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## CITY NEWS.

(N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us: we will call on your local news.)

Mr. C. B. Woods spent last Sunday in the city.

Remember the Sunday school picnic next Thursday at Grand View park.

Miss Olive Smith has been enjoying her annual vacation the past fortnight.

Mrs. Alexander entertained Miss Mae Campbell at their country home, Monday.

### BARNES MEN'S OUTFITTER

317 5TH STREET

Mr. Gus Saunders of Limon, Colo., is a Capital City visitor this week. He called at our office yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Newman have gone to Council Bluffs where they expect to make their future home.

Mrs. J. P. Topson of Enterprise was a Des Moines visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith are now at home at 764 Ninth St., where they will be pleased to have their friends call.

Mr. G. W. Stanton will spend Sunday visiting his daughter Margaret, who is spending the summer in St. Joseph.

Miss Ophelia Woods who has been in Davenport and Colorado Springs for the past two years returned home this week.

Mrs. Frank Smith arrived from Topeka, Kans., last Friday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spears.

Mrs. A. J. Jackson has several good furnished rooms for rent at reasonable rates, for gentlemen only—1209 Cherry street.

Rev. H. S. Graves has been selected as one of the speakers for the celebration to be held at Centerville on the 4th of next month.

Miss Georgie Williams of Keokuk has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Haley, 19th and Crocker Sts., for the past two weeks.

Master Ezra Morgan returned to the city from Superior, Wis., and will spend the summer with his father, Mr. E. S. Morgan.

The Old Settlers' annual picnic will be Thursday, August 3rd. Everybody prepare to come and enjoy one real day in the woods.

The Cosmopolitan Art club met Thursday with Mrs. Gertrude Cannaday. The club will be entertained by Miss Ardella Carr.

Mr. C. H. Conley of Weaster City spent the past week looking after the culinary department for Company "C" while they are at Camp Cummins.

Mr. Louis Watson spent the week of the Fourth in Muscatine, Davenport and Rock Island visiting some of his friends. He reports a delightful trip.

Messrs. C. A. Dishman and John Chinn left with a private party last week for a Western trip. They will visit the Yellowstone National park and other Western pleasure resorts.

In our next issue we will give a complete report of the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. & A. M., which was in session this week at Cedar Rapids.

The Garnation club met at Greenwood park with Mrs. Bryant as hostess. Household economics was the study. The club will meet next week with Mrs. Cottomas, 1225 Park Street.

Mrs. W. H. London of Buxton, one of the public school teachers of that city, and who has been the guest of Mrs. Adam Dixon while attending the summer school was taken sick and had to go home.

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Among those who went to Cedar Rapids to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge were the Messrs. Harrison Gould, H. E. Jacobs, E. T. Banks, J. L. Thompson, Geo. H. Cleggett, J. H. Shepard and William Coalson.

From June 1st to Sept. 30, every day good to return until Oct. 31 via Minneapolis and St. Louis Ry. also special round trips to all Northern resorts, call at City ticket office 512 Walnut street. W. S. Mathews, D. P. A.; W. K. Adams, C. P. A.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. French of Enterprize were in town Monday on business.

The Misses Bessie and Lulu Jackson gave a party last Friday night complimentary to Miss Mae Campbell of Ottumwa. The evening was spent in playing whist and dancing until after 11 o'clock when refreshments were served.

Miss Gertrude Lewis whose home is in Dubuque, who is one of the teachers in Buxton and who has been here attending the Drake University summer school has gone home to spend the rest of her vacation with relatives and friends.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Morning service, topic, "The Folly of Abner's Death."  
Evening service, topic, "The Final Trial."  
Men's League, 3:30 p. m. An address by Rev. J. W. Day. Popular meeting.

Mr. Wm. Gross of Keokuk, the Grand Secretary of the Masonic Lodge of 1st and Cedar Rapids Thursday for Des Moines where he will visit Mr. and Mrs. Paul Owens. The Des Moines people are always glad to welcome Mr. Gross.

Mr. George Sutor of Marshalltown, an old Des Moines boy, will spend part of his vacation from the engine house of the city water works, in our city. He has come over from the Grand Lodge meeting.

Messrs. H. S. Clay and L. M. Brown representing the local branch of the Odd Fellows, and Mrs. Matthews, representing the Household of Ruth, went to Keokuk this week to attend the district biennial meeting. We expect to give a full report next week of both lodges.

