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## CITY NEWS

Lowest prices—Mason's.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jackson entertained Dr. Hubert at 5 o'clock dinner, Monday afternoon.

Attend the Sacred concert given by the A. M. E. Church choir, Sunday evening, at the auditorium.

Mrs. B. Fields is visiting in Ottumwa—her former home.

Mrs. Susan White, who is very low, is not improving any. She seems to get weaker and weaker.

Spring Hats are ripe—Mason's.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 312 West Third street. Tunes Pianos and repairs organs.

Mr. Craddock Howard of Omaha spent Sunday in our city visiting his wife and friends. He returned Monday afternoon.

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

Chas. West has recently put in a billiard table. He is the only colored man in the city who conducts a billiard and pool room. See ad on this page.

The Mayflower Mandolin Club furnished music for the reception that was given by the Shredded Wheat Co. at the Y. M. C. A., last Monday night.

The dance given at Hansen's Hall last Thursday night was not very well attended, as the weather was very bad, but those who attended had a very pleasant time.

Best Milliners on Earth—Mason's.

Dr. Hubert, of the Wilberforce University in Ohio, who has been in our city several weeks, left the city for St. Paul, Thursday last. His visit was not such a financial success, yet it did fairly well, and the doctor made a good impression on all whom he met. He is a very scholarly gentleman.

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## THE ENTERPRISE INVESTMENT CO.,

Des Moines, Iowa.

The Annie Murray Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Bower, 933 Twelfth street, Friday afternoon, April 26. The members will please take notice. Program: Reading, Mrs. H. H. Lewis; Solo, Mrs. Wm. Coalson; Reading, Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Five minnets talk by Mrs. Wm. Callendar. Visitors are made welcome.

The Oklahoma Opportunity is a book descriptive of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Reservations in Oklahoma to be opened this summer, with 2,000,000 acres available for public settlement. This publication contains complete information as to soil and climate, a sectioned map of the district, conditions of entry and the Act of Congress opening the Reservation. The Great Rock Island Route is the only line running to and through the reservation. The Oklahoma Opportunity and the Western Trail, giving more facts of interest to Homeseekers will be sent free by JOHN SEBASTIAN, G. P. A. Chicago.

## PROGRAMME

### Of the A. M. E. Church Choir Concert at the Auditorium.

Sopranos.....Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn  
                  Mrs. W. H. Birney  
                  Mrs. W. M. Coalson  
                  Miss Beatrice Hicklin  
Contraltos.....Mr. S. D. Miller  
                  Mr. Geo. I. Holt  
Tenors.....Mr. I. E. Williamson  
                  Mr. Geo. H. Mason  
                  Mr. C. Clifton Lewis  
Baritones.....Mrs. B. Stewart Hughes  
                  Mrs. W. M. Coalson  
                  Geo. I. Holt, Conductor.

### PROGRAMME.

PART FIRST.  
Scripture Reading and Prayer by Rev. Mrs. Philipps.  
(a) "I Will Both Lay Me Down.....Root  
(b) "Jesus Lover of My Soul".....Barnby  
(c) "Lead Me To The Rock.....Scott  
                  Choir  
3 Zion, Awake!.....Ashford  
                  Choir  
3 Trio. "O Lamb Of God".....Leslie  
                  Mrs. W. H. Birney  
                  Mrs. W. M. Coalson  
                  Mr. Geo. I. Holt  
4 "O, For a Thousand Tongues".....Excell  
                  Mr. S. D. Miller and Choir  
5 Tenor Solo. (a) "Comfort Ye".....  
                  Messiah  
                  (b) "Palm Branches.....  
                  Mr. Geo. I. Holt  
6 "Rejoice in the Lord".....Kirkpatrick  
                  Intervening Soprano and Contralto  
                  Duett by Mrs. W. H. Birney and  
                  Miss Beatrice Hicklin, assisted by  
                  Choir.

### PART SECOND.

Remarks by Rev. L. J. Philipps.  
1 "The Lord Is Great.....Righini  
                  Choir  
2 Duett—"O, Holy Mother.....Maritana  
                  Mrs. W. H. Birney  
                  Mrs. W. M. Coalson  
3 Soprano Solo—"The Holy City".....  
                  Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn  
4 (a) "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing".....Towne  
                  (b) "I Will Extol Thee.....Ashford  
                  Intervening Baritone Solo by Mr.  
                  I. E. Williamson, assisted by  
                  Choir.  
5 Duett—"Guide Me, O Thou Great  
                  Jehovah".....Smith  
                  Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn  
                  Mr. Geo. I. Holt  
6 "Peace Be Within Thy Walls".....  
                  Ashford  
Tenor Recitative by Mr. S. D. Miller.  
Intervening Bass Solo by Mr. Geo. H. Mason, assisted by Choir.  
Entertainment will commence promptly at 8 o'clock p. m.

The following named persons will occupy boxes:

Governor Shaw, Adjutant-General Byers, Col. E. G. Pratt and Richards, Capt. Olmstead, Major Hume, Col. A. B. Shaw, Secretary and Treasurer of State; F. D. Jackson, Sidney A. Foster, A. B. Cummins, Judge Carr, Postmaster, Supt. Pub. Instruction, Barrett; Clerk Supreme Court, Jones; Auditor and Deputy, Joe Wheeler, Frank F. Merriam, Beehler; Atty General and Johnson Brigham; Board of Control, Hon. Lafe Young, B. Keffer, E. L. Marsh, Judges Bishop and Prouty, Judges Holmes and Conrad, County Officials, Board Public Works, and City Solicitor; City Officials, Mayor, Auditor and City Treasurer.

Spring Bonnets ready—Mason's.

### GO TO CALIFORNIA.

On the Iowa Central Railway's excursions every Tuesday until April 30th, 1901 at lower rates (single trip) than ever before offered. Tickets also sold to points in Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and British Columbia at unheard of low rates. For full particulars call on Iowa Central ticket agents, or address, Geo. S. Batty, G. P. & T. A., Marshalltown, Iowa.

Attorney Geo. H. Woodson, of Muskatineok, was a Sunday visitor in our city. He left Monday to attend court in Ottumwa.

Mr. E. E. Butler, a member of the typographical art, of Albia, was an over Sunday visitor, the guest of Mr. C. B. Woods.

The household of Ruth entertained their husbands and friends, at their hall, on Thursday evening. About 75 couples were seated at the tables, laden with all the good things of the season. It eclipsed all former efforts in the way of social gatherings. The members of this society are royal entertainers. We can join their many friends, and say, success to the Household of Ruth and this band of noble workers, who are so united, for in union there strength.

The concert by the A. M. E. choir, Sunday evening, April 21, Auditorium, bids fair to be one of the best concerts ever given in the city by this choir. They have been in steady rehearsal under the personal direction of Prof. G. I. Holt, for over three weeks and no one should miss hearing them. Don't forget to get your seats reserved before Sunday.

## CEDAR RAPIDS SECURES THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

While the locating of the Republican State convention in Cedar Rapids, will be a surprise to many republicans, yet a few professional politicians, it was not a surprise. Des Moines could not have had it at all, even though her better facilities and better offer to the committee. The majority of the committee seemed to be anxious to do everything to weaken Mr. Cummins' candidacy, realizing the enormous following Mr. Cummins has in Polk county, and especially those who know him the best, but we hope that a few cannot override the wishes of the republican voters of Iowa for no man in the state is closer to the masses of the people of Iowa today than Mr. Cummins.

The convention will be held in Cedar Rapids, August 7th.

## WISE FOR SUPERVISOR.

The supervisor contest in Lee township is attracting attention because of the vigor with which it is being waged. Three candidates are in the field, prominent among which is W. W. Wise, who, though he entered the race at a late date, developed strength of surprising proportions, and his friends are claiming his nomination with the greatest confidence. Mr. Wise has been a resident of East Des Moines for many years, but has held no public office except that of city councilman, and made a splendid record as a member of that body. As a member of the city council, Mr. Wise secured more improvements for his section of the city than have been credited to the most popular city aldermen. Mr. Wise is energetic, has had experience in city and county political affairs, is in the very prime of life, and as a member of the board of supervisors would not be asleep while the rights and interests of his constituents were to be looked after. He would make an up-to-date member, being a man of well known business ability and integrity, and keenly alert to the interests of East Des Moines.

## CAPTAIN J. E. WILKINS WITHDRAWS.

I desire to say to the voters of Polk county that after considering the matter, I have arrived at the conclusion that there being three candidates from East Des Moines for representative, two of whom are contestants for practically the same vote, thereby making it possible for a minority to select a can-

didate obnoxious to the majority, and as I have always advocated that the will of the majority should obtain, I have now determined to sacrifice my personal ambition to insure the result. East Des Moines is entitled to a representative that a majority of the people shall choose, and should be relieved of choosing between two of its favorite candidates, and allowed to cast its vote for the one, and thereby make the result the more decisive. I believe it is the desire of the County and West Des Moines to accord to East Des Moines the privilege of selecting its candidate. I believe that my withdrawal will operate to unite the people who believe that the will of the majority shall prevail, and that my withdrawal will insure to Dr. W. H. Heaton a large majority of the votes cast at our coming Republican primaries. I therefore in the interest of good government and party harmony withdraw as a candidate for representative.

