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CITY NEWS

1733—George Washington—1901.

Presiding elder Bundy was in the city this week.

Mrs. Maud Wyatt who was quite sick last week is convalescence.

Quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church the first Sunday in March.

Mr. James Woods has accepted a position with the Harris-Emery Co.

Rumor says another wedding in the near future uniting both sides of the river.

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

Mrs. J. H. Shepard will sing a solo at the A. M. E. Sunday School next Sunday afternoon.

BORNED—To Mr. and Mrs. Toney Thompson of Marquisville, a ten pound girl, last week.

Chas. Henderson left Wednesday for Omaha where he will spend several months.

Hear the chorus of 150 voices at the A. M. E. Sunday School, under the leadership of Prof. Geo. I. Holt.

We learn that Attorney Albert Bell, formerly of this city, fell and broke his arm in Omaha last week.

All members of the Old Folks concert are requested to meet at Mr. N. Morton, 779 Tenth street.

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

Wm. Coalson attended the funeral of his brother, the Rev. Amstead Coalson, at Mt. Pleasant last Thursday.

Twelve persons were baptised at the Forest Street Baptist church last Sunday; the result of the revival meetings. Rev. Bates has been very successful.

Mrs. Geo. Stanton of 1208 Pleasant street, was taken to Mercy hospital Tuesday to undergo a surgical operation. It is reported that she is getting along nicely.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle was highly entertained at the residence of Mrs. W. K. Perry, Ninth and Park streets, Friday afternoon. A four course lunch was served by Mesdames W. K. Perry and Brown.

Mr. D. N. Barner, a successful farmer near Grimes, was in our city last Saturday trading. He is preparing to farm quite extensively this year; he also called at the Bystander office and paid his subscription. Who will be the next.

The Christian Working Club met at the residence of Mrs. Mary Stanton on Pleasant street. The club was very largely attended, and the program was interesting. After business 30 minutes was spent in prayer. Lunch was served by Mesdames Stanton, Fisher and R. Bättle.

J. L. Thompson received a very beautiful calendar with the photographs of the leading Indian chiefs which were taken by the famous Indian photographer, F. A. Rinehart of Omaha. They were the compliments of Mr. John A. Hardy, a former Des Moines boy. They are the most striking we have ever seen.

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

Mr. Frederick Douglass, a successful restaurant man from Missouri Valley, Iowa, and the only colored family in that town, was a visitor in our city this week. He is thinking of entering into some kind of business near the capital city. He is a fine musician and has been master of several bands, and for four years leader of the white band at Missouri Valley. He is a very intelligent man and complimented the Bystander office.

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The editor received a very valuable as well as beautiful manual of "Special Days" for Iowa schools, from the State Superintendent, Hon. Richard C. Barrett. It is by far the most unique and interesting educational publication we have ever received. It is printed on the best book paper and illustrated with half tone cuts, and red and blue letters, also our flag adorns the cover.

AN EXPOSITION BOOKLET

Another Beautiful Production from the Bureau of Publicity of the Pan-American at Buffalo.

We received another one of the beautiful booklets from the Bureau of publicity of the Pan-American Exposition, Buffalo, N. Y. It consists of 16 pages and a cover in light green. The unique feature of it is miniature reproduction of the famous poster, "The Spirit of Niagara," which has had a most remarkable demand. The envelope in which the poster booklet is mailed also bears a reproduction of the artistic work. The booklet is a popular picture book, the first page having an engraving of the magnificent Electric Tower, which is 391 feet high, and which will form the glorious center-piece of the great Exposition. On the same page is a miniature of one of the torch bearers which will adorn the wings of the Electric Tower, and beside it a picture of the Niagara Falls. The second page shows a picture of the Electricity Building and five other small illustrations of the use of electricity. The third page shows the splendid group of buildings erected by the National Government and which will contain the Government exhibits, also five miniature illustrations, one of them showing the life-saving station, where exhibitions will be given daily by a picked crew of ten men, during the exposition. The fourth page is devoted to the wonderful display of government ordnance; the fifth to the Machinery Transportation Building and four other illustration of modern machines and vehicles. The center of the booklet shows a birdseye view of the exposition, and gives one some idea of the great extent of the enterprise upon which about \$10,000,000 is being expended. The ground contain 350 acres, being half a mile wide, and a mile and a quarter long. Other pages show horticulture, graphic arts and mines, manufactures and liberal arts, the Music Temple, the Plaza and its beautiful surroundings, the Stadium or athletic field, the agricultural, live stock and ethnology feature, and a few of the 30 or 40 ingenious and novel exhibits which promise to make the Midway the most wonderful that has ever been prepared for Exposition visitors. The last page shows a ground plan of the exposition, whereon the location of different buildings is indicated. The railroads will make low rates from all

parts of the country during the Exposition, which opens May 1 and continues six months, and the people of Buffalo are preparing to entertain comfortable the millions who will attend. Anyone desiring a copy of this booklet may have it free by addressing the Pan-American Bureau of Publicity.

A Word to Our Correspondents.

Here of late there seems to be a rival between our regular correspondents and other parties to send in the news, or at least will not give the news of their town to the authorized agents, but rather send it in to the office. Therefore we have received two and three letters the same week from the same town. Now this

HON. SIDNEY A. FOSTER, Candidate for Governor.



Last week we printed a letter from Mr. Foster, announcing his candidacy for Governor, to succeed Hon. L. M. Shaw. This week we produce a cut of Sidney A. Foster of Des Moines, who is seeking the republican nomination. Mr. Foster is no stranger to the people or the republicans of Iowa, as he has lived in Iowa for a quarter of a century, and has spoken in nearly every county of the state; and many times a delegate to the county and state conventions. He has never asked any compensation for his services for the party, or has he until now ever sought for political honors, but has quietly followed the insurance business, as secretary of the Royal Mutual Union. He is a good business man, well qualified, and would make an excellent governor. He is a good speaker and has many friends throughout the state that would be glad to see him governor of proud Iowa.

is not justice to your regular appointed correspondent and our agent. There is no need of two letters from one town the same week, any more than there is need of two Mayors of the same town. Perhaps you all may not like our agents—the likes of a person should not enter into public matters, and we think that our correspondents will be broad and liberal enough to send all the news of interest, regardless of their own selfish ideas. Then again if you don't see news from your town every week don't censure the correspondent, perhaps there is not enough matter to make a news letter. Then too, some of our newly selected correspondents write too much on one subject or the dress some one wore—this is not news to the public—state the events and facts briefly, for our space is limited and there are many other towns that would like space. Then again write a plain hand and don't mention names of persons at parties and entertainments; give us the news pure and simple. We hope that all will read this and heed it.

DO NOT CENSURE THE RACE.

Several of our contemporaries have censured those colored men

who were recently employed by the Vista Cotton Mills and who had to be turned out because they could not do the work satisfactory. The Omaha Enterprise said, "they were weighed in the balance and found wanting." The St. Louis Eagle says, "not so, give them a fair trial." We would prefer the latter expression. While we at this distance do not know the real cause, yet those proprietors are yankees from the North and may have expected too much in a little time, as the ordinary white man does. Even if those few were not satisfactory, don't condemn the whole race, for we are not all alike, be patient. Give our laborers a just, honest and fair trial, and results will we hope prove different.

MILLER FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR.

Mr. Homer A. Miller, one of our young business men, has consented to allow his friends to use his name as a candidate for one of the School Directors for West Des Moines School Board. He was born in La Porte, Ind., in 1860, moved with his parents to Webster City, Iowa, when 7 years old where he received a common school and High School education. At the age 20 years he went into the banking business at Eagle Grove, and was a member of the Eagle Grove School Board for several years. He moved to this city in 1898 and entered the Des Moines Savings Bank as cashier where he is now. He has a family and enjoys the highest esteem of all who know him, and will make an excellent member of the School Board.

MR. FARR FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR.

Mr. Elmer E. Farr of South Des Moines, Sevastopol, is a candidate for member of the West Side School Board. Mr. Farr is a Des Moines man by birth; born in this city in 1861, where he has lived all his life; educated in the common and public schools, and no doubt has a great interest in the schools. He has been in the grocery business in Sevastopol for the past 20 years, and by his own hard work and good judgment made a success. He was post master of sevastopol and town Treasurer when it was separate from Des Moines. He is a good business man and will if elected make a valuable member of the school board. The South Side is entitled to at least one member.

FOR EAST SIDE SCHOOL BOARD.

Mr. Frank R. Thruber, one of the well known East Side citizens, has announced his name as a candidate for one of the members of the School Board. He was born in New York in 1836, came to Iowa the spring of '62, where he immediately enlisted in Company B 39th Iowa infantry, and was promoted to First Lieutenant. He has followed painting all his life. He was side walk commissioner for the East Side four years, and is now one of the court bailiffs. By his ripe age and experience will make a good director.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Today as we go to press the city is quiet, business almost suspended, public offices are closed, banks and stores and factories closed. All is silent save the hum of the street cars and the whistle of the cold wind. It is George Washington's birthday. It has been made a legal holiday by nearly all the states of the Union. In fact it is more generally observed than any other day in America, save Christmas. Washington stands for all that the United States is today, the pioneer, the moulder, the founder and the first president of the free republic among the nations. The life and struggle of Washington is interwoven in the history formation and development of America so that we need not reproduce it, for each school boy and girl sing his praises from ocean to ocean and the multitude of the islands are taking it up. Let us ever honor and revere the name of that master of humanity, and as the ages come we will cherish and honor him more and more.

DILWORTH FOR SCHOOL BOARD.

This year there are four members of the West Side school board to elect. There are several candidates, and among that number the name of Mr. C. H. Dilworth, one of our old well known and highly esteemed citizen. He was born in the Quaker State 63 years ago and raised on a farm. He enlisted in the army to help save the Union and defeat secession, joining Company E 124 Pennsylvania infantry; after the war, in 1868 he came to Iowa where he has remained every since, teaching school awhile, later he was selected deputy County Treasurer, which he held four years, then he was elected County Treasurer, which he held two terms, from there he was elected vice president of the Valley National Bank where he has been every since. He was elected a member of the North Des Moines School Board for his second term last year when it was consolidated. He is a man highly esteemed, thoroughly qualified in every way to make an ideal member of the school board.

Pneumonia Can be Prevented.

This disease always results from a cold or an attack of the grip and may be prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. That remedy was extensively used during the epidemics of La Grippe of the past few years, and not a single case has been reported that did not recover or that resulted in pneumonia, which shows it to be a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has gained a world wide reputation for its cures of colds and grip. For sale by all Druggists.

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CLUB LIFE IN CHINA.

Mandarins and Rich Men Congregate at Social Pleasures.

Club life in China is not an innovation from the west. For centuries the rich Chinaman has had his club, and as a rule it is quite as elegant an affair as are the aristocratic clubs of New York and Chicago. Most of the large Chinese cities, such as Canton and Peking, contain a club for mandarins and rich men with pretensions to rank. Some have a political taint some are merely social, but all have one peculiar feature. This is a room or oratory set strictly apart for religious exercises. In the oratory the image of a Chinese god is placed. From time to time members of the club enter the sanctuary to offer their devotions. Apparently it is no uncommon thing at the beginning or successful ending of a great enterprise—such as, say, the murder of an enemy or the consummation of a political conspiracy—to see a Chinaman hastening from the secular part of his club bearing a rich offering or a prayer for the god in the club sanctuary. He observes his devotions with a gravity that bears witness to his sincerity. Some devout Chinamen visit the god the moment they enter the club building and again prostrate themselves the last thing before leaving. The club god is not usually a war divinity, but now, in the centers where the "Boxers" hold sway undisturbed it is more than probable that the "Boxer" god has been placed in all the clubs.

Arctic Night.

Icebergs dotted the blue surface of the sound, and far into the haze of Baffin bay we could see them drifting southward. The air was as still and clear as on a quiet, moonlit winter night at home, and the level sun rays streamed through in a glory of Italian plink. Enfolded all, as was the "peace that passeth knowledge," like the serenity of a soul that has won, through toil and storm, the strength and poise of enduring calm. It was well-nigh overwhelming. In ill-disguised necessity we turned from the vision to the sight of heaps of crumpled dead birds in the boat, and talked of shooting, and agreed that nowhere in the world was there promise of better sport than here. Then silence fell again. In spite of us, our eyes were drawn outward; and through all the peaceful beauty we felt once more the poignancy of its awful purity. He would be a man of spotless soul indeed and of assured faith who, seeing the stainless loveliness of the scene, would feel no pang. Not one's self only, but one's world came there, as into the presence of the great white throne, and stood condemned in a stillness that was unbroken.—From "With Arctic Highlanders," by Walter A. Wyckoff, in the September Scribner's.

About Slate Pencils.

