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CITY NEWS.

If you have relatives or friends visit in the city or going to make a visit, please call on us; we will call all your local news—Ed.

J. Williams of Buxton is a capital city visitor this week.

Alonso Jones who has been quite sick is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gould will move Monday to 1210 Center street.

BARNES MENS OUTFITTER

317 5TH STREET

Mrs. Adam Dixon is quite busy at present in her real estate business.

Miss Mabel MacGee is spending her one week school vacation with Miss Zoe Richardson at Clive.

Mr. B. J. Haack who has been working in Centerville for the past several months returned to the city last Saturday.

Little Helen Thomas is seriously ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Her friends are alarmed at her condition.

Rev. O. A. Johnson, pastor of Burns M. E. church, read a very interesting paper at the Ministerial Association Monday morning.

Miss Susie London of Buxton had a very serious operation performed at Mercy hospital. She is now doing well.

Nicely furnished rooms for rent at 510 W. Third St. First class. Mrs. L. Denny.

Mr. Murice Foster who has been undergoing treatment at the Mercy hospital, returned home Tuesday, April 4th.

Chester Cushman who has been at the Methodist hospital for several weeks is still improving. It is expected that he will be able to be out again ere long.

The Messrs. Henry West and L. B. Blagburn, who have been suffering with an attack of the grip, are convalescent. The former has been confined to his home for several weeks.

Mrs. L. V. Denny royally entertained the H. B. S. R. C. Thursday, March 30. Mrs. Fred Jackson will be the next hostess. The president wishes every member to be present, as officers will be elected.

Mrs. R. N. Hyde entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton. This is the first time that Mrs. Hamilton has left her home since she sprained her ankle last winter.

The K. of P. of Fraser and Boone had their annual sermon preached by Rev. S. L. Birt at the latter city on Sunday 26 ult. It was a very instructive sermon and was greatly appreciated by members of that order and their friends who were present.

The Fair that was held at Corinthian Baptist church was a grand success and the Sewing Circle was well pleased with the results. The program was the best rendered in Des Moines for some time and was well attended.

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CALIFORNIA EXCURSION.

On April 10 to 14 the Minneapolis & St. Louis R. R. will sell round trip tickets to California at one fare, with return limit ninety days. Tickets good going one route and returning another, with liberal stop-over privileges. Call on agents or address

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SETTLERS' RATES TO MINNESOTA AND DAKOTA.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis will place on sale each Tuesday during March and April very low rates for benefit of settlers to points in Minnesota, North and South Dakota. Etc. Through trains daily to St. Paul, making direct connections in Union Depot with northern lines; no change of cars en route.

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EDITORIALS.

PRESIDENT SEEKS REST.

Theodore Roosevelt, our president, left Washington this week for the lone star state to attend the Rough Riders Regimental Reunion, to be held in Houston, and from there he will seek the wild secluded woods for rest, sport and hunting, where he will be away from the busy cares of life and its strenuous duties. On his long trip through the South he has met with a continuous ovation by the large enthusiastic broad minded people of the hospitable South, and no doubt the same responsive reception awaits him in Texas. We wish him a grand reunion with his Rough Rider comrades and a delightful bear hunt and much restoration in health.

THE DEMOCRATS WIN IN CHICAGO.

The municipal election Tuesday in Chicago resulted in Democratic success again, and the new Mayor with nearly all the city officers elected are democrats; while of course the issues were local and municipal and strict party lines were not considered, in fact all our large cities do not adhere to their party when it comes to municipal affairs. We hope that Judge Dunne, the newly elected Mayor, may do even more for the great city on the lake.

NUPTIALS.

MACK-SPENCER.

On last Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at Enterprise occurred the marriage of Mrs. Emma Spencer to Mr. Albert Mack. Rev. S. L. Birt performed the ceremony. Only a few of their friends were present. They will make their camp their home. We extend our congratulations.

HOLLY-ELLIOTT.

Last Monday evening at 8:30 occurred the marriage of Mr. Alex Holly to Mrs. Mary Elliott. Rev. O. A. Johnson performed the ceremony; thus another couple have embarked on the matrimonial sea.

