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CITY NEWS.

[N. B. If you have relatives or friends visit in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we solicit all your local news.—Ed.]

Jesse Graves left last Tuesday morning for Denver, Colo.

Miss Marie Bell has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Lyman Milligan has fitted up rooms at 508 Third street.

Mr. C. B. Woods who has been sick is able to be out on the streets again.

Walter Marshall resigned his position at the Victoria hotel Saturday.

Mr. Chas. Brewton who has been quite sick with pneumonia is convalescent.

Mr. E. G. McAfee who has been confined to his home with typhoid-pneumonia is convalescent.

Harry Seymour and Miss Rilla P. Tucker were married April 19. Both parties are residents of our city.

The many friends of Mrs. Talbot Woods will be glad to learn that she is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hughes entertained a few friends at a six o'clock dinner last Monday.

Mrs. Howard Cravens who is at the Mercy hospital, suffering from an attack of pneumonia, is convalescent.

Mr. Lewis Howard has bought a home on Seventeenth and School street and will soon move there.

Mrs. Edward Knowles who has been sick for a few weeks, was taken to the Mercy hospital last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Samuel Bryant, who has been confined to his home for several weeks with pneumonia, is able to be out again.

The Odd Fellows will have their annual sermon preached the second Sunday in May, at Corinthian Baptist church. Rev. Griffith will officiate.

Mrs. Wimbush who has been very sick is not any better at this writing. Her many friends still hope for her to get better very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Whitfield have opened up a first-class restaurant on Tenth and Center streets, where they will be glad to meet all their friends and serve all hungry people.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stanton entertained at dinner last Sunday a few of their friends, complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stanton as a post-nuptial.

The Des Moines Giants base ball team will begin practicing next week, so John McClain the captain says. The personnel of the team will be about the same as it was last season.

Mr. Morris Mills received a telegram Thursday morning from F. R. Conway, secretary of the Iowa building at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, to report for duty. Mr. Mills will leave Friday evening for St. Louis.

Born to Mrs. and Rev. T. L. Griffith last Sunday morning, before the reverend had read the scripture lesson or preached his usual sermon, a bouncing baby boy. Both mother and child are doing nicely.

Mrs. B. S. Smith of Kansas City, Kansas, who has been spending several days in our city visiting her sister Mrs. W. H. Warrick, returned to her home last Friday after having an enjoyable visit in the Iowa capital city.

Your Patronage is Kindly Solicited at the

Jewell Restaurant

W. Second and Walnut

MEALS SERVED AT 15 CENTS.

Under management of

E. N. HYDE and MISS MARY MONTAGUE

From present indications Company L and C of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who have been at Ft. Des Moines since last December, will be relieved by the Eleventh Cavalry, which arrived this week. The two former companies will probably be returned to Ft. Niobrara, Neb., some time next week. LATER—They have been ordered to leave next Monday.

When in Chariton, Ia., stop with Mrs. M. A. Shelton for good rooms and meals, two and half blocks south of the depot, across from the foundry.

Mr. and Mrs. Lu Shelton are now located at 1110 Center street.

Mr. Forest White of Muscatine, an employe of the recent legislature, left Tuesday for his home after having an enjoyable winter here.

Mrs. Hastens entertained at dinner last Sunday Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Graves, Mr. Reyder and Mrs. Denny, at her home, West Sixteenth and Walnut.

Miss Selma Stanton who has been soliciting subscribers for the BYSTANDER reports that there are many new colored families moved to our city and bought homes.

Mrs. R. N. Hyde and children spent last Thursday at the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Price Alexander in the suburbs of North Des Moines. They enjoyed a good dinner.

There will be a strawberry party given at the home of Mrs. John Brown, 811 Scott street, Tuesday evening April 27, by Company A of the Corinthian Baptist church. All are invited.

Rev. F. Lomack has issued quite a sensational hand bill, telling the public how unjustly he has been treated by some of the daily newspapers, by only giving one side of his trouble and refusing to publish the other. He also accuses H. R. Wright as co-responsible of his family troubles.

Company L of the Twenty-fifth Inf. Vol. of the U. S., will give their farewell social to night, as the two colored companies will leave Monday for their regular station. This is the same company that so pleasantly entertained our Des Moines people a few weeks ago.

Mr. George W. Douglas of Colfax, Grand Chancellor of K. of P. of this state, called at our office last Saturday and ordered the BYSTANDER sent to his address for one year, also left an order for some job work, paying in advance for his subscription and printing ordered. We hope a number of our delinquent subscribers will do as he has done.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harding of Chicago, who were called here to attend the funeral of his mother, left for their home accompanied by two of his little sisters, Francis and Ada, who will make their home with them, while their other little sister Grace went with her cousin to Omaha, Neb., where she will make her home.

The Olive Branch Whist club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson on last Wednesday night, and after several closely contested games, a delightful luncheon was served by the host and hostess. Next Wednesday night will be their last meeting until next September. The regular monthly prizes will be awarded. They will meet at the home of Mr. George Woods, 813 Eleventh street.

A SHOOTING AFFRAY.

A quarrel of long standing between Carl Ivory and William Boggs, both colored, had its culmination last Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock, when Ivory took three missing shots at Boggs with a .32-caliber revolver.

The men had renewed the quarrel at the corner of East Sixth and Walnut streets, Ivory standing on the sidewalk, and Boggs in the middle of the road.

Suddenly Ivory drew from his pocket a wicked looking gun, and with no exclamation, fired three shots in rapid succession at his enemy. Each went wide of its mark.

Assistant Chief of Police Peterson, Sergeant Day and Deputy Sheriff Robinson captured the fellow and arrested him under charges of assault with attempt to do great bodily injury and of carrying concealed weapons. His preliminary will be held next Wednesday. His bond was fixed by the Police Judge at \$1,000.

George Shininghouse died last Monday evening after a very few hours sickness of heart disease. His former home was in Keokuk, but he has lived here for a number of years and has a large number of friends who will be surprised and sorry to hear of his demise. His funeral was held this afternoon from the residence of his mother-in-law. We with other friends extend our condolence to his relatives.

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EDITORIALS.

The Democratic party seems to be having some trouble in selecting a suitable candidate for presidential defeat this fall, at least considerable interest has been manifested. Of course the Bayan boom has collapsed; old Gorman fell because he made disfranchisement his issue. That may do down in Maryland and the South, but it will not do elsewhere. Then came Cleveland's boom; then a few southern men got after him about his friendly attitude toward the Negro, and he began to retract and retreat from the true and many principles of noble manhood, and now he is no longer considered, and last came Congressman Hearst's boom, but this week the New York state democratic convention seems to have frosted his ambitions and sprouted Judge Parker stock by instructing for the New York judge.

COLD SPRING.

This spring has been the longest unbroken cold period of any spring in the history of Iowa. It has made gardeners late in planting their early vegetables. The early fruit, in fact all fruit will be late budding. The grass grows very slow and all farmers are very late in getting in their small grain, and with the Iowa cold strike on it looks a little discouraging to we people of Iowa for a good industrial and business season this year, yet we hope for warmer weather and a settlement soon of the strike.