Slate pencils were formerly all cut from slate just as it is dug from the earth. Pencils so made were objected to on account of the grit which they contained. To overcome this difficulty a scientific man devised an ingenious process by which the slate is ground to a very fine powder, all grit and foreign substances removed, and the powder bolted through silk much in the same manner as flour is bolted. The powder is then made into a dough and this dough is subjected to a heavy hydraulic pressure, which presses the pencils out in the required shape and diameter, but in lengths of about three feet. While yet soft the pencils are cut into the desired lengths and set out to dry in the open air. After they are thoroughly dry the pencils are placed in steam baking kilns, where they receive the proper temper.

English Learn from America.

The ice habit is making rapid progress in Great Britain, says Marshall Halstead, United States consul at Birmingham, due largely to the incessant clamor for ice in hotels and public places by the thousands of traveling Americans. Not very long ago the attendants of public places in England where nearly everything except ice was provided, would be insulted if one complained because ice could not be had. Today all first class places have a few small lumps swimming in a glass dish, and you pick these out with sugar tongs; and in country inns and even in second class public houses they apologize for not having it.

Eminent in Letters at 49.

Dr. Adolph Harnack, for many years professor of ecclesiastical history in the University of Berlin and the author of "The History of Dogma," has just been elected rector of the university for the ensuing year. His election was opposed by the orthodox party, which objects to his somewhat liberal views, but the selection of this eminent scholar, whose services as the historian of Christian dogma are appreciated in both hemispheres, is warmly approved by the whole body of German scholars. He has attained this eminence at the exceptionally early age of 49.

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CONGRESS.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Senate.—That the opposition to the shipping bill in the senate will not permit a vote to be taken on the measure at the present session was made clear during the closing hours of today's session. For several days it has been evident that it would be difficult to gain unanimous consent to take a vote upon the measure, but not until late today was the frank assertion made that a vote could not be had. At the conclusion of several hours' debate, Teller of Colorado announced his purpose to prevent a vote at this session. In an impassioned speech he declared that he would not consent to any agreement to vote and that it must be evident to the advocates of the bill that no vote could be had. The statement by the Colorado senator elicited a sharp response from Aldrich of Rhode Island, who insisted that despite the declaration of Teller business of the senate would proceed in accordance with the wishes of the majority. Teller's statement also drew the fire of Chandler of New Hampshire, who asserted that the terms of the opposition were preposterous. Hanna of Ohio replied to Teller in a forceful speech.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Senate.—At the conclusion of the morning hour in the senate today, when the unfinished business—the shipping bill—was laid before the body, Mr. Spooner (rep.) of Wisconsin moved to proceed to a consideration of the oleomargarine bill. By a practically unanimous vote—only two senators voting in the negative—the motion prevailed. Thus the subsidy bill was displaced as the unfinished business and the oleomargarine bill was placed in that order. After little over an hour's consideration of the measure it was laid aside in order that unobjectionable bills on the calendar might be considered. Nearly 300 bills, including 197 private pension bills, were passed during the day.

House.—The house today made little progress with the sundry civil appropriation bill. The major portion of the time was spent in debating a proposition offered by Hill (Conn.) to strike out the appropriation of \$100,000 for the transportation of silver coin. It was defeated 61 to 66.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Senate.—Nearly the whole of today's session of the senate was devoted to consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill. So far as committee amendments to the measure are concerned, the bill practically was completed.

House.—The bill to authorize the holding of the international exposition in celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Louisiana purchase at St. Louis in 1903 and appropriating \$5,000,000 therefor, passed the house today under a suspension of the rules by a vote of 191 to 41. The opposition was hopelessly in the minority and the struggle over the bill was brief. The question of closing the exposition on Sunday was not mentioned during the debate. The bill to define the word "conspiracy" in the Sherman anti-trust law, to avoid the possibility of its being held applicable to labor organizations, was defeated by almost a two-thirds vote on account of two amendments which the judiciary committee placed in the bill and which were opposed by the labor organizations. The sundry civil bill was considered later in the day.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Senate.—By the emphatic vote of 18 to 22 the senate late this afternoon rejected the conference report on the military academy appropriation bill. This action came at the conclusion of a spirited debate upon its provisions against hazing inserted in the report by the conference committee of the two branches of congress.

House.—The house spent the day upon the sundry civil appropriation bill and reached the 99th page. There are 133 pages in the bill. The feature of the day was the debate upon the question of national irrigation of arid lands in the west which came up incidentally.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Senate.—The senate spent the day on the postoffice appropriation bill, making some progress, but not completing it. The amendment of Butler of North Carolina, proposing a reduction of about 9 per cent in the pay of railway postal service was defeated, 18 to 61, after a debate in which Depew answered Butler's criticisms on the large profits made by American roads.

House.—The house finally passed the sundry civil appropriation bill today, and entered upon consideration of the general deficiency—the last of the general appropriation bills.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Senate.—For nearly two hours today the senate had under discussion a resolution by Jones, of Arkansas, to discharge the judiciary committee from further consideration of the anti-trust bill passed by the house at the last session, and to bring it before the senate for consideration. The resolution went to the calendar.

House.—This was another field day in the house. Two distinct sensations occurred. Early in the day, during the consideration of an amendment to the deficiency appropriation bill to prevent hazing at the naval academy, Hephurn, of Iowa, used exceedingly strong language while inveighing against the practice of hazing, charging by indirection that the habits of tyranny and oppression formed by the officers of the army and navy at their academies were responsible for the refusal of sailors to enlist in the navy and for the large number of desertions from the army. Moreover, he alleged that the officers stood by each other when in trouble, saying that the commanders of twenty-five vessels of the navy lost since the civil war had, with one exception, escaped with slight punishment. Cannon, of Illinois, and Dayton, of West Virginia, warmly defended the navy. Another sensation was sprung when Dinsmore, of Arkansas, exposed the fact that numerous house employees were holding positions while performing no service. Bailey declared it a scandal upon the integrity of the house. A resolution for an investigating committee was adopted.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

NATURALIZATION PAPERS VOID.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Judge Gamble of the district court here has issued an order cancelling the naturalization papers of thirteen supposedly legal voters of Marion county, all recent emigrants from Holland and residents in the vicinity of Pella. The cancelling of the papers is the result of proceedings begun by William Mentzer, who is engaged in an election contest in the district court to determine whether he or William Stone is entitled to the office of county attorney. Mentzer, the republican, received nearly an equal number of votes to those received by Stone, his democratic competitor. As the case now stands a difference of twelve votes will be sufficient to give Mentzer the office. The latter claims a sufficient number of illegal votes were cast for Stone to give him the office. As a step toward the determination of the contest in his favor, he began an action to have the naturalization papers in question canceled, and with success, as the order of Judge Gamble indicates. The thirteen defendants appeared and made statements under oath, admitting that they received their first papers in July, 1900, and their second ones in October, and that the papers were not given them by the judge or clerk of the district court. The law requires that a person must come before the court or clerk and renounce allegiance to his former sovereign. This they never did. It further states that two years must elapse before second papers must be taken out. This time did not elapse. Fraud was evident in the verbal and written evidence from beginning to end. All of the persons whose papers were canceled swore they had voted the democratic ticket. It is asserted other papers might, with propriety, be canceled, but inasmuch as the list already disposed of will be enough to determine the contest case, there is no prospect of further steps in this direction. It is now believed Mentzer will win in the contest case and will be permitted to qualify as county attorney.

IOWA MILLS IN A TRUST.

Gigantic Cereal Company Formed at Akron, Ohio.

Akron, O., Feb. 20.—The plans of O. C. Barber and his new associates interested in the combination of all the independent cereal companies have been perfected, and the new corporation will be brought into being in a very few days. It will be known as the Great Western Cereal company and will be capitalized at \$3,000,000. In addition to the stocks, \$1,500,000 in bonds will be issued to run for twenty years at 6 per cent interest. It is estimated that the output of the combined mills will be about six thousand barrels, or half of the output of the American Cereal company, known as the oatmeal trust. The concerns which are in the new combination are as follows:

Akron Cereal company, Akron, O.; Muscatine Oatmeal company, Muscatine, Iowa; H. R. Heath & Sons, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Nebraska City Cereal mills, Nebraska City, Neb.; Stoward & Meriam, Peoria, Ill.; Sioux Milling company, Sioux City, Iowa; David Oliver, Joliet, Ill.; Pillsbury-Washburn company's oatmeal mill (exclusive of real estate), Minneapolis, Minn.; Northwestern Cereal company, Minneapolis, Minn.; Cedar Falls Mill company, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

O. C. Barber will be chairman of the board of directors and L. C. Miles treasurer. A complete list of the officers is: Frank P. Sawyer, Muscatine, Iowa, president; Joy Morton, first vice president; Henry L. Little, Minneapolis, second vice president; T. C. Miles, Akron, Ohio, treasurer; David Oliver, Jr., Joliet, Ill., secretary.

DES MOINES MILITARY POST.

Appropriation of \$200,000 in General Deficiency Bill.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The general deficiency bill, reported to the house yesterday, carries an item of \$200,000 for beginning work on Fort Des Moines. This is all the secretary of war asked for, as he can use no more during the fiscal year. The post will be divided into three sections, the first of which will cost \$519,000. The total cost of the buildings to be erected is estimated at between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000. Plans are now being prepared by the quartermaster department of the army. It will be exclusively a cavalry post for the present, capable of accommodating a full regiment of cavalry. Mr. Hull says when the post is completed and occupied it will be the biggest and most important cavalry post in the United States.

INDICTED MEN HAVE FRIENDS.

Saw and Crowbar Found in Cell of Jackson and Stovall.

Manilla, Feb. 19.—The sheriff found secreted in the cell of Javey Jackson and John Stovall, a saw, crowbar and a bottle of whisky. These men are held for the robbery of the United States Express company last week. The complete records of the preliminary hearing of these men have been stolen from the justice's office. The determined efforts to save these men indicates that an organization of crooks is mixed up in the theft of the safe and money from the express company.

Hacked With a Knife.

Davenport, Feb. 20.—Peter Wulf, a patient at Morbonia hospital, had an attack of melancholia, in which he attempted to end his existence. He used a dull pocket knife and first attempted to stab himself in the temple. Next he tried to sever the jugular vein. He cut himself about the neck until he succeeded in cutting the facial artery, and was in condition to bleed to death in a very short time, when an attendant discovered him.

Onawa Physician Killed.

Onawa, Feb. 21.—Dr. Daniel Handel, a prominent physician of Onawa, was struck by the Sioux City & Pacific passenger train No. 10 southbound, at the Diamond street crossing, receiving injuries which resulted in his death. He had just stepped out of Dr. Harmon's office, which stands close to the tracks, and evidently did not see or hear the train. He has lived in Onawa most of the time for twenty-five years.

SWORD FOR CAPT. EVANS

Gift of Iowa People to the Captain of the Iowa.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Captain Robley D. Evans, U. S. N., was last night presented with a handsome sword, the gift of the citizens of Iowa in recognition of the services rendered his country while in command of the battleship Iowa at Santiago on July 3, 1898. The members of the Iowa delegation with their families attended the presentation at the Evans home at 324 Indiana avenue. The sword, which is valued at \$1,500, was purchased through the agency of the Commercial Exchange of Des Moines, with money contributed by the citizens of Iowa. Speaker Henderson made the presentation speech.

When the guests arrived they were greeted by Representative Hull, who introduced each to Captain and Mrs. Evans. During the presentation Captain Evans stood beneath the ensign which flew from the mast head of the Iowa at the battle of Santiago.

Representative Hull gave a brief sketch of the gift and handed it to Speaker Henderson, who turned to Captain Evans and said, in part:

"To me has been assigned the pleasant duty of presenting to you this sword. It comes from warm, appreciative, noble hearts in Iowa, to be presented to you as a token of their appreciation of your valor and also to testify their love for and devotion to American heroes of the sea, of which class you are a beloved and conspicuous example. I find upon examination that your record is as follows—"

Speaker Henderson then read Captain Evans' record, which showed that he was the commander of the Iowa from March, 1898, until September of the same year. Continuing, Speaker Henderson said:

"Your high courage and character can be well inferred from this glorious record. The name of 'Bob' Evans is a household word in the United States. The opinion of your fellow officers places you foremost among our heroes of the deep. Iowa is proud of you and symbolizes her affection by presenting you this sword, knowing that you will never use it for any other purpose than to maintain the honor of the United States."

Captain Evans accepted the sword and then replied in characteristic, straightforward manner:

"Gentlemen of the Iowa delegation: Making speeches, as you all possibly know, is not my trade. I wish it were, for this occasion at least, that I might tell you in fitting words how grateful I am for the honor you have done me and how entirely I appreciate the sentiment of those who have sent this sword."

"The beautiful battleship named after your great commonwealth, and which, through the courtesy of the secretary of the navy, I had the honor to command during the Spanish war, was manned by six hundred officers and men. They were as brave a band as ever fought for the dear old flag, and it was what they did that brings me this token of the good will of your people."

"As the commander of the gallant crew of the Iowa, I accept this beautiful sword. You could not give a token to each of them, therefore this one to me. They are scattered over the waters of the east, but the heart of each will warm with pride and gratitude when he learns that one of their number has been honored. I hope that some day the national congress will suitably recognize the gallant conduct of each one of my comrades, and that the day may not be far distant."

