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## CITY NEWS.

**W. B.** If you have relatives or friends visit in the city or going to make a visit, please write us: we will call your local news—Ed.

Only three days left to secure the stander at \$1.00 for one year.

The wedding bells will soon ring. The parties lives on East side.

Mrs. Daniel Roy who has been quite ill is improving nicely at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Blagburn's little daughter, Norman and Alden, are quite ill this week.

This week ends our holiday rates for Bystander, therefore if you do not want your \$1.00 before the 15th, inst. you will miss the cheap rates.

Mrs. Kimboro of Ardmore, I. T. will return home to-morrow after a pleasant visit with her sister Mrs. Gus Watkins.

Wm. Stroughter and wife left our city last Monday for Omaha, Neb., to make their future home. We wish them success.

When in Buxton, Iowa stop at Jeters Bros. for meals, lunches and lodging. Short order a specialty, East First street.

T. H. Harris of Buxton arrived in our city this week. He is employed on the extra help at the legislature. We congratulate Mr. Harris.

Mrs. J. W. Field entertained at a course dinner in honor of her sister Mrs. Kimboro of Oskaloosa and Mr. Kimboro of Indianapolis, Ind., last Saturday.

Those who are members of our race employed in the Iowa Legislature this session in the senate: Jeff Logan, P. S. Levin, Wm. Thompson; in the House: B. N. Hyde, Harry Burnham, Al Walker. On the extra help is John Hall of Sioux City, and T. H. Harris of Buxton.

The Hyde Investment and Real Estate Co., at 120 West Grand avenue, has a large list of property for sale and trade. They also have a list of houses for rent. Both phones, Iowa 700; Mutual 928 Main.

R. N. HYDE, Mgr.  
B. N. HYDE, Sec.

Mrs. Wm. Coalson entertained last Wednesday from one o'clock in honor of Miss Jennie Tate of Galesburg, Ill. Mrs. Kimboro of Ardmore, I. T. Plates were laid for sixteen and an enjoyable and pleasant evening was spent by those present.

It is reported to us that F. D. Anthony, the famous colored horse trainer of Fairfield, Ill., attended the large horse sale in Chicago last week. He says it was a large sale and many of the leading horse men of the country were present.

Mrs. N. B. Oxley of Kansas City, Mo. Grand worthy Left Herald, Mistress of Western Grand Division and Rosebud Lecturer of the United order of True Reformers, was in the city last week and addressed a public meeting at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Thursday evening and installed the newly elected officers at Odd Fellows Hall Friday evening.

North Star Lodge No. 6, Knights of Pythians, elected and installed officers last Monday night in their hall, corner of Sixth and Walnut streets.

O. A. Johnson, Chancellor Commander; Wm. Wardell, V. C.; Edward Johnston, M. F.; A. L. Smith, M. Ex.; J. W. Robinson, K. of R. and S.; Edward Wilson, M. A.; Thomas Allen, M. W.; Andy Fletcher, Prelate; Robt. Johnson, Inner G.; Chas. Scott, Outer G. Regular meeting Monday of each month.

Services at Union Congregational Church.  
Corner of Tenth and Park Streets.  
Sunday January 14th. Morning service 10:30. Subject, Worth and Wisdom. Afternoon, three o'clock Men's League. Evening service 7:30 Topic, The Ways of Sin is Death. Y. P. S. Christian Endeavor 7:00 p. m. Sundays. Sunday School 12:00 m. Wednesday 7:10 prayer meeting and bible study. Rev. H. W. Porter. Pastor.

Gospel meetings are now being conducted at the First African Baptist church. Rev. F. G. Lomack Pastor, these meetings are conducted by Rev. G. McNeal Moderator of the Kansas Valley Association of Kansas City, Mo. Rev. McNeal is quite an evangelist, all people are invited to attend these meetings 4th and School.

**Cleaning and Pressing, Dyeing and Repairing.** Special attention given ladies' garments. Phone 1846-M. Leave Orders for Coal.  
O. B. RIVERS, 589 Seventh street.

We forgot to mention last week the selection of John Walker as one of the Capitol firemen by Mr. T. W. McOrdy the Custodian to succeed H. H. Lewis recently deceased. We are glad of the selection, no better selection could have been made as John Walker is one of our best and known and honest citizen, ye editor have known him from boyhood, his highest ambition is to do good and help mankind.

The Marquardt block, cor. Fifth and Locust streets, caught fire last Monday morning about 4 o'clock and burned for 3 hours. The Bystander is located in this building and at times the entire building, which is valued at \$150,000.00 seemed to be doomed, but the hard work of the brave firemen saved the entire building from total loss. Nearly every business concern in the building suffered loss, either from water, fire or smoke, except our office which is on the fourth floor in the southwest corner of the building. Our loss was nothing. It was a close call. We are at present prevented from using our office rooms on account of the steam being cut off. For the present we are temporarily located in the north wing of the building, room 412 1/2, 1st door north of elevator.

**How to Prevent Billous Attacks**  
One who is subject to billous attacks will notice that for a day or more before the attack he is not hungry at meal times and feels dull after eating. A dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when these first symptoms appear will ward off the attack. They are for sale by all druggists.