Miss Ida M. Brown gave a birthday party in honor of Mr. Charles N. Hutchison of Booneville, Mo. last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. A. J. Jackson, 1209 Cherry St. A number of young people were present. M. C. Blagburn furnished music. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The "Brownies" left this morning for Prairie City where they will play the team that city and then meet the Woodward team the next day and the team at Baird the following day. The boys were all in good condition and were confident that they would win at least two games of the three to be played.

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A meeting was held at the A. M. E. church last Tuesday for the purpose of organizing a club of True Reformers. Mr. A. W. Forney of Colfax came up to assist them. There were about 30 persons who signed the roll of membership and paid their initiation fee. In the near future they will have one of the officers come from St. Louis to install the new fountain and its officers.

The Union Congregational Sunday School will give its first annual picnic next Thursday, June 20, at Grand View Park. All the members, friends and parents of the children are urged to come with their baskets filled. The school will meet at the church, corner of 12th and Center Sts., at ten o'clock and will leave at 10:30. Mrs. C. S. Stewart and Mrs. E. T. Blagburn will have direct charge of the children, assisted by all of the teachers and Mrs. D. Roy.  
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## THE BROWNIES WON.

About 500 people had the pleasure last Sunday afternoon, of seeing the great "Buxton Wonders" ball team defeated by the Brownies. Before the game the Buxtonites were saying how easy it would be for them to win the game, the only thing they regretted was the score would be so large. So manager Washington and his team mates were confident that they could not lose the game, but when he looked at the score board the last half of the eighth inning he awoke from his stupor and wondered how it happened. It is easy to tell the Brownies. Just simply outplayed them, and had not Perrell Madsen error at a crucial time, the Wonders would not have had so many scores.

At three o'clock umpire Ed Bradley announced the batteries, Higbee and Wise for Buxton, Watkins and Johnson for Des Moines. He then took his position and said "play ball." The Wonders failed to cross the plate and so did the Brownies in the first inning. Buxton received another goose egg in their time at bat, but the Brownies did some good batting and secured 3 runs. The Wonders in the next inning with the aid of an error, got four scores, and the Brownies got two more in the 4th inning as did the Wonders, making them one score to the good. Both teams got goose eggs in the fifth inning and in the first half of the sixth things looked a little dark for the Brownies as Watkins gave J. Rhodes, the first man up, his base on balls and he stole second. Then Brooks came to bat and hit out a hot one between 1st and 2d base, Rivers caught it and stepped on the base, making a beautiful double play unassisted. The next man struck out. Nelther side scored in the next inning but in the eighth the Brownies got onto the slants that Higbee had been serving them and before the Wonders could stop the bombardment four Brownies crossed the home plate and the game was won for the best of the W's could do was to make one more run.

Watkins pitched a good game, giving 3 passes. He struck out 11 men and but eight hits were recorded against him, while Higbee was hit safely 12 times, gave two bases on balls, and struck 7. It was a good clean game and but very little disagreement with the umpire. E. Wise, the Wonders' catcher blocked Brown when he was sliding to the plate and the latter told him about it. Wise wanted to start the Jeffries plan to prove that he was right but manager Washington sent him to the bench, after which the fans called him the pugilist.

The score was 7 to 9 and mgr. A. L. Smith was the proudest man in town to think his young players could take the old veterans to camp so easy, and as some one said after the game, "we're proud of you (meaning the Brownies) an hundred voices joined in unison. So go "back, back" to Buxton you Wonders.

Edwin Markham has a long poem in the August Cosmopolitan. It is a very strong piece of work, and additional interest is lent by the fact that it is the first love-poem that Mr. Markham has allowed to be published. George T. Tobin has made the illustrations.

There are a good many strangers coming to Moline to work on the new building which is being built by Deering & Co. and are looking for places to stop. We gladly welcome them and hope that more may come.

The Polymithia club will meet with Mrs. W. A. Seary Wednesday. The Hallie Q. Brown club met with Mrs. Pollard the first and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. J. C. Curd; vice president, Mrs. P. Marshall; secretary, Mrs. R. Pollard; assistant secretary, E. Tarver; treasurer, Mrs. J. Shames; custodian, Mrs. H. Wood. They hold their next meeting with Mrs. L. B. Tarver.

Mrs. Dr. Wood of Rock Island lectured at the home of Mrs. J. L. Jones last Thursday. She will lecture at Mrs. H. Wood's on the 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones received word from Mr. F. Belmont, Jones of Chicago that he had while at work dropped a kettle of soup on his foot, scalding it quite badly. He is improving nicely.

Mrs. R. Bradley and Mrs. R. Phoenix were callers in Davenport last week.

