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CITY NEWS

John Bell spent Sunday in Adel.

Mr. John Glass is some better at this writing.

Geo. H. Woodson of Muchakinoak is in the city for a brief visit.

Mr. Chas. Harding of Chicago was in the city this week visiting his mother.

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

Mr. Rollen Weeks was taken suddenly ill last Monday, but at present is able to be at work.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simmons are rejoicing over the arrival of a girl; mother and babe doing well.

Mrs. C. W. Henry returned Thursday from a month's visit in Michigan and reports a delightful time.

Dr. W. W. Wilson of Chicago was in the city Monday, the guest of Miss Jennie B. Wilkinson.

Miss Burah Kennedy, who has been visiting in the city, left Thursday for Minneapolis to visit her aunt.

Mr. Daniel Roy, who has suffered a great deal the past month with rheumatism, is somewhat better this week.

Mrs. Harry Cravens returned home Tuesday, after a very pleasant visit at the parental home in Oskaloosa for a fortnight or more.

Two young men were seen looking at "house for rent," this week. We suppose that one or perhaps both are thinking about getting married.

Ringling Bros. circus was here last Monday and as usual a large crowd attended both performances. It is useless to say that our race was well represented.

Rev. J. R. Clemens who was a delegate from the Sixth Congressional District to the Republican convention held in Newton was in the city this week the guest of his niece Mrs. Howard Craven.

When in Davenport go to The Keystone Club for wine and refreshments and furnished rooms, 318 W. Front street. BILLY WILLIAMS, Prop.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coelson entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Starks of Peoria, Ill., Mrs. Whitfield of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Kellis of Keokuk. It was a very enjoyable gathering of friends.

The members of the Iowa Negro Bar Association attended the lecture given by Hon. W. M. Chandler at the Chattanooga Park last Sunday afternoon. His subject was, "The Trial of Jesus from a Lawyers Standpoint."

The H. B. S. Reading Society had a picnic at Greenwood park Thursday afternoon; luncheon was served from 5 to 6. They spent the evening at Ingersoll park. This society has adjourned on account of the extreme warm weather and will not meet until the second Thursday in September.

Sunday evening at St. Paul. Subject "A Great Tragedy." Scene I, A marriage in the castle. Scene II, The wedding reception. Scene III, In the dungeon of the castle. Scene IIII, A banquet and a dancing girl. Scene V, In the dungeon. Last, Hell's jury and a woman's scorn. At 10:30 Sunday morning the pastor will preach on "The Creed of a Scarlet Woman." Services begin promptly on the time announced.

James Shackelford, a student of Simpson College, who was brought to this city several weeks ago and placed in the hospital for treatment, is regaining his strength sufficiently to leave the hospital. As soon as he is able to travel he will return to his home in

Oklahoma, accompanied by his mother and sister, who were called to his bedside when he was in a very critical condition.

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

Mrs. R. N. Hyde returned home last Friday from Aurora, Mo., where she was called to the bed side of her sick sister about five weeks ago. Her sister died last week, age 69 years.

The Old Settlers' picnic will be about the first week in August, and perhaps it will be held at Grand View Park. The committee that has the matter in charge are trying to secure this beautiful park to hold their next annual meeting in. It is in the northwestern part of the city and has plenty of shade, grass and good water.

Editor and Mrs. J. L. Thompson of the Bystander, Des Moines, Iowa, met our editorial staff face to face during their stay at the Afro-American council here. Mrs. Thompson is a charming little lady, with speaking eyes and lots of music in her voice, while Mr. Thompson appears to be a clean-cut newspaper man.—The Northwestern-Vine, Minneapolis.

Mrs. Vina Starks of Peoria, Ill., is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young. She joined them at Keokuk where they were attending the session of the Grand Lodge. On Friday the Messames Young and Starks will go to Mason City, from there to Chicago, and after a visit of several days they will return to their respective homes.

Mrs. Laura Goings, the evangelist, who is visiting relatives in the city, preached a very able sermon at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. She is an earnest as well as an interesting talker, and did not fail to impress her hearers. Her countenance shows her faith in the work she is engaged in, as well as her infinite trust in God. Mrs. Goings lived in this city a number of years ago, and from here she went to California. Her work as an evangelist has called her to the South. She is returning to her California home. Mrs. Goings will address the A. M. E. Sunday School next Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Miss Sarah Porter, who has been visiting friends in Ottumwa, Muchakinoak and Buxton, spent Sunday in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Warwick, and other friends. Miss Porter is returning to her home in Kansas City where she has secured a position as teacher in the public school. Her other three sisters have accepted like positions and will teach the coming school year. Miss Porter has a host of friends who are proud of her and the success she is having. While here she visited the St. Paul Sunday School and addressed the school. Her talk was very interesting from start to finish. As she is the type of what the right kind of ambition can accomplish in every young girl, she was given the best attention.

When in Burlington, Iowa, call at The Little Equal Right, saloon, pool, billiards, barber shop and bath rooms No. 315 Front street. Good accommodations to all. F. MARTIN Proprietor.

FLOOD SUFFERS. The high water for the past week or more has been very damaging to quite a number of our people, to some it was almost a total loss, others being deprived of their homes, furniture, etc. Those who suffered lived in the south and south-eastern part of the city, which was protected by a levy raised above what was supposed to be high water mark until the present high water came, which broke through and in a very short time drove hundreds of families from their once present homes, and in some instances they had difficulty in saving their lives. It was a sad sight to see women and children standing on the shore watching all they had swept away or ruined by the waves. Among the heaviest sufferers whose loss will reach from \$300 to \$1500 are the gardeners: Edward Lucas, James Scott, Isaac Lewis, Wady Callaway and Geo. Hoard. Also James Ramsey, Newton Orange, Geo. Taylor, Wm. Smith, Albert Mosa, W. H. Brooks, W. H. Kenney, Jordan Morris, Samuel Coelson, John Tresux, Samuel Mash, Albert Champion, John Turner, Mr. Midget, Wm. Burton, Ephram Arthur, A. S. Monroe, Lewis Hunter, Henry Collier, H. Demmitt, Lewis Williams, Chas. McKee, R. S. Dickens and several others whose names we could not get.

This was the greatest overflow of the Des Moines river since the early 50s. The flooded district was occupied by laboring people—gardeners, and small farmers—Mr. Lucas being the heaviest loser. His loss cannot be placed at less than \$1500.

Typhoid Killing British Soldiers. During the first three months of this year there were, among the British troops in South Africa, 8,253 cases of typhoid fever, 1,060 of which proved fatal.

M. W. UNITED GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M.

(Special to the BYSTANDER)

Continued from last week.

Wednesday was taken up with the report of the representatives of the various lodges, committees work and the report of those representing foreign Grand lodges.

The afternoon session was devoted to the election of officers as follows:

Grand Master—I. L. Brown, Marshalltown.

Deputy Grand Master—W. W. Carry, Buxton.

Grand S. W.—W. H. Milligan, Cedar Rapids.

