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## CITY NEWS

Mrs. Henry Waricks is quite sick this week.

Miss Ida Hamilton of Ottumwa is in the city the guest of relatives.

J. H. Rogers is visiting in Kansas City this week.

If you desire a pleasant time and a good breeze secure your tickets for the trolley party.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 312 West Third street, tunes pianos and repairs organs.

Where are you going on Thursday evening the 19th inst? With the trolley party.

Judge C. P. Holmes is gaining his health slowly, but he does not expect to be in court for several months.

Governor Cummins returned this week from Denver, Col., where he delivered an address.

Miss Gertrude Craven, the Sunday School delegate to the convention, returned Tuesday. She reports a splendid time and a good convention.

H. S. Clay accompanied a fishing party to the lakes in Minnesota, where they will spend some time fishing and camping out.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson are preparing to make a visit through the West next month. They will go to Seattle, Washington and other Western cities.

There was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson 408 Oak street a social party, quite a number were present, each enjoyed themselves very much.

Those who will attend the session of the Grand Court, which convenes in Keokuk on the 10, from this city are: Mesdames Palmer, Denney and Wilburn.

The "short waist ball" that was given at Cycling hall last Wednesday evening by Kenneth Hamilton was well attended, the major portion of men and women present wore short waists and they all had a pleasant time.

Sunday June 8, the pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church will begin a series of sermons upon the subject, "The Church." The first subject of the series will be, "The Founding of the Church."

Miss Lizzie Cowens of Denver, Colo., arrived in the city last week for a month's visit with her mother and sister, Mrs. Mahala Williams-Cowens and Mrs. Wm. Strouthers of 123 East Grand Avenue.

Mrs. Alice Newton left Wednesday for Burlington, her former home, to spend two weeks or more visiting relatives and friends. She will attend the session of the Grand Court, H. of J., which will convene in Keokuk the 10.

Naomi Court, H. of J. held their annual election Monday evening and elected the following officers: Mrs. L. Denney, M. A.; Mrs. H. D. Woods, V. M. A.; Mrs. E. T. Banks, Treasurer; Mrs. J. H. Shepard, Secretary; Mrs. H. Baker, I. G. K.; Mrs. J. E. Williamson, O. G. K.; J. H. Shepard, W. J.; Geo. H. Cleggitt, H. H. Lewis and E. T. Banks, Court directors. The Grand Matron, Mrs. L. R. Palmer, was present and gave a very interesting lecture on the work.

Look out for our collector next week or the following week. Please be ready to pay up and not have them to make two or three calls. This includes all subscribers, in and out of the city who are in debt to the BYSTANDER.

We are sending out cards this week to a few hundred of our delinquent subscribers and we expect them to put in a 50 cent piece and return to us to show a desire to pay us what you owe.

The members of the Afro-American Council are requested to meet in the office of Lawyer I. E. Williamson on 5th and Mulberry streets Monday evening June 9th, to see about electing delegates to attend the National Afro-American Council which meets in St. Paul on the 9th and 10th inst.

There will be given in the Central Christian church Thursday evening, June 19th, a grand concert by the Orpheus Jubilee singers to raise money to buy a Frederick Douglass Portrait, to be placed in the State Historical department. All race loving citizens should take hold of this and assist to make the same a success. Tickets have been placed in the hands of Mr. Coalson and Mr. J. Frank Biagbarn.

Don't forget to give me a call Equal Rights Barber Shop and Bath Rooms, 320 West Third street. Bath rooms open until 12 on Sundays.

CHAS. J. ROY, Prop.

The Iowa State University has written S. Joe Brown, stating that the faculty have decided to confer the degree of M. A. on him at the commencement next week. He will be the first colored man to be thus honored by the State University.

The collector from the home office will visit Knoxville, Buxton, Albia, Ottumwa, Fairfield next week and Mt Pleasant, Burlington Pt. Madison, Keokuk, Muscatine, Davenport and Clinton the following week.

There was given at Greenwood park on Decoration day a picnic by some of our young men of the city. The luncheon was put on by the young ladies. Later in the evening they went to the pavilion where they enjoyed themselves by dancing; the music was furnished by Lawrence Morgan and Edward Williams.

## CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH RALLY.

Last Sunday was the first rally inaugurated by the new pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church. It was a great day and they realized \$146.02, with several cards still out with money amounting to nearly \$20.00. Rev. Griffith can congratulate himself in the success of the rally, also the noble band of faithful workers in the church. The money is for church improvement.

## Creston Girl Graduates.

Creston, June 5.—Miss Pearl Martin a colored girl will be graduated from the Creston school this year. She will be the second colored person to receive a degree from the Creston high school.

## BYRD MOORE...

Bicycle Repairing, Renting—Tires & Sundries.

823 GRAND AVENUE.

## CHANGE OF TIME.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Trains. Effective June 1st, train No. 31st, Spirit Lake Express, will leave Union Station at Nine a. m., five minutes earlier than the present schedule.

## FRILLS OF FASHION.

Variations in children's gowns bloom 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.

Soft wool materials make up very prettily in this way. In figured French flannel the collar may be made of the same and trimmed with rows of narrow braid or velvet ribbon. Skirts of the small gowns are usually plain, but the older girls have some sort of trimming either tucks, stitched bands, ruffles or velvet folds, stitched on.

The long-waisted mode, in which the line runs down low in front, is conspicuously evident among the gowns for girls over 10 years of age, and the small gowns for dainty little girls of 6 imitate this fashion as much as possible by having the long waist all around. Guimpe dresses, which never seem to go out of style, are suitable for all ages, from 6 to the more mature years of middle age.