Sunday evening the stewardess board gave a program. It being their rally there were quite a number took part and a great many appropriate songs were rendered by the choir.

Books are out to raise money to build their new parsonage on the church property.

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SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mr. Joseph W. Norris had to close down his restaurant business for an indefinite time on account of sickness.

Mrs. Newton Williams was able to leave her home last Friday for Canton, S. D., in order to completely regain her health if possible. We sincerely hope her speedy recovery.

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Another wedding is in sight and won't you be surprised. Watch the papers.

Miss Margie Lencer, niece of Rev. and Mrs. Wright of the A. M. E. church, is in our city and attended church Sunday evening. The young lady has an excellent soprano voice, which attracts particular attention when heard. We welcome the miss to our city.

ily foreign because of the nativity of its inhabitants, but foreign in certain characteristics that all other states call national. Doubtless these ignorant and bigoted firemen do not represent New Jersey sentiment, perhaps not even Montclair sentiment; and if this be a correct guess, we may expect Montclair to reprove its firemen in a very signal way and to honor Washington more emphatically than the original plans contemplated.

Washington stands for the best that the Negro has done in forty years of freedom. The objecting Montclair represent the worst and meanest that the white race has produced in thousands of years of freedom. Washington is honored and respected by all who love manliness and mentality the Montclair firemen have placed themselves at the very bottom of the list of what may be called the least American kind of citizens of the union.

## MARSHALLTOWN.

Grand Master I. L. Brown, Worshipful Most Galaway Johnson and the Messrs. George Suter and Calvin Wheeler are attending grand lodge of Masons, which is held at Cedar Rapids.

The lawn social which was held at Mrs. Sells' Saturday evening was a grand success.

Mrs. Lillian Taylor, who has been sick for some time, is showing improvement.

The street carnival was a big success.

There will be preaching at the Baptist church Sunday, both morning and evening. All are welcome. Rev. Bolds, pastor.

Mrs. Sarah Wright, the evangelist, was called to Paris, Missouri, last week to hold a series of meetings.

Mr. J. W. Walker was in the city July 4th visiting his son and daughters, Al, Mattie and Jessie.

Miss Ida Tarver of Evanston, Ill., is in the city visiting relatives.

Mrs. Buckley is on the sick list.

Mr. R. H. Pollard was a Rock Island caller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shamley entertained Mrs. R. Pollard and daughter at breakfast Sunday.

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Mrs. Shipman and Miss Myrtle Ellis of Norfolk, Neb., will return home in a few days after a very pleasant visit with their sister, Mrs. D. C. Shires, of 2512 Geneva street.

Prof. Leon Donaldson and wife are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Morgan, 519 West Ninth street.

Mrs. R. E. Cager and Miss Mary Thompson left for Council Bluffs and Omaha for a brief visit, remaining until the 4th.

Rev. M. J. Burton of Mt. Zion Baptist church returned from the Baptist convention of the central and western states, which convened at Topeka, Kansas, Tuesday, June 27-30. Most every state was represented and many honors put upon the ministers of our state. About 130 delegates were present. The governor of Kansas gave the opening address to the convention and a hearty welcome.

Miss Lillian Gordon is expected in this city after the 12th from Kansas City, Mo., to visit her mother, Mrs. L. Mills.

A concert and entertainment was given Monday evening by the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, No. 4655. The program which occupied the earlier part of the evening consisted of musical and literary selections.

Mr. Wyatt O. Dowdy of Yankton, S. D., was a guest here last week. His sister, Miss Myrtle Dowdy, is now visiting here and rendered a very pleasing instrumental solo Monday evening.

Rev. R. Knight of the A. M. E. church has not been in the best of health in the last few days and was unable preach Sunday evening. The pulpit was supplied by Rev. Jas. Washington.

Mr. Thomas Sturges left Monday to attend the meeting of the Masonic grand lodge at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The Young People's Concert club of the A. M. E. church are preparing to give their first concert number.

## CLINTON.

The social which was to take place on last week Wednesday was postponed on account of the weather, the weather permitting it will be given Wednesday evening of this week.

Mr. O. Culbertson is confined at this writing at his home by illness.

Little Henry Clay, a young son of Cassius Clay, met with what came near being a very severe accident July 4th. With other boys he was enjoying himself jumping off and on the yard cars at the Iowa Granite Brick Works.

He fell from a car, it running over both feet, crushing them. While the injuries are necessarily painful, we are glad to know he is getting along as well as could be expected, with hopes of no bad results.