"I beg you to convey to your people the expression of my heartfelt thanks and gratitude."

DISTILLERY OUT \$10,000.

Folk County Judge Decides Agent Need Not Account for Liquors.

Des Moines, Feb. 19.—In the district court Judge Holmes sustained the demurrer to the petition of the Mountain Distillery company in its suit against B. F. Parker. The defendant acted as agent for plaintiff. Plaintiff claimed he failed to account to it for about \$8,000 worth of goods sent to him on consignment and for sales made aggregating \$1,900. It sued for a judgment for the total amount and secured the appointment of a receiver to take possession of the goods in Parker's possession consigned to him by it.

Parker demurred to the petition on the ground that the contract sued on was against public policy, inasmuch as it required him to violate the liquor laws in order to comply with it. His contention was that an agent cannot carry on business for an employer under a tax paid by the agent and that the law requires that the employer pay a tax for the agent, taking out the certificate in the employer's name. He alleged that in this case he carried on the business under a tax paid by himself and that the Mountain Distillery company never had complied with the law.

Plaintiff will amend its petition to comply with the ruling of the court and hopes to be able to throw the burden of proof upon Parker and to at least compel him to prove that he was a law violator in order to establish his case.

BIG ELECTRIC SYSTEM.

Project of Capitalists to Connect Charles City and Greene.

Charles City, Feb. 21.—A franchise to operate an electric railway on the streets of the city has been asked for by S. L. Kern of this city and G. W. Dawson of Waterloo. The council decided to submit it to popular vote. These gentlemen propose to organize the Charles City and Southwest Electric Street Railway company, with a capital stock of \$250,000, and \$100,000 paid up. It is expected to connect Charles City with Greene, via Powersville, besides operating a city system.

Found Guilty of Robbery.

Tipton, Feb. 20.—The jury returned a verdict against Becker, finding him guilty as charged in the indictment. Becker is one of the men who was implicated in the robbery of three men in a box car on the C. & N. W. road between Stanwood and Clarence last fall. He, with others implicated in the same case, was arrested in Cedar Rapids and escaped from the jail in Marion, nearly killing the jailer.

NEWS IN GENERAL

DEATH IN A KANSAS SALOON.

Wife of Bartender Shot in a Raid by a Number of Farmers.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 20.—A special to the Star from Leavenworth, Kansas, says: Twenty masked farmers armed with shotguns attempted to raid a saloon in Millwood, a small place fourteen miles north of here, and in the melee that followed Mrs. Rose Hudson, wife of the bartender, was instantly killed, her head being completely blown off; William Webb, one of the raiders, was shot in the arm, and two or three others were slightly hurt. One hundred shots were fired. John and Henry Wilson, young farmers, members of the mob, have been arrested, and warrants are out for others implicated. The town is in a fever of excitement and further trouble is threatened.

The saloon was run by Mrs. Michael Tochner. She had been warned to close the place, but refused. Twenty men, all armed and wearing handkerchiefs for masks, approached the saloon. Two of the number, Joe Turner and John Willburn, entered and ordered drinks. Bartender Hudson had scarcely set the glasses out on the bar when the men gave a signal. Immediately the door was burst open and the masked men rushed into the place. Half a dozen shotguns were raised to the ceiling and fired, apparently to warn the saloonkeeper that they meant business, while two men approached Hudson with leveled guns. Hudson grabbed the barrels of both for an instant and then fell to the floor. The guns were discharged as he fell, the charge from one striking the wall and that from the second piercing the stove.

Mrs. Hudson rushed to the scene from the living rooms in the rear and stood in the doorway. She had barely reached the spot when a gun was leveled at the door and discharged. The shot struck her in the forehead above the eyes, and she fell mortally wounded. Hudson rushed to his wife's side to administer to her, but she died before he could carry her to another room. During the shooting William Webb, one of the raiders, was accidentally shot in the arm, and two or three others were wounded slightly. A few more shots were fired, but the mob, alarmed at the killing of Mrs. Hudson, quickly left the place without stopping to destroy the liquors and fixtures. Anticipating the attack, Hudson had gathered about him ten armed men. They, however, taken by surprise, were stampeded and this fact and the killing of Mrs. Hudson probably prevented a bloody riot.

VICTORY IN DEFEAT.

Allies Accept Compromise Proposed by the Chinese.

Pekin, Feb. 22.—Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have received telegraphic instructions from the court to notify the ministers of the powers that an edict has been issued regarding the punishment of Chinese officials, confirmatory of the demands made by the ministers, as follows: Gen. Tung Fu Sian to be degraded and deprived of his rank.

"Prince Tuan and Duke Lan, to be disgraced and exiled.

"Prince Chuang, Ying Nien and Chao Shu Chiao, to commit suicide.

"Hsu Chen Yu, Yu Hsien and Ki Hain, to be beheaded."

This is not exactly what the ministers demanded, but it is considered advisable to agree to it, as the demand for lives has been agreed to, except in the case of Gen. Tung Fu Sian, whom the court is powerless to molest.

There is a private understanding that his life will be claimed when it is possible.

The European and Chinese secretaries of the legations and others who have lived in China for years consider that China has gained a victory, as the only man the court has to behead is Yu Hsien. The other two are in the hands of the Japanese, and could be beheaded when their execution is wanted. Suicide is no disgrace whatever in the eyes of the Chinese.

PROTEST FROM AMERICA.

Minister Conger Instructed to Protest Against Proposed Expedition.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Minister Conger has been instructed by cable to communicate to the foreign ministers at Peking the feeling of the United States government that further hostile expeditions should not be indulged in at this time.

This action was taken by the state department after the cabinet discussion had developed the attitude of the administration. It is understood that this course was regarded as best since it left room for another appeal to the powers, directly through their foreign offices, in case Mr. Conger's effort are futile. The state department officials decline to make public the text of the note. However, it was said to be in perfect accord with the policy already developed and to make manifest the deep conviction of the United States government that these proposed hostile expeditions are in violation of the rights of individual parties to the peace negotiations, tending to bring about the failure of these negotiations. If the threat of military expeditions is based upon a desire to force the Chinese envoys to a speedier action upon the ministerial proposals, then it has not yet been demonstrated sufficiently that the Chinese government is not acting to the best of its ability.

MRS. NATION NOT GUILTY.

Wrecking of Senate Saloon at Topeka Not Held Against Her.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 22.—Judge McCabe of the city court handed down a decision in the case against Mrs. Carrie Nation for smashing the Senate saloon, discharging her. The case was submitted on an agreed statement of facts. Judge McCabe held that since Mrs. Nation had no malice toward the proprietors of the place, Kelly & Lytle, and destroyed the place in abating a public nuisance, she was not guilty of malicious destruction of property. This does not affect the cases pending against Mrs. Nation for the Sunday raid, for which she is now in the county jail.

When a load of coal is purchased, instead of it going to the buyer, it usually goes to the cellar.

DUKE OF WESTMINSTER NAMED.

Correspondent in Divorce Suit of Atherton vs. Atherton.

London, Feb. 22.—Major T. L. Atherton, second in command of the Twelfth (Prince of Wales) Lancers, now in South Africa, has filed a suit for divorce against his wife, Mabel Louisa Atherton, naming the Duke of Westminster as co-respondent.

With the announcement of the filing of the suit of "Atherton vs. Atherton and Westminster," the long anticipated divorce proceedings of Major Atherton against his wife, with the Duke of Westminster figuring in the role of co-respondent, have at length materialized. Within the past thirty-six hours a lawyer who is looked upon as the leader of the divorce court bar, has been retained in behalf of the petitioner. The case cannot be aired in court, at any rate for some months, and possibly not before autumn, and the friends of the just married duke may yet succeed in compromising the matter and preventing a trial. But as Major Atherton is reported to have already refused a check of £40,000 as compensation for the injury he is said to have sustained, the task ahead of those who are trying to arrange a settlement, among whom is said to be King Edward himself, would seem to be insuperable.

BOERS ISSUE AN ADDRESS

President Steyn and Commander Dewet Speak.

Port Elizabeth, Wednesday, Feb. 20.

The following proclamation was issued by President Steyn and General De Wet: "Be it known to all men that the war which has been forced on the Transvaal republics by the British government still rages over South Africa, that all the customs of civilized warfare and also the conventions of Geneva and The Hague are not observed by the enemy, who have not scrupled, contrary to the Geneva convention, to capture doctors and ambulances and deport them in order to prevent our wounded from getting medical assistance; that they have not hesitated to have recourse to primitive rules of warfare, contrary to the solemn agreement of The Hague, to arrest neutrals and deport them and to send out marauding bands to plunder, burn and damage burghers' property; that they have around kaffirs and natives and used them against us in the war; that they have been continually capturing women and children and old and sickly men, and that there have been many deaths among the women because the so-called Christian enemy had no consideration for women on a sick bed, or those whose state of health should have protected them against rough treatment. Honorable women and tender children have not only been treated roughly, but have been insulted by soldiers, by order of their officers. Moreover, old mothers and women have been raped, even wives and children, and the property of prisoners of war, even killed burghers, have not been respected. In many instances the mother and father have been taken, the house has been left unprotected and all have been left to their fate, an easy prey to savages.

"The world was untruthfully been informed by the enemy that they have been obliged to carry out this destruction, because the burghers blow up the railway lines, cut the wires and misuse the white flag. Nearly all the houses in the republics have been destroyed, whether in the neighborhood of the railroad or not. The alleged misuse of the white flag is simply a continuance of the everlasting calumny against which Afrikaner has had to strive since the time God brought him in contact with the Englishman. Robbing his opponents of goods does not satisfy him; he is not satisfied until he has robbed him of his good name also.

"They state to the world that the republics are conquered and that only here and there small plundering bands are continuing the strife in an irresponsible manner. This is an untruth. The republics are not conquered. The war is not finished. The burgher forces of the two republics are still led by responsible leaders, as from the commencement of the war, under the supervision of the government of both republics.

"The fact of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener choosing the term 'mauranders' in designating burghers does not make them such. When was the war over? Perhaps after the battles in which irregulars captured the enemy and totally vanquished them? The burghers would be less than men if they allowed the enemy to go unpunished after ill-treating their wives and destroying their houses from sheer lust of destruction. Therefore, a portion of the burghers resent it. Cape Colony will not only wage war, but will be in a position to make reprisals, as it has already done. In the case of ambulances, therefore, we warn the officers of his majesty's troops that unless they cease the destruction of the property of his majesty's subjects who are unkindly disposed. But in order to avoid being misunderstood, we hereby openly declare that their wives and children will always be unmolested, in spite of anything done to ours by his majesty's troops. We request nothing from our brothers in the colony, but call on them, as well as on the civilized world, to assist in behalf of our joint civilization and Christianity, in putting an end to the barbarous manner of the enemy's warfare.

"Our prayer will always be that God, Our Father, will not desert us in this unrighteous strife."
(Signed) "Steyn and De Wet."

WHERE IS SMITH-DORLEN?

Grave Anxiety Felt for Him and His 2,500 Men.

New York, Feb. 21.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from London says:

Grave anxiety is felt for the fate of Smith-Dorien's column, which has not been heard of since February 6th, when it lost twenty-four killed and forty-six wounded in a heavy engagement with Commandant Botha at Bothwell.

MRS. NATION IN JAIL.

Refuses to Give a \$2,000 Bond to Keep the Peace.

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When a criminal is sentenced to death in Greece, he must wait two years before the execution of the sentence.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, February 22, 1901.

The executive council has settled the much-discussed question of the publication of the year book of agriculture by ordering an edition of 2,000 copies. The last general assembly provided for a year book of agriculture to be printed in such numbers as ordered by the executive council, the work to be done by the lowest bidder. But no appropriation was made for the purpose, and as the department of agriculture was unwilling to use its funds for the purpose, it seemed for a time as if there would be no year book. Attorney General Mullan held recently that the work should be done by the state printer in the absence of an appropriation, and the council took action accordingly. It will be several months before the work can be published, but it is expected to be replete with valuable information on agriculture topics.

The department of public instruction has just issued a manual for special day exercises for the use of the public schools. In the introduction Superintendent Barrett says it is a legitimate part of school work to celebrate the birthdays of the nation's great men, and by so doing to inspire the children to high ideals of life and instill into their minds the spirit of true patriotism. Many exercises, songs and poems are given in the manual, all having a tinge in the direction of patriotic teachings. "Every child in the public schools," says Mr. Barrett, "should know something of the life, history and noble deeds of the nation's great heroes, Washington and Lincoln."

The wivers of Iowa will be stocked with fish this year to a greater extent than ever before, announces George E. Delavan, fish and game warden. For the past two or three years Mr. Delavan has been sealing the Mississippi river bayous and saving the fish that have been cast in these false streams in time of high water. Thousands upon thousands of game fish have been put in Iowa rivers by the game warden since the state furnished him with his fish car.

It is rumored that Swift & Company of Chicago have written to parties in Des Moines in regard to securing land on which to locate a packing plant. A letter has been written to a real estate firm here with reference to securing a location, and land has been offered lying southeast of the city, as well as a tract near Valley Junction.

