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CITY NEWS

Miss Ethel Wells has been quite sick this week.

Mr. Geo. M. Cleggott has been confined to his home this week, being quite sick.

Mr. Green of Davenport spent Sunday in our city.

W. H. Austin of Saylor was attending services in the city Sunday.

John Sheffey of Muchaknock was a visitor in the city last Thursday.

Essie H. Mason will sing a solo at the A. M. E. Sunday school next Sunday.

Miss Effie Mitchell, who was suddenly taken very ill Saturday night, is improving.

Misses Nellie Ford and May Burke left for Oskaloosa Wednesday morning for several weeks.

Mr. C. Howard of Omaha spent a few days with his wife and friends last week.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 316 West Third street. Tunes pianos and repairs organs.

Miss Charlie Harvey, of Muchaknock, returned to the city this week expecting to make her future home here.

Let every body, invite their friends to attend the A. M. E. Sunday school, the largest in the state almost 200 scholars.

WRITE The African Monarchs of America. They have something to tell you. Sioux City, Iowa.

The little infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Griffin of 1529 Ogden avenue, is quite sick with the lung fever.

McCurry Geo. H. Woodson of Muchaknock is in our city this week. He spoke at the Council meeting held at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening.

The Ladies of Naomi Court No. 3, will give a basket picnic February 21, at the Masonic Hall, to the members and wives of North Star lodge. Quite an enjoyable time is anticipated.

Mr. G. Frederick Stanton entertained the Mayflower Mandolin Club and their lady friends at his home, 1208 Pleasant street, last Wednesday evening. All reported a pleasant time.

We will publish in our next issue the last speech of Hon. Geo. H. White in the Congress of the United States, which was delivered last week.

The Christian Endeavor valentine entertainment given last Thursday evening was fairly well attended and enjoyed the unique entertainment. The lovely valentines furnished amusement for all.

Mr. L. G. Garrett, Superintendent of the Baptist Sunday School at Saylor, made a few remarks at the A. M. E. Sunday School last Sunday.

Mr. E. J. Holmes of 1321 Park street and F. W. Bass of Clive have been shown at the venue for the March term of court. Both of these gentlemen are good substantial citizens.

Miss S. D. Miller of W. Park street, has been entertaining her aunt Mrs. Ellen Moore of Omaha and her cousin Mrs. Maude Murray of Sioux City this week, on their return from Bondurant, when they were called to attend the funeral of their son and brother, Mr. Frank Bondurant, a young man 26 years old, who died of consumption at that place.

DANCING PARTY.

The Ladies' Pleasure Club gave a dancing party at Hansen's Hall, Thursday night of last week. It was by far the best party that has been given this year; only society people were in attendance. Burchard's Orchestra was at its best and rendered some excellent music, and it was 1:15 before "Home Sweet Home" was played. The officers and members of the club are to be commended for its success.

Mr. Frederic Douglas, of Missouri Valley was in the city Thursday on his way to Oskaloosa, he has been very successful in the restaurant business in Missouri Valley where he and his wife are the only colored people in the town and have been there for the past eight years. There are hundreds of such places in the state and we would say to the young people who desire to do something or be somebody, go and do like these young people have done.

CALIFORNIA AND THE NORTHWEST
On every Tuesday in February, March and April the Iowa Central Railway will sell one way Settlers' and Colonists' excursion tickets to points in California, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho and British Columbia at very low rates—lower than ever before. Tickets for California points sold on Tuesdays will be honored for passage on Tourist Cars of the Iowa Central Railway on Wednesdays of each week. For full particulars call on Iowa Central ticket agents, or address Geo. S. Batty, G. P. & T. A., Marshalltown, Ia.

The Christian Working Club was entertained by Mesdames Maggie Strange, R. Battle and Miss Brown, at the residence of Rev. S. Bates, 11th and Crocker streets, Thursday afternoon. The Club was opened by reading the 10th chapter of John. Glad to say that we are progressing rapidly. The object of this club is to visit the sick, help the poor, lift up falling humanity and to bring souls to Christ. When the club was organized we had 5 members, and to-day we have a membership of 30. We meet every Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. A very interesting paper was rendered by Mrs. A. C. Fisher, subject "What Member am I." A few encouraging remarks were made by Rev. Haggard, Mr. L. Allen, Rev. Bates and others. We ask the prayers of the Christians and that God may inspire within us new zeal to push forward. May God bless the standard.

R. BATTLE, Secretary.

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WE WANT colored organizers for the best thing on earth for colored people. African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Iowa.

EXCURSION RATES to the MARDI GRAS and WINTER RESORTS.

Via the North-Western Line. On account of the Mardi Gras at New Orleans and Mobile, excursions tickets will be sold February 11 to 17, inclusive, at very low rates, limited for return passage until March 7. Excursion tickets are also on sale daily, at reduced rates, to the principal winter resorts in the United States and Mexico. For full information apply to ticket agents Chicago and North-Western R'y.

MASS MEETING.

A mass meeting was held under the auspices of the Afro-American council at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last Tuesday night in memory of Lincoln's birthday also to condemn the lynching of Fred Alexander. About 8:12 the band of Prof. F. G. Goggin was seen to wave and the Brotherhood Band started to playing, after which the meeting was called to order by C. B. Woods, president of the local Council. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Patterson, after which the object of the meeting was stated by the president, who introduced the first speaker of the evening, Rev. L. J. Phillips, who in a very concise manner impressed upon his hearers some salient facts that should long be remembered by those who heard them. Rev. Father Nugent, of the Church of Visitation, was the next speaker and it is a well known fact that he is one of the good friends of our race in this city, and above all things he is not afraid to speak in our behalf, not only in private but through the press and from the pulpit. A hearty applause greeted him. Among other things he said: "The race problem affects not only the colored race but the white race as well, and mob rule is worse than anarchy, and unless it is stopped it will soon involve the country in chaos. You must not expect some other race to solve the question for you, but do it yourself and above all things, let your motto be, 'United we stand; divided we fall,' and surely the day is not far distant until the race problem will be solved." Attorney George Woodson, of Muchaknock, was the next speaker.

After paying a glowing tribute to Father Nugent (which he had merited), Mr. Woodson then returned to the subject and in a forcible manner he impressed upon the audience that the time is ripe that as a race we must become more united and seek some method to stop the burning of our fellow man.

This country needs a few Carrie Nations to defend the innocent colored people who are being lynched and burned at the stake almost daily.

Geo. Carter, a colored man of Paris, Ky., who was accused of assaulting a white woman, was taken out of jail by a mob of 30 men last Monday and lynched.

Thomas H. Harris, who was appointed post-marter of Live Oak, Florida, received a letter this week notifying him to resign and leave the place at once or take his life in his own hands, and still this government is powerless to protect him. How much longer must this condition of affairs exist?

In another part of the BYSTANDER is an article on passing of rag-time music, by a lady who is authority. We are glad that such is true for rag-time music has lowered our race and hurt our standing among the classical musical people. It seems that nearly all our young girls were crazy to learn some "coon rag-time" piece—in fact they seem to learn it much easier than classical pieces. It is a blessing that the rag-time craze is over so our people will learn something elevating and classical.

Of what benefit are those indignation mass-meetings among the colored people when certain lynchings occur? Within the past few years our city has been holding mass indignation meetings; they come out, make big sounding speeches, pass a few resolutions, adjourn and go home. We think it is time to stop this foolishness, as it has never accomplished much, if anything, and turn our attention to business, buy homes, and enter into some kind of business that will help elevate the race.

ST. VALENTINE.

The 14th of this month was formerly looked too with great interest by the young people, it being St. Valentine's day, but which is now very rapidly fading from the memory of the people, being observed more by the school children than adults. St. Valentine was a saint of Roman calendar and said to have been martyred in 306 A. D. By chance the custom of selecting valentines on his day has been associated with his name. Young people of both sex use to meet and by lot draw one from a number of names of the opposite sex. The gentleman having drawn a ladies name she was his valentine and likewise he her valentine. The gentleman's service was due to that lady for one year. In the Roman Lupercia a similar custom prevailed, from which the modern custom has doubtless been taken. Now the day is celebrated by sending anonymous messages, prepared for that purpose, this being also on the decline.

CARRIE NATION HERE.

The Kansas smasher, as she is termed by many of the newspapers, has been in the city and thoroughly settled the question in the minds of those who heard, whether she is sincere in her effort to arouse the people to the growing evil of the liquor traffic. Of course there is a division of

opinion as to her sincerity in this work; some claim that she is after notoriety, but be it as it may, her cause is one that should appeal for a more careful consideration from the people then it is receiving.

At the close of the Civil War and until a few years ago no state showed more friendship toward the Afro-American then did the state of Kansas. The burning of an innocent colored man there a few days ago shows the feeling of the law-breakers and the rum element of to-day has for the race. In appearance Mrs. Nation is one of those kind motherly type of woman, one whose heart goes out for humanity; is the impression that one would have after hearing her talk. She attended service at St. Paul A. M. E. church last Sunday morning. In the class meeting she said that she was so glad that she had come to worship with people whom she believed was God's chosen people. Her talk would convince most any one that she thought she was doing a christian duty. She did not refer to her work in Kansas among the saloons. We believe that the closing of the Kansas saloons would restore law and order, without this the Afro-American has no rights that a howling mob will respect. Mrs. Nation is a better friend to the race than the saloon.



HON. ALBERT B. CUMMINS, Candidate for Governor of Iowa.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The 12th day of February ought to be remembered and reverence, especially by the American Negro. It is the birthday of our beloved martyred President, Abraham Lincoln, who in our mind was the last resting place for heaven's delight. The last mountain in the deluge. The last hope for future posterity in the United States, for all the other great anti-slavery pioneers had passed away or had been killed. Brown, Phillips, Garrison, Lovejoy, Sumner, had all passed away from the stage of action, which left Lincoln to perform the crowning work that they so earnestly worked for. The life of Lincoln affords an object lesson for the student of history. He was born on the blue grass ridge of the commonwealth of Kentucky, than a slave state, but he was raised up in the timbered hills of Illinois, where he split rails and performed all kind of menial labor that a poor boy was accustomed to, and yet by his push, untiring energy, indomitable will power, with that love and desire to see all men equal, he arose to be one of our greatest presidents and benefactors that America has yet produced. Nature seems to have nursed the seed for the blessing of mankind. This day, nearly 10,000,000 African sables sing praises, joined in with the acclamation of all honest and loyal American citizens.

"Green be the turf above thee
Friends of our better days,
None knew thee, but to love thee,
None knew thee but to praise."

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Before buying call and get our prices on Flour, Meal and Sugar.

Our Aim is to Please Our Customers.

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CUMMINS FOR GOVERNOR.

After many a long and protracted conference, and the most persistent urging Mr. Albert B. Cummins has acquiesce to the wishes of his friends, and has announced his candidacy for governorship to succeed Shaw, the present incumbent.

Mr. Cummins is perhaps the best among the many good men that Iowa may offer. He is a brilliant lawyer, a man of high personal character, embodying the noblest principle of right and justice to all classes of people. He is in the prime of life, already known throughout the United States as a leader. As an orator he has but few if any equals in the West. By his honest dealings in the legal profession and his superb diction mingled with that profound eloquence he has won a following of young men throughout Iowa that are only too anxious to give his candidacy enthusiastic support. He is free from all cliques or combinations, and stands upon his merits as a candidate. With Mr. Cummins as governor of Iowa, the name of and that high character which only such men can add will be known and honored abroad.

DR. NICHOLAS C. SCHILTZ.

A review of the city officials would be incomplete without mentioning Dr. Schiltz, who was appointed city physician and member of the board of health last spring. Dr. Schiltz was born at Harper, Iowa, in 1866. He was educated at the public schools and St. Francis college, Quincy, Ill. He then took two years' course at the Rush Medical college, and taught the next year at St. Francis to earn enough money to finish his course, receiving his diploma from Rush in 1892, and that year located at Des Moines. He is professor of medicine and secretary of the faculty of the Iowa College of Physicians and Surgeons, attending physician to Iowa Children's Home and Mercy hospital and medical director of The Chicago Life Insurance Co. As a member of the faculty and as a practitioner, Dr. Schiltz has gained a high rank in his profession, while as a public official he gives general satisfaction.

Negro Songs Out of Vogue.

Present Trend of Public Taste as a Music Publisher Sees It.

