

# IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

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## CITY NEWS.

Wm. Whitefield is on the sick list this week.

Miss Olive Harris of Keokuk is in the city visiting.

Mrs. Strawthers who has been very sick is better.

Arthur Henderson has returned to his home in Ottumwa.

Claude Lewis is very ill at his home on Park street.

W. L. Tomlin is quite sick this week, unable to be out.

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

Born to Mr. Mrs. Claude Harris a baby girl.

Alex. Jones went to St. Louis last Friday on the excursion, he returned Monday.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Minnie Early and Mr. Lucian Brown Nov. 5th.

Mrs. Wm. Fletcher returned home Thursday after a very pleasant visit of several weeks in Minneapolis.

A birthday party was given for Miss Marie Mash Tuesday evening at the home of her sister Mrs. Hodges. Ping pong was the feature of the evening.

Mrs. H. S. Graves, Rev. Graves wife, left Monday evening to visit her old home and relatives in Chicago. She accompanied Mrs. Rev. Murphy.

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.

Mr. D. Patterson who is employed at McQuaid's new grocery store, has been promoted to receiving clerk. Success to you Mr. Patterson.

The first real foot ball game this season will be played at the athletic grounds, rear of the Auditorium next Saturday. Drake vs Grinnell.

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F. MARTIN Proprietor.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stanton accompanied by their little daughter, Margaret visited their son Mr. G. F. Stanton in St. Louis the latter part of last week. The many friends of Mr. Stanton will be glad to learn that he is well and doing well.

IMPORTANT CHANGES ON CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE, & ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

On and after Monday Sept. 29 trains No. 33 and No. 34 on the Des Moines Division abandoned between Rockwell City and Spirit Lake.

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Remember that we print invitations of all kinds, before placing your order for printing give us a call.

Remember the Blind Boone Concert company at the University Christian Church to-morrow Saturday.

Mrs. P. Woodson spending the latter part of last week in Mexico, Mo., visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Brooks and Mrs. Mimms left Monday night for Minneapolis where they expect to make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will entertain a few friends at their home this evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McCraven at 808 Oak street.

Mrs. W. H. Birney left last Wednesday for Chicago where she will spend a week visiting with her brother Frank Hughes and other relatives.

Mrs. Thomas McDaniel who has been quite sick at her home on Six Avenue is still confined to her rooms, her many friends are hopeful of her complete recovery.

Miss Nell White formerly of this city but now of Chicago is visiting her sister Mrs. S. D. Miller of Park street and other relatives.

Mr. Edward W. Thompson, one of our rising young men who is employed at Chamberlain's Patent Medicine Co., had his vacation last week and spent the week in Chicago. There must be some special attraction in the city by the lake, as he makes an annual pilgrimage there.

Mrs. Wilson Hughes has returned from Elwood, Kan., where she was called to the bedside of her aged mother who is over one hundred years old; her sickness proved to be only a severe cold and rheumatism, she is quite active for a woman of her age and as a rule she enjoys good health.

## LOW RATES TO BOSTON, MASS.

Oct. 6th to 10th, inclusive, the C. M. & St. P. will sell round trip tickets to Boston, Mass., at one fare for the round trip. Tickets may be extended returning until Nov. 15th.

For all information call at 410 W. Walnut street.

Little Annie Reeves of Okaloosa arrived in the city Tuesday and will spend the winter with her sister Mrs. Harry Craven on West 5th street. She will attend school while in the city.

Mr. Wm. Coalsion will leave Saturday for Chicago where he will spend Sunday with Mrs. Coalsion who is visiting at the home of her brother Frank Hughes.

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

BILLY WILLIAMS, Prop.

About 250 candidates took the examination for fire and police appointments under the new law. Among that number the following were colored: Wm. P. Lewis, Ira Miller, Ed. McAfee, W. L. Riley and Geo. Taylor. For the fire department, Henry Taylor.

## ODD FELLOWS' BALL A SUCCESS.

The Odd Fellows' ball which we announced to be given last week was largely attended and a very enjoyable time was had by all present. The large ball presented a beautiful appearance. The music was good and the committee on arrangement made it pleasant for all. Too much credit cannot be given Mr. Wm. Fraizer for his hard work to make it a success. He was the right man in the right place. The Odd Fellows have taken new life and feel much encouraged.

The Rev. Mrs. Murphy formerly of the Canadian Conference but now of the Iowa Conference spent several days in the city, preaching three very interesting sermons last Sunday at the A. M. E. church to a large and appreciative audience. Mrs. Rev. Murphy is an evangelist with much ability and comes highly recommended. She has a rich alto voice which makes her a beautiful singer. She was suddenly called to Sweet Springs, Ohio to the bedside of a very sick mother, she had planned with the pastor to hold a series of meetings while in the city.

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The Beneficent Club will meet with Mrs. C. W. Henry, 1332 Des Moines street, Oct. 8. Members are requested to be present; business of importance.

The Bell Brothers have re-opened up a new coal and feed store on the corner of Center and Oak streets. They are a nice young business men and solicit your trade.

The dedicatory services of the new Masonic hall on Tenth and Center streets is set for the evening of Oct. 12. They have refurbished and renovated the hall, and it is without a doubt the finest Masonic hall in the West. The committee extends a cordial invitation to the friends of the members and only regret that they will not be able to accommodate all who desire to attend. Sir Knight Searcy will deliver the dedication sermon. The members will appear in their regalia.

## REV. GRAVES RETURNED.

As announced in our last week's issue the good Bishop Grant sent Rev. Horace S. Graves back to Des Moines for another year, for which our city ought to feel proud; for the reverend and his able and willing working wife are good people, and the public should rally to their support. As Des Moines has the honor of entertaining the conference here next fall all should inspire us to do our full duty.

## BLIND BOONE IS HERE.

Blind Boone the famous pianist will be in our city the latter part of this week and first part of next week. On Saturday night they will give their first musical concert at the University Place Christian Church prices 35 and 25 cents, every one should come early to secure good seats. Mr. Boone is supported by his old company Mr. John Lange manager, Mrs. E. L. Boone Treasurer, Miss Stella May vocalist, Miss Josephine Huggard, accompanist and Mrs. Lange Secretary. They will play Monday night at the Central Christian church on 9th and Pleasant streets and Tuesday evening at the Highland Park Christian Church.

There occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCraven on 10th, street Thursday evening the marriage of their son Eugene McCraven to Miss Pearl Letavage who has been making her home with her sister Mrs. Wilson of Oak street. The families and relatives were present at the marriage. The bride was dressed in white silk moire with applique trimming and carried a bunch of white carnation. The groom wore a suit of black clay worsted. The bridesmaid her sister Miss Nellie wore pink dimity, Paul Pain the best man wore black clay worsted, Little Bessie Giles acted as flower girl and carried a basket of white carnations. Refreshments were served. The Bystander and their host of friends which them long and happy married life.

Miss Francis Walker, a graduate of the East Des Moines High School, also one of the leading business colleges of this city, has been tendered and has accepted a position in the Rowman Business College as teacher of Latin and Short hand. Miss Walker is one of the leading society young ladies of this city, and has a host of friends who will be delighted to hear of her success. This is another instance where ability and education wipes out prejudice and should be encouragement to all young people to secure a thorough education.

