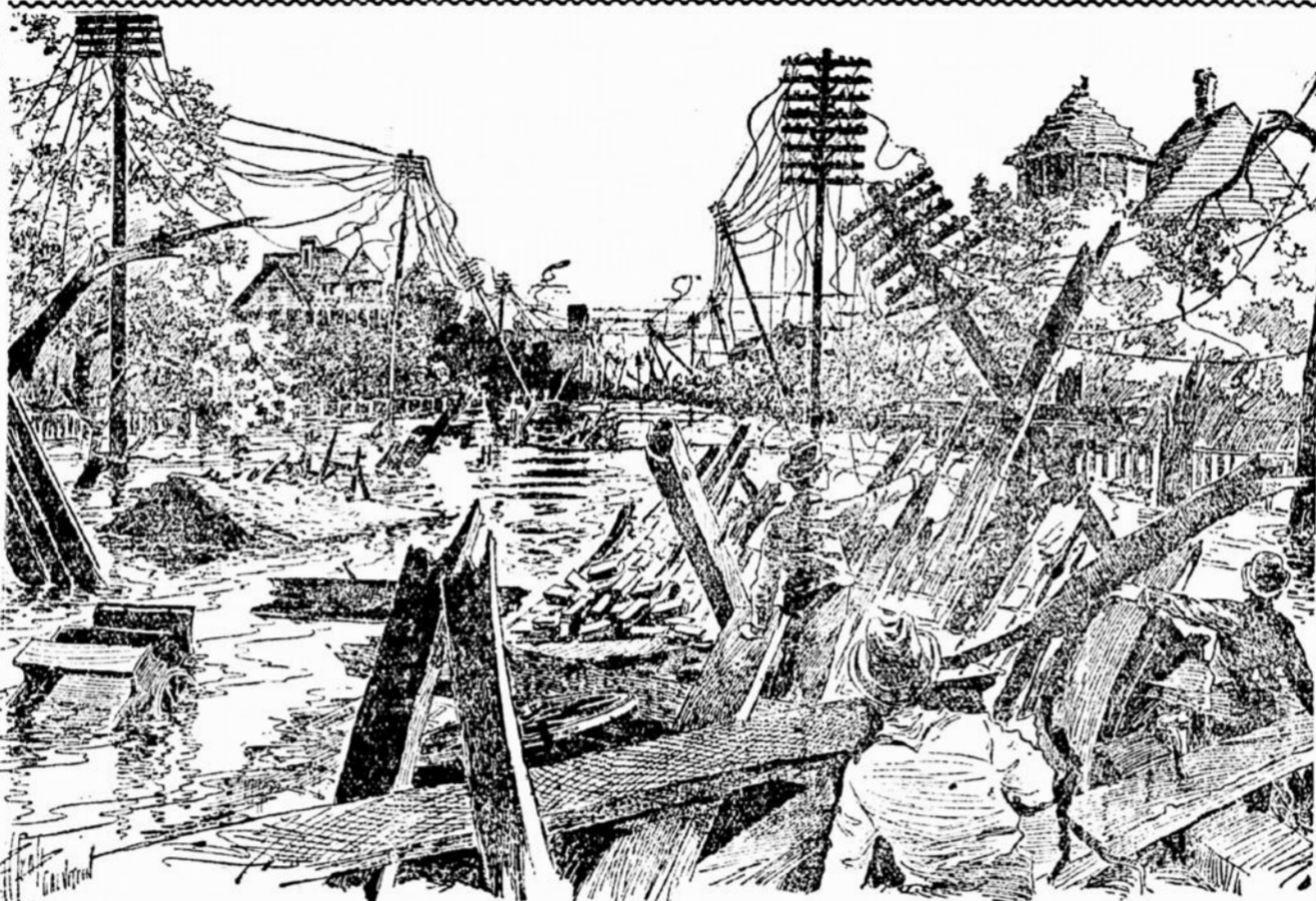
Incensed at this desecration and mutilation of the dead the looters were shot down and it has been determined that all found in the act of robbing the dead shall be summarily shot.

### Will Carry Messages Free.

Galveston, Texas, Sept. 14.—Col. R. C. Clowry, vice-president and general superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company, has tendered the free use of its wires to the governor of Texas, the mayors of Galveston and Houston, and all relief committees for the transportation of messages in aid of the sufferers by the recent calamity in Texas.

Train Held Up by Lone Robber.

Denver, Sept. 13.—Burlington train No. 1, known as the Overland Flyer, was held up by a lone highwayman at 2 o'clock, five miles east of Haighton, Neb., near the Colorado line. The robber secured about \$500 in cash and jewelry twice that much in diamonds and watches, then made his escape by jumping the train to a stop. He went through both sleepers, but did not molest the chair cars. The railroad officials have offered \$1,000 for his capture, and posses have started out in all directions.



TREMONT STREET, GALVESTON, AS THE WATER RECEDED AFTER THE GREAT TIDAL WAVE.

out, and they, added to great numbers of the lowest negroes and most disreputable whites in the city, have been roaming at will, cutting off the fingers and ears of corpses for the jewelry upon them, assaulting women, robbing persons and houses and causing terror everywhere.

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of the department of the gulf, and Adjutant-General Scurry of Texas, are on the ground, and are advising with Mayor Jones and with Chief of Police Ketchum.