Plans are being made for the enlargement of the Des Moines plant of the National Starch Works to make this the biggest plant owned by the company and the chief producing center in the country. Paul L. Grimm, chief engineer for the trust company, has just paid a visit to Des Moines. While here he exhibited to Manager T. W. Jones, of the Des Moines plant, plans for the proposed additions, which will make Des Moines the greatest starch producing center in the world. It is planned to double the plant, spending \$200,000 here. The starch works is already one of the greatest industries in Des Moines. It employs 250 men, boys and girls. Within a year the company may be employing twice that number of people. The company buys practically all the corn that comes to Des Moines and is ready to take all that may come. The waste matter from the starch works furnishes food for hundreds of cattle. Probably 700 people are dependent upon the starch works for their livelihood.

Attorney General Mullan has transmitted an opinion to Auditor of State Merriam, in which he holds that mutual insurance companies organized under chapter 4 of the code must make no concealment of the character of their concerns, in their policies and renewal receipts. It is held that these companies must print in large type on the first page of their policies in connection with their names the word "mutual." Auditor of State Merriam asked for an opinion as to whether the companies could be prevented from concealing their mutual character in their advertising literature. This question the attorney general does not go into, limiting himself to a construction of the statute as it stands.

During the past few days the Agars, who recently leased the Des Moines and Liverpool plant from the owners, F. M. Hubbell, Sons & Company, have ascertained that they will be unable to secure a further ground lease of the property upon which their Chicago house is located, and therefore have determined to concentrate their entire business in Des Moines. The company had planned to operate the Chicago plant as in the past and to operate the plant located in this city as a branch. In that event the Chicago house would have supplied the Chicago trade and the eastern market, the Des Moines concern handling the local business here and the western country. Now that the Agars have determined to operate but one plant the indications are that the local house will be almost doubled in size and be of twice the benefit to the city that the house would have been if the original plans of the company had been carried out.

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THANKFUL TO MRS. PINKHAM

Letters Proving Positively that there is No Medicine for Woman's Ills Equal to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



MRS. ANNIE THOMPSON

(ALL LETTERS ARE PUBLISHED BY SPECIAL PERMISSION)

"I cannot say enough in regard to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It has done me more good than all the doctors. I have been troubled with female weakness in its worst form for about ten years. I had leucorrhoea and was so weak that I could not do my housework. I also had falling of the womb and inflammation of the womb and ovaries, and at menstrual periods I suffered terribly. At times my back would ache very hard. I could not lift anything or do any heavy work; was not able to stand on my feet long at a time. My husband spent hundreds of dollars for doctors but they did me no good. My husband's sister wrote what the Vegetable Compound had done for her, and wanted me to try it, but I did not then think it would do me any good. After a time, I concluded to try it, and I can truly say it does all that is claimed for it. Ten bottles of the Vegetable Compound and several packages of Sanative Wash have made a new woman of me. I have had no womb trouble since taking the fifth bottle. I weigh more than I have in years; can do all my own housework, sleep well, have a good appetite, and now feel that life is worth living. I owe all to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I feel that it has saved my life and would not be without it for anything. I am always glad to recommend it to all my sex, for I know if they will follow Mrs. Pinkham's directions, they will be cured."

Gratefully yours, Mrs. ANNIE THOMPSON, South Hot Springs, Ark.

CHANGE OF LIFE.

"I was taken sick five years ago with 'The Grippe,' and had a relapse and was given up by the doctor and my friends. Change of life began to work on me. I flowed very badly until a year ago then my stomach and lungs got so bad, I suffered terribly; the blood went up in my lungs and stomach, and I vomited it up. I could not eat scarcely anything. I cannot tell what I suffered with my head. My husband got me a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and before I had taken half of it I began to improve, and to-day I am another woman. Mrs. Pinkham's medicine has saved my life. I cannot praise it enough."

M. A. DIXSON, Millport, N.Y.



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PROFUSE PERIODS.

"I commenced taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound about 3 months ago, and cannot express the wonderful good it has done me. Menstruations were so profuse as to leave me very weak for some time after. Was also troubled with leucorrhoea, tired feeling, bearing down sensation, pain across the back and thighs. I felt as though there was a heavy weight in my stomach all the time. I have taken two bottles of the medicine, and now have better health than I have had for four years."

Mrs. LIZZIE DIXSON HODGE, Avalon, Ohio.



MRS. L. D. HODGE

In the Fowler's Snare

By M. B. MANWELL

CHAPTER VI.—(Continued.)

Diana, who feared him with an intensity that increased as time sped by, was left more and more alone in the little set of rooms at Montreal, until life became a dull and hopeless burden for her. There was no ray of interest in her heavy face tonight as she asked for her husband's news. Paul on the other hand, was quivering with unexpressed excitement.

"I have got a fortune in my fingers, Diana—a fortune, I tell you!" he said jubilantly, as he drew up his chair to the little round supper table, from which Diana had risen to greet him. Paul had so often brought home fortunes that seemed at his fingers' ends—fortunes that crumpled into dust ere they were grasped—that she felt little or no interest in them now. She was growing tired of the whole thing, particularly as she was now cut off from all participation in her husband's more intellectual ventures.

"I can't see what good it's going to do you," she said at last, when he had explained. "I guess this girl ain't going to die off to suit you, Paul, and you can't live on that bit of paper."

"What fools women are!" savagely broke in Paul. And his dark face took on an ugly look as he remembered that men, likewise, could be fools, when they saddled themselves with such burdens as that of the heavy, dejected woman opposite him.

"I'm going to Europe tomorrow— to England," he said shortly. Diana looked up from her pie. "Shall you be gone long this time, Paul?" "I can't quite say," slowly said the scientist. "It will depend on many things. But I promise you, Diana, that I shan't come back until I've got this in my clutch in hard cash." Paul's fingers played with the sheet of paper outspread before him.

Diana Andersell shivered, and her white, fair face grew still more pallid in hue. That man, her husband, was capable of the vilest scheming to win his way she already knew. Nothing was sacred from such an arch-planner. And as she furtively watched his frowning, dark face while he pored over the handwriting before him, Diana told herself half fearfully that Paul Andersell would keep his promise. He would return to her with the fortune, or he would never come back at all.

CHAPTER VII.

It was Christmas Eve, and true old-fashioned Christmas weather.

The country round Temple-Dene was glittering with hoar-frost, every tree shining and sparkling in the sun, every pond and stream and pool fast bound in ice.

The low, red sun of the afternoon was shining full on the old house, surrounded by the frost-silvered pines, and its many windows twinkled a brilliant welcome to the expected heir and his bride.

There had been a great stir, a summer of wild excitement, under the old roof during the weeks preceding Christmas.

Lady Jane had done wonders in freshening up the tarnished and faded glories of the home. She had a free hand, to be sure, in her wholesale improvements; for could not Gervis afford to pay any amount of bills that might ensue?

"If I could only rouse up poor dear Francis, before they come home," the busy lady said, energetically. But the master of Temple-Dene was the sole member of the household indifferent to the advent of the heir and his bride. Amid the turmoil of preparation he sat listless and silent in his library, "the world forgetting, by the world forgot."

If it had not been for Lella Desmond, it would have fared ill for the stricken man. The gentle-natured girl, with heart full of womanly instincts, felt irresistibly drawn to the lonely, silent man. He and she had a grief in common, and it bound them together. It was only at the sound of Lella's sweet voice, and the touch of Lella's tender hand, that Francis Templeton ever stirred from his trance of misery.

But even Lella could not make the unhappy man comprehend that Temple-Dene was saved, nor could he take in the meaning of the light-hearted preparations going on around.

"I'm glad, glad, that Uncle Francis doesn't care, that he won't care!" said little Syb almost viciously to her elder sister.

The misshapen girl looked on almost as gloomily at the hurry and fuss as did the master of the house. She clenched her thin little fingers every time the bland, self-satisfied tones, so new in Lady Jane's voice, fell on her ear.

"Little Syb"—Lella turned her wistful eyes on the girl—"it hurts me when you speak so!"

"Hurts you? Oh, I could beat you, Lella, if I didn't love you so dreadfully that I should kill anyone who struck you! Hurt you? Oh, why were you made so good and I made so bad? All the time I am wishing that some accident will happen to those two—a shipwreck or a railway collision—and that they will never, never reach Temple-Dene!"

"Syb!" again cried Lella. And this time she gathered the distorted little figure on her lap, and laid her own soft round cheeks against the passionate white lips. "What has come to you,

my dear one? Have you forgotten that 'Love worketh no ill to this neighbor, therefore love is the fulfilling of the law'? How can you 'put on the Lord Jesus Christ,' who died for you and me, and for those who are coming home to us, if you let yourself say such things? I know it is only saying them—I cannot believe you think them." Lella's fresh mouth kissed the angry eyes.

"But I do think them! I feel what I say. Lella, what right has that American girl to take your Gervis from you? Everybody knows it was you he wanted all the time, not any other. And everybody about the place is saying so!" hotly said little Syb.

"Hush!" Lella winced at Syb's last words. "As for her right, we must remember every minute in the day that God has given her that right—as Gervis' wife."

Bravely the words came, but they wrung the heart of the gentle speaker. "And, Syb, can't you take it in, once and for all, that we are not sent into the world to snatch at as much happiness and self-pleasing as we can? In order to copy our dear Lord, even faintly, we must each give up something, and go on giving up until the end comes. If Gervis had not given up his—his wishes, the old home would have been wrecked, his parents would have been beggars. I—I think it a great thing to sacrifice all yourself for those dear and near. Syb, I could give up anything for you."

"Fore me? Could you, Lella? Such a miserable, lumpy, crooked little thing as I?" Syb's lips quivered.

"What matters it whether our bodies are straight or crooked? It is our souls that will live by and by in Paradise, if they are straight and true, the homes of pure thoughts and gentle deeds. Oh, Syb, try and cast out that passionate nature of yours. And when Gervis brings home his bride, let us be loving and kind to her, a stranger amid us all—think of it!"

"But shall you, Lella?" Syb stared. "Shall you really welcome her and be nice to her—you?" she demanded, wonderstruck at such a possibility. "God helping me, I shall," gravely said Lella, and she meant it.

It was not that her old love for Gervis had died a sudden death; but because he was now the husband of another woman, bound to love and care for her "until death them did part," that Lella could put him out of her life, save as the man who had saved his old home and his parents from earthly ruin.

If Gervis could attain to such a sacrifice as he had made, could she herself not imitate his self-abnegation in her life? And the passion-distraught little sister must be brought round somehow, and taught to welcome the new comer into the family.

It was a difficult task to persuade the untamable spirit. Though Syb was but thirteen years of age, she had a grown-up mind and one as distorted as her poor little body.

"I should like to see her lying dead—that American girl!" said the deformed girl when Lella's persuasive voice ceased. "You see," went on Syb, "if she were dead, Gervis would have all her money, of course, and he could marry you."

Lella groaned. This horrible, inhuman wish was the only result of her efforts to soften the ungoverned heart.

"That's why I keep on wishing something would happen to them!" vehemently insisted Syb.

"Happen to whom?" Lady Jane's voice startled the sisters, and Syb slipped off Lella's knee. "I've just had a wire from Gervis. They are in London and will be here today," she went on hurriedly. "And they are bringing a friend with them, a Mr. Andersell. I fancy it is the same man who saved the whole train, you remember, from a terrible fire in the midst of the prairies."

"Yes, 'Andersell' was that man's name, dear aunt," said Lella, "a well-known scientist, Gervis said he was."

Lella spoke the name of her lover she had lost in a controlled, calm voice. The help she had sought was vouchsafed her abundantly.

"Well, we must be good to him in that case. But our house has been filling up this week until there's hardly a decent room left for this stranger. And, Lella, my dear, I want your help again. Our arrangements are not quite finished."

Lady Jane rushed off as rapidly as she had come.

There was to be a large party of old and young on Christmas night at Temple-Dene. For years there had been almost no entertaining in the partially ruined home. The Christmas gathering was, therefore, looked forward to by the neighborhood with keen expectation.

"It is to be quite an old-fashioned Christmas party, with a tree and blind-man's buff and romps—neither more nor less," Lady Jane warned them. "It should have been, properly speaking, on Christmas eve; but our dear young people will not arrive until that day, so our merry-making must be on the twenty-fifth."

It was late afternoon when the family carriage, newly furnished, came up the steps from the roadside station, and reached the Temple-Dene avenue of tall firs, whose stately trunks were reddening in the sun's dying glare.

"We're at home now, Gladdy! We're on our own land at last. Welcome, dear wife, to Temple-Dene!" Gervis bent forward and lifted in his little hands lying listlessly on Gladdy's lap. Perhaps, if they two had been alone, he would have kissed her welcome as well as said it; but they were not alone. From a corner of the roomy old carriage a pair of dark restless eyes roved over the snow-covered landscape.