Miss Walker is the only colored lady teaching in the city. She has proven herself thoroughly competent to fill this position.

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## MT. ZION BAPTIST—SAYLOR.

Services will be conducted by the pastor on Sunday. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. Theme: "What Christ did for us" Communion services at 3:00 P. M. Preaching at 7:30 P. M. Theme "What We Ought to do".

W. T. NICKERSON, Pastor.

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## LOW RATES TO WASHINGTON D. C.

Oct. 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th the C. M. & St. P. will sell round trip tickets to Washington, D. C. for \$2.30; tickets may be extended until Nov. 3d returning. Special sleeper will leave via this line and Pennsylvania line Oct. 2d for Washington. Splendid opportunity to visit the National Capitol, and the east. For all information, tickets, etc., call at city ticket office 410 Walnut street.

Wednesday evening October 1st, occurred the marriage of Miss Maple Morton and Mr. Christopher Phelps. The bride one of Des Moines favorite young ladies was dressed in a pretty shade of gray foliage cloth with very elaborate trimmings and carried bridal roses. The groom a very bright young man is employed at Geo. A. Miller's office. The bridesmaid a sister Miss Alice was dressed in white mull over blue silk and carried a shower bouquet of roses. Mr. Lowell Douglass acted as best man. The ring ceremony was performed by the father of the groom Rev. Phelps. A three course lunch was served by Messrs Carr and Graves. The Bystander with their many friends wish them a long and happy life. They received many valuable and useful presents.

## COLOR LINE IN ODD FELLOWS.

While in session in our city they seek to make sure no colored persons be admitted. On last week just before the Sovereign Grand lodge I. O. O. F. adjourned its annual session repealed that amendment to the constitution of the order admitting to membership persons of mixed white and Indian blood. The vote was 146 to 36 in favor of revoking the power conferred on Grand lodges by a constitutional amendment adopted in 1901 to admit persons of mixed blood. The grand representatives from Indian Territory pleaded with the Sovereign Grand lodge not to take this action, but vainly. The new law does not effect those of mixed blood who already are members of the order.

## EDITORIALS.

The turning of the silver Democrats to gold Democrats leaves Bryan and "Pitchfork" Tillman almost alone.

The Iowa Democrats marched up the hill and then marched down again. Where is the saving power of their 16 to 1?

Horace Boise has become the Moses of his party. He advises them to forsake all that they once believed in, that they might catch a few votes. Such is the principles of Democratic leaders.

J. P. Reese, the Democratic candidate for Congress, down in the Sixth District, was nominated because it was thought he would be able to catch the miners vote. No republican miner will vote for a free silverite and a socialist. The voters of this country have said in every election since 1896 that they would except free silver. The voters in the Sixth will have to meet and defeat the same issue this fall. Iowa should never be represented in Congress by a free silverite.

The second operation on the president's leg convinced the public that it was more serious than first reported.

Horace Boise will try to get into Congress by making affidavits of his honesty. Was he sincere in support of the Kansas City platform—he doubtless thinks a few affidavits will straighten things.

It does not often happen that a man goes as far back and sit down, as did Col. Henderson without being requested.

## A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR HERE.

Dr. H. T. Johnson of Philadelphia, Pa., was here last week, enroute from the Iowa A. M. E. annual conference to the Missouri conference in Moberly. The doctor is one of the great scholars of our race. He is editor of the Christian Recorder, the oldest colored journal in the world. He was the guest of Rev. H. S. Graves. He preached at the A. M. E. church Monday evening to a good sized house. It was a plain, good practical sermon, filled with good thoughts, plain facts and truths. We wished that more did not come out; of course the threatening weather prevented many from coming. Mrs. Catherine D. Tillman, a poetess, recited one of her poems to the delight of all. Dr. Johnson was much impressed with our city and especially the Bystander office, which he thought was a nice office and a good plant.

## BYRD MOORE...

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Palmet Retires a Millionaire. Count Hamong, better known in the United States as Chelro, the palmet, has retired from the business a millionaire, writes a Paris correspondent. The only known man to make a million telling fortunes has bought a chateau in the champagne country, where he has gone to cultivating vines.

of these outlaws, he will see that they are not punished, and he will put strong arms of the Illinois military there and they shall remain until the lives and safety of the people is again established and peace reigns.

We are glad Governor Yates sees his duty and has the moral courage to enforce the law of his state.

Mother Jones, whom the democratic party has engaged in the Sixth district to make campaign speeches and win voters to their party, is certainly doing more harm than good. The time has past when any one can work upon the prejudice of the thinking people of this country and not upon facts. Among some of the statements she makes is, if we were in power we would control the mines, the railroads, the telephones, and the telegraph and the working people would only have to work four hours a day and receive \$10.00 per day.

Such talk as this is only to create dissension, and is not a solution to any problem that is confronting the american people to day. The time has long since passed when anyone can prejudice the people against any party without showing facts and reasons. It is not reasonable, or will any fair minded person accept the theory that an ordinary man can earn and will receive \$10.00 per day for four hours work.

A WORD TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

For the past three months we have been calling, soliciting, urging and even pointing at our subscribers that are away back in their dues to the Bystander to pay up. In some places and cities we have received their remittance, but others have paid nothing and will not answer. We even mailed a card in which they could pay up their dues in the small amount of only 50c, and yet no respond. What do you mean? Do you mean to be dishonest and not pay your debts? Or do you mean to beat us? This means all of those who have received notices and have not answered them. In our city, Des Moines we have just put our collector out and the same old story, "call again," "Oh I don't know when I can pay" or "I will call at the office sometime." Why can't you be as honest with the Bystander bill as you are with any other bills. Why not pay us as us as you do white newspapers.

ALBIA NOTES.

The Masses gave a social at their hall Saturday evening.

Miss Eliza Brown and her friend from Clarinda are visiting Mrs. T. Parker for a short time.

Rev. Ed G. Jackson has been here the past week straightening up his business before leaving for his new appointment. A number of strangers from surrounding places were in town Saturday.

Rev. Ferris, our newly appointed minister held his first services here Sunday.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Edward Moreland, at one time a resident of this city, but for the past two years has made his home in Davenport, visited in Clinton last week.

Rev. W. A. Seary has been re-appointed pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church of this city for the ensuing year.

Rev. P. C. Cooper of Springfield, Ill., is in the city, his week in attendance at the funeral of his brother, the late Frank Cooper.

MARRIED—Miss Mary Moreland and Holland William, well known residents of this city, were married at the home of the latter Saturday evening. They will continue to reside in Clinton.

Messrs. B. F. Cooper of Buxton and Jas. W. Cooper of Morrison spent the past week in this city, called here on the account of the death of their father, Frank Cooper.