GREAT WOMEN PIONEERS.

History has fully recorded the deeds of the men who have laid the foundations of this nation in the Western wilderness; but the women who shared with the men pioneers the dangers and hardships of the frontier have received little notice from other historians or novelists. A great deal of light is thrown upon the Great Women of Pioneer Times in a series of articles that is appearing in The Delineator. The subject in the May number is Catherine Sevier. This remarkable woman took an important part in many of the stirring events of the times, and exerted a powerful influence upon all with whom she came in contact. As the wife of an equally remarkable man she became the first lady in the "Free State of Franklin," and afterward the first occupant of the gubernatorial mansion of Tennessee.

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CLINTON.

Quarterly meeting was held Sunday at Bethel A. M. E. church, Presiding Elder J. W. Malone in charge. He was assisted by Rev. James Robinson of Lyons, who preached at the afternoon service.

Presiding Elder Malone left Monday morning for Davenport, where he was scheduled to hold quarterly conference that night. While in the city he was the guest of Rev. P. P. Taylor and family.

We notice the *Buxton Eagle* is again in circulation in Clinton.

A. A. Bush and wife have been tendered positions in the Iowa building at the St. Louis Exposition, through the efforts of Hon. G. M. Curtis of this city, a member of the Iowa commission. On account of not being able to make satisfactory arrangements, they were compelled to decline the unsolicited favor.

Rev. W. H. Speese went to Chicago Monday morning.

J. P. Taylor is beautifying his Fourth street confectionery with paper and paint.

Presiding Elder J. W. Malone arrived in the city Thursday of last week, in response to the many requests that he come to investigate the complaints and charges against Rev. W. H. Speese, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church. A meeting of the membership was held Thursday night, and after listening to the complaints as preferred by the officials, and realizing the great discord between the pastor and his people, the presiding elder therefore decided to move him to another field of labor, appointing him to the church at Dubuque. Clinton is now without a pastor, and cannot tell how long the pulpit will be vacant, as the matter is in the hands of the bishop. During the interval Rev. P. P. Taylor will be in charge of the church interests.

Only a short while longer, and the Bystander collector may be expected on his annual tour of collecting. You who have not already paid up your indebtedness, please arrange at your earliest convenience to see the local agent and do so, and oblige the Bystander Publishing Co., as they need the money.

ECHOES FROM ROCK ISLAND.

We are more than glad to note the fact that Mr. Chas. Golden is rapidly recovering. Mr. Golden was so unfortunate as to run a rusty nail into his hand which caused him to become a very sick young man. All danger now is past and we hope he will soon be entirely recovered.

A number of friends of Miss Mae Woods planned and carried out a delightful surprise on her last week. To say everyone enjoyed themselves is putting it mildly.

Mr. A. E. Joplin returned Thursday morning from a two weeks' visit in Kansas and Missouri. He reports a fine time, and from the way he looks we judge that the climate rarely agreed with him.

Mrs. Wm. Moore has been very ill for over a week, but at this writing she is able to be up again. Her many friends are glad to know she has become so near well again. Her friend, Mrs. J. Lange of Chicago, came down to take care of her. Everyone is delighted to see Mrs. Lange, as she has visited Mrs. Moore at various times and always won a host of friends.

We are one week late in reporting the visit of Miss Gibbons of Peoria to our city. The young lady was the guest of the H. E. Burris home. Monday evening before her departure Mrs. Burris and daughter, Miss Burris, tendered a reception to Miss Gibbons. Quite a number of guests were present and tripped the light fantastic toe during the evening. Everyone returned to their homes, everyone is delighted to see Mrs. Lange, as she has visited Mrs. Moore at various times and always won a host of friends.

Rev. Edward S. Willitt of Keokuk is attending the Southeastern Iowa Synod of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa which convened in this city on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Frank Anderson of New Boston, Iowa, spent Sunday in the city.

Rev. Geo. Rose, the African evangelist, lectured on the laws and customs of Africa Monday evening at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Grace Allen of Burlington visited her husband Sunday. Mr. Allen is employed at the Elks club.

Mrs. L. White and Miss Valie Bowman of Kansas City, Mo., are in the city, called here by the serious illness of their father, Mr. Patrick Bowman. The drama "Out in the Street," which was played at the Marquette auditorium Tuesday evening was well attended.

Mrs. E. Crouser, who has been visiting relatives and friends at Sandusky, Iowa, returned home last evening, accompanied by her son, Mr. James Crouser.

SUPERIOR, WIS., BUDGETARIAN.

We are having beautiful weather up here now, but as yet there are no gardens planted, and no prospects of any yet, as the ground is frozen solid. Sunday was quarterly meeting in Duluth. As the presiding elder could not be present, Rev. Wade of Superior went over and preached for

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The Tibetans also are beginning to feel the pressure of the dark man's surden.

Praise a woman for the qualities she doesn't possess and she'll worship you.—Chicago News.

Radium will not cure cancer. Now that the excitement has died down, what is radium good for?

The Russians in Manchuria are on short rations. War arbitrates, and an empty stomach may be referee.

Six people committed suicide in New York in one day. Evidently the outgoing trains were badly crowded.

Radium rays, it has been discovered, do not cure everything. Something had to be left for the N-rays to cure.

It is nearly time for Brander Matthews to come out in defense of "busted" as a good and proper English word.

Canada consumed 200,000,000 cigarettes last year. This sounds bad until you read how many the United States consumed.

First it was the "X" ray, now it is the "N" ray. If science keeps busy we may have the whole alphabet represented by rays.

The Korean navy is made up of twenty-five admirals and one coal barge. All the materials here for the regulation revolution.

The mountain in Maine that sank into the earth the other day will be succeeded, doubtless, by a lake with an unpronounceable name.

The British exploring ship Discovery is on her way back from the Antarctic. As polar expeditions go, this is regarded as success.

Shoe polish killed a man in Toledo who had been dancing for several hours. Some will be mean enough to say that he died of brain fever.

And now it is an Ohio man who has brought back to life by the timely administration of adrenal chloride. It is still safer not to die, however.

Russian heroes are rewarded with crosses of St. George. No doubt the crosses are lovely, but new suspenders would probably come in handier.

The touching poem about Mary and her lamb was written in 1830. At the rate of one per diem for 74 years, how many parodies upon it have been written?

Friends of Hetty Green are worried because she has left Hoboken. If she had taken it with her more would have considered her action more rational.

A correspondent of the New York Sun wants to know what a man should wear Sunday nights. Down this way they sometimes wear an air of pious resignation.

Prof. Mosso, the eminent scientist, says that the more enfeebled people's nerves are, the longer they live. We fear the professor hasn't much of a chance for long life.

The Alabama, it seems, has beaten the remarkable record just established by the Kearsage. The men behind the guns in the U. S. navy certainly know how to shoot.

So some of us are justified at last. Herbert Spencer's autobiography says: "After reading six books of the Iliad I felt that I would rather give a large sum than read to the end."

The reverend brethren are arguing the question as to whether man is saved by faith or works. To the theologically uninformed layman, it seems as if a little of both were to be desired.