Grand J. W.—J. T. Harris, Ottumwa.

Grand Treasurer—Wm. Coelson, Des Moines.

Grand Secretary—A. A. Blain, Keokuk.

Grand Lecturer—H. K. Hillon, Omaha, Neb.

Grand Chaplain—T. A. Coleman, Buxton.

Grand Register—L. H. Johnson, Marshalltown.

Grand Senior Deacon—F. D. Fields, Keokuk.

Grand Junior Deacon—Wm. Gross, Keokuk.

Grand Sword Bearer—U. S. Jones, Albia.

Grand Standard Bearer—R. R. Richmond, Chariton.

Grand Senior Steward—H. H. Lewis, Des Moines.

Grand Junior Steward—J. H. Johnson, Ottumwa.

Grand Marshal—E. E. Jones, Oskaloosa.

Grand Master of Ceremonies—C. C. Allen, Davenport.

Grand Pursuivant—George R. Warn, Marshalltown.

Grand Tyler—Geo. Taylor, Des Moines.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence—J. H. Shepard, chairman; G. L. Suter, W. A. Searcy.

In the evening memorial services were held in the A. M. E. church in honor of those who have passed to the great beyond.

The following program interspersed with music by the choir was rendered: The roll call of the dead by the Grand Secretary, J. Frank Blagburn; Our departed dead by Past Grand Master, J. H. Shepard; The secrecy of masonry, F. D. Fields; How we miss our departed brethren, Grand Master I. L. Brown.

Thursday morning was consumed with committee work and such matter as committee work brings up. At 5 o'clock the Grand Lodge, escorted by York lodge, paraded the principle streets. In the evening the citizens gathered at Rand opera house to witness the installation of the Grand officers. After the installation ceremonies all who desired enjoyed dancing until a late hour.

CHAPTER AND COMMANDERY MASONRY.

Thursday afternoon during the recess of the Grand Lodge, those interested in Chapters and Commanderies, held a meeting looking after these two bodies in the state; after listing to several addresses it was agreed by all present that they would return home and start the same interest among those not present, and at the next session of the Grand Lodge in Des Moines it was agreed to meet and organize a grand Chapter and Commandery. They will receive the loyal support of the Grand officers. This undertaking will bring together more Masons at their next annual meeting in July, 1903, than ever assembled in the state. The local lodge, Chapter and commandery will unite in preparing for the coming event.

GRAND LODGE NOTES.

Mrs. Geo. Bannister entertained in honor of the visiting ladies Thursday afternoon.

Buxton has the largest membership, they report over sixty active members.

Mrs. Geo. Young of Des Moines was a visitor in the city last week the guest of Mrs. F. D. Bland.

The Albia Lodge boast of having the orator of the Grand Lodge in the person of U. S. Jones.

Mesdames Stark and Robinson of Quincy, Ill., were among the visitors and friends of the Grand Lodge.

The members of the Chariton Lodge claim they have the finest furnished lodge in the jurisdiction.

Mrs. Effie Coltime of Moberly, Mo. was a visitor in our city last week.

The members of Union Lodge claim they have the largest increase in membership this Masonic year.

Mrs. Storms of Kansas City was among the visiting friends of the Grand Lodge.

Ottumwa and Oskaloosa were the only lodges that did not report an increase in membership this year, but they promised to beat the best next year.

Mesdames Johnson and Taylor of Ottumwa were visitors in our city during the session of the Grand Lodge.

Des Moines Lodge had the largest delegation, they were represented by ten of her citizens.

Mrs. James Woods and Miss Alice Morton of Des Moines are visiting relatives and friends and will spend several weeks in the city.

The Marshalltown Lodge claim to have the strongest treasure of the jurisdiction, they report over \$300.00.

H. R. Wright one of Des Moines attorneys is in the city visiting friends as well as attending the session of the Grand Lodge.

Miss Jessie Walker of Marshalltown is visiting friends here during the session of the Grand Lodge.

"Billy" had the lead as the most popular man among the fair sex at this gathering, while Herbert, Frank, George, Isaac and Harrison were contesting his rights for this honor.

Captain Banks was the marshal and had charge of the parade, which was conceded by the citizens to be the largest, as well as the finest ever seen on our streets.

Miss Tisha Fields, our pleasant agent was confined to her room and was unable to attend any of the numerous parties given in honor of the delegates.

Mrs. F. D. Bland entertained a number of delegates and other friends Wednesday evening, in honor of her guests, Mesdames Young and Starks. Progressive whist and social conversation was the feature of the evening. Elegant refreshments were served.

The next session of the Grand Lodge will be held in Des Moines, which promises to be the largest as well as the most interesting session in the history of this order.

Mrs. W. H. Jones served in honor of the delegates; as the guest were being seated around the well laden table Mrs. Jones taken suddenly ill and the family physician was called. This marred much of the pleasure that was in store for the guests.

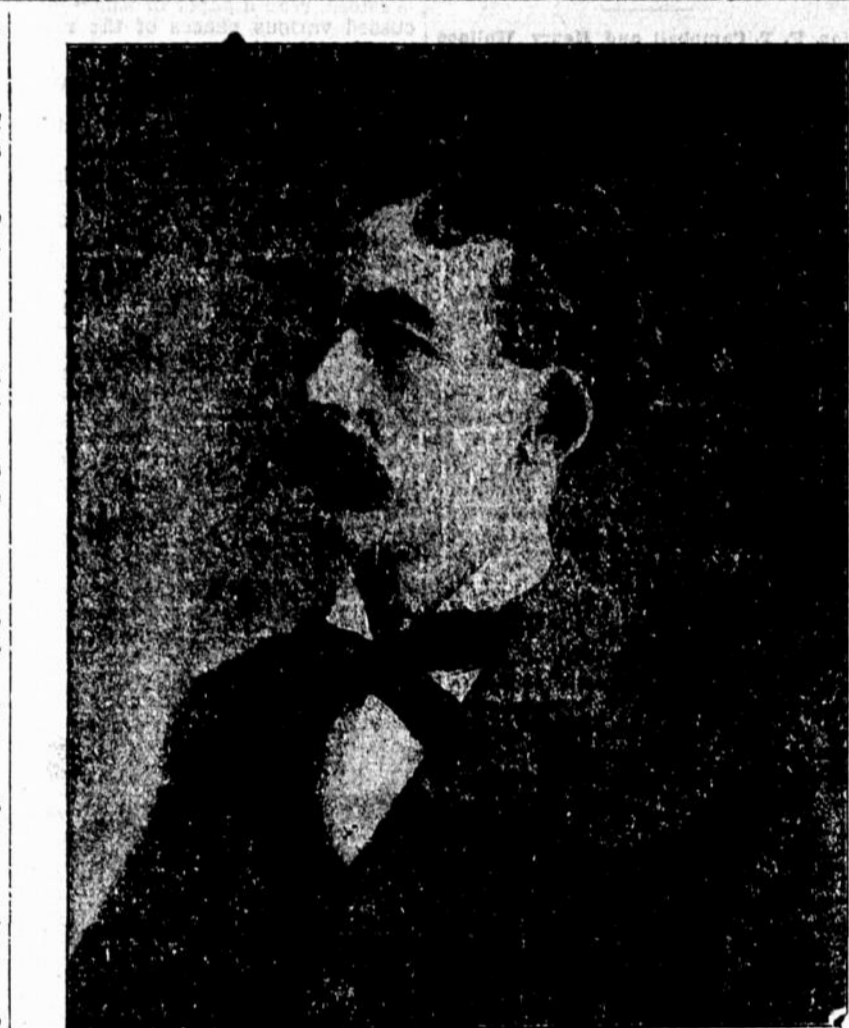
The Omaha Lodge made perhaps one of the best reports of the lodges this year.

