

Not all false attachment suits are breach of promise cases. Truth is stranger than satire. There was a genuine Mark Twain duel in Paris recently.

One can always tell what time of year it is by looking at the open-faced pumpkin pie. Says the Memphis Scimitar, "Hooray, hooray, and likewise yip!" Yes, certainly. Boy or girl?

It is Cupid's turn to laugh at Gen. Corbin. Most of us indulged in that diversion some time before.

Mexico has a dynamite trust, but the courts down that way seem inclined to let well enough alone.

John L. Sullivan is once more on the water wagon. Nothing like keeping in accord with the campaign.

No one should jump at the conclusion that allowing the milk of human kindness to sour is going to do any good.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell says she expects to come to America "ever so often." Another farewell tour artist, apparently.

A Chicago man who makes ghosts to order doubts very much whether spirits ever materialize, but he knows that dollars do.

"Undoubtedly the Lord hates a liar," says the Boston Herald. Isn't this open to argument? He may hate the sin, but love the sinner.

One of the doctors has found a serum for the prevention of hay fever. This being the case, let the poets come on with their golden rod poems.

When a woman can get a divorce in twenty minutes, why should we bother our heads with Mr. Meredith's theories about a ten-year marriage?

It is Dr. Gunsaulus who remarks that the day of the boy orator has gone. But there is nothing in this statement to arouse any deep regret.

Philistines who have noted the athletic style of great pianists cannot be persuaded that there are usually only three or four movements to each sonata.

Jean De Reszke gets \$30 an hour for music lessons. Perhaps if Patti could do that she might forego the sweet sorrow of saying good-by to American audiences.

A Kansas judge holds that the courts offer no recourse when a dog bites a street-corner spellbinder. The services of poor dumb beasts never are properly appreciated.

These are the instructions for fitting the latest style of corsets: "Stand on the balls of your feet, stiffen your knees, and wiggle your shoulders." Wouldn't that give you a fit?

A Chicago judge has decided that hat-trimming is not art, but skilled labor. He probably arrived at this conclusion because of his inability to understand how art could come so high.

The dressmakers' edict that at least thirty yards will have to go into a dress hereafter convinces many husbands and fathers that their last year's suits will hold together one more winter.

The Columbus man who accuses his wife of throwing a big iron spoon at him and hitting him will have some difficulty in convincing twelve intelligent jurors of the truth of the latter charge.

Genius has yet before it the task of producing a pre-combusted coal that will produce neither ashes nor smoke and thus glad the heart of the hired-man-less householder, and eke his neighbors.

Dressmakers have decreed that the winter woman shall be broad-shouldered. Probably the better to enable her to stand the quips of the funny man who writes jocklets about the cost of women's apparel.

J. Pierpont Morgan has within a month been almost run down in his launch, almost run over in an automobile, and almost hurt in a railroad collision. No wonder he is beginning to think of retiring.

A New York poet publishes some verses of which the repeated refrain is: "Blow, wind, blow!" Those who doubt the influence of modern poets have only to watch and see how obediently the wind is doing it.

J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., will take his place at the head of his father's firm when "Jupiter" retires at the beginning of the coming year. And yet every little while you hear somebody say that there is no chance now for young men.

We are quite willing to believe that that telephone device invented by a man at Portland, Ore., to enable a person speaking to see the face of the person at the other end of the line already works successfully as far as the human eye can reach.

A New Haven man has been sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary for embezzling \$75,000. The wonderful thing about his case is that the pessimists are not calling attention to the fact that he was a Sunday school superintendent.

If you contemplate going to Panama to engage in business your best plan will be to learn all about the country and the inducements it holds out for men who are not succeeding where they are. Then you will not contemplate it any more.

BLOODHOUNDS FOLLOWED TRAIL

Man Accused of Treynor Bank Robbery Arrested.

IS A LOCAL SALOONKEEPER

Lives Almost Across Street From Looted Bank—Karl Karrer Must Face the Charge—Search of Premises Reveals No Money.

Council Bluffs, Oct. 8.—Trailed to his home in Treynor by bloodhounds, Karl Karrer, a saloon keeper, was found in bed and arrested by officers at midnight. He denies all knowledge of the bank robbery and made no resistance. No money was found on him or in the house. Karrer was brought to Council Bluffs by officers. The dogs took the trail ten miles north of Treynor, followed it through corn fields and woods to the Treynor road, into town and up to Karrer's home, almost directly across the street from the bank.

Karrer had not been seen since the robbery until located by the dogs. Council Bluffs, Oct. 8.—While the majority of the male inhabitants of Treynor were in Council Bluffs attending the German celebration, an unknown man entered the Treynor Savings bank and at the point of a revolver held up the bookkeeper, Miss Frances Flood, compelled her to turn over to him between \$1,400 and \$1,700 in cash and then, locking the young woman in the vault, made off.

The robbery was done single handed and at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. A half hour later Louis and Adolph Bollmeier called at the bank and released the young woman from her prison, heard her story and gave the alarm. The rural telephone was used to great advantage, horses were secured with much difficulty, the county sheriff, Council Bluffs police and officers of the bank were notified and a posse was soon searching for the robber.

Though searching parties have been on every road leading from Treynor, the robbers are still at large. A report reached here from near Treynor that an unknown man abandoned a rig in a farm yard and struck off through the fields and woods along Silver Creek. This man was seen by a woman in the farm house who says that he answers the description of the robber, and that the buggy left by him answers the description of the buggy supposed to have been used. A deputy sheriff and posse hurried to the place and will follow the trail left by the unknown man. The officers are at a loss to know how the fugitive doubled back on his track during the night without being seen by one of the many parties that are searching the roads and fields.