An eastern woman is going around telling people how to make rolls. Unfortunately she doesn't suggest methods of acquiring rolls big enough to enable the owners to purchase everything in sight.

A Paterson (N. J.) woman wants a divorce because her husband smokes a pipe. He might adjust matters by cutting down the allowance enough to make it possible to provide himself with cigars.

A Boston man has been sentenced to twenty years in prison for stealing \$300,000. This is discouraging. They would hardly have given him more than that if he had taken a barrel of flour or a suit of clothes.

Some men are painfully sensitive. A New York gentleman has just changed his name, by permission of the supreme court, from "W. H. Maloney" to "W. M. Malden," because people frequently addressed him as "Bologna."

The discovery that it cost the Japs only \$100,000 to bombard Vladivostok for an hour will likely make bombardment a popular pastime for some of our society people who are seeking a cheap form of entertainment for the coming summer.

School boys of Findlay, Ohio, imitating the older savages in the colleges, caused the death of a 9-year-old boy by hazing, and the lad's mother is dying from shock and grief. Honestly, now, is it worth all this just to be barbarously funny?

Out of eighty students of Johns Hopkins university examined as to their knowledge of the Bible only one could identify a quotation. It would be interesting to know how intelligently these students read some of the classics—Milton, for example.

DIAMOND ROBBER HAS CONFESSED

Frank Shercliff, in the Penitentiary, Makes a Statement.

IMPLICATES TOM DENNISON

Omaha Policy King Placed Under Indictment—Shercliff is Serving Time for Sensational Assault On Salesman on a Train.

Missouri Valley, April 21.—Frank Shercliff, the diamond robber, sent to the penitentiary from this county years ago for assaulting Travelling Salesman Pollock to rob him of \$10,000 worth of diamonds he carried on a train near Missouri Valley, recently confessed to the crime naming Tom Dennison, the Omaha policy king, as an accomplice, and originator of the plot. He also alleges a series of other crimes of the same kind originating from the same source. To prove his confession, Shercliff was brought from Fort Madison this week, to Logan, then driven directly to Missouri Valley to locate the revolver buried with the diamonds, which, according to the story, Dennison recovered the diamonds, failed to find, where the whole was hidden in the suburbs of this city. They failed to find the gun, swing, Shercliff claimed, to the changes of ten years, so his case lacks strong circumstantial evidence. Dennison may yet be indicted in this county on the strength of that Shercliff confession.

Council Bluffs, April 21.—The Harrison county grand jury at Logan yesterday afternoon returned an indictment against Tom Dennison, the king of Omaha gamblers, for complicity in the famous Pollock diamond robbery on a Northwestern train near California Junction, Iowa, in 1922.

Omaha, April 21.—Tom Dennison was seen here last night and asked what he had to say with reference to the confession of Shercliff. Dennison declared the whole story was a pack of lies, and that it was part of a plot worked up by Walter Mose of Omaha for political purposes.

TO PAY MONTHLY FINES.

Mayor of Des Moines Outlines Policy Toward Gamblers.

Des Moines, April 22.—A conference has been held between Mayor George W. Matern and representative members of Des Moines, in which the new mayor handed down his regulations regarding gambling and as to the manner in which it is to be tolerated in Des Moines.

Acting on the theory that it cannot be entirely eradicated, but that by lightening the rains by certain methods, this particular kind of vice can be minimized, Mayor Matern took the gamblers some things that they will be compelled to do, neither threatening them or giving them assurance of protection.

Possibly several gambling houses will continue their business in Des Moines. The proprietors will be fined monthly in a degree that will approximate the police receipts \$25,000 per year.

Gambling will be confined as nearly as possible to a few places, the same theory of segregation of Mayor Matern being followed in this regard as he is quoted as favoring with regard to houses of ill fame. He is said to be determined to wipe out all possible systems of "graft."

Gambling for money in any of the many forms that have been conducted in Des Moines, will be stopped in saloons, billiard halls, cigar stores, and other places given this permission by the last administration.

In brief the policy of Mayor Matern will be to reduce gambling as much as possible by a form of segregation and elimination. He does not hope to make a pure white city of Des Moines, but rather to remove all uncleanness with the exception of a few indelible, irremovable spots.

HOLDEN GIVES GOOD ADVICE.

His "Seed Corn" Tour is Proving Great Success.

Des Moines, April 21.—Don't buy seed corn, other than that in the ear; examine it well before you use it; do not select it too early in the fall and pay some attention to your planter and methods of planting, are some of the bits of advice Prof. P. G. Holden imparted to Iowa farmers, during the Rock Island's tour about the state, closed last night. Hundreds of farmers assembled at the various railroad stations to hear the weighty arguments of Prof. Holden and in the majority of places deemed the allotted twenty minutes too short.

On Saturday the Des Moines Short Line will run a special train over its line, bearing Prof. Holden. Circulars have been distributed and the excursion bids fair to be as successful as the Rock Island's experiment.

Tight Glove Caused Death.

Oskaloosa, April 22.—A tight fitting glove caused the death of Wilbur Ely, blacksmith for the Spring Creek Coal company. He had finished repairs at the top of the hoisting tower and in shoving off a big timber his glove caught in the mangle and dragged Ely with it. He fell fifty feet to the ground. Many bones were broken and he lived only a short time.

Negro Woman is Pardoned.

Des Moines, April 21.—Gertrude McDonald, a colored woman who was convicted at Davenport two years ago and sentenced to a term in the penitentiary at Fort Madison on the charge of having held up and robbed a Hebrew peddler on the street, has been pardoned by Governor Cummins.

Splendid Tablet Unveiled.

Des Moines, April 21.—The bronze tablet in honor of the soldiers of the revolution buried in Iowa was unveiled at the historical building last evening by the Sons of the Revolution. It contains the names of the six who lie buried in Iowa soil.

Alleged Hypnotist Found Guilty.

Rock Rapids, April 22.—The jury in the case of the State of Iowa vs. Edward Donovan, charged with the crime of seduction by Violet Brown, through means of hypnotism after being out two hours, brought in a verdict of guilty.

THROWS DOWN GAUNTLET.

J. J. Ryan Writes a Letter to Chicago Stock Yards.

Port Dodge, April 21.—Members of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association of Iowa and stock men in general will be interested in a letter just sent to the Union Stock Yards and Transportation company of Chicago, by Secretary J. J. Ryan of this city, in which he throws down the gauntlet to this company in the matter of excessive charges to stock men.

Following the meeting of a committee from the association and the managers of the Iowa railroads, Mr. Ryan concluded that their next grievance lay in the direction of the stock yards in Chicago. The letter reads, in part, as follows: "It is the purpose of the meat producers of the corn belt to avoid, if possible, the heavy loss from shrinkage and over-charges emanating from the conditions which now surround the market in Chicago. We can ship to the west coast beef without this additional shrinkage or the payment of terminal charge, and while these markets are not as good for shipping and export cattle as the Chicago market, they are practically as good for dressed beef stock, and it makes no difference whether the Iowa feeder is only a trifle more than half what he had paid for his feeding stock. "I presume you are aware that the freight on dressed beef from the west is on live cattle. Before we will much longer stand these injustices we will slaughter our live stock at home; avoid all of these charges; and this unbearable shrinkage, (take the advantage of this cheap dressed beef and put out raw material on the market as a finished product and ready for the consumer. I believe it is a vital question for the owners of the once reliable stock yards of Chicago to consider. I believe that it would be wisdom on their part to join with the stock men in preparing a commission for handling it. They are willing to continue this, if it continues to be a matter of live and let live, but they cannot and will not longer put up with present conditions. It will not do to say to them that there is an oversupply of dressed beef. That is not the case. It has not been shown that any of the products of our live stock have been wanted or placed before the consumer at an unreasonably low price."