Rev. Boyd received a neat cash donation recently from one of Clinton's influential ladies. The same to be devoted to the indebtedness of Bethel A. M. E. church. He and his corps of trustees have therefore used it to the best of their judgment for that purpose.

Rev. William Thomas, pastor of the Second Baptist church of this city, has commenced suit in the district court against the Postal Telegraph & Cable Co. to recover \$1,900 damages for alleged non-delivery of a certain telegraph message. The case will come up at the September term of court.

It is indeed gratifying to the members and friends of the A. M. E. church to see the marked improvement in the attendance at the church services and Sabbath school sessions.

Rev. Boyd has made many friends since coming to Clinton, who have confidence in his success if given a chance to exercise his capabilities.

The Chicago Union Giants have come and gone and it is hoped they will never return. Clinton baseball fans have always given them a cordial reception whenever they visited Clinton, but it is all over now.

The Giants came to Clinton on July 1st to play a series of games July 1st, 2nd and 4th. The Giants were defeated in the first contest by a score of 10 to 0, the second game went to the Giants to the tune of 3 to 4. On the 4th two games were played, the morning game also being won by the Giants by a score of 6 to 4. The afternoon game brought the climax. During the fourth inning Hopkins of the Giants after striking out, retiring the side, became involved in a dispute with the umpire, using unbecoming language.

Other members of the team doing the same, he was then ordered to cease playing. Argument then began in earnest. The Giants refused to play further. The game therefore was awarded to Clinton by a score of 9 to 0. A new game was then started, the Clinton's winning by a score of 12 to 2. Thus exit Union Giants.

Leland's Chicago Giants will play in Clinton in a couple of weeks.

MODERN SLEEPERS, M. & St. L. Ry  
Modern Sleepers now running on the Minneapolis and St. Louis Ry., between Des Moines and Minneapolis and St. Paul, Berths and tickets at 512 Walnut street or Union Station.

DEBUQUE NOTES.

Miss Gertrude Lewis is visiting her parents on East Rock street. Miss Lewis has been teaching in the schools of Buxton, Iowa, for three years and is very well pleased with her position and treatment.

Mr. Gus Rose has returned from an extended trip through the northwest and southwest following his profession as an acrobat with different shows. He will spend a few weeks with his parents on W. First street.

Harry returned from a visit to Chicago to spend the Fourth.

Sunday was Children's Day. Mrs. Pavn and the scholars rendered a very pleasant program.

"Bro. Paul", a Quaker doctor, is in the city and is giving a free minstrel show each evening at Sanford avenue and Jackson street, and has a company of fourteen colored men. L. E. Gideon, general manager; Ray Trusty, stage director; F. B. Wood, band leader; Wm. Bostwick, orchestra leader; Ray Trusty and A. A. Copland, comedians; and singers, E. Burden, tenor; L. Gideon, baritone; W. M. Thomas, bass; Bostwick, alto; musicians, Geo.

Bryant, cornet; Sidney Carter, clarinet; Woods, trombone; Thomas, tuba. Mrs. Bostwick and Trusty are accompanying their husbands on the tour.

Rev. F. B. C. Cummings of Guthrie, Oklahoma, is in the city. Mrs. C. accompanied him. They are evangelists representing the Church of the Living God, and will hold nightly meetings in Jackson park.

Mrs. F. Busch, wife of the genial Mr. Busch, the waiter on the dining car between Dubuque and Fort Dodge, has joined her husband and will reside here.

## MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Last week.

Mr. Harvey and Horace Spencer, Mr. Watson and Lewis Johnson of Grinnell spent the Fourth in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brown entertained the Messrs. Spencer and Watson at dinner the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and daughter entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cobb and Rev. Bolds of Buxton.

The Christian Union League entertained at a lawn social Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Jackson.

Rev. Bolds of Buxton preached to a large audience Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. Lewis Johnson of Grinnell spent the Fourth in the city with his family.

Miss Mattie Walker of New York City is in the city visiting her brother and sister, Al and Jessie Walker. She and her sister Jessie will leave the latter part of the week for Omaha and Denver.

## OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

Miss Lucile Jeffers and Brother of Knoxville spent Sunday with Mrs. Barquette, Mrs. Ed Murray and Miss Ada Hart who have been visiting friends and relatives in Enterprise returned to their homes Monday.

Miss Anna Jones who has been confined to her home for the past two weeks is able to be up and around again.

Miss Barbara Boyd who, for the past six months made our city her home, departed for her future home in Clinton. We are very sorry to lose Miss Boyd as she was one of our faithful workers in the church and Sunday school.