**FINANCIAL REPORT CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
For the year 1905.  
The year 1905 was a successful one for the Corinthian Baptist church, total number that received membership report was 65. The following financial report for the year:  
**Receipts.**  
Received in January ..... \$ 102.45  
" February ..... 82.56  
" March ..... 63.72  
" April ..... 126.18  
" May ..... 77.43  
" June ..... 77.92  
" July ..... 104.54  
" August ..... 117.42  
" September ..... 163.03  
" October ..... 194.14  
" November ..... 115.25  
" December ..... 444.40  
Total ..... \$2,369.04  
Brought forward from 1904 ..... 8.02  
Total receipts ..... \$2,377.06  
Total expenditures ..... 2,334.08  
Balance on hand ..... \$ 33.98

**NOTE.**  
This balance is as follows:  
From property fund ..... \$ 16.40  
From banquet receipts ..... 16.08  
From coal receipts ..... 1.50  
Total ..... \$ 33.98

**Disbursements**  
To Mr. E. F. Sherry on mortgage ..... \$ 899.25  
Sma. expenditures on property ..... 61.02  
Fire insurance ..... 60.05  
Pastor's salary, see below ..... 107.42  
Missions and Education ..... 122.54  
Gas, fuel and water ..... 85.63  
Janitor ..... 78.66  
Organist ..... 52.17  
Choirster ..... 52.77  
Visiting elders ..... 66.25  
Charity ..... 16.46  
Clerk ..... 11.00  
Miscellaneous:  
Special Deacon's exp ..... 1.50  
Division with Burns Church, Feb. 12 ..... 10.00  
Supplies for entertainments ..... 49.78  
Printing ..... 14.55  
Divisions in special entertainments ..... 20.05  
Delegates expenses to meetings ..... 36.30  
Total ..... \$2,343.08  
T. L. Griffith, Pastor.  
C. H. Hart, Treas.  
Selma Brown, Clerk.

**VERY LOW RATES TO DES MOINES IOWA.**  
Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at reduced rates Jan. 19 and 20, limited to return until Jan. 23, inclusive, on account of Iowa State Traveling Men's meeting. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

**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.

## What Our Friends Say

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 25, 1905.  
Dear Sir:  
I have read your paper for eight years, I feel like I can't do without visitor in my house. Here is a dollar for 1906.  
Yours truly,  
Rev. Wm. Rhinehart,  
1716 Lawrence Avenue,  
Springfield, Ill.

Clinton, Ia., Dec. 5, 1905.  
Editor Bystander:  
Dear Sir: Owing to my being so very busy during the past two weeks I have been unable to express myself regarding the Buxton Souvenir edition. Allow me nevertheless at this late date to extend to you my sincere congratulations, of your effort along that line. I consider you have scored a complete success. Wishing you a continued success I remain yours respectfully,  
A. A. Bush.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1905.  
Mr. John L. Thompson,  
Des Moines, Iowa.  
Dear Sir: It has been my intention for the last three weeks to write to you but I have neglected to do so. Since good things keep well, I will proceed at this late hour to offer my congratulations.

I think your review and write up of the town of Buxton was an excellent piece of work. So I want to extend to you my highest compliment and ask the question:—What manner of man is he, as a black man, that would not be proud of that work, done by the Bystander? St. James says: "Faith if it hath not works is dead being alone." And in the next sentence St. James says: "Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works."

The Bystander has shown its faith by its work. And the people of the state should show their faith by their support of the Bystander. I took the copy of the Bystander with the Buxton write up to the Capitol, and many were the compliments of the men there, so pleased were they with it that it has been handed around so much that I have not had a chance to see it since. I was very much pleased with the last issue of the Bystander also, when I saw many faces of my old associates standing guard around another enterprise that the people of Des Moines should be proud of. That is the new Union Congregational church, which also shows a tact of faith and work. I want to congratulate that church upon its success and its up-to-date young preacher. In the language of the scripture, No man can do the work that this young man has done, except God be with him. My fervent prayer is that he will continue his work until completed. What has struck the white Iowa club women? It seems they have some connection with their sisters south of the Mason and Dixon line, it shows such both in spirit and word. I clipped the following from Washington Daily Post.