The craze for "darker" songs has abated, according to a number of music publishers.

"May Irwing contributed largely toward popularizing so-called Negro tunes," said one publisher, "but she thinks they have been overdone. There are many songs of the rag-time order on the market to-day, but they don't sell as well as in former years. It's a good thing, because I think they hurt the business considerably. All that they called for as a rule was music with some kind of jingle to it. Some songs on this order are still selling, but they will eventually die out.

"The songs which are now popular and which I think will be in demand for some time to come are of the pastoral order, such as 'When the Harvest Days Are Over, Jessie, Dear,' and 'Just Tell Her That I Love Her, Too,' 'Down on the Farm,' which was published twelve

years ago, was on the same order, which goes to show that the public is going back to the old days; again. 'I Can't Tell Why I Love You' has killed the fallacy that the days of the waltz song is over. This a great hit and I think that the waltz songs will become immensely popular this year.

Religious songs, such as the 'Holy City' and 'Beyond the Gates of Paradise' are still popular. Over 500,000 copies of the 'Holy City' have already been sold, and it has made over \$100,000 for the publisher and author up to date. The semi-religious songs, such as 'Old Jim's Christmas Hymn,' 'The Volunteer Organist,' and 'The Church Across the Way' have a good chance of becoming popular again.

Soldier songs do not have much of a sale. Only three became popular, namely, 'Break the News to Mother,' by Harris; 'The Blue and Gray,' by Dresser, and 'Just as the Sun Went Down.' Somehow the public has sidetracked them for reasons I cannot well explain. 'A Little Bit Off the Top' and 'I'm Waiting Here for Julia' are the only two comic songs of the present decade that have become popular. The melody to 'A Little Bit Off the Top' is taken from 'When Johnny Comes Marching Home.'

HON. SIDNEY FOSTER IS A CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 11, 1901. Through the Press to the People of Iowa: I desire to be the republican nominee for Governor of Iowa at the coming state convention. I ask for the nomination because I want it and submit the candidacy upon its merits.

If nominated I shall be faithful; if the nomination goes elsewhere I shall support with loyalty the nominee.

This announcement is made without advice, suggestion or promise from any one, is backed by no bureau, organization or combination. The method is unusual, but after a residence of more than a quarter of a century in Iowa, my belief has been strengthened that the people are always worthy of the fullest confidence of a citizen. Very truly yours, Sidney A. Foster.

\$8.00 DES MOINES TO ST. PAUL, MINN., AND RETURN.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold February 18 and 19, limited to return until February 25, inclusive, on account of annual Convention, National Creamery Buttermakers' Association. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

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TO THE NORTHWEST.

Greatly reduced one-way settlers rates will be in effect via the Iowa Central Railway during February, March and April 1901. For full particulars call on Iowa Central ticket agents or address, Geo. S. Batty, G. P. & T. A., Marshalltown, Iowa.

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DES MOINES, IOWA.

There is a special class of farm laborers in Sweden who are given so many acres of land for their own use in consideration of so many days' labor during the year for the owner of the farm. They are a sort of fixture to an estate, and their like exists in no other country.

In one of his earliest cases Daniel O'Connell, the famous Irish liberator, made a report which attracted considerable attention to him. He was cross-examining an awkward witness, who declared that he had drunk nothing but his share of a pint of whisky. "On your oath, now," thundered the young counsel, "was not your share all but the pewter?"

Recently the medical faculty of the University of Heidelberg has made an interesting report on the effect of the incandescent light, whether gas or electric, upon the eyes. After mature deliberation they have decided that the incandescent light is not harmful and they specially recommend electricity for lighting halls and places of entertainment.

Emperor William is evidently highly pleased with his new imperial chancellor, for his majesty went in person to Graf Bulow's house and conferred upon him the high order of the Black Eagle; and, too, just before Christmas day, which seems rather to hint that the honor is an exceptionally great one and designed to give pleasure to the recipient at the time of universal rejoicing.

The British postal department commission, which has been inquiring into the subject of wireless telegraphy for several months, will shortly report in favor of the earliest possible adoption of the Marconi system. The commission is also arranging for the purchase of Marconi patents and is negotiating with France and Germany relative to their attitudes toward the Marconi inventions.

Kansas has a law forbidding the marriage of first cousins. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Beck are now undergoing a jail sentence for its violation, having been arrested on the complaint of Mrs. Beck's brother, said to have been inspired by his desire for vengeance. After their release from prison they will cross over to Nebraska and be legally married, and on their return to Kansas they cannot be interfered with.

The list of occupations for women lengthsens. There are "shoe breakers" in England. For a stated price a woman will undertake to wear new shoes for one of her customers from two to four days. When times are good she has several pairs of shoes in charge at the same time. Nothing is said of the effect upon the professional's disposition, although it is easy to see that what she may lose in equanimity is sure to be offset by the improved temper of the customer.

A medical journal, commenting upon the treatment of George Washington in his final illness, remarks that "the almsouse patient today has more rational treatment than the ex-president of the United States had in 1799." This is doubly interesting; not only does it emphasize our obligation to a century of scientific study, but it suggests that a hundred years hence people may condemn, as crude and unscientific the present methods, which seem to us so wonderful.

The secretary of agriculture, Mr. Wilson, is at times pleasantly satirical. A reporter for a sensational newspaper recently called upon him to ask if anything of moment was happening in his department. The secretary replied by reciting a long list of important investigations, the results of which were of the greatest value to the world. "But," added the secretary, "you do not want anything of that kind; you would not telegraph such reports over the country." The reporter, not seeing the humor of the secretary, complacently nodded: "No, no; that's so."

A design for the memorial which the country and friends of the Earl of Arlre, who was killed at the battle of Diamond hill, near Pretoria, last June, decided to erect to his memory has now been accepted and a site selected. The memorial, which closely follows the character of the tower at Arlre castle, the ancestral home of the Ogilvys in Fortarshire, is a modification of the old Scottish peel tower, and will be erected on Tullio hill (1,230 feet above sea level), near the family seat at Cortachy. The base of the tower will be worked out in rock-faced ashlar, relieved with dressed panels with carved representations of the family arms and badges of the different regiments in which the late earl served.

During the recent restoration of St. Martin's church at Vovey, Switzerland, a primitive edifice was discovered a few feet below the floor of the building, says the New York Post. In shape it somewhat resembles a church, but the style of architecture is quite foreign to Europe and bears traces of oriental source. The walls and foundations of the relic are in a remarkable state of preservation, and the structure is believed by experts to be one of the earliest buildings in which stone was employed.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

PRESIDENT GIVES CUBA WARNING.

Delegates Must Announce Future Relations With this Country.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: President McKinley has sent to Havana what virtually amounts to an ultimatum to the Cuban constitutional convention. In carefully chosen language the president intimated to the Cubans that unless they formulated satisfactory relations between Cuba and the United States it would be impossible for him to send the constitution to the American congress with his approval.

The president's telegram was sent to Governor Wood, and it is understood here that the intention of the constitutional convention to refer the matter of the relations between the United States and the island to a special commission, which is reported in today's dispatches from Havana, is a direct result of the warning from Washington.

President McKinley's communication to General Wood was so drawn as to avoid hurting the tender sensibilities of the Cubans. It contained no appearance of dictation or threat. To the contrary, in the kindest possible way, it pointed out the overwhelming importance of close relations between the two governments, the friendly feeling toward Cuba which exists everywhere in the United States and the responsibility which circumstances have thrust upon this country in connection with the future of the island republic.

The president urged the Cubans to take note of these facts and to comply with the wish of their friends in the United States and frame an expression of their views of the relations which should exist between the two countries. The sting of the communication was found in its tail in the intimation that if the Cubans wish to secure independence of the island government they will have to accept the fatherly advice of the United States.

INSPECTORS ARE CHOSEN

To Visit the County Institutions of the State Semi-Annually.

Des Moines, Feb. 14.—The board of control has issued commissions to the individuals upon whom it has settled to make the semi-annual inspections of the different county institutions in which insane are kept. It has divided the state in three districts, the work of inspection in each of which will be in charge of three physicians belonging to the state hospitals.

The inspectors in the Mt. Pleasant district will be Superintendent Frank C. Hoyt, and Drs. E. T. Stevens and Adams of Mt. Pleasant; in the Clarinda district the inspectors will be Superintendent Max E. Witte and Drs. C. F. Applegate and Burns; in the Independence district will be Superintendent G. H. Hill and Drs. J. C. Doolittle and George Boody. The law enacted by the Twenty-eighth general assembly permits the board of control to delegate the inspecting of the county institutions to inspectors to be chosen by itself. The compensation fixed by law is not to exceed \$5 per day for each inspector and actual expenses incurred in making a visit. The inspectors are required to have their first examination of the institutions completed by the first of July. They will look carefully into the arrangements for the care of insane patients and will pay particular attention to whether the rules of the board of control adopted last fall are being lived up to. The first reports of the inspectors will be awaited with much interest. It is expected institutions in several counties will fail to comply with the regulations and will have their patients transferred to state institutions or county hospitals that are known to be competent to give proper care to inmates.

Alleged Express Robbers. Sioux City, Feb. 14.—Jacky Jackson and John Stovall, at Manilla, were held to the grand jury on a charge of robbing the United States Express Company's iron safe Saturday night. The officials are confident they have the right men and declare they have stronger evidence than that which they presented at the preliminary hearing. It was shown at the hearing that the men had been tracked to Jackson's home from the place where the safe had been broken open. At Jackson's home a part of the contents of the safe was found. Witnesses also testified that the pledge and crowd bar said to have been used to break open the safe belonged to Jackson. The defense which was put up was not at all convincing.

Frankel Loss Adjusted. Des Moines, Feb. 14.—With the exception of \$2,900 the Frankels will receive every dollar of the insurance they had placed. The adjusters who have been here representing the Western Adjusting Bureau of Chicago, have come to an understanding with the Frankels whereby the latter will receive a total of \$275,200 out of the \$278,100 they had written on stock and building. Of the above amount the adjusters allowed \$203,100 on stock, agreeing that the loss was total. On the building there was \$73,000 written. The adjusters deducted \$2,900 from the building claim, there being that amount of salvage in building material.

The Manilla Express Robbery. Sioux City, Feb. 15.—General Superintendent Averill, of the United States Express company, has issued a statement placing the amount of money stolen in the recent Manilla robbery at less than \$3,000. Payment has been stopped on all the drafts taken.

Literally Torn to Pieces. Fairfield, Feb. 13.—Israel Trout, postmaster at Libertyville, was killed by being drawn into a feed mill. It was a gasoline power mill and his clothes were caught by a fly wheel. He was literally torn to pieces.

Freeman Sent Up for Life. Estherville, Feb. 12.—John A. Freeman, the man who confessed to having killed his wife and then set fire to her and the house in this city last December, was sentenced to life imprisonment at Anamosa.

CUMMINS IS A CANDIDATE.

Enters the Race for the Nomination for Governor.

Des Moines, Feb. 11.—A. B. Cummins has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for governor. He authorizes the publication of the following statement: "My friends have urged me so strongly to become a candidate for governor that I feel compelled to accept their views rather than my own. I have, therefore, consented to allow my name to be used. I desire it to be definitely understood, however, that I am not, and will not be a candidate for United States senator to succeed either Senator Dooliver or Senator Allison."

Mr. Cummins' announcement followed close upon the heels of a protracted conference of his friends at which it was the unanimous wish of those present that he be a candidate. Mr. Cummins attended the conference and stated at the outset that he would not be a candidate unless it was impossible to induce someone else to make the race. A thorough canvass of the situation, in which the other possible candidates or some one authorized to speak for them participated, was made, with the result that no one would allow his name to be used, and the solution of the difficulty was again brought back to Mr. Cummins. After each speaker had urged Mr. Cummins to become a candidate he consented.

WORK TO BEGIN SOON.

Army Post at Fort Des Moines to Be a Realization This Year.

Des Moines, Feb. 13.—Congressman Hull, in an interview at Washington, stated that work on the army post in Des Moines would begin not later than July, that is, the work of construction, while the engineers are expected here next week. The sum of \$200,000 is already available from the contingent fund, and Congressman Hull will in all probability ask the present congress to appropriate \$250,000 more for immediate use in construction, so that the sum of \$450,000 would be available before the meeting of the next congress. The post in all, for construction alone, will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000.