Cedar Rapids lodge shows its steady increase in membership.

Rev. W. A. Searcy was the representative of the Clinton lodge and made a good report.

Mrs. John Craig entertained in honor of Miss Jessie Walker of Marshalltown Saturday afternoon.

The prevalence of the Panama hat is another evidence of our phenomenal prosperity.



J. E. WHELAN, for Clerk of the Supreme Court.

The above is a cut of Mr. Whelan of Montgomery county, who is a candidate before the coming Republican convention for the nomination of Clerk of the Supreme court. Mr. Whelan is peculiarly well fitted for the office he seeks. On leaving Monmouth college 20 years ago, he went to Red Oak where he taught school and farmed until '80, when he was elected clerk of the District court, which position he held four consecutive terms. At the close of his last term he received the appointment of Deputy Clerk of the Supreme court, under Mr. Jones the present Clerk, which position he filled acceptably for nearly four years. His ability was recognized by all who had any business with that office of the highest order, and on the election of the present State Auditor Mr. Whelan was tendered and accepted the Deputyship under Mr. Merriman, which is perhaps one of the most important as well as one of the most difficult subordinate positions in the State's service.

While holding this position the chief of this office was taken sick while in California and detained from his office, throwing the whole responsibility upon Mr. Whelan, which he felt it his duty to himself and honor to Mr. Merriman. At present he is holding a position as State Bank examiner, which requires considerable knowledge of book-keeping and commercial law, as well as ability of an expert accountant.

Mr. Whelan has been an active party worker since his early boyhood and has a host of friends throughout the State; which fact taken in connection with his unquestioned fitness for the office he seeks makes him a strong candidate, and the party should show their appreciation of his faithful service by nominating him.

MONDAY IS THE DAY.

Monday, August 25th., at 1:30 P. M. is the time set for the dedication of the new Live Stock Pavilion. On this occasion our U. S. Senators Dooliver and Allison together with our Congressmen, State Officers and members of the Legislature will be present and a splendid programme has been arranged.

Iowa has always had a pride in her stock raising, but has never had an opportunity to show it up to the best advantage until this year.

The Live Stock Pavilion and stock barns just completed on the State Fair grounds make it possible to hold the greatest live stock show in America, and the entries already recorded strongly substantiate this claim.

Plan on going to the State Fair this fall, and by all means attend on Monday, the big day. Write the Secretary for book telling all about the Fair.

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TRIP TO THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST

On leaving our good and progressive city of Des Moines, the morning after our natal day enroute for the twin cities in Minnesota, we soon found ourselves riding in on the North Western in a terrible wind storm and down pour of rain which greatly delayed the train. As we did not reach Minneapolis until Monday noon, of course as we left our city with the intention of attending the National Afro-American Press Association, the National Afro-American Council and the National Educational Association, therefore this letter will be the proceedings in brief of each of the above mentioned meetings.

The Press Association only held one day and that was Monday. It was called to order by the President Mr. Cyrus Field Adams of Chicago. They met in the Pilgrim Baptist church, this being the twenty-third annual meeting it was first organized in Louisville, Ky., in 1880 with John Adams of the Bulletin Louisville, Ky., now Editor of the Appeal at St. Paul, after the meeting was called to order and the preliminary work of organization and the announcement of the various committees. The paper entitled, "The Press as an Educator" was to be read by Col. W. A. Pledger of the Age, Atlanta, Ga., discussed by J. L. Thompson of the Bystander, neither had reached the city so it was passed; Address by John C. Daney entitled "History of Afro-American Journalism." A resolution hardly endorsing the coming St. Louis Exposition was offered which precipitated a heated attack by T. Thomas Fortune of New York, on the ground that no colored commissioners were appointed on the exposition board, and that no provisions had been made for the presentation of the work and progress of the colored race, this brought out some strong speeches by Dr. I. B. Scott of New Orleans, J. C. Daney and M. S. Alexander of Louisiana, Dr. Scott made the strongest speech, counseling moderation it was grand, then the following amended resolution was passed.

Resolved, That while indorsing on general principles the exposition and trusting that it may have the Afro-American people among the commissioners appointed on the part of the United States by President McKinley, and that no provision has been made by the management of the exposition for a proper exhibit of the thought skill and industry of the Afro-American people, without whom the magnificent states carved out of the Louisiana purchase could not have made the progress which to-day places them in the forefront of the commonwealth of the republic.

Resolved, That there is time to remedy this omission, and we respectfully direct the attention of the management of the exposition to the same.

The afternoon meeting closed with the election of officers which resulted as follows: President, Cyrus Field Adams of the Chicago Appeal; vice-president, John C. Daney of Salisbury N. C., treasurer, William H. Steward of Louisville, Ky.; secretary, T. Thomas Fortune of New York; chairman of the executive committee, Emmett J. Scott of Tuskegee, Ala.

In the evening a very nice reception was given in which the following programme was given: EVENING SESSION, 7:30 o'clock. Piano Solo, "The Appeal" Grand Triumphant March—Weir. (Dedicated to John Quincy Adams, St. Paul Minn.) Chorus, "Hail to the Chief" (Boas Song)—Prout St. James A. M. E. church choir. Tenor solo, Toreador Song from Carmen—Bijet, Mr. Bradley S. Walker, Annual Address, President Cyrus Field Adams, The Appeal Chicago Ill. Soldier's Chorus, From Opera of Faust—Ground, Pilgrim Baptist church choir, Prof. Allen French, Director, Miss Evelyn G. Hickman, Accompanist. Piano Duet, "Il Trovatore"—Verdi, Misses Edna Gray Minneapolis and Evelyn Hickman St. Paul. Symposium, "The Outlook for the Race" Rapid fire speeches limited to three minutes each. Rev. I. B. Scott D. D., Rev. W. T. Vernon D. D.; Hon. James H. Guy; J. Madison, Esq.; Chas. W. Serutehin, Esq.; Mrs. J. Silome Yates; Hon. John C. Daney; Bishop Alexander Walters D. D.; Rev. J. C. Anderson, Rev. H. T. Johnson Bishop George Clinton; Hon. E. H. Deas; W. Thompson Esq.; Mrs. E. J. Jeffrey; Dr. J. E. Henderson.