DIED—At his home, 322 Eleventh Ave., at 7:05 o'clock Sunday evening, occurred the death of Frank Cooper. The deceased had been ill for several month past with heart trouble, caused by a paralytic stroke, which he suffered several months ago. Frank Cooper was born February 15, 1833, in Frankfort, Ky. Age at time of death 69 years, 7 months and 13 days. He was united in marriage in 1853 to Miss Elizabeth Brown, of Palmyra, Mo., and to them eight children were born, four boys and four girls—Jas. William Cooper of Morrison, Ill.; B. F. Cooper, of Buxton, Ia.; Chas. E. Cooper of Cleveland, Ohio and Lewis Cooper of Virginia. Anna B. Cooper at home is the only daughter living. He is survived by his wife and two brothers, Rev. P. C. Cooper, Presiding Elder of the A. M. E. conference in Illinois, and Chas. Cooper in La Grange Mo. He was a faithful member of Bethel A. M. E. church and had served in an official capacity for a number of years.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

Miss Myra McCracken is in Keokuk this week, the guest at the Kellias' home.

Mr. David Fidler is visiting the street fair at Keokuk.

Clay Reed was a Burlington visitor this week.

Mr. C. S. McCracken went to Keokuk Thursday.

Mr. O. Folks of Burlington was in the city Sunday.

Miss Louisa Mason returned to Evansston, Ill. this week.

Miss Myra Carter has gone to Ottumwa to spend a few days.

Miss Carrie McCracken was on the sick list last week.

Word has been received in the city that Wm. Rice has been seriously hurt in a wreck out west. Mr. Rice is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith.

The I. K. S. club will meet with Miss Marie Nunley the next time.

Beatrice Anderson is on the sick list this week.

## MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Rev. J. D. Chavis D. D. President of Bennett College Greensboro, N. C. gave an excellent lecture before a large audience at the M. E. church last Saturday evening which was highly enjoyed.

Rev. Munro of Philadelphia preached an able sermon at the M. E. church Wednesday evening.

Geo. Young of Des Moines was in the city Saturday on business.

Mrs. I. L. Brown and baby Ruth left for Cedar Rapids Monday for a few weeks visit with relatives.

Rev. Nickerson preached to large congregation Sunday.

## DE. CHAVIS IN IOWA.

Rev. J. D. Chavis, D. D. President of Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C. is traveling to visit the various conferences in the North west in the interest of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society of the M. E. church. Addresses are received with much enthusiasm and are called very instructive to the vast audience. Born and reared in the South and educated in the schools of the society he now represents of which he was a student for eight years in the college of which he is a president. He is a classical graduate from Clark University and from Theology at Gamman Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., and about 35 years old. Bennett College is among the best small colleges of the Freedmen's Aid Schools having about 300 students.

## VERY LOW RATES TO CALIFORNIA.

Beginning October 1 next, the Iowa Central Railway will inaugurate a through Pullman tourist car for its low rate colonist excursions to California every Wednesday. Fare only \$30.85 from Mason City and Marshalltown, proportionately low rates from other places. Berth in this new and comfortable through sleeping car costs only \$6.00 from Mason City and \$5.50 from Marshalltown. Through to California in less than four days. The low rate is effective during September and October. For information as to the ticket rates and berth reservations, apply to nearest Iowa Central Ticket Agent or address,

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## SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The city in the past week has been visited by a large number of Yanktonians taking in the Carnival.

Misses Lamb of S. D. came down last week to visit Mrs. Newton Williams and sight seeing.

Miss Rheta Dodd of St. Paul, Minn. returned home last week.

Mrs. Joseph Baker was conveyed to the St. Joseph hospital Tuesday in a critical condition.

Miss Salome Smith of Yankton, S. D. is the guest of Mrs. Chas. Baker.

Miss Lettie Mitchell is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Crawford.

Mrs. W. H. Speese wife of Rev. W. H. Speese former pastor of the A. M. E. church has been seriously ill but is some better.

The ladies met at Mrs. Harry Darr's residence last week to organize an Art Club, we hope it will be a success.

Mr. Childs of Canton is in the city. Subscribers who not pay up your subscription a few more months and another year will face you.

Miss Victoria Williams left for her home at Topeka Kansas last week.

## T-phoid Killing British Soldiers.

During the first three months of this year there were, among the British troops in South Africa, 6,253 cases of typhoid fever, 1,060 of which proved fatal.

## OTTUMWA NEWS.

Rev. R. Clemens and Rev. and Mrs. Peterson were visitors here the past week.

Wallace Jones of Kirville, Mo., has come back to try life in the city again.

Mrs. Gooch is suffering with a badly crushed finger.

Rev. M. I. Gordon is beginning the work of this conference year very diligently. The members with the help and good judgment of their pastor are plating the upper story of the church.

Arthur Henderson of Des Moines is an Ottumwa visitor this week.

A number of our people enjoyed the excursion to St. Louis last Friday night. Mrs. Coats left Monday for a short visit with her mother in Auxvasse, Mo.



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CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued)

Merrick would have been lost in  
amazement could he have seen his  
old and simple friend, Jones, great-  
hearted Jones, who broke the bank at  
Monte Carlo because of the deep de-  
votion he felt toward the world-  
wide sin of gambling, which he hoped  
to stop through radical homeopathic  
treatment—Jones, who had appeared  
so utterly guileless and honest with  
Merrick, gave evidence of having  
some secret affiliation with the  
French government.

Stranger things than this have hap-  
pened, and Yankee detectives have  
ere now won fortune in foreign parts.  
The men who kept near Jones  
seemed both ready and willing to  
obey his slightest wish, whether it  
meant to watch over the booty he  
had forced the swollen bank to dis-  
gorge at the call of his grand system,  
or to guard the president of the re-  
public from evil designs—these men  
were like himself, members of the  
Paris secret police, accustomed to  
peril in all its guises, and only ach-  
ing for a chance to strike the con-  
spiracy a knockout blow between the  
eyes.

Matters were not so bad, then,  
after all.

If the royalists could gather quite  
a force in the endeavor to carry out  
their plans, the president was not  
wholly unprotected while he had  
these brave men to call upon.

Jones was curiously affected while  
in the presence of the other.

He could not account for his feel-  
ings at the time, but as opportunity  
arose he cast many a side glance at  
the president.

The fact of the matter was that  
the first gentleman of France seemed  
to have such a happy faculty for dis-  
guising not only his face, but his  
voice as well, that Jones was puzzled  
to account for his identity.

Why, an actor could hardly have  
done better.

Really, the distinguished gentle-  
man who shone so brightly in the pe-  
culiar sphere where fortune had  
placed him might have also made  
a name in the annals of the stage,  
if his present effort were any crite-  
rion to his ability.

Little guessed the majority of those  
good people who sauntered about the  
gardens, chatting of the remarkable  
scene so recently witnessed, and the  
uncertain future of Monte Carlo, that  
in their very midst stalked the ele-  
ments of a sensation far more tragic  
than a mere run upon the bank, or  
any scene connected with that mem-  
orable event.

It is often so in real life.

Perhaps when Merrick learned the  
aows, if he ever did, he would com-  
prehend certain things in connection  
with the run upon the heathen bank,  
and suspicions might well arise re-  
garding the philanthropic motives  
influencing Jones.

But the time for dreaming and re-  
flection was gone, while the hour for  
action had swung into line—Jones  
gave the president the benefit of his  
experience in such matters, and just  
as the two gentlemen who acted as  
a special body guard came up again,  
eyeing him suspiciously the while,  
our good friend saw the curtain ring  
up on the last act of the strange  
drama.