The bill provides for the immediate erection of quarters for one squadron of cavalry, and as soon as this is completed, for quarters for two more squadrons, making in all a regiment of cavalry. This will make Fort Des Moines one of the most important and perhaps the finest military posts in the United States.

CONGRESS WOULD ACCEPT.

Would Accept Nomination, But Would Not Make a Fight For It.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Minister Conger has indicated his willingness to accept the nomination for governor of Iowa by the republican convention this summer. A cablegram received by Congressman Hull reads as follows: "Will accept the nomination for governor, but will not make a fight for it." (Signed.) "Conger." Some time ago Minister Conger wrote to Congressman Hull, who had served as secretary of state and lieutenant governor of Iowa, suggesting that he (Hull) become a candidate for governor of Iowa. This was not in accordance with Mr. Hull's intention, and upon the receipt of Mr. Conger's letter it occurred to him, he says, that a happy solution of the situation would be the nomination of Mr. Conger.

Defect in Interest Law.

Des Moines, Feb. 14.—A defect has been discovered in the law enacted by the last general assembly whereby the rate of interest on permanent school fund loans was reduced from 6 per cent to 5 per cent, and the rate charged by the state to the counties was lowered from 5 per cent to 4 1/2 per cent. The interest rate on money that part of permanent school funds loaning to the state was not lowered. By an oversight, doubtless, the law makes no change in the provision regarding this. The question now is, whether the auditor of state is required to exact 4 1/2 per cent on that part of the permanent school funds or whether he must charge 5 per cent to the counties, as he would have done prior to the new law. Attorney General Mullan has been asked for an opinion.

Footpad Confesses a Shooting.

Sioux City, Feb. 13.—Jacky Robison, the 25-year-old son of a respected family in Algona, has confessed to shooting Fred Foster at Algona. He was tracked to his home, as after the shooting he took to unbroken snow and did not hit a beaten path anywhere to hide his tracks. Foster is resting easier, but the bullet cannot be located, and he is in great danger. Foster, who is a barber, was shot while going home. He was stopped by Robison and his money demanded. Robison drew a revolver and as Foster opened his coat to deliver the money he accidentally or unintentionally shot, hitting him near the nose. The bullet went through into the throat.

Letters for Historical Department.

Des Moines, Feb. 14.—Dispatches from Washington say the senate has passed a joint resolution authorizing the removal of certain letters from the department of the interior offices to the historical department of Iowa. These letters are sixty-six in number and were written by the three territorial governors. These governors were also ex-officio commissioners of Indian affairs. The larger part of the letters were written by Governor Robert Lucas, the others being by Governor John Chambers and Governor James Clarke. Curator Charles Aldrich has been endeavoring for some time to secure this acquisition to this department which will be one of the greatest historical value.

Safe Blower Killed.

Creston, Feb. 13.—"Montana Tom," a professional and noted safeblower, who made the railroads yards his home, and was known by every officer along the line of the C. B. & Q., was killed in the Burlington yards here.

NEWS IN GENERAL

DEVET GOES SOUTH.

Hopes of British Now Centered in Capturing the Boer General.

Pretoria, Feb. 13.—General De Wet crossed the Orange river north of Norvalspont Sunday night, going in the direction of Philippstown. The British are following.

The British force directed against Christian De Wet's command includes seven columns, under Knox, Hamilton, Maxwell, White, Pilcher and Crewe. They hope to force De Wet upon the British corps concentrated on Orange river. The Boers, under cover of a detached commando, swung westward, capturing a pom-pom from Major Crewe by crossing midway between Springfontein and Edenburg, and evaded the British concentration. De Wet is now in the Philippolis district and this probably accounts for the northwesterly movement of the Boers in Cape Colony.

The latest proclamation issued by De Wet and Steyn closed thus: "The farmers there a taste of what we have ourselves suffered through this war."

A very curious sentiment is prevalent in London relative to the condition of affairs in South Africa. It is one of supreme hopefulness. There has never been any such buoyancy of sentiment since Lord Roberts took Pretoria. There is absolutely no doubt that news has reached here from German sources showing that the Boers are pretty well at their last stand. This vein is also taken on the stock exchange.

CHINESE COURT YIELDS.

Indirectly Meets the Demands of the Envoys at Peking.

Peking, Feb. 13.—Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have received a long dispatch from the court, which they have not disclosed to the foreign envoys. It is understood to contain, in addition to the recent celebrated reform decree, an account of how Emperor Kwang Su has sent a choice of methods of suicide to all those named for punishment by the envoys, closing with the inquiry whether Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang think the envoys will be satisfied.

It is understood that the Chinese plenipotentiaries, in their reply to the court, said the foreign envoys could not object strongly to a completed act, but they would probably insist upon the sentence of execution being published throughout the empire, and possibly upon the heads of those condemned being exhibited at various points.

It is very seriously doubted in Chinese circles here that General Tung Hsian will agree to commit suicide. The army worships him. He has absolute control of the Mohammedans, and is believed to be one himself. He refused to allow the disbandment of 5,000 men, and the emperor ordered him far from the court.

EDWARD OPENS PARLIAMENT.

Regal Scene Takes Place on the Streets of London.

London, Feb. 15.—The first parliament of the reign of King Edward VII was opened yesterday afternoon by the king in person. His majesty was accompanied by Queen Alexandra, the Duke of York and Cornwall and the Duke of Connaught, and many others of the royal family.

The last state ceremony of the kind occurred in 1881, when Queen Victoria opened parliament accompanied by the prince consort, and since the death of the latter nothing equal to the pomp has been witnessed in London in connection with the opening of the legislature. Not since the wedding of the then Prince of Wales and Princess Alexandra has the gorgeous state coach used yesterday been seen in the streets of the capital.

In this coach the king and queen and Princess Victoria rode from Buckingham palace to the palace of Westminster, the queen bowing on all sides to the immense throngs.

At the palace the great officers of state and the others who were to take part in the ceremony had assembled in order to receive their majesties. Upon the king and queen alighting from the state carriage the procession was quickly formed and proceeded to the robing room. Later the king ascended the throne in the house of lords, the members of the commons were received and the king then read his speech.

British Troops Captured.

Cape Town, Feb. 13.—Twenty-seven Australians, Cape police and dragoons were captured by Kruitinger's commando eight miles from Ballaspruit February 6, after a fight in which three British and five Boers were killed. The British were afterwards released. Two hundred Boers are raiding the Prince Albert district, looting stores and destroying orchards and gardens. Several were killed and wounded. Several British yeomanry while skirmishing were captured by a commando near Vryburg, which was forced to retire. Piet De Wet has arrived in Cape Town to engage the Afrikaners in the peace movement.

Half Rates to St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis R. R. will sell excursion tickets to the Twin Cities and return February 18 and 19, good for return to February 23, at a single fare, for the big annual convention of the Creamery Butter-makers' National Association. Come and see the exhibits from all parts of the country. The legislature will be in session and a good opportunity will be given to see the working of our lawmakers. Also an excellent time to inspect the stock yards and packing house industry.

Sudden Death of Col. Albert Shaw.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Congressman Albert D. Shaw, former commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, author, soldier and statesman, was found dead, lying face downward, in his room at the Riggs house Sunday.

He met death alone, and the end must have been peaceful. Physicians attribute it to apoplexy.

GOVERNMENT SET GOING.

Provincial Act Applied to Pampanga, Island of Luzon.

Sen Fernando, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon, P. I., Feb. 14.—At Bacolor a bill applying the provincial government act to the province of Pampanga was passed in the presence of a crowd, which included representatives of all the twenty towns in the province.

The appointments of the officers of the province were immediately announced as follows: Sekrina Jovn, president of Bacolor, to be governor until a successor shall be elected, a year hence. Secretary, Marino Gunnan; treasurer, Lieutenant William A. Goodale of the Forty-first regiment; supervisor, Lieutenant Lawrence Butler of the Forty-first regiment.

The army service of both these officers expires in July.

Fiscal, Juan Garcia. The salaries were fixed as follows: Governor, \$1,600; secretary, \$1,000; treasurer, \$2,400; supervisor, \$1,800; fiscal, \$1,350.

Prior to the passage of the bill, Judge Taft explained the framework of the Philippine government, which the commission was erecting. The natives suggested the amounts of the salaries.

Some amendments which had been adopted in connection with the system of taxing real estate were approved.

At the close of the session, General Grant, who is called the "father of the Pampangas," said he rejoiced that his children were large enough to take care of themselves. He added: "We Pampangas are as patriotic as any Americans."

The remark was greeted with applause.

The first general provincial government under American rule has thus been hopefully established.

PRESIDENT SENDS MESSAGE.

Asks That Thanks Be Tendered to Rear Admiral Sampson.

Washington, Feb. 15.—President McKinley sent a message to congress, urging that the thanks of congress be tendered to Admiral Sampson for his work during the Spanish war as commander of the naval force of the North Atlantic squadron. The message is as follows:

During our recent war with Spain the United States naval force on the North Atlantic station was charged with various and important duties, chief among which were the maintenance of the blockade of Cuba, aiding the army in landing troops, and in subsequent operations, and particularly in the pursuit, blockade and destruction of the Spanish squadron under Admiral Cervera. The naval campaign embracing objects of wide scope and grave responsibilities, was conducted with great ability on the part of the commander in chief and of the officers and enlisted men under his command. It culminated in the annihilation of the Spanish fleet in the battle of July 3, 1898, one of the most memorable naval engagements in history. The result of this battle was the freeing of our Atlantic coast from the possibilities to which it had been exposed from Admiral Cervera's fleet, and the termination of the war upon the seas. I recommend that, following our national precedents, especially that in the case of Admiral Dewey and the Asiatic squadron, the thanks of congress be given to the Rear Admiral William T. Sampson, U. S. N., and to the officers and men under his command, for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy and in carrying on the blockade and naval campaign on the Cuban coast, resulting in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 1898.

William McKinley.

DEWET MEETS HEAVY LOSS.

British Drive Him Out of the Town of Philippstown.

London, Feb. 15.—The Evening News prints a dispatch from Cape Town dated Thursday, February 11, which says: "The government here is advised that General Christian De Wet and former President Steyn entered Cape Colony and occupied Philippstown. The British attacked them yesterday and drove them out of the town with loss."

A Boer commando crossed the Orange river in the Philippstown district. It is reported that DeWet was in command.

Van Wyk'slei was occupied Monday by 300 Boers who were retreating from Calvinia.

The Boers are reported in force twenty-four miles west of Carnarvon. A Boer convoy of sixty-five wagons and forty-five prisoners has been captured north of Amsterdam.

The Strathcona horse, which sailed from Cape Town on the British steamer Lake Erie January 20, and was prevented from landing yesterday owing to a tide and being obliged to anchor off Gravesend, landed on the Albert docks this morning in the midst of much enthusiasm and cheering and the shrieking of steamers' sirens. A considerable crowd awaited the landing of the men. The troops at once took trains for the city.

Anti-Kidnaping Bill Passed.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 15.—The state senate passed by a unanimous vote the kidnaping bill. It provides for three degrees of punishment for the crime of kidnaping—death penalty or life imprisonment, at the discretion of the court, when ransom is demanded and the victim is threatened with death or injury; a maximum sentence of twenty years when ransom alone is demanded, and from three to seven years for plain kidnaping. House members are in favor of the bill and it will be pushed to an early passage.

Fitzhugh Lee Named.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The president today sent to the senate the nominations of James H. Wilson of Delaware and Fitzhugh Lee of Virginia, now brigadier general of volunteers, to be brigadier general in the regular army.

Boer Losses Heavy.

Durban, Natal, Feb. 14.—The Boer losses, when they were attacked by General French, at Ermelo, last week, are said to have been 400 killed and 200 made prisoners.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, February 15, 1901.

C. F. Wennerstrom, state commissioner of labor, has just returned from a trip through northern Iowa, where he inspected the tow mills of Mitchell, Howard and Chickasaw counties. He finds them in a prosperous condition, but the proprietors are all complaining of the difficulty of securing flax. The farmers of northern Iowa put in flax ten and fifteen years ago and made a great deal of money, many paying for their land the first year. It was soon discovered, however, that flax was very hard on land. Since then the amount of flax raised has steadily decreased. At present it is put in occasionally, but no one farmer tries to raise it on the same land every year. The custom at present is to allow two or three other crops to intervene. This has materially decreased the output, which the two factories say is not great enough now to meet their demands. As a result of this they have formed a sort of informal association, the duty of which is to induce farmers to raise flax. The tow factories are located at New Hampton, Elma, McIntire and Cresco.