Miss Flood experienced no ill effects from her confinement in the vault, nor was she suffering to any great extent from the nervous shock naturally caused by being held up by a bank robber, when seen by a correspondent at Treynor shortly after she had been released. She told her story simply and clearly.

MRS. KARRER CONFESSES.

Admits Further Details of Treynor Bank Robbery.

Council Bluffs, Oct. 11.—Mrs. Karl Karrer of Treynor admitted yesterday that her husband had confessed to her the robbery of the Treynor Savings bank last Thursday. She also turned over to Sheriff Canning \$1,015 of the plunder and advised him where \$400 more could be secured. This makes a total recovery of \$1,415, while the bank claims to have lost \$1,522. Karrer says that he cannot account for the missing \$107 unless he lost it from his pockets in running through the corn fields in his effort to escape. The \$400 was recovered yesterday from Hugh Heiber, a farmer near Underwood, to whom it had been paid last Friday by Mrs. Karrer to cancel a note which Karrer owed. Heiber did not know that the money came from the bank robbery and as soon as the robbery until he confessed it to her the day following. He then gave her the money and told her to pay Heiber the note and keep the balance. She says that she advised him to return it to the bank, but the officers arrested Karrer before she could protest further.

According to Mrs. Karrer, her husband had offered her \$5,000 if she would get a divorce. He is said to have been intimate with a neighbor's daughter, who has also shown much interest in Karrer since his arrest. Karrer is said to have spent the night following the bank robbery at the home of August Oldergo in Treynor and Oldergo and his daughter Rose, visited Karrer at the county jail Sunday.

INDICTED FOR ASSAULT.

Three Labor Leaders are Held by Grand Jury.

Fort Madison, Oct. 13.—Arthur E. Ireland, general organizer for the Federation of Labor, and W. F. Devine and L. C. Meyer, prominent members of the International Machinists' union, were indicted today by the grand jury on the charge of assault with intent to kill A. Matheson, a non-union machinist.

The indictments are the result of the investigations of detectives which have been proceeding for several months past. Ireland, Devine and Meyer were the leaders in the strike at the Santa Fe shops in this city last summer. The assault upon Matheson was only one of a number, but Matheson received the most serious injuries. He was assaulted on the street on the evening of Saturday, July 10, being struck on the head by some blunt instrument and was found unconscious. For some time he was a patient in the hospital as a result of his injuries.

The three men indicted are all prominent in labor circles here and the action of the grand jury has caused a sensation. They will be arraigned before the district court, which is now in session in this city.

MURDER MYSTERY.

Body of James Smythe Discovered Before His Movel at What Cheer.

What Cheer, Oct. 12.—James Smythe, better known as "Jim the Bum," was shot and instantly killed in front of the house which he had seized and was occupying near the city hall.

The body was discovered by Willard McNabb, manager of the Standard Oil distributing station, about 5 o'clock yesterday morning. Smythe was lying where he fell, having died evidently without a struggle. He was barefoot and had both hands in his pockets. It is apparent that some one at the front of the shop had disturbed him. He had arisen from his nest of old rags, opened the back door and walked around to the front and was shot as he appeared around the corner. The body was carried into the city hall to await the coroner's inquest.

Smythe has been a character in What Cheer for years. He had no family and no friends here, but it is said he has a brother who is a wholesale liquor dealer in Davenport. He was dirty and disreputable, but was a shrewd fellow in some ways, and had caused no end of trouble in justice court and in other ways.

Only last week he seized the blacksmith shop in which he was sleeping from Print Cooley, claiming it stood on a lot belonging to him. A lawsuit followed, resulted in Smythe being bound over to the grand jury under \$300 bonds, but he still kept the shop.

Night Watchman Lee Clemens says he heard no shot or disturbance of any kind in the neighborhood and is accounted for by the fact that the bullet was apparently .22-caliber, and the shot could not be heard far.

What Cheer, Oct. 13.—The fact that James Smythe, better known as "Jim the Bum," was shot to death, was established beyond question yesterday although it was not until the coroner had concluded his investigation and the body was being prepared for burial by the undertaker that this fact became known. Over the heart, and concealed by the hair which covered the man's breast, was a tiny bullet hole, which was discovered when the undertaker's fluid was forced from it. This wound, it is now generally accepted, caused the man's death. What was at first supposed to be a bullet wound in the eye was found later to be merely a scratch made in falling.

JAMES CALLANAN'S WILL.

Large Bequests Are Made to Charity by Deceased Millionaire.

Des Moines, Oct. 14.—In keeping with his long life of philanthropic works, the will of the late James Callanan, filed yesterday in the office of the clerk of courts, shows that his last desire was for the uplifting of humanity and the perpetuity of good works. His largest bequests were made in the interests of the homeless and friendless and in the cause of education. The colored race he has given his greatest assistance, and all those whom in his lifetime he aided and who aided him, even in the small things of life, he remembered in his last document.

GIRL DIES FROM BURNS.

Death of Another Gasoline Victim at Logan.

Logan, Oct. 11.—Another victim has been added to the long list of fatalities through gasoline explosion and fire, when the body of Sarah Ethel Everett, 26 years of age, the daughter of Robert H. Everett, a farmer residing not far from Little Sioux was found upon the back porch of the residence by Orville, the 10-year-old brother of the girl. The little fellow although terribly shocked at the awful discovery, did not lose his presence of mind, but strove to extinguish the flames which still ascended from a portion of the young woman's clothing.

EX-TREASURER SHORT.

Experts Say Ex-Treasurer of Polk County Must Pay.