J. E. WILKINS.

## GEN. ANKENY FOR CORONER.

Gen. R. V. Ankeny, one of our well known veterans of the Mexican and civil wars, who is the present coroner, has been induced by his friends to become a candidate again for county coroner. He has made a good coroner and is generally liked by all. He has just returned home from Shiloh where he was one of a committee appointed to go there and arrange for a national monument. He has been an active republican worker for many years, and his long residence in this city will aid him greatly. He is a member of the G. A. R. and Tippacanoe associations. His many young friends, with his old comrades, are working hard for his success.

Reduced Rates to Food Exposition at Waterloo, Iowa, and Return, Via the North-Western Line. Tickets will be sold for the above exposition to be held April 22 to 27. For dates of sale, etc., apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.



Alderman JOHN LOVERIDGE,

Candidate for member of Board of Supervisor for East Des Moines. His write up appeared in our last week's issue.

## WILL IT DISFRANCHISE THEM.

The new election law in Maryland that was designed to disfranchise the Afro-American in that state on the ground of illiteracy, it resulted in establishing and crowding the night schools, where they are learning to read and write, so as to be able to exercise the right of franchise. As soon as the colored men have qualified themselves along this line the democrats will doubtless try some other pretext to carry their base designs into practice. It is their aim to disfranchise every colored voter in the South. But even if they should succeed in placing obstacles in the way of the colored man or prevent him from casting his vote; the education which he has thus been lead to acquire will prove a benefit to him, and he will be able to do many things now that was impossible for him to do before he could read and write. The man that can read and write will make a better mechanic, a better farmer, a better porter, a better barber, a better waiter, a better worker, a better husband and a better father; in every way he will be more valuable to the race, and will find better opportunities for him to prove to the world that he is a man, and as such he is entitled to all the rights of any other man.

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

## Cheap Round Trip Rate Between St. Paul, Minn. and the Pacific Coast.

On July 6th the Northern Pacific R'y. will place in effect a low first class round trip rate of \$45.00 from eastern terminals to Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. Dates of sale at eastern terminals will be from July 6th to July 12th inclusive, and the final limit for return will be Aug. 31st, 1901. Destination must be reached not later than July 18th, stopovers being allowed IN EITHER DIRECTION within the transit limits.

This offers an unsurpassed opportunity for those desiring to hunt homes and farms, to go into the Northwest and look over the country, or for those wishing to visit relatives or friends to make pleasure trips, to do so.

## Caught a Dreadful Cold.

Marion Kooke, manager for F. M. Thompson, a large importer of fine millinery at 1658 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, says: "During the late severe weather I caught a severe cold which kept me awake at night and made me unfit to attend my work during the day. One of my milliners was taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a severe cold at that time, which seemed to relieve her so quickly that I bought some for myself. It acted like magic and I began to improve at once. I am now entirely well and feel very pleased to acknowledge its merits." For sale by all Druggists.

## CHURCH AND CLERGY.

The Rev. S. G. Fitzgerald, D. D., has been pastor of the Third United Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, for 25 years.

The Rev. C. S. Abbott, pastor of Christ church, Newark, N. J., has completed a quarter of a century as pastor of the church.

The Rev. A. C. Eggleston of Windsor, Conn., has accepted the position of financial secretary of Wesleyan academy at Wilbraham, Mass. He has been a trustee of the academy for many years.

## HIAWATHA'S WEDDING FEAST.

On last Monday night, in the auditorium at Chicago, the Appollo Musical Club of that city, assisted by the Chicago orchestra of more than one hundred pieces, rendered "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast." More than one hundred voices assisted in the chorus. The tenor solo, "Onward Awake Beloved," was sung by M. Charles Gauthier, the French Dramatic Tenor, S. Coleridge Taylor, the composer, is only twenty-seven years of age, and is an Afro-American. So far he has written almost forty compositions, mostly for orchestra. At present he resides in Corydon, England, where he teaches the violin in the academy of music.

## TUSKEGEE NOTES.

Prof. Earl, of the Department of Agriculture of the A. and M. College at Auburn, Alabama, visited us Friday of this week and lectured to the students of the agricultural division. All who heard him found themselves greatly benefited at the end of the lecture. Prof. Earl is good authority on agriculture, and we are always glad to have such men visit the institution.

Bishop Geo. W. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion church is with us for a two weeks stay. He will deliver a course of lectures to the Phelps Hall Bible training school students.

The foundations of the New Carnegie Library and horse barn are nearly completed. The other buildings contemplated will also be reached soon and rushed rapidly forward.

## Oregon, Washington and Idaho

is the title of a new booklet descriptive of these states, a copy of which, with a new map of the Columbia River region, will be mailed on receipt of six cents in postage by W. B. Kniskern, 32 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill.

## BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Mrs. R. Pleasant is on the sick list. On Wednesday afternoon, at the A. M. E. church, occurred the funeral services of Mrs. Jane Ross. Rev. Higgins conducted the services. Mrs. Ross was formerly a resident of this city, but for the past few years has resided in Monmouth, where she died on April 1st. She was an energetic, christian woman, and leaves many friends and relatives, to mourn her demise.

The Masons gave a very pleasant reception at their hall, Wednesday evening, April 10. A delightful musical program was rendered during the entire evening, and a dainty repast served to the numerous guests.

Mrs. W. Brown, of Chicago is visiting with Mr. G. W. Brown, of this city.

The Ladies' Court gave a social at the residence of Mrs. John Mitchell, Thursday night.

The Ladies of the Financial Club gave a fish fry at the residence of Mrs. Morris, on Tuesday night.

The Kings Daughters had a very pleasant meeting at the residence of Miss Gertrude Tyler, last Friday morning.

The Odd Fellows will have their annual sermon the first Sunday in May.

The household of Ruth and Lodge of O. F. will attend the annual sermon of the O. F. in Fort Madison, May 15th.

The Grand Court of Iowa will meet in this city, June 14th, 15th and 16th. A large attendance is expected.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Fred Vaughn Miller, the nephew of Mrs. G. A. Brown was appointed as mail carrier on the Newton mail force.

Mrs. G. A. Brown is very busy employed at the egg-store.

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## What a Girl Did.

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

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DES MOINES, IOWA.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, April 19, 1901.

Governor Shaw and the other Des Moines men interested in the ownership of 3,400 acres of rice farm lands ten miles from Beaumont, Texas, have received an offer of about \$250,000 for the land. The offer was made through the foreman employed on the ground to look after the Des Moines capitalists' interests. It will not be accepted, probably. T. M. Walker, Isaac Lang and Hardy C. Harris are partners with Governor Shaw in the ownership of the Texas land. For some time Messrs. Walker, Lang and Harris, with Governor Shaw, have been considering the erection of an oil drilling plant of their own, and the beginning of the extensive prospecting on their land. A proposition has been submitted by one of the owners looking to the organization of a stock company for the purpose of making a thorough investigation into the oil bearing qualities of the land. Governor Shaw owns half of the 3,400 acres, Mr. Lang one-fourth, Mr. Walker three-sixteenths and Mr. Harris one-sixteenth.

The State university has been refused payment of three unpaid appropriations by Auditor Merriam. It is expected the outcome of the refusal will be an action of mandamus begun by the regents to compel payment of the amount asked. The requisitions which were sent in by Lowell Swisher, treasurer of the board of regents, and which the auditor refused to honor, called for three unpaid appropriations made by general assemblies before the new code went into effect. The question of law involved is whether the acts making the appropriations were repealed when the new code went into effect. The regents made requisition for \$3,000 in the last quarter of 1897, in accordance with an act providing for the endowment and support of the university, passed in 1878; for \$2,084.33, being a part of the annual appropriation for endowment and support made by the Twenty-fifth general assembly; and for \$1,041.67, a part of the annual appropriation for endowment and support made by the Twenty-sixth general assembly. The total amount asked for is \$6,126.00. These sums were due in the last quarter of 1897, according to the old acts in force prior to the new code. They could not be drawn before October 1, 1897, the time the new code went into effect, however, under the old acts. After the new code went into effect the old acts were superseded by section 2543 of the code, which provides for the endowment and support of the university. The regents were then shut out from claiming anything under the old appropriation measures. The view taken of the requisitions of the regents in the auditor's office, is that the board is seeking to extract double what is due from the state. The appropriations made in section 2543 of the code

State Architect Liebke has commenced work on preliminary sketches for a new medical building to cost \$100,000 for the State university to replace the building recently burned. It is expected that work on similar sketches for a main building for the Agricultural college, to cost \$200,000 will be commenced shortly. The purpose is to have the plans ready to submit to the legislature next winter in order to get appropriations for their erection.