The association has under consideration plans for yards of their own in Chicago in that it is present condition they cannot be adjusted to a condition where the shipper can market his stock without the losses that now attend such a transaction. "These stock yard people have been making a big lot of money at the expense of the shipper, and Ryan in speaking of this letter, "and the men of Iowa have grown tired of being trimmed all along the line. After we have settled with the stock yards people we intend to take up a few matters with the commission men."

POSTOFFICE SAFE CRACKED.

Gang of Burglars Make a Haul at Delphos.

St. Clair, April 20.—J. S. Steadman's general store at Delphos was burglarized yesterday morning at 1 o'clock, the safe being wrecked. Mr. Steadman is postmaster at Delphos, and the \$105 in cash secured by the burglars from the safe and store drawers includes the postoffice funds. A few dollars' worth of stamps were also taken. The depredation was not discovered until the office was opened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and although the telephone lines were freely used nothing has been heard of the burglars from the safe and store drawers included the postoffice funds. A few dollars' worth of stamps were also taken. The depredation was not discovered until the office was opened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and although the telephone lines were freely used nothing has been heard of the burglars from the safe and store drawers included the postoffice funds. A few dollars' worth of stamps were also taken.

\$200,000 FOR BUILDING.

State Board of Control to Construct Building For Deaf.

Council Bluffs, April 20.—Instead of several small buildings, as had been proposed, the state board of control, upon its visit to the school for deaf here yesterday afternoon, decided to erect one main central structure costing \$175,000 to \$200,000, and then to erect a smaller building, connected with it, to be used as a chapel, dining room, kitchen and serving room, and an independent building to be used as a hospital.

The former plan was known as the "cage system." The decision to abandon it was followed by instructions to State Architect Liebbe to prepare plans along the lines decided upon. The legislature appropriated \$250,000 for the new building and it is believed the sum will suffice for the improvements now agreed upon.

LAD WAS DRAGGED TO DEATH.

Had Tied Halter Rope About His Waist and Was Jerked From Feet.

Humboldt, April 22.—The 12-year-old lad adopted about four months ago by Fred Ruple, a farmer, living east of Humboldt, met his death while leading the farm horses out to water.

The boy had tied the halter rope of the horses about his waist and the horse, becoming frightened at something, jerked the boy off his feet. It is supposed that while it was running the boy's head hit some obstruction, for when he was found a short time later, the face was badly bruised and behind the right ear the skull had been crushed in by a blow strong enough to kill a man instantly.

Condition of Fruit in Iowa.

Des Moines, April 21.—Reports from Iowa fruit crop investigators compiled by Horticultural society show as follows: Apples, 84 per cent; pears, 80; American plums, 93; European plums, 75; Japanese plums, 80; cherries, 66; peaches, 34; grapes not covered, 75; raspberries, 81; black raspberries, 67; strawberries, 75.

PORT ARTHUR IS TOTTERING

Events Continue to Culminate Around the Doomed Fortress.

IS NOW EFFECTUALLY BLOCKED

Russians Are Fleeing Across, the Yalu River—General Kuropatkin is Said to Have Issued Long Expected Order for an Advance.

London, April 22.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that Port Arthur undoubtedly is effectually blocked and that events are culminating around the doomed fortress.

London, April 22.—A correspondent of the Times cabling from Niuchwang says that a messenger has arrived there from the Yalu river with the information that the Russians are fleeing north across the river in overcrowded boats and are losing hundreds by drowning.

Paris, April 22.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Parisien says he has learned that General Kuropatkin has ordered the advance of the Russian forces which are massed in northeastern Korea, and that a brigade of infantry, with five thousand Cossacks is within a hundred versts of the banks of the Tumen river.

St. Petersburg, April 22.—All doubt as to the cause of the destruction of the battleship Petropavlovsk and the damage to the battleship Pobeda at Port Arthur is dispelled by the report submitted by telegram to the emperor, April 21. Viceroy Alexieff stated in a way that leaves the matter no longer open to question that mines were responsible for the disaster.

The viceroy's report was sent only after a thorough investigation, ordered by the emperor, had been made. It explicitly states that "under the starboard side of the Petropavlovsk, a mine exploded, and says a mine exploded under the Pobeda.

Mukden, April 22.—The operations of the Russians in Manchuria are greatly hampered by the immense number of spies. Major General Konarski, commanding the Ninth Siberian rifle brigade, says the Japanese have taken advantage of the convenient location of Niuchwang, which is full of spies.

"In the guise of merchants, beggars, rascals and lackeys," says the general, "these spies are everywhere. They have grown pigstails, showing that they have been preparing for their work for a long time and that they are unwilling to trust entirely the information supplied by the Chinese. They are hard to get rid of. These insects, as soon as they obtain information, cross the river into Chinese territory, where they use the telegraph. Some of them have been caught, but the majority remain among the troops and nothing can be done to prevent it."

A Chinese spy who was caught several days ago was sent to Liao Yang, where he was shot. The Chinese manifested deep sympathy, following him along the streets after he had been captured.

FOR CONTROL OF PANAMA.

Committee Reports Old Louisiana Purchase Act to House.

Washington, April 21.—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce yesterday took up all pending bills for the government of the Panama canal zone and disposed of the question by striking out of the senate bill all after the sentence "and the territory of the Panama canal zone shall be under the control of the United States by the terms of treaty ratified on the 26th day of February, 1904, hereinafter known as the Panama canal treaty."

The committee report that the government of the said territory, or granted by the terms of said treaty to the United States shall be vested in such person or persons, and shall be exercised in such manner as the president of the United States shall direct for the government of said territory and for maintaining and protecting the inhabitants thereof in the free enjoyment of their liberty, property and religion.

HEAVY SNOW AT ST. LOUIS.

Traffic Impeded by a Very Unseasonable Storm.

St. Louis, April 21.—A severe snow storm raged here yesterday, which, being driven by a sharp wind, at times assumed the proportions of a blizzard. The storm began with a sleet storm, followed by a fall of 20 degrees in temperature, and the snow began to fall at 30 degrees.

Street traffic was considerably impeded, and railroad trains were late in arriving.

At 11 o'clock the snow ceased, falling and there had been a total precipitation of six inches.

At the base ball parks it was announced that the snow would prevent the games between St. Louis and Chicago National League teams and St. Louis and Cleveland's American League teams, scheduled for today.

Reports received here indicate that from five to seven inches of snow fell within a radius of 150 miles of St. Louis.