CHAPTER XIV.

Count Leon Sees a Great Light.

Strange sounds, issuing from a ket-  
tle just before it commences to boil,  
give warning that the conjuring of the  
evil spirit within has begun.

So in the case of the Monte Carlo  
conspiracy, as the fated moment drew  
near when the plot of the eager royal-  
ists approached the crisis, there was  
an uneasy movement that could be de-  
tected in certain circles, as though  
those who were connected with the  
grand game experienced a nervous  
electricity that always appears when  
the fate of a tremendous project is in  
suspense.

Count Leon was like a grand mar-  
shal.

It was the crisis of his life.

Should success follow his master-  
stroke, he could count upon great hon-  
ors under the new emperor of the  
French.

What dream could be more exten-  
sive than this, covering as it did  
wealth, honor and love?

No doubt some men would have be-  
come "rattled" because of the multi-  
plicity of the duties thrust upon them.  
Not so Villebois.

His long life in African wilds,  
where dangers in the most astonishing  
and unexpected guise waylaid him at  
every turn, had eminently fitted this  
man for just such a situation.

If he failed it would be through no  
fault of his, but because forces of  
which he was in utter ignorance had  
entered the field.

Such as Jones, for instance.

How should the fiery Gaul imagine  
that this wonderful man, who carried  
the future of Monte Carlo in the hol-  
low of his hand, and had already twice  
broken the famous bank—how should  
he dream that this Jones was any-  
thing but what he represented himself  
to be, a shrewd Yankee tourist in  
great luck.

Count Leon believed he had the  
magazine in condition for exploding,  
the train well laid, and that the slow  
match had already been ignited.

The very boldness of his stroke  
would paralyze all fair France. When  
the news reached Paris that the pres-  
ident had been kidnapped and that a  
Wuke of Orleans was already over the  
border at the head of an army, the old  
royalist spirit that had been slumber-  
ing so long would burst from its con-  
finement, and the whole country rise  
up to welcome its king.

It happened before—it will some  
day come again, though not without  
civil war.

Glancing around the scene of action  
the count saw that all seemed well.

His men were within easy call, and  
near by the figure of President Car-  
not could be distinctly seen as he chat-  
ted with the two gentlemanly aides  
who were to serve as his body guard.

Constance was leaning over a wall,  
with the mystical view of the harbor  
before her, and some one close by,  
speaking in soft, lover-like tones.

The count's teeth made an ugly  
sound as he recognized Merrick—this  
man was forever crossing his path,  
and had done so since first they met  
in the Transvaal.

Well knowing what he did, Villebois  
could well afford to laugh in a cynical  
fashion.

He knew, being a reader of human  
nature, just how matters stood, and  
that the girl loved Mark; but to a man  
of his calculating nature this did not  
stand out as a terrifying obstacle to  
the ultimate success of his suit.

According to his way of thinking as  
a Frenchman, there were more ways  
than one to win a capricious woman's  
consent to marriage.

Merrick may have apparently won  
the second heat, but there was another  
to decide the race—and Merrick was  
a doomed man, since he carried a  
secret upon his person that the count  
had sworn to possess.

Let the lovers, therefore, bill and  
coo while the opportunity remained—  
let them feast their eyes upon the  
beautiful and quaint harbor where the  
gleaming lights told of the numer-  
ous yachts at anchor—little they  
dreamed, poor fools, deep in the in-  
toxication of their fluttering love, that  
this night, ay, this very hour, per-  
haps, would see them prisoners on  
board the steam yacht that bore away  
the unhappy president of France, and  
that ere the cruise ended the one  
would be a bride, the other a slave of  
some desert tribe.

When it comes right down to  
schemes that are dark and dramatic  
the modern playwright need only con-  
sult the files of Parisian papers for  
tragedies that have actually occurred  
upon the sacred soil of France, where  
truth is always stranger than the wild-  
est dream of fiction. Other nations  
are not in the same class when a com-  
parison is made.

So that this anticipated coup, where-  
by such mighty things were to be ac-  
complished, was, after all, a very nat-  
ural development, according to the  
light a Frenchman had.

At a signal from the count the grand  
climax would be reached.

Why did he hesitate?

There was an exhilaration in the  
very thought that such power rested  
in his hands—he experienced the keen-  
est of satisfaction in feeling that a  
peculiar combination of circum-  
stances, leading up to this dramatic  
crisis, had for the moment made him  
the arbiter of a nation's destiny.

Really, this thought was enough to  
puff an ordinary man up with more or  
less vanity, and Count Leon might be  
excused for delaying that signal in  
order to enjoy his triumph the more.

While Villebois stood there, gnaw-  
ing his military mustache in a fierce  
way, as he watched Merrick making  
love to Little Miss Millions, some one  
glided up to his side and purred in  
his ear.

Turning, he was met by a low, sil-  
very laugh.

It was the witch of Monte Carlo,  
the captivating gigavitch, who tapped  
his arm with her fan and betrayed  
merriment at sight of the ugly roun-  
d marking his brow.

"Ah, mon ami, why knit your brows  
because these turtle doves coo? You  
and I are old campaigners in the  
courts of love, and we know how  
fragile are these vows when circum-  
stances go the wrong way. Before a  
fortnight she will be your bride, and  
perhaps monsieur will deign yield to  
my humble powers of fascination, if  
all goes well."

She uttered this last sentence in  
such a peculiar tone that the count  
shrugged his shoulders.

"You are always like Doubting  
Thomas, princess, skeptical, until the  
end has been accomplished. Even  
now, when the birds are in the trap  
and my finger is upon the key that  
will explode the mine, you breathe in  
my ear the word 'perhaps.'"

"And you are so sanguine—things  
have gone as you wished in the de-  
sert; at least your determination has  
been able to whip them into line, so  
that you believe yourself next to in-  
vulnerable, forgetting that in France  
there are underground forces that  
overturn the best-laid plans—forces of  
which you never hear in the African  
wilderness."

He looked her in the eye, conscious  
that she was not speaking simply  
through the superstition that usually  
marks her class.

Count Leon would have scorned to  
take advice from any ordinary woman,  
but the princess could not be placed  
in that category. Although he had  
not been one of her victims, still he  
admired her astonishing qualities, and  
did not deem it beneath him to dis-  
cover what was on her mind.

Men have ere now rejoiced to take  
advantage of bright thoughts con-  
ceived in the brain of the gentler  
sex, and which would never have ap-  
peared to their own superior under-  
standing.

"We are not in France, mamselle,"  
he said, slowly.

"Nevertheless the same conditions  
prevail, and you will admit the best  
part of the republic is here," indicat-  
ing with a nod the figure of the pres-  
ident.

"You have been studying the situa-  
tion, princess—I know it when you  
speak of mysterious underground cur-  
rents, for it is not like you to give a  
needless alarm. It is well that you  
have decided to tell me your impres-  
sion before I press the key that brings  
about the revolution. Once that has  
opened and I defy mortal man to close  
it. Now, in the name of our sacred  
cause, I adjure you to speak and tell  
me all."