The state will advertise for bids for the rental of the dry beds of abandoned lakes. A resolution has been adopted by the executive council directing Secretary Davison to take this step. According to the opinion given last year by Attorney General Remley there are 10,000 acres of such lands thought to belong to the state. An effort is now being made to have congress enact a measure classifying abandoned lake beds as swamp land. This would give the title of the land to the counties. The state hopes by renting the land, which has for the most part passed into the possession of individuals living on it, to strengthen its title to it before it is classified as swamp land. Aside from this the revenue will be quite large, providing bids can be obtained.

SISTER-IN-LAW SCORES "JOE"

English Colonial Secretary Taken to Task for Transvaal War. London, April 17.—Discussing the South African war at a meeting held at Canning Town, Mrs. Richard Chamberlain made a lively attack on the colonial secretary, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

"It is all very well," she said, "for men like my brother-in-law Joe to say that farm burning is all right, but how can he know about farms or farming? Who was his father? He was a little screw maker, a very respectable profession, but it does not teach much about farms. It is no good sending out screw makers or anything of that sort. The war was not made for England, but for Johannesburg capitalists who could not speak English."

DR. CHRISMAN IS OUSTED.

Kansas Professor Loses His Chair in State Normal. Emporia, Kan., April 19.—Dr. Oscar Chrisman, the founder of the Science of Child Study, who a year ago created a great sensation here by the National Mother's congress in Des Moines, by the assertion in a lecture that women alone were capable of love and men were incapable, has lost his chair in the Kansas State Normal school. His relations with the president and faculty have been strained ever since his notable lecture and it is thought influences were brought to bear on the regents against him.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

MARGARET HOSSACK SENTENCED.

She Declares Before God that She Is Not Guilty. Indianola, April 17.—Margaret Hossack's life sentence to the penitentiary was pronounced in the Warren county court room by Judge Gamble yesterday. Her nine children and a large number of friends were present at the scene, which was one more affecting by far than when the verdict of guilty was delivered by the jury five days ago. The prisoner has aged greatly in the five days, and made a pathetic figure. When Judge Gamble asked if there was any fixed reason why the sentence which had been fixed by the jury should not be pronounced, she stood up and started to speak. Overcome by emotion she sat down again and after a moment's silence Senator Berry went over and spoke a few words to her. Supported by her attorney she stood up again and in a voice that could be barely heard she held up her right hand and said: "Before my God, I am not guilty."

Those were her only words, and needless to say, they could not suffice to avert the words which were to follow from Judge Gamble. After a moment's hesitation he delivered the sentence, which had been fixed by the jury and which will send Margaret Hossack to the state penitentiary for life. There was sobbing all over the court room when the aged convict was led out, and the court resumed its work.

KEANE BARS SALOONKEEPERS.

The Archbishop at Dubuque Refuses to Admit to the Sacrament. Dubuque, April 17.—Archbishop Keane administered confirmation to a class of 700 at St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon. After administering the sacrament the archbishop delivered an address, in which he strongly denounced the liquor traffic and those engaged in it. The general trend of the address was that saloonkeepers cannot remain in the business if they want to receive the sacraments of the church. The address was the keynote of the policy the archbishop evidently intends to pursue. He stated that he would work unceasingly to discourage intemperance, but that if his sermons against the traffic fail to accomplish the desired results he would resort to stronger measures. This remark is construed that the archbishop will insist on the malt law being enforced by legal measures if the saloonkeepers do not voluntarily close their places of business on Sunday.

GOES TO CEDAR RAPIDS.

Republican State Convention There on the 21st of August. Des Moines, April 18.—The republican state convention will be held this year at Cedar Rapids, on Wednesday, August 7. There will be 1,647 delegates, no change having been made in the ratio of representation. A nomination will require 821. Following will be the officers of the convention: James C. Davis, of Keokuk, temporary chairman; A. M. McCall, of Woodward, temporary secretary; S. C. Platt, of Iowa Falls, reading clerk; E. R. Hutchins, of Des Moines, assistant reading clerk; J. C. Webster, of Cresco, sergeant at arms; John A. Reed, of Cedar Rapids, chief doorkeeper. The members of the committee were practically unanimous on everything except the location of the convention. Seven voted for Cedar Rapids and four for Des Moines.

BAD WRECK AT WOODBINE.

Trains on the Illinois Central Collide With Fatal Results. Woodbine, April 18.—A head-on collision between two passenger trains on the Illinois Central resulted in the death of one man, the fatal injury of another and serious injury to several others. The dead: Engineer James Wheeler of Council Bluffs. Seriously injured: J. E. Jewell, Chicago; Evangeline Dahl, A. Nichols, Chicago; an aged Italian woman, foot crushed; D. L. Pelton of Woodbine, badly bruised.

The Chicago Flyer No. 2 was to have met the east-bound No. 25 at this point, but No. 25, instead of being side tracked, came on up the main line at full speed. Both engines were demolished and several cars shattered.

GREGORY ACCEPTS.

Will Be Dean of Law Department at Iowa University. Iowa City, April 16.—President MacLean of the State University has announced that Charles M. Gregory has accepted the deanship of the law school, which was offered to him by the board of regents. His salary is fixed at \$4,000. He will be here to assume his duties next September. Mr. Gregory is now associate dean of the Wisconsin law school. He came to the University of Wisconsin in 1891, having been a successful practitioner in that state, and is now connected with a large firm in Milwaukee. He has been instrumental in framing statutes in Wisconsin, has written articles on law published in this country and in Europe, and is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

Smothered in the Mud.

Winterset, April 18.—Fred J. Niblo of this city was smothered to death by being thrown from his wagon head foremost into the mud. The wagon fell over on top of him and pinned him into the mud. He was unable to extricate himself and smothered to death.

Batavia Scorching Again.

Ottumwa, April 18.—Fire at Batavia destroyed three business houses and a dwelling. The loss will reach \$9,000. The cause is unknown. It is the second destructive fire in a few months.

LE MARS BANKER SKIPS

T. F. Ward Absconds With \$30,000 in Bank Funds.

St. Louis City, April 18.—Thomas F. Ward, manager and vice president of the LeMars National bank, has disappeared, and yesterday morning when the bank opened for business it was found that he had left a letter saying that he was short \$30,000 and that he had been speculating on the board of trade. The letter said that he had used certain funds which had been entrusted to the bank. Ward asked that indictment be prevented, and said that he would restore every dollar that he had taken. He has been one of the most prominent business men of LeMars, a city of 5,000 people. Considerable excitement exists, but has not started a run on the other banks. It is not known where Ward has gone, his letter saying that he had left for "God Knows Where." He leaves a beautiful wife and a number of children, among them a babe one week old.

The other LeMars banks notified the Sioux City Clearing House association of the failure of the bank at LeMars, and were at once advised by wire to call upon the association for any sum that might be needed to protect them. Gold to the amount of \$20,000 was sent on a morning train, out was not needed, as no run was started.

The officers of the bank which crashed are as follows: C. P. Madagen, president. T. F. Ward, vice president. Frank Koob, cashier.

All but Koob are out of the city, now that Ward has skipped, the president being in Scotland, and the members of the board of directors out of the city.

Washington, D. C., April 18. The LeMars National bank of LeMars, Iowa, has closed its doors. H. Meyer, national bank examiner for Iowa, has been ordered to take charge of the bank, pending the arrival of Special Agent Thomas M. Thornton, who has been appointed temporary receiver.

The following is a statement of the condition of the bank as shown by its sworn report to the comptroller of currency under date of February 5, 1901:

Table with financial data: Capital stock \$100,000.00, Surplus and undivided profits \$3,750.00, Circulation \$25,000.00, Due to banks and bankers \$69.28, Deposits \$108,176.96, Borrowed money \$30,121.50, Total liabilities \$267,936.57, Total resources \$267,936.57.

St. Louis City, April 19.—T. F. Ward, the absconding vice president of the LeMars National bank, has not been found. The cashier of the bank refuses to divulge the amount of the shortage until the temporary receiver arrives from Washington. It is understood most of the shortage has come since April 1. Ward's scheme was to draw on Chicago for \$5,000 or \$10,000 and enter the books as \$5 or \$1. When he had his wife good-bye Monday night she thought he was leaving town on a business trip. She is quite shocked over the news of his defection. He was seen to board a north bound train that night.

DR. HERRON TO WED MISS RAND.

The Latter Sells Grinnell Property and Buys in New York. Grinnell, April 16.—Some interesting developments have occurred here, which point to the conclusion that Dr. George D. Herron will be married in a very short time to Miss Carrie Rand, his wealthy patroness, who has been so prominently mentioned in connection with the Herron divorce case.

Miss Rand came to Grinnell a few days ago, and disposed of all her property here by sale. She has purchased a palatial residence on Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street in New York, where Dr. Herron is living. According to published plans, her family will go to Europe soon, and for this reason it is assumed that her marriage to Dr. Herron will take place soon; in fact, it was so understood and admitted by close friends, the marriage will be the outcome of the divorce that has led up to the noted social reformer's divorce from his wife a few weeks ago. Miss Rand is in sympathy, heart and soul, with Dr. Herron's work. She is reported to wear a ring set with \$10,000.00.

