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## CITY NEWS.

Call and see Mason's New Hats.

Mrs. Frank Johnson of Davenport is in the city visiting Mrs. Birney.

Least you forget, we are prepared to do all kinds of printing.

Register, or see that your name is on the registration list, else you cannot vote on election day.

The members of the Monday Night Club were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. Black last Monday night.

Mr. Claude Harris has accepted a position with the Harris-Emery Co. He assumed his duties there last week.

Mr. W. R. Frazer and others gave a dance at the Cyclone hall last Tuesday night. It was the first one that has been given this fall.

### NEW RESTAURANT.

The Oxford Cafe has just opened its doors for service. Good meals, short orders or boarding. Mrs. A. M. MASSEY, South part of town Buxton, Iowa.

Quite a number of the Des Moines people received invitations to attend a silver wedding, to be given by Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fowler next Wednesday evening, Oct. 29, at their home in Ottumwa. They were married Oct. 25, 1878.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Elliston entertained a few of their friends at their cozy home Wednesday night. Several vocal and instrumental selections were rendered during the evening, after which refreshments were served, and thus another evening was passed away.

As his health has been very bad for some months, John Woods has disposed of his barber shop at Third and Walnut street to J. M. Jones. Mr. Woods left last Saturday for Chicago, where he expects to make his future home. He will probably spend part of the winter in the sanitarium at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Street Hats—all prices. Mason's While in Oskaloosa, Ia., stop at Emanuel Lobbins' Lunch Room; also furnished rooms. Good service at reasonable rates. 311 Rock Island avenue.

It has been conceded by the press and coaches that two of the best football players on the High School team this year are colored, the Messrs. Holmes and Straughters. The former is a member of the Capital Park and the latter of West High. We wish you continued success boys. Whatever you do, do it well.

The Messrs. Wm. Tomlin and Henry Saunders went to Ft. Riley, Kansas last week with Company A of the I. N. G. They will have charge of the culinary department of that Company during their ten days stay while participating in the army maneuvers at Fort Riley.

Mr. Charley Bradley, one of our old Des Moines boys who has been employed by the Book Island E. Co. for several years, has resigned and returned to our city, and is now employed at the Kirkwood hotel. We are glad to see Charley back.

Newman & Lewis Contractors, Builders and General Jobbers... 923 West Fourteenth Street YOUR TRADE IS SOLICITED.

Rev. O. A. Johnson, pastor of the M. E. church, offered two prizes, a gold watch and a gold ring with a ruby set for the persons who raised the most money during their recent rally. Mr. Richard Davis received the gold watch and Mr. Jack Turner was awarded the gold ring. The foundation for their new church is completed and the walls are rapidly rising above the ground. With a week or ten days more good weather the exterior work will be almost completed.

Your Patronage is Kindly Solicited at the Jewell Restaurant W. Second and Walnut MEALS SERVED AT 10 CENTS. Under management of E. N. HYDE and MISS MARY MONTAGUE

### Prettiest Hats in town. Mason's.

Voters should not forget to register this year if they have moved within the last year or moved since they voted last.

Mr. H. B. Lewis, one of the State Capitol employees, is off on his vacation and is enjoying the rest exceedingly well. Mr. Lewis is one of our best known citizens.

Mrs. Chas. Davis of 915 Scott street, who has been sick for more than a week with the rheumatism, is much better at this writing.

Among those who were at Foster's Opera House last night to see Blanche Walsh in "The Resurrection" were the Messrs. Alma Haworth, Bertha Hunt, the Messrs. E. W. Thompson, G. W. Johnson and Mrs. L. R. Palmer.

A Republican rally will be held Friday evening at Carbondale. There will be music, and speaking by Judge W. H. McHenry, Editor J. L. Thompson and Atty. H. M. Korna. Everybody invited to come out and hear the Republican issues discussed.

Mr. E. J. Anderson, one of Olive's enterprising gardeners, was in our city last Friday on business. He brought in some samples of his this year's corn and presented our office with three large yellow ears measuring twelve inches, fully matured and out of all danger. This is Mr. Anderson's first year at Olive and his family enjoys living there.

Married on last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brewton, 527 W. Second street, at 8:30 o'clock, Mr. Geo. Patton to Mrs. Mary M. Hall, both of this city. Rev. O. A. Johnson performed the ceremony. An elegant lunch was served by Mr. and Mrs. Brewton. The contracting parties will make this city their future home. A large number of presents were received. The BYSTANDER extends good luck.