Hurries Ships To Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, April 19.—The first of five new submarine boats building at St. Petersburg and forty warships on loads of ammunition were dispatched yesterday to the seat of war.

The submarine boat, which was sent off in sections, is elliptical in shape and fitted with an improved electrical apparatus for firing torpedoes, which enormously increases the offensive power of torpedoes.

Porto Rico At The Fair.

New York, April 19.—Governor Hunt, who arrived here yesterday from Porto Rico, said that "a strong effort is being made to promote a market in the United States for Porto Rico by preparing for an extensive exhibit at St. Louis.



ADMIRAL TOGO MAKES REPORT

Says Battleship Petropavlovsk Struck a Japanese Mine.

DETAILS OF THE ATTACK

Russian Squadron Was Fleeing Before Superior Force—Cunning Maneuver by Which Japanese Enticed Gallant Makaroff to His Death.

Washington, D. C., April 18.—The Japanese legation has received the following cablegram dated Tokio, April 17: "Admiral Togo reports that the combined fleet as previously planned commenced on the 11th of April the eighth attack on Port Arthur. The fourth and fifth destroyer flotillas and the fourteenth torpedo flotilla and the Keryo Maru reached the mouth of Port Arthur at midnight of the 12th and effected the laying of mines at several points outside of the port, defying the enemy's searchlights."

"The second destroyer flotilla discovered at dawn of the 13th one Russian destroyer trying to enter the harbor and after ten minutes attack, sunk her. Another Russian destroyer was discovered coming from the direction of Liao Tshan and was attacked, but she managed to flee into the harbor. On our side no casualties except two seamen on the Izo-ruchi slightly wounded. There was no time to rescue the enemy's drowned crew, as the Bayan approached. The third fleet reached outside of Port Arthur at 8 a. m. when the Bayan came out and opened fire. Immediately afterward the Novik, Askold, Diana, Petropavlovsk, Pobeda and Foltava came out and made an offensive attack. Our third fleet answering and gradually retiring, enticed the enemy toward the port when our first fleet suddenly appeared before the enemy and attacked them."

"While the enemy was trying to regain the port a battleship of the Petropavlovsk type struck a mine laid by us the previous evening and sunk at 10:32 a. m. Although another ship was observed to have lost freedom of movement, the confusion of the enemy's ships prevented us from identifying her. They finally managed to regain the port. Our third fleet covered no damage and the enemy's damage beside the above mentioned is probably slight also. They re-sailed April 14 toward Port Arthur. The torpedo flotilla also joined at 3 a. m. and found outside the port. Our first fleet arrived at the port at 9 a. m. and discovered three mines laid by the enemy and destroyed all. The Kasuga and Nishin were dispatched to the west of Liao Tshan and made indirect bombardment for two hours, it being their first action. The new forts on Liao Tshan finally silenced. Our forces retired at 10:30 p. m."

NEW YORK FOR PARKER.

Democratic State Convention Instructs Delegates.

Albany, N. Y., April 19.—The democratic state convention for the election of delegates to the national convention selected the following delegates at large:

David B. Hill of Albany, Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy, George Ehret of New York city, James W. Ridgeway of Brooklyn, As alternates it selected C. N. Bulger of Oswego, W. Caryl Ely of Buffalo, C. H. Ackerman of Broome and Francis Burton Harrison of New York.

The delegates were instructed by a vote of 301 to 149 for Alton B. Parker as the state's candidate for president. Tammany was not treated as badly as had been predicted, being allowed to name a delegate at large, Mr. Ehret, and an alternate, and one of the rucel electors at large, Harry Payne Whitney, the other being John T. Woodford.

The platform adopted is brief, and in addition to instructing for Parker compels the delegation to vote as a unit.

Turks Engage Bulgarians.

Salonica, European Turkey, April 19.—Serious fighting has taken place between the Turks and Bulgarians at Ljapa, near Demir Kapu (a valley of the Vardar, sixty-two miles from Salonica). Many were killed on both sides.

Rooski Escapes Gallows.

Chicago, April 21.—The jury in the case of Emil Rooski, the last of the car barn bandits, returned a verdict of guilty yesterday. The penalty fixed is penitentiary for life.

A man may be perfectly square and move in the best circles.

Hope is often but the forerunner of disappointment.

FLANK MOVEMENT HAS BEEN BEGUN

Japanese Transports Appear Near Mouth of Yalu.

TO ISOLATE PORT ARTHUR

Said To Be Purpose of Mikado's Troops—Japanese Are Building Entrenchments on Yalu But Are Expected to Advance Soon.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—What may turn out to be the anticipated flanking movement of the Japanese troops, is the appearance of a number of Japanese ships off Potania, near the gulf of Cheng Tai Tse, about midway between Port Arthur and the mouth of the Yalu river, as reported to the czar yesterday by General Kuropatkin.

Military experts here have long regarded that vicinity as the probable point of debarkation of the second Japanese expedition. It is not far away from Takushan (eighteen miles to the east), and connects by road with Port Arthur, 150 miles to the southwest, and Fungwang, fifty miles to the northwest, where the Russians will make their first obstinate resistance.

Though the Japanese are building entrenchments on the Yalu, it is believed that they will advance soon. The arrangements for a turning movement are complete and experts say that such a movement could properly begin at Takushan, as Fungwang lies at the angle of an equilateral triangle, with Takushan and the Yalu as bases.

The Japanese debarkation will undoubtedly be covered by a warship and the Russians recognize that it will be impossible to prevent it.

"We will strike after they have landed," grimly said a member of the general staff.

General Kuropatkin is aware of the strategic importance of the vicinity of Takushan and it is understood that he has made his arrangements accordingly.

Tokio, April 21.—Russian troops to the number of 1,000 are reported to be in occupation of Yong Gwan in northern Korea. A detachment of forty Cossacks has appeared for a second time at Sung Jin, about 75 miles north of Gen San, where they burned the Japanese settlement and took possession of the post and the telegraph offices. As there were no Japanese troops present, the Korean officials at Sung Jin were friendly to the Russian.

Another detachment of 75 Russian soldiers has advanced as far south as Puek Cyong, about 75 miles down the coast from Sung Jin.

Washington, April 21.—The announcement from St. Petersburg by the Associated Press of the withdrawal of Alexieff from the direction of the affairs of the far east, together with the lucid and interesting story of the rise and fall of the radical element in Russia headed by Alexieff and Bezobrazoff, was received with intense interest in official circles here.

The change just indicated is believed to prolong a complete reversal of Russian policy in Manchuria, and it is thought that could Russia save her face and pride before the civilized world by scoring a decisive victory on land the way would speedily be opened for peace negotiations on the broad basis of the late Japanese proposition just before the outbreak of the war. The restoration to power and influence of M. Witte, the deposed Russian minister of finance, who so strongly opposed war, is expected to follow very soon.

HILL WINS FIGHT.

Petition of Intervention in Securities Case is Decided.

St. Paul, Minn., April 20.—In the United States circuit court yesterday Judge Sanborn, Magner, Van Deyter and Hook unanimously denied the application of Harriman and Pierce and the Oregon Short Line railroad company for leave to intervene in the case of the United States against the Northern Securities company on the following grounds:

First—The plan of the directors of the Northern Securities company for the distribution of the stock of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railway companies is not violative of the decree in the Northern Securities case.