**RACE PROBLEM IN IOWA.**  
Des Moines Women Defer Request for Negro Recognition.  
Special to the Star.  
Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 12.—The race problem cropped up here today in an unexpected and embarrassing manner when members of a colored women's club knocked at the doors of the Des Moines Federation of Women's Clubs and politely asked for recognition.  
"This is so sudden," exclaimed a score of female voices in hearty unison. Mrs. H. S. Graves, however, wife of the pastor of St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal Church, was there for the purpose of obtaining an answer, and evidently anxious to place the women on record with as little delay as possible, requested that action be taken on her request at once.  
The ladies finally rallied from their confusion, and, assuring Mrs. Graves of their cordial sympathy with all efforts of the colored people toward bettering their condition, said that under the rules of the organization they had a right to take time to consider the matter. Before adjournment the first installment of the debate had taken place.  
Several women admitted themselves in favor of granting the colored women's request. Others stoutly declared that such action would mark the severing of their relations with Des Moines women's clubs. When a meeting concluded several women were in tears, others were pale with anger, while still others admitted that the federation was facing a most embarrassing problem.  
The above statement is not true only in part. The colored club did ask admission and was not refused. Only two women objected. They were recently from the south and had only been members a short time and they thought it best not to admit colored clubs. (The Editor.)  
The Bystander brings me another surprise this week in the announcement of the death of our old friend and townsman, H. H. Lewis. In the death of Mr. Lewis we have lost one of our best citizens. The land marks of old times still continue to move away. I too, join with the Bystander in offering condolence to the bereaved family.  
Another young spirit rises up and demands the consideration of the disfranchisement of the voters south in the person of Mr. Wm. S. Bennett of New York who offered the following bill in the House two or three days ago. I fall to have the remainder of the article:  
**BENNETT INTRODUCES REPRESENTATION BILL.**  
If a bill providing for the cutting down of Southern representatives, introduced in the House yesterday by Representative William S. Bennett of New York, is favorably reported, there will be a lively tilt on the floor this winter in regard to the race question. Such a measure, introduced by a northern member, is always a red

flag of the representatives of the South, and a southern democrat said yesterday that any attempt to force the measure would result in the strongest kind of opposition.  
Mr. Bennett's bill reduces the entire number of Representatives from 386 to 351. It reduces the state delegations as follows: Alabama from 9 to 5; Arkansas from 7 to 5; Florida from 3 to 2; Georgia from 11 to 6; Louisiana from 7 to 4; Mississippi from 8 to 3; North Carolina from 10 to 7; South Carolina from 7 to 3; Tennessee from 10 to 7; Texas from 16 to 13; and Virginia from 10 to 7.

T. E. BARTON.

## IOWA CITY NOTES.

The Xmas vacation is a thing of the past for 1905 as last Wednesday studying and most all of the students in the various departments were present to answer roll call.  
The Ellington Piano Co. of Chicago has been conducting a prize contest in this city, the prize offered was a \$550, which was divided into first and second prize. The first was valued at \$470 and the second at \$80 for the person who could produce the most words from the words Ellington Piano and Miss Effie Mason won the second prize. As Miss Effie is well known in the Capital City her many friends will be pleased to hear that she won one of the prizes as there was a number of contestants.  
Mrs. Paul Ward died last Friday morning after four days illness with pneumonia. Mrs. Ward has been a resident of this city since 1853, she was 76 years of age. A husband, two children, Paul and Mrs. McNeal of this city and two sisters Mrs. Jane Martin of Coffeyville, Kans., and Mrs. Nora Lizzie Mills with other relatives and friends to mourn her loss. Mrs. Ward has been a member of the A. M. E. church of this city for 33 years and the funeral services were held at that church last Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. Holley and a large number of her friends were present to pay the last respect of homage and tribute to one who has been among them for a number of years. We express our condolence to the bereaved relatives and friends.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Mason assisted by their daughter gave a party last Saturday night. The evening was spent in playing games and music was rendered during the evening by the Messrs. E. W. Carter and W. Jones with a mandolin and violin and the piano was played by Miss Effie Mason. An elegant 3 course luncheon was served about 11:00 o'clock by Mrs. Mattie Dameron and Miss Bessie Mason. The guests departed saying that the Mason family were good entertainers the only regret being that they do not entertain often enough.

The Bystander is now a weekly visitor to most all of the Afro-Americans in this city which is an indication that they are progressive and want to know what their race is doing.

**MINNEAPOLIS BUDGETARIAN.**  
It feels as if we were having a cold wave at this writing.  
Mr. J. W. Roberson remains very ill at his home.  
Messdames G. S. Hamilton and B. Vaspenace are reported sick at their homes in South East Minneapolis.  
Mr. Bastfeld of St. Cloud, Minn., stopped off in our city for a few hours' visit Wednesday with Mrs. v. m. Helm, en route to her home from a visit to Adrian, Mich.  
The St. James A. I. E. church in St. Paul, Rev. Seymour, pastor, was damaged by fire last week to the amount of \$400. The fire, which is a mystery, started in the basement, and there was no fire in the church at the time. It was discovered just in time to save the building from an entire loss. Rev. Seymour is having unnecessary trouble with his church at present, which we are sorry to see.  
Miss Sarah V. Cunningham of Cedar avenue was a victim of a complete surprise party Wednesday evening, when about twenty-five of her friends walked in upon her unexpectedly. Games and music were indulged in until a late hour, when refreshments were served, after which they all left for their homes. Miss Beatrice Wade and Harry Lee were the promoters of the party.  
Revival services are being carried on at St. James' church with much success. Two persons united with the church Sunday night.  
A very interesting meeting of the M. T. C. Art club was held with Mrs. Dr. R. S. Brown last Wednesday and despite the inclemency of the weather nearly all the members were present. Quite a discussion arose as to the saving of our young girls and women and the best way of reaching them. Some very good suggestions were made. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Moss. The club expects to give a Martha Washington tea party.  
The King's Daughters of St. James will give a 3 cents social the 21st inst. It will cost 3 cents to get in and 2 cents to get out. Each refreshment will be 3 cents.  
Carri Wade will enter Central high school this month.  
What is the matter with Galesburg? Let us hear from you once in a while.  
Mr. J. L. Neal is able to be out, after a stage of illness.  
Mrs. L. Hardin returned from Duluth, where she visited during the holidays.  
If you have any news for the Bystander, please send it to the agent at 315 Eighth avenue South.  
Those who are indebted to the Bystander are urged to pay up if possible.