Bolero jackets are very popular in the kingdom of small costumes, and the attempt to produce the effect of stole ends is seen in one little gown, where narrow lace revers are carried down the entire length of the front, as shown in the illustration. Another pretty effect is made by two box plaits in front, one at either side from the yoke to the hem, and two in the back, giving a long effect to the waist, which is defined with a narrow velvet belt ending in small velvet rosettes at either side of the front on the plaits. The skirt gathers on to the waist between the plaits, which apparently are a continuation of those in the waist. A sailor collar of lace covers the shoulders in the back and opens in front over a yoke of tucks and white silk or batiste.

Thin gowns of point d'esprit for party wear are variously trimmed with ruffles, ruffles, lace insertion and rows of colored satin ribbon. A pretty feature of the small girl's costume is the cont and hat to match.—New York Sun.

## GIVES ROOSEVELT A PAINTING.

Niles, Mich. June 4.—Miss Lottie Wilson, colored, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvert Wilson, residents of this place, has presented to President Roosevelt a striking picture of the contents of the Bible that was given to Abraham Lincoln by the colored people of Baltimore on the occasion of his second inauguration.

The painting illustrates the executive's careful study of the contents of the Bible in question. Miss Wilson went to the White House, accompanied by Representative Gardner and presented the canvas to President Roosevelt who gracefully accepted the gift, paying a high compliment to the subject which inspired it and to the artist in so faithfully portraying the incident.

## HOLY ORDERS FOR COLORED MAN.

Rev. J. Harry Dorsey to Be Made a Roman Catholic Priest.

Baltimore, May 31.—The June ordinations at the cathedral, which will take place June 21, will have an added interest from the fact that a second colored man ever ordained to the Roman Catholic priesthood in this country will receive holy orders on that day at the hands of Cardinal Gibbons. The colored candidate is Rev. J. Harry Dorsey, a student at St. Joseph's Seminary. He was raised to the diaconate last fall by Bishop Alfred A. Curtis.

The first colored man ordained in this country was Rev. C. R. Uncles in the cathedral December 13, 1891. Father Uncles, who is a member of the Josephite order, is now stationed in Delaware. Another colored priest, Father Totton, who died a few years ago in Chicago from the effects of the heat, was ordained abroad.

J. Harry Dorsey was born in this city twenty-eight years ago, and was educated at St. Paul, Minn., under Archbishop John Ireland. Father Dorsey will labor among his own people.

## Original Meaning of Prejudice.

Prejudice was originally nothing more than a judgment formed beforehand, the character of such judgments being best indicated by the present meaning of the word.

## State Proud of Miss Keller.

Miss Helen Keller is an Alabama girl. She was born in Tusculum, and the people of Alabama have always been proud of her wonderful career.

## THOUGHT HE COULD HIT A BANDIT.

But His Target in This Case Was Too Small.

James Preston, whose magazine illustrations are well known, will leave Philadelphia next week on a southern tour, which will include a prospecting trip into one of the wilder sections of Mexico. Pack mules will be used to carry the supplies and the point to be reached is a twelve days' journey from the City of Mexico, where the expedition will be fitted out.

Mr. Preston was outlining his plans to several friends the other day, when one of them suggested bandits and asked the artist if he was a good shot. "Well, I'll give you an illustration of my prowess with the revolver," drawled Mr. Preston. "Several years ago I was gathering material out in Arizona and one day I encountered a rabbit. We came face to face at a distance of about six feet, and the rabbit set up on its hind legs, seemingly petrified with fright. I pulled my revolver, aimed steadily and fired six times in rapid succession. The rabbit never budged. It was too much scared to run away.

"I reloaded my trusty weapon and crept closer. Then I blazed away again until I had once more emptied all the chambers. There sat the rabbit, unharmed by my fusillade. Just then an Indian came along with a crowbar and the rabbit darted down a hole. The Indian began thumping the earth and after awhile he reached his arm down the hole and pulled the rabbit out by the ears. With a quick motion he twisted its neck and gravely handed it to me.

"But still that was a rabbit," concluded Mr. Preston, according to the Philadelphia Press. "A bandit is bigger than a rabbit."

## AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.

There is always compensation. Our angels go out that our archangels may come in.

Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.

It is poor wit who lives by borrowing the words, decisions, men, inventions and actions of others.

What an absurd thing it is to pass over the valuable parts of a man, and fix our attentions on his infirmities.

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## M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

A Large Gathering and New Life Appeal.

The eighteenth annual session of the M. E. Sunday school convention held its session this year in Ottumwa. A large crowd was present, many who attended the Colored Women's club remained, as also those who attended the Iowa district conference, which had just closed a two days session. The morning session of the first day's session was taken up in preliminary arrangements, the appointments of credentials and other general committees. Miss Susie Wilson of Buxton, the state superintendent, was present and presided. The session was called to order at 8 o'clock Friday morning by Miss Susie Wilson. Devotional exercises were conducted by H. C. Stewart of Ottumwa, after which the business of the session was taken up. Miss Florence White was chosen organist and Miss Carter of Mt. Pleasant assistant. The first paper on program was one on "The Ideal Sunday School," by Miss Gertrude Craven of Des Moines, and quoting what the Ottumwa daily paper says, "Miss Craven pointed out the many excellent things that go to make up an ideal Sunday school and in a very forcible manner showed how each school might be able to approach the ideal." At the close of her paper it was interestingly discussed.

The address of the president, Miss Susie Wilson, was one of the most interesting parts of the program. The address was with regard to the work of the Sunday school throughout the district, of their increase in the attendance at the regular sessions of the school.

Other addresses were given during the session by various members of the convention among which was the address by Rev. M. L. Gordon on the subject of "How I Know That I Am a Christian." Rev. Gordon presented his thoughts with well selected words and it was one of the most interesting speeches of the session.

The address on the subject of "Science and Art of Teaching," as given by Miss Georgia Blackburn of Oskaloosa, was well delivered and closed the program of the morning.