Second—No one but the United States can successfully appeal to the court to enjoin the execution of that plan on the ground that it is in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act and the United States expresses satisfaction with the present decree.

Third—The stock of the two railway companies is not in the custody of the court.

Fourth—An intervention is not necessary to enable the petitioners to protect any pecuniary interest or equity they have.

Judge Thayer delivered the opinion of the court.

The formal entry of the court is as follows: The application of Edward H. Harriman, Winslow S. Pierce and the Oregon Short Line Railroad company for leave to intervene in this case was heard before this court on April 12 and 13, 1904, and after due consideration it is hereby ordered that the said application be and the same is hereby denied.

(Signed) Walter H. Sanborn, Amos M. Thayer, Willis Vandewater.

ANOTHER MASSACRE BY TURKS.

442 Armenians Are Said to Have Been Slain.

London, April 20.—News has been received here of massacres by the Turks in Armenia, which have resulted in the killing of 442 Armenians, mostly women and children, in the neighborhood of Sassoun.

The report comes through Constantinople and there seems little reason to discredit it. The massacres of the defenseless women and children has been going on, continues the report, since last February.

Rumors of fresh troubles in Armenia have been coming to the outside world at frequent intervals since the Russian-Japanese war diverted the attention of Europe from the sultan and the Turkish empire, but this is the first apparently authentic report giving the actual number of Armenians slaughtered by the sultan's subjects.



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STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. FRANK J. CHENEY, Notary Public, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same appears from the records of said city.

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"Have a care, madam," said Mr. Meeker, summing up a little spunk; "the worm will turn!" "Did you ever know the worm to hurt anybody when it turned?" calmly asked his wife.

A funny walking match was recently witnessed in Heywood, England, by an immense crowd of spectators. The contestants were a man with one leg and a crutch, and a man with a cork leg. The distance was one mile, and the wager, £10 a side. The cork leg won.

A low trick was played on Dr. Stimson, of McCordsville, Ohio. Some wretch stuffed his keyhole full of wet paper, and then telephoned him to call at once on old Bill Jennings, and be prepared to beed him. When the doctor hurried to his office, the paper in the keyhole was frozen, and he couldn't get the key in.

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A girl's idea of an interesting man is one who is interested in her.

Associated with **Thompson's Eye Water** 50c a bottle, use.

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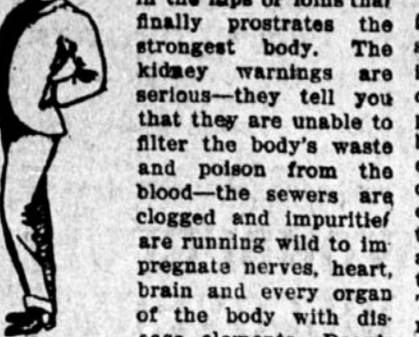
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OLD AGE PENSIONS. Under a recent order of the Commissioner of Pensions all veterans serving 90 days or more during the Civil War, and honorably discharged, and over 60 years of age are entitled to pension. Write to Banta & Phillips, 128 E. W. Ave., Washington, D. C. References: 1. Washington Board of Trade. 2. Traders National Bank.

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BEGGS' BLOOD PURIFIER CURES catarrh of the stomach.

DANGEROUS NEGLECT.



It's the neglect of backache, headache, pain in the hips or loins that finally prostrates the strongest body. The kidney warnings are serious—they tell you that they are unable to filter the body's waste and poison from the blood—the sewers are clogged and impurities are running wild to impregnate nerves, heart, brain and every organ of the body with disease elements. Doan's Kidney Pills are quick to soothe and strengthen sick kidneys and help them free the system from poison. Read how valuable they are, even in cases of long standing.

L. C. Lovell of 415 North First St., Spokane, Wash., says: "I have had trouble from my kidneys for the past ten years. It was caused by a strain to which I paid little attention. But as I neglected the trouble it became worse and worse until any strain or a slight cold was sure to be followed by severe pain across my back. Then the action of the kidney secretions became deranged and I was caused much annoyance besides loss of sleep. Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my notice and after taking them a short time their good effect was apparent. All the pain was removed from my back and the kidney secretions became normal. Doan's Kidney Pills do all that is claimed for them."

A FREE TRIAL of this great remedy which cured Mr. Lovell will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Envy goes with what you haven't got; and vanity with what you have.

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A woman in love always is blind to her own folly.

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It's awful clever of a girl when you are squeezing her hand to be able to look as if they were playing the piano.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

Mr. Sloman—"It's so strange that we have no national flower. We certainly should have one." Miss Waite (significantly)—"Yes; I think the orange blossom would be nice."

"I see you are wearing my old engagement ring." "Yes; isn't it perfectly lovely to be engaged to Jack?" "Yes, indeed! He's so deliciously serious about it, isn't he?"

False teeth made of paper are in use in Germany, and are reputed to be highly satisfactory. These paper teeth have several advantages over the ordinary ones of porcelain or mineral composition. They are very cheap, do not break or chip, are not sensitive to heat or cold, nor has the moisture of the mouth any injurious effect upon them.

"Shall I say that you are very fond of America as usual?" asked the press-agent. "Wait till I have the books balanced," answered the prima donna with characteristic business foresight; "if the profits are more than fifty thousand dollars you may say that I love America; if they are less, you may say I consider the country very lacking in refinement."

The physicians were holding a consultation beside the cot of the man supposed to have appendicitis concealed about his person. "I believe," said one of the surgeons, "that we should wait and let him get stronger before cutting into him." Before the other prospective operators could reply, the patient turned his head and remarked, feebly: "What do you take me for—a cheese?"

CAME FROM COFFEE. A Case Where the Taking of Morphine Began With Coffee.

"For 15 years," says a young Ohio woman, "I was a great sufferer from stomach, heart and liver trouble. For the last 10 years the suffering was terrible; it would be impossible to describe it. During the last three years I had convulsions from which the only relief was the use of morphine."

"I had several physicians, nearly all of whom advised me to stop drinking tea and coffee, but as I could take only liquid foods I felt I could not live without coffee. I continued drinking it until I became almost insane. My mind was affected, while my whole nervous system was a complete wreck. I suffered day and night from thirst and as water would only make me sick I kept on trying different drinks until a friend asked me to try Postum Food Coffee."

"I did so but it was some time before I was benefited by the change, my system was so filled with coffee poison. It was not long, however, before I could eat all kinds of foods and drink all the cold water I wanted and which my system demands. It is now 8 years I have drank nothing but Postum for breakfast and supper and the result has been that in place of being an invalid with my mind affected I am now strong, sturdy, happy and healthy."