Justice F. E. Duncan has rendered an important decision in the case of the state of Iowa vs. J. C. Hansen, charged with infringement of civil rights, declaring the defendant to be not guilty on the novel grounds the sale of liquor even under the provisions of the Martin law is illegal. He holds, therefore, that Hansen cannot be held liable for an act that had he performed it, would have been the means of causing him to break the law. William Graves, a colored man, went into Hansen's saloon in East Des Moines some time ago and, it is alleged, was refused liquor after having tendered Mr. Hansen the price for it and requesting the latter to sell it to him. He swore out a warrant for the arrest of the saloon-keeper on the grounds of discrimination. The defendant was brought before Justice Duncan, who held to the above theory. Justice Duncan bases his assertion that the sale of liquor under the provision of the Martin law is illegal on sections 2447 and 2448 of the code, which says: "Nothing contained in this chapter, so far as it relates to the malt law, shall be in any way construed to mean that the business of the sale of intoxicating liquors is in any way legalized. From this section the justice holds that it is clear the law does not contemplate that the sale of liquor is not a crime, but that those who comply with the provisions of the malt law are simply protected from prosecutions.

Sidney A. Foster, of Des Moines, has announced that he is a candidate for the republican nomination for governor of Iowa. He states his position in the following open letter:

"Through the Press to the People of Iowa: I desire to be the republican nominee for governor of Iowa at the coming state convention. I ask for the nomination because I want it, and submit the candidacy upon its merits. "If nominated I shall be faithful; if the nomination goes elsewhere I shall support with loyalty the nominee. "This announcement is made without advice, suggestion or promise from anyone, is backed by no bureau, organization or combination. The method is unusual, but after a residence of more than a quarter of a century in Iowa, my belief has been strengthened that the people are always worthy the fullest confidence of a citizen. (Signed) "Sidney A. Foster."

The state board of control has been notified that on motion of the defendant's attorney, John W. Stone had been discharged in the district court at Mt. Pleasant as feeble-minded and irresponsible in the case of alleged embezzlement of \$89 worth of state hospital goods last summer.

MUST DEFEND HOMES.

Sir Alfred Milner Suggests Boers May Come to Capetown. Cape Town, Feb. 12.—Sir Alfred Milner reviewed 7,000 men of the new volunteer force and made a spirited address to the officers. He expressed his gratification at the loyal response the colony had made to the call, emphasized the great value of mounted men and complimented the officers and work already done in stemming the Boer invasion.

"It has been said that the enemy would never come to Cape Town, but anyone who, in the face of events of the last few months, will say a thing is impossible because it seems improbable is too silly to be argued with. I am aware that I risk being called an alarmist, but it is better to be called an alarmist than to run any risk. "There was a time when it was regarded as impossible for the Boers to penetrate the extreme west and south of Cape Colony, but they have reached one and are within a few miles of the other. Therefore it is necessary to take every precaution. Most men prefer to be called alarmists and to safeguard their property. That is better than to be called a fine plucky fellow and to lose your property."

Col. Simon Teeson With His Band of Guerrillas Walks Into Camp.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The following cablegram today was received at the war department from General MacArthur at Manila: Col. Simon Teeson, seven officers, seventy-one soldiers, fifty-nine guns, 2,000 rounds of ammunition surrendered unconditionally, February 11 from San Miguel de Mayumo, Luzon. This breaks up group insurgents heretofore operating in mountains east of Balacana; removes from northern Luzon last formidable organized force excepting in first district. Rigid enforcement proclamation December 20. Spontaneous action of people throughout federal party in behalf of peace, self-protection, are producing most satisfactory results; encourage hope of entire suspension of hostilities at an early date. (Signed) "MacArthur."

CONGRESSMAN HOWARD

Of National Reputation Are the Men Who Recommend Peruna to Fellow Sufferers

A Remarkable Case Reported from the State of New York



CONGRESSMAN HOWARD OF ALABAMA

House of Representatives, Washington, Feb. 4, 1899.
The Peruna Medicino Co., Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen—I have taken Peruna for two weeks, and find I am very much relieved. I feel that my cure will be permanent. I have a son taken for a gripe, and I take pleasure in recommending Peruna as an excellent remedy to all fellow sufferers.—M. W. Howard.

Congressman Howard's home address is Fort Payne, Ala.

Most people think that catarrh is a disease confined to the head and nose. Nothing is farther from the truth. It may be that the nose and throat is the oftenest affected by catarrh, but if this is so it is so only because these parts are more exposed to the vicissitudes of the climate than the other parts of the body.

Every organ, every duct, every cavity of the human body is liable to catarrh. A multitude of ailments depend on catarrh. This is true winter and summer. Catarrh causes many cases of chronic disease, where the victim has not the slightest suspicion that catarrh has anything to do with it.

The following letter which gives the experience of Mr. A. C. Lockhart is a case in point:
Mr. A. C. Lockhart, West Henrietta, N. Y., Box 58, in a letter written to Dr. Hartman says the following of Peruna:

"About fifteen years ago I commenced to be ailing, and consulted a physician. He pronounced my trouble a species of dyspepsia, and advised me, after he had treated me about six months, to get a leave of absence from my business and go into the country. I did so and got temporary relief. I went back to work again, but was

taken with very distressing pains in my stomach.

"I seldom had a passage of the bowels naturally. I consulted another physician with no better results. The disease kept growing on me, until I had exhausted the ability of sixteen of Rochester's best physicians. The last physician advised me to give up my work and go south, after he had treated me for one year.

"I was given a thorough examination with the X-ray. They could not even determine what my trouble was. Some of your testimonials in the Rochester papers seemed to me worthy of consideration, and I made up my mind to try a bottle of Peruna. Before the bottle was half gone I noticed a change for the better. I am now on the fifth bottle, and have not an ache or pain anywhere. My bowels move regularly every day, and I have taken on eighteen pounds of flesh. I have recommended Peruna to a great many and they recommend it very highly. I have told several people that if they would take a bottle of Peruna, and could then candidly say that it had not benefited them, I would pay for the medicine."—A. C. Lockhart.

Mr. W. F. Peterson, of Morris, Ill., says:
"I was nearly dead with catarrh of the dyspepsia and am now a well man, better, in fact, than I have been for twenty years or more.

"Since I got cured by your Peruna I have been consulted by a great many people."

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

In the Fowler's Snare

By M. B. MANWELL

CHAPTER V.—(Continued.)
"Yes," Gervis spoke, with a certain amount of stiffness. He had undoubtedly sought his young wife and won her for her wealth; but, apart from that fact, he was determined to make her a loyal and devoted husband. Already it hurt him that money and the sacred name of wife should be roughly bracketed together.

"And did you know my wife, then, as Miss Fairweather?" Gervis asked, after a silence, while the two stood and surveyed the limitless expanse of white waste around them, with its boundaries of forest-covered, bear-infested hills.

"No; I never saw her until last night in the car. She is very young, and seems to be a high-strung nature. Is that so?" Paul waited for an answer.

"I think she is," Gervis slightly hesitated. In truth, though he would not have confessed it, Gladys's nature was as yet an unknown country to him.

"Very imaginative, and given to alternate fits of depression and gaiety?" Paul went on. Then he hastily added: "I ask your pardon. You see, it is part of my trade to analyze human character. I am always doing it—sometimes unconsciously. I dare say you think me an ill-conditioned Goth, and I hardly venture to request an introduction to Mrs. Templeton."

Paul Ansell turned his face toward Gervis, and there was a new expression in it. The old sneer had died out, or had been smoothed carefully away. His dark, deep eyes looked straight into the Englishman's face, and there was a certain witfulness in them.

"I have made up my mind already about you—we all have," quickly said honest Gervis, holding out his hand in all simplicity to the other. "We owe our lives to you, and each one of us would esteem it an honor to call you friend."

There was a hearty British ring in the words that spoke of their genuineness.

"You are very good," quietly observed the scientist. But the sneer had come into his eyes once more, and he turned the conversation abruptly to the situation in which the painful of human beings found themselves.

"If you had not been in such a hurry to get back to England I could have shown you some pretty sport yonder." To pointed to the rocky fastnesses in the distance. The falling snow had stopped, and overhead was a brilliant blue. A stiff wind had got up, howling and swirling the snow into deep drifts.

"Bears, I suppose?" said Gervis. "Just what I should have liked if—well, under other circumstances. I dare say you could tell one some yarns about the grizzlies yonder?"

Paul Ansell nodded briefly, and the two men turned to retrace their steps to the little prairie station.

"Do you live in Montreal, then? Is it your home?"

"I have no home," was the brief rejoinder. "I suppose I am what you call a cosmopolitan—one who makes a nest in every one of the world's great cities. But here we are back at the prairie station. The weather's clearing, so I suppose our people will start on their way."

In the station and round the cars there was a stir of excitement, and people were getting aboard the train.

There is my wife! She is standing at the window of the car!"

Gervis caught sight of a little figure in a pale green and gold brocade tea-gown, trimmed with yellow lace.

It was Gladys, and her small pink and white face, with its pointed chin, was now bent toward them as she gazed downward at the two men.

She was waving a little white hand in welcome to her husband; but when she caught sight of his companion her face blanched, and she shrank back from the window, at which Paul Ansell frowned at once. Two minutes later, however, he was bowing before her as Gervis introduced him.

"We had a jolly good tramp, Gladys, Mr. Ansell and I, over the hard snow. It has made me as hungry as possible. And, if it had not been for your small ladyship, I shouldn't have come back. I'd have gone after the grizzlies in the mountain, yonder; but I warn you that next year I shall come back to pot a bear or two, and leave you at Temple-Dene." Gervis laid a kindly hand on the slight little shoulder.

Gladys looked up timidly, and, to her surprise, Mr. Ansell had taken out a pocketbook crammed with snap shots, which he proceeded to show and explain to Gervis, taking no further notice of her.

If the stranger wished to restore the young bride's confidence, he could not have devised a better mode of doing so.

Before the end of the day Gladys was herself again, gay and lighthearted. She and her husband and Paul Ansell were the merriest, friendliest trio on board the cars speeding through the snow over the vast Canadian Pacific railway.

note of command, almost of menace, and instantly Gladys sat up straight, with the pen held firmly in her fingers. Her eyes were wide open and sleep had flown.

Edging the screen a little forward, Paul got it adjusted so that Gladys did not see the sheet of blank paper, then he gently guided her hand around the edge of the screen and placed it upon the paper.

"Write!" he said, harshly, and Gladys obeyed. But from her position she could not see what she was writing.

Presently, as Paul's dark eyes intently watched the motionless pen in the slim, small fingers, it moved. Gladys was writing something carefully, and in a slow, painstaking manner, much as a child under the eye of a master would do.

And while she wrote Paul watched her breathlessly. On, on the pen traveled over the sheet.

Gladys's handwriting was small and upright and unlovely, the handwriting of the up-to-date girl of today. Paul's breath grew labored as he watched the pen moving. He could have dashed off the sentence in half the time; but then between Gladys and himself there was at least a quarter of a century in age. At last the end of the page was reached, and the stylographic pen dropped from the limp, white fingers.

"Sign it! Sign your full name!" The command came in breathless syllables, as though the speaker was greatly excited.

The pen was instantly lifted. There was just room for the brief signature—Gladys Templeton. Then, with a low sigh of exhaustion, the girl slipped backward into her chair, and Paul Ansell, after carefully blotting the sheet of paper, folded it and placed it in his pocketbook.

"I must get the names of a couple of witnesses, and the thing's done! But that's an easy matter in Montreal."

As silently as he came Paul Ansell departed. Down the wide staircase he sped, and out into the clear, white stillness of the starry night, his dark eyes blazing with a strange, triumphant light.

"Is it you, Paul? You have come home?"

A sweet, vibrating voice called out gently as his latchkey opened the door of the little suite of rooms or flat which he called home in the gay city of Montreal.

"Yes, I have come, Diana; and I have good news—rare, good news for you."

A large, golden haired woman, with a milk-white skin, came out of one of the rooms opening into the hall, where the skeleton loomed quaint and hideous. She was Paul Ansell's wife.

Gladys had been right in her surmise; but Mrs. Ansell was not a happy wife, to judge by her dejected, limp appearance.