Gladdy, at her husband's words, lifted her head to look out also, and it was startling to note how she had altered. There was a peculiarly wasted appearance and an unutterable listlessness not natural in one so young. It needed a distinct effort for her to survey her new home; to speak she made no attempt. Gervis drew back disappointed.

"Haven't you a word of praise, my dear, for your own home?" he asked.

"It's all very nice, but it is so cold, and I never liked pine trees," Gladdy forced herself to say. And she shivered under her Parisian wraps and her costly furs. "They always make me shudder, they are so gloomy," she added piteously.

"She's fearfully nervous," thought Gervis.

But there was no sign of it when Gladdy stepped out of the carriage and into Lady Jane's widely welcoming arms.

A self-possessed, wistful-eyed little bride it was who lifted her cold cheek for her mother-in-law's kiss; a dainty figure, in truth, in its costly furs.

But the face under the green velvet toque, with its diamond buckle and nodding feathers, was not the face of a shy, happy bride, and for a moment Lady Jane stared, half puzzled.

Then Gervis was clasped in his mother's arms and held tight. If her ladyship had a soft corner in her worldly, ambitious heart it was for her boy, the son who had done so much for herself and the old home.

The bride stood apart, a pathetic little figure in her momentary loneliness. Lella, who had been shrinking behind the person of Lady Jane, quickly noticed it, forced herself to go forward.

"May I bid you welcome? I am Lella. Perhaps Gervis has told you that his cousins, Sybil and I, have lived here since we were almost babies—Syb, at least, was a baby."

Lella's winsome, tender face was bent close to Gladdy, who was slightly shorter in stature than she. Her low, rich voice, with its caressing note, stirred something in Gladdy's heart, and she moved eagerly forward—so eagerly that their lips met in a clinging kiss before Lella had quite made up her mind to greet the bride with anything warmer than a stiff handshake.

"I didn't know there was any Lella," said Gladdy, in her sweet, childish tones. "Gervis did not tell me. But I am so glad! Please take me away somewhere. Let us go together, you and I, I am so weary!"

Lella was startled. Go away together, the bride and she! It sounded bewilderingly strange.

And—had Gervis forgotten her so utterly that her name had never been uttered to his newly made wife? The thought wrung her gentle heart.

FRUIT FLIES.

Small Insects Among Canned Fruit or the Shelves.

Often housekeepers who do not take sufficient pains with the sealing of the cans of fruit they put away in the fall, find on the surface of the contents little, slender maggots, feeding on the contents. These larvae are probably of the species called fruit flies. They belong to a class of insects containing some thirty kinds. The flies are light brown in color. They are so small that they are commonly thought of as ordinary gnats. They are attracted by the acid odor of vinegar as well as fruit. Stone jars simply covered with a cloth to allow the fermentation of vinegar are easily invaded by the insects, which lay their eggs on the pieces of fruit that are projecting above the surface of the fluid. The hatching of the larvae is soon followed by the formation of the pupae, which are found on the sides of the cans, usually. Some four days later the flies issue and begin the round of production again, multiplying with great rapidity. It is a characteristic of the larvae of these flies to live only in upper layers of the fruit and this fact makes it possible to save at least a portion of the contents of the jars. Fruit put in cans and sealed up airtight is safe. Eggs laid upon cloth tops or near slight openings between lid and can often hatch into worms that find a way inside. Pyrethrum powder used in the fruit room or cellar will have a good effect in clearing out the flies and this, with the precautions mentioned in connection with canning, should rid a place of the insects.—George Edwin Black in Indianapolis News.

Veterinary Surgeon's Hard Luck. Veterinary surgeons are complaining of hard luck. With the cable cars, the trolley cars and now the automobiles, their business has gone to the dogs, metaphorically speaking. Soon there will be as many surgeons as there are horses. It is nearly as bad as that now, and, as automobiles become cheaper and the likelihood of airships coming in to supplement them grows, the prospect is not a bright one. Lots of New York veterinarians are giving up the attempt to make a living and are coming west.

There are at present thirteen incorporated automobile clubs in the United States.

We call our readers' attention to the advertisement of the Northwest Hide & Fur Co., Minneapolis, Minn. This is an old reliable firm with a national reputation for originating and compiling information valuable to trappers and farmers on wild animals and their skins; they publish the best trapper's book ever printed. You can buy of them or ship them furs, hides, etc., in perfect confidence. Mention our paper when writing them.

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Washington Excursion.

Account of the inauguration, the Big Four, Chesapeake & Ohio Route (the Rhine, Alps and Battlefield Line), will sell tickets at one fare for round trip, March 1st, 2d, 3d, good to leave Washington until March 8th.

Address J. C. Tucker, Gen. Nor. Agt., 234 Clark street, Chicago.

The memory is a sort of mental reservation.

Confederate Reunion.

The reunion of Confederate veterans which meets in Memphis in the closing days of May promises to be the most successful gathering in the history of the Confederate organization. The railroads entering Memphis are all to the situation and have promised to do everything possible looking toward the comfort and pleasure of the old soldiers and their friends. Every courtesy will be extended the local committees in meeting incoming trains so that the thousands of strangers may be taken in hand and assigned to their quarters. A special rate of one cent a mile has been recommended by the general passenger agents of all lines interested and it is certain that the joint passenger association will authorize the rate.

Fifty thousand dollars will be raised by the citizens of Memphis so that all visitors may be assured of a good time. All of the subscriptions so far have been voluntary and one of the most notable was that of Robert R. Church, a representative negro citizen, who contributed a check for \$1,000. Church was born a slave in Mississippi, and after the war removed to Memphis, where he has since lived. He is a good business man and citizen and numbers among his friends many of the representative business men and financiers of the city.

Many an old toper who has never been in Cork has seen a great many drawings of it.

Low Rates West and Northwest.

On February 12th, and on each Tuesday until April 30th, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway will sell one-way second-class tickets at the following very low rates:

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AN INNOVATION.

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"Decorative Sculpture at the Pan-American Exposition" is the subject of an illustrated article in the Review of Reviews for February. The sculptural work projected and now under way for the embellishment of the great Buffalo show is described in detail.

The "Heart of a Child," by Josephine Dodge Daskam, which opens the February number of McClure's Magazine, is a story of unusual and profound interest. In it breathes the charm of a tenderer sympathy, and that sympathy is interpreted by consummate art. The heart of a child, a heart eager, and thrilling, brimming with the vagaries of jostling dreams, that heart is laid bare before us and we gain glimpses of the wonderful life in it. Yet the revelation is made with gentleness, with fondness such that the author's analytical skill is masked. The story is realistic in the best sense; its truth is beautiful and the beautiful truth is beautifully told.

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ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. Bush of Oskaloosa visited a week in Albia with Mrs. J. Mason.
Mrs. Deacon Turner is the guest of Mrs. Johnson this week.
Miss Henrietta Jones and May Davis spent this week in Garden Grove. Miss Henrietta Jones also spent a few days in Dhariston the guest of Mrs. M. Shelton.
Mr. John Thomas, Mr. Pearl Thomas and wife were the guests at the parental home this week.
Little Walter Snoddy is very sick at the home of his parents in this city.
On next Saturday evening the A. M. E. church people will give a social in the Masonic hall.
Messrs. Reese Underwood, Jack Taylor and Green of Hocking were in Albia Sunday.

HOCKING ITEMS.

The Ladies club gave an entertainment and dance at the Hocking hall Saturday night. It proved a success. They expect to give another one in the near future.
The wedding bells will ring in our town ere long.
Revival meetings are being conducted at the Baptist church, and we hope many souls will be brought to Christ.
Mr. Joe Robinson's brother has come here and is working in the mines.
Mrs. Davis of Albia was the guest of Mrs. Caroline Grandison this week.
Messrs. W. B. Burns and Rodes made a trip to Ottumwa Monday.
Mrs. Maggie Dean of Cofax is in our town visiting old friends.
Wake up Mucksknock, and don't sleep so much, and let us hear from you.
Mr. John Barker and family have removed to our town again. We are glad to have them with us.
We are expecting a new preacher from Missouri soon, Rev. Calhoun. He is coming to assist Rev. C. H. Green with the revival meetings. He is recommended as being an excellent divine.

MUSCATINE NEWS.

Mrs. Fannie Grooms is improving nicely, which is good news to her many friends.
Mrs. Edward Baines and daughter Esther, who have been sick, are convalescent.
Mrs. F. K. Holbrook of Wilton was in the city last week visiting at the home of Mrs. Baines.
The entertainment given by the Dunbar society on Lincoln's birthday was a success in every way. The program consisted of recitations, solos, papers and etc. A debate—Resolved, That Lincoln is the greatest president since Washington, affirmative Miss Alice Maxey and Mr. S. Barnes. Negative, Mr. A. Brooks and Mr. Wm. Sackelford. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.
Quite a number chartered a bob sled Thursday evening and rode to the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Johnson. Music and social conversation were the features of the evening, and at a late hour the guests departed, making the air ring with their songs and shouts. All report a pleasant time.
The Dunbar society met at the A. M. E. parsonage Friday evening. It being poem and quotation evening, each member had a poem or quotation from Paul Laurence Dunbar. Those deserving special mention were the ones given Mrs. Frank Walker and Mr. Robert Patterson.
A number of friends envied the A. M. E. parsonage Monday evening with well filled baskets, it being Rev. Gordon's 48 birthday anniversary. The reverend was holding official Board meeting and was greatly surprised, but recovered sufficiently to finish the meeting and enjoy the evening. Mr. I. P. Johnson made the presentation speech in behalf of the friends. Rev. Gordon responded with his usual "Irish wit and humor." The guests departed at a late hour wishing Rev. Gordon many happy birthdays.
Miss Alice Maxey leaves for Moline Thursday to take part in a musicale given in that city Thursday evening. Miss Cora Phoenix will accompany her.
Mrs. Frank Walker will give a birthday party Thursday evening in honor of her daughter Miss Nola.
The Dunbar Society will give a literary entertainment Friday evening. The debate will be: Resolved, That "City Life is More Desirable than Country Life." Affirmative, Miss Nola Walker and Mr. Henry Seay. Negative, Miss Alice Maxey and Miss Florence White.
All delinquent subscribers please pay up.

MUCKSKNOCK NEWS.

Rev. Williamson preached in Buxton last Sunday.
Rev. Bingham has returned home from Buxton and is now on an extended visit in Illinois.
Miss Blanche White, formerly of this place but now of Des Moines, is visiting here and in Buxton. Miss White is quite an essential young lady and is always welcome to her old home by her many friends.
Mr. Thomas Perkins is on the sick list.
Mr. Fred Douglas of Missouri Valley, Iowa, leader of Missouri Valley Cornet Band, made a flying trip to our little town, spending a few hours with B. F. Cooper, Prof. A. R. Jackson and Mr. L. Willis Saturday.
Mess. Ross Tolliver of Buxton was the guest of Miss Willie Friday and Saturday.
Which for the date and name of the

new play to be given in the near future by the Mucksknock Dramatic Club.
The Ladies Industrial Sewing Circle club of the Union Valley Baptist church gave a valentine social at the residence of Mrs. A. R. Jackson, last Thursday night. The ladies realized quite a neat little sum, and the young people boast of a most enjoyable time.
Look out for the dates and be ready to attend the bazaar to be given by the Sewing Circle.

FORT MADISON NOTES.

Mrs. Ambrose Jackson, assisted by Mrs. Higginbotham, entertained the little converts, and their friends at her home on Fifth street last Friday afternoon and evening. The little folks enjoyed themselves and departed for their homes with plenty of "taffy."
After three months of harmonious labor together, the Second Baptist church unanimously recalled Rev. Underwood for an indefinite period. The church voted also to increase Rev. Underwood's salary \$10 per month. Some improvements are to be made on the church property. The officers and pastor are formulating plans for raising the necessary funds. The work will not be done until the money has been raised.
Mr. Woods and family of Missouri have come to make their home with us. We are glad to welcome them to our program committee of the Sewing Circle are arranging for a musicale to be held March 15. It is expected to eclipse all former efforts.
The Young People's prayer meetings every Tuesday night are being characterized by intense interest. At the last meeting nearly thirty young Christians gathered for prayer and praise.
May Bell, daughter of Mrs. Underwood, arrived from Des Moines Monday night.
Mr. Archie Reed, who has been disabled by an injured finger and narrowly escaped blood poisoning, will be himself again in a few days.
Rev. McClellan filled his pulpit at New Boston last Sabbath.
Miss Lottie Yeizer is spending a few days with her grandmother at New Boston.

KEOKUK LINKS.