Mrs. H. S. Graves was hostess of the H. B. S. E. C. Thursday afternoon. The entire membership was present and the program was rendered with credit to the Circle. Guests present: Mesdames A. Dixon, J. McClain and J. Brown. Delicate refreshments were served. The Circle meets with Mrs. Hamilton next Thursday Oct. 29, complimentary to Dr. Kealing of Philadelphia. Program for next week: Remarks by the president; short address by Dr. Kealing; paper by Mrs. Gross and Mrs. E. Jackson.

Mason the Milliner, make, trim or repair hats.

Mrs. H. E. Jacobs left last Saturday evening for Kansas City, Kansas to visit her relatives, from there she will go to Richmond, Mo., to visit her husband's relatives; this being Mrs. Jacobs' first visit to the old home of her husband since their marriage six years ago. She expects to be gone several weeks.

Mr. Joshua Straughters, formerly of this city but now of Sac City, was here this week buying some material to use in manufacturing the engine he has invented. D. U. Brown of the former city and W. S. Ferguson of this city are proprietors of the Sac City Foundry and Machine Shop, which company has the exclusive rights in several states of selling and making the engine of which Mr. Straughter is the inventor. We are glad that he has succeeded in getting his invention on the market.

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The reception tendered, Rev. Reeves on Monday evening was a splendid affair. The church parlors were crowded to standing room. Addresses of welcome were delivered by J. L. Neal, Harry B. Burke and others. A splendid lunch was served, and at the close of the program the Preachers' Aid society presented Rev. Reeves a \$50 gold watch. Miss Irene Koger made the presentation speech.—St. Paul Appeal.

LU J. SHELTON Has Opened a Boarding and Lodging House 508 WEST THIRD ST. The Best Accommodations at Reasonable Rates. DAY OR WEEK BOARD. FURNISHED ROOMS.

Rev. James Higgins, a splendid preacher and a man with a good reputation, is now pastor of the Hyde Park A. M. E. chapel. He is not a ranting Chicago holiness kind, but an old fashioned, straightforward Christian gentleman with a desire to do good for Christ and his people. Go out and hear him.—Chicago Conservator. The many friends of Rev. Higgins of this state will be glad to hear that he is getting along so well in Chicago, having won the good will of his members as well as the press, but whenever a person possesses a good character and a pure heart his work will always show for itself without advertising, publishing cuts and saying who I am or what I have done.

### L. H. DEFORD For Supervisor.



In this issue appears the cut of Mr. L. H. Deford of Valley Junction, Walnut township, one of the present members of the Polk county Board of Supervisors from the fifth Supervisor district, composing the townships of Walnut, Allen, Bloomfield, Four Mile and Saylor. He is only serving his first term, and the Republicans re-nominated him for his second term by acclamation, and now he hopes to be returned.

Mr. Ham DeFord as he is better known, is one of our home raised boys; born in Polk county in 1851 where he was educated in the common schools. He spent five years in the U. S. cavalry service, returning to his old county settling on his farm, and by his hard honest toil and good judgment has succeeded well. He was elected a member of the school board, also township trustee; with his matured age, present experience and good judgment will make a very valuable man to Polk county while we are building our new court house. He is sociable and very pleasant gentleman to meet; a friend to the colored people and all classes of people. In supporting him you cannot make a mistake.

## SEE WHAT MONEY WILL BUY

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Why Nations Wear Colors. Did it ever occur to you that the bunch of colored ribbons you wear in your buttonhole—or pinned on your dress if you are a girl—at commencement, or at a baseball or football game, is really a flag? asks a writer in St. Nicholas. It tells to what class or school or college you belong, or which of these, for the time, has your interest and sympathy. And for some what similar reasons do nations wear their colors. At first, maybe, it was to tell one another apart; but after awhile the colors—the flag—came to represent the nation itself; and the way the people acted toward the nation's flag was supposed to show the way they felt toward the nation.

## EDITORIALS.

In speaking of the tariff change no fair-minded person expects to see the entire schedule changed. It will be just that part which has afforded shelter for the trusts.

A great deal has been said about the Iowa platform. There is nothing in it that is not clearly embraced in the national republican platform. Those complaints come from the soreheads.

President Roosevelt says that reciprocity must be treated as the handmaiden of protection and so does every loyal republican.

Will any one contend that organized labor of this state does not know that the Republican tariff has made the good times that we are now enjoying.

If some colored man had committed the act, which many of the people of the South claim was so chivalrous on the part of Tillman, he would never live to have a hearing in court, much less an acquittal. Who says that justice cannot be tampered with?

### PROF. H. T. KEALING,



Editor of the A. M. E. Review, will lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, next Thursday night, October 29.

We have always contended and will contend, so long as Tillman, Bryan and Sullivan are the leaders of the Democrat party, the laboring man will vote with the Republicans.

It should be remembered by every colored voter that there is not a democrat on the state ticket who is any better than their leaders, and "Pitchfork" Tillman is the recognized leader of his party.