It is said that another wedding took place last Saturday evening on an Interurban car while it was enroute to Colfax, but as our reporter was unable to see either the groom or bride to have the rumor confirmed we think it best not to call any names.

The Leader Department Store is Going Out of the Clothing Business.

Owing the rapid growth of their various other departments, such as Dry Goods, Notions, Cloaks, Suits, Millinery, Shoes, Underwear, Hosiery, etc., the Leader Department Store is forced to give up their clothing department in order to make room for their other departments which are fast outgrowing their present space.

The Leader Department Store has had such rapid growth that, notwithstanding the additional space they have procured from time to time by leasing additional room and extending their main building, they are now compelled to give up one of their departments in order to have sufficient space in which to properly handle the remaining departments. They have therefore concluded to give up the Clothing Department, and have inaugurated a closing out sale.

This sale comes just in the right season and will afford a splendid opportunity to those desiring spring and summer clothing.

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Moines. Her dearest and most affectionate child, Viola Logan. Two dear nieces, Eva Sneed and Esther Calloway, other relatives and a host of dear friends. The community in which Mrs. Riggs lived mourn her death.

She was the BYSTANDER correspondent for Buxton a few years ago and was very sorry to hear of her demise, and we extend our heart felt sympathy to her bereaved husband, relatives and friends.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The revival meeting which was in progress at the Mt. Zion Baptist church for the past three weeks closed last Wednesday with five conversions.

The Willing Workers club met with Mrs. Maggie Thompson last Thursday evening.

Mr. Algee of Manila, Ia. was a Sunday visitor in our city.

A club has been organized among the young people known as the Twentieth Century club. They met with Messrs. Torrance and Earl Casen last Thursday evening.

Mr. Marcelles Clay born of Omaha came back to our city last Monday to work for James Washington again in the black smith shop, he was sent for by the employer.

The Mt. Zion Baptist and A. M. E. Sunday Schools are rehearsing for Easter Sunday.

The Improvement society will hold its bazaar at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening.

Mrs. Carrie Cartley who has been under the care of a doctor for several weeks is getting along nicely and will be able to be removed home Friday.

Mr. Counts who has been a resident of our city for many years, but lately has been an inmate of the poor farm at Sargent Bluffs, died Saturday at that place of old age. He leaves a sister in New York to mourn his departure.

Mrs. A. Jordan who has been visiting relatives in Fort Scott, Kansas for the past three weeks returned home Thursday, she was accompanied by her niece—Last Week.

The Willing Workers' club met last Thursday with Mrs. Nina Williams.

The Improvement society met last Thursday with Mrs. Mattie Williams.

Cupid is getting in his work and soon you will hear the wedding bells pealing forth.

Miss Anna May Lee returned to our city last Tuesday after being absent from us for several months. She has been visiting her aunt at Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Emery Smith came down from Yankton, S. D. last Tuesday on his way to Chicago, thence to New York and from there to Montreal, Canada where he expects to reside in the future.

Mr. Philip D. Brown, one of our well known citizens suffered fatally of stroke, his right side being wholly paralyzed, last Tuesday at his home on Jackson Street. He has the sympathy of his many friends.

The Walkin's Cornet band which has been supplying the city with music and which had become one of the favorite bands in our city has disbanded. We are very sorry to hear of it.

A surprise party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams last Tuesday evening in honor of their son's twentieth birthday. Mr. Albert Williams was very much pleased to have his associates remember him. A two course luncheon was served after which the rest of the evening was spent in games and a social time. They departed at a late hour voting Albert a good host.

Those on the sick list are: Mrs. James Anna Washington, Myrtle Morgan and Mr. Edward Askew.

Easter is not many Sundays off. The women are pleased but the men are not for they know what will happen to their pocket books.

Mr. Brown and his family of Creston, Iowa came to our city last week to live. We extend our hand to welcome them to our midst.

Died in our city Friday, March 17, Angeline Sutton, the little daughter of Mr. Edward Sultan after an illness of twelve days with the pneumonia. She leaves a father and a host of little playmates to mourn her departure. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at two o'clock from the family residence on Court Street. Rev. R. Knight of the A. M. E. church officiating. Interment was in Floyd cem-

OSKALOOSA TIDINGS.