In all other respects the city is worse off than on the morning after the tragedy. A terrible stench permeates the atmosphere. It comes from the bodies of a thousand unburied dead festering in the debris that cannot be removed for weeks on account of the paucity of laborers.

The loss of life Thursday morning was estimated by conservative people at 8,000. Besides the thousand or more bodies yet pinned beneath the wreckage hundreds of cadavers, all putrid and bloated, float beneath smashed-up piers. Hundreds of bodies are floating in full view in the bay. Every tide brings scores back to the shore. During the early part of Wednesday trenches were dug and bodies thrown into them, but it soon became an impossibility to bury all the dead, and the health authorities decided upon cremation as an expedient. Funeral fires were built and torches applied.

In one pile eighty-three bodies were incinerated. Thursday morning the charred remains of 1,000 victims lay smoking on the shore.

### Food Famine Is On.

A food famine is now on, as well as that of water. The best hotel in town served Thursday for breakfast to its 400 patrons a small cup of black coffee and one slice of bread. But one restaurant is open; unseasoned coffee is all that can be obtained here. Horses and cattle stray through the streets unattended. The water is so contaminated with filth that even these dumb beasts refuse to drink it. The committee on public safety has commandeered the food owned by merchants in the

beyond the control of the authorities. The powers in control had been quarreling. Tuesday night at 7 o'clock every citizen soldier under command of Maj. Fayling was called in, disarmed and mustered out of service. Chief of Police Ketchum then took charge and the major was relieved of his command. During an hour and a half the city was unguarded and the looters held high carnival. As the major's work was unusually brilliant



LOOKING TOWARD VIRGINIA POINT, SHOWING THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC'S NEW TERMINALS. (Taken from Roof of Santa Fe Station.)

days are still with the sufferers. The lack of food and medical supplies adds to the torture of the sick and injured. The stench from the many bodies unburied up to Wednesday was almost unendurable. The lack of disinfectants makes the peril of disease each day greater.

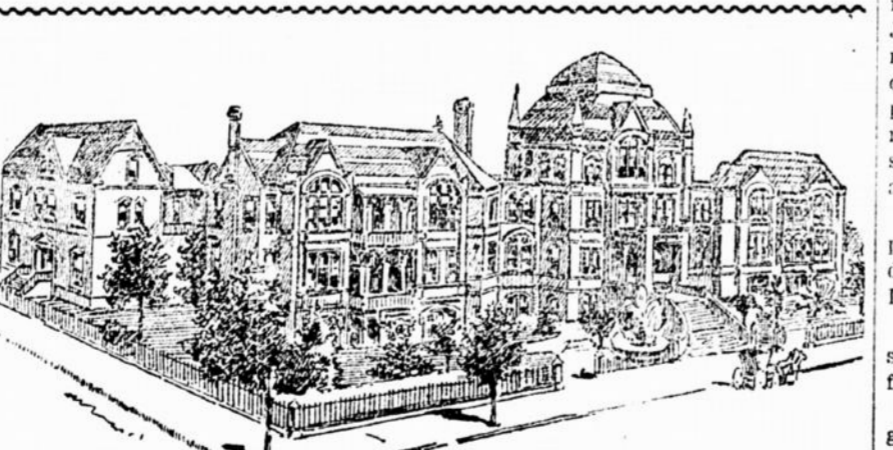
### Danger of Epidemic.

The danger of pestilence at Galveston now is frightful. All attempts to bury the dead in an ordinary way have been abandoned. Hundreds of corpses have been taken out to sea and thrown overboard. Some of them have been washed back upon the shore in a frightful condition.

The safety of the living is a paramount consideration, and the work of disposing of the corpses of men and the carcasses of animals must be done. The work is almost too horrible to endure. Strong men faint after half an hour of it. Faces so discolored that whites cannot be told from black and swollen and distorted bodies are seen everywhere.

### Die from Neglect.

Many injured persons, perhaps fifty in all, though there is no way of keeping count, have died in the temporary hospitals since Sunday. Neglect,



HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL COLLEGE, GALVESTON.

## Perilous Trip Across the Bay.

Perilous and exciting in the extreme was the voyage of the first messengers sent out of Galveston to tell the world of the city's great calamity. It consisted of Lieutenant J. J. Delaney of the Southern Pacific, E. G. Cox of the firm of Thomas Taylor & Co., E. L. Porch, of Welch & Porch, and two newspaper men. Their boat was the steam yacht Pherabo, owned by Colonel W. L. Pherabo, and the crew was made up

of volunteers, Lawrence V. Elder, superintendent of the Galveston cotton mills, acting as engineer and all hands being stokers.

Many squalls struck the bay just as the Pherabo got out of the channel from the Galveston wharves to Texas City. The boat was at one time pointed toward the sky and the next moment downward. The engineer declined to take the boat any further

than Texas City, declaring that she could not live in such a sea.

Lieutenant Delaney, who was an officer in the Japanese navy, and who commanded one of the war ships in the battle of the Yalu river, and who was later a lieutenant in the United States navy, said:

"The trip across the bay was a far more desperate struggle for life than that during the hurricane of the night

before. In all my experience at sea I never knew of a craft surviving through such a strain. To get into Texas City we had to break a way through a lot of wreckage and then had to make our way for fifty or seventy-five feet walking on wreckage before we could get to shore."

Richmond and Hitchcock each report sixteen lives lost. Alta Loma, Arcadia, Seabrooke, Velasco, Belleville, Arcola and many other towns have from one to eight dead