Dr. Herron is known to be opposed to the marriage contract. It is his social idea that the marriage state is tyranny, and the ceremony will be a concession to the other party.

RAILROAD TAXATION.

Secretary of Executive Council Prepares a Statement.

Des Moines, April 17.—Secretary Davison of the state executive council has completed the compilation of a most valuable table relative to railroad property assessments, which shows the following facts: Iowa railroads have paid a constantly increasing tax per mile of road, an increase from \$129 to \$167 per mile being shown by the records since 1880. The total taxes paid have increased from \$550,768 in 1880 to \$1,243,124 in 1900 and \$1,500,270 in 1901. In the same period the net earnings increased from \$8,673,761 to \$15,097,072. During the same period the mileage increased from 4,811 to 9,236 miles. The net earnings per mile, therefore, decreased from \$1,802 to \$1,616 per mile during the period in which the total taxes trebled.

The per cent of assessment to net earnings from 1880 to 1901 has increased from 277 to 312 per cent. The per cent of taxes to gross earnings in the same period has increased from .026 to .03. The per cent of taxes on net earnings in the same period has increased from .087 to .097. The assessed value of the roads has increased from \$4,997 per mile in 1880 to \$5,042 in 1901.

MURDER AT MASON CITY.

Mason City, April 17.—In a fit of temporary insanity Mrs. Horace B. Turnure, a farmer's wife, shot and killed her husband at their home four miles south of the city and then put a bullet through her heart, dying instantly. They leave six small children. No motive for the crime is assigned, but it is surmised that the responsibilities of rearing and caring for so many small children dethroned the woman's reason.

NEWS IN GENERAL

PROTECTED BY LI HUNG CHANG.

Chinese Who Burned Christians to Death at San Jo Last December.

Peking, April 18.—A missionary named Killie (The Rev. Mr. Kelly, Presbyterian missionary?) has returned from San-Jo, where Christians were burned to death in December. Mr. Killie reports to General Chaffee that same time ago several of his converts were killed. He had the guilty parties tried in the Chinese courts, where they were convicted and sentenced to death, subject to Li Hung Chang's signature. Mr. Killie came to Peking and saw Li Hung Chang, who said the men should be executed immediately. Upon going to San-Jo three weeks later, the missionary found the men alive. He spoke to a judge of the Chinese court on the matter, who thereon showed him a letter from Li Hung Chang, giving explicit directions that the men must not be executed, as they had only been convicted on the testimony of Christians, consequently the evidence was untrustworthy. Mr. Killie has a copy of this letter. In the meantime the French had proved the same men guilty of incendiarism and other outrages, and demanded their execution, whereupon the judge again showed his orders from Li Hung Chang. The French authorities replied that if the men were not executed within eight days they would take the law into their own hands and punish the Chinese officials likewise.

The ministers of the foreign power view with alarm the expedition against General Liu Kuan Tieg, as they think he will retreat, probably laying waste the villages he traverses and killing native Christians, and that once by the military for further aggression, which would probably be the taking of Tai-Nuan-Fu, the capital of Shen-Si province. Captain Reeves, attached to the American legation here, accompanies the expedition to observe happenings on behalf of the United States.

At today's meeting of the foreign minister, the question of indemnities was discussed. It is now estimated that \$70,000,000 will cover all claims.

WINTER PALACE BURNED.

Emous Residence of the Emperor of China Destroyed.

Washington, April 18.—The secretary of state received a cable message this forenoon from the United States charge d'affaires at Peking, dated at Peking, saying that the winter palace occupied by Von Waldersee was accidentally destroyed by fire and General Schwartzhoff, chief of staff, fatally burned. This incident may prove more serious than appeared on the surface. It is known from diplomatic communications received in Washington that intense feeling has been aroused among the Chinese over the occupation of the emperor's palace by Count Von Waldersee and his military staff. This was graphically set forth in a letter recently received here from one of the foremost officials in Peking. He described in detail the manner in which the palace had been turned over to military use and commented upon the indignity which it involved to the Chinese people and to the imperial family. Moreover, it is known that this military occupation of the palace was a moving cause for the rejection of all overtures for the return of the imperial family to Peking. From the Chinese standpoint it was impossible to even consider the return of the imperial family so long as the commander-in-chief of the allied forces was in actual occupation of the emperor's palace.

Now that the palace is entirely destroyed it may have a bearing on the return of the imperial family. While there is no longer the objection that the palace is occupied by the foreigner commander, yet a new objection is created in the face of the palace's destruction itself, for, under Chinese usage, the imperial family must occupy those exclusive quarters reserved for them within the prohibited precincts.

CONGRU NOT ON THE DORIC.

Now Thought He Will Arrive at San Francisco April 26.

San Francisco, April 18.—The steamer Doric has arrived from the Orient via Honolulu and is detained in quarantine owing to the fact that there was a case of smallpox on board when the vessel reached Hawaii. The victim was First Officer Simon, of the steamer and he was left at Honolulu. There was no other case on board, but as a measure of precaution the cabin passengers were vaccinated before landing. She brings news of the safety of the transport Garonne, thirty-eight days out from Manila. She was in Honolulu when the steamer sailed, presumably to take on coal. The Garonne has the Twenty-sixth infantry on board. Owing to the delay in her arrival there was considerable uneasiness. It is expected that she will arrive within a week or so.

MORGAN BUYS GAINSBOROUGH.

Father's Desire to Own the Palatial Residence of the Financier.

London, April 19.—The story that J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire is confirmed. In connection therewith is a story of filial devotion. Morgan's father, it appears, was actually engaged in negotiations for the purchase of the picture when it was stolen. Morgan, remembering his father's desire to secure the picture, telegraphed to Sir Thomas Agnew, the moment he learned that it had been recovered, making an offer for the painting. It was understood that the picture could be had for \$22,500, but it is generally believed that \$25,000 was the price paid for it.

Arbitration Court Organized.

The Hague, April 15.—Dr. W. H. De Beaulieu, president of the administrative council of the permanent court of arbitration, has notified all the powers concerned that the court is now constituted. This notification is intended to take the place of a formal installation.

HILL INTERESTS GAIN CONTROL.

The C. & Q. Road Passes to the New Management.

Chicago, April 17.—The Tribune says: James J. Hill before leaving for the west announced the success of the long pending deal for the control of the Burlington railway. He said he had concluded negotiations for the purchase of the Burlington system, and added: "There are no changes in our relations with the St. Paul and Chicago line. We merely wanted the Burlington for a St. Louis and Kansas feeder." Mr. Hill denied the report that the Burlington deal meant the establishment of a transcontinental system with the Erie as an eastern outlet. He said that the Erie would not be a part of a transcontinental line, that there would be no transcontinental line, and that the Erie would be free from alliances.

JAPAN SENDS ULTIMATUM.

Demand on China Taken as a Challenge to the Muscovites.

London, April 16.—Japan has issued an ultimatum to China that Russia must be ejected from Manchuria, the alternative being that occupation of that province shall become international instead of solely Muscovite.

While directed to Emperor Kwang Hsu, through Li Hung Chang, the ultimatum is undoubtedly meant for St. Petersburg. It is the serving of notice on the czar that he must abandon Manchuria or fight.

The wording of the ultimatum does full credit to the reputation of Marquis Ito as the Bismarck of the orient.

Beneath the flowery language is concealed the mailed fist. First presented as a petition, Japan's demand is now couched in words of command. It is highly significant that Li Hung Chang, and special plenipotentiary for Russia, should be chosen as the medium for transmitting the ultimatum, and especially so when it is considered that Japan sent her first message to Kwang Hsu through Prince Ching. It is shrewdly conjectured here that Earl Li's first message, after the receipt of the ultimatum, went to the czar instead of to his own nominal sovereign.

That Japan has determined to precipitate a crisis in the far east is now no longer open to doubt. That, while openly acting independently, she has been promised support by other powers, Great Britain among them, is more than probable.

One thing is certain. Russia must now show her hand. She can no longer hide her purposes behind the assertion that she must retain her troops in Manchuria to preserve order and protect her interests. International aid in so doing is now a foregone conclusion. Therefore a clash seems inevitable.

Japan's assurance to China that all the nations regard the latter as a "friendly power" is interpreted here as an oriental intimation to Russia that she herself is not considered in that category as far as Japan is concerned.

TO PAY HEAVY WAR TAXES.

People of Great Britain Up Against a Hard Financial Proposition.

London, April 19.—The exceptional interest taken in this year's budget statement was evidenced by the crowded condition of the house of commons when it reassembled yesterday. The attendance of members was unusually large, while the appearance in the galleries testified to the deep interest of the public in the fresh taxation proposals required to meet the expenditure for 1901-2, which, according to a parliamentary paper issued yesterday afternoon totals £687,692,000, inclusive of war charges, this being an increase of £32,941,000 over last year. The national balance sheet for 1900-1, as shown by the same paper, stands as follows: Revenue £130,355,000, expenditures £183,592,000, net deficit £53,237,000. The budget asked 2 pence in the income tax, making it 1 shilling 2 pence. It does not provide an increase in the duties on beer, wine or tea, spirits or tobacco. A duty of 4 shillings 2 pence per hundredweight will be imposed on refined sugar.