"I have a very delicate daughter who has been greatly benefited by drinking Postum also; a strong boy, who would rather go without food for his breakfast than his Postum. So much depends on the proper cooking of Postum for unless it is boiled the proper length of time people will be disappointed in it. Those in the habit of drinking strong coffee should make the Postum very strong at first in order to get a strong coffee taste." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Des Moines, April 22, 1904. In consequence of the strike of the plumbers and electricians tying up some of the largest building contracts in the city, a number of the leading contractors of Des Moines have completed arrangements to shut down all business until an agreement could be effected with the strikers. Several conferences of the contractors involved were held before it was decided to take the step, as they disliked taking an action that will throw about two thousand men out of work indefinitely. The shut down will undoubtedly mean the sudden culmination of the trouble with the plumbers and electricians as the members of the building trades unions will undoubtedly join the business men in their endeavors to have the strike trouble arbitrated.

It is understood that the long anticipated fight between the employers' association and the labor unions is now on. The employers are contending for an open shop, or the employment of individuals without regard to unionism, and as this means the utter demoralization of the labor unions the fight may be a bitter one.

It is announced that Captain C. L. Watrous has procured an option on the remaining eighty acres of the quarter section contiguous to the army post rifle range on which the military authorities have had an eye for a permanent camp ground for the Iowa National Guard. Watrous, in a sense, acted for the state. The option which he secured was at the rate of \$100 an acre, which would require \$8,000 of the \$21,000 appropriation. The owners, however, stipulate an additional \$500 to repay for losing the rent of this year. It is understood that the military authorities are very much pleased with the 166 acres under option. It is regarded as an ideal camp ground. It has the topographical features which make it eminently suitable for a drill ground. The selection of the site is left to Governor Cummins and Adjutant General Byers.

General Byers is said to be strongly in favor of the location described. An additional reason for desiring the camp ground located adjacent to the army post is the provision in the new federal law making the National Guard a part of the regular army, which gives the members in camp contiguous to the post the same pay and command during camp as the regular army soldiers and officers get, which is higher than the state gives. Moreover, the Dick law provides that the expense under such circumstances shall be borne by the federal government.

Just as soon as the railways crossing Iowa put into effect the order restricting the use of the return pass to livestock shipments, several legislative bodies of the country branches of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association of Iowa will begin the circulation of petitions asking Governor Cummins to call a special session of the legislature to enact new legislation. The officials of the association are now consulting attorneys regarding legislation that can be passed that will compel the railroads to come to terms. The report published a few days ago was the first intimation the stockmen and the legislators had of the stand the railroads intended to take. Since the publication, several legislators have confirmed it. Mr. H. C. Wallace, who was recently in conference with railroad officials, hopes that the order will be changed. The Great Western was not represented at the conference in Chicago and the stockmen hope that President Stickney will deliver a body blow to the anti-pass agreement.

The new city administration has made a change of policy. Hereafter, all women who are inmates of immoral houses will be fined once a month. The fine for each place will be assessed \$15 per month, and other occupants \$10 each. The fines for April have amounted to over \$1,000.00.

The hall of portraits in the Iowa historical building will soon be graced with the portrait of the first Iowa man ever appointed to the naval academy from Iowa, in the form of a likeness of Rear Admiral John Grimes Walker, who is now at the head of the Panama canal commission. The fact that Rear Admiral Walker is an Iowa man is one that is generally known, but these things seldom escape Curator Aldrich, and through John A. Kasson he has secured the promise to present the portrait to the state. With that of Rear Admiral Remy, the hall of portraits will be well represented from the navy.

Mrs. E. C. Manning, wife of a well-known Burlington engineer, committed suicide at Burlington by drinking carbolic acid while temporarily insane from illness.

Five lads from Waterloo, whose ages ranged from 9 to 13 years, were taken in charge by the police at Iowa Falls and on instructions from the chief of police at Waterloo, the quintette was transported to their parents. The boys all left good homes in Waterloo and seemed animated by a desire for some rough experience in a new country. It appears they had been inspired to make the dash for new experiences by a perusal of literature of the yellow back hue. They were well equipped with a supply of cigarettes, and one boy carried a gun.

Japanese girls do not know how to kiss. When they learn, as they do sometimes, the probability is that they have been receiving instructions from a foreign expert.

An eminent oculist states that defective eyesight is sometimes caused by tight collars. Pressure on the neck interferes with the circulation of blood to the head.

Sawdust is converted into portable fuel in Germany by a very simple process. It is mixed with high steam pressure and the resulting ingredients become sticky, when it is pressed into bricks.

The true man never lets his living stand in the way of his life. Naturally enough, dear friends are expensive.

"Do you believe," she asked, "that a genius can possibly be a good husband?" "Well," he modestly replied, "I would prefer not to answer that question. But my wife ought to be able to tell you."

Miss Peppery—"I suppose that was your valet I saw with you yesterday." Cholly—"My dear Miss Peppery, don't say 'valet.' That word, you know, is not used now as— Miss Peppery—"Well, then, your 'keeper'."

STORIETTES.

An Oregon newspaper man in Washington is telling a good story about Dr. Hale. He says he was once traveling in the back country of Oregon, and going to a little bar for lodging, was surprised to see a large picture of Dr. Hale on the wall. The woman of the house explained it thus: "Well, you see, a good many strangers come here and want me to keep 'em, and I don't know anything about 'em, but if they know Edward Everett Hale's picture I know they're good for something, and I let 'em stay."

This happened in Scotland: The last editions of the newspapers, with the result of the great Perth walk, had been sold out, and the boys were calculating their takings. "Hallo," said Jimmy, in alarm, "I'm a 'penney short!" "Well, what's the use of arpin on it?" growled Dick, as the calmly cracked a nut; "you don't think I took it, do you?" "No, I don't say you 'ave," said Jimmy, slowly—"I don't say you 'ave. But there it is. I'm a 'penney short and you're a-eating nuts, yer know!"

When President Nicholas Murray Butler was at college, certain freshmen of his time made no scruple of stealing a pair of milk which a dairyman daily placed out side the door of Mr. Butler's room while the occupant was in class. In order to foil the mauders, the future president of Columbia composed, one day, a formidable legend which he printed in very deep letters and placed over the pail. It read: "I have poisoned this milk with arsenic." Upon his return he found the milk intact, but added to his notice were these appalling words: "So have we."

There was once an early day miner who, after many years, made his pile, and coming down to San Francisco, looked about for the most splendid restaurant he could find. He wanted to make up to himself in one glorious night for all his privations and hardships of many years. When he found his restaurant and the waiter handed him the bill of fare, he found it was in a language that is not commonly spoken in mining camps, and that he could not make out anything but the prices, which were extremely high. So he turned the waiter with, "Bring me one hundred dollars worth of hams and eggs."

Judge E. H. Gray, chairman of the executive committee of the Steel Trust, has a favorite story of a bright eight-year-old boy, a clergyman's son. Judge Gray was dining with the family once, and during dinner said to the boy: "Look here, Joe, I have a question to ask you about your father."

"The boy looked gravely at him. 'All right,' he answered, 'you go on, and he said, 'Well,' said the judge, 'I want to know if your father doesn't preach the same sermon twice sometimes.' 'Yes, I think he does,' said Joe, 'but the second time he always hollers in different places from what he did the first time.'"