Des Moines, Oct. 11.—In a report filed with the board of supervisors, C. B. Westerton, the county's expert, who has been examining the accounts of ex-County Treasurer Al Layman, says that he has not accounted for \$424.07 of the money of Polk county. In the report submitted the allegation is made that Layman as treasurer collected \$424.07 as delinquent taxes, for which receipts were given, but which in the books show had not been turned into the treasury.

The recommendation is made that a demand be made upon Mr. Layman for the money, and, in case of refusal, to take further steps. No action was taken by the board at its meeting yesterday.

AWFUL CARNAGE IS IN PROGRESS

The Russians Are Fighting With Indifferent Success.

KUROPATKIN IN BIG BATTLE

Personally Directs the Movements of His Armies—Conflict Reported to Be Most Heated in the Center and at the Right Flank.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 14.—Desperate fighting and heavy losses on both sides, with varying success for the Russians, such is the summing up of the situation by General Kuropatkin in a telegram filed October 13. There is no sign of the battle slackening. On the contrary, General Kuropatkin telegraphs that he had ordered the army to resume the fight with unabated vigor today. General Kuropatkin himself is in the thickest of the fight and General Sakharoff, his chief of staff, is personally directing reconnaissances. The conflict has been most desperate at the center and on the right flank. The advance guards at these points had to be repeatedly re-enforced, owing to the great pressure of the Japanese attacks. At nightfall on October 12, the Russian right was withdrawn from its main position, but one of the abandoned positions was retaken at the point of the bayonet during the night.

Contrary to Field Marshal Oyama's report, no indication is given in General Kuropatkin's telegram of an enveloping movement by General Oku. The only positions captured by force were at the center where the Russians were compelled to retire during the afternoon. There is no mention of the loss of guns. The war office declines to deny that there was such a loss, but explains that such an incident was quite possible while positions were changing hands, but that even if it is true, it is of no material consequence.

According to telegrams from Russian correspondents, the horrors of the battle were intensified by bitter cold and rain. General Mitchenko, who had been reported to be riding in Korea, played a conspicuous part in the fighting on the Russian left flank. According to the latest news of the fighting in the direction of Benschuh, the Russians were striving for the possession of a pass, but no news was received from there yesterday. The pass alluded to presumably is the Hu pass, which is mentioned in General Sakharoff's telegram of October 11. Hu pass is eight miles due north of Benschuh. Should this pass fall into the hands of the Russians it would involve the capture of Benschuh, thus opening up the road to Liao Yang.

According to the belief of the general staff, General Rennenkampf has not penetrated as far as the Taltse river, but he is co-operating in the attempt to capture Benschuh.

WAS PROMINENT PROHIBITIONIST.



Henry B. Metcalf, Prohibitionist candidate for governor of Rhode Island and the candidate of the party for vice president in 1900, is dead. He was 75 years of age. Henry B. Metcalf was born in Boston in 1829, and was educated in the public schools of that city. He had been a candidate for governor of Rhode Island on the Prohibition ticket several times and was formerly a Republican state senator. He was president of the board of trustees of Tufts college, Rhode Island.

JAPS HAVE SUCCESS.

Latest News Shows Advance Toward the North.

Tokio, Oct. 14.—The latest telegram from the front indicates the continuation of Japanese success. General Oku's left army alone bagged twenty-five guns.

The Japanese made two desperate counter attacks against the Japanese left but were repulsed with heavy slaughter.

The Japanese commanders in their reports give expression to their admiration of the valor of the Russians.

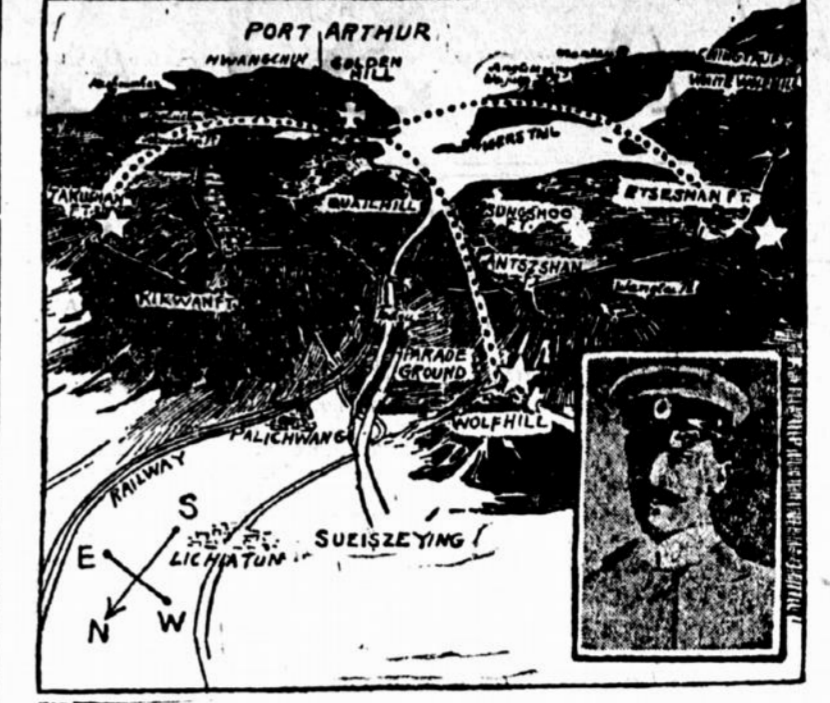
The Manchurian headquarters, in a telegram sent yesterday, reports as follows: "Since the last report our right army has been continuing a vigorous pursuit of the enemy towards the north. The column which was dispatched in the direction of Shihchiao Tsu to intercept the retreat of the enemy from Benschuh continues its operations. The central army continues its attack on the Russians and expects to occupy the line between Tungshankou and Hunkiaichiatzu today. The enemy in this direction appeared to retreat continuously until dusk last evening."