A duty of 2 shillings per hundredweight is imposed on molasses. West Indian sugar is not excepted. A duty of 1 shilling and 8 pence per hundredweight will be imposed on glucose. A shilling per ten duty is imposed on exported coal.

Raw sugar polarized below 98 is to pay a duty gradually diminishing, according to each degree of polarization, to a minimum of shillings at polarizing at 76.

ROYAL SPOUSE QUITS THE KING.

Marie Amelin, Queen of Portugal, Declines to Leave.

Lisbon, April 16.—The startling announcement is made in court circles that Queen Marie Amelin, wife of Don Carlos, king of Portugal, has resolved to become a nun. This is a direct result of the protracted quarrel between the royal couple over the king's attitude toward the religious orders of the country.

The agitation against the clergy in Spain last month spread to Portugal, where trouble between the liberals and the clerical elements had been brewing for a long time. Queen Amelin is a devout Catholic, while Don Carlos sides with the liberals, and during the recent disturbances he openly espoused their cause against the church. Violent scenes between husband and wife in the Lisbon palace followed.

There are other grievances against the king which steeled Queen Amelin's heart. The king has proved several times of late unfaithful to his marriage vow, which recently led to a public scandal. A prominent physician in Lisbon committed suicide over the loss of his beautiful young wife, whose affections had been alienated by the king.

Kitchener to Renew Operations.

London, April 16.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pretoria says: "The next six weeks will see a resumption of active campaigning. Lord Kitchener will renew his sweeping movements. He has an army of 250,000 efficient troops, including 60,000 mounted men, with a good supply of horses, 40,000 having been secured in Cape Colony alone. The army is in good spirits, and Lord Kitchener is satisfied with the progress of events, slow though it seems."

HAY REVERSES METHOD.

Preparing a Treaty With England the Canal Question.

New Orleans, April 15.—Judge Parlane in the United States circuit court has handed down a decision dismissing the suit brought by Boer representatives here to prevent the shipment of mules and horses out of New Orleans to the British army in South Africa. The decision is a lengthy one.

Judge Parlane holds that transactions between citizens of United States and the British government were conducted under the protection of private citizenship and that courts had absolutely no jurisdiction to interfere. The horses and mules the court said, were bought in neutral territory. Judge Parlane continues:

"If the complainants could be held to assert here rights personal to themselves in the treaty invaded on if the mules and horses involved in this cause are munitions of war, of which is disputed by the defendants, it would become necessary to determine whether the United States intended by the declaration of the treaty (of Washington, May 8, 1871) to subvert the well established principle of international law that the private citizens of a neutral nation can lawfully sell supplies to belligerents."

"It is almost impossible to suppose a priori, that the United States would have done so and would have thus provided for the most serious and extensive derangement of and injury to the commerce of our citizens, whether two or more foreign nations should go to war; and it would seem that there was nothing in the treaty, especially when its history and purposes are considered, which would warrant the belief that the United States insisted upon the insertion therein a new principle of international law from which the commerce of this country and which the government of this country has heretofore strenuously and invariably followed. The principle that neutral citizens may lawfully sell to belligerents has long since been settled in this country by the highest judicial authority."

THERE WILL BE NO STRIKE.

Dewees Wood Mill Will Reopen With the Old Employees.

Pittsburg, April 19.—There will be no strike in the plants of the American Sheet Steel company. The trouble that broke out in the Dewees Wood plant in McKeesport last week and which for a time threatened to cause a general strike of all mill iron and steel workers in the country has been settled in an amicable manner. The members of the general executive board of the Amalgamated association of iron, steel and tin workers held a long session yesterday, after which a signed agreement was made public, as follows:

"We have discovered after a careful examination of the points at issue, that as usual mistakes and misunderstandings underlie the trouble at McKeesport, and we reach the conclusion that it will be to the advantage of all parties concerned to start the Wood mill with the old employees on next Monday, April 22, 1901."

"And it is further agreed that the contract with reference to working conditions in the mill and scale matters shall be observed until July 1, 1901, and in the meantime Mr. Smith and Mr. Holloway shall have a meeting to adjust any difficulty which may exist between them."

In explanation of this agreement it was stated that the matter must remain in exactly the same position as before the trouble broke out. The organization of the local of the Amalgamated association among the employees of the mill will be continued, though the company will not recognize it in any way in dealing with the men.

CUTTING DOWN THE CLAIMS.

The Powers Are Materially Modifying Their Demands.

Washington, April 17.—Notwithstanding the reports from Peking of the slow progress of the negotiations there on the subject of indemnity, the officials here are not without hope that a way may be found out of the present complications. Later figures are coming in respecting the indemnity claims which slightly modify these claims as reported from other sources. For instance, the French claim is now given as \$56,000,000 instead of \$65,000,000. The Russian claim is about \$87,000,000 and that of Great Britain about \$27,000,000. The Japanese claim also has been cut down to less than \$20,000,000. Germany's claim is elastic, ranging from \$60,000,000 to \$70,000,000. The little powers, those that furnished no troops at all or an insignificant number, loom up with big bills. Belgium wants \$8,000,000, and similar claims are preferred by Holland and Spain.

DISPOSSES OF FRIAR QUESTION.

Mgr. Chappelle Promises They Will Not Return to the Province.

Cebu, Island of Cebu, P. I., April 17.—Judge Taft, president of the Philippine commission, says that Mgr. Chappelle, the papal delegate to the Philippine islands, told him the friars were not to return to the provinces and that only a sufficient number of them were now in Manila to act as instructors in the colleges. This dispossession of the troublesome "friar" question.

Cebu is the first island to be visited by the commission upon which the insurrection is still active. It is unsafe to leave the city of Cebu without an armed escort. The delegates from the towns of the island who are now here are anxious for the establishment of a provincial government, which they believe would assist in ending the insurrection in the province of Cebu.

Date for Coronation Fixed.

London, April 19.—The coronation of King Edward will take place at the end of June, 1902. Westminster Abbey, according to Truth, will be entirely closed to the public for four months prior to the event, and all services will be suspended in order to prepare the interior for the ceremony. The details of the ceremonial will be settled next week by a committee of the privy council.

**DAVENPORT REPORT.**

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright has begun housekeeping at 716 Main street. Mr. Wright is a porter on the Rock Island road, and this places him closer to his work.

Mr. A. D. Corbin has returned from Omaha, where he went to spend Easter with his little daughter, Sadie Corbin. Ruscoe & Holland's Minstrel was here Sunday and showed at the Burtis' opera house. It was reported that they had a crowded house.

Since our last writing one of Davenport's most faithful citizens passed away; it was Mr. Geo. W. Chesterfield, who resided at the corner of High and Cherry streets. Mr. Chesterfield was undoubtedly one of the best known and most highly respected citizens in Davenport. He was a faithful member of the Third Baptist church from its organization, which was 23 years ago this month, up until his death, and was a faithful worker in the Sunday School. He leaves a wife and son to mourn their loss. He was buried at Oakdale cemetery from the Third Baptist church, Saturday April 6. Many lovely flowers were sent by friends to show their appreciation of his faithfulness. In losing him the church lost a devoted and faithful member, and above all a Christian gentleman.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Odd Fellows in this city John T. Mabry was elected delegate to the District Grand Lodge, which meets in Albia in July.

Mr. Bert Chesterfield was called home on the 5th inst, to attend the funeral of his father, Mr. G. W. Chesterfield. He expects to remain at home indefinitely.

Mrs. Ed. Wilson is in the city, being called here by the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. G. W. Chesterfield. She expects to remain here two or three weeks with her sister Mrs. G. W. Chesterfield.

Mrs. M. L. Heiden returned from Evanston, Ill., where she went to visit her sister.

Mr. C. B. Lewis, head cook on the Rock Island from here to Joliet, has returned from Colfax, where he was called to the bedside of his daughter. She was reported to be better when he left for his home here in this city.

Sunday was Quarterly meeting day at Bethel A. M. E. church, and a large crowd was out in the afternoon to attend the services. Rev. Bundy P. E. of this district was present and preached a noble sermon at night, although before its conclusion he taken a severe cough and had to stop.

Easter exercises were held at the Baptist church April 7, in the afternoon and Rev. Christy, pastor, and Mrs. C. H. Marshall, Supt. of Bethel A. M. E. church were present and made some very encouraging remarks.

On Sunday evening the 7th, Easter exercises were held at the Methodist church and quite a large crowd were present. The choir furnished several lovely selections and the pastor and Supt. made remarks of great interest. J. T. Mabry, Supt. of the Baptist S. S. was present and made a short address.

Mrs. Savannah Pasche, wife of Mr. N. Pasche, second cook on the Rock Island from here to Joliet, was taken to Mercy Hospital last week to have an operation performed, and we have been informed that she is considerable better at this writing which we are very glad to report to her many friends.