Social and Dramatic Whirls.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Elliott and son Ralph of Minneapolis were the guests of Mrs. Mark Drainie during last week.
Miss Marguerite Owens, who has been sojourning in St. Joseph, Mo., for some time, returned home last Saturday. The girls now say Miss Owens has the "eastern fling" and the boys are considering the matter of taking a few lessons.
Monday Mr. and Mrs. Elliott were entertained at dinner by Mrs. Davis on North Thirteenth street.
Mr. Mason of Mt. Pleasant was Miss Bertha Hunt's guest Saturday and Sunday of last week.
Des Moines' fairest and loveliest rose sent a Keokuk young Lochinvar a most interesting and beautiful valentine in the form of "To Have and To Hold." The young man immediately buried himself in the midst of its pages and no one has seen or heard of him since February 14, 1901.
Mrs. James Smith was at home Wednesday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott of Minneapolis.
Miss Bertha Hunt is just recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.
The Bystander quill slinger found a fifty-cent piece in the left-fore-track of a "cute mule" and forthwith took himself to the theater Friday night, where Williams and Walker held the boards. The company as a whole is not an exceptionally good one. The lady soloists are extremely weak in their parts, not even possessing the essential qualities of a good voice. Some of the male soloists could be "cut out" with good effect.
Mrs. Henrietta Buckley entertained Mrs. Henrietta Buckley Friday evening.
Mr. Edward Kebo and Miss Clara Bean were united in marriage Thursday evening at the home of the groom's father on North Ninth street.
The Ladies' Sewing club have announced an interesting debate to take place in the A. M. E. church, March 21, 1901. The question as stated is: "Resolved that the Women of the Nineteenth century make better Wives and Mothers than the New Women of the Twentieth Century Women." The speakers are Mrs. G. C. Bannister, Mrs. P. A. Jones, Mr. B. L. Anderson and Mr. A. W. Draine.

BEDFORD.

Mr. Dobson and son Frank attended the grand birthday party at the home of W. H. Johnson's one-half mile north of Gravity last Sunday, February 17. On that day Mrs. W. H. Johnson was thirty-one years old. That occasion was one long to be remembered by those present. There was a grand dinner of turkey and chicken and other good things unnumbered. It would be useless for me to try to explain. Mrs. W. H., whose birthday we celebrated, received a host of beautiful presents from different friends. Among the things was a handsome steel range. I am not prepared to give the names of those present, but I can say there was a large delegation from Clarinda headed by Mrs. Ed Nash and her esteemed daughter, Mary Nash. Bedford turned out well, headed by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spicer and the crowd numbered thirty-five present.

MUCKSKNOCK.

John K. Young received injuries at No. 9 mine Friday, a week ago, that resulted in his death. Then engine had stopped on a center and, as usual, he had turned on a small amount of steam, and stood on the fly-wheel when the engine started. It threw him against the engine house. He did not think he was seriously hurt, and continued to work the remainder of the day. After he went home a physician was summoned, but his case was hopeless. Funeral Sunday in Oskaloosa and interment in Forest cemetery. He leaves a wife, five children and a host of friends to mourn his loss.
Mrs. Nicholas Massey passed through our city Saturday enroute

to Buxton from Des Moines.
Harry Harris went to Buxton Saturday on business.
Frederick Douglas of Missouri Valley happened in our town Saturday, being captivated by our band in Council Bluffs last year, and a lover of music, and took the first opportunity to become acquainted with as many of the band men as possible. While here he met Prof. A. R. Jackson, E. S. London, Joseph Tate, Jr., John Rhodes and B. F. Cooper.
Mrs. Tandy Bradley of Buxton spent Sunday in our town.
Mrs. Sadie Smith visited her mother at Buxton several days last week.
J. H. McDowell has been appointed Justice of the Peace in Des Moines township and was quite busy last week.
Rev. J. A. Bingham went to Illinois last week.

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 in 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.

EXCURSION RATES to the MARDI GRAS and WINTER RESORTS.

Via the North-Western Line. On account of the Mardi Gras, 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.

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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 stock 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 looked the matter up recently and 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 up 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 no 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.

Counting Years in Japan.

Mr. B. Mayehatake, a young Japanese who has been studying in Chicago, gives an explanation of the method by which time is reckoned in the chrysanthemum land. The Japanese year begins on our January 1, but instead of counting from the birth of Christ a reckoning is made from the reign of Japan's first emperor, Zimu. Our 1901 is the year 2561 in Japan. When a new ruler mounts the throne a distinctive name is given to his reign and a sort of petty calendar is kept of the years of his government, just as we keep track of the age of our republic, writing in legal documents: "Year of our Lord 1901, and of the independence of the United States the 125th." The name for the present mikado's rule, which began thirty-three years ago, is Meiji. This word is pronounced Maysee, and means "peaceful government." Therefore, the current year in Japan is Meiji 34 as well as Zimu 2561.

MARRIED WITHOUT COAT.

But He Had to Wait Fifty Years for His Bride's Consent.
The whirligig of time that eventually makes all things even made it possible for both Thomas Hartigan and Susan Thompson to keep their vows that prevented them for half a century from marrying, and yet permitted them, only a week ago, to wed after all. Fifty years ago Thomas Hartigan, in a sort of boyish prank, declared that he should marry in his shirt sleeves. His bride, Susan Thompson, went to the church on her wedding day, never thinking that her lover was serious in what he said, but when he appeared at the altar and declared that he should never marry except in his shirt sleeves, then she said she would never marry him if he did not put on a coat. So there was no wedding. All this happened in the Cascade valley, near Renova, Pa. After winning wealth in California Hartigan returned to the Cascade valley three years ago. Susan Thompson was still there. They talked of marrying, but each was still firm in the declaration in regard to the shirt sleeves they had made 50 years ago. Last summer the shirtwaist man appeared. Thomas Hartigan decided that if he wore a shirtwaist at his wedding he would be fulfilling his vow of marrying in his shirt sleeves to the letter. Miss Thompson decided that fashion had given the shirt waist the dignity of a coat, and that she could marry a man wearing a shirt waist without breaking her vow never to marry Tom Hartigan unless he wore a coat. And so they were married, and Tom Hartigan wore the most elaborate shirt waist that the storekeeper in Renova could get in Philadelphia. So the male shirtwaist has not lived in vain.

WOMEN MAY WOO.

So One of Them Thinks, and Expresses Herself.

Of course women have to dispose of themselves in marriage, but should the woman ever propose? asks a masculine writer. Sometimes, even when it is not leap year, they should. There is first of all the case of queens; they must do so, and very prettily did Queen Victoria fulfill the task, says the Washington Post.

But the sex is so good-natured in helping lame dogs over a stile! An Irish girl did it in this way. She thought that her boy was slow in coming to the point, so she said, "If I were you, Jack, and you were me, I'd be married long ago." Another shy man said to the lady of his choice: "I wish we were on such terms of intimacy that you wouldn't mind calling me by my first name." "Oh," she answered, "your second is good enough for me." Shakespeare's heroines are remarkably ready to take the initiative in this most serious business. Helena demands the hand of Bertram as the price of her wonder-working prescription. Desdemona hints broadly that she is to be had for the asking. Miranda tells her patient logman that she is his wife if he will marry her. Olivia says to her lover's masquerading messenger:

"Would you undertake another suit, I rather hear you to solicit Than music from the spheres!"

Then, finding Sebastian himself more pliable than his fair double, she fetches a priest to make sure of him while he is in the humor. Juliet, caught thinking aloud, declares her willingness to lay her fortunes at Romeo's feet if he will but say when and where the holy man shall make them one.

Refining Petroleum.

The refining of petroleum is an interesting process. The petroleum is put into a tank, under which is a slow fire, burning the gas from the oil itself. As the latter warms up, the vapors pass through a long pipe, and are cooled in the process, condensing it into liquid again. The first thing that "comes over" is a gas which is used as a fuel in the works. Next, the varying grades of naphtha; next (the product becoming heavier and heavier all the time), the gasoline grades, then the low-test kerosenes, then the high-grade kerosenes. Then comes a long list of heavier oils, ending with the heaviest and thickest of lubricants. There is left in the tank paraffine and a black, dense, sticky substance which is little more than asphalt. From these bi-products, after the refining of oil, are made more than 150 substances of value, including such familiar things as dyes, soap, vaseline, ointment, and chewing gum.

Molten Wood in France.

Molten wood is a new invention by Mr. de Gall, inspector of forests at Lemur, France. By means of dry distillation and high pressure the escape of developing gases is prevented, thereby reducing the wood to a molten condition. After cooling off the mass assumes the character of coal, yet without showing a trace of the organic structure of that mineral. This new body is hard, but can be shaped and polished at will; is impervious to water and acids, and is a perfect electrical non-conductor. Great results are expected from this new discovery.—United States Consular Reports.

Fashion Play's Financial Results.

Oberammergau has been casting up the accounts of this year's Passion Play. There were forty-eight performances and 200,000 visitors, who paid \$300,000 for admission. The profits of the village from lodgers, the sale of trinkets, etc., were between \$750,000 and \$1,000,000. Munich and Bavarian railroads have also profited, the latter showing a surplus of \$2,500,000.

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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.

Beat on Revenge.

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

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The Orange F. State flag is a simple orange tree in full fruit is the most distinctive feature of the arms of the Orange Free State.

WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES

REWARD PERUNA AS THEIR SHIELD AGAINST CATARRH, COUGHS, COLDS, GRIP AND CATARRHAL DISEASES.



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Mrs. Belva Lockwood, the eminent barrister, of Washington, D. C., is the only woman who has ever been a candidate for the Presidency of the United States. She is the best known woman in America. As the pioneer of her sex in the legal profession, she has gathered fame and fortune. In a letter to The Peruna Medicine Company, she says:

"I have used Peruna both for myself and my mother, Mrs. Hannah J. Bennett, now in her 88th year, and I find it an invaluable remedy for cold, catarrh, hay fever and kindred diseases; also a good tonic for feeble and old people, or those run down, and with nerves unstrung."—Belva A. Lockwood.



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Mrs. T. Pelton, 562 St. Anthony avenue, St. Paul, Minn., writes: "Peruna has done wonders for me. It has cured my headache and palpitation of the heart; has built up my whole system. I cheerfully recommend Peruna to all sufferers afflicted with catarrh. My mother is never without Peruna. When one is tired and generally out of sorts, if Peruna is taken it immediately removes that tired feeling."

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Whitewash should be very thick to be of real service.

Consumption is a germ disease. The germs are everywhere, but they cannot get hold of you unless you get your lungs ready for them by neglecting a cold or failing to properly cure a cough. The important merit of Morley's Honey Peppermint is that while it cures quickly it cures thoroughly. Ask your druggist.

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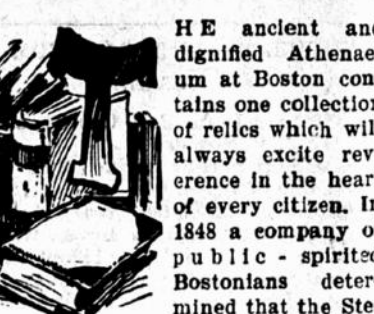
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WASHINGTON'S BOOK-PLATE

WASHINGTON'S LIBRARY PRESERVED IN BOSTON



HE ancient and dignified Athenaeum at Boston contains one collection of relics which will always excite reverence in the heart of every citizen. In 1848 a company of public-spirited Bostonians determined that the Stevens collection of George Washington's books, largely composed of books bequeathed to Bushrod Washington, should not go to the British Museum, and subscribed enough to secure this part of the Mt. Vernon library to their city and library. For this reason, Boston can boast of the largest collection of Washington's books gathered in any one place.

In the fine explanatory catalogue, which was made possible by the generous bequest of \$1,000 from Mr. Thomas Dowse, the entire collection is classified as follows by Mr. Lane:

1 to 239—Books mentioned in the inventory of Washington's estate, with a few volumes not in inventory, but given

grower, agriculturist and fruit grower, the first president of the United States has never been duly presented to the reading public. The introduction of mules instead of horses in the south for agricultural work was largely due to Washington's efforts, ably supplemented by the King of Spain. The redemption of peat bogs was studied experimentally. Consequently, many of these books relate to practical subjects of this sort.

That Washington's mind anticipated the great questions of the nineteenth century is amply attested by his will, viz., a due regard for his wife's property rights and of her wish in regard to freeing the "dower negroes," as he calls them; a wish to free all his own slaves; to see the old and decrepit provided for and the young educated in their new found freedom, the very problems that the United States of today is trying to solve.

The library of Washington was large for its time, although in these days of immense public libraries, the department devoted to these volumes seems small indeed. But the books are great in interest, and reveal the many sided



WASHINGTON'S LIBRARY IN THE BOSTON ATHENAEUM.

ing evidence that Washington owned them.

300 to 362—Pamphlets bearing Washington's signature or known from correspondence to have belonged to him, except those mentioned in inventory, which are arranged with first division.

400 to 414—Volumes assigned to Washington by Mr. Griffin, but bearing no evidence of Washington's ownership.

500 to 663—Pamphlets before 1800 bearing no evidence of ownership, but may have been Washington's.

680 to 687—Pamphlets bearing the names of others, but included by Mr. Griffin.

To purchase these books \$4,250 was raised, the Athenaeum subscribing \$500. Part of this was expended for a book plate—a vignette of the interior of the library—and the paper for the catalogues. A collection of books was also purchased from S. G. Drake.