E. London of Buxton was a city visitor last week.

Miss Bura Canaday passed through the city en route to Des Moines.

Mrs. Willa Lewis was in the city en route to her home Durfee Friday.

Mrs. Ed Jones and R. W. Franklin Misses Lelia Sheffy and Anna Smith attended the funeral of Mrs. Riggs.

O. A. Johnson of the episcopal city was visiting friends of this city.

Mr. Oscar Roper is spending the spring vacation with his parents.

The I. K. S. club met at the home of Miss Myra McCracken on Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burnhaugh are the parents of a fine baby boy.

Mrs. Susan M. Grandison will lecture at the A. M. E. Sunday School on Sunday a ternoon.

Rev. John Smith filled the pulpit at the Second Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. Maregy Grant of Knoxville, Ill visited at the home of Mrs. K. Bartlett last week.

YANKTON, S. DA. NOTES.

Well, April Fools' day is passed. How many can say it went without a joke or two at their expense?

Mrs. Jones, her father, Mrs. Bland and her son Langstone have returned to make this their future home.

Little Helen Dowdy is confined to her bed in a struggle between mumps and measles. Perhaps neither will win.

Mr. J. Hill is up and around, but still unable to resume his work.

Mr. Louis Smith expects to prepare to settle down among the Indians about the fifteenth.

There is only one week of spring vacation in the schools this year, and as far as we can see the scholars are making the very best of it in various ways.

The children of the Sunday School meet this week to begin practicing for Easter. With the assistance of Mrs. Jones, who has consented to help in the arrangements, everything will certainly prove a success.

Mr. Marion will preach next Sunday morning and perhaps in the evening.

Judging from the color of the grass and the appearance of violets and other wild plants, Spring must be near at hand.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Mrs. Sarah Wright has been called to Boone to hold a series of meetings.

Mr. John L. Spence of Grinnell was in the city Tuesday on business.

Grand Master I. L. Brown and Mr. Lew Johnson returned from Des Moines and Enterprise where they went on business.

Rev. Bolds of Buxton preached at the First Baptist church Sunday to a large congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Jackson and daughter, Miss Emma and Ella entertained at dinner Rev. Bolds of Buxton, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cobb, and Mrs. Sellers.

Mrs. Lena James who has been sick for sometime is convalescent.

Miss Flossy Wright has gone to Des Moines to visit with her relatives.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Della Mason who has been visiting for sometime in Hilton passed through Albia en route for Buxton, Knoxville and Des Moines.

Mrs. Della Martin entertained the Jolly Sixteen Domino Club Wednesday evening. Mrs. Mason was the guest of honor. Refreshments were served by the club.

Miss Hesch Davis entertained the young ladies fleisch club Friday night. Refreshments were ice cream and cake.

Mr. Charles Parker and daughter, Miss Jessie Parker wore Ottumwa visitors Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Wallace Davis has been sick the past week.

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MUSCATINE BRIEFS.

Did Miss Mary bring home a rooster after returning from her shopping tour? Mr. Lincoln Taylor did not forget to call on the young ladies while he was in the city.

The widower reports a fine time in the March swing of a Fulliam ave widow at sunset.

Mr. Walter Huston was taken suddenly sick and went to the hospital.

Mr. Huff is at work again after a sick spell.

After a little more work the ladies will have the interior of the church in excellent

shape. The floral offerings were numerous. We all extend the father our sympathy.

"This lovely bud, so young, so fair, Called hence by early doom, Just came to show how sweet a flower In Paradise would bloom."

RACE ECHOES.

Louis Young, who is perhaps the oldest person in the United States, lives at Oskaloosa, Ia. He claims that he is 112 years of age and is yet hale and hearty. He was born 1787 in Tuckahoe, W. Va. Mr. Young has out lived three wives. He is part Indian and was a free Negro and lived among the Indians much of his time. He has been a resident of this state for a half century.

Cambridge, Md., Mr. Andrew Carnegie, of New York, has written a letter to Rev. A. L. Martin, pastor of Waugh M. E. church that he will be glad to provide for the last half of an \$1800 pipe organ for his new church when the same become due. The members of the church are naturally elated over the generous offer.