Eureka Lodge 3859, G. U. O. of O. F. will turn out across the river in Rock Island, Ill., the second Sunday in May to have their Thanksgiving sermon preached at the Second Baptist church over there by P. N. F. Mr. T. Harper.

Those owing for the BYSTANDER will please have their money ready, as the agent is preparing to call on you all at once; so please don't ask him to wait, but pay up and save him the trouble of calling on you again for the same purpose.

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**OTTUMWA NEWS.**

The I. B. W. R. C. wish to extend thanks to the editor for granting us a space in his paper and also for kind words in a recent letter.

The club has did some commendable work this year, one feature of which deserves special mention. They took a crippled colored woman from the hands of cruel white people with whom she had been over twenty years. This woman has both lower limbs taken off at the knee, but notwithstanding this she is an excellent worker. She can do anything, and did all the work for this family and received as her pay abuse and illtreatment.

The club secured her release and \$100 and a good home.

Mrs. L. M. Shelton has returned and is much improved in health.

Mrs. B. Field and Miss Nettie Singer of Des Moines, are the guests of friends in the city.

Mrs. Wallace Jones was summoned to Kirksville on account of serious illness of her nephew.

Miss Anna Thompson and Mr. James Cosin were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Sunday, April 13th, at 7 o'clock, at the residence of the brides parents.

Guests from out of town were Mrs. Searcy, of Albia; Mr. Fins, of Newton.

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**KEOKUK WHISPERS.**

Rev. F. L. Smith, who is now pastoring the Baptist church in Springfield, Ill., arrived in the city Monday for a short stay.

Miss Margaret Drainie read a paper before the Ladies' Educational society of the Westminster Presbyterian church, last Monday afternoon.

The many friends of Miss Sadie Miller are much pained to learn of her serious illness in the Capital city. It is hoped that her illness may not be of a long duration.

The Misses Smith's, of Keokuk, Mo., visited in the Gate City, Saturday and Sunday, and Mr. Erick's was as happy as a bee about a very sweet flower.

They say that another lady on Morgan street has begun to look wise and are ere long there will be "two hearts that beat as one."

"The Freeman," of Indianapolis, has secured Mrs. M. E. Dixon to represent that paper in this city. The Bystander man takes off his hat to Mrs. Dixon. May she sling ink with telling effect.

William H. Spencer has secured a patent on a Fruit Gatherer of his own invention, and it promises to bring to the inventor a neat income.

Lightning vs. Wind was the subject of the debate conducted by Company D, at the A. M. E. church, last Monday night. Mr. Lowe, who was to have taken the affirmative, weakened at the last moment and failed to put in his appearance. In his absence, Reverend Reeves was induced to pitch battle against Mr. Cross and his Wind. The arguments were interesting and amusing, and after a hard struggle, Mr. Cross was declared the winner. Company D is now making extensive preparations for a high class musical and piano recital, May 12th. This will be a classical treat to Keokuk lovers of music.

The Rough Riders in command of Rev. Reeves are going to conduct an interesting debate in the near future on "Republicanism vs. Democracy." Mr. Charles H. Brooks has been secured to set forth the democratic view. The name of the Republican spaker has not yet been announced.

Rev. J. H. Nichols came home for a few days to enjoy the comforts and smiles of his good wife.

A very enjoyable reception was conducted by the young ladies of the Seventh Street Baptist church, last Tuesday evening. The affair was in honor of the pastor who has taken up Evangelistic work.

Mrs. John Glass was called to the bedside of her father, in Alton, Ill., last week. Latest advices state that he is dangerously ill, with little hopes of recovery.

Mr. Wm. Dixon, who has been sick, is able to be out again.

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Des Moines, Iowa, March 1st, 1901.

Whereas, The American Fire Insurance Company, located at Philadelphia in the state of Pennsylvania has filed in this office a sworn statement of its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1900, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas, said statement shows that the said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance.

Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, Frank F. Merriam, Auditor of State, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the State, by Agents properly appointed, as required by law, until the first day of March, A. D. 1902.

I further certify that the statement shows—

1st. The actual amount of paid-up Capital of said company, Dec. 31, 1900 to be..... \$ 500,000.00

2d. The aggregate amount of Assets of said Company, Dec. 31, 1900, to be..... \$2477069.00

3d. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, Dec. 31, 1900, to be..... \$2229708.58

4th. The aggregate Income of said Company for the year 1900 to be..... \$1433708.98

5th. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1900, to be..... \$1606216.07

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of my office the day and date above written.

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2d. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, Dec. 31, 1900, to be..... \$1423971.64

3d. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, Dec. 31, 1900, to be..... \$111763.08

4th. The aggregate Income of said Company for the year 1900 to be..... \$ 999069.56

5th. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1900, to be..... \$1044508.28

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of my office the day and date above written.

FRANK F. MERRIAM, Auditor of State.

**White House Visitor.**

About 900 persons a day average visit the white house every round. The number rises from 1,500 to 2,000, and the hours for visitors are not many, being from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. In spite of this constant tread the beautiful old-gold figured carpet in the east room looks as well as when it was first put down.

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FRILLS OF FASHION.

Variations in children's gowns blossom out from time to time, even though they are very slight, and small girls rival their mothers in their ambition to keep up to date.

HOCKING ITEMS.

Mr. Clarence Brown is in our city, the guest of Mrs. Annie Taylor. Mr. John Kewis and Miss Myrtle Tolson were married on the 6th inst. We wish them success.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

We are indeed pained to chronicle the very sad and sudden demise of Mr. Allard Price, which occurred Sunday evening at 6:15, at his home on Oak Avenue.

DES MOINES PASSENGER TRAINS

Table with columns for departure times and destinations: Chicago Limited, Day Express, Night Limited, etc.

PRACTICAL ADVICE.

A stitch in time saves nine. Never let a child stop itself to sleep. An egg beaten up in milk is a good pick-me-up.

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.

DOCTORY OURSELVE.

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An illustrated book, which will be of much interest to all who are expecting to take advantage of the low rates to California this summer, at the time of the Epworth League Convention, to be held in San Francisco in July, has just been issued by the Chicago & North Western Railway.

EPWORTH LEAGUE AND YELLOWSTONE PARK.

Facts like these talk and if you contemplate taking advantage of the low Epworth League rates to San Francisco next July, \$59.00. Chicago back to Chicago via either Ocean or Shasta route from San Francisco to Portland, you are entitled to know that on similar occasion three years ago, 95 per cent of the Christian Endeavorers returning by way of Portland used the Northern Pacific Ry., and more than half this number visited Yellowstone Park, which is reached by rail from Livingston, Montana—a point on the main line of the N. P. R. less than two hours ride by rail from Cinnabar, at the entrance to the park.

# PHYSICIAN IS MURDERED

## Shot While Riding in His Buggy.

### THE CRIME OF ASSASSINS.

Dr. S. Scruggs Was Returning Home After Visit to a Patient in Memphis—Bloodhounds on the Trail of the Murderers.

Memphis, Tenn., April 19.—Dr. Hal S. Scruggs, one of the leading physicians of this country, was assassinated about 10 o'clock last night on Poplar boulevard, one of the most prominent thoroughfares leading from Memphis, while returning from a professional call. The physician was riding in his buggy when two assassins, who had lain in ambush, crept up behind and shot him in the back of the head. One pistol ball penetrated his brain. The tragedy is shrouded in mystery, although officers have been working on the case all day. They have a slight clue, and if the guilty parties are apprehended, it is believed that summary punishment will be inflicted. After the assassination the body of the physician fell to the box of the buggy. The horse went direct to the physician's home, passing the house three times, and grazed all night in a grove near the residence. The wheel tracks of the buggy were found today. This morning the animal appeared at the physician's stable. A passing dairyman discovered the remains in the buggy. An alarm was immediately given, and since that time every effort has been made to capture the assassins. The occupants of a negro's cabin opposite the scene of the murder say they heard two shots early last night. The ball which entered Scruggs' head was of 38-caliber. Another of 32-caliber was found lodged in the frame of the buggy, which supports the belief that two men are implicated. Bloodhounds were put upon the trail of the men this morning, as the tracks of two persons leading from the scene were found in the mud, but on account of last night's heavy rain the dogs could not follow the trail. Dr. Scruggs was a school director and had trouble with the patrons of a school on account of an order promulgated requiring parents to send written excuses to teachers when their children were absent. This caused bitter feeling, and an indignation meeting was held at which the life of the physician was threatened. It is believed that the murder grew out of this trouble. The fact that Dr. Scruggs was shot from the rear, with other circumstances of the assassination, tends to show that the murderers were well acquainted with the dead man's movements and watched his departure from home. Scruggs was taken by surprise, and it is hardly believed that he had any conversation with the assassins.