Tolstoy told Isabel Haggood, who has translated many of his books, a good story of one of his ancestors, an army officer, who was an excellent mimic. One day, he was impersonating the Emperor Paul to a group of his friends, when Paul himself entered and for some moments looked on, unperceived, at the antics of the young man. Tolstoy finally turned, and, holding the emperor, bowed his head, and was silent. "Go on, sir," said Paul, "I'll answer your performance." The young man hesitated a moment, and then, folding his arms and imitating every gesture and intonation of his sovereign, he said: "Tolstoy, you deserve to be degraded, but I remember the thoughtfulness of youth, and you are pardoned. The Czar smiled slightly at this speech. "Well, be it so," he said.

A couple of teachers entered a San Francisco car lately, and fell into a chat concerning the accomplishments and shortcomings of their pupils, whom they termed, in regular teacher style, "Your children" and "My children." One of them, looking up presently, bestowed a decorous bow upon a gentleman in the car, a salute which the latter acknowledged somewhat grudgingly. Some five minutes later the fair pedagogues started to leave the car, but on the way out the one good greeting had been snubbed, passed in front of the snubber, and said, distinctly: "I must apologize for bowing to you just now. I thought I recognized you as the father of one of my children." Exit pedagogues. Tableau.

A widow's first husband is invariably the best.

Many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder" straight to Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

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When a man is satisfied he made a mistake in marrying, he isn't satisfied.

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Clubs and Club Women

Address all communications for these columns to the department editors, Mrs. Emma Downey, President of the Iowa State Federation, 711 Bessah street, Ottumwa, Iowa.

The annual meeting of the Iowa State Federation will be held in Cedar Rapids May 24-25.

For many reasons this meeting will stand preeminent in our annals as questions of vital importance will be presented and settled by the delegates present.

One of the most interesting features will be music by an orchestra of colored ladies of Muscatine. The program for the meeting as follows:

MONDAY, MAY 23. 3 o'clock, meeting of the Executive Board.

TUESDAY, MAY 24. Credential committee, 9 to 10 o'clock. 10 o'clock, call to order. Devotional-Song lead. "Kindly Light" Invocation, Mrs. C. H. Marshall, Davenport.

Report of credential committee. Report of state officers. Appointment of committee on rules and regulations.

Address of welcome. Response by Mrs. Mary Alice Strother, Ottumwa. 2nd vice president of Fraternal greetings.

AFTERNOON, 1:30. Song, "Scatter Sunshine." Invocation, Mrs. Graves, Des Moines. Roll, minutes of previous meeting. Report of committee on rules and regulations.

Report and address of president, Mrs. Helena Downey, Ottumwa. Report of standing committees. Educational, Reciprocity, Household Economics, Mothers Child Study, Social Parity, Art and Craft.

Report of clubs answering following questions: What line of work has your club pursued during year? What has your club accomplished in your own community? Have you been living up to the motto "Lifting as we climb"? If so, how? What has been your greatest difficulties? What your greatest help? Round table.

MAY 24, EVENING SESSION. Song, Iowa Beautiful Land. Invocation, Rev. Clemens. Roll, Minutes of previous meeting. Exercise for evening will be in charge of Mothers' committee and Art and Craft.

Mothers Child Study committee, Mrs. Gardner chairman. Paper, "Benefits Mothers derive from club work." Paper, "Helpfulness of the Kindergarten." Piano Solo, Mrs. Alice Thompson, Muscatine.

Art and Craft committee, Mrs. J. Owens chairman. Exhibits of needle work. Paper, "Pictures and Painters." Solo. Adverses.

Extensive preparations are being made for the annual convention by the J. Silone Yates club. A banquet will be given the last evening in honor of the delegates. Cedar Rapids is a thriving city, and its club women are preparing with most hospitable solicitude for the entertainment of the convention.

OSKAHOOSA-NEW CENTURY CLUB. Thursday April 8 was celebrated as our annual gentlemen's night and the affair was an unqualified success. The club numbers fourteen and is one of the most active and progressive clubs in the city. Every thing it attempts is well done and the reception to the gentlemen was no exception to the general rule. It was held at the residence of Mrs. Harry Allen. The special feature of the evenings entertainment, was the address by the state president, Mrs. Helena Downey. Her subject was "Women and Club Workers." She is an interesting speaker and was frequently interrupted with applause.

Music was furnished by Miss Jennie Hardy, an accomplished musician. Mrs. Emma Gardner of Ottumwa was an honored guest. Dainty refreshments were served. An informal reception was held in the afternoon at the residence of Mrs. A. G. Clark in honor of state president, Mrs. Downey and Mrs. Gardner.

DAVENPORT-TOUSSAINT L. OUVERTURE CLUB. Although our membership has dwindled down to ten members we are yet working ardently for the advancement of the race. Our object is charitable and literary work. We have did most excellent charitable work-aided the poor and destitute also the sick.

In literary work we are studying Negro authors. Our officers are: President, Mrs. Lydia Moss; vice president, Mrs. J. Johnson; secretary, Mrs. G. Hall; assistant secretary, Mrs. C. Watrous; treasurer, Miss T. Callaway.

OTTUMWA. The annual election of officers of Ida Wells club occurred during month, result as follows: President, Mrs. Z. B. Taylor; vice president, Mrs. M. I. Gordon; secretary, Mrs. H. H. Spotts; assistant secretary, Mrs. Strothers; Treasurer, Mrs. Fowler. The annual Art and Craft display of the Good Intent club was held March 29 at the residence of their president, This was the greatest event in the history of the club. About fifty beautiful pieces done by the club were on exhibition and pieces from Dubuque, Oskaloosa and Rock Island were shown. One hundred invitations were sent out and in spite of the inclement weather over fifty ladies accepted this first opportunity to view the needle work of the club.

The Domestic Science club are working earnestly on this problem of the "leaves and fishes. Their topics for April are: Waste through injudicious buying, Mrs. Watson. Allowances for children, Mrs. L. P. Robinet. The disposal of garbage and waste, Miss C. Myers. Insect pests of the house, Mrs. Jefferson.

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To Eliza J. Burkett: You are hereby notified that the real estate hereinafter described, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold at tax sale on the 4th day of December, 1903, by the Treasurer of said County, for taxes thereon for the year 1899, to-wit: Lot twenty-three (23), in block ten (10), Easton Place, being in the city of Des Moines. That the same was purchased at said sale by F. W. Vorse and that I am the lawful holder of the certificate of purchase. That the right of redemption from said tax sale will expire and a deed for said real estate sold will be made unless redemption from said tax sale is made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice. Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, April 8, 1904. F. W. Vorse.

EXPIRATION TAX NOTICE. To L. O. Montgomery: You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale in Polk County, Iowa, on December 4, 1900, the following described real estate, viz: Lot Five (5) and six (6) in Block Thirteen (13) of Easton Place in the city of Des Moines, were sold separately to F. W. Vorse for the payment of the taxes for the year 1899, and certificates of purchase were issued to him on said sales, by the Treasurer of said Polk County, Iowa, which certificates are now owned by said Vorse. That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said lots will be issued to him by the said Treasurer unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice. Owner of said certificate. Des Moines, Iowa, April 8th, 1904.

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