W. H. Bremner for City Solicitor.

The above cut represents W. H. Bremner, the present City Solicitor, who has announced his candidacy for the second term. He rests on the record that he has made the past two years while in office. He has reduced the judgment fund from two and three-tenths mills to one mill. He has brought the proceedings against the Street Railway Company, which is now being prosecuted. He is a good lawyer, a general man to meet, and has treated all people fair, and now ask the accustomed two terms.

## KEOKUK NOTES.

The entertainment given at the East House Hall, Dec. 29 by E. Holmes, Wm. Gross and Charles Tebean was a decided success. A good time was enjoyed by all present.  
Dec. 27th Mrs. George Colman was at home to quite a number of her lady friends, it being the occasion of her forty-sixth birthday.  
Mrs. Carrie Holam, of St. Louis, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin during the holidays.  
Mr. John Evans and sister, Mrs. Mary Waldron, of Marcellus, Michigan, were in the city during the holidays the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Goens.  
Mr. Homer Jones returned home last Sunday evening after a delightful visit in Topeka, Kansas.  
Miss Isabella Kase celebrated her twentieth birthday Friday, January 6th at the home of Mrs. M. Frazier which was a very enjoyable affair. A young lady was the recipient of many beautiful presents.  
At Pilgrims Rest church Thursday night a program was given by the members of the church, assisted by other talent of the city. Papers on religious subjects were read and musical numbers by soloists and the church were rendered.  
Miss Carrie Goens is very ill at her home on Franklin street.  
Mrs. T. W. Lewis, wife of Rev. Lew-

is, is very ill at her home on 14th and Morgan street.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fields delightfully entertained at five o'clock dinner Dec. 29th, Mr. John Evans and Michigan and Mrs. L. Goens of this city.

On Tuesday evening Dec. 17th, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shortree delightfully entertained in honor of the Misses Della and Stella Bland, it being the occasion of their eighteenth birthday. The young ladies were the recipients of many valuable presents. The young ladies are nieces of Mrs. Shortree's.

## SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Special to Bystander.  
The year of 1906 has issued in upon us and found us wide awake although we have not been heard from for some time, we are here, and as loyal citizens we intend to make this a most prosperous year in the history of our colored people of this city.  
The Grand New Year's dinner given at the A. M. E. church on Jan. 1, 1906 was largely attended and a success



MATTER FOR MAYOR.

We present our readers this week the cut of our present Mayor Hon. George Mattern, who has consented to become a candidate again for his second term. He relies on his record the past two years. It is true that the present Mayor has elevated the city's chief magistrate office from the low depths it had sunk by the former Mayor. He has elevated the character of the office and the many stand he and his chief of police has taken in closing up those saloons that are run by irresponsible and contrary to law and order should be upheld by every good and respectable citizen. It is true that he has not done as much as he could have if the city council had been in full accord with him. Many of the evils of city-municipality is done by the city Council, and yet the public lay it at the door of the Mayor, when he is not to blame. Mr. Mattern was sheriff two terms before elected mayor. He is a staunch Republican worker and his stand taken on the brewery petition is commendable and the business like manner in which he has conducted the city affairs should merit the approval of the voters of our city. His friends are working hard for his re-nomination at the coming city primary.

## REDUCING THE REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

Since the meeting of congress a bill recently introduced in house to cut down representation to actual amount of voters that is permitted to vote the colored Journals have been discussing it pro and con below we publish what two of our contemporaries say then we give our idea about it. The Atlanta, Ga., Independent is opposed to reduction in the south as a punishment for disfranchisement, his arguments are to abrogate the white man's rights will not restore that of the colored man. That to cut down Alabama's electoral vote will not help the people wronged, two wrongs will not make one right, that the North would assist them to disfranchise and the south would not care to loose a few Congressmen if they could keep the negro out of politics and the Buxton Gazette says this week says, speaking of the same bill: "Of course no one expects the bill to pass. It should not. We have waited patiently to have someone explain how it is going to help the Negro."