Quite a number of our people took advantage of the excursion to Ottumwa.

Mrs. Oscar Lee and children of Des Moines are visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. Harry Kimbrough spent the Fourth in Des Moines visiting relatives.

Miss Anna Smith returned home after a few days visit in Buxton.

Mr. Harry Kimbrough of Minneapolis, who has been visiting his parents departed Saturday evening for his home.

## KEOKUK NOTES.

Grand Master S. T. Pettigrew of Huntsville, Mo., of the United Brothers of Friendship and sisters of the Mysterious Ten, made his annual visit to Lodge 98 of the order. In this city he inspected the L. M. I. Temple during the afternoon and organized a Royal House, one of the highest degrees of the order. New officers were installed.

Mrs. Mary Green of Canton, Mo., is visiting her sons George and Harry Ashby this week.

Mrs. M. L. Fields expects to depart next Tuesday for Fayette, Mo., to attend the United Grand Chapter of the O. E. S. which convenes in that city on the 19th.

Miss Helam of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin.

The Parish Aid society of St. Mary the Virgin are making preparations for a fall carnival.

The Grand Order of Odd Fellows and the Grand Household of Ruth are holding their annual convocation in the city this week. A good time is anticipated, a great many delegates having already arrived.

Messrs. Wm. Gross and John Bland left last evening for Cedar Rapids to attend the Grand Convocation of Masons.

A. A. Bland left Tuesday morning for Cedar Rapids to attend the Grand Convocation of Masons which convenes in that city this week.

Miss Ella Drain who has been teaching at St. Charles, Mo., has returned home for a visit and will remain indefinitely.

Mrs. G. C. Bannister entertained a small company of ladies Monday evening July 3rd in honor of her mother, Mrs. Wilson of Hannibal, Mo.

Gross has returned home from a week's visit in Springfield, Ill.

Cleave Circle will meet with Mrs. M. Woodard Wednesday afternoon, July 12.

Mr. Nichols of Des Moines is attending the grand convocation of Old Fellows, and is the guest of Wm. Taylor.

## ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Nelson who has been visiting at the parental home in Albia returned to Chicago Thursday.

Mrs. George Hollingworth of the House Hold of Ruth, No. 1390, went to Keokuk Sunday evening to attend the House Hold annual session.

The Carolina Jubilee singers were at the Chautauqua all this week, leaving Friday.

Mr. Keene was in town Sunday from the country.

Call meeting of the Household Sunday afternoon.

CLEAR LAKE 87 ROUND TRIP  
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Be Appreciative.

Some people never dream of praising anything or anybody. They take everything as a matter of course, and imagine that they show their superiority by so doing. They little dream that they never get the best service owing to their ingratitude in showing their appreciation. It is surprising how a little word of praise stimulates to new effort, and puts life and interest into the work of those about us.

## Cripple Gains Education.

A man died at the Limerick infirmary at the age of sixty-four who had been brought there when twenty-four years old, crippled for life by exposure in a boat after shipwreck. But in the forty years he had learned thoroughly Greek, Latin, French, German, Spanish and Italian, and had amused himself in reading the classics in all these languages, besides closely following the events of his time.

JAPANESE LAND ON SAKHALIN

Places New Aspect On Progress of Peace Negotiations.

DIPLOMATS ARE INTERESTED

Powerful Levy in Hands of Japanese Diplomacy - General Opinion is That Japan is Now in Position to Dictate Terms of Peace.

St. Petersburg July 9.—A landing of Japanese troops on the island of Sakhalin was officially reported last night and started military circles in St. Petersburg, though it had been rejected since the defeat of Admiral Rojstvensky that the Japanese were able to take possession of the island as soon as they thought fit.

St. Petersburg, July 9.—A dispatch dated July 7 from General Liapunoff, commanding the Russian troops on the island of Sakhalin, says: "At 9 o'clock on the morning of July 7 a Japanese squadron approached the village of Cripivan about seven miles southwest of Korsakovsk, and opened fire on the Russian batteries."

Another dispatch of the same date says: "At 3 p. m. Japanese torpedo boats approached Korsakovsk and the Russian batteries opened fire on them and compelled the boats to retire. During the bombardment four of the Japanese torpedo boats were killed. The bombardment had been anticipated and the commandant had ordered the withdrawal of the defenders northward."