### A GOOD IDEA.

In view of the fact that there is a great deal being said about the Race Problem in all parts of the country, several men of this city are arranging to have a series of lectures here this fall and winter by some of the leading men and women of our race. The first lecture will be next Thursday night at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium by Prof. H. T. Kealing of Philadelphia, Pa., who is editor of the A. M. E. Review. He is a good writer and lecturer. Among the promoters of this lecture course are the Messrs. J. Logan, Gus Watkins, Jno. Early, P. C. Parks, Levi Riley and others. They are undertaking a cause, but it will cost them a great deal of money to conduct the course, so they ask your patronage. Now give them financial aid by purchasing tickets and attending the lectures.

Outside of the business of supplying New York with city milk, the farmers of New York state have an investment of \$43,450,000 in cows, and a corresponding amount in dairy farms and fixtures—amount not less than \$150,000,000.

### MT. PLEASANT.

Elder Malcomb arrived in the city Friday night and remained until Sunday. He preached an excellent sermon Sunday a. m. Sunday afternoon Rev. Williams of Burlington came up and assisted Rev. Clark to administer the sacrament.

Rev. Willis has preached a very fine sermon Sunday afternoon and Sunday night.

Mrs. Martha Bunch gave an entertainment at St. John's church Thursday night. The Sewing Circle of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Mary Barnett last week. The ladies did excellent work, assisted by some of the gentlemen. Mrs. Barnett served very nice refreshments and all present spent a very pleasant afternoon. The meeting this week will be with Mrs. Parthena McCracken.

Miss Eunice McCane of Denmark was up last week for a visit with her sister. Mrs. Manness of Burlington was up Sunday to attend quarterly meeting.

Mrs. Scott Jones and children have returned to their home in Ottumwa, after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arbuckle.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin and children and Miss Lizzie Reed were up from Burlington Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Viola Harris has returned from Keokuk, where she has been since July. After a short stay at home she may return to Keokuk.

### ALBIA.

Mr. Wilburn of Des Moines is the guest of his sister, Mrs. U. S. Jones, this week. Mrs. M. Brown and Mr. John Mines are quite sick at this writing.

Mr. Porter of Lovilia was in town

Mr. Ira Burns left Albia for Fort Riley to stay an indefinite length of time. Gordon Minster showed in Albia last Wednesday evening and with the minister was Messrs. George Bryant and Sidney Carter, two boys whom at one time resided in our town.

### MOLINE, ILLINOIS.

The Mesdames George Tarter, J. L. Jones and H. H. Pollard entertained a few friends in honor of Miss Irwin Warthal of Lucas, Ia. A dainty lunch was served. Games and a guessing contest were the feature of the evening. The prize in the games was won by Mrs. K. Murphy of Davenport, Ia., and the prize for guessing the number of grains of corn in a quart was won by Mrs. Wm. Maxie of Moline.

Mrs. Allen of Chicago who has been visiting Mrs. Phoenix of this city, and Miss L. Terrel of Rock Island, has returned home.

Mrs. Barber of Galesburg, who has been visiting Mrs. D. S. DeWard, has returned home.

The L. L. D. club gave an entertainment at the church parlors Friday evening.

Messrs. J. W. Ingraham and J. M. Busby, both delegates to the Grand Lodge of Masonic order, to Springfield, have returned home. Both report a fine time.

Mrs. J. W. Ingraham entertained a few friends Thursday, in honor of Mrs. Barber of Galesburg.

Miss Irwin Warthal who has been visiting Mrs. J. L. Jones and other friends of the Tri-Cities is off for Galesburg to visit a few days and then will return to her home in Lucas, Ia.

The Davenport church tendered their pastor a reception at the church. The pastor is the Rev. M. Boyd.

### CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

On last Tuesday evening a large and appreciative audience listened to Rev. C. I. men's lecture of "I I were a woman". After the lecture the people enjoyed themselves socially while they ate ice cream and cake.

The Silasme Yates club met last week at the home of the president, Mrs. Hawkins. The program consisted of the following: Solo, vocal, Mrs. L. Martin; Discussion, "What can be done to encourage more love of home in our children," led by Mrs. Jackson. The club is doing well and its membership is still increasing.

Mr. Lewis Boyd is able to be out again after an attack of typhoid.

Mrs. Lulu Clark is reported some better though still unable to leave her bed.

Mrs. F. Lovell is also able to be out again.

A number of ladies of the church are invited by the pastor to have begun arrangements for a fall social.

Mrs. A. Teabson of Keokuk who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Green, left Tuesday evening for her home. Mrs. Teabson won many friends while in the city and we all regret her early departure.