We have been, and are a strong advocate of reduction of the electoral college and Congressmen where they do not allow the qualified elector the right to vote and we are indeed sorry that our race leaders are not a unit on this question. I believe today that our division of opinion on this question is the lack of Congressional action. My reasons for favoring it is because reduction is the punishment laid down by the federal constitution, listen it says plainly that when ever a state deprives any of its male citizens 21 years of age the right to vote the representation of that state shall be reduced in proportion to the number of citizens thus deprived of their legal rights. This alone ought to suffice. All we ask is the fulfillment of our present law and its punishment, then if it fails we will try something else. Then again to reduce the representation does not lessen our rights as a voter. It is simply in abeyance until certain conditions are done. Let us not condemn this punishment until it is tried and failed. The Gazette says it should not pass and gives no reason why not. If we condemn a law or bill we ought to recommend something in its place thus far no one has been able to offer a better bill or punishment than the one our constitution prescribe, consequently let us at least try that which we have. You remember that in slavery the South insisted on counting her slaves to give them more Congressmen and even did count them as a third of a vote or citizen, for heaven sake let us stop arguing and do something.

## BURLINGTON NEWS.

Mrs. Anna Burkhardt of Lincoln, Nebraska, is here visiting her mother Mrs. John Jones at her home on South 15th street. Mrs. Burkhardt is one of the most accomplished artists in Lincoln if not in the entire west. Her work is not confined to one branch, but comprise canvas painting, china decorations and art needle work. She is the only representative of our race to become a member of the Lincoln Art Association and Mrs. Burkhardt was formerly a Burlington girl, her friends here are naturally glad to have her in our midst.  
Mrs. McDowell of Hanibal, Mo., spent Thursday and Friday in this city visiting her daughter Mrs. J. F. Trent.  
Miss Bessie Early and Mrs. Jennett Early of Quincy are visiting in this city.  
Mrs. Will Jones of Chicago is also visiting Mrs. John Jones his mother.  
The S. I. club entertained very delightfully at the home of Mrs. Archie Michel January 1, 1906, from 6 o 11.  
Mrs. Hulda Early entertained at luncheon Friday evening.  
Mrs. S. L. Tiggs entertained at 8 o'clock dinner New Year's day.  
Mrs. Will Palmer entertained complimentary to Miss Jannett Early and Miss Bessie Early.  
Mr. J. W. Mackey is on the sick list.  
Mrs. John Trent spent New Year's day in Hanibal.  
Mrs. Sadie Norris is here visiting relatives.  
Mrs. A. J. Drew entertained complimentary to Mrs. Anna Burkhardt and her brother Mr. Will Jones Tuesday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mackey entertained a few friends at their home on 1607 South 15th street Wednesday evening. The house was beautifully decorated with mistletoe and cedar and were enchanted by the soft light of candles. An enjoyable time was had by all.  
Persons owing on their subscription please try to pay when collector comes. Collector, Miss Elsie Wilson.  
Mrs. Margaret Lee was born in Arkansas, November 1, 1856. Died Tuesday morning, December 12, 1905. Aged 49 years. She had lived in this city since 1861. Her husband, Samuel Lee, died two years ago, having served on the city police force for ten years or more. Mrs. Lee has been on the decline for several years and her death though sad was not unexpected. She left two sisters, Mrs. Fanny Roland of this city, Kate Williams of Joliet, Ill., and two brothers, Thomas Roland of Butler county, Kansas and John Roland of this city. The funeral services were held at Underkercher's Chapel, conducted by Rev. Peter Johnson assisted by Rev. B. B. Johnson.  
Mr. John Michel died Tuesday morning November 26, 1905. He has been sick with pneumonia for quite a while and his death though sad was not unexpected.  
Mrs. Peter Johnson left Saturday a. m. for Chicago where she will spend Xmas with her son Mr. Bert Johnson of that city.  
Mrs. Kate Williams left Saturday for her home in Joliet, Ill.  
Mrs. Tena Johnson of Keosauqua, Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Reed of Mt. Pleasant spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fate Martin.  
Mr. Redginal Trent went to St. Joseph, Mo., Friday night to spend Xmas with his parents.

Among musicians it has always been supposed that the true magnetic pole was Paderewski.

Nevertheless, the average prizefighter would be wise to seek trouble with Mr. Fitzsimmons.

So Fiona McLeod was William Sharp, who has just died in Sicily. Now, don't say you knew it all along.

"Chinese Again in Arms" inquires a newspaper headline. Certainly, some of them; those under one year old.

A man realizes that his wife isn't an angel when he has to help her into her dresses that button up the back.

New York drinks \$1,000,000 worth of liquor every day. That is, New York pays \$1,000,000 a day for liquor to drink.

May Toke now asks for a divorce from Putnam Bra-ve Strong as a matter of form, or has it, it is difficult to tell which.

A girl is suing a rich man for \$10,000 damages because he kissed her once. It is wrong for a man to tantalize a girl that way.

General Togo says, "Victors tie your helmet strings tighter." Is that so they will not be tempted to talk through their hats?

Mexico, with a comfortable surplus on hand, cheerfully corroborates Fred Grant's assertion that it is easier to handle than a deficit.

Some of Dr. Osler's published expressions seem calculated to bear out his theory that a man over 40 is lacking in intellectual power.

It must break Castro's heart to see another South American republic agitating in an international complication in which he has no part.

That New York manager may be right in thinking he can give opera without chorus girls, but we'll bet he won't sell it—not in New York.