Thus the Press Association adjourned to meet again next year in Louisville, Ky.

Very Low Excursion Rates to Portland, Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver and Victoria.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold July 11 to 31, inclusive, with final return limit by extension until September 15, inclusive, account Y. P. C. U. meeting. Pullman standard Tourist Sleepers, Dining Cars, Scenic Route. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS. Mrs. John Greenup of Lockridge was here Tuesday.

Ida Godfrey and her mother of Kansas City are spending the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miss Hester Bartlett Mesdames Atkins, Reed and Trimble were among those who attended the session of the Odd Fellows at Ft. Madison this week.

Lizzie Reed was a Burlington visitor this week.

Messrs Frank Godfrey and Fred McCracken are expected home this week.

The Ladies Literary Society met with the Misses Bartlett Thursday night. Miss Arbuckle returned from Minneapolis last week, but have gone to Ottumwa.

DR. A. G. EDWARDS. Physician and Surgeon.

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MUSCATINE NEWS.

Mrs. Phoenix of Moline sister-in-law of Miss Phoenix visited her three days. Mrs. Phoenix's cousin also came with her from Kalamazoo, Mich. who visited Dr. Peter Towley three days.

Mr. Levi Nunnally and Miss Ella Mopin of Moline was in our city Saturday to visit a few days but was called home suddenly on account of sickness of her mother.

Having clear weather and all are happy once more.

FORT MADISON NOTES.

Mrs. Lydia Turpin and daughters Ella and Beatrice of Galesburg, Ill., arrived Wednesday to visit her mother Mrs. Chas. Thomas.

J. Davis of Chicago is visiting his relatives after a years absence.

George Stewart was in Davenport last week visiting his father.

Mr. Geo. Woodson of Muchakinoak was in the city last Friday on business.

Ben C. Winfrey who has been sick the past few days is able to be out again.

Rev. S. S. Miller will preach morning and evening at the Second Baptist church.

Miss Polly Dandridge is at home after five weeks visit at New Boston.

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A Word to the Public...

I beg to inform you that the undersigned has purchased the business located at 220 West Court avenue, this city, and will hereafter conduct a saloon, handling only the very best Ky. whiskies and imported and domestic wines and Cigars.

Having had years of experience as a Negro business man. I shall appeal especially to the Afro-Americans of this city and county for their patronage and support. Assuring them, before hand that I shall conduct an honest and orderly liquor business and in no sense a gambling house.

Without attempting to question your views as to the wisdom of the existence of saloons, I simply state a fact that the saloon is here; that thousands of dollars of the races money go towards supporting them without any race man becoming correspondingly richer; that money accumulated by any member of the race, in any legal, honest business endeavors is just so much added to the sum total of the Negro wealth of the country.

Thanking you in advance for any courtesies or favor you may extend, I

Respectfully Subscribe myself Yours Truly, VICTOR B. WALKER.

Not a Trace of Poison Could be Found by Floyd Davis.

Marshalltown, July 18.—Coroner Lierle has received the report of Chemist Floyd Davis on the examination of the internal organs of Mrs. Waud Lambert Stubb, who was found dead in her bed recently and whom the authorities are confidently believed that the woman had been killed by poison. The report of the chemist states that there was no trace of any poison found in the organs sent for examination. The case has greatly puzzled all who have had an investigation in hand. The physician can not assign no cause for death other than poisoning, which all symptoms indicate. An examination showed that a dog which was found dead on the bed besides Mrs. Lambert died from morphine poisoning. All theories as to the cause of the woman's death are exploded by the chemist's report. It is still believed by some that the woman died of morphine poisoning, but that the quantity, though sufficient to cause death, was so small as to leave no trace in the human body. Doctors state that instances are on record where deaths have been caused by morphine and all traces dissipated where an examination was not had immediately. The inquest over the woman's remains was resumed today and several new witnesses have been summoned, who, it is hoped, will be able to shed some light on the mysterious affair. At present, however, it is unlikely that the cause of Mrs. Stubb's death will ever be known.

CEDAR RAPIDS CASUALTIES.

Two Drowned and One Killed by a Live Wire.

Cedar Rapids, July 18.—Jacob Baker was killed by grasping a live electric light wire last night at the city water works. He had been cleaning the interior of a boiler and when he was ready to leave for the night tried to bring the lamp out with him. When he attempted to pull the lamp out of the socket he dropped dead. Tests are being made by the city electrician, but the exact cause of the defective wire has not yet been ascertained.

Joe Dvorak and Paul Mackeously, two young Bohemians working for the Northwestern, went in swimming in the Cedar river yesterday after a preparatory to taking a cruise. They were rescued by a crane and sank several others who were in swimming falling to render them any assistance.

NEW MULCT LAW QUESTION.

Claimed the Iowa Mulct Statute Refers to Solar Time.

Sioux City, July 18.—S. J. Quincy, a Sioux City lawyer, professes to have discovered a point of law in accordance with which the provision of the Martin mulct law relative to solar time shall be closed at 10 o'clock sharp can be avoided, and that they remain open until 10:28. His discovery is based upon the difference between standard and solar time. He claims that the statute refers to solar time and that therefore the saloons can keep their doors open until twenty-six minutes after 10 according to standard time. The saloon men have made a fund and will bring the matter into the supreme court. If the case sticks, Mr. Quincy is to receive \$1,500 for his discovery.

FIGHT IN A BOX CAR.

Two Men Receive Terrible Wounds Near Boone.

Ames, July 18.—Charles J. Feyhern of Fort Du Sable, and a young man named Rudolph Seifert, aged 29, of Austro-Hungary, were shot during a quarrel with two tramps with whom they were beating a ride on the Northwestern, on a freight near Boone. Feyhern was shot through the body and will probably die. Seifert was shot through the head. He may recover. Their assailants, who were strangers to them, escaped.

160 New Rural Mail Route Carriers.

Des Moines, July 17.—One hundred and sixty new rural mail route carriers have been added to the service in Iowa within the last two weeks. There are now about one thousand carriers in the state. The advance in their pay from \$50 to \$60 per month has induced the old carriers to resign and has led to the re-establishment of new routes. On July 1 these agencies were cut out on recommendation of Collector Kempke, but the people protested, with the result that Secretary Shaw has given orders restoring them.

Can Sell Revenue Stamps.

Ottumwa, July 18.—News was received from Washington last night that the postoffice here and the one at Keokuk are to be re-established with revenue stamp offices. On July 1 these agencies were cut out on recommendation of Collector Kempke, but the people protested, with the result that Secretary Shaw has given orders restoring them.

Killed by Lightning.

Maguoketa, July 18.—Peter House, a brother of Judge House, was instantly killed by lightning. He had risen early and was out among the stock on his little farm near the city. Two cows were also killed. He was an old resident of this county, 65 years old, and leaves a wife and four children. This is the third death by accident in his family in three months.

Mrs. Lavallier is Free.