Mrs. W. Claybrook entertained Mrs. Teabson at supper Thursday evening.

### DUBUQUE ITEMS.

The people of Dubuque are patiently waiting for the pulpits to be supplied.

Rev. D. A. Basfield returned last week from Stearns, Ill., and is well pleased with his charge. He left with his family Saturday morning. All Dubuque leave at their going. Mrs. Basfield was the organizer of the Colored Women's Social Club and she will be sadly missed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Evans entertained Mrs. Basfield and son Danny to dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges have settled on W. E.venth street and entertained Rev.

and Mrs. Basfield to dinner last Friday. Dr. H. H. Howie entertained the members of the Masonic lodge. Thursday night and all reported an enjoyable time and staid until the wee small hours.

Mr. Garle Kive is entertaining company from Chicago.

Mr. Niles Shelton is again running from Chicago to Dubuque.

Mrs. Norton is at juggling with Mr. and Mrs. Sol Williams on E. Rock street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin entertained Rev. and Mrs. Basfield.

Mr. Isaac Smith is convalescent. Mable Green who has been ailing is again able to go to school.

Wedding bells will ring in the near future.

### GOVERNOR CUMMINS.

Upon the eve of a gubernatorial election this year in Iowa it becomes my pleasant duty to say a few words about our chief executive.

Since the governor has been in office he has become famed as an orator and as a clear thinker, a concise reasoner, and few men have stepped into the political arena and in so brief a time aroused the best thoughts with all the political world. That he has been long identified in the interests of the common people is shown as early as the year 1881, when he was employed to break up the bar wire trust which he effectually did. He has ever been arraigned on the side of the common people and Abraham Lincoln said that "God must have loved the common people for he made so many of them." The governor is distinctly a man with sincere purposes and a firm conviction arouses an agonism, but the American people love a fighter who he fights with a definite aim to accomplish certain results. The American people loved Grant and Sherman, Sheridan, McKinley and A. B. Cummins. The governor has been a most consistent republican, working for the best interest of the republican party.

The governor's great address at Minneapolis when he said that: "The consumer was better entitled to the protection than the great trust organized to extort through monopolistic methods." He made another sensation in his Detroit speech when he defended the doctrine of Blaine and McKinley on reciprocity treaty. He won a royal crown from the laboring man when he settled all strikes at Dubuque to the entire satisfaction of the employer and the strikers. Governor Cummins wrote the platform of the last Iowa state convention with his own hand and submitted it to the approval of Senator Allison who did approve it without the alteration of a single word.

He is a true friend of the colored race and believes in the elevation and education of them and like our good President Roosevelt believes in opening the door of opportunity to those who are worthy regardless of color.

Mrs. R. N. Hyde rec'd the sad news of the death of a distant relative in Wabash Ind. as follows: Rev. W. H. Wilson, ag 4, 83 years, one of the best known pioneer colored ministers in this part of the state died Tuesday morning at 7:30 o'clock at the home of his step-daughter, Mrs. George Brown, No. 203 West Market street, after a little over a week's illness. The cause of his death was Bright's disease. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at the A. M. E. church, Rev. James Townsend of Indianapolis, having charge of the services. Interment in Falls cemetery.

Rev. Wilson has resided in Wabash for about four years, retiring from the ministry and coming here from Peru where he had charge of the colored people's church of that city. He has been in the ministry for almost forty years. The exact place of his birth is not known, being born in slavery in the south. His only immediate relatives living are his wife and a niece Susie White, of Vincennes.

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### BURLINGTON, IOWA.

The Big 4 club entertained at 1000 Starr avenue last Wednesday in honor of Mrs. J. W. Norris of Sioux City.

Mrs. Wm. Spotts passed through Burlington Sunday enroute to Chicago, after visiting her mother, Mrs. Durbach, in Mt. Pleasant.

Messrs. Trent and Folks spent an enjoyable evening in Keokuk last Friday. Mr. Trent is quite smitten with the city of three Ks, but were soon a certain young lady. But she says he'll have to shove off that Mongolian looking nutcase before he'll look good to her.

Mrs. Lafayette Martin has returned from a visit in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Peter King has moved his family into his handsome residence on Foster street. We are all awaiting an invitation to a home warming.

The Independent Social Club's soiree at Mrs. George Tyler's home was quite a success.

Mrs. John Mitchell and Miss Maude Cox visited the Tri-Cities last week.

Mr. Sam Dook is all smiles at present writing. The reason is that his wife is expected home Thursday. Girls in three Ks take notice.

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A Word to the Public Mrs. Mary L. Holmes has charge of the boarding house at 304 W. Walnut street, formerly conducted by Mrs. Annie Hall. She solicits your patronage. Board by the day or week. Good home cooking, which insures good meals. A trial will convince you.