During the first ten months of the year just closed 25,000 Americans carried \$1,000,000 to Canada. No, no; they were not bank cashiers.

Vice Chancellor Stevenson of Jersey City has just rendered a decision on the bench that a woman's tongue cannot be enjoined. He must be married.

Abdul Hamid has promised to make reforms in Macedonia, though it may be doubted whether the people living there will ever know about this.

A California physician declares that brain action in the creation of thought is electrical in its nature. That would account for a great many shocking ideas.

Says the Portland Oregonian, "no woman ever looked like a goddess in a dressing sacque." And a goddess in a dressing sacque is not at her best at that.

An esteemed contemporary's office poet yearned for a Christmas gift in the form of "her wet little kisser on my cheek." How would merely a damp one answer?

Does Prof. Osler's advice to elderly men to keep away from men of their own age and associate with their juniors mean that they ought to go out with the boys?

So far as we are personally concerned the philanthropists who are busy warning the country of the evils of inherited wealth might just as well save their breath.

A Boston court has been asked to enjoin a jealous woman from using the telephone to connect with her husband's office. Can the woman who made her jealous still use the 'phone?

A Brooklyn woman, suing for divorce on the ground of cruelty, coyly admitted that she pulled her tyrannical husband from under the bed by the hair of his head and then kept on pulling.

A Massachusetts man aged 83 has just finished cutting and stacking 100 cords of stone wood, which he began working on last March. And it is safe to say that he isn't troubled with dyspepsia, either.

Major C. J. R. Miller questions the accuracy of the report that he has eloped with Bob Fitzsimmons' wife. As he has not seen the lady in several months he is inclined to think the story is exaggerated.

According to a Boston parson, "a man who is happily married can save \$2 for every dollar he saved while single." The man who is unhappily married has to spend the extra dollar in drowning his woes, we presume.

A French scientist has discovered a compound that brings worms to the surface and makes them squirm themselves to death, according to the New York Telegram. However, we still pin our faith to the old reliable earth bird.

It is reported that a Spanish senator has stolen \$7,000,000 from the royal treasury. Next thing we know he will be writing from prison to a lot of American suckers, telling them he has hid the money, and he will give it to whoever will act as guardian of his young daughter.

A Syracuse doctor is said to have permitted consumption to get the better of him so that he might study it. As the experience killed him, there is some curiosity as to what he intends to do with the knowledge acquired.

LEGISLATURE MAY PROBE INSURANCE

Senator Molesberry Introduces a Resolution Looking to Investigation.

ASKS ABOUT THEIR POLITICS

Would Probe into Relations of Company Officers to Investments and Election Contributions—Committee to Continue for a Year.

Des Moines, Jan. 10.—A concurrent resolution providing for a committee to conduct a rigid investigation into the affairs of Iowa life insurance companies was introduced in the senate yesterday morning by Senator F. M. Molesberry of Columbus Junction.

The proposed committee and its powers are identical with the New York legislative committee which has just concluded an investigation of the methods of New York insurance companies. The resolution points to disclosures of investigation in other states, thereby showing the necessity for such investigation.

Resolved by the senate, the house concurring, that a joint committee be appointed consisting of three members of the senate and four members of the house, which said committee shall as soon as possible, investigate and examine into the business of the life insurance companies doing business in the state of Iowa with reference to the methods in force by said insurance companies in transacting their business, their relation to other corporations, the salaries paid their officers and employees, their securities, and their investments, the relation of the officers and members of said companies to said investments, their relation to or with other corporations, transacting business with the said insurance companies, their liability to their policy holders, the cost of insurance, the expenses of said company, the relation of said insurance companies to subsidiary corporations; to examine into all expenditures of said companies, including their expenditures incurred in the employment of legislative and municipal lobbies, in making payments of contributions to candidates, committees, or others, to be used for political or campaign purposes, and any other phase of the insurance business deemed by the committee to be a proper subject of investigation; and the mention of any particular line of inquiry herein shall not limit in any measure the field of investigation which said committee is empowered to enter, and that said committee is authorized to draft and report to the legislature at its next session such revisions of the laws relating to the life insurance business and the taxation of said insurance companies in this state as said committee may deem proper; and be it further

Resolved, that said committee be and it is hereby authorized and empowered to require and enforce the attendance of witnesses, the production of books and papers, to administer oaths and to employ counsel, stenographers, clerks and such other employees as may be necessary for the purpose of such investigation, and such committee may exercise all powers provided by law or by this resolution, at any time prior to December 1, 1906, whether during the session of the legislature or otherwise.

On Senator Molesberry's motion, the resolution was read and laid over under the rules.

FINDINGS OF COMMITTEE ON TUBERCULOSIS

Des Moines, Jan. 10.—The findings of the committee on tuberculosis, as reported to the senate yesterday, are as follows: At least 7,500 cases of tuberculosis now in Iowa.

Best means to check spread of disease: 1. Strict enforcement of the rules of the state board of health. 2. The provision of strict penalties for expectoration in all churches, public halls, public conveyances and on sidewalks.