Newton, July 16.—Mrs. Hannah Lavallier, who has been in the county jail since Saturday upon the charge of the murder of her husband, has been released upon \$1,500 bail. Her son-in-law secured the bail bond and the case will await the action of the grand jury.

'Tommy' Crooks Drowned.

Des Moines, July 17.—Thomas Crooks, better known to the people of Iowa as 'Tommy' Crooks, a member of local sports and the proprietor of the 'Litho' Tavern saloon at Des Moines, was drowned last night in the seventh street about a quarter of ten. He was wearing a life preserver and was seen by a witness. The body was recovered by the city and is now lying in state.

HEARING ON RAILROAD ASSESSMENT

Railroad Attorneys Say Land Values Are Not as High as They Should Be.

GOVERNOR DEFINES HIS IDEA

Hon. F. T. Campbell and Henry Wallace Increase in the Taxes of Railroad Corporations.

Des Moines, July 16.—The executive council met yesterday and commenced listening to the arguments in regard to the railroad assessments. Representatives of railroads were present, including Messrs. Baldwin and Sturgis, of the Burlington, Knight and Carbut, of the Illinois Central, Crandon and Stevens of the Northwestern, Carr and Dudley of the Milwaukee, Seever of the Iowa Central, Woodruff of the Great Western, and Carroll Wright of the Rock Island. The hearing will last several days and it is probable that all the railroad companies will be heard at the same time. Several others will also speak. A representative of the business interests of the state and particularly the shipping interests will be heard and also persons representing counties. The board of supervisors of Clinton county have sent Mr. Miller, an attorney, here, and the county auditor of Hamilton county has written for a date for himself and members of the board.

Judge Stevens of Boone, opened the discussion, speaking for the Northwest. He laid the basis for his argument by presenting reports from many of the counties along the Northwestern line, being facts gathered by county auditors from the records, which showed the actual average selling price of the lands which have been sold the past six months in these counties to have been about \$62 per acre. He referred to the enormous increase in value of farmlands, and said that the increase in value of Iowa farm land had been \$7 to \$10 since last September. While the statistics were taken from the books showing sales made last year, hence the records do not show as high as land is actually selling for now. Besides, land sold on the market is not the highest priced land, but the cheapest land. He estimated the actual selling price of land in these counties to be not less than \$75 per acre. The value assessed by the assessor is only \$44 an acre. Similar statistics were given in regard to live stock and other property. As for actual value, not selling value, he contended that it would be nearer \$100 an acre, and that price would actually be a good investment. In thirty years the actual selling price of lands had risen 400 per cent, but the assessment value had gone up but 50 per cent.

Judge Carr, of Des Moines, speaking for the Milwaukee, presented a series of affidavits from leading citizens of ten representative counties in northern Iowa, on actual value of farmlands and assessed values. These affidavits were from county officials, bankers and business men. In Buena Vista the actual assessed value of land was \$23.95; in Carroll from \$55 to \$62, assessed \$32.71; Chickasaw, \$50, assessed \$32.66; Floyd, \$60, assessed \$37.41; Clay, \$50 to \$60, assessed \$30; Kossuth \$55 to \$60, assessed \$26.92; Lyon \$60, assessed \$31.95; Sioux \$70, assessed \$36.37; Shelby, \$65, assessed \$34.18, and so on. Judge Carr stated that taking the ten counties from which he had received reports the average assessed valuation was about 54 per cent of the averaged actual value.

Addresses along the same lines were also made by Carroll Wright, of Des Moines; Judge G. W. Sewer, of Oskahoosa, and A. S. Dudley, of Milwaukee.

Des Moines, July 17.—The hearing on taxation before the executive council was marked yesterday by the appearance of Frank T. Campbell of this city, ex-state railroad commissioner, in behalf of the public. Mr. Campbell, in his opening address, that lasted an hour and a half, strongly urged a large increase in the railroad assessment. He is the only person who has thus far appeared against the railroads.

Another feature of the hearing, which lasted all day, was a statement by Governor Cummins, in which he defined his idea of railroad valuation. He took the broad ground that railroad property, as any other, is worth just what it will sell for and that in assessing the council had to take into consideration those things that would help to determine the selling price. The statement of Governor Cummins was regarded as of no little importance by the representatives of the railroads as it is the first time that the governor has to any extent defined his views. He made it plain that he did not share the views advanced by A. S. Dudley of the Milwaukee that the maximum value that can properly be put on a railroad is \$100 an acre. As it is the first time that the governor has to any extent defined his views, he made it plain that he did not share the views advanced by A. S. Dudley of the Milwaukee that the maximum value that can properly be put on a railroad is \$100 an acre. As it is the first time that the governor has to any extent defined his views, he made it plain that he did not share the views advanced by A. S. Dudley of the Milwaukee that the maximum value that can properly be put on a railroad is \$100 an acre.

Mr. Baldwin cited a number of corporations of Des Moines and of Burlington, Iowa, whose assessments are low. The Des Moines corporations that he referred to particularly were the street railway company, the Edison Light company, the water company, the Savery Hotel company, and several others. He said these corporations failed to comply with the law and to make returns showing the

Fahay Given Four Years.

Council Bluffs, July 16.—Mike Fahay, one of the seven persons who escaped from the county jail on the evening of June 5 and was recaptured a few days ago in Chicago and brought back here, pleaded guilty before Judge Wheeler in the district court to holding up and robbing Fritz Gosh in the railroad yard and the court sentenced him to four years in the penitentiary at P. Madison. John Plumb, one of Fahay's accomplices, was recently sentenced to three years for the same offense. The other three persons who were released from the jail on the evening of June 5 are still at large.

amount of value of their capital stock as the statute requires.

Another interesting feature of the day's hearing was the appearance of Henry Wallace of this city, who spoke in behalf of the public in regard to the valuation of the railroads on the basis of the market value of their stocks and bonds.

Albert E. Clarke of Minneapolis, general solicitor for the Minneapolis & St. Louis road, appeared before the council at the morning session. Mr. Clarke urged that "horse sense be used in assessing railroads the same as in assessing other property. Following Mr. Clarke, Mr. M. C. Woodruff, tax commissioner of the Great Western, read a paper in which he discussed various phases of the railway taxation question.

DAYS OF GRACE ARE NO MORE.

Such is the Ruling Made by Attorney General Mullan.

Des Moines, July 18.—The law in Iowa requiring days of grace has been abolished. This is the gist of an opinion that has been prepared by Attorney General Mullan in response to a request for a ruling on the question by the board of directors of the state hospital. It is impossible now for more than 1,000 insane persons to be accommodated in any one of the state hospitals. However the increase mentioned above includes insane in county and private institutions, and Judge Robinson does not anticipate that the above contingency will ever arise when the state will bear the entire burden of increase.