RUSSIANS ARE ADVANCING.

Are Reported to Have Inflicted Blow on Japanese Right.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—General Kuropatkin's order of the take the offensive is supplemented tonight by the news that an offensive movement has already been begun and that the Japanese line has been broken at Bentshiaputze. The Japanese occupied a front of about fifty-two miles, stretching from Bentshiaputze on the east through Yental and across the railway to the banks of the Hun river on the west. The Russian force had been moving south in close touch with the Japanese advance since October 4.

WHY RUSSIAN SQUADRON MUST LEAVE PORT ARTHUR.



Bird's-eye view of Port Arthur, showing inner basin in which the warships have been lying at anchor, and forts captured by the Japanese which command the harbor. Cross marks location of the basin and stars show location of Etshan, Wolf Hill and Takushan forts. Dotted lines mark direction of artillery fire which renders the harbor untenable for the fleet.

PORT ARTHUR IS TOTTERING

The Gallant Gen. Stossel is Being Forced to the Wall.

HE DEMANDS SPEEDY RELIEF

Reported That He Must Surrender By December—Kuropatkin Advances and Oyama is Concentrating His Troops at Liao Yang.

London, Oct. 11.—The Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent says it is stated that Lieutenant-General Stossel has reported that unless he is relieved before December he must surrender.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 11.—After the farewell review of the Baltic fleet at Revel yesterday by Emperor Nicholas, the squadron sailed for Libau, from whence, it is declared, it will within a few days weigh anchor for the long voyage to the Pacific.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 11.—A battle upon which the fate of this year's campaign in Manchuria depends seems only a few days ahead. Advances from the front are meager. All that is positively known officially is that General Kuropatkin has cast the die at last, about faced his army and is marching resolutely against the enemy, as if resolved to do or die.

According to unofficial reports, Field Marshal Oyama, at the first sign of General Kuropatkin taking the offensive, began drawing in his line and concentrating upon fortified positions north of Liao Yang. According to the latest reports, which are contained in a dispatch to the Associated Press from Mukden, dated at 6 o'clock last night, the Japanese outposts are being driven in all along the line.

The strategy of the forward movement will be concealed, as were the preparations for the advance, so that all surmises as to where General Kuropatkin intends to strike are mere guesswork. It is not clear whether General Kuropatkin contemplates a blow on the left, center or right of the Japanese army, but the fact that stress is laid upon the capture of Bentshiaputze, which opened the road and forts to Benschuh, twenty miles east of Liao Yang, where General Kuroki crossed, and that Cossacks are already reported in the neighborhood of the stream, might foreshadow an exact reversal of the battle if Liao Yang, this time the Russian commander flanking and turning Liao Yang with his left, as Field Marshal Oyama did with his right.

IS NOT A GREAT BATTLE.

Fighting Thus Far is of a Preliminary Character.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—Severe fighting north of Yental, resulting in a temporary check of General Kuropatkin's advance guard, of which the Associated Press' correspondent at Mukden telegraphed the first news, is not regarded at the war office as indicating a general engagement. The latest official dispatches indicating the disposition of the various corps show that the whole army is not yet in line of battle. The present engagement may therefore be regarded as the result of a counter-attack which an enterprising foe like the Japanese might be expected to make, but without any calculation to prevent the Russian advance.

General Kuropatkin's present superiority in numbers, it is held here, is bound sooner or later to compel the Japanese to fall back upon their strong positions within the triangle formed by Yental, Liao Yang and Sykwan-tun.

The Foo, Oct. 10.—The increased activity of the Japanese fleet, blockading Port Arthur, in the stopping of merchant men is due to a lookout which is being kept for three British ships, which, it is suspected, intend to attempt to enter Port Arthur with tinmed meats and vegetables. The British steamer Victoria was stopped near Wei Hai Wei last evening and the above explanation was made to her by the Japanese boarding officer.

Fu Ping is Captured by Japs.

Tokio, Oct. 13.—Admiral Hosooya, commanding the third squadron of the Japanese fleet reports that at 1 a. m. yesterday a wireless telegram was received from the guardship Otowa reporting that the Fu Ping, a British merchant man, was captured by the torpedo boat destroyer Shirataka. The Fu Ping, which was carrying a great quantity of munitions of war, the telegram from the Otowa says, was attempting to enter Port Arthur.

RUSSIANS TAKE THE OFFENSIVE

Long Expected Forward Movement Has Been Begun.

JAPANESE LINE IS BROKEN

Japanese Forces are Retiring to Liao Yang—Flanking Tactics Drive Them From Important Positions—Kuropatkin Issues Order.

Mukden, Oct. 8.—(Via Tien Tsin, Oct. 10.)—A crossing of the Taltse east of Benschuh by Russian cavalry, shows that the Japanese are retiring on their positions at Liao Yang and in the west of hills east of Yental, as though they were still desiring a decisive action near Liao Yang. The Japanese after approaching the Hun river appear merely to hold General Kuroki's late battle ground, where cannon firing upon the Russian cavalry occurred during the morning and afternoon of October 7. It was quiet there yesterday. The Japanese right is understood to be guarded by a Japanese force beyond where outposts of Cossacks are stationed, but no action between the Cossacks and Japanese has been reported within a week. It is reported that the Russian line has been broken at a point similar to that of the Japanese, that is to make a road over a hitherto unmapped region but the season being dry is highly favorable to the task of road making.

GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS.



NICHOLAS NICHOLAIVITCH.

The czar has virtually settled upon this grand duke as the commander-in-chief of the forces in Manchuria, although an official announcement to this effect is not expected until the second army, to be commanded by Gen. Gripenberg, is ready to take the field.

TWENTY-NINE KILLED.