Dr. W. P. Curtis is candidate for the nomination as one of the school board of St. Louis. We think the move to secure a Negro representative on the board is a good one and the Negroes should stand by the move and support their candidate. Whether he be Dr. Curtis or some other Negro gentleman of high repute.—Ex.


President Roosevelt has appointed Sergeant George S. Thompson of the Twenty-fifth infantry to be a second lieutenant in the Philippine scouts, thus adding one more Negro to the command of the army in the Philippines. Lieutenant Thompson was appointed on his merits, having received high commendation for heroism and efficiency during the insurrection in the Philippines. He is one of the crack shots in the army and has received several medals for rifle and pistol shooting. He is now stationed with his regiment at Fort Niobrara, Neb.

THE WABASH IN THE LEAD

Joint Agent Norton, who represented twenty St. Louis terminal lines during the World Fair, has made a statement of the number of tickets passing through the validating office, which shows one-fifth of the total number handled were Wabash tickets.

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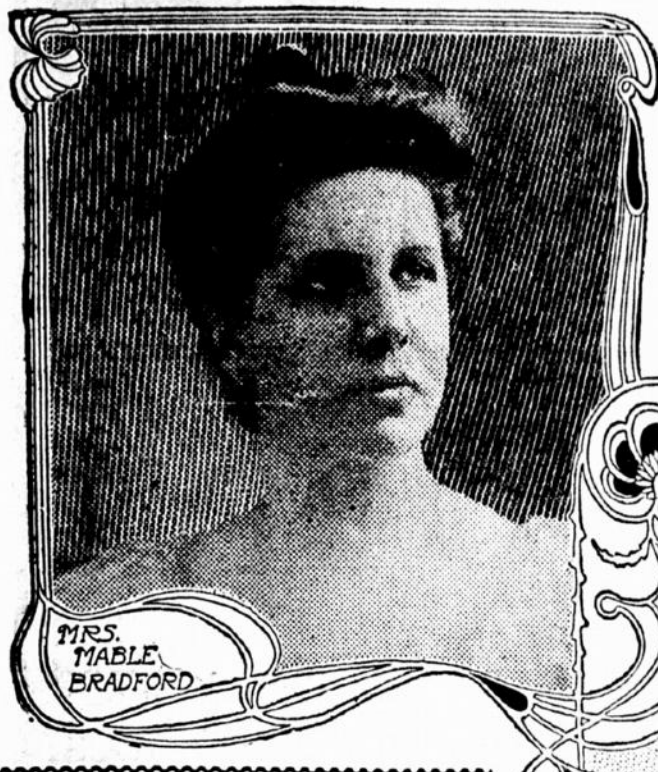
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GERMANY STATES HER POSITION

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STANDS FOR THE "OPEN DOOR"

Ambassador Speck Von Sternburg Calls On Secretary Taft—Leaves Brief Memorandum Setting Forth Germany's Side of Case.

Washington, April 6.—Germany has outlined to the United States in clear and emphatic terms the position claimed by the Berlin government in Morocco. Upon the receipt of instructions yesterday morning from Berlin, Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German ambassador, calling at the war department upon Secretary Taft, whom the president before leaving Washington designated as the cabinet officer with whom the ambassadors should confer, and in the name of the German emperor, left with the secretary a brief memorandum setting forth the Moroccan policy which Germany has all along pursued and from which she does not propose to be served. In substance the memorandum, which is couched in the most explicit language, announces that:

Germany stands for the "open door" in Morocco no less firmly than in the far east, for the preservation of the Morocco status quo and for the safeguarding and protection of the commercial and trade interests in Morocco not only of Germany, but of all the trading nations of the world. After presenting the memorandum the secretary and the ambassador had a brief conversation on the subject of Morocco, Baron Sternburg calling attention to the commercial importance of that country to the trading nations and emphasizing the international importance in Germany's opinion of the preservation thereof of the "open door." The secretary thanked the ambassador for his explicit statement of the German policy and promptly forwarded the memorandum to President Roosevelt.