3. Education by means of wide circulation of pamphlets treating of prevention of tuberculosis. 4. Removal of patients to sanitarium or hospitals in early stages of disease. 5. That the legislature authorize and encourage municipalities to establish and maintain local hospitals for the treatment of tuberculosis.

The report stated that the best means of treatment of the disease was afforded by sanitarium both public and private.

CARNEGIE SENDS FIFTY THOUSAND

Toledo, Jan. 9.—Western college is throbbing with joy over the receipt of the following: "Andrew Carnegie, 2 East 91st Street, New York, Jan. 5, 1906.—Dr. C. J. Kephart, President Western College, Toledo, Iowa: Dear Sir: Yours of January 1 received. Mr. Carnegie notes that you have raised \$50,000 and has instructed his cashier to send you his \$50,000 so as to secure the \$50,000 promised by Mr. Clark.—Respectfully yours, James Bertram, Private Secretary."

Mr. Carnegie promised Western college, which is the leading educational institution of the United Brethren church in the west, that if the college trustees would raise \$50,000 he would present them with an equal sum. The trustees completed their work January 1 and Mr. Carnegie was true to his word.

A sweetheart and a wife is a rare thing. They are generally divided.

SENATOR CROSSLEY'S NEW PRIMARY BILL

Des Moines, Jan. 10.—The chief provisions of Senator Crossley's primary bill, introduced yesterday, are as follows:

State wide primary second Tuesday in August, biennially. All officers included from township to United States senate. Registration of affiliation of voters required on general election poll books.

Voters not here registered may file affidavits of party affiliation thirty days before primary. All parties hold primaries same day.

Conventions made canvassing bodies to declare results. General election officers the officers of primary election.

Law applies to municipal officers in cities of more than 5,000. Expenses of primary paid half by county, half by state.

Penalties for violation of law, bribery, etc., same as in general election law.

If the bill is made applicable to the next election it will require all voters to file written statements respecting their party affiliations with their respective county auditors in July. In his first draft Mr. Crossley insisted on the filing of affidavits, but he changed this written statement owing to the difficulty which the swearing of affidavits would impose on voters in rural districts.

GOVERNOR RECEIVES AT THE CAPITOL

Des Moines, Jan. 12.—The legislative reception attracted hundreds of people to the state house last evening. The entire building was thrown open to the public and the spacious corridors, senate and house chambers, and offices were thronged with the guests of the governor and the members of the legislature.

It was the first time that the state house has been illuminated since it has been redecorated and the work of the capitol commission was the subject of much favorable comment. The Blashfield painting attracted much attention and showed to great advantage on the grand staircase with the new arrangement of shaded lights. Its greatest rival was the display of Iowa battle flags in their new resting places around the rotunda on the main floor.

The members of the receiving party were: Governor and Mrs. Cummins, Lieutenant Governor Herriott, Secretary of State and Mrs. W. B. Martin, Auditor of State and Mrs. B. P. Carroll, Treasurer of State and Mrs. G. S. Gilbertson, Superintendent and Mrs. John F. Riggs, Judge John C. Sherwin, Judge Emlin McClain, Judge S. M. Weaver, Judge and Mrs. C. A. Bishop, Judge Horace E. Deemer, State Railroad Commissioner David J. Palmer and Nathaniel S. Ketchum.

PAT CROWE HELD FOR IOWA HOLDUP

Council Bluffs, Jan. 12.—Pat Crowe was indicted here yesterday by the Pottawattamie county grand jury for alleged complicity in a street car holdup of July 2, 1905, when about \$50 was secured from two conductors and a motorman. Arthur Levi, a younger man, is indicted on the same charge with Crowe. The principal evidence against both men was given by Mrs. Lillian Dalton, a South Omaha woman, who overheard a conversation between them and saw them counting money on the morning after the robbery. Other witnesses testified that Crowe, in company with Levi, was at a saloon in Council Bluffs an hour or two before the robbery.

Crowe is now in the hands of the Omaha authorities awaiting trial in February for robbery in connection with the Cudahy kidnaping of five years ago. A requisition from Governor Cummins of Iowa is in the hands of Governor Mickey of Nebraska, who will not act on it until the Omaha case is disposed of.

COLFAX GROOM IS HELD FOR MURDER

Colfax, Jan. 12.—Almost on the eve of his wedding to a sweetheart now on route from New York to Colfax, Charles Brice was placed under arrest charged with murder.

City Marshal Kendig arrested Brice at Seever, a mining camp, on receipt of a telegram calling for the apprehension of one Dan Shasta. Shasta is wanted for murder at Leadville and Brice is suspected to be the man. Particulars of the murder are not known, except that it occurred last August. Officer Kendig is expecting the arrival of Colorado officers today.

Brice is very melancholy over his arrest, principally because of the plight his sweetheart will find him enjoying in case she arrives before he is released, as he declares he will be when the officers see him. The wedding was to occur next week. Brice has been working at the Seever mine for a month. He avers that he never was in Colorado in his life.