The acquisition of this valuable library was largely due to the efforts of Mr. George Livermore and 79 well-known Bostonians who subscribed \$50 each.

It may be a surprise to many to learn that so large a part of Washington's library is owned in Boston.

The library is guarded with the greatest care. It is housed in the trustees' room, where other rare volumes owned by this corporation are installed. The visitor is conducted by a courteous attendant up stairways and through corridors until confronted by a grated iron door. The door locks behind the visitor, who then may commence with the past.

This place is only visited by students of history and collectors of Washingtoniana. It is not sought by the busy man of the street.

Of the varied and interesting character of the volumes in Washington's library it is difficult to speak in limited space, and opinions differ as to what constitutes interest and value. The bibliomaniac, used to the interminable and argumentative titles, the italicized and long-d type and the quaint diction, will seem quite iconoclastic, doubtless, to the young student, who is just discovering the wealth of information at first hand which lies in these self-same volumes.

As political economist, planter, wool

On Fair Potomac's Sloping Shore.

Mount Vernon! who can tell the charm Of life on that Virginia farm Before our country's birth?

For there was simple godly fear, And woman's grace, and royal cheer, High thoughts, and tempered mirth.

At twilight, when the chimney glowed, What wit and wisdom freely flowed, Laughter and quick retorts!

And then the old-time games—what fun When George and Lady Washington Joined in the youthful sports!

And when the night grew dark without, What mighty themes they talked about In those historic days!

Or how their souls with rapture soared When Nelly at her harpsichord Sang gay and gallant lays!

Oh, brave and bold were women then, And pure as women were the men— For that was long ago;

The old then felt the zest of youth, The young were sober, and in truth It ever should be so.

On fair Potomac's sloping shore, Mt. Vernon, as in days of yore, Is still a lovely place;

But they are gone that gave that scene Its air domestic and serene, Its joyous life and grace.

No cavaliers in pointed shoes, In powdered hair and braided queues Converse in high-flown clauses, While ladies listen, all arrayed In tabinets and stiff brocade, Lustrings and gold-wrought gazes.

No more they dine and make their puns, Eating love puffs and Sally Lunn's Laplands and beaten biscuit; While little dainties, single file, Bring plates of waffles in a pile As high as they dare risk it.

But there today the tourist lingers, And round the sign, "Keep off your fingers," Are relics to be viewed.

And passing boats all toll the bell, And lower the flag as if to tell A nation's gratitude. —Exchange.

The Beginning.

Whence came the river, so strong and clear, That waters the meadow far and near?

From a clear little spring, Like a lustrous pearl, Where the mosses cling, And the fern-leaves curl, On the hilltop's height Bubbling up so bright, Fed by mountain rain, Without taint, without stain.

Whence came our Washington, good and grand, Whose name is honored in every land?

From a stainless youth; From the upright ways, From the strength and truth, Of his early days; From a boyhood true, Pure as mountain dew, As unsullied a thing As the clear hilltop spring. —Persis Gardiner.

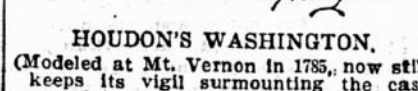
HOUDON'S WASHINGTON.

Modeled at Mt. Vernon in 1785, now still keeps his vigil surrounding the case containing the books at the Athenaeum.

Gilbert Stuart pronounced this the greatest portrait of Washington. The signature is that of Washington during his presidency, and of his best time.

events and his distinguished services threw about him melt away to give place to the picture of the callow attempts of the clever little boy trying to write his name large, with all the flourishes possible to his childish pen, all unconscious that it was to be written in years to come with no uncertain chirography in the roll of fame.

It was a weighty volume with the title of "The Sufficiency of a Standing



Revelation in General and of the Scripture Revelation in Particular. Both as to the Matter of It, and as to the Proof of It! and that New Revelation Cannot Reasonably be Desired, and Would Probably be Unsuccessful," by Offspring Blackall, Late Lord Bishop of Exeter, which tempted the infantile hand of George Washington. His autograph is written twice upon the title page. The names of Robert Wickoff and Samuel Bowman appear as owners of the book at various times. On the last page and immediately after the collect for the second Sunday in Advent is the following quaint certificate of ownership evidently written in the hand of Bowman:

"This book lent to me by the owner, he being dead I believe it mine forever."

The margins of the volume are worm eaten, and the title page is defaced by marks which suggest that the boy might have attempted drawing also, but as this book bears the earliest specimens of Washington's writing extant, it is of untold value to the antiquarian.

"Short Discourses upon the Whole Common Prayer," by Thomas Comber, the dean of Durham, was selected by the 13-year-old Washington, upon which to write his own and his mother's name.

Against the former his nephew, George C. Washington, has written: "The above is General Washington's autograph written at 13 years of age," and under the latter he writes: "The above name of his mother is in the handwriting of Washington at 13 years of age, as will be seen by comparison with his writings of that date in Spark's work."

The same flyleaf contains the autograph of Washington's father and mother—"August Washington, his book, 1727," and "Mary Washington."

"DEALING WITH CRIMES IN CANADA."

(From the Chicago Times-Herald, on Jan. 12th, 1901.)

The citizens of the Dominion of Canada have just cause to be proud of their record as law-abiding people. The annual report of the criminal statistics of the Dominion, which has a population of over 6,000,000, shows that there were only twenty-five indictments for murder in 1899, of which only two were left without final action. Eleven of those indicted were hanged, nine acquitted and three confined as insane.

Canada is a country of vast proportions. Its people are scattered over a wide stretch of territory, making police surveillance particularly difficult and in many districts impossible. Yet a city like New York or Chicago alone furnishes a far greater criminal list every year than the whole vast stretch of territory from Quebec to Vancouver.

The Canadians ascribe their immunity from crime to the promptness with which punishment is meted out to offenders. "When a man is caught red-handed in the act of robbing another he is not released on straw bail; by some justice of the peace from the slums, to go out and repeat the offense. Sharp and sure justice is meted out to criminals of all kinds, the result being that when the guardians of the public peace succeed in bringing a thug to the bar they are seldom called upon to hunt him a second time.

Furthermore, there are few court delays in Canada when a criminal is brought to book. They have no Dreyfus cases over there. There are no methods whereby Canadian criminals can have the proceedings stayed from month to month and from year to year or after being convicted, appeal from one court to another until witnessdays of old age or opportunities for corruption can be found.

Nor does this swift method of dealing with wrong-doers in Canada leave the innocent unable to properly defend themselves. They have all the opportunities and privileges that our own laws extend to them. The extent to shield the guilty is lacking—that is all.

The above, taken from the editorial column of the Times-Herald, gives some idea of the immunity from crime that exists in Canada, and this is one of the many inducements held out for Americans to settle in the district known as Western Canada. The season of 1901 will see a few new sections of the country opened up for settlement. They are attractive in every respect. It is understood that one of the best Indian Reserves in the famous Valley of the Saskatchewan will be opened up this year, and an invitation is extended to those desiring homes to make inquiries. The price of the land is said to be nominal. Besides these lands, the several railway companies have lands to sell; also the government. For particulars write to the agent of the government, whose advertisement appears elsewhere.

When some men entertain an idea it is a fair idea of cheap hospitality.

Care of the Baby.

To keep the skin clean is to keep it healthy, every mother should therefore see that her baby is given a daily bath in warm water with Ivory Soap. The nursery should also be well aired and cleaned, and all clothing washed with Ivory Soap, well rinsed and dried in the sun. ELIZA R. PARKER.

Black shoes and stockings reduce the apparent size of the foot.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it like it. GRAIN-O has that rich brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1/4 the price of coffee. 15c and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

An egotist is a man who enjoys talking to himself.

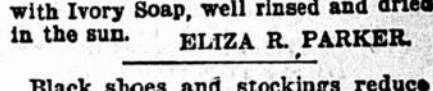
Coughing Leads to Consumption. Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist today and get a sample bottle free. Sold in 25 and 50 cent bottles. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

In the year 1830 all the railroads in the world aggregated only 210 miles; now they measure over 370,000 miles.

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Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills.

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See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. FOR HEADACHE. FOR DIZZINESS. FOR TORPID LIVER. FOR CONSTIPATION. FOR SALLOW SKIN. FOR THE COMPLEXION.

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CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Nearly every father who has a marriage daughter is willing to allow his home to be used as a court house.

World to End This Year.
This is the recent decision of one of the prominent societies of the world, but the exact day has not yet been fixed upon, and while there are very few people who believe this prediction, there are thousands of others who not only believe, but know that Hostetter's Stomach Balm is the best medicine to cure dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, biliousness, liver and kidney troubles. A fair trial will certainly convince you of its value.

The truth is terribly offensive to many a mortal.

A Remedy for the Grippe.
Physicians recommend KEMP'S BALSAM for patients afflicted with the grippe, as it is especially adapted for the throat and lungs. Don't wait for the first symptoms, but get a bottle today and keep it on hand for use the moment it is needed. If neglected, the grippe brings on pneumonia. KEMP'S BALSAM prevents this by keeping the cough loose and the lungs free from inflammation. All druggists, 25c and 50c.

Thoughts are always a good thing to collect.

Sufferers from sick headaches are not users of Garfield Tea, for this HERB TEA is a positive cure for sick headaches, constipation and liver disorders.

A happy girl makes all the gallants feel glad and gleeful.

Throw Away the Washboard
and use Maple City Self Washing Soap. It saves time, saves your back and soaps the clothes. All grocers sell it.

The man who lives for himself alone is apt to be neglected by the world at large.

Music and women are often loved, but seldom understood.

PUNAM FADELESS DYES are fast to sunlight, washing and rubbing.

It is most unhealthy to sleep under a heavy cotton quilt.

Gilded articles coated with oil of laurel scare flies away.

Lame back makes a young man feel old. Wizard Oil makes an old man feel young. See your druggist.

To reduce a double chin constantly tap it with the finger.

Chronic Sore Leg.
Mr. J. Richardson had a running sore on his leg for twenty years. Tried doctors and medicines without end or any permanent good. Mr. L. N. Nunnally, druggist, Hartford, Iowa, recommended Morley's Sarsaparilla and Iron to cure the cause of the sore and make it heal from the inside. A few bottles cured his leg, and put him in better health than he has been in for twenty years. Ask your druggist.

The little victories of life make us great and grand.

Russ' Bleaching Blue makes clothes whiter than snow, delights the laundress. All grocers sell it in 5 and 10-cent packages.

During the century just closed, 400 human lives, 200 ships, and \$100,000,000 have been lost in fruitless efforts to discover the north pole.

Now there are two schools of vegetarians; one favors vegetable food which grows below the earth's surface, and the other favors that which grows above.

"Frances," said the little girl's mamma, who was entertaining callers in the parlor, "you came down stairs so noisily that you could be heard all over the house. You know how to do it better than that. Now go back and come down the stairs like a lady."

Frances retired, says Tit-Bits, and after the lapse of a few minutes, reentered the parlor.

"Did you hear me come down stairs this time, mamma?"

"No, dear. I am glad you came down quietly. Now, don't let me ever have to tell you again not to come down noisily. You see that you can come down quietly, if you will. Now, tell these ladies how you managed to come down like a lady the second time, while the first time you made so much noise."

"The last time I slid down the banisters," explained Frances.

HALF DEAD SOLDIER.

Returns All Broken Up to His Home in South Dakota.

Bristol, So. Dak., Feb. 18th, 1901.—(Special.)—Peter Behres says: "When I returned from the war I found that I was in a very critical condition. My system was all run down, and I gradually became worse, until I was half dead with Kidney and Bladder Trouble. My family wanted me to consult a physician, but as I had learned through several of my comrades of the wonderful cures of Dodd's Kidney Pills I determined to give them a trial first."

Mr. Behres, or Capt. Behres as he should be called, because he was captain of the 1st Minnesota Cavalry, and in 1862 was for fourteen months in continual service in warfare with the Indians, is now an honored member of the G. A. R., who has reached the ripe old age of three score years and ten. He continues: "I am now an old soldier, seventy years of age, and enjoying almost perfect health, and all thanks for this is due to Dodd's Kidney Pills. I found after having used the first few boxes that my faith was not misplaced in them, and in a very short while my kidneys were doing the work required of them and the bladder trouble was soon eliminated. It was almost a year before I was myself, but during that time I used Dodd's Kidney Pills faithfully and with the very best results that anyone could wish for. I would not have been without them for a king's ransom. I am now well as any man of my age."

Get a box, six boxes for \$2.50. Buy them from your local dealer if you can. If he cannot supply you send to the Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Three sons of President John Tyler have lived to see the twentieth century. One is a member of the Virginia senate, and another is president of William and Mary College.

EXTRA SESSION ASSURED.

President Tells Senators That He Will Call One.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The president told the senators who called upon him Saturday that congress would be called in extra session as soon as the Cuban constitution was received. The only apparent object of the president is to have the Cuban question considered, and it is his desire to have congress share the responsibility of deciding what steps shall be taken with reference to Cuba, regardless of the details of the constitution. He has not as yet indicated a time when he should expect congress to meet, and this he is not expected to do until the Cuban constitutional convention shall complete its work.