Trains on Missouri Pacific Collide in Missouri.

Warrensburg, Mo., Oct. 11.—Twenty-nine persons were killed and sixty injured by a collision of Missouri Pacific trains three miles east of Warrensburg at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. The trains were the second section of passenger train No. 30 and an extra freight train. The dead are in undertaking rooms in this city and most of the wounded are in the railroad hospital in Sedalia, Mo. The passenger train, consisting of two day coaches, a Pullman and a caboose, was loaded with World's fair excursionists from southeast Kansas and southwest Missouri.

The regular passenger train No. 30 had been cut in two at Pleasant Hill, on account of the heavy load and an engine attached to the front car with an extra baggage car as a buffer. The extra freight had sidetracked at Montserrat for the first section of No. 30, which carried signals that a second section was following. This was followed by passenger train No. 50, which the freight crew took for the second section of No. 30. The freight pulled out of the sidetrack and three miles west met the second section. The impact telescoped the front car, which was loaded with passengers, and it was here that the sacrifice of life took place. The passenger conductor, E. L. Barnes, ran all the way to Warrensburg and broke the news to the town. Every physician in the town responded and hundreds of citizens hastened to the wreck and assisted the wounded from beneath the timbers of the broken cars.

Twenty people were killed outright and seven died before 8 o'clock.

THE UNITED STATES WILL SOON KNOCK AT THE DOORS OF CANADA FOR WHEAT.

A Crop of 60,000,000 Bushels of Wheat Will Be the Record of 1904.

The results of the threshing in Western Canada are not yet completed, but from information at hand, it is safe to say that the average per acre will be reasonably high, and a fair estimate will place the total yield of wheat at 60,000,000 bushels. At present prices this will add to the wealth of the farmers nearly \$60,000,000. Then think of the immense yield of oats and barley, and the large herds of cattle, for all of which good prices will be paid.

The following official telegram was sent by Honorable Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, to Lord Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada:

"Am now able to state definitely that under conditions of unusual difficulty in Northwest a fair average crop of wheat of good quality has been reaped and is now secure from substantial damage. The reports of injury by frost and rust were grossly exaggerated. The wheat of Manitoba, and Northwest Territories will aggregate from fifty-five to sixty million bushels. The quality is good and the price is ranging around one dollar per bushel."

Frank H. Spearman, in the Saturday Evening Post, says: "When our first transcontinental railroad was built, learned men attempted by innumerable demonstration to prove that wheat could not profitably be grown north of where the line was projected; but the real granary of the world lies up to 300 miles north of the Canadian Pacific railroad, and the day is not definitely distant when the United States will knock at the doors of Canada for its bread. Railroad men see such a day; it may be hoped that statesmen also will see it, and arrange their reciprocities while they may do so gracefully. Americans already have swarmed into that far country and to a degree have taken the American wheat field with them. Despite the fact that for years a little Dakota station on the St. Paul road—Eureka—held the distinction of being the largest primary grain market in the world, the Dakotas and Minnesota will one day yield their palm to Saskatchewan."

STORIES.

Rabbi Hirsch, of Chicago, was riding in a crowded street car, and rose to surrender his seat to a lady. Before she could take it a young man plumped himself into it. The rabbi looked at him in disgusted silence. "What's the matter?" demanded the man; "what yeh glarin' at me for? Yeh look as if yeh'd like to eat me." "I am forbidden to eat you," answered the rabbi; "I am a Jew."

When Wicker, the Chicago pitcher, was a young fellow pitching on a college team in the south, a preacher uncle of his went out to see him pitch a game. "What are those preliminary signs that the catcher is making?" he asked. "He is signing Wicker the sort of curve he wants him to throw," volunteered a bystander. "Do you mean to say, sir, that he and my nephew are conniving together to deceive the batter?" "You might put it that way, I suppose." "And this is a Christian college," signed the Rev. Mr. Wicker.

Sylvester R. Burch, chief clerk of the Department of Agriculture, comes from Kansas. A Kansas farmer called on Mr. Burch in Washington, and all the farming marvels of the Department were shown him. He was silent. He seemed impressed. "I tell you what it is, sir," said Mr. Burch, enthusiastically, "the time is coming when a man will be able to carry all the fertilizer for an acre of ground in one of his waistcoat pockets." "I believe it, sir," returned the farmer, "but he will then be able to carry all the crop in the other."

"The widow," said I. W. Read, of Nashville, "furnishes the most delightful study to the observer of the tricks and manners of human beings. One summer," he continued, "I was spending some time at White Sulphur Springs, Va., and one afternoon a handsome young woman and her little sister came in to see me on the veranda. The little fellow trotted up to me, and I patted him on the head. 'What's your name?' he asked. I told him. 'Is you married?' he hisped. 'No, I'm not,' I replied. Then the child paused a moment, and, turning to his mother, said, 'Mamma, what else did you tell me to ask him?'"

Justice David J. Brewer, of the Supreme Court of the United States, said that the best way to reach the young men is to send the young women after them; that ever since the days of Mother Eve they had been a potent factor in catching the elusive man, and that they are as strong now as they ever were. He told the story of the religious man who took his Bible in one hand and his little son by the other, and went for a walk and instruction. They came upon a bevy of young girls playing in the forest, and the young man asked what they were. "Geese, my son, geese," replied the father. "Oh, catch me one, father; catch me one!" cried the boy.

Cure to Stay Cured.