Years ago when Paul first saw Diana standing in front of the little New England homestead that nestled under the great maple trees, he had thought her the prettiest girl this world held.

The poor, shabby, little house was dignified by the morning glories that climbed all over it, purple and pink and white, making a dainty background for the girl's fairness. It was a picture that stirred the man's imagination rather than his heart.

Already vast possibilities were looming for the scientific explorer. Here, in this vision of womanly fairness, he saw a valuable assistant for his enterprise.

But Paul Ansell had made great strides since the days when his masterful will took Diana from her simple home, and from her first love, to make her his wife and his tool. No longer for him did the humble provincial exhibitions of his mesmeric skill and his power over the minds of others suffice. Higher flights were today his aim, and more than one abstruse work on hypnotism bore his name on its title page.

To be continued.)

WORTH IMITATING.
Indians of the Omaha Tribe Train Their Children.

Mr. Francis La Flesche, an Omaha Indian, has recently published an account of the training of children in the topees of that tribe. No child is permitted to interrupt an elder person, or to pass between two persons who are speaking," says the author, "still less to come between them and the fire. We were strictly enjoined never to stare at strangers, nor to address any one by his personal name without a title. From his earliest years the Omaha child was trained in the grammatical use of his native tongue. No mistake was allowed to pass uncorrected. No Indian parent ever whips his child. When it commits a fault the entire family assembles in solemn conclave, and it is summoned and reproved with such gravity that it never forgets the lesson." These are not civilized red men, but the class known to us as "savages." London Truth lately gave an account of the training given in Tokyo in the prefecture of police. The Japanese policemen are taught to knock gently on the doors of houses before they enter. Under no circumstances are they to talk roughly. "Rough talk intimidates the innocent, while the hardened criminal does not mind it." In executing search warrants they must not disturb sleeping children or invalids. They must deal kindly with dogs belonging to strangers; hospitality is due to animals as well as to men. No amusement must ever be shown at the mistakes of foreigners. Every effort must be made to impress strangers with Japanese politeness and all people with the kindness as well as the justice of Japanese law.

STORIES.

During a funny turn on the stage at the Walnut Street theater, Cincinnati, the other night a man in the balcony leaned over the railing convulsed with laughter. During an extraordinary burst of hilarity his false teeth flew from his mouth and fell in the lap of Miss Ida Brockway, who was sitting in the parquet. Those near looked up and saw the toothless man waving frantically to the lady to pick up the teeth. This caused a general laugh at his expense. The teeth were returned by an usher.

During a confirmation tour in the diocese of Peterborough the late bishop of London put up one evening at an old manor house, and slept in a room supposed to be haunted. Next morning at breakfast the bishop was asked whether he had seen the ghost. "Yes," he replied, with great solemnity, "but I have laid the spirit; it will never trouble you again." Being further questioned upon the subject, the bishop said: "The ghost instantly vanished when I asked for a subscription toward the restoration of Peterborough Cathedral."

One night, when the attendance in a small town in the French provinces was especially bad, Sarah Bernhardt, bored by the small size of the audience and its stupidity, resolved to make the most of it. The play was "Camille," but, instead of speaking the lines as Dumas wrote them, Sarah made up the play as she went along, interpolating such opinions as, from minute to minute, she had of the audience. She called them unutterable things, and in a highly dramatic way. The innocents applauded these sentiments vigorously, upon which she called them something worse.

Mark Twain declares that when a man makes an appeal for charity it is a great mistake to get everybody ready to give money and then not pass the hat. "Some years ago in Hartford," he said, the other day, "we all went to the church on a hot, sweltering night to hear the annual report of Mr. Hawley, a city missionary, who went around finding the people who needed help and didn't want to ask for it. He told of the lute in the cellars where poverty resided; he gave instances of the horrid and devoted of the poor. The poor are always good to each other. When a man with millions gives, we make a great deal of noise. It's noise in the wrong place. For it's the widow's mite that counts. Well, Hawley worked me up to a great state. I couldn't wait for him to get through. I had four hundred dollars in my pocket. I wanted to give that and borrow more to give. You could see greenbacks in every eye. But he didn't pass the plate, and it grew hotter and we grew sleepier. My enthusiasm went down, down, down—one hundred dollars at a time, till finally, when the plate came round, I stole ten cents out of it. So you see a neglect like this may lead to crime."

They who misjudge are apt to be misjudged.

Physicians say that if there is any woman on earth to be pitied, it is the mother of twins.

Don't be too free in abusing other people for being fools; you may be one yourself.

The homeless man and the beardless girl are alike in that both have nowhere to lay their heads.

If a young man is in doubt as to the propriety of kissing a pretty girl he should give her the benefit of the doubt.

No man should object to thick soles on his shoes, as the objections will soon wear away.

A man should never attempt to shoot off his mouth unless his brain is properly loaded.

The miser may carry his gold to the edge of the grave, but he must leave it there.

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MUCHAKINOCK NEWS.

The Industrial Sewing club of Valley Baptist church gave a social at the home of its President Mrs. Amanda Bingham. It was well attended by our young people and quite a neat little sum was realized. The evening was spent in social conversation and games. Refreshments were served by the committee: Mesdames Bingham, Jackson, Coleman and Misses Anna Willis and S. Garland.

Quite a number of friends from Buxton visited our town last Monday.

Mr. John Walker smiles all over his face—it's a boy.

We learn that P. F. Carey, the barber, will soon erect an up-to-date tonsorial shop at Buxton.

Dance humor says that cards will soon be out, and the wedding bells shall chime her welcome tune for one of Buxton belles and one of Muchakinock famous cornet players.

Just another pleasant wedding and another happy home.

Mr. Lewis London of Buxton spent a few days last week with brother E. A. London.

The Industrial Sewing Circle will give a valentine party the 14, at the residence of Prof. A. R. Jackson.

ROCK ISLAND NOTES.

And still the Reaper steals loved ones from our midst! Mrs. Cass Lambert died at her home in South Rock Island, Saturday evening at 8:30. The cause of her demise being pneumonia and peritonitis. She leaves a devoted husband, three sisters and three brothers. The funeral services were held at the Second Baptist church of which she was a faithful member. The Adah Chapter No. 10, order of Eastern Star, conducted the services. The relatives have the sympathy of the community.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lemmo died Sunday night of the eroup.

The dear little sunshine of the home was only with them three weeks. To the parents we tender our most heart felt sympathy. The funeral will be held at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at the residence, 8409 Ninth and a half avenue.

A musicale and dance will be given in Moline Thursday evening, 21st inst., under the management of Messrs. Turk and Johnson.

Several sleighing parties are being planned for this week while we have the delightful snow.

Mrs. Jesse Bell and mother Mrs. H. Moore, who have been in the city for several weeks, left last Tuesday for their homes in Iowa City and Brooklyn.

The former has moved and will make home for the winter with her mother and her husband's parents. We are sorry to lose Mrs. Bell.

CLINTON ITEMS.

This city was visited Friday by another heavy fall of snow.

The cottage prayer meetings are still being held and are fairly well attended.

Robt. Moreland, who has been ill at the home of his mother on Oak street for some time past, is in a precarious condition with very little hopes of a recovery.

Quarterly meeting will be held on next Sunday.

A public sleighing party is announced for Friday night of this week.

F. E. McNiel served a banquet to a sleighing party at the Candy Kitchen on last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Prof. Damon has returned from a visit with her brother Dr. Sheppard of Peoria, Ill. She reports a pleasant time.

When in Clinton take your meals at the Casino Restaurant; Wm. Allen, Prop.

The agent kindly calls the attention again of those who are in arrears to the Bystander he will call on you soon for a remittance, so please try and be ready.

A rally is announced for the benefit of the A. M. E. church at an early date in March.

DUBUQUE NEWS.

Rev. Spoose preached an able sermon on Bishop Allen last Sunday evening.

The church and Sunday school is in a prosperous condition.

There was a festival and Tom Thumb's wedding at our church last Thursday evening. The affair was a success in every way.

Mr. J. C. Lewis, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out.

Miss Eva Martin has returned from Bell Plain where she visited her sister Mrs. Harry Marshall.

Miss Blanche Rober who has been sick for the past week is better.

Mrs. Jas. Martin is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Sam Parker and Mrs. Julia Smith were married last week at the residence of Mr. J. Epps.

Mrs. Aaron and daughter of the East side spent Sunday in our city.

The society, United Efforts, will give an entertainment in the near future.

Mrs. Brown who has been on the sick list is better.

ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. G. A. Davis returned home Tuesday from a month's visit with her daughter, Della Martin in Garden Grove.

Mr. Davis of Lovilla is employed at the Dunbar Restaurant in this city.

H. P. S., a club of bright young ladies of this city, gave a left hand party at the home of Mrs. Henry Jones Saturday evening. The principle feature was to do every thing with your left hand. Mr.

Wm. Williams and lawyer Woodson of Muchakinock were present at the party.

Mrs. Carrie Griffith and two children from Virginia will visit for some time in Albia at the parental home.

Rev. Wm. Searcy will fill his appointment at Coalfield this Sunday.

EDDYVILLE, ILL.

Grip! Grip! Grip! It's nothing but grip.

It is in every family, from 1 to 7 members of a family is suffering with it.

Grandma Washington is not expected to recover from an attack of grip.

Miss Margaret Mason was confined to her bed last week on account of grip. She taken up her school again on Monday, and reported out of an enrollment of 45 there were 5 in attendance, the absence due to grip. The pupils either have it themselves or are caring for those who have.

Mr. Ed Rice of Grand Tower, Ill., is visiting friends here this week.

Miss Iona Sydes is suffering with tonilitis this week.

Mr. Silas Taborn of Carrier Mills is the guest of Joseph Cole and family this week.

Mr. Crigler of Simpson is again in our midst. There seems to be an attraction which draws him here.

Mr. Alvis Rice of Murphysboro, Ill., is visiting with his many friends here.

What is the matter with Ottumwa that we never hear of you?

BURLINGTON.

Sunday, February 10, 1901, was quarterly meeting Sunday. P. E. Rev. Jason Bundy filled the pulpit morning and evening. Monday evening is love feast and quarterly conference held by the Elder.

Christian End eaver at 7 o'clock; topic, "Confessing Christ," Matt. 10: 32-39, led by Mrs. G. A. Brown.

Mrs. Lizzie Blackwell returned to her home Saturday after quite a visit with her father and relatives, at Salt River, Mo.

Aunt Mary Emanuel entertained the Presiding Elder while in the city.

Mrs. Douglas entertained the presiding elder for Sunday dinner and Mrs. Allen entertained for tea.

Mrs. Henry Cooper entertained Mrs. A. L. Drew and G. A. Brown to a three o'clock lunch Thursday afternoon. The lunch was elegantly served in a gold band china.

Mrs. Ida Reed and Miss Bessie will take their departure for Davenport in the near future to make their future home. Miss Bessie will be greatly missed by her associates.

Mr. James A. Tubbs was confined to his bed a couple of days last week with the catarrh-bronchitis, but is better at this writing.

Mr. Peter Johnson has been very sick for two weeks with the asthma. We all hope he will soon recover.

Mrs. Cartwright and granddaughter after two months' visit with friends in Quincy has returned home.

Mrs. Lucy Edmund is very sick at this writing and we all hope she will recover soon.

Mrs. Lenora Cooper, who was sick for awhile at the hospital, is able to be at home again.

We were very glad to see Mrs. King able to be out to church last Sunday evening.

Miss Ida Palmer received an invitation to Clarinda to the marriage of Miss Carrie Lincoln and Mr. A. W. Reid.

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EVANS NEWS.

If you would like to enjoy a pleasant and profitable discussion of the scripture, just visit the Galilee Baptist S. S.

Assistant Superintendent D. W. Jackson was at his post of duty in the absence of Supt. Smith last Sunday, who was confined with an attack of the la grippe.

Our S. S. Aid will meet Sunday at 2:30. There will be song and praise service of a special character connected.

The Ladies' Circle met with Mrs. D. Jackson Monday afternoon.

The revival meetings of our church closed with six additions; two candidates for baptism.

Rev. S. S. Miller, state missionary, is expected here Sunday.

A new avenue of activity has presented itself to our young people. We hope to see more of them with the same amount of activity merged into our Sunday School and church services, as the future church cannot possibly be made of like characters as Bro. Alex. Dickerson, the aged convert who is now confined to his bed with la grippe.