The prediction is general that in case an extra session is called it will extend well into the summer. It is not believed that its deliberations could be confined to Cuba, but that the Philippine question, the anti-trust bill and the subsidy bill (if that measure should fail to be disposed of at the present session) would all come in for a share of attention. Many of the leading republican senators are using their utmost endeavors to avert the call.

KIDNAPER ARRESTED.

Positively Identified by Young Cudahy and Others.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 20.—One of the three men implicated in the kidnaping of Edward Cudahy, Jr., has been arrested and is now in the city jail. The man was arrested several days ago, but the news was suppressed by the police. When the suspect was brought into the presence of young Cudahy for identification the young man said: "This is the man who asked me to get into the wagon. There is no doubt about it; he is the man." Edward Cudahy told a representative of the Associated Press that the man under arrest had been identified by his son as the man who accosted him in front of the Cudahy residence and who kept him company in the house to which he was driven on the night of the abduction. Mr. Cudahy said the man had also been identified by the servant of the Patridge household and another man who rented the house to the two men.

The name of the man under arrest is James Callahan and he is an convict. He has recently been living with a sister named Mrs. Kelly, not a great distance from the location of the house in which young Edward was held a prisoner pending negotiations for the payment of the ransom. He has been an associate of Pat Crowe for several years and has lived in Omaha most of that time. His description tallies with that of the dark complexioned man who negotiated for and bought the horse and buggy with which the abduction was procured. The servant of the Patridge household is the woman of whom the man made inquiries with regard to renting the house and she says there is no doubt as to the identity of Callahan as the man with whom she talked.

James Schneiderwind, the owner of the house to which the boy was taken, was the man who identified Callahan, and says he is the man who accompanied the light complexioned man in his negotiations for the renting of the house. Callahan denies all knowledge of the kidnaping, but acknowledged a cordial friendship with Pat Crowe.

CHINESE COURT YIELDS.

Threat of Hostilities Said to Have Been Effective.

London, Feb. 20.—Dr. Morrison, wiring to the Times from Peking, says: "The Chinese declared that the threat of the Waldsee expedition has been successful and that the court has yielded and issued a decree fully complying with the demand of the foreign envoys on the question of punishment. These statements require corroboration, but they are generally believed here."

Peking, Feb. 20.—Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have received a telegram which virtually means that the Chinese will comply with all of the demands of the powers, although they still desire information on a few minor details.

HAMILTON CONVICTED.

First Degree of Manslaughter Is the Verdict Returned.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 21.—The jury in the case of the state of Minnesota against Frank H. Hamilton, charged with murdering Leonard R. Day, after forty hours' deliberation, furnished a genuine surprise by coming into court and reporting that it had agreed upon a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree, with a recommendation to the mercy of the court. The jury had been out so long that hope of agreement had about been given up. The penalty for the crime of which he is convicted is imprisonment from five to twenty years.

British Losses.

London, Feb. 20.—The British casualties in the fight between Smith-Dorrien and Commandant General Louis Botha, at Bothwell, February 6, were 24 killed and 53 wounded. No information has been received in London from South Africa that would give color to the report, circulated in the United States, that General De Wet had been captured by the British.

Annoying General Kitchener.

London, Feb. 21.—A special dispatch from Pretoria says the Boers at Klip river February 18 derailed a train containing General Kitchener's baggage. The train was preceded by another, on which the commander-in-chief was a passenger. An armored train drove off the Boers, but the latter secured the contents of the train derailed.

Boers Occupy Vossburg.

Britstown, Feb. 20.—It is reported that the Boers have occupied Vossburg, communication with that place having been interrupted. It is asserted that there are 1,000 Boers at St. Rydenburg and others at Houwater, twenty-one miles from Britstown.

Maurice Thompson Dead.

Crawfordsville, Feb. 16.—Surrounded by his family, Maurice Thompson, the author, died at 3:25 yesterday morning, after an illness of many weeks. He had been kept alive for several days by the use of stimulants. He was the author of "Alice of Old Vincennes."

Nervous Prostration.

Mrs. Lettie Fisher says: I had nervous trouble for years, which at times completely prostrated me and made life not worth living. I tried many physicians and no end of nerve and other remedies without relief. Mr. M. J. Crews, merchant, Maloy, Iowa, persuaded me to try Morley's Sarsaparilla and Iron. The very first bottle went to the right spot, for I felt a complete change, and now, after using six bottles in all, I am perfectly well. Sold by agent in every town.

Pie hunters are usually not particular about the pastry.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Tuesday evening, February 14, Rev. and Mrs. Ford entertained the Ladies' Industrial Society at their home on Tenth avenue. All the members were present but three. A most magnificent and elaborate spread was tendered the members of the society. Ham sandwiches, hot coffee, ice-cream and cake was served in abundance. After partaking of this most elaborate repast speechmaking and song was enjoyed.

News was somewhat scarce last week, hence our silence.

The ground hog story certainly must be true this time, for it appears that we will get our six weeks of cold weather.

Miss Cleo Van Camp is visiting at Iowa City, the guest of Mrs. Jesse Bell.

The grand musicale which was to have been given on the 22nd inst. has been postponed until the 28th, at which time some of the leading talent of the city will appear. It will be given at the A. M. E. church. Admission only 10 cents.

The masquerade social given by the Masons on the 14th inst. was a decided success. The attendance was all that could be desired. The men spared no pains in seeing that every one had a good time. The prizes were awarded as follows: For the most comical masked person: First prize, David Wayne, who represented a tramp; second prize, Carl Wade, representing Mrs. Carrie Nation. In the cake walk Walter Jones and Mrs. J. Van Camp captured the cake.

David Wayne returned last week from Chicago.

Mrs. Romella Ford is on the sick list at this writing.

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. In the absence of the P. E., Rev. Bass was assisted in the administering of the sacrament by Revs. Ford and Wade.

The A. M. E. choir sang excellent Sunday, rendering for the first time some new pieces from their anthem books. The choir is improving rapidly.

Archie Price went to Vinton Monday on business.

Davenport, you are certainly in love with yourself.

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DAVENPORT.

There was a sociable given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Gaws, 920 Harrison street, February 13, for the benefit of the A. M. E. church. Quite a large crowd was out and spent a very pleasant evening. Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Mattie Hedden were the cashiers.

Williams and Walkers big colored show was at the Curtis opera house Sunday, the 17th, and it is said they had a crowded house. They all appeared very neat on the street, and that alone made a good impression on Davenport people.

On Saturday evening, the 16th inst., the Court of Heroines gave a musical entertainment at the residence of Mrs. R. Richardson on Ripley street. A very large crowd was present. Many of them were from Rock Island and Moline, Ill. The program rendered was as follows: Instrumental solos, May Woods and Mabel Hill; recitation, Gertrude Richardson; instrumental solos, Blanche Woods, Mabel Tarvie and Pearl Carpenter; solos, Lulu Jones and Mary Humphrey; recitation, Mrs. H. M. Hughes. It was a grand success, both financially and socially.

Mr. Charley Berry, who was removed to the Red Cross hospital a few days ago, is getting along nicely. This news will be gladly received by his friends.

Mrs. L. Harris has gone to Peoria, Ill., on an extended trip. We wish her a pleasant trip.

The D. Y. W. Y. K. club meets this week at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. McGaw, 920 Harrison street.

Mr. Fred Wright and Mr. James T. Bell have both been placed on the extra list of porters on the Great Rock Island road. We bid them God speed and wish them success in their new field of labor.

We noticed in last week's Bystander that Mrs. Ida Reed and Miss Bessie Reed are to soon leave Burlington and come to Davenport to make their future home. We bid them come on, as there is room for colored people here and also a great necessity for them.

We stated in the Bystander issue of February 8 that we would like to see the name and address of all the Bystander agents appear in the next issue, but none complied. We ask the same of you in next week's issue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Woods, who got burned out February 10, are stopping temporarily at the residence of Mr. Henry McGaws, 920 Harrison street.

DOCTORY OURSELVES.

"Gonos" Tablets are mailed and guaranteed by Kidd Drug Company, Elgin, Ill., to cure all forms of diseases of urinary organs, and system, Bladder, etc., including Gonorrhoea, Gleet, Whites, Leucorrhoea, unnatural discharges, irritations and ulcerations of the urinary organs and mucous membranes never gives stricture, harmless and painless. An internal remedy with injections combined; only one in the world. Sent per mail on receipt of price, \$3 per package or 2 for \$5. Don't fool with cheap substitutes. Retail and wholesale at J. E. Hurlbut Co., Des Moines, Ia. Full line of Rubber Goods; name what you want.

NEWTON NOTES.

The quotation social at the church last Saturday evening was an enjoyable affair.

Miss Amber Moore has recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Obe Waldon are at home to their friends on North Temperance street.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. A. Hayes, Marion Mayes and Little Danie Basfield.

There is one case of smallpox in our city.

Allen's day was observed at the A. M. E. church Sunday. An excellent program was rendered in the evening.

A number of our young ladies and gentlemen enjoyed a bobbed ride Tuesday evening. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. Basfield.

Miss Eldora Green spent Sunday with friends in Grinnell.

Next Sunday, February 24th, will be quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder Bundy will be present.

SIoux CITY.

Rev. Coalson, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, died at the Samaritan hospital Monday morning from the effects of a very serious operation, which was performed upon him. His sudden death came as a shock to the members and friends of his church. Word had been received over the phone that he was getting along nicely and five minutes later the nurse phoned that he was dead. Rev. Coalson had been sick nearly three weeks and at his request the members were preparing to send him to his home at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, on last Friday. His physicians thought he had better go to the hospital to have an operation, which he did. Rev. Coalson came here last summer for the purpose of organizing a Baptist church. He succeeded and worked faithfully with it until he took sick. May St. Zion ever live as a monument to him who was its first pastor and organizer. The Master thought he had done enough and took him home to rest. For truly we shall rest from our labor. A telegram was sent his brother at Des Moines.

Mrs. T. A. Clark was taken to the hospital last week to have an operation performed. We are glad to be able to say she is getting along nicely.

Mr. I. Watkins is quite poorly.

Mrs. Perkins spoke at the A. M. E. church last Sunday evening.

The subject of the debate on last Monday evening was: "Resolved, that a doctor is more beneficial to the human race than a lawyer." The affirmative is Messrs. Joe Baker and E. Ross. Negative, Messrs. J. Norris and P. D. Brown.

The literary society is preparing to hold memorial exercises in honor of Frederick Douglass some time soon.

The Sewing society will meet at Mrs. B. Crawford's Thursday evening. The series of entertainments given by the ladies of the Baptist church in the 13th and 14th were a success, both socially and financially. They realized \$80 clear of expenses. The prizes were awarded as follows: Miss Nina Thompson, first prize, the watch. She succeeded in raising \$40. Miss Myrtle Ross raised \$31 and got the manicule set. Mary Thompson got first prize of the children, a bracelet. She raised \$9. Lulu Sturges, second raised \$6 and got the ring.

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 Eouf, 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 Ethial 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 crust and sometimes extending for a long distance. Many scattered ruins may also be seen—dwellings, watch towers and tombs, besides those of fen 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 Sinalitic inscriptions which some forty years ago were believed to be memories of the wanderings of the Israelites.

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SMOKELESS FUEL.

Tests 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 tappers, 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 discoveries 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 by 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 Hereafter Be 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 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 Tit-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 12,000 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.

Dentist'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 1879; 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 a while, but she soon became useless and was broken up.—New York Weekly.

Benjamin Harrison's Lunch.

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 at 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 rally 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 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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Grave Filling Device.

A device for use in constructing graves, the invention of Henry D. Cameron, of Burlington, Iowa, is designed to fill the grave with earth after the coffin has been lowered, and to conceal as far as possible the actual throwing of the dirt upon the coffin, the most trying termination of the grave ceremony to the bereaved mourners. It consists of a receptacle, with detachable sides and bottom, and a gate in the latter so arranged as to be capable of being opened to allow the contents to fall. The front is a flexible curtain, extending from the top to the gate, and designed to prevent the earth within from being seen. This receptacle is filled with earth previous to the ceremony and carried to a convenient point. When all is over and the grave is to be filled, the receptacle is placed over it, and the gates opened, thus gently closing the last sad scene in a much more fitting manner than the seemingly cold-hearted return of the earth with a spade.

Human Nature Exemplified.

An Atchison father who has a lazy worthless son sent him drifting on Saturday at noon, saying he never wanted to see him again. The young man's mother carried on in a pitiful way, but the father was inexorable, the young man must get out and shift for himself. The young man went away saying he would return a rich man some day and make his father ashamed of himself. His mother said he was a noble boy, and swooned. That night at 6 o'clock the kitchen door opened softly, and the young man came in, carrying a small armful of wood. When supper was ready he took his usual place at the table, and ate with his accustomed appetite. The father said nothing, but the mother waited on her son with unusual care, as though he had returned with the fortune he had talked about at noon.—Atchison Globe.

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