Wapello, Iowa, Oct. 10 (Special)—One of the most remarkable cures ever recorded in Louisa County is that of Mrs. Minnie Hart of this place. Mrs. Hart was in bed for eight months and when she was able to sit up she was all drawn up on one side and could not walk across the room. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure Mrs. Hart says: "Yes, Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me after I was in bed for eight months and I know the cure was complete for that was three years ago and I have not been down since. In four weeks from the time I started taking them I was able to make my garden. Nobody can know how thankful I am to be cured or how much I feel I owe to Dodd's Kidney Pills." This case again points out how much the general health depends on the kidneys. Cure the kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills and nine-tenths of the suffering the human family is heir to, will disappear. The man who makes hay while the sun shines is in a position to lead money to the fellow who writes poetry about it.

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 - Cedar Rapids Mrs. Adelaide Perkins
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 - Davenport Luella E. Franklin
 - Buxton Mrs. C. B. Lewis
 - Omaha, Neb. Arthur Turner
 - Newton Miss Wade
- N. B. to Correspondents.—Please mail your letters that contain news for publication not later than Wednesday morning to insure publication for the current week.



The above cut is a likeness of Rev. H. W. Porter, the brilliant young theologian from the South, who has taken up the work of spreading Congregationalism among colored people in the Northwest.

Rev. H. W. Porter began his work as pastor of Union Congregational church, July 1st, 1904, and with an earnest and active corps of officers, and a loyal membership the work has advanced rapidly.

While his highest ambition has been to have a building in which to worship, that he considers of minor importance compared to the saving of mankind.

In the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society, giving work to the ladies, and a David and Johnathan League for men, he believes in utilizing all forces for the accomplishment of the work.

The Sunday School and Wednesday evening meeting for prayer and Bible study have increased in numbers and interest; and the sermons delivered from Sabbath to Sabbath are both able and instructive. Rev. Porter is pastor of the first Congregational church for colored in the Northwest, and we shall note with interest the pioneer as he goes forth enlightening the people and giving to them a correct knowledge of salvation through Christ as set forth in the Congregational church, a church governed by the people, and a church that recognizes only Jesus Christ as head of his church.

At present they worship in a house on the lot purchased at a cost of \$1,200 and will erect a church building in the spring of 1905.

RACE ECHOES.

Wm. Pickens has accepted a position at his alma mater, Talladega College, as teacher of Greek, Latin German.

Col. M. B. Morton and R. E. Pharrow, Negro contractors of Athens, Ga., were recently awarded the contract for erecting a post office in Vniston, Ala. Their bid was \$98,337.65.

T. McCants Stewart, formerly of Brooklyn, has been chosen to represent Hawaii on the Republican stump in the United States during the campaign. He was the most prominent member of the Republican Convention of Hawaii, which was held in Hilo on Sept. 1.

As a result of a strike at the N. Y., N. H. and Hartford R. R. Co. freight yards, all the white men went out and about 150 colored are now employed, and are reported to be giving the best satisfaction and the officials say they are there to stay.

Got the first time in the history of Kentucky, a colored woman has been admitted as a member of the bar, and licensed to practice law in Fayette county. She was examined Sept 12 before the circuit court, and passed. She is Mrs. S. J. S. White of Louisville.

Ha! Ha! Ha! "Well did I ever" who would of thought that Geo. E. Taylor who use to live in Oskaloosa would ever come out before the American people for President of the United States. Well I guess he has the same mind that Mr. Scott of East St. Louis that he will live fat over the honor of some one nominating him, that's all. Yes that's all.—Buxton Gazette.

Don't worry Bro. Gazette, we in our state cannot vote for him, his name will not appear on the ballot at all in Iowa. Too bad isn't it. [Editor]

STATE OFFICERS OF THE IOWA FEDERATION OF AFRO-AMERICAN WOMEN.

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REV. F. W. HODGDON, Pastor.

After months of planning and preparation, Des Moines is now ready to entertain the twelfth triennial session of the National Council of Congregational churches in the United States and church societies, whose first session opens Thursday, October 13, in the Plymouth Congregational church.

Without doubt it will be the largest church convention in point of numbers ever held in the city, and the most distinguished men in the Congregational church will be present.

Three years ago, when the last session of the council was held in Portland, Me., the Rev. F. J. Van Horn, then pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church of this city, extended an invitation to the council to come to the capital city of Iowa, and it was unanimously accepted. The three years have passed and the big event, to which not only Des Moines people, but people of the entire state, have been looking with great interest, begins Thursday, and continues for a week. Six years ago the convention met in Portland, Ore., three years ago in Portland, Me., and this session is held in Des Moines, being a point half way between the two former meeting places.

held in the Plymouth Congregational church, with the exception of a few evenings when the Christian and Baptist church auditoriums will be used for the accommodation of some of the society meetings.