The treasurer of state has just paid off \$20,000 in time warrants against the building fund for the state university raised by the special levy of 1.70 of a mill. In all there have been \$49,100 of these warrants. They were issued in September, 1898, without interest, and sold at a discount for law purposes or anticipating the revenue from the special building fund levy. The first of them, to the amount of \$20,000, fell due July 10, 1902, and it was those warrants falling due on that date that have just been paid off by Mr. Mullan. The Burlington Savings bank of Burlington, Vt., and were purchased by that bank for but \$17,200. There will be \$13,100 of these warrants due November 1 and one for \$16,000 due December 30. The discounts on these warrants amounted to \$1,600, representing the sum lost by the state in anticipating the revenue. This practice was disapproved by the legislature last winter and has been prohibited. The warrants were used in the purchase of books by the regents.

SEE GREAT WESTERN'S HAND.

Opinion It Will Build Diagonally Through State to St. Louis.

Sioux City, July 18.—That the project of building a direct line of railroad from Sioux City, diagonally across Iowa and Missouri, is a good one, is being established by the fact that the Great Western is concerned with the project is strongly believed.

The Iowa and St. Louis recently incorporated in Missouri and Iowa, is doing things. It is spending money. It is letting contracts. It is giving most positive evidence that it has money in the treasury. It announces that it will complete the line into Sioux City in 1904.

The Iowa and St. Louis propose to do exactly the same things that were done in the construction of the Iowa and Dakota, to which town voted a tax about ten years ago. At that time the project was headed as now by Captain T. P. Gere, was financed on the point of construction of its first section on Iowa. It is now being pushed through by the Iowa and St. Louis, and this one has slept ever since.

MRS. PIKE WANTS A DIVORCE.

A Sequel to the Shooting of Wm. Pike at Fondra.

Fondra, July 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pike, who figured before the public recently in connection with a shooting scrape, the facts of which still remain a mystery, have agreed to separate. Mrs. Pike has applied for a divorce on the third statutory ground—that of cruelty. Yesterday they conferred with their attorneys and the terms of a stipulation are being drawn up. All the real estate and personal property is to be retained by Mrs. Pike, her husband to receive a certain sum in cash. Mrs. Pike is to have possession of the farm home. Mr. Pike has left and will make his home with his father east of town.

KILLED ON NORTHWESTERN.

Washington Johnson of Grand Junction Run Down.

Grand Junction, July 18.—Washington Johnson, forty-five years of age, was struck by the fast mail and instantly killed. He had left his home to go to his son's, a short distance from his home, as was his custom each morning. But failing to make his appearance on the accustomed time a search was made which resulted as above. The crew of the train which struck him was aware of the fact but did not stop, reporting the accident to a freight crew who went on and brought him. Mr. Johnson lived about three miles east of this place.

Brick Fell on Him.

Marshalltown, July 18.—Theodore Johnson, treasurer of the Ames Republican company of this city, met with an accident that came near ending his life. Just as he stepped out of the office the wind blew a brick which he had in his hand, and fell with terrific force, striking Mr. Johnson on the forehead. It required ten stitches to close the wound, which bled profusely. Had the brick struck an inch further back on the head it would undoubtedly have killed him. As it is the wound is very painful, but the skull is not fractured and Mr. Johnson will undoubtedly recover.

Found Dead in Pool of Water.

Elkader, July 18.—P. P. Olmstead, of Monona, Clayton county, died suddenly. He had arisen early and started after the cows. Not returning in due season search was made for him and he was found lying dead in a puddle of water. It is thought that he fell while in a sinking spell, with which he had been afflicted before, and drowned. He was a prominent citizen, having been a candidate for county representative in 1897.

Accused Her Father.

Laurens, July 18.—Albert Beelow, living southeast of here, was bound over to await the action of the grand jury upon complaint of his 14-year-old daughter, who charges attempted rape. She charges that the attempts have been going on three years.

Body Crushed to Pulp.

Clinton, July 12.—Frank Hilgendorf, the 5-year-old son of Fritz Hilgendorf, was run over by a wagon loaded with wood and instantly killed. The boy climbed on the wheel while the wagon was standing and the driver started up without noticing the boy, who was clinging to the wheel. As it is the wheel is very painful, but the skull is not fractured and Mr. Johnson will undoubtedly recover.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, July 17, 1902. The state board of control has given out figures showing the total number of insane persons in Iowa June 30, 1902, to be 4,526, a total increase of 136 over the previous year. Along with these figures is a table showing the number of insane in the state during the past three years, together with the increased number each succeeding period. The average yearly increase during the three years, is 125-2-3. Judge Robinson of the board of control stated that at this rate every eight years added accommodations for the insane equal to the capacity of one of the present state hospitals. It is impossible now for more than 1,000 insane persons to be accommodated in any one of the state hospitals. However the increase mentioned above includes insane in county and private institutions, and Judge Robinson does not anticipate that the above contingency will ever arise when the state will bear the entire burden of increase.

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State Labor Commissioner Brigham and Deputy Holder has just returned from Davenport, where they entered on the work of factory inspection for 1902. This is the first inspection under the new law of the twenty-ninth general assembly, and Mr. Brigham has made up his mind to enforce the new statute rigidly. While many factories were in excellent condition at Davenport, Mr. Brigham found many infractions of the law. Children 10 years of age are employed, and many between the ages of 12 and 13, frequently laboring with dangerous machinery. Many safety appliances for dangerous machinery were discovered. In some buildings there were poor sanitary arrangements and lack of fire escapes. Mr. Brigham said he is determined to correct such abuses. He is letting contracts for safety appliances and sanitary appliances. From now until October, Mr. Brigham and his deputy will be occupied much of the time with factory inspection. It will not be possible to visit every factory in each town or city, but as large a number as possible will be visited, considering the fact there is a biennial appropriation of but \$1,000 for the gathering of reports on the condition of factories.

Governor Cummins has announced the appointment of George W. Dyer of Nevada as successor of Judge Wm. S. Kenyon, who has just retired from the bench in the Eleventh district. Judge Kenyon, who resides at Boone, has served several terms on the Story county bench and is well known all over the state. Recently he sent in his resignation as chief justice of the court, but it was not accepted. He has been a man of about sixty years of age and an attorney of experience. He is well known in Story county, although he has not an extended acquaintance throughout the state.

Governor Cummins is being flooded with letters from sentimental women who are moved to deep compassion over the prospective fate of Albert G. Phillips, one of the Buena Vista county bank robbers and murderers. Phillips is under sentence of death and unless it is given a new trial the governor commutes his sentence he will hang next December, for murder. Since he has been in Anamosa prison Phillips has been writing poetry. Some of it was recently published in the Ames Bystander. It is a good read and hope the governor won't think of allowing such a thing. The poetry of Phillips was first published in the Anamosa Prison Press and the governor is said to be wondering whether it would be well to confine its circulation to the walls of the prison or at least to the male section of the community. Phillips is a bright young mulatto, aged 27. His attorneys are seeking a new trial for him.

"Papa, what is a marriage in high life?" "Two vacant hearts entirely surrounded by cash."

"The man entering the store—'Have you typewriter-ribbons?' The fresh girl behind the counter—'Is she blonde or brunette?'"