### Killed in Steamer Explosion.

Vancouver, B. C., April 19.—Four people are dead and seven more probably fatally injured as the result of an explosion on the steamer Ramona, which plies on the Fraser river. The accident happened when the boat was in midstream, opposite Fort Langley, thirty miles from Vancouver. Mrs. Harry Morrison of Langley and Mrs. J. Halley of Mount Lehman were knocked into the water and drowned. Two deck hands, James Mack and Andrew Phipps, were struck by one of the flying boiler plates and instantly killed. A. Bower, the purser, J. Maynard, mate, and Victor Nowell, the fireman, were burned so badly that they cannot recover. Four Indians were dreadfully scalded, and only one of these is expected to recover.

### Large Lien on Paper.

Chicago, April 19.—The largest mortgage ever placed on a newspaper was filed with the county recorder yesterday. The document was signed by H. H. Kohlsaat and mortgaged the property of the Chicago Herald company for \$3,600,000. The mortgage is made in favor of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, in trust for the holders of \$3,600,000 worth of bonds recently issued by the Chicago Herald company.

### SHOT DEAD IN WOODS.

Evan Bledsoe Killed for Clandestinely Meeting a Woman.

Richmond, Va., April 18.—Because he had been meeting a girl clandestinely Evan Bledsoe has been shot to death.

Bledsoe left his home at Blackwater last Saturday to go hunting. His dead body was found several hours later in the woods. A letter addressed to him was taken by his mother from the postoffice. It was written by a young woman, who told him that her brothers were very angry at his attentions to her and that he must not meet her at the place agreed upon, as he would be killed. Later his body was found. He had been shot from behind. No arrests have been made.

### Major Joseph B. Bryce Dead.

New York, April 18.—Joseph Smith Bryce, father of Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish and grandfather of Hamilton Fish, Jr., killed in Cuba, died this morning, aged ninety-three.

### Counterfeiter Skoog Dies.

New York, April 19.—John Albert Skoog, alias Albert Jensen, the alleged counterfeiter, who shot himself twice in the head April 8, died today.

### Morgan Enys Portrait.

London, April 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the recent recognized Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire.

### GROVER WANTS QUIET.

Likely to Purchase a Place in Tyringham, Mass.

Winsted, Conn., April 18.—Former President Grover Cleveland is negotiating for the purchase of the Callahan place, in Tyringham, Mass., according to a report received here. While a guest at the summer residence of Richard Watson Gilder in Tyringham last season, when he was expected to stop fishing in a posted trout stream belonging to a farmer named Johnson, the ex-president looked over the Callahan property with a view to purchasing it. He expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the surroundings. There are several fine trout streams on and contiguous to the place, where Mr. Cleveland could fish without fear of being molested. He is expected in Tyringham this week.

### KILL SHERIFF IN FIGHT.

Friends of Man Ho Slew Sheriff in Ambushing Him.

Phoenix, Ariz., April 18.—Sheriff Ed Beeler of Apache county, well known throughout the southwest, was ambushed and killed in a fight more than a month ago. News of the fight has just reached here. Beeler fell mortally wounded by a volley from behind a stone wall. At first it was believed he was the victim of cattle rustlers, against whom he had made a long and bitter warfare, but later it developed that the assassins were friends of a man whom he had killed. The friends of both dead men are in arms, and more fighting is likely to follow. A large party of officers and Beeler men are in pursuit of the assassins.

### Boomers Wait on Line.

Ardmore, I. T., April 18.—A number of persons are camped along the borders of Kiowa and Comanche Reservations awaiting official permission to enter. It is conservatively estimated that not one person in ten will be able to obtain free lands. The suggestion of the Interior Department to adopt the lottery plan is favored by the boomers. Much complaint is being made to government officials to the effect that schemers are selling alleged homestead lots.

Notice of the fraud is being called to the attention of the prospective settlers.

### Rheumatic Man Ties Up Road.

Charleston, W. Va., April 18.—All trains on the Point Pleasant-Charleston division of the Kanawha & Michigan railroad were delayed for two hours by grounded telegraph wires. After long search by the station agents in the grounded district, which extended over blocks of thirty miles, an ignorant farmer was found taking what he called "a cure for rheumatism." He had thrown a wire over the telegraph lines and confessed he did not know any harm could come to the railroad by his acts.

### Try Her for Slaying.

Raleigh, N. C., April 18.—The trial of Mary Mills, a negro woman charged with murder, began at Shelby yesterday. It is charged that she carried a pistol to her husband, with which he shot Mills Flack, a prominent white man. The husband was lynched a few hours later. The judge issued bench warrants for the lynchers identified by her. They have all fled, and some prove to be witnesses against her. This may result in a continuance of the trial.

### Orders Euche Players Indicted.

Thomasville, Ga., April 18.—In his charge to the grand jury, Judge A. W. Fife ordered the jurors to consider progressive euche parties for prizes as gambling and to indict the participants as they would other gamblers. The fact that the game was played in the homes of the wealthy, the judge said, would not justify the grand jury in ignoring the breach of the law.

### Marconi Sees Edison.

Orange, N. J., April 18.—Thomas A. Edison entertained Signor Marconi and a party of New Yorkers, including several railroad men. He took them through the phonograph works, machine shops and laboratory in West Orange. It was said that the visit was purely a social one, and had nothing to do with the experiments of the inventors.

### Cubbison Out for Senate.

Topeka, Kan., April 18.—Senator J. B. Cubbison has announced his candidacy for the United States senate to succeed W. A. Harris. Cubbison is an orator and is well known in Kansas politics. He has served in both branches of the state legislature.

### Life Crushed Out by Cog.

Hillsboro, Ohio, April 18.—Henry H. Puckett, thirty years old, was killed in Bell & Co.'s machine shop. He was oiling machinery, when he was caught between two rapidly revolving cog wheels. His head and breast were crushed and he died instantly.

### King to See Trial Races.

Glasgow, April 19.—It is definitely announced that King Edward will witness the trial races between Shamrock I. and Shamrock II. in the Solent at the end of the first week in May from the deck of Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht Erin.

### Vessels Is Still Alive.

Cape Town, April 18.—News has been received at Cradock from Heilbron that Andries Vessel, one of the peace envoys reported to have been killed by order of General Dewet, is alive.

### Crude Alcohol Kills Boy.

Corry, Pa., April 18.—Five young boys drank crude wood alcohol at Shetland yesterday and one, John Sworski, is dead. The others are very low. Their ages range from 8 to 12 years.

# THE CHINESE ARE HOSTILE

## Troops Massing in the Province of Shansi.

### GREAT TROUBLE IS FEARED.

Imperial Court May Be Playing a Double Game—Much Depends on the Result of the Franco-German Expedition Sent Against General Liu.

Pekin, April 19.—Trustworthy Chinese report that troops in large numbers are massing in the province of Shansi, near the frontier of the province of Chihli. Well-informed natives prophesy further trouble. It is impossible to ascertain whether the court is playing a double game, or its authority is insufficient to prevent the Chinese generals acting in a manner likely to provoke hostilities. The fact that for many months there has been nothing in the shape of a de facto government favors the latter hypothesis. Probably a great deal will depend upon the Franco-German expedition inflicting a severe defeat upon the Chinese who have transgressed the amendment by entering the sphere of the allies. If these offenders are thoroughly punished it is likely to produce a good effect. The palace of the empress, inhabited by Count von Waldersee and his staff, was burned to the ground today. Major General Schwartzkopf, Count von Waldersee's chief of staff, is missing. With the exception of the military papers everything was destroyed. A missionary of the name of Killie (the Rev. Mr. Kelly, Presbyterian missionary) has returned from San Ho, where Christians were burned to death in December. Killie reports to General Chaffee that some time ago several of his converts were killed. He had the guilty parties tried in the Chinese courts, where they were convicted and sentenced to death, subject to Li Hung Chang's signature. Killie came to Peking and saw Li Hung Chang, who said the men should be executed immediately. On going to San Ho three weeks later the missionary found the men alive. He spoke to a judge of the Chinese courts on the matter, who thereupon showed him a letter from Li Hung Chang, giving explicit instructions that the men must not be executed, as they had only been convicted on the testimony of Christians, consequently the evidence was untrustworthy. Killie has a copy of this letter. In the meantime the French had proved the same man guilty of incendiarism and other outrages, and demanded their execution, whereupon the judge again showed his orders from Li Hung Chang. The French authorities replied that if the men were not executed within eight days they would take the law into their own hands and punish the Chinese officials likewise. The ministers of the foreign powers view with alarm the expedition against General Liu Kuan Ting, as they think he will retreat, probably laying waste the villages he traverses and killing native Christians, and that such actions will be used as an excuse by the military for further aggression, which would probably be the taking of Tai-Yuan-Fu, the capital of Shansi province. Captain Reeves, attached to the American legation here, accompanies the expedition to observe happenings on behalf of the United States. At today's meeting of the foreign ministers the question of indemnities was discussed. It is now estimated that £70,000,000 will cover all claims.