"Because you represent our royal  
master I consent, for anything that  
endangers the success of our cause  
must put his future in peril. Yes, I  
have been keenly observing, and have  
made a discovery that gives me un-  
casiness."

"A discovery—something that may  
threaten the success of our cause—

excuse me, princess, but, knowing how  
complete our arrangements have been,  
I cannot see how defeat could come  
from any quarter. We are prepared,  
if necessary, to bid defiance to the  
whole standing army of Monaco, if  
they attempt to thwart our game."

She smiled contemptuously.

Evidently this amazing declaration  
on his part did not count for a great  
deal in her estimation.

"You might do that alone without  
much danger, mon ami. But it was  
not from this grand army of Monaco's  
prince that I feared trouble."

"Ah! go on," he said, eagerly, an-  
xious to know what astonishing thing  
she had learned, and for the first  
time feeling a peculiar creeping sensa-  
tion akin to alarm pass over his  
frame.

"There are strangers here."

"Many of them."

"To me they are not all unfam-  
ilar."

"Princess, it does not surprise me,  
since you know almost every one of  
consequence."

She made a grimace, together with  
a gesture that Bernhardt might have  
envied; it represented what she  
meant it for so exceedingly well.

"Some I chance to know who are  
undesirable acquaintances for a lady  
diplomat."

"For instance—"

"Well, one of these men who so sol-  
emnly walked off this evening with  
Monsieur Jones' winnings at the game  
I believe was the police inspector of  
the place who placed me in charge of the  
colony, and gave me to understand  
I was at present an exile from the  
capital."

The count's eyebrows went up ex-  
pressively as he caught the full im-  
portance of this intelligence.

"Mon Dieu! that is not an acci-  
dent," he muttered.

She saw he was uneasy already—  
the strain upon his mind was tremen-  
dous, and one more straw might  
prove too much even for his superb  
nerve.

"I was so surprised at such a sight  
I looked with deeper interest at his  
companions, and, while I cannot ex-  
actly place them, I feel certain every  
man of the quartet belongs to the se-  
cret service of France."

The count did not look quite so  
puffed up as he had a few minutes  
before, when he believed as certain  
as he lived that the whole future of  
the republic lay in the hollow of his  
hand.

To conspirators against the govern-  
ment the name of the secret police  
must ever be a menace, since they  
worked in the dark, and no man knew  
what the outcome would be until it  
was flashed before him and a hand  
upon his shoulder signified arrest.

(To be continued.)

CARP IS A NUISANCE.

This Imported Fish Has Vexed With  
Our Native Varieties.

Another influence that seems to  
have a very material effect upon the  
bass fishing in Lake Erie is that of  
the German carp. It is very generally  
believed among sportsmen and fisher-  
men alike that the carp is to our na-  
tive fish as the English sparrow to  
our birds. No one accuses the carp of  
having sufficient enterprise to eat  
other fish—even small fry—but it  
is believed to devour eggs by the mil-  
lion.

I have heard this complaint about  
Lake Erie, at the St. Clair flats and  
along the bays of Wisconsin, showing  
that everywhere in the lake region  
the carp is held in the same disrepute.  
How much truth there is in the  
stories of his spawn eating would be  
hard to say, but it is certain that carp  
are to be found by thousands all  
about the great lakes. Some of them  
are monsters in size and all root  
about the banks of bay and bayou and  
the bottom of every shallow place.

Many small lakes have been en-  
tered, says a writer in *Outing*, and  
their waters turned from crystal to  
mud color by the rooting. There is  
no doubt that they disturb spawn  
beds and do an immense amount of  
harm, whether they are egg-eaters or  
not.

Forests and Rainfall.

An example of the persistence of  
error is the idea that the presence or  
absence of forest has an influence on  
the amount of rainfall. Some keen  
observer long ago detected the fact  
that forested regions enjoyed a  
heavier rainfall than those not for-  
ested and jumped to the conclusion  
that rainfall was produced by forests,  
and that the removal of forests di-  
minished the rainfall. Looking over  
the earth he found many treeless de-  
sert regions and forthwith instanced  
them as frightful examples of men's  
wastefulness. Syria, northern Africa,  
parts of Italy are often quoted as  
illustrations of man's destruction of  
climate, in reply man can certainly  
plead not guilty. The geography of  
this Mediterranean region, the con-  
figuration of land and water and the  
direction of the prevailing winds are  
such as to give it a light rainfall—  
forests or no forests. The situation  
is really this: Want of rain prevents  
the growth of trees; want of trees  
does not prevent rain.

"Miss Mary, Quite Contrary."

The peasantry in the south of Rus-  
sia have an amusing story, the moral  
of which ought to appeal to the hus-  
band whose wife once said: "There  
is only one thing on which my hus-  
band and I agree. He wishes to have  
his own way, and so do I." According  
to the Russian story, the cantanker-  
ous wife of a long-suffering moujik  
fell into a rapid rolling river and was  
swept away. On hearing of his loss,  
the agitated husband set off to search  
for the body of his wife, but was ap-  
parently so deranged by the calamity  
that he started to go up the stream  
instead of down. Some of his neigh-  
bors had formed a search party to  
help him, and they tried to persuade  
him that the body had been carried  
the opposite direction he wished to  
go. "No, no, no," he said, "Marie was  
always so contrary when she was  
alive, she must have floated up the  
river."

It is the rankest kind of folly for a  
man to expect the world to grow bet-  
ter until he begins to notice improve-  
ments in himself.

SECRETARY SHAW EXPLAINS.

His Statement Was Misconstrued in  
Some Quarters.

New York, Oct. 1.—Secretary Shaw  
gave out the following statement yester-  
day:

"The department is in receipt of a  
large number of requests from various  
banks in the country, clearly showing  
that the statement given out last night  
was misunderstood, or rather that it  
was not carefully read. That there  
may be no misunderstanding the fol-  
lowing statement is made:

"No new deposits will be made on  
any security other than government  
bonds so long as the government bonds  
can be secured. For the present bank  
securities seem to be able to obtain fre-  
quently by borrowing, bonds other  
than government bonds. They can ob-  
tain the use of these bonds for a lim-  
ited period, and they are as desir-  
able as any security for deposits. They  
are not as desirable as security for  
circulation, for the reason that cir-  
culation based thereon is taxable at 1  
per cent, while circulation based on the  
2 per cent consols is taxable at only  
one-half of 1 per cent. The banks can-  
not obtain except by purchase any  
bonds as a basis for circulating be-  
cause when deposited for circulation  
they cannot be released until the cir-  
culation is retired, and it may take a  
year before their circulation can be  
retired, and the price of bonds is so  
high that bank circulation is maintain-  
ed at considerable loss to the banks.  
Therefore, the department has decid-  
ed to release, for such banks as have  
deposits and are not maintaining their  
limit of circulation, a portion of the  
bonds now held by the government,  
taking in lieu thereof other satisfac-  
tory security. This condition always  
exists, and the department always has  
the bonds released will be used for the  
immediate issue of additional cir-  
culation. This provision does not apply  
to those banks that already have their  
maximum circulation, neither does it  
apply to banks that do not have any  
circulation. The sole purpose of the of-  
fer is to increase circulation that is  
already printed and ready to be issued,  
and by banks that already have the  
bonds on deposit. These deposits being  
scattered throughout the entire  
country, the relief offered, it is be-  
lieved, will be national rather than  
local, for it applies to all sections of  
the country, and to every state in the  
union."