The newly elected officers—Mr. Simon Terry of Cedar Rapids, district superintendent; Miss Florence Downey of Ottumwa, secretary; Miss Gertrude Craven of Des Moines, treasurer.

In the evening the church women gave a very splendid reception, which was largely attended.

The Iowa district Sunday school organization is one of the most pleasant and profitable sessions ever held. This is the occasion of the eighteenth annual convention and is a most successful gathering both in point of numbers and interest. The following is a list of the delegates who were in attendance at the sessions of the convention:

Rev. P. S. Erwin, Indianola; Rev. Wiley Hunt, Garden Grove; Rev. L. J. Phillips, Clarinda; Rev. P. P. Taylor, Iowa City; Rev. L. A. Jones, Newton; Rev. Andrew Ford, Boone; Rev. H. S. Graves and Miss Gertrude Craven, Des Moines; Rev. Alfred Boyd and S. L. Terry, Cedar Rapids; Rev. Jesse Bantion, Davenport; Rev. W. A. Searey, Clinton; Rev. D. A. Barsfield, Dubuque; Rev. J. H. Perkins, Mt. Pleasant; Rev. William Williams, Burlington; Rev. W. H. Speers, Sioux City; Rev. George H. Wade, Osceola; Rev. M. L. Gordon, Ottumwa; Rev. J. R. Clemens, Oskaloosa; Rev. W. A. Walden, Hilton; Rev. E. G. Jackson, Albia; Rev. R. H. Williams, Anson; Miss Bessie L. Owens, of Buxton; Mrs. Carter, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. H. S. Graves, Des Moines.

## COLORED REPUBLICAN LEAGUE DEBATE.

Although last Monday evening the thunder showers and very threatening weather prevented many from coming that desired to be out, however there was a fair sized audience to greet the league. As President J. L. Thompson was one of the debaters he could not preside, and in the absence of Clifford Williams, the Vice President, Atty. J. B. Rush was selected to preside, and as the Secretary Atty. H. R. Wright was unable to be there, Mr. Thad S. Ruff acted as Secretary. The question was, "Resolved, That the Action of the Woman's Federation Club in Refusing the Colored Clubs, was for the best interest of our race." Affirmative, W. H. Humbard, Geo. I. Holt, Mrs. Dr. Edwards. Negative, J. L. Thompson, Mrs. Viola Ferguson, S. Joe Brown. The judges were Miss Mary Montague, Miss Fannie Hardrick, Mrs. John McClain, Mr. W. R. Frazier and Mr. Windsor. All the addresses and papers were of a higher order, exceedingly interesting and enthusiastic. As the time was limited to only 10 minutes, each speaker realized that they had to be brief and to the point, and the whole evening was full of oratory from the earnest solemn to the imaginative and panegyric. The judges decision was 11 points for the negative and 5 for the affirmative. Dr. Edwards and John H. Rodgers made brief addresses, after which all adjourned feeling much benefited by being out. Mr. W. H. Warrick sang a beautiful solo.

## WOMAN'S STATE FEDERATION.

State Organization of Colored Women's Clubs a Successful Meeting in Ottumwa.

Mrs. Yates of Kansas City, President of the National Colored Club was Present.

Ottumwa, May 27.—The convention opened at 9:30 a. m. at the Second Baptist church, with Mrs. Helen Downey in the chair. Delegates present: Mesdames Downey, Z. B. Taylor and M. A. Strother of the I. B. W. R. C. of Ottumwa; Mrs. F. Grooms, Miss Florence White, Dunbar Club, Muscatine; Mrs. Fred Jackson, H. B. S. R. C. Des Moines; Mrs. Lydia Moss, Violet club, Mrs. D. B. Johnson and Mrs. Genevieve Toliver, Toussaint L'Ouverture Club, Davenport; Mrs. Gordon, Silver Autumn Club, Davenport and Mrs. A. E. Crump of Hedrick.

The morning session was devoted to business. Officers pro tem: Mrs. Helen Downey, President; Mrs. Ruth Richardson, Secretary.

The afternoon session was devoted to the discussion on, "Women as Club Workers." Speeches were made by Mesdames Alexander E. E. Crump, Z. B. Taylor, D. B. Johnson, Lydia Moss and others.

Evening session: Business, topics of discussion: Paper, "Influence of Young Women," Mrs. Fred Jackson of Des Moines; "Woman's Duty to Woman," Mrs. F. Grooms of Davenport.

## THURSDAY MAY 28.

Morning session: Subject of discussion "Mothers Responsibility" by Mrs. M. A. Strothers.

Afternoon session: Subject of discussion, "What Constitutes a good Mother," Mrs. Lydia Moss. "How to Raise the Moral Status," Mrs. Ruth Richardson.

## Evening session: Lecture, Mrs. Sione Yates, subject, "A Single Standard of Morality a Social Necessity."

## BRILLIANT RECEPTION.

A most brilliant and successful affair was the reception given by Mrs. Z. A. Taylor Thursday afternoon at her home, 125 North Davis street, in honor of Mrs. Josephine Yates of Kansas City, who is president of the National Federation of Colored Women's clubs. There were present delegates from ten different places and about fifty were in attendance. The afternoon was spent in a very informal social manner. Quotations from the most popular authors were given. Delightful refreshments were served. The object of the gathering was more largely to get better acquainted, one with the other. Besides those present from the I. B. W. R. C. were Mesdames M. L. Gordon of Ottumwa, Ruth Richardson, Davenport; C. A. Moss, Davenport; W. R. Alexander, Keokuk; Charles Taylor, Ottumwa; G. Toliver, Rock Island, Ill.; D. S. Johnson, Davenport; Jackson, Davenport; Eva Crump, Hedrick; Horace Graves, Des Moines; Hyde, Des Moines; Granite and Shelton, Muscatine; Josephine Yates, Kansas City; Misses Ethel Wells, Des Moines; Sarah Porter, Kansas City; Cornelia Sheffy, Washington, D. C.; Florence White, Muscatine; Blanch Henderson, Emma Gardner, Ida Hamilton, Bessie Louise Owens, Ottumwa.