CHURCH AND CLERGY.

The Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman is to write the life of D. L. Moody.

Bishop Edsall has just completed a highly successful mission at James-town, N. D.

Tomkins Avenue Congregational church of Brooklyn raised over \$27,000 for missions during the year.

The death roll in the Congregational ministry in Great Britain was unusually heavy during the year 1899.

A congress of the history of religions will be held at Paris, France during the first part of September next year.

The receipts of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, for the year make a total of \$38,000, of which \$17,000 is from pews.

The annual cornell of the South African churches was held at Grand Reinet, and owing to the preoccupations of the war, only thirty-eight delegates attended.

Since his resignation from the Church of the Pilgrims relief from care has been conducted to a marked improvement in the health of the venerable Dr. R. S. Storrs.

FIRE SALE

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DOGS WEAR SHOES.

Alaskan Animals hold Up Feet to Have Shoes Put On.

In Alaska shoes for dogs have been introduced. The use of shoes for animals in the far north country is not merely out of kindness to the dogs. It is a matter of necessity, for one of the greatest dangers to travelers in Alaska is that the dogs which draw sledges or transport goods freeze their feet by contact with the ice. This sometimes renders the animals practically useless and leaves the traveler without means of transit over the fields of ice. Before the introduction of the shoes it was the custom to wrap the feet of the dogs in cloth, but this was a poor measure at best, as the cloths often came off, leaving the poor beasts unprotected. The cloths also interfered with the free locomotion of the dogs. Since the gold fields opened more dogs have been used and great speed in travel has become necessary. The dog's shoe was invented to meet the requirements. The lacings are at the back to give free play to the dog's legs. The wonderful intelligence of these faithful animals is shown by their readiness in taking to the shoes. They become so accustomed to them that they are uneasy without them. On the trail the dogs have frequently been known to come to the driver in the morning and hold out their legs to have their shoes put on. If the shoes happen to be laced too tight, they will whine and make their discomfort manifest, wagging their tails for joy when the laces are fixed to their liking.

A Newsboy Evangelist.

St. Louis has a newsboy evangelist. His name is Earl Jamison and he is 11 years old. Several weeks ago young Earl went to one of his neighbors and asked him if he could not use his barn for religious services. His request was granted and every evening since meetings have been held by the young evangelist, except on Sunday nights. Earl does the preaching and praying and leads the singing. His service continues about an hour and he generally has a fair-sized congregation. Those who attend, both young and old, are impressed by the fervor of the youthful preacher. Earl is a sturdily built little fellow, with light hair and frank, fearless manner. His serious mien is like that of a white-haired judge. He is a good talker and can quote the scriptures freely. He has collected money during his evangelistic career for the famine-stricken people of India.

Honored as an Essayist.

Carolyn King, daughter of General Charles King, has been accorded an unusual honor. Miss King finished her course at the Sorbonne in June, and then entered for competition in the Alliance Francaise, which meets every summer and confers its diploma on such foreigners as can pass its rigid examinations after attending lectures and submitting essays on several of the standard authors and dramatists. Moliere, Racine, Corneille, La Rochefoucauld, and J. Rousseau were assigned to Miss King, and it was her essay on Corneille which was given first place unanimously by the judges.

PRACTICAL ADVICE.

A stitch in time saves nine.
Never let a child sob itself to sleep.
An egg beaten up in milk is a good pick-me-up.
Sponge black silk with spirits to revive it.
Soot covered with salt is easily brushed up.
If broken wash the bruise and apply vaseline.
Apply ammonia to a bruise if the skin is unbroken.
A hot bath taken at night affords refreshing sleep.
Lemons stowed separately in dry sand keep fresh.
Dry hair turns gray sooner than moist tresses do.
If your clothes catch fire instantly roll on the floor.
Crawl out of a room where there are smoke and fire.
When you want to cut whalebone, warm it by the fire.
Sufferers from dyspepsia should not drink while eating.
Cut glass needs scrubbing with warm water and soap.
Bruised clothes kept among furs frighten moths away.
When the dirt is removed rinse it well with cold water.
The busy housewife should get an hour's sleep in the afternoon.
If possible, hold a wet towel to your face while escaping.—Boston Journal

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Sketch of the Career of the Hon. D. H. McMillan.

The birthplace of Col. D. H. McMillan, the new lieutenant governor of Manitoba, was in the county of Ontario, near the town of Whitby, in the Province of Ontario. The years of his boyhood and early manhood, however, were spent in the town of Collingwood. He received his education in the public schools and the collegiate institute of that town and in the city of Toronto. His early ambitions were largely towards military life; and it was his cherished desire to enter the British army. He took a course of training in the military schools of Toronto, where he was eminently successful, obtaining first class certificates in both the infantry and the cavalry schools. He was identified with military organizations in Ontario for a number of years, and served there during the Fenian raids at Niagara in 1864, and at Port Colborne in March and Fort Erie in June, 1866. In 1870 he was selected for the position of captain in the first Red River expedition under Colonel Wollseley. The young captain remained in Winnipeg with the force for a year, and returned to Ontario in the summer of 1871. Coming to Manitoba again in 1874, Mr. McMillan engaged in Winnipeg in the milling and grain business, with which he remained connected from 1875 until three or four years ago. He built, in 1870, the first flour mill ever erected in the province; and, in the following year, exported to Minneapolis the first shipment, as a commercial transaction, of Manitoba's wheat. He did not, meanwhile, lose his interest in military matters, but was ready for active service whenever troops were required. He was major of the Ninetieth Battalion until just before the Northwest rebellion in 1885, when he resigned, intending to give up military affairs; but when the trouble broke out, the old martial spirit was revived, and he organized, along with Col. Scott, the Ninety-fifth Battalion, and went with that force to the Northwest. He was then senior major, but was afterwards in command of the battalion.—Montreal Herald and Star.

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CAUSES SURPRISE.

Connecticut Man Declares His Assessment is Much Too Low.

Robert M. Bruce, one of the millionaires of Greenwich, Conn., a former cotton broker and a friend of E. C. Benedict, has caused surprise by appearing before the board of assessors of the town and asking them to have his assessment raised 50 per cent, says the New York Sun. He said that he had never paid any attention to the making out of his list of taxable property, leaving it with the assessors. He had decided that he was not paying all that he should into the town treasury and he asked for the raise. The assessors promised to comply with his wishes and it is understood that they will raise the taxes of all other millionaires there to some extent. Mr. Bruce's example is the subject of much comment. For many years past Greenwich has raised \$90,000 by taxation, and has spent \$30,000 more than it raised. The debt has rolled up to nearly \$400,000. The town appointed an investigating committee and the members reported that more money must be raised by taxation. Fixing the taxes last fall was put over until next spring. The assessors figured up the amount of taxable property and an increase of the tax rate seemed probable. Persons who have looked up the matter say that there appears to be one law for the poor man and another for the rich man. The law says that each property owner must put in a true list of the real value of all property, real and personal, but the general rule among persons of moderate means has been to pay on 60 per cent of the value. The millionaires in some instances have not paid on 10 per cent of the property.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To Harry Anderson: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot One hundred and twenty-three (123) Block Four (4) Home Park Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by C. M. Cathcart and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Cathcart the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To W. C. Grant: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Two hundred and thirty-six (236) Block Ten (10) Home Park Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Taylor and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Taylor the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To E. Oaks: You are hereby notified that on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-eight (28) Block two (2) Lakeside Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same, was at such sale, purchased by J. H. Phillips and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and he is now the lawful owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To Emma T. Reed: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 and 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Sixteen (16) Block Twenty-three (23) C. S. Vorse's Addition to Easton Place, now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by J. C. Springer and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Springer the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To Emma T. Kennedy: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Five (5) Lytle's Subdivision, forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by J. H. Phillips and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To J. M. G. Carmichael: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Two hundred and thirty-five (235) Block Ten (10) Home Park Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Taylor and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Taylor the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To B. F. Cameron and W. C. Moore: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot One hundred and twenty (120) Block Four (4) Home Park Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by C. M. Cathcart and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Cathcart the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To Hiram Wells Do: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Six (6) Block Twelve (12) White's Riverview, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was at such sale, purchased by L. B. Callender and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Callender the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To A. B. Shafer: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Fourteen (14) Block Two (2) Vorse's 1st Addition to Easton Place, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Taylor and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Taylor the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To J. G. Canton Do: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-five (25) Block Seven (7) York's Choice, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Taylor and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Taylor the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To Warren C. Johnson: You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897 the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot One hundred and thirty-eight (138) Lakeside Addition now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by L. B. Callender and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Callender the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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FT. MADISON NOTES.

The recent cold snap has called the ice merchants into activity, and the ice harvest is being gathered; and as a consequence many of our men have found employment. Mesdames Jackson and Geo. Mack entertained the converts at the pleasant home of Mrs. Jackson on Fifth street. After music and parlor games, the guests enjoyed an old fashioned candy pull. Miss Fannie Pleasants and Mr. G. Jackson won the prize, and were sorry they did. At midnight the party took their leave, indebted to the hostesses for a very joyous occasion.

At the Second Baptist church, the pastor has delivered a series of sermons on the "Distinctive Doctrines of the Baptists" and the interest and attendance has been all that could be desired. The activity of the membership is prophetic of good times before us. Never before in the history of our church, has there been such hearty co-operation between pastor and flock. La grippe claims as its victims Mrs. Yeizer and daughter Lottie, Mesdames Lewis, Bias, and Chambers, and Miss Lucille McClelland; all of whom are convalescent.

The Mid-winter picnic given under the auspices of the Sewing Circle was a pronounced success in attendance, enjoyment and financial results, a neat sum being added to the church treasury. The ordinance of baptism will be administered on the first Sunday in March. There is at this time twenty six who will put on Christ by baptism. The executive board of the Iowa Baptist Association meets here in March. It is hoped that each one will feel it a privilege to assist in making the meeting a memorable one—more anon.

The A. M. E. church gave an ice cream social Saturday night. An enjoyable evening was spent. The tables were under the supervision of Mrs. Lucy Woods, who reports a financial success. It is also stated that this little church is soon to have an able pastor. We shall be glad to welcome him to our city. On Monday night an assault was made upon the home of Mr. and Mrs. Higginbotham—the abode of the pastor and wife—and although there was no damage done; the surprise was a complete one. The attacking party was headed by the pyrrhic form of Mr. Eebanks followed by about thirty-five members and friends of the Baptist church, laden with edibles, which were deposited upon the dining room table, making a formidable looking pyramid of substantial and fancy foods. Mr. Eebanks presented the gifts in well chosen words. Pastor Underwood responded in behalf of his wife and self. Not least among the gifts was an artistic piece from the converts.

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What a Girl Did. A girl named Ackerman, aged 14, daughter of an English laborer, has just completed her education. She has never missed being present since the school was opened, and is completing her 3,451 attendances and is to have walked 6,000 miles. She has passed every standard successfully and in the three subjects on first grade drawing obtained "excellent" prizes in free-hand and model, as also in the three stages of the specific subjects, literature, domestic economy and animal physiology, and in one stage in physical geography. She has also obtained 26 other prizes for good attendance, sculpture, knitting, etc.

Had Handled \$50,000,000. A remarkable record was that which had been gained by the late John Lancombe for 33 years cashier of the government printing office at Washington and an employe of the institution in some capacity since its establishment. His record lay in the fact that as cashier of the printing office he disbursed more than \$50,000,000, and without the disallowance or suspension of a single account turned in by him to the auditors of the treasury.

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MCKINLEY'S WISH WINS.

Seventy Army Nominations Confirmed by Senate.

SAMPSON AHEAD OF SCHLEY.

Attack Made in the House Upon the Alleged Recklessness of Appropriations in This Congress—McKinley Gets 292 Electoral Votes in the Official Count

Washington, D. C., Feb. 15.—President McKinley has overcome the opposition in the senate to the confirmation of Brig.-Gens. Wood, Grant and Bell in the order in which the nominations were sent to the senate. After a prolonged discussion the senate confirmed all the seventy nominations down to the lieutenant-colonel of infantry in precisely the order in which they were sent from the White House.

Lists for Naval Promotion.
President McKinley has received from Secretary Long the nomination of officers advanced for heroic service during the battle with Cervera's fleet off Santiago de Cuba. Rear-Admiral Sampson will, if the nominations be confirmed, be made senior to Admiral Schley. The fact that he is advanced over the latter officer will undoubtedly cause a fight in the senate against the confirmation of the nominations.