"NEW YORK DEMOCRATS.

Bird S. Coler of Brooklyn Nominated  
for Governor.

Saratoga, N. Y., Oct. 2.—A conven-  
tion so exciting in the final hours as  
to bring almost personal conflict, and  
yet terminating in such perfect har-  
mony as to allow the completion of the  
state ticket with less than a hundred  
delegates out of 450 in the hall, was  
the result of yesterday's closing of the  
democratic state convention.

It began in the early morning with  
a prepared slate of candidates. The  
slate was not broken in any particular,  
but the right of objection to it was  
given to all the delegates except  
when, in the case of one New York  
delegate, it was believed to be an in-  
fringement of the rules under which  
the convention was acting.

Naturally a great deal of the inter-  
est of the convention centered on the  
attitude it would take toward the set-  
ting of Wm. S. Devery, former head of  
the police department of New York,  
who held a regular certificate of elec-  
tion from the Ninth district.

It was not an unexpected event that  
the convention decided to accept him,  
and it was not also unexpected that  
he and his followers were vociferous  
in their objections. Bird S. Coler of  
Brooklyn was nominated for governor,  
and a platform was adopted calling  
for strict fidelity to American prin-  
ciples, for the lack of which it arraigns  
the republican party; demands the re-  
turn to the principles of Thomas Jef-  
ferson to stop the demoralization of  
the country; opposes trusts that in-  
juriously affect consumer and em-  
ployer and drive out small manufac-  
turers, and especially condemns the  
so-called beef and coal trusts for "un-  
reasonably depriving the people of the  
necessities of life." Restriction of the  
amassing of wealth is advocated and  
the amendment of the tariff law by  
placing necessities of life on the free  
list is demanded. The Dingley tariff  
law is condemned as a whole. Pres-  
ident Roosevelt is accused of not want-  
ing to offend the trusts. The plat-  
form asserts that the proposition to  
amend the United States constitution  
to enable the federal government to  
proceed against the trusts is a mere  
subterfuge to get delay. Public owner-  
ship of the anthracite coal mines is  
also advocated.

GENERAL ALGER TO SENATE.

Appointment to Succeed McMillan  
Tendered by Governor.

Saginaw, Mich., Sept. 29.—Governor  
Bliss tendered the United States sen-  
atorship, made vacant by the death of  
Hon. James McMillan, to General Rus-  
sell A. Alger of Detroit, former sec-  
retary of war in McKinley's cabinet.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 29.—Dr. J. B.  
Kennedy, manager of the United States  
senate, has announced that Ferry has  
withdrawn from the contest. This de-  
cision on the part of Ferry was the  
result of a conference of party leaders.  
Alger's election to the senate is now  
considered practically assured.

Fred W. Ames Found Guilty.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 2.—The jury  
in the case of the state against ex-  
Superintendent of Police Fred W. Ames  
for accepting bribes returned a  
verdict of guilty.

"This looks bad," said Ames after  
the verdict, "but I am not beaten yet.  
It seems to be the determination  
with which I have been pursued sug-  
gests persecution rather than prosecu-  
tion."

The attorney for the defendant made  
a motion for a new trial. Failing to  
secure a new trial an appeal will be  
made to the supreme court. The ex-  
treme penalty is imprisonment not to  
exceed ten years and a fine not to ex-  
ceed \$1,000.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 3.—Judge  
Brooks sentenced former Superintendent  
of Police Fred W. Ames to six years  
and a half in the penitentiary for  
accepting a bribe. A stay of fifty days  
in which to move for a new trial was  
granted.

Duchess Gives Birth to Son.

Belfast, Ireland, Oct. 3.—The  
Duchess of Manchester who was Miss  
Helena Zimmerman of Cincinnati,  
Ohio, gave birth to a son yesterday  
morning at Tanderagee Castle, County  
Armagh. Both the mother and child  
are doing well.

Choiera in Egypt.

Cairo, Egypt, Oct. 3.—There were  
254 fresh cases of cholera reported in  
Egypt yesterday and 241 deaths from  
that disease. The totals since the  
outbreak, July 15, are 36,668 cases and  
30,988 deaths.

SHE CRIED WHEN SHE PUT HER  
CLOTHES ON.

This is what Miss Jessie Stephenson  
of 30 Hartington Road, Aberdeen,  
says when writing to the Proprietors  
of St. Jacobs Oil, the remedy which  
cured her:

"I was very bad with rheumatism.  
I could not put my clothes on without  
crying out. I always had to have  
assistance to dress myself. I ob-  
tained a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil, and  
after its contents were used I was  
much better. I used the contents of  
two more bottles, and now I am able  
to do my work as usual. I would  
recommend anyone troubled with  
rheumatism to use St. Jacobs Oil."

Miss Stephenson's present condi-  
tion is a very great contrast to what  
it was before she used St. Jacobs Oil;  
then she was practically helpless, suf-  
fered the greatest agony—but now she  
is free from pain, and able to do her  
work. Surely such evidence as this  
is most convincing that St. Jacobs  
Oil "Conquers Pain."

Iowa State Bystander.

DESMOINES, IOWA. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3.

BUXTON NEWS.

Mrs. O. T. Tansil is visiting friends in this city. Rev. W. H. Minor, a native of Africa, is in the city. Rev. Williamson returned from Oklahoma Monday.

The Buxton Band will play two days at Unionville, Mo., the occasion of the grand emancipation celebration. Mrs. T. A. Coleman has returned from an extended visit with her daughter at Colfax.

One thing that we can be thankful for now is plenty of potatoes this year. Mr. H. C. Lee says his sweet potatoes will be ready for market about the 10th of October. Those who intend to lay in a winter supply will do well to talk business with Mr. Lee.

Mr. Addison Brooks is now manager of the Buxton band. Mr. Willis who was manager has gone to Des Moines to attend school. Wedding bells have rung their merry chimes to two glad hearts in Buxton.

Last Wednesday evening, despite the fact that the mud was deep and the night dark and dreary, Mr. Charles Lawson led Miss Amanda Grever to cupid's altar where two hearts were made as one, where they pledged to each other undying love. Promptly at eight o'clock the sweet strains of the wedding march began to peal forth; Miss Annie Willis played sweeter than ever before. Slowly down the aisle of Mt. Zion church the wedding party wended its way. They were met at the altar by Rev. U. H. Mendonca who pronounced the words which made the two before him man and wife.

The bride wore lida lawn and carried a bouquet of cornucopia and roses. The attendants were Mr. Robert Carey and Miss Cornealia Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson are at home, No. 224 W. We with their many friends unite in wishing them a happy future. Rev. William Williams, formerly pastor at Oskaloosa and one time pastor of the Mechanic church, was visiting his daughter Mrs. Jacob Brown last week.