## SIoux CITY ITEMS.

There will be several marriages this month among our young people. Cupid still whispers.

Mr. J. C. Cage was glad to note still illness, but not much lettes. We hope for his recovery.

A large number from our city attended the funeral of Miss Willmet Mitchell which was held at Yankton, S. D., Tuesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. Durg on Saturday May 31st, a bright baby girl; mother and baby doing nicely.

The ladies of the A. M. E. church will give a pink tea and jug breaking at Thompson's Hall on June 19th. A prize will be given for the largest sum of money brought in. The ladies are all requested to dress in pink.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, one of our oldest families in the city have decided to leave us and become citizens of Vermillion, S. D. We regret very much to lose them and they will be missed by their many friends, both white and colored.

Mrs. Mary Coburn, one of our old citizens, about seventy years old, narrowly escaped death in an elevator accident Wednesday. Mrs. Coburn got on the car on the third floor to go down, she stood close to the door, and as the car shot down the shaft with the boy at the lever, her skirt got caught on a projection of some kind and had it not been for the commendable presence of mine of the young operator there certainly would have been a frightful accident. She was taken to a doctor's office who found she had escaped injury, although the shock which she suffered was great.

Dr. J. W. Norris has opened up a bath and massage parlor for gentlemen only, in the Grand Opera building. Dr. Norris has been in his kind of work for fourteen years and surely can give the best of satisfaction to his patrons.

A party of wee totes went out to River

## State Capital Historical Room

Side Park Saturday afternoon for an outing. They carried luncheons and stayed till late in the evening. They were chartered by Mrs. Rev. W. H. Speer, assisted by Misses Laura Askew and Myrtle Potter.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church will give its last grand rally for the summer to make the third payment on their church, June 15th.

I see in the last week's BYSTANDER that the collector from the home office will soon be owl I know my subscribers will be pleased to see him and square up for their back subscription, or you can pay the agent 707 Panoah street.

## MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

The High School graduating exercises were held on the evening of May 28 and 29 at the I. W. U. chapel. An Iowa program was given the first night had a Tennyson program the second evening. The ones who interested us the most the first evening were Miss Julia Bertlett, "Resources of Iowa," and Miss Myrtle Arbuckle, subject, "Educational Interest of Iowa." Both young ladies did much credit to their class and themselves, both in composition and delivery. The second evening Miss Nora Harris spoke on "Tennyson the Poet. Miss Harris' oration also was well written and delivered. Much praise is due Miss Harris for having the scholarship, which entitles her to one year's free tuition to the Iowa Wesleyan University. It is a student of the High School to give a scholarship to the graduate ranking first in the class. Miss Harris has led her class all through school. A second scholarship was given to Miss Mable Day (white), as being second in the class.

On Friday night June 6 Misses M. B. McCracken and Viola Harris graduated from the Mt. Pleasant Academy in the stenographic course, thus adding five more to our already long list of graduates. Mr. Clay Reed spent Sunday in Lee county with his son Harry.

Mrs. Grandison was a delegate from the I. K. S. club to the Woman's Federation in Ottumwa last week. She returned much pleased with the session.

Mrs. Beckley of Keokuk is up this week. Mr. Greenup of Lockridge was down last week.

Miss Myra Carter accompanied her father Mr. J. J. A. Carter to Ottumwa last week. Mr. Carter is a steward and represented the church here at the conference.

Rev. J. H. Ferabee who assisted Rev. Gordon with quarterly meeting the 25th of May, returned home last Saturday from Ottumwa.

Miss Cora Taylor returned home Sunday night after several days pleasant stay in Ottumwa. She was the S. S. delegate from here. We are glad to say our school stood third financially in the district, leaving Des Moines, Keokuk and the other large cities far behind.

Misses Myrte Arbuckle and Ellen Robinson were baptized in Cole's Lake Sunday afternoon by Rev. Bowling.

An entertainment was given at the Baptist Church for the benefit of their Sunday school last Friday night.

Miss May Carter went to Des Moines Tuesday for an extended visit.

Miss Onelda Hedga who has been living in Ottumwa came home last week. The I. K. S. club met with Cora Taylor Thursday night.

All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the Bystander will oblige the agent very much, if they will have their money ready to be collected with in the next week.

## MUCHAKINOCK NEWS.

(Last Week's Items.)

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lawson are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy.

The Foster Bros. had the grand opening of their saloon Friday afternoon and evening. We wish the young men success, but not much lettes. We hope for his recovery.

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## ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. Wright has been quite sick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Butler, Rev. Ed. G.

## Jackson, Mr. H. Snoddy and Mrs. Nette Snoddy attended the Sunday School convention in Ottumwa this week.

Mr. John Martin of Garden Grove passed through Albia enroute for Oskaloosa this week to see his sick brother-in-law.

Miss Bessie Davis has spent this week in Hilton with her sister Mrs. Reed.

Elder Malone and Mrs. Malone were both in Albia to attend the quarterly services Sunday.

Mr. Walter Davis was at Hilton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reese Underwood of Hilton were in town Monday.

Quite a few strangers from surrounding towns were in Albia Friday.

Saturday evening the Hilton, Albia and Buxton bands played in town.

Miss Bertha Starans of Hooking spent Sunday in town with Miss Frances Parker.

Messrs. Burt Sooss and H. Davenport were in Oskaloosa one day of this week.