### Empress' Palace Burns at Peking.

Pekin, April 19.—The palace of the empress, inhabited by Count von Waldersee and his staff, was burned to the ground today. Major-General Schwartzkopf, Count von Waldersee's chief of staff, has disappeared. With the exception of the military papers everything was destroyed. Count von Waldersee escaped from the burning palace through a window with great difficulty. Major-General Schwartzkopf is believed to have lost his life by returning to the burning building after having escaped from it. Incendiarism is suspected.

### Waldersee Reports Chinese Advance.

Berlin, April 19.—Field Marshal Count von Waldersee telegraphs from Peking that he has been informed that 20,000 Chinese are advancing through the defiles between the provinces of Shansi and Chihli. It is not known whether their intentions are peaceable or warlike.

### DAILY MARKET REPORT.

Chicago Board of Trade.				
Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	70 3/4	70 7/8	70 3/4	70 3/4
July	70 3/4	71 1/8	70 3/4	71 1/4
Corn—				
May	44 1/2	44 3/4	44 3/4	44 1/2
July	44	44 1/4	43 3/4	44
Oats—				
May	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/2	25 1/2
July	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/2	25 1/2
Pork—				
May	14.10	14.17 1/2	14.10	14.17 1/2
July	14.30	14.35	14.25	14.35
Lard—				
May	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.10
July	8.00	8.02 1/2	8.00	8.02 1/2
Sept.	7.95	8.00	7.95	8.00
S. ribs—				
May	8.20	8.22 1/2	8.17 1/2	8.20
July	7.90	7.92 1/2	7.90	7.92 1/2
Sept.	7.85	7.87 1/2	7.82 1/2	7.85

### Lawyer Dies from Opium.

New York, April 19.—J. W. Willard, a lawyer of Bedford, Ind., died at the Clarendon hotel here today from an overdose of opium. A coroner will investigate the death.

# DAN GROSVENOR SAYS:

## "Peruna Is an Excellent Spring Catarrh Remedy—I am as Well as Ever."



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Miss Mattie L. Guild, President Illinois Young People's Christian Temperance Union, in a recent letter from Chicago, Ill., says:

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Mrs. Elmer Fleming, orator of Reservoir Council, No. 168, Northwestern Legion of Honor, of Minneapolis, Minn., writes from 2535 Polk St., N. E.

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## RACE ECHOES.

Governor-elect White, of West Virginia, has just appointed Prof. W. S. Starks of that state as state librarian. This is the first appointment of its kind ever given to a colored man in the state.

A colony of one hundred colored people left Knoxville, Tenn., last Monday for Hawaiian Islands where they go to work on sugar plantations. They are provided with transportation and guaranteed permanent employment.

The recent appointment of William T. Reid to be head foot ball coach of the Crimson varsity eleven next fall, has aroused a storm of protest and disapproval among a great many of the graduates and undergraduates, who think that this position should rightfully be given to William H. Lewis, the famous center rusher, who has been the backbone of Harvard foot ball ever since his graduation, in 1893. There seems to be an intimated understanding, privately asserted, though never publicly admitted, that although Harvard will accord a colored man equal privileges as a student, such a person is not desired at the head of any department in athletics.—Brooklyn Eagle.

In a chemical laboratory near Boston, Mass., where various kinds of extracts, such as lemon, Jamaica ginger, vanilla, fine soaps and other cosmetics are manufactured for the trade, the head chemist is a Negro; so too is the chief designer and pattern maker in a leading factory in Monroe county, New York, which makes a specialty of manufacturing tools and agricultural implements. In a cutlery establishment in Indiana which has a reputation for the excellence of its pen knives, scissors and table knives, a Negro's skill and ingenuity has made its reputation feasible.

Benjamin O. Davis, of the District of Columbia, is the first colored man to pass an examination for promotion from the ranks of the army to the grade of second lieutenant.

Davis, who is a sergeant-major in the Ninth Cavalry, a colored regiment, entered a recent examination at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., with 17 other enlisted men. Of these 12 were successful and Davis stood third in the list of those passing. His average was 91 per cent and he stood particularly well in international law and military science and tactics.

Davis is a native of the District of Columbia and a graduate of the Washington schools. He was a major in the Colored High School Cadet Corps, and at the Spanish War was appointed a lieutenant in the Eighth Regiment of immunes. When this regiment was mustered out Davis determined to secure a commission in the regular army, and taking the only course open to him, enlisted in the Ninth Cavalry.

There is already one colored officer in the army, Capt. Charles Young, of the Ninth Cavalry, who entered the army through the Military Academy at west Point.

### MAJOR TAYLOR IN FRANCE

Thousands of persons gather daily at the Auteuil track to watch Major Taylor at his work. Not since the days of Zimmerman has France so great a bicycling sensation as Taylor has created.

He has been dubbed the "Black" Zimmerman and is followed everywhere by curious throngs that seem never to tire of their latest novelty. He has more engagements than a theatrical star. An amusing scene occurred on the 29

of March when he and Jacquelin, his French rival for the world's championship met on the boulevard.

Jacquelin recognized him at once, bowed pironetted and embraced him, jabbering away in his own language all the time while Taylor smiled broadly, sidestepped, broke ground and did his best generally not to be out done by the courteous Frenchman. Finally they linked arms and sauntered away conversing volubly.

An attendance of 50,000 is expected to the meet on May 15 when Taylor and Jacquelin race for the first time. France is wondering whether Taylor will be another Zimmerman or fail like John S. Johnson. It is predicted that the Major will carry away many thousands of dollars in the excess of the \$3,300 guarantee which caused him to make the trip.

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That the same was, at such sale, purchased by E. A. Davis and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Davis the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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### CARRIER PIGEONS.

Their Use on Land and Sea is Steadily Increasing.

Here is a new word for you, columbophilism. It means raising and training messenger pigeons. Within the last few years this industry has grown wonderfully. The governments of Belgium, Germany, France and the United States are training these birds to serve as messengers from army stations. The United States makes use of them more especially from ships. Nearly every one of our big ships carries a coop of homing pigeons, as they are called, which are released as occasion demands, and almost without exception the birds go with unerring swiftness to their home on shore, carrying a tiny tube fastened to one leg, which contains a message written on the thinnest of paper. They can be depended upon to go a hundred miles at a speed of fifty miles an hour when they are three years old. Special attention has recently been paid in France to the use of carrier pigeons by the cavalry. The bird is placed in a wicker tube lined with hair to deaden the effect of the jolting. Three such tubes can be carried in a basket, which is attached to the rider's shoulders in the same way as a knapsack. The bird's feet are drawn up and its wings are folded when it is placed in the tube, and a light form of folding cage is carried, in which the birds can rest and eat during a halt. Twelve men are sent every year from the French cavalry ranks to attend a course of instruction in the treatment and handling of pigeons at the military pigeon station at Vaugirard. The sense that guides the pigeon back to its home is as much a mystery now as it ever was. When set at liberty, it immediately rises in the air in a spiral, higher and higher, as if getting its bearings, then away it goes in the right direction. A nightfall the bird goes into camp near water, and early next morning resumes the journey.—Little Chronicle.

### SMOKELESS FUEL.

Patent Being Made at a Railroad Power House.

Test for the elimination of the smoke nuisance, and a revolution in method of combustion, are under way at the Fourteenth street power house of the Illinois Central railroad, says the Chicago News. Fed by automatic hoppers, a battery of boilers is being operated by the consumption of coal dust. Fires that burn with the fury of volcanoes rage under them, while from glass peepholes arranged at every point of vantage, combustion experts watch the developments. As though to complete the suggestion of a volcano, the fires produce no cinders. Streams of lava form in a small pool on the floor of the ash pit, and are removed in a solid mass from time to time. Apparatus that is under test is the property of the Schwartzkopf Coal Dust Firing company, a German concern. Schwartzkopf, a son of the famous Teutonic torpedo maker, made the first steps toward perfecting the system, which was completed by the discoveries of Arthur C. Hesselmeier, an American attached to the German navy. The European concern 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 ascertained that the customary pressure of steam being maintained, with a large saving of fuel.

### FACTOR IN POLITICS.

New Federation of Australia Must 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 ten years will be a rapidly increasing one, and, in relation to all these, she will expect to exercise large influence.

### Immense Herring Traffic.

The annual North sea herring voyage, which begins off the Northumberland coast, has resulted, on the completion of the first stage, in a catch of over 14,000 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 Arrington 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 awhile, 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 it all over ruefully, for it did look rather flat and dubious. He finally remarked to those near by that he guessed he must have sat on it accidentally. One of his colleagues—one who had recently been ignored by Harrison—spoke up impulsively: "Well, by Jove, Harrison, if you've sat on it, I'll bet you a sixpence it is frozen solid," and of course a shout went up from the whole committee. Harrison took the joke kindly and joined in the laugh.

### Shot an Exulting Englishman.

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

### Diseased by Eating Dead Rats.

One whole family and two guests were the other day afflicted with trichinae poisoning from eating sausage, in Nicollet county, Minn. A microscopic examination of some of the muscular tissue from one of the bodies confirmed the diagnosis of trichinae poisoning. The hog whose raw flesh was used in the sausage, after being merely smoked, was raised and killed and 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 rats often die of it after eating them.



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