St. Petersburg, July 9.—The Japanese fleet covering the landing of troops on the island of Sakhalin consisted of two battleships, two cruisers, three gunboats, thirty-six torpedo boats and ten transports loaded with troops. The Japanese landed at the village of Merece between Shephihan and Korsakovsk. The commander of the Russian detachment at Korsakovsk ordered the coast defenses to be blown up and all the government buildings burned before retiring.

St. Petersburg July 9.—The landing of the Japanese on Sakhalin island and its probable effect on the progress of the peace negotiations is the topic of conversation in all circles, the surrender of the Kiaz Potemkin having taken a secondary place. This move is generally recognized as an indication that Japan intends to demand the cession of that island as one of the most direct steps toward a peace, but this is no longer an insuperable obstacle in the way of a termination of the war.

No further news was received from Sakhalin last night. St. Petersburg July 10.—With Japanese flag hoisted for the first time on Russian soil after eighteen months of war, the importance of the landing on the island of Sakhalin is generally admitted both in newspaper comment and in government circles. Complete occupation of the island is regarded as the first step toward the Novoe Vremya voices the general sentiment in holding that control of the Sakhalin puts a powerful lever in the possession of the Japanese diplomacy, which finally has something tangible in its hands to bargain with the sword in the coming conference.

There is a divergence of opinion with regard to the effect it will have on the negotiations at Washington, some of the irreconcilables declaring that it makes peace, at least for the present, more probable than before, as Japan will be able to demand cession of the island and a heavy indemnity as well, at which terms of peace will be too costly, but the more prevalent view is that Japan has more in her hands enough to trump to take the game.

The attack on the island certainly dissipates one of the hopes of the peace advocates, who have been suggesting that its voluntary cession might be an offset with Port Arthur and the Chinese railway against the payment of a large part or all of a monetary indemnity.

No further report of the landing operations has been received.

KANSAS BLOW TO OIL TRUST VOID

Topeka, Kan., July 8.—The law passed by the legislature last winter appropriating \$410,000 to build an independent oil refinery at Peru was yesterday declared unconstitutional by the state supreme court in an opinion rendered by Associate Justice Green.

The oil refinery law was considered one of the most direct blows struck at the Standard Oil company by the last legislature, which adopted several measures tending to restrict that concern in the handling of the Kansas product.

PORTSMOUTH CHOSEN.

New Hampshire Hills Chosen for Peace Conference.

Washington, July 11.—Assistant Secretary Pierce yesterday announced the plenipotentiaries of Russia and Japan had agreed upon Portsmouth, N. H., as the meeting place for the sessions of the peace conference to be held outside of Washington. The sessions will be held in the government navy yard at Portsmouth, the new building just completed there.

Third Assistant Secretary of State Pierce has been specially commissioned by the president to make all arrangements for the meeting of the plenipotentiaries at Portsmouth and is preparing to leave for that place to confer with the commandant of the navy yard. The meeting will be held in the general storehouse.

SPENCER SECRET IS MADE PUBLIC

Sad Fate of Former Grinnell Banker at Last Explained.

FAILURE OF BROTHER CAUSE

Louis M. Spencer Involved Father in His Deals - Effort to Conceal Misuse of Funds of Bank Leads Henry Spencer Into the Tolls.

Chicago, July 13.—The mystery surrounding the death of Henry Spencer, cashier of the wrecked First National bank of Grinnell, who with his son, Clark, was drowned almost a year ago, is believed to have been explained by discoveries made in connection with the failure of Louis M. Spencer, Henry Spencer's brother, a life insurance and bond agent, with offices at 204 Dearborn street, this city, this week.

The story recited in the bankruptcy petition believed to give the clue to the puzzle which has baffled the people of Iowa since the first news of the death of a man honored throughout many years for his upright and business probity, leaving behind unexplained defalcations amounting to many thousands of dollars. Henry Spencer became a defaulter because he sought to cover up drafts made upon the bank's funds by his father in backing the ventures of his brother Louis.

Through his attorney Louis M. Spencer has just filed with the United States district court a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, in which he states that his liabilities are \$357,745.32 and his assets but \$20,000. His liabilities are mostly in the form of a large number of small claims held by a long list of creditors. Of these he claims that \$86,980.27 are secured and \$270,645.65 unsecured.

Among the heaviest losers is the Northwestern insurance company of Minneapolis, which was formerly incorporated in Iowa. It has headquarters at Des Moines. This company has claims against Spencer for \$17,563. Louis Spencer was a younger brother of Henry Spencer, the cashier of the broken First National in Grinnell, who was drowned with his son in that city almost a year ago.