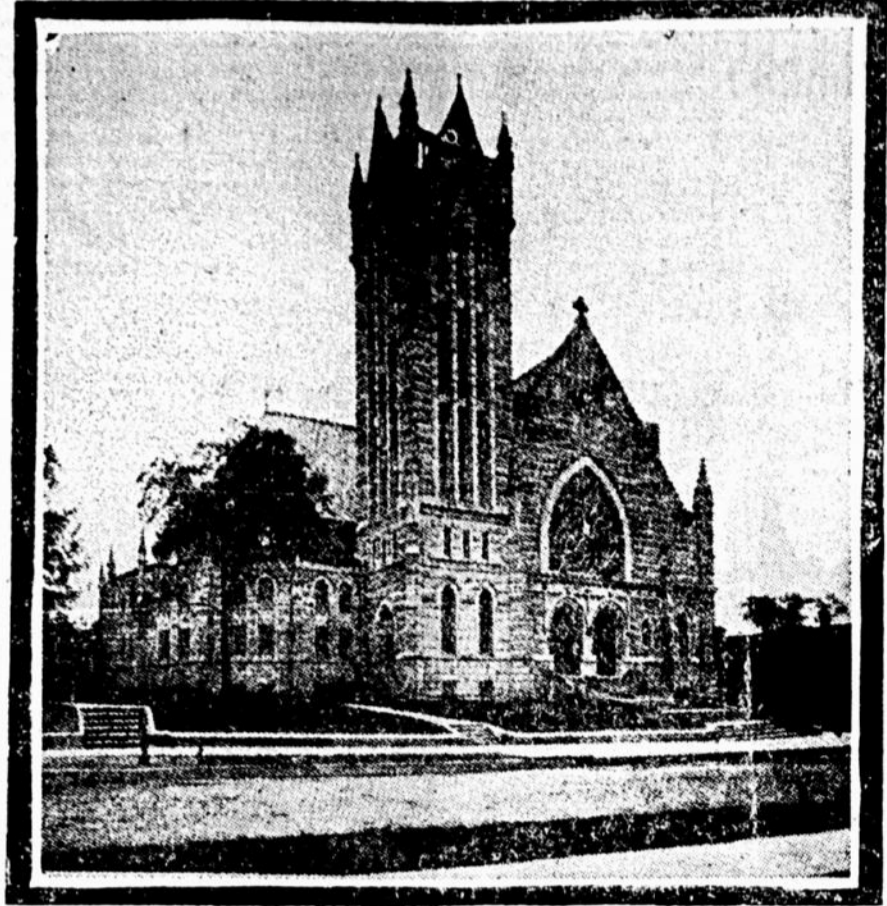
Delegates are already coming to the city, and by Thursday it is estimated fully 1,000 people from without the city will be here. Entertainment will be provided for all the regular delegates at the homes of the Congregationalists, while the officers and speakers on the programme will be entertained at the hotels throughout the seven days' session. The strangers will be met at the depots by members of the committee, who will escort them to the Central Presbyterian church, where the committee on entertainment, under the direction of S. A. Merrill, will assign them to their places. The Commercial exchange will co-operate as far as possible with the various committees in conducting an information bureau in the club rooms, and rendering such assistance as is possible. Modest official badges are now being prepared for the delegates, each body having a badge of its own. Meals will be served in Plymouth church both noon and evening, and breakfast is furnished the guest at the home where entertainment is provided. Low railroad rates of one and one-third fare will serve to bring more guests to the city than would otherwise come.

The American Board of Foreign Missions meets at Grinnell Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week, and all of the delegates and visitors will come on a special train to Des Moines Thursday afternoon.

denomination interest, but also for discussion of social, educational and religious questions. Among the vital questions to be taken up at this session are those of capital and labor, polygamy and divorce.

While the council has none of the legislative powers as does the general conference of the Methodist church nor the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, yet in a way it bears a similar relation to Congregationalism in general as do the leading bodies of the other two denominations. It is the most important body connected with the Congregational church. The church government is left to each individual congregation.

Certain it is that the appearance of the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis of Brooklyn, N. Y., in an address on Monday evening, October 17, will be looked forward to with much interest by Des Moines. Being an Iowa boy and having appeared here a number of times, Des Moines people feel acquainted with him.



PLYMOUTH CHURCH, Where services will be held.



REV. A. L. FRISBIE, Pastor Emeritus.

Rev. Nehemiah Boynton of Detroit, Mich., a leading minister, will discuss an interesting subject, "The Responsibility of Our Churches for the Character, Strength and Efficiency of their Ministers." This address will be on the same evening as that of Rev. Lyman Abbott.

President H. C. King of Oberlin college, Oberlin, O., will be among the prominent guests. He will read a paper Friday afternoon, October 14, on the topic, "The Preparation Required for a Spiritual Awakening."

On Friday evening, October 14, the discussions of the labor problems will be participated in by prominent men. E. E. Clark, secretary of the Railway Conductors, Hon. G. M. Bearsley of Kansas City, Henry White, secretary of the United Garment Workers, and Professor Graham Taylor of Chicago, will be among the speakers. Professor Taylor is at the head of the Chicago commons.

Rev. Frank Sanders, noted as a scholar, dean of the theological school at Yale, will be present. Rev. Alexander McKee of Cambridge, Mass., will deliver the sermon on Sunday morning, October 16, at the Plymouth Congregational church.

Francis E. Clark of Boston, president of the Christian Endeavor society of the United States, will take a leading part in the service of Sunday evening at the First Christian church where the work of that organization will be discussed.

pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church, who left two years ago to accept the pastorate of the leading church in Worcester, Mass., will be back among his old friends. He has recently been called to the leading church of Brooklyn, N. Y. He will deliver an address on Tuesday evening, October 18.

Rev. George A. Gates of Claremont Cal., formerly president of the Iowa college, Grinnell, will take part in the discussions of the spiritual life and modern intellectual movement at the First Christian church on the forenoon of October 19. President Dan F. Bradley of Iowa college will also take a leading part in the proceedings of the council.

In many of the services live topics of interest to the general public will be under discussion and the indications are that Des Moines people will take great interest in the services.