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OR,  
**A SOLDIER OF THE RHINE.**  
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**CHAPTER XVIII.**  
Let Out To Fight.  
It was doubly humiliating for Rhinelander to find that he had, through the fortunes of war, become the prisoner of the man he hated. Hoffman was madly infatuated with the countess, who was in Metz, and he had learned, as lovers have a faculty for doing, that while the dashing adventures pretended to care for him, she secretly adored Rhinelander.  
This combination of circumstances aroused the most evil passions in Conrad's nature, and he simply glared his hatred as he thus looked in Paul's face.  
"Ah! we meet again," he said, and in the heated passion applied an epithet that came illy from the lips of one whose parent had brought the shame upon Rhinelander's family.  
Paul promptly knocked him down. He would have done so had he known that the next instant ten sword bayonets would pierce his heart.  
No such thing occurred, however. There were men standing there ready to cry "bravo" on account of the manly blow—men who had no sympathy with one who could insult a prisoner of war; men who might have mutilated and refused to obey if ordered to cut him down.  
But strange as it might appear, that blow, instead of making a madman out of Conrad, seemed to knock a little common sense into his head.  
When he arose he simply gave orders for the prisoner taken to a dungeon under the fortress where he had fought so valiantly.  
As Paul passed him Conrad hissed in his ear:  
"The hour is close at hand—I do not forget what I vowed in Heidelberg. This world is too small for both of us."  
"My sentiments exactly—make it soon," was the characteristic reply Paul gave.  
Rhinelander had been in the dungeon about an hour when he was summoned from his cell to the presence of the commander.  
His conductors led him to a small enclosed space beneath the ramparts, and here he found Hoffman, with two French officers, awaiting him.  
It was to be a duel.  
Paul was not astonished—he had made up his mind not to let anything, however serious, take away his cool disdain, his calm confidence, that in an affair of honor like the one in which he was about to engage is the most valuable armor with which a man may be clothed.  
Few words were wasted between the principals.  
Hate showed in Hoffman's eyes, and the American's calm smile made his blood fairly boil.  
Paul was given his choice of the two swords, and divesting himself of his superfluous garments, he took his place upon the blood-stained turf ready to give the Alsatian all the satisfaction his fiery nature demanded.  
How Conrad Caught a Tartar.  
Few men would fancy being dragged from a dungeon to have a sword clapped in their hands and be compelled to face an experienced duelist with murder in his heart.  
Yet Rhinelander accepted the opportunity to oblige Hoffman with an eagerness that the other could not fail to observe.  
Perhaps a more remarkable engagement did not occur during the brief though sanguinary war between the neighboring nations.  
It seemed as though the two swordsmen were ably matched.  
Minutes crept by and as yet neither of them appeared to have gained a material advantage.  
This could not last.  
Undoubtedly the man who obtained his "second wind" in advance of the other would have the game in his hands.  
That was where Paul's previous experience upon the plains, breaking bronches, chasing wild cattle and enduring the privations of a cowboy existence, served him well.  
And when he felt this change stealing over him he experienced a peculiar, almost savage satisfaction, knowing the power would speedily be in his hand to complete the business.  
Paul might at another time have been merciful and spared his antagonist, but he knew full well that to do so now only meant disaster to him in the near future.  
Hoffman, alive and well, would be a thorn in his flesh, whereas the same fellow disabled meant temporary peace at least.  
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**CHAPTER XIX.**  
Never to his dying day would Paul forget the strange admixture of emotions that well-nigh overwhelmed him as, leaning against the cold wall of the courtyard, he saw approaching him the being whom he loved to distraction, and yet whom he feared was separated from him forever by the cruel decrees of fate.  
Hildegarde looked intently in his face as she came up.  
"How strange that we should meet here, Herr Paul!" she said with a faint smile.  
"It is remarkable, and I consider myself fortunate indeed. Tell me, is he much hurt?" designating with a nod the spot where Conrad lay, and pretending not to see her outstretched hand, since he could not very well accept it, considering the condition of his digits.  
"Through the shoulder, mynheer; but the doctor tells us with good nursing he will come through," she replied, appearing somewhat shocked at his evident disinclination to meet her friendly advances. "But you are wounded, mynheer."  
"Who said so?" he asked, as if annoyed.  
"They told me over there. It is necessary for the doctor to remain yet awhile, so he sent me to you."  
"Ah! it is next to nothing."  
"Still I insist on seeing it."  
He could no longer refuse.  
One of the men brought water, and having bathed the stricken member she stopped the flow of blood according to the latest methods then known to the medical fraternity.  
"Was this fight of your seeking, mynheer?"  
"I assure you, no—it was forced upon me. I was brought up from my prison cell to meet him and give him the satisfaction he has long craved."  
"At this moment one of the soldiers came up, carrying the doctor's bag, and quickly followed by the Englishman."  
Now eagerly he pounced upon Paul's good right hand and squeezed it most heartily.  
"Hoch, hoch, hoch, the American!" he said, in imitation of the hoarse cries that had signaled Paul's triumph on that former occasion when he met Conrad in the Hirschgasse and won the everlasting regard of the students by defeating the hero of Jitty duels.  
"Glad to see you, doctor!" said Paul.  
"And I'm delighted. You make me feel proud of my cousins across the big pond. By Jove! but you soaked it to him hard! An inch lower down and the air would have whistled through his lung on this chill October morning. But, my dear boy, I must insist on your putting on your coat to avoid taking cold. Ah! my good nature has done her work well, I see. She is a treasure!"  
"You are right, Sir Noel," echoed the wounded man, enjoying the look of embarrassment that made her face turn as red as a peony.  
"Then you have met her before, Rhinelander?" as Hildegarde moved toward the other groups.  
"What's the use of denying it, Sir Noel—I love that girl with all my heart and soul. She is the sweetest being on earth to me; the dearest in ten thousand; the one altogether lovely!"  
"That's the way to talk, and I'm inclined to believe it's all right, too," said the doctor encouragingly.  
"Perhaps it will come out all right, Sir Noel. I hope so, at least. And now I wonder what they will do with me—am I to go back to my dungeon?"  
"I shall see to that—you are wounded and should be in the hospital. I can fix it so you may walk the streets of Metz. The end is almost at hand, at any rate, for surrender is in the air. Come with me."  
So the singular event was over.  
Perhaps the like had never been known before in the annals of warfare. Paul endeavored to survey it in a calm manner, devoid of passion, and was of the opinion that he had come out of the affair with something to his credit.  
There was a grim satisfaction in the reflection that, even as on their first encounter, he had emerged from the engagement with honor.  
Sir Noel was as good as his word. He had some magical influence at headquarters.  
As a result Rhinelander found himself given the freedom of the city in return for his simple promise that he would neither run away nor attempt to communicate with the German forces investing Metz.  
Paul was keenly interested in all he saw. But he was seeking a face—here and there he looked, wherever crowds roamed, endeavoring to locate the one who was in his mind.  
If only Karl were present—Karl who was with the besieging host, winning golden opinions from his superior officers by his bravery and discretion.  
And then Paul had what was possibly one of the most severe shocks of his life.  
He heard his name softly pronounced, and, with Karl in his mind, it seemed to him as though a splinter of the air must have struck, so familiar were the tones. Paul could not refrain