In the late eighties when the state of Nebraska was having its great boom growth, Louis Spencer conceived the idea of starting a great town near Beatrice in that state. Land was purchased and plotted, an electric railroad was built connecting Beatrice with the new division, and Spencer even erected a fine house for himself in what was to be the finest city in Nebraska.

Then came the break; the railroad bonds could not be sold, land prices fell, creditors began to close in and Spencer was ruined. Some of the obligations which he now acknowledges are those incurred in the promotion of the project. He and many others were heavy losers in the venture—much heavier, in fact, than probably anyone but himself and his sons dreamed of, and it was probably at this time that the first shortage in the bank funds occurred which was later to mean the ruin and the disgrace of the Spencers. It was partly his attempt to cover up the large amount of the bank's funds which the father had lost in the Beatrice speculation that led Henry Spencer to his life of criminal concealment. This is why the news of the failure of Louis M. Spencer is received with special interest in Grinnell, and why the name of Beatrice, Neb., still awakens painful memories among many of the new prosperous inhabitants of the college town.

Mr. Miller stated openly that he is morally certain in Des Moines there is a combination of coal dealers to prevent competition in prices. "Ten years ago," said Mr. Miller, "I bought coal in Des Moines for \$1.50 and it has gradually increased until at the present time I pay \$3.50 per ton. This is the result of nothing more than the combination of dealers who handle coal. It is also true with groceries, including butter and eggs. There is no difference in the prices of commodities anyway in this city and it is evident the retail price is controlled by some combination, which if it is not should be illegal in this state."

If the supreme court holds the statute to be illegal which was recently tested here Mr. Miller urged the county attorneys to unite at the next session of the legislature in securing the passage of a new anti-trust law.

"MOSE" GETS FORTUNE.

Supreme Court Decides Famous Newsboy is Entitled to Estate.

Des Moines, July 13.—"Mose" Jacobs, Des Moines' world famous newsboy, will get a portion of the estate of his mother. Mose had placed his earnings in a common family fund. When Mose married, a portion of the fund was given him. At his mother's death he fatherly possession of the earnings amounting to over \$10,000, which the newsboy claimed. The supreme court decided yesterday that Jacobs was entitled to recover, affirming the decision of the lower court.

ICE CRUSHES BOY.

Des Moines, July 13.—A cake of ice fell from the back of a delivery wagon to which Lewis Owenkowiak, 11 years old, was clinging, bore him to the pavement, broke his right leg and two fingers on his left hand. Lewis was taking a free ride when the accident occurred.

THIRTEEN HORSES CREMATED.

Port Dodge, July 13.—Thirteen horses were cremated in a fire which destroyed the city livery barn yesterday. Loss \$1,950.

THE DIP OF DEATH.

A Thrilling Sensation in the Great Barnum & Bailey Show.

Des Moines, July 11.—It has been definitely announced that the Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Earth will exhibit in Spencer on July 16, in Des Moines on July 17, at Weston on July 18, at the tremendous success of the circus in New York where the season was opened early in March has been duly heralded and the thousands of people who visited the show at Madison Square Garden have been loud in their praise of the mammoth aggregation and the same show replete with its many features of sensational greatness, combined with its peerless presentation of the world's most marvelous exhibitions, will be exhibited in its entirety wherever it is advertised to appear this season.

The three rings, two stages, and immense hippodrome will serve to introduce a conclave of startling and stupendous acts, and the zoological display of the rarest wild beasts will add to the magnitude of the attraction. The Dunbar act in an exhibition of the most grotesque and the most grotesque styles, the congress of curiosities and the startling feat "The Dip of Death"—an act where a daring woman leaps the gap in an automobile, makes the show beyond doubt, the unapproachable success of the season. The brothers Anclotti, two young Frenchmen, attired in faultless evening dress, perform the thrilling feat of simultaneously looping and leaping the quadruple chasms—an act conceded by all to be the highest acme of nerve and fearlessness in the world. The imperial Viennese act of ten aerial trapeze performers are with this remarkable tented aggregation this season.

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LAWSON IN IOWA.

Speaks to Three Thousand People at Missouri Valley.

Missouri Valley, July 13.—Thomas W. Lawson, in his special car, Haslemere, arrived here at 8:45 o'clock yesterday morning, and in the afternoon Mr. Lawson addressed 3,000 people at the Chautauqua. Mr. Lawson spoke in high praise of Iowa and other western states through which he had passed.