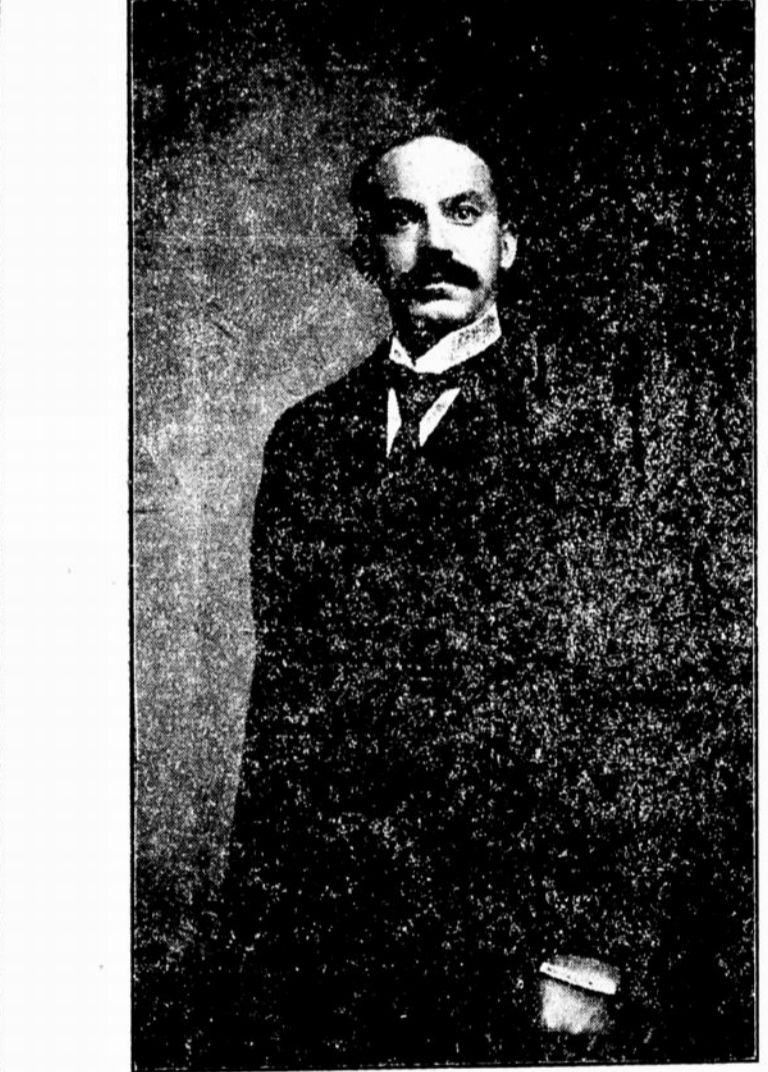
The members of the general committee who have charge of the local arrangements are Rev. F. W. Hodgdon, Rev. A. L. Frisbie, George H. Lewis, Henry Gray, Elliott Miller, James B. Weaver, Jr., S. A. Merrill, Mrs. A. L. Frisbie, Mrs. W. H. McHenry and Mrs. C. A. Rawson.



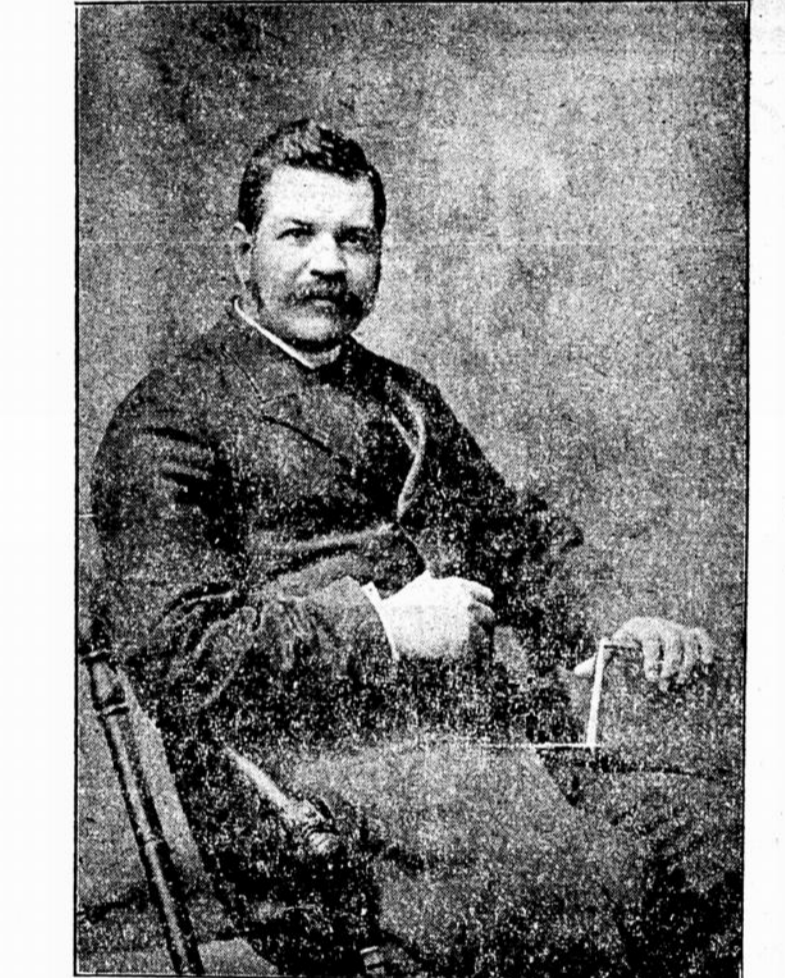
REV. H. H. PROCTOR, D. D.
Pastor of Congregational church, Atlanta, Ga., and Assistant Moderator of the National Triennial Council.



REV. B. A. IMES.
Pastor of Congregation church, Mobile, Ala.



REV. JAMES BOND, D. D.
Editor of Congregational Index, Nashville, Tenn., and pastor of Howard Congregational church.



REV. GEO. W. MOORE.
Field Missionary of the American Missionary Association.

NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.

State of Iowa, Polk County, ss.
To O. B. Anderson:
You are hereby notified that on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1903 the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for taxes for the year 1897, which real estate is described as follows, to-wit:
Lot Seventy-eight (78) Cottage Addition, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. That the same was, at such sale, purchased by Charles O. Nourse, and a certificate issued by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Nourse the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillip, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof. J. H. PHILLIPS, Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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