Des Moines, Oct. 23, 1903. All Des Moines is looking forward to and anxiously awaiting the coming of the peerless soprano Melba and her great concert company, who appear here in the Auditorium on the evening of November 10th. This is her first and only appearance in the state, and the event is looked forward to as the most important musical event in the history of the state. The price of tickets has been placed at from \$1.00 to \$2.50. Chas. Johnson, secretary of M. C. A., has charge of the ticket arrangements. An open rate of a fare and one-third has been secured on all railroads, good to return on the 11th.

The secretary of the state executive council has just completed the footings of the expense accounts of the various state offices and departments for the biennial period closed July 1st last. These accounts are all complete, except the accounts for salaries and supplies. Some of the leading items of expense are: executive department, \$1,265,336; secretary of state, \$54,102.34; auditor, \$12,479.32; treasurer, \$25,562.68; attorney general, \$17,498.69; board of control, \$57,150.21; clerk of supreme court, \$15,611.50; chief adjutant general's department, \$11,287; superintendent of public instruction, \$52,338; custodian of state capitol and grounds, \$52,110; railroad commissioners, \$36,378; supreme court, \$55,957; Twenty-third general assembly, \$151,579.

Books, including some rare and valuable works, have just been ordered by the state library board for the state historical department, in all costing about \$2,000. Among the valuable books purchased were a complete set of Hansard's parliamentary debates. These books are to the English parliamentary proceedings which the Congressional Record is to legislative proceedings of the United States. Hansard's contains the English parliamentary proceedings from early in the seventeenth century to the present time, which State Librarian John Brigham has seen offered for sale for some time. It contains 400 volumes and the cost is \$600. The board also subscribed for the Victorian history of Wales by counties. This is supplementary to the Victorian history of England by counties first published in 1897. It costs \$2,300, making one of the most expensive works in the library.

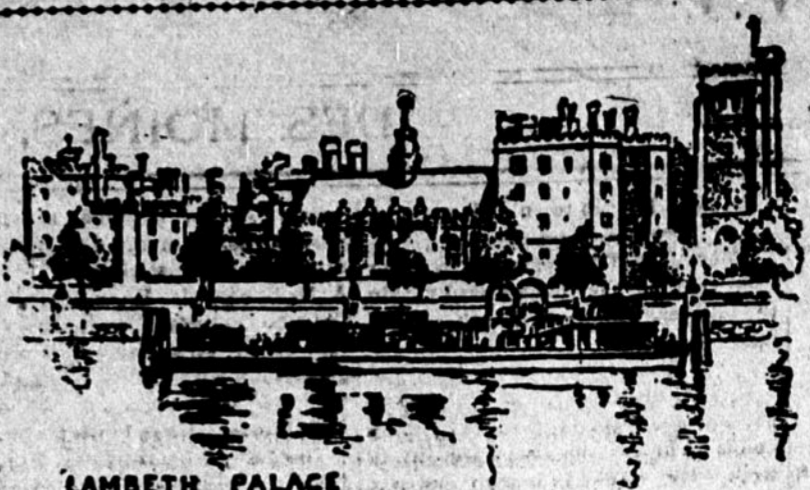
Dr. J. W. Croford, the sanitarium manager at Lamoni, sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary on conviction of murder in the second degree for the death of Miss Maud Stone, has secured a new trial from the supreme court. The chief ground of reversal is that one of the jurors had expressed such an opinion in regard to the guilt of the defendant that he should have been excluded from the jury. There were written in the admitting letters written by Miss Stone to Ira Hammond several months before the alleged collision between Hammond and Croford for the performance of a criminal operation on the young lady at the sanitarium. Croford has been out on bail pending the appeal to the supreme court and is engaged in practice, though the state board of medical examiners refused to restore to him his certificate that was revoked on his conviction. The case has attracted much attention, because the defendant is wealthy and put up a hard fight and his sanitarium had become well known all over the southern part of the state.

Attorneys for William Lucas, accused and convicted of murder at Clarinda, argued for the liberty of the liberty of their client before the justices of the supreme court. Attorney General Mullan prosecuted. The story of the brutal crime of which Lucas was convicted was retold in all of its nauseating details. It occurred near Clarinda, May 15, 1902. Section men on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy entered a little shanty beside the track and found therein the body of Mrs. Emma Moore, a 19-year-old girl, cold and stiff in death. In her hand was a revolver and a bullet had penetrated her breast. The sheriff examined the revolver and swore there were no unloaded shells in the chambers. The testimony showed that Lucas had been seen with Miss Moore that evening and admitted having left the shanty in which her body was found in the morning. The testimony showed the two had had quarrels. Lucas' defense was that the woman had committed suicide. The trial of the case awakened intense interest and finally culminated in the conviction of Lucas. The appeal was made on the grounds of insufficiency of the evidence to convict.