How different are men's minds, especially young men as to starting in life. The other day a young man said to us that he was going to school to fit himself for starting in life, and yet another young man comes along who says, 'yes I'm going to marry in a few days, I'm tired of looking, I'm going to start in life.' Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Holtman have returned from an extensive trip through Colorado and the West. Mr. Holtman said he saw many beautiful things and had a very delightful time, still he says he prefers Iowa.

Rev. Williamson of St. John's church began his new year work last Sunday. Every department of the church is to be strengthened and labor for one definite purpose and that is to free the church from debt. Buxton made a good showing at the conference this year, Des Moines was the only one ahead of us in dollar money. Mrs. Jacob Brown is reported to be among the sick.

ROCK ISLAND AND MOLINE.

(Last Week's Items.) Mrs. James Teller who has been quite ill at the home of her mother in Rock Island, is fast improving. A fact of which all her many friends are glad to hear.

Mr. Chas. Windsor who is employed by the C. B. & P. Co. has purchased a cozy modern cottage on Thirty-sixth street in Rock Island and will move his family from Davenport to this side the first of October. We are more than delighted to welcome them to this side, as they are one of the elite families of the Tri-cities.

Mrs. Sam Kays has returned home after a six week's visit with relatives and friends in Kansas City and other points in Kansas. She was accompanied by her niece, little Agatha Joplin and grand mother. Mrs. Patterson of Chicago who has been visiting her son-in-law Alex. Joplin, returned to Chicago Friday. Little Agatha Joplin returned to the boarding school in Chicago in company with her grandmother.

We have forgotten to mention the addition to Moline circles in the past three weeks. Mr. Pollaris of Henderson, Ky., has moved to Moline, also his son-in-law and family. Moline may well be proud to welcome into their midst such aristocratic families. (This Week's Items.) Miss Alice Phoenix of Muscatine is a guest in the home of her brother Mr. Rufus Phoenix in Moline. She came to enjoy emancipation day festivities in the Tri-cities.

Mr. J. Britton and wife have moved back to their home in Galesburg. We are truly sorry to lose them, but Mr. Britton's declining health made it necessary for them to return as he will rest up the whole winter. Emancipation day was well celebrated in the Tri-cities. On this side the exercises were held at Huber's Garden in Rock Island. Quite a crowd gathered both afternoon and evening, but the inclemency of the weather in the evening kept so many away.

Mr. Frank M. Moore of Washington, Ia., came down for a few days' pleasure and to visit friends the 22nd. Frank is fast making numerous friends in the Tri-cities and all are glad to see him among them. Mrs. Sam Kays is quite ill with heart trouble at her home on Elm street. We hope for her a speedy recovery. In the death of Mrs. B. Bright, which occurred in Davenport last Tuesday, the people of the Tri-cities feel they have lost a friend in deed.

USE OF CAVALRY IN WAR. Military Authorities Agree on Value of This Arm. All military authorities on the continent are of one mind as to the immense advantage which will accrue to the power which, at the outset of a war, can most quickly place in the field a superior force of efficient mounted troops. One result of this belief is the extreme care with which each of the great military powers of the continent watches the strength and distribution of the cavalry of its neighbors. At the present moment some disquietude exists in the Triple Alliance, because the cavalry of the Double Alliance has become superior, numerically, to their own. In the event of war, France could place in the field 327 squadrons and Russia 711; or the two allies together 1,038 squadrons, while the Triple Alliance could only muster 746 squadrons, or 292 squadrons less than the Double Alliance.

NEW USE FOR ELECTRICITY. Entire Restaurant Service Supplied in a Novel Manner. Niagara Falls has a restaurant in which the service is supplied by electricity, and the description as given in the Great Round World is very interesting: "The scheme was installed in the restaurant at a cost of about \$50,000 by a natural food company. There are 500 tables. Five hundred little electric cars serve the dinner to each table in a silent and satisfactory manner. Each table is equipped with an electric car, a menu and a small desk. Lying on each desk is an order pad. The guest fills out the order and places it on the car. When a button is pressed the electric servant glides away to the kitchen. After the meal is prepared, the car comes dinging back with the diner aboard. By means of a mechanical arrangement on the bottom of the cars, each throws its own switch and leaves the main track for the hundreds of other trains. The entire restaurant is run by one young man at a switchboard. It would almost seem as if the testy servant problem might be solved by Niagara Falls and the lightning."

COLD INDEED. Liquid Air as a Preservative. Liquid air is so cold that a cake of ice is like a piece of ice as compared with it, for a kettle of liquid air placed on a cake of ice will boil just as water boils over a hot fire. It freezes mercury so hard that one can drive nails in it. The story is told that Mr. Charles E. Tripler, the experimenter in liquid air, recently took a quart can of the remarkable substance with him on a visit to a friend. On the way he stopped in a restaurant to eat a beefsteak. The waiter brought in a hot broiled steak and placed it in front of Mr. Tripler. As soon as the waiter's back was turned Mr. Tripler hastily opened the can and exposed the meat to the liquid air. Instantly the steak was frozen hard as a rock. When the waiter came back his customer complained that the steak was frozen. So the waiter called the head waiter, and the head waiter brought it all on the cook and the cook was at a loss to explain, and the result was that the frozen steak was taken back into the kitchen as a mysterious curiosity. A new steak was ordered by Mr. Tripler and this one he ate with much relish.

FORT MADISON NOTES.

The social at the Second Baptist church Saturday night was a success, a neat sum was realized. They will begin to improve the Second Baptist church this week. Samuel Bowman arrived home last Thursday from a sojourn in Kansas City. Mrs. Minnie Elliot has gone to Wichita, Kan. for an extended visit. Mrs. D. Leander Holmes is out of the city visiting relatives.

Mattie Pannan left for Chicago Saturday night. As cupid is awake and has its arrows set we expect to hear the wedding bells ring out their tones for joy sometime this month. Mr. Clay Smith and family have moved to 4th street. Mrs. Annette Rush left Monday morning for Rock Island. Mrs. Clara Straubers leaves this week for Davenport. The A. M. E. church gave a social Monday evening quite a large crowd was in attendance. Alvin Mill resumed work again this morning which caused quite a number of our race to smile once again before winter.

Mrs. Harvey Smith and Miss Malissa Weyer of Denmark were in the city Saturday. Mrs. Henry Blades returned home from Denmark Saturday. The Woman's Home Foreign Mission Circle convenes next Monday evening at Mrs. L. Chambers. FLAGS ON PRIVATE YACHTS. Black an Unpopular Color Among Amateur Sailors.

No one has the courage to fly a black flag as a private yacht signal, and even black in combination with other colors is extremely rare. Orange and black are occasionally seen together, the owners being Princeton men. A greswome flag is on the Fedalma, the steam yacht of Augustus C. Tyler of New London; a pointed black flag with a red Maltese cross in the center. New Yorkers are familiar with William K. Vanderbilt's colors, white with a black stripe—the same on the turf as on the water. H. C. Roome's flag is more than half black, with a blue cross in the center. Secretary Cormack's pennant is in equal portions white and black, vertically divided. The most striking combination of black and white is John Taylor Lord's pennant. You have seen it at the main truck of the Queen Mab—black ground, with a perforated white Maltese cross in the center. Here is the cross without the skull and bones. —New York Press.