Miss Westside—"That is a lovely gown, but haven't I seen it before?" Miss Westside—"No, I think not; I have only worn it at a few smart affairs this season."

Clergymen (lately come to parish)—"Your neighbor, Smith says my sermons are rubbish." Farmer—"Ah, you needn't mind 'im, sir; 'er's merely a mouthpiece for other folks."

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his den on an upper floor, where no one would be apt to disturb them. They were in the act of ascending when an attaché of the establishment, specked Mark upon the shoulder, spoke a few words and handed him a card.

Jones saw his friend stand irresolute, as though hardly knowing what to do.

At the same time he could not but notice that the card was such a ladies use for calling.

"I'll come up presently, my dear fellow—third stage, number eighty-seven. Good—give me five minutes or so."

And as Jones climbed the stairs in preference to using the lift, he chanced to glance through the open door of the hotel parlors, and beheld a vision in white, seated on a divan; a woman so entrancingly beautiful that any man might be pardoned for bowing at her shrine upon the slightest encouragement.

Jones merely gave one of his little whistles that seemed to express his feelings so completely. For the chambermaid, who was the Princess Oligivitch, whom a wretched fate had that day thrown across Mark Merrick's path under most peculiar circumstances, which were of a nature to arouse within her certain feelings she had laughed at in others. Jones did not enjoy the sight of it a bit. He knew the character of the Continental Lurline, and how unscrupulous she had always been in playing with the holiest of human passions.

Meanwhile Merrick entered the parlor. He had reasons of his own for granting the lady's request for an interview as soon as she came in.

His curiosity had been aroused by a few words written in French upon her card.

"A matter of great importance."

She began by thanking him over again for his generous and manly successor of the morning. Merrick rallied his hand in protest, shaking his curly head as though declaring he had done nothing that deserved such high praise.

"Ah, you talk as though you were a member of the czar's court, so studied, so diplomatic. But I must not find fault. Then, monsieur, listen, you and your friend are in danger."

(To be continued.)

HOW TERM UNCLE SAM ORIGINATED.

A Story That is Touched for by Rev. G. F. Merriam.

Rev. G. F. Merriam of Mt. Kisco, N. Y., tells a story of the origin of the term "Uncle Sam" as applied to the United States. He said a farm in Mason, N. H., belonging to the estate of Mrs. Persis Wilson, who died recently, and which estate he is engaged in settling, was the birthplace and boyhood home of Uncle Samuel Wilson, who was the original "Uncle Sam."

The story, vouched for by the Rev. Mr. Merriam, who has lived all his life until within the past two years in close proximity to this farm, is this: Samuel Wilson was one of a family of twelve children, who lived on this farm, near Madison Center, and he and his younger brother, Edward, located when they were young men in Albany, N. Y., and at the time of the War of 1812 became extensive contractors for government supplies. They were at this time well known in the vicinity of Albany as "Uncle Sam" and "Uncle Ned."

The packages of supplies when sent away to United States government supply depots were marked "U. S.," and people sometimes questioned what those magic letters stood for. They were told that as the packages came from Uncle Sam Wilson, of course they meant "Uncle Sam," and from this little thing the name spread until the government itself was referred to as Uncle Sam.

"The original 'Uncle Sam' house is standing, although a new house has been erected near-by, and everything is to be sold.

Patriotic Forest in Tripoli.

The great desert in the forbidden hinterland of Tripoli, northern Africa, which has been visited by Europeans for fifty years, has now been explored by Mr. Edward Dodson, Muscovite ally had something to do with the cab's disappearance, since such men never lose an opportunity to harass an enemy when the opportunity arises.

Nor did their suspicions arise in vain. Without the least warning the two friends suddenly found themselves set upon by a squad of roughs, such as may be recruited at small expense from the slums of any great city.

When Jones saw the nature of the gang thus brought so rudely to their attention, he scorned to avail himself of the potent weapon of his outer coat.

The vermin were not worth such exalted treatment.

Each of our friends had gone forth with a stout cane, and in the hands of determined men these could be made exceedingly serviceable.

Thus they turned to meet the onslaught with an eagerness that perhaps surprised the footpads, no doubt accustomed to having such victims as they chose to honor with their attention throw up their hands in inglorious surrender.

Victor Hugo's Tune.

As a matter of fact, Victor Hugo has a certain claim to be considered as a composer. When his "Lucrece Borgia" was being rehearsed, the question arose as to who should be asked to set the drinking song to music. Meyerbeer and Berlioz both offered, but the manager would not hear of either of them, says the London Express. He said he did not want music which would distract the attention of the audience from the play, and he told the conductor of the theater band to write the tune for the song. The poor fellow did his best, but he could make nothing of it. In despair he went to Hugo. "This is the sort of thing you want," cried the poet, and began shouting the words of the song to the note of music in his voice, but he banged the rhythm with his first upon the table so that the musician got the swing of the song into a melody, which he ever afterward called Victor Hugo's tune.

Win a man's heart and his judgment is soon convinced.

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RACE ECHOES.

Mr. John Edward Bruce, well known as "Bruce Grit" the race's versatile correspondent, has been given a responsible position in the correspondence division of the surveyor's office, New York, by Gen. J. S. Clarkson. Upon being sworn in the General had introduced Mr. Bruce to Senator Dolliver and Director Roberts of the U. S. Mint. He said of him, after speaking of large abilities, that he would make him a major-general if he could. His conduct was indeed handsome. General Clarkson thinks the world of Bruce, and it is certain that he will have a pleasant service under him.

The Negroes of this country are getting together on one proposition, and that is patronizing Negro enterprises. A minister was overheard lecturing his congregation to trade with Negro merchants, take the sewing to Negro tailors and dressmakers, etc. He said if they do this it will build up the race and by so doing give employment to the boys and girls. This is a subject of great importance to our people and it should be presented to the race from every vally and hilltop.

Final judgment has been rendered by the Court of Appeals at Jefferson City, Mo., whereby Wyatt Ryan, the old Negro body servant of the late Dr. Charles H. Bradford, comes into possession of \$7,333. The claim of Wyatt against the estate of Dr. Bradford has been in the courts for several years. When it was begun it attracted a great deal of attention by reason of the peculiar circumstances surrounding the case. Dr. Bradford was an invalid and for years before his death required the services of a body servant. No regular wages were paid Ryan, who sued, after his employer's death, with the result just mentioned.

Cincinnati, O., July 12.—The Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational society has just closed what is regarded as one of the greatest years in its history. The report of the treasurer made at the annual meeting of the board today shows the largest collections from the annual conferences since 1894, aggregating \$105,182. The debt has been reduced more than \$23,000 during the past year and more than \$50,000 in cash collections on the annuity plan have been received to provide for the debt during the past two years.

The report of Corresponding Secretaries Mason and Thirkield show that schools of the society to be in a flourishing condition, with largely increased attendance and receipts. Five large school buildings have been projected and practically completed during the past year. Instead of having the work of the society in the hands of two committees during the interim of the board meetings, as has been the case heretofore, the work will now be in the hands of an executive committee consisting of thirteen members.