He said he had been impressed with the richness of the crops in Iowa. He expressed particular pleasure over the warmth of the reception that had been accorded him everywhere. He said he had found the farmers and other western people were anxious to know all about "Frenzied Finance." They had crowded on the platforms after his lecture and made hands sore with their expression of good will. Mr. Lawson was optimistic—he felt that he was winning out in his fight against the system. The Boston millionaire talked with newspaper men for a solid hour yesterday morning immediately after the arrival of the train. During all that time breakfast was waiting for him, but he absolutely refused the urgent entreaties of the chef, his private secretary, the publisher of the Evening Star, the editor and even his own wife to take breakfast. He preferred to talk. "And the Lord knows I'm hungry enough too," he declared. Mr. Lawson's earnestness and enthusiasm, his frankness of expression, the snap of his steel grey eyes combine to impress the hosts of his sincerity. He declares he will keep the system of Standard Oil Company and the system until he reaches the last ditch. The party left last night for Sioux City.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Would-Be-Suicide Believed That His Brother Was Dead.

Waverly, July 11.—A quarrel between Henry and John Weidemann, two farmers, resulted in the former stabbing the latter in the head and neck Sunday evening. Thinking he had killed his brother, Henry then committed suicide by hanging himself to a rafter in the barn. John will recover from his wounds.

The quarrel arose while the two men were at work doing their chores on their farm about six miles east of Waverly. Both had been drinking heavily during the day, it is said. Henry stabbed John in the neck and head until he became unconscious and then believing his brother to be dead, hanged himself.

Henry Weidemann, the suicide, was 35 years old and single. He resided with his brother John, whom he attempted to murder. John is 25 years old and married. The Weidemanns are sons of a German farmer, a well known resident of Waverly.

PAINTERS HURT IN CAPITOL.

William Martin and Two Others Fall on the Grand Staircase.

Des Moines, July 13.—The scaffolding just above the grand stair case in the capitol building fell about 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning, injuring William Martin, a painter, and slightly bruising two other men. Three men were at work with gold leaf on the frame for the Blashfield painting, when the scaffolding gave way without warning. The three painters were dropped about fourteen feet to the cement floor below. Martin was struck by a timber which injured his head. The two other painters were bruised very slightly.

Tried to Wreck Flyer.

Greene, July 14.—A dastardly attempt to wreck the Rock Island flyer from north yesterday was frustrated almost by a miracle.

Miscreants, supposed to be tramps, fastened a heavy strip of iron across the rails, reinforcing this by a timber tied to the switch. The strip of iron broke when the train struck it at full speed and the cars kept the track. Detectives are investigating and arrests will probably follow.

Want to Start Saloons.

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Presentations for Sultan of Morocco.

J. W. S. Langerman, Morocco's commissioner to the world's fair, has just bought the Moorish sultan a brace of mules, a number of Angora cats and goats, some fancy dogs and a pacer and a span of fine carriage horses, all of Missouri breeding. The carriages horses were Buff and Blue, well-known ribbon winners and they cost the sultan \$2,000.

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Waste Sugar Cane.  
It is suggested that the waste sugar cane in Hawaii—more than 2,000,000 tons a year—which is now consumed as fuel, could be more profitably used for the manufacture of paper.

Far Behind the Times.

A doctor writes in the London Lancet that as regards sanitation and ventilation the English churches retain the customs of the middle ages.

Rats Sink Battleship.

Owing to the ravages of rats, the old French battleship Mars, used as a barracks, suddenly sank in Toulon harbor.

French Capital's Immense Debt.

Paris has the biggest debt of any city in the world. It amounts to \$400,000,000.

Australian Kangaroo Farming.

Kangaroo farming is to become an established industry in Australia.

Presentations for Sultan of Morocco.

J. W. S. Langerman, Morocco's commissioner to the world's fair, has just bought the Moorish sultan a brace of mules, a number of Angora cats and goats, some fancy dogs and a pacer and a span of fine carriage horses, all of Missouri breeding. The carriages horses were Buff and Blue, well-known ribbon winners and they cost the sultan \$2,000.

The Home of the Tiger.

At a recent meeting of the Zoological Society in London Maj. Stewart expressed the opinion that tigers are not indigenous to India, but came there from more northern regions. The old Sanskrit language has a name for the lion, but none for the tiger.

Time to Transplant Trees.

M. Rotant has found that trees may be transplanted in full foliage in May or June, with little or no injury, if the moving is done at night. This has been demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of prominent French horticulturists.

Cost of Feeding Royalty.

The imperial kitchen of the Austrian Emperor at Vienna costs about \$250 a day, says a German contemporary. In this sum, however, are not included the extra expenses for court dinners, etc.

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