Secretary Taft while expressing interest in the emperor's views, refrained from committing this government in any way to a position on the subject nor did the ambassador in any way try to commit him to the president's attitude. There is no request in the German note for a statement of the Washington government's position, and one son for its presentation yesterday was the circulation in Europe of sensational reports about the German emperor's visit to Tangier and the German attitude toward Morocco.

PEASANTS PLUNDER ESTATES
Soldiers Unable to Stop Work of Large Peasant Bands.

St. Petersburg, April 7.—The reports of peasant uprisings in the Baltic provinces, especially in Lithuania and Courland, continue extremely disturbing. Although Cossacks and infantry patrols are scattered through the country, the troops are unable to stop the plundering of estates by the larger peasant bands. At Werra, where a regiment of Cossacks fired on a mob which had complete possession of the town, the rioters were dispersed, but they broke up into smaller bands which terrorized the neighboring land owners. Similar incidents have occurred at other places. The smaller bands drive off cattle, burn barns and fodder and help themselves to grain and provisions. Dispatches from dozens of places tell of panic produced by the depredations of roving bands of peasants.

All persons participating in disorders at Warsaw will hereafter be tried by martial law. The new regime commenced yesterday when two workmen were thus tried and condemned to death. One of them fired a revolver at a policeman and the other struck a policeman with an iron bar.

An extraordinary case of wholesale poisoning has occurred at a cotton mill at Pabianitz, Poland. Seventy girls in the coloring department were suddenly ill and fell to the floor unconscious. Thirty of them were taken to a hospital in a dangerous condition. An investigation showed that the illness of the girls was due to arsenic having been sprinkled through the room by unknown miscreants.

PRINCE HENRY VISITS CZAR.
Declared That Presence Has No Political Significance.

St. Petersburg, April 5.—Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia arrived at Tsarskoe Selo yesterday morning. At the Czerny embassy attempt to political character to Prince Henry's visit and to connect it with the situation created by Emperor William's 'tangled speech' was ridiculed, it being explained that the visit of the princess to her sisters, the empress and the Grand Duchess Sergius, during and latter's period of mourning were announced before Emperor William left Germany. The idea of an acute crisis in German-French relations was scouted at the German embassy. Princess Henry will remain for some time at Tsarskoe Selo, but the prince will return to Berlin in a few days. There has been a persistent rumor that he will be crushed by the murder of her husband, will shortly retire to a convent and devote her life to the church of which she is a very devout member.

Sultan Buys More Guns.
Constantinople, April 7.—An imperial trade issued sanctions the conclusion of a loan in Germany to pay for war materials. It is understood that immediate orders will be given to the Krupp company for sixty-two batteries of field guns and three batteries of fifteen-centimeter howitzers at an approximate cost of \$7,500,000. An imide similarly approving of a French loan is expected to be issued immediately.

Togo's Fleet Sighted Off Philippines.
Chicago, April 7.—A special to the Daily News from Batavia, Java, says: "Togo's fleet was sighted this morning south of the island of Mindanao, the southernmost of the Philippine group."

BABY ONE SOLID SORE.

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Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

AS WE Must Quit the Clothing Dep't

To make room for the marvelously rapid growing business. It's but little over three years since we moved from the single room of 518 East Locust St. to the rooms 510-512 which we now occupy with Dry Goods, Shoes, Millinery, Cloaks, Suits, Fancy Dry Goods, Notions, Etc., these departments grew so quickly that in one year the Clothing Department which at that time was also kept in this double store room was badly crowding the other departments and much in the way, therefore, we leased the adjoining room No. 514 wherein we continued the clothing department. The remarkable increase of trade continued; last fall we found it necessary to build an addition covering the entire length of the lots to the rooms 510 and 512 in order to conveniently accommodate the Dry Goods, Millinery, Cloak, Suit, Notion, Underwear, Hosiery, Shoe, Etc., departments. And within the short time of **six months** owing to the **Phenomenal** growth of business in these lines we find that we are in great need of more store space to properly handle the various departments mentioned above, therefore, we are forced to sacrifice our Clothing business for the departments most necessary in conducting a profitable department store business.