OTTUMWA NEWS.
The death of Mrs. Heller occurred at the home of her sister Mrs. El Williams on Maine street Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Heller had been ill for a number of months, but her death was unexpected. She leaves a baby and three sisters to mourn her loss. Her remains were taken to Missouri for burial Sunday. The sympathy of friends is extended to the bereaved relatives.

Mrs. James Terrell and Thomas Spicer delightfully entertained a number of their friends at a party in honor of Mrs. Harris of Missouri at the home of Miss Bernice Davis. The evening was spent in game and music and a sumptuous supper served.

A pleasant surprise was planned and successfully carried out by a number of Charles Williams' friends in honor of his eighteenth anniversary. Light refreshments were served and all present reported a delightful time.

The members of the A. M. E. church will celebrate the thirty-fourth anniversary of their church Sunday. Services will be held four times during the day.

On Monday night Mr. James Hamilton Jubilee Club will give a concert in the auditorium of the church. The last feature of the programme will be the watch contest between Misses Edna Martin and Florence Downey.

Mrs. M. I. Gordon is suffering from a severe summer cold at this writing.

Chas. Davis of Hilton is spending a few days in the city.

Mrs. Helen Downey and children left Monday for Moberly, Mo., for a visit with her grand-mother Mrs. Cox's.

The high water here has caused many roads to be made a more extended way to the north side.

KEOKUK NOTES.
There was a large delegation in attendance at the Fifteenth Annual Session of the Grand Lodge which convened in Union Lodge Hall Tuesday June 8th. The following cities were represented: Des Moines, Marshalltown, Okauchee, Ottumwa, Cedar Rapids, Clinton, Omaha, Waterloo, Buxton, Burlington and Davenport. Tuesday afternoon Union Lodge entertained the delegates at Rand Park. Wednesday evening memorial services were held in the A. M. E. church, several short but eloquent addresses were delivered.

Thursday afternoon there was a large street parade headed by the Fifteenth Regiment Band and in the evening a public installation was held, after which dancing was indulged in.

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ALBIA NOTES.
U. S. Jones was a Masonic delegate to Keokuk this week.
Temp Rhodes of Buxton was in town Monday.
Mrs. Jefferson of Des Moines is visiting here with her daughter Mrs. U. S. Jones.
Mrs. Susie Snoddy was the daughter of a labor delegate to Buxton this week.
Mr. Jeffers of Harvey was in Albia this week.
Thursday a number of Albians went over to Buxton to see the daughter of a laborer.
The Stewardess gave a social at the Masonic Hall Saturday night.
A few strangers in town this week.
Chas. Davis, H. Davenport and H. Brunner were in Hilton Sunday.

NEWS FROM BUXTON.
The Knights and Daughters of Freedom have just closed their sixth Grand Session. The session opened last Tuesday the 8th, with delegates from Des Moines, Albia, Burlington, Ft. Madison, Evans, Okauchee, Muchsknock, Mt. Pleasant and Keokuk.
The session was opened by Mrs. Lizzie Riggs of Buxton, Grand Procepreess.
The first day was spent in receiving delegates, appointing committees, reading minutes of last grand session and other business pertaining to the opening of the session.
The second day was spent in reading reports etc. In the evening the annual sermon was preached by Rev. R. H. Williamson.
The third day more reports from committees, in the afternoon a memorial was held in honor of Rev. Moses Dickerson, the founder of the order who died last November.
The Grand Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: W. W. Jones, D. G. M. Buxton; Mrs. Margaret Drw, D. G. P. Burlington; Mrs. Susie Snoddy C. G. R. Albia.
This was a very important and profitable session, the order showed many marked improvement since its last session.
The grand session closed with a public installation at St. John's A. M. E. church. The next grand session will probably be in Albia or Burlington.

CLINTON ITEMS.
Rev. and Jas. Robinson of Lyons are entertaining their sons Albert and James of Chicago.
Frank Cooper is reposted as still being quite feeble.
Rev. W. A. Searey has returned from Keokuk where he attended a session of the Grand Lodge of Masons last week.
John Thompson an employee of the C. and N. W. railway is taking a lay off from his duties at his home in this city on account of an injury received a few days ago to one of his hands. He hopes to resume his run soon.
Mrs. Wm. Giles has returned from Chicago, after an extended visit with friends.
Carrie Nation of saloon smashing fame will speak at Joyce Park Sunday afternoon. It is expected she will be greeted by a large crowd.
The fire department was called to the building occupied by J. N. Hancock, as a restaurant and confectionery Monday noon, where a fire had been discovered in the cellar started from a gas jet. The blaze was extinguished by the aid of chemicals before much damage was done.
Mrs. A. W. Ellington of Chicago and sister are the guests of friends in this city.
About a week ago Mrs. Moreland residing on Oak street was taken ill so severely it was discovered that the malady with which she was affected was smallpox, the five persons who constitute the household are consequently quarantined, the case is said to be a mild one.

DAVENPORT.
Mrs. A. Richardson entertained a number of young ladies last Wednesday in honor of Miss Blanche Woods. After refreshments were served, dancing was indulged in until a late hour.
The trolley party given last Friday proved a success.
Mr. Humphrey and son Louis are home for few weeks vacation.
Viola Allen is recovering from a very serious attack of illness.
John T. Mabry left Monday for Fort Madison where he goes as district Grand Secretary to the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, accompanying secretary Miss M. as delegate from this city will be J. M. Thomas to the Grand Lodge and Mrs. W. D. Parker and Mrs. Francis Baker to the District Grand Household of Both.

SAYLOR ITEMS.
Sunday was rally day at Mt. Zion Baptist church. Rev. Walker preached in the morning. Rev. Griffith of Corinthian Baptist Church at 3:30 P. M. and Rev. Nickerson preached at 7:30 P. M. The sermons were highly appreciated. The committee on collection were Messrs. Bairfield, Webster, Baker, Holland and Jones, so far Mrs. Bairfield is in the lead. The rally will be continued until the fourth Sunday of this month.
Those on the sick list are Mrs. Ethel Bairfield, Miss Ada Holland and Mr. C. C. Rice.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smith a fine girl last Friday.
Miss Rosa Haber has returned home from an extended visit in Fraser.
Miss Malinda Lewis of Fraser is visiting friends in Saylor.

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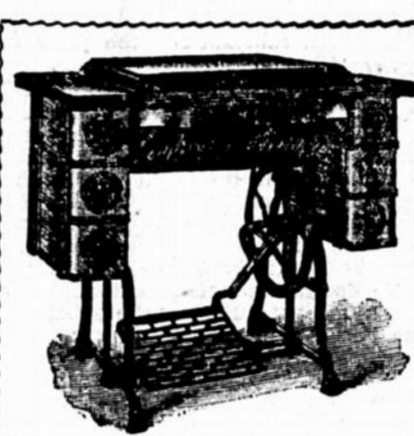
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