The five judges of the Iowa supreme court will hear the story of how Mose Jacobs for twenty-five years cried the sensational news stories in Des Moines to earn a fortune, and will then decide if he is entitled to his harvest or if it shall go to his father, who claims to be entitled to it through his wife's will. A notice of appeal in the case of Mose Jacobs vs. Charles and Mary Jacobs has been filed with the clerk of the district court, that court having decided that Mose was entitled to have restored to him \$10,000 of the money which he had turned over to his mother, Le-h Jacobs, now deceased, who buried it in the cellar, where a large share of it remained until dug up by the father.

Casey—'Shure, they do be tell me that Big Moke Monohan was knocked down by an automobile, yesterday; was there any bones broke, I dunno?' Conley—'Troch, an' there wor; th' owner of th' dilly-wagon got his nose broke, th' chawer got his jaw broke, an' Big Moke broke th' second knuckle av his right fist!' 'I'm so surprised to hear your wife likes the house so much—it's so small.' 'Yes, but there are lots of closets in it.' 'True, but they're extremely small, too.' 'That's just it. My wife is satisfied that not one of them is big enough to hold a burglar.' Mrs. Pretty—'Isn't it strange? Mrs. Burtel has not on mourning for her husband.' 'Mr. Pretty, I understand that her late husband particularly requested that she should not.' Mrs. Pretty—'The brute! I suppose he knew how lovely she would look in it.' 'Peter's—'Her marriage is like a romance.' 'Parr—'So?' 'Peter's—'Yes, she eloped with her father's chauffeur. The automobile blew up and killed him before they got to the minister. The man who rescued her from the wreck proposed to her on the way home, and was accepted. They were married yesterday.'

LAMBETH PALACE, HISTORIC ENGLISH STRUCTURE, NOW UNDERGOING REPAIRS



Lambeth palace, the London residence of the archbishop of Canterbury, is now undergoing extensive repairs, the older portions of the palace having become decayed. Recent examination showed that the external structures were much fretted and the tall hexagonal chimneys above the roof in danger of falling. The decay is generally attributed to the atmosphere, which is impregnated with chemical fumes belched from factories in South Lambeth.

JAPAN TAKES UMBRAGE

London, Oct. 23.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram company from Tokio, says it is believed another conference of the elder statesmen will be convened, probably today, when decisions having important bearings on the future course of the events are expected, although there is no fear of an immediate rupture. In the meanwhile precautionary preparations are progressing.

It is reported from Peking that M. Lessar, the Russian minister, has addressed a long note to Prince Ching, head of the Chinese foreign office, saying that Japan's interference in the Manchurian question will compel Russia to adopt final measures, and threatening China with severe punishment if she sides with Japan. This action, while the negotiations are pending, has caused deep umbrage.

Peking, Oct. 23.—It has been announced that the Russian viceroy of the Far East, Admiral Alexieff, is opposed to the opening of Manchurian towns to foreign trade. This has excited no surprise here. The treaty of commerce between China and the United States recently signed at Shanghai, provides that suitable concessions be given at Mukden and Antung for the residence of foreigners and for the commerce. Russia's latest proposals to China, which viceroy Alexieff's policy, stipulate that such concessions be given only to Russians.

THREE MORE GO.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Postmaster General Postmaster General Michael W. Louis, superintendent of supplies of the postoffice department; Louis Kemper, chief of the registry division of the third assistant postmaster general's office, and C. B. Terry, a \$900 clerk in the postoffice department, and directed the postmaster at New York to remove Otto Wols, a clerk.

CRISIS LOOKED FOR SOON.

Yokohama, Oct. 22.—The ministerial conferences, naval preparations and notably the appointment of Vice Admiral Toga, known as a fighting admiral, to command the squadron, have led to a renewal of the anticipations of trouble. Some decided development in the crisis is expected shortly. The steamship and railroad companies are reported to have been notified to be in readiness for emergencies.

BIG LAND GRAFT GAME

Wholesale System of Fraudulent Acquisition of Lands. Portland, Ore., Oct. 22.—The Oregonian says: "The government has unearthed a stupendous 'land graft' ring that has been carrying on a business in every well timbered area on the Pacific slope. This ring has not only acquired 'base' lands by 'dummies' and other fraudulent methods; it has debauched state and federal officials, making them hirelings or partners in the business; it has maintained in the general land office at Washington agents whose duty it was to 'leak' information about proposed reserves and other profitable matters; and by use of money has influenced placing of reserve boundaries to its own interests. The central figures of this conspiracy are said to be in San Francisco. 'William J. Burrill in the secret service of the treasury department, and A. B. Hugh, assistant attorney general in the interior department, were in Portland last week gathering evidence.'"