A Mexican Paradise. People at the federal capital here are groaning about what they are pleased to call the "color excessive," or tremendous heat. Here in happy Tabasco we have a constant heat, get used to it, and live as merrily as the gambling monkeys in the jungle. And we are healthier here than people are up in the City of Mexico, where men chase the rolling peso to keep in funds to meet the demands of a society which worries them while pretending to amuse. Here full dress is a negligee shirt, as negligee as you please, a pair of light trousers (Carter is wearing yellow nankeen this summer), and a smile of contentment. The up-country plantations report good times, salaries are on the far east schedule, champagne is no luxury, but a daily comfort, and missionary effort is unknown.—Tabasco (Mexico) Tageblatt.

Mahogany and White Pine. For twenty-nine years not a stick of old San Domingo mahogany has been obtainable, according to a local dealer in antique furniture, and, on the authority of one of our leading Bath lumbermen, there is not in all Maine a good sized white pine tree standing. The San Domingo mahogany is all scrub trees and the Maine pine is scrub pine. The old-fashioned pine trees which made the fame of Maine were probably all of them from 300 to 400 years in obtaining their growth. This is the reason, or one reason, why old furniture, made of the woods available a century ago are so much in demand, and why it commands its high prices. Modern mahogany is much lighter than in the old pieces and no longer comes from San Domingo. As for the old-time pine, it is now out of the market.—Bath Times.

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 slamming 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 orifice 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 McKean, whose habit of going to sleep on the bench was once a notorious subject of comment in the litigation over the Bell Telephone patents. The 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.

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GREW ON THE SABBATH. Little Girl Feared Plants Might Be at Fault. John Phillip Sousa sat listening the other evening to the history of the pier, now called the Steeplechase, on which he is playing his Atlantic City engagement. Among other things he was told of the fuss that resulted when the authorities there fined a manager for giving a Sunday performance two years ago, although Sunday is the day when the crowd of visitors and amusement seekers is the largest. "Incidents of the kind," said Sousa, "always recall to me the story of a little country girl who, very early one Monday morning, took a basket of freshly picked, dew-glistening raspberries to her family's minister. He was delighted, and said so; but he added, doubtfully: "Er—I hope you didn't pick them yesterday—the Sabbath—my child?" "Oh, no, sir—this morning!" she hastily said. But her face grew serious as she falteringly explained: "But—but they was a-growin' all day yesterday."

HEARD HE HAD A GOOD TIME. "Down in Tennessee one day," said Senator Carmack of that state, "I met a person whom I knew slightly, and who was of convivial habits. He had all the symptoms of a 'left-over.' In fact, as he came down the street he had so close a resemblance to a man who had surely been imbibing the previous night that I stopped and said to him: "Did you have a good time last night?" "I did," he chirped, with a cheerful grin. "I had a magnificent time. It's a funny thing, though, Senator," he added confidentially, "I was out all night, and yet I can't remember a single thing that occurred after nine o'clock." "You can't?" I said. "Then how on earth do you know that you had a magnificent time?" "Because," he explained, "I heard the policeman telling the judge about it in the morning."

Vegetation on Rome's Monuments. The monuments of Rome are now under observation, not only by foreigners, but by the Italian government. It has been discovered that parasitic plants grow at the top of most of the Roman monuments. At the top of the white marble column in the center of the Piazza di Santa Maria Maggiore there was till a few days ago a thriving plant of a wild fig tree. It was beginning to eat away one of the topmost ornaments of the column. But it has now been removed. Twelve figs were found on the plant. The monument is now under repair. The affair has caused quite a little flutter and the Piazza has been crowded with people to watch the uprooting process. This column is the only one left of Constantine's first church in Rome.

Accurate Delay. Many stories are told of the lack of punctuality upon railroads in the southern states. It is said that when a New England man found his train, advertised to leave at 11 o'clock, starting at exactly that hour, he complimented the conductor. "Just on time, I see," he said, generally. "All this talk I've heard of the lateness of your trains is without foundation, I've no doubt." The conductor smiled at him gently. "This train, sir," said he, without a trace of embarrassment, "is not today's eleven o'clock train, sir. It is yesterday's eleven o'clock. Today's will probably not get here from 'way down until to-morrow, sir."

Wanted a Change. When the Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, pastor of the Park church, Elmira, died the difficult problem of filling his place confronted the trustees of the church. The choice finally settled upon the Rev. Annie Ford Eastman, one of the few women who have made a success of the calling. An enthusiastic admirer took a friend of his to hear Mrs. Eastman's several Sundays ago. At the conclusion of the sermon the friend was asked how he liked it. "The sermon was all right," was the reply, "but I hear a woman preach six days in the week, and on the seventh I prefer to hear a man."

A Strange Coincidence. Three events occurred recently at the same moment in one house in Waehring, near Vienna. These events were a baptism, a wedding and a funeral. While the family of the deceased, an iron molder, Albert Hruzek, were bemoaning their loss, Anton Schutz, a young carpenter, and his bride, were celebrating their wedding in the rooms beneath them, and at the same time the Cibak family, who occupied rooms in the basement, were all arrayed in holiday attire in honor of their infant, Gabriel, who was being baptized.

Church Laws of Olden Times. The Bethel Primitive Methodist chapel at Burney, Lancashire, recently observed an important anniversary, and issued a souvenir hand book containing copies of old records. A minute passed in 1834 reads: "That we do not allow young men and young women to walk in the street together arm in arm at any time; neither do we allow them to stand by street corners chatting together." By another resolution the chapel authorities forbade girl choristers wearing bows in their bonnets.

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT. The Corinthian Baptist Church—situated on 11th St. between Crocker and School Sts. Preaching at 11 o'clock Sunday School at 12 o'clock. Preaching at 7 p. m. Rev. T. L. Griffith, Pastor. St. Paul A. M. E.—Corner of Second and Center streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 o'clock. Epworth Sunday School at 8 p. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Horace S. Graves pastor. First African Baptist Church—Corner School and Fourth streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3:30 p. m. Mr. M. E. Houston, Superintendent; Young People's meeting every Wednesday 8 p. m. O. A. Johnson, pastor, 866 11th St. Burn's Chapel M. E. Church—Corner of 11th and Crocker Sts.—Church services, preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.; dress and prayer meeting 12 m. Sunday School 9:30 a. m.; Epworth League 7 p. m. Sunday Prayer and Bible meeting every Wednesday 8 p. m. O. A. Johnson, pastor, 866 11th St. Tabernacle Baptist Church—Situated over 60 East Locust street. Preaching 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. R. Windus, pastor.

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A Diplomatic Error. At a diplomatic reception in London recently the wife of the Chinese ambassador was, upon her arrival, greeted ushered into the cloak room reserved for gentlemen. The mistake is easily accounted for, because Chinese women of rank do not, as a rule, attend public functions in London. Moreover, her feet were of normal size, she belonging to a caste which allows the feet to be of normal size. Her dress was, of course, slightly different from that worn by Chinese, but apparently not much different from that worn by the attendants in a hotel.