This Gigantic Clothing Closing-Out Sale Will Start Saturday Morning, 9 o'clock, April 8th

And will be continued until every dollar's worth of Clothing is closed out. We are sure to accomplish this quick as we inaugurate this sale just at the time when most everybody is in need of new Spring Clothing and our stock is complete with the newest and best merchandise for the spring and summer '05.

New Spring and Summer Clothing and Furnishing Will Go Regardless of Cost or Value

All Suits ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$25.00
will be divided in Five Lots, viz--

Lot 1	Your choice of Suits worth \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$6.50 for	\$2.65
Lot 2	Your choice of Suits worth \$7.50, \$9.00 and \$10.00 for	\$3.97
Lot 3	Your choice of Suits worth \$11.00, \$12.50 and \$13.00 for	\$6.85
Lot 4	Your choice of Suits worth \$13.50, \$15.00 and \$16.50 for	\$8.95
Lot 5	Your choice of Suits worth \$17.50, \$22.00, \$22.50 and \$25.00 for	\$12.50

Thousands of dollars' worth of Men's and Boys' Furnishings--Boys' and Children's Clothing will go at and about

Less Than Half Price



Large Number of salesmen will gladly show goods.

Union Store
Union Clerks

The Leader Dept. Store

Des Moines
Iowa

510-512-514 East Locust Street

His Experience.
"Love," so says a scientific writer, is controlled by vibration," remarked young Singleton.
"I guess that's right," answered Wedderly with a large, open-faced grin; "at least that has been my experience."
"How's that?" queried Singleton.
"Well," explained Wedderly, "I trembled when I proposed to my wife, trembled when I interviewed her father, trembled at the altar, and her ladyship has kept me trembling in my shoes ever since."

The Bright Child.
"Daughter," said the mother, wishing to inculcate economical ideas into the brain of the fair young thing, "these stockings of yours are past mending, but you might ravel them out for the good yarn that is in them."
"Yes, mamma," responded the dutiful daughter. "And what shall I do with the yarn?"
"Wind it up, my dear."
"Yes, mamma. And mamma?"
"Well?"
"Shall I wind up the clocks in the stockings, also?"

Sure Cure for Gout.
A well known Wall street operator who is a great sufferer from gout was complaining of his affliction to Mr. Russell Sage, who listened patiently to a recounting of the full lists of medicines and treatments his friend had tried.
"The worst of it all is," said the victim, "every one seems to agree that there is no cure for it."
"Oh, yes, there is," replied Mr. Sage. "Tell me what."
"Live on fifty cents a day and earn it."—Denver Republican.

Sign Painter Now a Duke.
Edward Ockels, for years a sign painter at 11 Spring street, Waterbury, Conn., has been notified by bankers at The Hague that he is heir to the title and estate of the Van Salwick family of Holland, his brother, the duke of Van Zelden, having died, leaving no children. Ockels says his real name is Edward Charles Antonio Ockels Van Salwick and that his grandparents possessed one of the finest properties in Holland. The duke is still painting signs and will continue to do so until he gets his possessions, he says.

The One-Eyed in Convention.
Several days ago there were gathered before the county court house several small bands of men discussing the topics of the day. One of these small conventions contained five men who were earnestly arguing over a case which had been decided in court the preceding morning.
Suddenly one of them exclaimed, "My goodness, boys, all of us are one-eyed." And so it was, five who had been so unfortunate as to lose an eye had by chance collected in one group.—Columbia State.

Has No Hands, But Threads Needed.
During her babyhood Emma Lou Lawson, now 14, lost both hands by amputation, made necessary by necrosis of the wrist bones. The little miss is an exceedingly bright child, an orphan, and notwithstanding her physical disability, can write a beautiful hand and work examples in arithmetic. She can thread a needle almost as quickly as anyone, and sews well. All this, coupled with her cheerful disposition, makes her a favorite with all who know her.—Pulaski correspondence Nashville Banner.

The Idea.
The postess took up her pen. Her monogrammed, neat writing pad; She trembled, eager to begin; She had an idea, she had! She laid it down in grave disgust; It really, really was too bad; She had no idea; 'twas just She had an idea she had.
—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Arabia's Climate.
Arabia has the reputation of being one of the hottest and unhealthiest regions on the globe, but all northern Arabia has a winter season, with cold rains and occasional frosts.