from turning his head and glancing around.  
Of course he saw only French uniforms, peasants in woolen smocks and wooden sabots, townspeople who gathered in groups and solemnly discussed the consequences to their business when the Germans occupied the city, but never a sign of the rosy-cheeked young soldier of the Fatherland, in his sombre uniform, so strangely at variance with the gay plumage of the Garde Mobile, the national troops and the ferocious zouaves and franc-tireurs.  
And as he looked Paul became conscious that one of the latter who lounged nearby had coughed as if to attract his attention, at the same time looking straight in his direction.  
Then it was he received the shock as though from a strong galvanic battery.  
"For it was Karl!"  
What could it mean?  
The air of mystery surrounding Karl; the quick movement by means of which he expressed silence by pressing a finger upon his lips—these things aroused Paul's curiosity to fever pitch.  
"Ah! he had guessed the truth."  
Karl—a spy!  
The circumstances were positively convincing, and yet Paul found difficulty in believing his eyes.  
Meanwhile Karl had come closer, so that he might speak in a low tone without being noticed.  
"Where can I see you alone, my friend?" he asked.  
Paul's mind was quick to act.  
"You are two benches back to back. I shall drop down on one and later you can do the same on the other. Then we can converse without appearing to do so, and keep an eye out at the same time for danger. Do you comprehend?"  
"Perfectly."  
Presently they were thus seated, Paul apparently reading a local paper, while the seeming franc-tireur dozed in the bright sunlight.  
A thousand pairs of eyes might fall upon them loitering there without a suspicion arising that they were in direct communication.  
"You are surprised?" asked Karl.  
"Bewildered, you mean," replied the other.  
"Still, some one had to come. Our reports have been so meagre and contradictory that the general was determined to learn the truth about the starvation said to exist among the enemy."  
There was that in Karl's earnest tones to warn his friend that he had something of importance to communicate, something that concerned Paul's mission to Europe during these troublous times.  
(To be continued.)

**A MEXICAN BULL FIGHT.**  
Angry Spectators Set Fire to Benches in the Arena.  
Spectators at a Mexican bull fight are generally seated in two divisions, "the sun" and "the shade." The higher priced seats—"the shade"—are those under the awning, exactly as in the old Roman circus. "The sun" corresponds to our "bleachers" at base ball games. "The sun" side of Mexican audiences gets very disorderly when it is dissatisfied with the bull fighters or the bulls. Not long ago such an affair took place at Puebla. The bulls turned out to be poor ones. A local bull fighter, Reverti, was surpassed by a City of Mexico fighter, Fuentes. This angered the Puebla crowd, and when the bull turned out to be a mild ox their anger knew no bounds. With cries of "Otro toro! Otro toro!" they demanded another bull. But there was no more, whereupon the bleachers in "el sol" showed their rage and began tearing up the benches. These they piled in heaps in the bull ring and set fire to them. The flames speedily extended to the entire structure, and the swells in "la sombra," who up to this time highly enjoyed the riot, found that the staircase which led to their high seats and balcony boxes were burned away. They stood an excellent chance of furnishing a holocaust to make a Mexican holiday. Fortunately soldiers and firemen arrived upon the scene and the terrified ladies and gentlemen were got down from their dangerous perches by ladders.  
Time to Stop.  
Under the machinery of the law, as at present administered, a lawyer has great advantages over a witness. Recognition of this fact is probably the reason why people always enjoy seeing a witness get the better of his examiner.  
There was lately heard a case in which the plaintiff had testified that his financial position had always been good.  
The opposing counsel took him in hand for cross-examination, and undertook to break down his testimony upon this point.  
"Have you ever been bankrupt?" asked the lawyer.  
"I have not," was the answer.  
"Now, be careful; did you ever stop payment?"  
"Yes."  
"Ah, I thought we should get at it finally. When did that happen?"  
"After I had paid all I owed."

**Ancient Billiard Table.**  
There is a billiard table in London two centuries old. It belonged originally to Louis XIV., and in time passed into the possession of Napoleon I. The body of the table is a block of oak weighing 1,000 pounds, covered with a cloth of electric blue. The frame is of rosewood and the six pockets—perhaps the most striking feature of the table—are reproductions in bronze of hideous old gargoyles. When the ball falls into the pocket the lower jaw of the gargoyles drops and the ball is found in its mouth.  
Novel Eskimo Wrestling.  
Next to gambling the Eskimo mode like to wrestle. The usual way of doing this is a test of strength rather than skill. The wrestlers sit down on the floor, or in any convenient place, side by side, and face in opposite directions, say with right elbows touching. Then they lock arms and each strives to straighten out the other's arms.  
An easy conscience needs no press agent.