Blow to Russia's Sugar Industry.
The decision of Secretary Gage, to impose a countervailing duty of about 1 cent a pound upon refined sugar from Russia on the ground that it receives a bounty, while it will ultimately accomplish his purpose of having the question decided in the courts, will probably have the immediate effect of dealing a death blow to the beet sugar industry of Russia.

Talks of Reckless Appropriations.
In the house Mr. Cochran (Mo.) made an attack upon the recklessness of the appropriations in this congress. He declared that the total appropriations for the next year, if reckoned in gold, would exceed the appropriations in 1864, when the federal government had 1,200 ships on the sea maintaining a blockade from Galveston to the Chesapeake, and 1,000,000 men on land engaged in the most tremendous military enterprise in the history of the age. Speaking of our policy in the Philippines and China, Mr. Cochran said: "Talk about progress and Christianity, if progress and Christianity mean marching under many flags of plunderers and the swords of Christian soldiers dripping in the blood of plundered people it is time to quit or fling away the masquerade and say: 'Progress has turned freebooter, Christianity slumbers and God is dead.'" Mr. Cochran argued that from any economic standpoint the "game" in the Philippines was not worth the cost. "We have already," he said, "spent money enough there to build the Nicaragua canal, to fortify every foot of its course, to construct our new warships and we are today no nearer peace than when the first gun was fired." Mr. Richardson (Tenn.), the minority leader, also commented upon the vast total of the appropriations in this session of congress, which, he said, would reach \$800,000,000. Four years ago when President McKinley's administration began the annual appropriations were about \$470,000,000.

Republican Ticket Gets 292 Votes.
William McKinley of Ohio was declared elected president of the United States and Theodore Roosevelt of New York vice-president for the term beginning on March 4 next. It was 1 o'clock when the senate marched into the chamber of the house of representatives, and in just an hour's time the separate returns had been read from each of the forty-five states, the tellers had made their computation, the result had been announced, the senate had retired, and the house had resumed consideration of an appropriation bill. The only gleam as to the importance of the occasion was at the conclusion of the ceremony, when Senator Frye, as president of the senate, announced that 292 votes had been cast for McKinley and Roosevelt and only 155 for Bryan and Stevenson, thus electing the two former to the positions of president and vice-president.

Ships Go to Venezuelan Waters.
Venezuela is being subjected to strong naval pressure, applied by the United States. The Bancroft is now on her way to La Guayra from the Orinoco river, which she had penetrated for the purpose of showing the American flag for the protection of the Americans employed by the New York and Bermuda Asphalt company. The Lancaster, which was expected to leave La Guayra for Santa Lucia, is still at the former port, and the Dixie is due at that point.

Big Paper Mill Destroyed.
Appleton, Wis., Feb. 15.—The Kimberly mills of the Kimberly & Clark company, four miles from this city, took fire and before the flames were subdued at midnight the damage done was estimated at \$500,000. While assisting at the fire D. Cowie, superintendent of the plant, fell and was seriously injured. Several ribs were broken and Mr. Cowie was badly bruised. The Kimberly paper mills rank among the finest equipped for a plant of the size in the west and were built in 1893 at a total expense of \$1,200,000, including the improvement of the water power and the erection of homes for the employees at a village which sprung up at that point. Chief E. L. Anderson of the fire department was suffocated during the fire.

TO NOMINATE BRYAN IN 1904.

Movement Started to Make Him Standard-Bearer Third Time.
New York, Feb. 14.—A movement is said to be on foot for the renomination of William J. Bryan for president in 1904. Senator Jones is said to be the author of the plan, which is to nominate Bryan on a platform prepared for him in advance by his friends in the United States senate. It is said Senator Jones is preparing an anti-trust bill to be introduced in the senate. It will be sweeping and radical in its scope, although it is admitted it cannot pass. The Bryanite program is to keep this bill to the front, advocate it in and out of congress, and use it as a means to revive the waning Bryan sentiment throughout the country.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

Chicago Board of Trade.				
Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Feb. ....	.73 1/2	.73 3/4	.73 1/2	.73 3/4
March ..	.73 3/4	.74	.73 3/4	.74 1/4
May ....	.75 1/2	.76	.75	.76
Corn—				
Feb. ....	.....	.....	.....	.38
March ..	.....	.....	.....	.38 1/2
May ....	.39 1/2	.39 3/4	.39 1/2	.39 3/4
Oats—				
Feb. ....	.....	.....	.....	.24 1/2
May ....	.25 1/2	.25 3/4	.25 1/2	.25 3/4
Pork—				
May	14.10	14.15	14.05	14.12 1/2
Lard—				
May	7.52 1/2	7.55	7.52 1/2	7.55
July ....	.....	.....	.....	7.57 1/2
S. ribs—				
May	7.07 1/2	7.10	7.07 1/2	7.10
Sept.	7.17 1/2	7.22 1/2	7.17 1/2	7.22 1/2

Milk Falls as a Steam-Maker.
Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 15.—That milk is not equal to water as a steam-producing agent was demonstrated on the Erie & Central New York railroad by passenger train No. 2, which left Cincinnati at 7:30 o'clock and was due in Cortland an hour and a half later. The train stopped at the water pump and milk station in Cincinnati for a supply of water. Fireman John Barney, a new employe, made a wrong connection and filled the engine tank with sour milk. The steam dropped rapidly after the transaction, because the milk curdled as soon as it struck the heat, and clogged the pipes, and such a sputtering about the gauge took place that Engineer Jonas Miller became frightened, and at Freetown asked the dispatcher for an extra engine to haul his train to the end of its run.

Cruise for Apprentices.
San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 14.—The United States training ship Mohican has come down from the Mare Island navy yard, having been almost entirely rebuilt. She is now bark-rigged and closely resembles the old Hartford. The Mohican will take aboard about 250 apprentices here and will start on a cruise to the southern seas. She will call at Santa Barbara, San Diego, Magdalena bay and Honolulu. On her return to San Francisco she will go north, calling at all the Puget Sound ports and stopping on the Columbia river on her way home. Most of the voyage will be done under sail.

Women Judges at Primaries.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 14.—For the first time in the history of Kansas elections women acted as judges and clerks at the municipal primaries in Kansas City, Kan. There were 1,800 women registered. Three candidates were out for the Republican nomination for mayor, which office was the storm center of the campaign. One of the features of the attitude of the women was their ignoring Hughes, the Prohibition candidate. The women judges and clerks were as prompt in reaching the polls as the men and were equally efficient.

Submits Anti-Trust Bill.
Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 15.—An anti-trust bill was introduced in the house by Mr. Palm of Crawford. The measure makes it unlawful for any company or corporation chartered by this state to unite directly or indirectly with any other company or corporation under the name of trust, syndicate or other name for the purpose either of limiting the production or controlling the price of any article of trade or commerce.

Girls Sold as Slaves.
San Francisco, Feb. 14.—The legislative investigation of the San Francisco police is now in progress. Women missionaries and rescued slaves testify that Chinese girls are bought and sold into bondage in Chinatown as merchandise. A fifteen-months' babe brings \$300, grown girls from \$2,000 to \$3,000. It is said the police are apathetic.

Shot in Gambling-House.
Denver, Colo., Feb. 14.—Phillip D. Killam, 33 years old, was shot and probably fatally wounded at 4:05 o'clock in a gambling-house kept by James Marshall and "Hub" Heatley. Killam gasped: "Jim Marshall shot me," and became unconscious. He was serving a warrant of ouster when killed.

Bank Cashier Kills Himself.
Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 14.—A special to the News from Bridgeport, Ala., says E. R. Patterson, cashier of the bank there, and bookkeeper of the Bridgeport Stove Works, committed suicide by shooting himself through the brain. No motive for the act has developed.

Gale on the Atlantic.
Norfolk, Va., Feb. 14.—The severest blow of the season prevails from Norfolk to Cape Hatteras. At Cape Henry the wind is blowing at the rate of sixty-eight miles an hour, which is hurricane velocity.

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RACE ECHOES.

Miss Ruth M. Halsey, daughter of Bishop L. H. Hosley of the C. M. E. church, and Miss M. Warwick of Philadelphia, are studying art in Paris, France.

Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) of the amount necessary to build a cotton factory at Jackson, Miss., has been subscribed. It will be owned and operated by colored men.

Fayette county, Pa., has a colored mail carrier who is a young lady of eighteen. She receives \$140 a year for carrying the mail daily from Uniontown to Jumonville.

Mr. P. S. Umbles, of Kansas City, Mo., president of the Negro State Democratic League and a senior law student, has been appointed assistant doorkeeper in the senate chamber at Jefferson City.

The superintendent of telegraphers and car accountant of the Colorado & Northwestern railroad, at Boulder, Col., is S. B. Mackie, a colored man, who has complete charge of cars or trains over the road. He formerly resided in Pennsylvania.

Richmond, Va., colored people are talking of buying 20 acres of ground near the city on which to erect a handsome monument to Abraham Lincoln, and in commemoration of the emancipation proclamation.

There are five thousand negro citizens of Creek nation, each of whom will get about 200 acres of land in the general allotment, making a total of 1,000,000 acres. There are eight hundred Negro citizens of the Seminole nation, each of whom will get 120 in the general allotment, making a total of 96,000 acres.

A grand total of 1,296,000 acres of land in the B. I. T., owned by the Negro citizens of the various tribes. There are 100,000 Negroes from the states who live in Indian Territory working the lands of the natives. The Negroes of the states are intermarrying with the natives very rapidly, and every time one marries he becomes possessor of from 40 to 200 acres.

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Rev. Conson has been confined to his bed for nearly two weeks. Rev. R. E. Caye filled the pulpit Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Clark, who was at Yorktown, S. D.

The literary society meets every two weeks on Monday night. As we have not been able to learn the officers we cannot give the names at this writing.

The Valentine entertainment which is to be given by the ladies of Mt. Zion Baptist church, promises to be a great affair. The main feature of the first evening is the Tom Thumb wedding by the little folks. The prizes will be given away on the second evening. There will be a program and refreshments both evenings. Mrs. Mattie Thompson has charge of the entertainment.

Rev. T. A. Clark returned from Yankton, S. D. Monday. Mrs. Clark is still quite poorly.

The young man gave a grand ball at W. O. Hill last Thursday evening.

Miss Little Mitchell came down from Yankton to attend the ball Thursday and returned Friday.

Mrs. Perkins of Pilgrim Baptist church, St. Paul, Minn., filled the pulpit at Mt. Zion Baptist church last Sunday evening. Mrs. Perkins is an able speaker and handled her text in a creditable manner. Mrs. Perkins has been in Yankton since September. She came to this city with her son and expects to remain until spring.

The first real snow covering the ground about six inches on the level, fell on the 7th and 8th and everybody is trying to sleigh ride.

Mrs. Early is on the sick list.

Russell Sage as a Farmer.

A handsome but simple frame house at Lawrence, Long Island, surrounded by some five acres of land, is the quiet retreat where the tired Wall Street magnate, Russell Sage, has enjoyed his summers for many years. Here he is a typical Long Island farmer in old clothes and straw hat. Many a man farming for a bare living could gain information in his own business from Russell Sage. He has no use for orchards, and costly fads, but he watches the development of every field within a radius of many miles about his country home. In the stable are half a dozen horses, raised and broken to harness by the great financier, and he shows the delight of a boy in hitching them up and driving over the country roads. There are a goodly number of domestic pets. It may be said that there are two Russell Sages, one the financier familiar to New York, the other the man of leisure in his country home.

MUCHAKINOCK.

Mrs. Maryetta Clay of Okaloosa was a "Mucky" visitor Monday. The following persons arrived this afternoon from Buxton: Mesdames Addie Johnson, Katie Jenett, Josie Toliver, Micklass Massey, Minnie Shelton and several gentlemen.

Mrs. E. A. London spent Wednesday in Okaloosa with her niece Mrs. M. Clay. The Baptist church had a social at the residence of Rev. J. A. Ringaman Monday evening.

Lewis London of Buxton was in our city Monday.

Have you heard how the Buxton coal miners are making money? The miners were paid last Saturday for two weeks' work all the way from \$25.00 to \$147.00 after expenses were paid, which included rent coal and grocery bill. Now Buxtonites this is the time to buy a farm.