AMERICA WINS ALASKAN DISPUTE

Every Contention But One Is Conceded By the High Joint Tribunal.

ALL-AMERICAN LAND IS HELD

Canada Is Given One of the Channels of the Portland Canal, Which Is All They Gain from the Contest.

London, Oct. 19.—The Alaska boundary commission Saturday reached an agreement whereby all the American contentions are sustained, with the exception of those in relation to the Portland canal, which Canada wins. All that now remains to be done is for the commission to affix their signatures to the decision and complete the map which will accompany it. On the map will be marked the boundary definitely fixing the division of American and British territory on such a basis that no American citizen will lose a foot of land he already believed he had, while the United States will retain all the waterways to the rich Alaskan territory, with the exception of the Portland canal, which gives Canada the one outlet she so much needed.

The long-standing dispute was only settled after a week of keen trying, secret deliberation between the arbitrators. Even up to noon today there was an acute possibility that a disagreement might result, and the whole proceedings fall to the ground. Lord Alverstone, though openly inclined to believe in the justice of the American argument that the United States was entitled to the heads of inlets, and not to the heads of bays, held out that Canada had established her case in questions two and three, dealing with the Portland canal.

The successful termination of the Alaskan boundary arbitration Saturday afternoon came as a complete surprise to all interested in the case, except perhaps the commissioners themselves. When the tribunal adjourned at 3:30 p. m., it was understood that no decision had been reached. Indeed, so general was the impression that no decision would be reached till next week that a large number of the press correspondents in the case left London soon after the adjournment. However, the Associated Press learned that a vote had been taken and that the decision to grant all the American contentions except that for the Portland canal, which goes to Canada, had been arrived at. But while the Americans throughout have been very confident, no vote had previously been taken and no one could before this say that the United States had won her case. No hitch occurred during the entire deliberation, and the American commissioners said a decision substantially upholding the American claims would be given increased considerably, but it was admitted that it would be necessary to agree to a compromise on the Portland canal.

CANADA TALKS ANNEXATION.

King's Subjects Angered Over Boundary Decision. Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 23.—Local feeling is very bitter over the award of the Alaskan boundary commission. There is much indignation and business men being generally much dissatisfied at what they pronounce British disregard of Canadian interests to please the United States.

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CIGARETTE TAX IS SUSTAINED.

Supreme Court Holds That the Law is Constitutional.

Des Moines, Oct. 23.—The Iowa cigarette tax law was again sustained in an opinion handed down by the supreme court yesterday. The case before the supreme court was an appeal on a suit brought in that county by R. E. Hodge, proprietor of a cigar and tobacco store, and Mrs. J. Tabor, owner of the building in which the store was located. It was a test case to enjoin the county from collecting the mulct tax on cigarettes and the law was assailed as unconstitutional and void. The suit was dismissed in the trial court, and then the plaintiffs appealed to the supreme court. The claim made by the plaintiffs in their appeal was that section 5007 of the Iowa code is void because it deprives, or may deprive, private citizens of property without due process of law. It was also claimed in behalf of the plaintiffs that the law has no provision for a notice to the dealer or to the real estate owner, that the charge made in the nature of a criminal penalty and the measures provided for its collection and enforcement are not adapted to the case sought. The claim is also set up that the attempt to enforce a criminal penalty through the taxing machinery of the state is revolutionary and that the law is arbitrary and not in conformity with the provisions of the constitution. The act is finally assailed as an attempt to regulate interstate commerce.

The opinion of the supreme court denying the force of these charges is written by Justice Deemer. He holds that the contentions of the plaintiffs all revolve around the central claim that the tax amounts to the taking of the property of the plaintiff without due process of law. The mulct tax, the court says, can be fairly said to be a tax imposed on business, and because it is imposed for the double purpose of regulation and revenue is no reason for deeming it unconstitutional.

Being a tax, the court says, it is competent for the legislature to prescribe the proceedings and process of its collection. Further, it is held that the power of taxation is inherent in its sovereignty and this power, it has been, "in its nature acknowledges no boundary." In concluding the opinion, which affirms the lower court throughout, it is stated by the supreme court that "the unreasonableness of the act is not a matter for our consideration. There is nothing arbitrary in a statute which provides for the collection of a tax by summary proceedings, such proceedings are necessary to secure prompt payment. They existed long before the constitution was formed and are in accord with the law of the land."

FIVE IN CONTEMPT.