In Java there is an orchid, the grammatophyllum, all the flowers of which open at once, as if by the stroke of a fairy wand, and they also all wither together.  
An electric road is to connect Glasgow with Edinburgh, a distance of forty-two miles. There will be but a single rail, and the trip will be made, it is stated, in twenty-nine minutes.  
A negro flagman named George Lee was sent to flag a train some miles south of Jackson, Miss. He sat down to wait for the train, with his feet on the rails, and fell asleep. When he awoke he was much surprised to find that both of his feet had been cut off.

John Clawin, of Hoboken, N. J., wears a cork leg, and carries his money in one of the toes. When he requires cash he has to remove his shoe. A couple of his companions discovered the hiding place, knocked down the cripple, and stole his hoard, amounting to \$40.  
Poor beds are the rule in the hotels of Mexico, and they are about as yielding as a dog mat. The bed covering is usually just the size of the bed, and when you pull it up to your neck your feet are bare, and when you try to cover your feet, you are uncovered almost to the waist.

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CLINTON ITEMS.

The graduating exercises of the grammar school department takes place on Friday evening the 6th, Mamie Taylor, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Taylor are among those upon whom graduation honors will be bestowed.

Rev. W. A. Searcy contemplates a trip to his home in Eldersville N. C. in the near future, to be in attendance at the wedding of his sister and to visit with his mother whom he has not seen for eighteen years.

Rev. P. P. Taylor is spending the week in Clinton.

Died—George W. Johnson at his home in this city Wednesday May 28th after an illness extending over a year. He was born May 5th 1853 in Nashville, Tenn. aged at time of death 49 years on October 22nd 1888 he was married to Miss Alice Lee who survives him with three daughters Mary, Martha, Hattie and one son Jimmie and a host of friends. Deceased had been a citizen of Clinton about 23 years. He was a member of the Second Baptist church from which place his funeral was held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 Rev. W. W. Russell officiating, the services were attended by a large concourse of friends both white and colored.

The Ladies Sewing circle and Aid Society of the Second Baptist church met at the residence of Mrs. H. Farm 521 1st Avenue to elect officers Monday afternoon at 2:30 for the ensuing six months as follows. President, Mrs. W. W. Russell Vice-president, Lizzie Taylor; Secretary, Miss Hattie Brown; Assistance-secretary Mrs. Alice Johnson; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Farm; Chaplain, Mrs. J. Dodson.

Rev. John Wesley Wilson District Superintendent of the American Home Finding Association preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday morning from John 7:17. If any man do his will shall know the doctrine, which was enjoyed by all present.

The ladies of the Second Baptist church are arranging for a four days Bazaar to be held second doors North of the Post-office June 10th to 13th.

The Harmony Club of Bethel church gave a social on last Tuesday evening. Miss Mohogua Casparis daughter of an African Prince the African girl Elocutionist will address the B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 P. M. Sunday June 8th and lectured Monday evening June the 9th at the Second Baptist church.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell were pleasantly surprised by the members and friends of the Second Baptist church Saturday evening, those present enjoyed themselves with parlor amusements until a late hour.

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OTTUMWA NEWS.

Miss Cora Crutchfield who has been ill for the past two weeks with the typhoid fever is improving slowly.

Miss Cora Taylor the delegate of M. Pleasant to the Sunday School Convention returned Sunday to her home after having enjoyed herself in our city during her stay.

Mr. Carter and daughter Myra of Mt. Pleasant left Friday for their home after enjoying the Convention and District Conference.

Mrs. F. Grooms and Miss Florence White of Muscatine left Saturday for Washington Ia., to spend over Sunday with friends before going home.

The District Conference was held at the A. M. E. church of this city Tuesday and Wednesday of last week and was well attended by its members and visitors, but owing to the State Federation of Women's Club which was held at the Second Baptist Church at the same time, the ladies did not attend so well.

The Sunday School Convention also convened here Thursday and Friday quite a number of delegates were present and the programme of the Convention was very interesting.

The State Federation of Colored Women's Club was held at the Second Baptist church of this city May 27 and 28 the ladies made the meetings very interesting. Mrs. Silom Yates of Kansas City was present and delivered some very fine lectures.

Mrs. Z. Taylor entertained the friends and delegates of the Women's Federation at her home on Davis street Thursday afternoon.

A reception was given by the ladies of the Sewing Circle for the delegates of the Sunday School Convention and the Women's Federation at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening.

Mrs. J. C. Greer entertained a few friends at her home Saturday evening in honor of her guest Mrs. E. Baker of Davonport.

A three course supper was served and an enjoyable time was spent.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wright and daughter Florida entertained Mr. Albert Walker and wife Miss Jennie and Miss Kate Ferguson at home at Prof. L. Holt and Mrs. M. E. Wright of Des Moines on the 4th of June.

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call again Professor you are second to none in this country. The picnic and fishing party given by the A. M. E. Sunday School scholars Decoration day was well attended and all enjoyed themselves. The ladies of Bethany Court gave a social Wednesday evening which was a financial success as well as social. Professor Geo. I. Holt of Des Moines sang to very fine selections at the postal club convention last Thursday evening which was heartily engaged. The attendance being S. R. O. Mrs. R. J. Wright and daughter left for Des Moines Wednesday where they will remain during the month of June. Rev. Nickerson preached at Saylor Sunday. Rev. Ford of Saylor preached at the A. M. E. church Sunday morning and in the evening the attendance was large. Lawyer H. E. Wright and Professor Geo. I. Holt of Des Moines were in the city Thursday on business.

NEWS FROM BUXTON.

Rev. Williamson has returned from Ottumwa where he was attending the district conference.