The Twentieth Century Club will have another banquet at an early date. Mrs. Shelton is on the sick list at this writing.

DAVENPORT.

There have been several sleighing parties in the city among the colored people, and all so far report a very pleasant time.

The supporting officers of Eureka Lodge, G. U. O. of O. F., expect to give a social entertainment some time next week in their lodge hall, Fifth and Brady.

Mr. J. S. Roberts, our city scavenger, is improving about as fast as could be expected. At this writing his wife is also indisposed.

What was wrong with Sioux City last week? We did not hear from them at. Poor rule that will not work both ways. So wake up Sioux City.

Fire broke out in Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Woods' residence, 706 Harrison street, Sunday evening just before church, and destroyed everything they had, but we learn that the loss is nearly covered by insurance.

Quite a crowd met the train from Muscatine Tuesday to take a glimpse of Mrs. Carrie Nation. The Kimball House saloon sets right across from the Rock Island tracks, but she made no effort to do it any harm. In case she had there would have been a hot time as saloon men from all over the city were at the depot when she came in. Muscatine telephoned today (Tuesday) that the meeting there was not a success by any means.

There is a chattering supper to be given later on this week. Will publish details next week. Mr. Charley Berry was removed from A. D. Corbin's last week to the Red Cross hospital.

Mrs. Flora King is the new secretary of the Third Baptist Sunday School and Superintendent Mabry think that the school made a good selection, as Mrs. King possesses great business qualities and is deeply interested in the Sunday School work.

EMERALD MINES.

They Were Lost for Centuries, but Have Been Rediscovered.

What are known as the emerald mines of Cleopatra lie in the mountain range that extends for a long distance parallel to the Red sea and a few leagues west of its coast, in a latitude rather south of Eofu, on the Nile, says the Geographical Journal. This, like some other parts of the region—such as the porphyry quarries of Jebel Dokhan—was far better known than it is now, and more thickly peopled, about twenty centuries ago, and only during the present one, so far as we know, have isolated explorers at long intervals found their way into the treasure house of ancient Egypt. When its rulers first used the emerald for personal adornment is uncertain. Whether the large, clear stones which, according to ancient authorities, ornamented the Egyptian temples were really emeralds is a matter of dispute, but as this gem—owing to its regular shape, which is commonly a six-sided prism—and its beautiful tint stands less in need of the lapidary's art than many others, it probably formed part of the regalia of princes at a very early period. That it was known to the Romans is certain, and the mines now revisited used to send their treasures to the gem cutters of the capital. Ever since then the stone has been highly esteemed. These mines of the northern Ethbal seem to have remained untouched since the decline and fall of Rome caused them to be deserted. According to Mr. MacAllister, the workings are only small passages, hardly more than burrows, excavated in the emerald-bearing cleft and sometimes extending for a long distance. Many scattered ruins may also be seen—dwellings, watch towers and tombs, besides those of fun settlements. In these, no doubt, the mining population used to live, and the difference in style suggest they were occupied for a long time. Some are mere hovels, very roughly built; others show a more careful construction, while a third group are well finished. Mr. MacAllister also found three rock-cut temples, for the soft stone lends itself to that kind of architecture. He thinks that their pillars, though very primitive in style, indicate Egyptian designs, with traces of Greek influence. One, indeed, contains a crumbling inscription in that language. Broken pottery, sometimes ornamented, is abundant, but there is no evidence that the neighborhood attracted visitors for any but business purposes. Notwithstanding this, there was in those times a settled instead of a nomad population, and travelers once must have been rather frequent, for in one place many drawings of persons, animals and tribal marks are scratched upon the rocks. Some of the figures evidently are much older than others, but as a whole they recall to memory the Sinaitic inscriptions which some forty years ago were believed to be memories of the wanderings of the Israelites.

SMOKELESS FUEL.

First Being Made at a Railroad Power House.

Test for the elimination of the smoke nuisance, and a revolution in method of combustion, are under way at the Fourteenth street power house of the Illinois Central railroad, says the Chicago News. Fed by automatic hoppers, a battery of boilers is being operated by the consumption of coal dust. Fires that burn with the fury of volcanoes rage under them, while from glass peepholes arranged at every point of vantage, combustion experts watch the developments. As though to complete the suggestion of a volcano, the fires produce no cinders. Streams of lava form in a small pool on the floor of the ash pit, and are removed in a solid mass from time to time. Apparatus that is under test is the property of the Schwartzkopf Coal Dust Firing company, a German concern. Schwartzkopf, a son of the famous Teutonic torpedo maker, made the first steps toward perfecting the system, which was completed by the discoverer of Arthur C. Hesselmeier, an American attached to the German navy. The European concerns immediately purchased Mr. Hesselmeier's ideas, and he is now in Chicago conducting the actual tests that are being made by Edward Trumbo at the railroad power house. Illinois coal of a cheap grade is reduced to a fine powder and means of a draught is automatically fed into a combustion chamber. Only the faintest suggestion of smoke trails away from the tall chimney, and it is asserted that the customary pressure of steam being maintained, with a large saving of fuel.

FACTOR IN POLITICS.

New Federation of Australia Must Be Re-considered.

Australia is to Great Britain the most valuable of all her colonies, writes Hugh M. Lusk in the North American Review. The external influence of Australia in the south Pacific is bound to make itself felt before long. Those who know Australia best will have the least doubt that she will find means ere long to use that influence for purposes beneficial to herself. Her people were far from pleased with what was done in the case of Samoa; and it is safe to say that no such policy of concession will ever command the assent of united Australia. The sphere of her first interests will, for the present, be confined mainly to the Pacific and Indian oceans to the south of the equator. She will be interested in the Loyalty group, where France is established, and in the New Hebrides, where she is very anxious to establish herself. She will be solicitous about the Solomon Islands, part of which are at present recognized as German territory, and she will take a very deep interest in the future of New Guinea, part of which belongs to Germany, and the rest, beyond the British section, is understood to form part of Holland's great but little used estate in the eastern archipelago. These will undoubtedly be Australia's first cares, but she will not be content with these for very long. Siam, French and southern China and Borneo are natural markets for her trade, which in the next ten years will be a rapidly increasing one, and, in relation to all these, she will expect to exercise large influence.

Immense Herring Traffic.

The annual North sea herring voyage, which begins off the Northumberland coast, has resulted, on the completion of the first stage, in a catch of over 50,000 crans of herrings, valued at about £70,000. A cran contains, according to size, from 600 to 1,000 fish. As the fish move southward, the big fleet of several hundred sail follows, and it is now making its headquarters at Grimsby, whence its operations will shortly be transferred to Yarmouth and Lowestoft, where the fishing continues until Christmas, and affords employment to many thousands of both men and women, says TR-BITS. Last year at Yarmouth alone no fewer than 348,000,000 herrings were landed, and as this year steam fishing boats have largely replaced sailing vessels, it is expected this great total will be far exceeded, for in a single week 22,000 crans have been taken on the northern grounds, giving a return of over £14,000 to the fishermen.

Most Tongues Have No Bible.

The terms of the Arthington bequest of a great sum of money to the various missionary societies has resulted in the disclosure of the fact that there are hundreds of tribes without a version of the Bible in their tongues, in spite of the splendid efforts that have been made. It is estimated that there are 2,000 languages and dialects in the world, and the British and Foreign Bible Society have had the Bible, the New Testament, and portions of the scriptures translated into a little over 400 of them. That leaves, roughly speaking, 1,600 different tribes and peoples who have not the word in their own language or dialect. Many of these tribes live in Central Africa, others in Siberia and "Holy" Russia.

Death's Sponge in Windpipe.

Sponges which are used in surgical operations once in a while are left in the bound, and then death is bound to ensue soon or later. A young English collier named Finney had eleven teeth extracted under ether by Dr. Griffiths, and when efforts were being made to restore him to consciousness he sprang from the chair, fell back and died. Sponges had been placed in his mouth to absorb blood from the gums, and one of them, which was left in his mouth by inadvertence after the extractions had been made, entered the windpipe and caused suffocation.—New York Press.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES.

In National Contests the Heaviest Outlay Is Near the Close.

The most expensive work of a national campaign is done during the last three weeks before the election. Every doubtful state and city is closely watched by men prompt to discover every change in the political tide, and money is transmitted in large sums to the localities in which it is believed it will produce the best results. A few days before the election in 1888 West Virginia received \$44,000 from the democratic national committee and the Republicans sent \$50,000 to the same state. About the same time the Democrats sent \$100,000 into Indiana; and three nights before the election Chairman Quay of the Republican national committee sent \$300,000 from New York to trusted lieutenants in Fort Wayne, Ind. A fortnight before the election in 1896 the Republicans became doubtful about Iowa, says World's Work. Chairman Hanna at once resolved upon a personal canvass of every doubtful voter in the state. He proposed that every voter not classed on the polling lists either as a downright Democrat or a downright Republican should be visited by some zealous and tactful member of the Republican party. Before election day the thousands of such men in towns, in cities and in the country were sought out and appealed to by the Republicans most likely to win them; and this canvass is said to have cost the Republican national committee more than \$200,000. Reckoning all the expenses in all the states, it may be roughly estimated that a presidential campaign, including also congressional, gubernatorial and lesser campaigns, causes the total expenditure of perhaps \$20,000,000.

EARLY STEAMERS.

Incidents Concerning Beginning of a Line of Boats.

The Collins line of American steamers was established in 1847. Two years later, on April 27, 1849, its first vessel, the steamer Atlantic, sailed from New York. The line was withdrawn in 1857, soon after the government had refused to renew the mail contract with it. The history of its steamers briefly told, is as follows: On September 27, 1854, the Arctic came into collision with the French steamer Vesta and was sunk, only a few of her passengers being saved; on January 23, 1856, the Pacific sailed from Liverpool with 240 persons on board, including the wife of Mr. Collins, and was never heard of afterward; the Atlantic was broken up in New York in 1859; the Adriatic, built at Greenpoint, N. Y., by Steers, was sold to the Galway company, and was afterward used as a coal hulk in England; the Baltic was in the government service during the civil war as a supply vessel, and was afterward sold at auction; her machinery being removed and sold as old iron, she was converted into a sailing ship and used as a grain carrying vessel between San Francisco and Great Britain until 1880, when she was broken up. When the civil war began the New York and Havre Steam Navigation company, to which the Fulton and Arago were chartered, was withdrawn; the Arago was then sold to the Peruvian government, while the Fulton became a United States transport vessel for awhile, but she soon became useless and was broken up.—New York Weekly.

Benjamin Harrison's Luncheon.

Ex-President Benjamin Harrison, one of the ablest men who has figured in our public life, has always been handicapped by his unresponsive, cold manner. When he was in the senate, at Washington, D. C., in the early '80s, he always brought his luncheon to the committee room. He carried it in his coat pocket and would eat it while he went on with his work. One day when he got it out as usual from his pocket he looked it all over ruefully, for it did look rather flat and dubious. He finally remarked to those near by, that he guessed he must have sat on it accidentally. One of his colleagues—one who had recently been ignored by Harrison—spoke up impulsively: "Well, by Jove, Harrison, if you've sat on it, I'll bet you a sixpence it is frozen solid," and of course a shout went up from the whole committee. Harrison took the joke kindly and joined in the laugh.

Shot an Exulting Englishman.

The British and the Boers at Pieters Hill were crouching behind bowlders scattered over a wide surface. The moment a man on either side emerged from his cover he was at once the target of the enemy's bullets. A Boer, partly, it seemed, in bravado, made a sudden sally to join a neighbor. An Englishman who had long watched the rock and was becoming sick with hope deferred, took aim and brought the daring one down. So delighted was he with his luck that he threw himself on his back behind the shallow shelter of his bowlder and kicked his heels into air. In his transport his heel rose above the rock, as he was instantly made aware by a bullet transfixing his fluttering ankle.—New York Tribune.

Diseased by Eating Dead Rats.

One whole family and two guests were the other day afflicted with trichinae poisoning from eating sausage, in Nicollet county, Minn. A microscopic examination of some of the muscular tissue from one of the bodies confirmed the diagnosis of trichinae poisoning. The hog whose raw flesh was used in the sausage, after being merely smoked, was raised and killed and it is supposed to have contracted the disease by eating dead rats. It is said by the physicians that rats are almost always afflicted by the disease, and that cats often die of it after eating them.



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