Judge Given Held Against Prominent Des Moines Men. Des Moines, Oct. 21.—The five Des Moines men who have been having a hearing in district court for a week, were adjudged to be in contempt of court, yesterday, by Judge Given, who fined them as follows: three fined to the extent of the law: W. L. White, J. O. Wells, E. H. Hunter, \$50 each; M. Drady, F. A. Marvin, \$25 each.

A writ of certiorari was at once sworn out before the supreme court, before the case was heard, and will be by the other defendants. There is much interest in the grounds which are urged as reasons why the district court should not be sustained in its judgment. It is claimed that the cases should have been dismissed when the defendants refused to answer the court their sworn statements of innocence, the complaint being as to constructive contempt. Yesterday was occupied in hearing the testimony in the Wells and Marvin cases. The principal witness against the defendants was John Fletcher, the juror, said to have been approached by the defendant. He testified that Marvin asked him to use his influence against him in the case then pending against him in the court of Judge McVeey. William Quick, superintendent of the United States express company, testified that he had seen the court their sworn statements of innocence, the complaint being as to constructive contempt.

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END OF THE ANTI-CONTRACT STATUTE

Judge McPherson Held That the Blanchard Law Is Unconstitutional.

THEY MAY AGREE ON RATES

No Law Is Valid in Iowa Which Prohibits the Making of Contracts, Says the Opinion of the Federal Court.

Des Moines, Oct. 20.—Judge McPherson has rendered an opinion in which he holds that the anti-contract law, which was placed on the statute books of Iowa in the year 1896, is invalid and its provisions cannot be enforced by the state auditor. This opinion is of far-reaching importance, affecting upwards of a hundred insurance companies at which it was directed and designed to prevent their entering into any combination or agreement relating to rates to be charged for insurance, the amounts of commissions to be allowed agents for procuring the same, or the manner of transacting fire insurance in general throughout the state.

The case which has been decided by Judge McPherson was brought in the federal courts as a test of the law which the insurance companies looked upon as obnoxious before this passage and did all in their power to prevent its becoming law. The case involved the Greenwald insurance company and others versus B. F. Carroll, state auditor. It was pending before Judge McPherson on the defendant's demurrer to a bill in equity, filed by the insurance companies against the defendant insurance commissioner of the state.

The bill in equity asked that the defendant be restrained from taking action against them under certain statutes of the state law known as the anti-contract law, or the Blanchard statute, on the ground that such statutes are unconstitutional in conflict with both the state and federal constitutions. James C. Davis and Geo. H. Carr appeared for the complainants and Attorney General Mullan for the insurance commissioner, with the result that the law has been declared unconstitutional. Judge McPherson's opinion, which is exhaustive, will be read with much interest, inasmuch as one of the biggest fights on record was made to prevent the passage of the Blanchard law and the companies have been stubbornly resisting its provisions in the courts since.

The statutes complained of are sections 1754 and 1755 of the code. The former section provides that it shall be unlawful for two or more fire insurance companies doing business in the state, or for the officers, agents or employees of any company, to enter into any combination or agreement relating to rates to be charged for insurance, the amounts of commissions to be allowed agents for procuring the same or the manner of transacting fire insurance in the state. Penalties and fines are imposed for a violation of the act. The following section provides that the auditor shall enforce the law, revoking the permits of any company violating its provisions. It was alleged by the companies that the auditor was about to proceed against them, and they therefore asked for a restraining order.

ODD FELLOWS PARADE

Splendid Pageant at Sioux City—Nominations Are Made. Sioux City, Oct. 22.—Yesterday was the big day for the Odd Fellows in state meeting here. There was a grand street parade in the morning, with close to 4,000 men in line, also carriages containing officials of the various societies. The grand lodge has reduced the per capita tax from 20 to 15 cents, also directed the delegates to the sovereign grand lodge at San Francisco to vote against the proposition to admit to the Patriarchs Militant, all persons from subordinate lodges without their passing through the encampment. The nominations for grand officers, to be voted on next June, were: W. C. Hummer, Keokuk, patriarch; J. C. Milner, Belle Plaine, high priest; M. J. Kellogg, Sioux City, senior warden; R. L. Tilton, Des Moines, scribe; W. G. Hoffman, Ida Grove, treasurer; A. K. English, Des Moines, grand representative.

ROB POCAHONTAS POSTOFFICE.

Thieves Secure \$160 in Cash and \$425 in Stamps. Pocahontas, Oct. 23.—The postoffice at this place was entered by burglars, the safe being blown open and rifled of its contents. The robbers secured \$160 in cash, \$425 worth of postage stamps and five registered packages, the value of which is not known. The gas at the city light plant was turned off about 11:30 and the job must have been done between 1 and 2 o'clock, as the report of the explosion was heard by a number of citizens. The robbers left no clue whatever, but it is thought to have been the work of professionals.

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