Last Friday a train load of Buxton people including the band went to Michakino. After the train arrived every body retired to the cemetery where the graves were decorated. In the afternoon Memorial exercises were held in the church.

Rev. Chas. H. Menenhand and Hon. Geo. H. Woodson were the principal speakers Buxton's new park Arcade is now open and gay crowds assemble there to listen to the Buxton Cornet Band. Superintendent R. C. Buxton seen to it that there was a grand band stand erected and that everything was fixed up properly. The band expects to hold regular weekly concerts in the new park and serve refreshments. Wm. Thomas is manager of the park, Wm. Humbles, Linford Willis and Robt. Panti are members of the park commission.

Mr. Sampson Johnson expects to move to his new home a short distance west of Buxton, here Mr. Johnson has a nice place, with a young orchard, strawberries currants and splendid gardens.

Mr. Ed. Jones has moved his family from Michakino to Buxton.

Messdams John T. Washington A. R. Jackson, Eugene Brown, Addie Johnson and Wm. Humbles were Michakino visitors Friday.

The Young Peoples' Union has resumed its regular weekly meetings and is getting along nicely.

The Baptist people are now using their new church.

The choir of St. John's A. M. E. church is planning a sacred concert which promises to be a rare treat in music. Mr. John Washington the choir director has the programme arranged. The whole programme is made up of the finest sacred musical selections. Mr. Washington will use some of the best vocal talent in the city. Waite for the programme.

State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To S. D. Clough, E. R. Albert and A. M. Olds: You are hereby notified that the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot Seven (7) Block Two (2) Stafford's addition to the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes of 1895 on the Eighth day of December, 1896 to B. S. Walker, that the certificates of sale thereof have been assigned to and are now owned by H. B. Evans, and the right of redemption will expire, and the Treasurer's Deed for said land will be made unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice. You will govern your self accordingly. Dated 29th day of May, A. D. 1902. H. B. EVANS.

LITERARY NOTES.

E. Nesbit's new story, which will be published in the autumn, will have the queer title, "The Worldbegoods."

S. R. Crockett's new book, "Love Idylls," will be published soon. It will be uniform in size with "An Englishwoman's Love Letters."

Maurice Thompson's "Alice of Old Vincennes" is to be published in Great Britain, as is also "The Story of Eva," the Chicago novel by Will Payne.

Few persons are aware, even in England, that a privately printed collection of unpublished writings from the pen of Robert Louis Stevenson is about to be issued.

In Dr. Minot J. Savage's new book, "The Passing of the Permanent in Religion," the author tries to make clear the great positive elements of religion which cannot pass away.

Henry James was recently told that Sarah Grand, the novelist, says she was 14 years old before she ever learned to read or write. "She hasn't learned to write even yet," he remarked.

Edmund Gosse is about to become a publisher. His first venture will be a collection of the poems of his friend Austin Dobson which have been written since July, 1889, when the last edition of his collected poems was published. The new book will contain about thirty pieces, among them being poems on the war and on the late queen. Mr. Gosse intends to charge \$2.20 for each copy.

A new book on "Modern Strategy," which is said to be of work of importance, will be published soon. It is the work of Capt. Walter H. James of the British army. It is a treatise on the strategy of today and deals with the effect which railroads and telegraphs and the increase of newspapers have had on war. The campaigns chosen to illustrate it are chiefly taken from the Napoleonic wars and those of recent times. At the end of the book a chapter has been added on the effect of modern weapons upon tactics.

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TRICK OF VOICE.

How the Lawyer Keeps the Judge from Sleeping.

There is said to be a lawyer in Philadelphia who possesses a trick of the voice to which a certain measure of his success in United States Supreme court practice is due. The trick consists in making a judge. Whether it is a common practice for the high dignitaries of the federal supreme bench to indulge in a nap in the course of a long and tedious argument, such happenings are not unknown, and it is well for an able logician of the bar to be prepared for it. The trick of making a sleepy judge would seem to be something in the nature of slapping a law book under his nose or connecting his personality with the current of an electric battery. But the trick is explained as purely a matter of sound involved in the skillful control of the voice. It is said that a barrister practiced in the art and rhetoric of addressing the bench can gather all the waves of sound from his throat into a focus and deposit it in the office of a judge's ear with the general effect of a bomb. The trick, however it is accomplished, is said to have been worked repeatedly with success on the late Judge McKenna, whose habit of going to sleep on the bench was once a notorious subject of comment in the litigation over the Berliner telephone patents. This queer trick of the voice, while it is said to be the peculiar property of one celebrated lawyer, is probably attempted often with varying success by others—Philadelphia Record.

HE DID NOT RECLAIM THE COIN.

Though Given the Opportunity, Mrs. Stanford Did Not Repent.

Those who "pass the plate" in country churches are not often regaled with the glitter of gold among the contributions. It is related that about two years ago Mr. and Mrs. Leland Stanford, while traveling through the middle west inognito, they happened to be in Bloomington, Ind., one Sunday, and pursuant to their usual custom went to church. They attended the Christian church of Bloomington, then largely in the hands of Amzi Atwater.

When the plate was passed for the collection Mrs. Stanford dropped in a \$10 gold piece. Mr. Atwater the deacon in charge of the collection, taking it was noticed that the ushers held a hurried conference with him when the money was taken forward. At its conclusion Mr. Atwater said: "Ladies and gentlemen, there has evidently been a mistake. Some one has dropped a \$10 gold piece into the collection. If he will pass up after the services we will be glad to allow him to exchange it for the amount he intended to give." It is, of course, needless to say that Mrs. Stanford did not take advantage of the opportunity.

ENTERTAINING NEWSPAPER FEATURE.

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Mt. Olive Court, No. 4—Meets First Thursday of each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. E. A. Winous, matron; Mrs. Georgia Midgett, secretary.

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