GOVERNOR MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS

Des Moines, Jan. 9.—Governor Cummins yesterday appeared before the joint session of the legislature, which had convened in the house chamber, and read his message. It took him nearly an hour and a half to present the document. Following its presentation, the discussion of the members turned entirely to the consideration of the message. The pass evil, the insurance legislation, the primary election reform, were the subjects about which the interest of the legislators centered. The address of the governor was received as marking the issues of the legislative session—if not of politics in Iowa.

A charming widow is a well-educated girl who has taken a post-graduate course.

Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease. "I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now."—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists, etc.

A woman can guess a thing right quicker than a man can reason it.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR FEELER. Itching, Blind, Bleeding, Proliferating Film. Drug stores are authorized to refund money if FASO OINTMENT fails to cure in 10 to 14 days. See.

A man can make a very good living by marrying a rich wife.

USE THE FAMOUS Red Cross Ball Race. Large 5-cent, smaller 3-cent. The Russ Company, South Bend, Ind.

The best appreciation of God's bounty is seen in our liberality.

Robbed in Church. Just think what an outrage it is to be robbed of the benefits of the services by continuous pushing throughout the congregation, when Anti-Grippe is guaranteed to cure. Sold everywhere. 25 cents.

"Jones went to Maine to get back to nature." "Did he?" "Yes, got shot by mistake for a deer, and is now buried."—Town Topics.

Jasper—"Who is that fine looking man over there?" Jumpup—"That! Oh, that is one of the most highly suspected citizens."—Town Topics.

"Old Goldrox has gone bankrupt." "You don't say! What was the trouble?" "Spent all his money trying to learn to live the simple life."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Weary—"I tell you how to make money. Buy thermometers now and sell 'em next July." Beery—"What for?" Weary—"They're bound to go up."—New York Mail.

"You have a child, I believe!" asked the manager of the stylish boarding house. "Yes; three years old," replied the mother, gazing through her lorgnette. "She will have to eat at another table with the nurse." "But my dog, may I bring him to the table with me?" "Oh, yes, there's no sort of objection to the dog!"—Yonkers Statesman.

A New Being.

Shepard, Ill., Jan. 8th (Special)—Mrs. Sarah E. Rowe, who is residing here, says she feels like "A New Being," although she is in her fifty-seventh year. Why? because she has taken Dodd's Kidney Pills, that well known medicine that has put new life into old bodies, and has come as a God-send into homes of sorrow and suffering. She says:—

"No one knows what awful torture I suffered with Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble, until I got cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. This grand remedy gave the Rheumatism out of my body, nothing else ever did me any good. Dodd's Kidney Pills are worth one hundred times their price, for they have made me, though I am fifty-seven years old, a new being. I am in better shape now than I have been for many years, and I owe it all to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

"What'd he get fired for?" "Pig headed. Couldn't get him to set Russ plan names any way except by leaning his elbow on the keyboard of the machine."—Indianapolis News.

"Mr. Jingleby is angry with me." "The poet?" "Yes, I'd forgotten he wrote verse, and when he asked me who my favorite poet was, I told him Shakespeare."—Cleveland Leader.

Desk sergeant—"What did you arrest this man for?" Patrolman—"Stealing peanuts from a dogo." Desk sergeant—"Enter a charge on impersonating an officer."—Cleveland Leader.

"Would you marry a woman who had sued another man for breach of promise?" "Well, it would depend largely upon how much the jury had compelled him to pay her."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"Have you seen Professor Gableton, the socialist, lately?" "Yes, I listened to him for more than an hour at the club last night." "Indeed! What was he talking about?" "He didn't say."—Puck.

"I must warn you, Bridget," said Mrs. Nuritch, "to see that the peas are thoroughly washed." "Washed is it?" remarked the new cook, in surprise. "Yes; Mr. Nuritch is at high strung, you know, they make him nervous when they roll off his knife."—Ex.

INCIPIENT CONSUMPTION.

How Food Heeded Off the Insidious Disease.

The happy wife of a good old fashioned Michigan farmer says: "In the spring of 1902 I was taken sick—a general breaking down, as it were. I was excessively nervous, could not sleep well at night, my food seemed to do me no good, and I was so weak I could scarcely walk across the room.

"The doctor said my condition was due to overwork and close confinement and that he very much feared that consumption would set in. For several months I took one kind of medicine after another, but with no good effect—in fact, I seemed to grow weaker.

"When I determined to quit all medicines, give up coffee and see what Grape-Nuts food would do for me. I began to eat Grape-Nuts with sugar and cream and bread and butter three times a day.

"The effect was surprising! I began to gain flesh and strength forthwith, my nerves quieted down and grew normally steady and sound, sweet sleep came back to me. In six weeks' time I discharged the hired girl and commenced to do my own housework for a family of six. This was two years ago, and I am doing it still and enjoy it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," is 10 pgs.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Des Moines, Jan. 8.—Senate.—The organization of the senate of the Thirty-fifth general assembly was effected in record time this morning. None of the confusion usually characteristic of the opening session was apparent. There were no vacancies. The officers agreed upon by the republican caucus were elected.

Following the reading of the governor's message this afternoon, Lieutenant Governor Herriott appointed the same standing committees as served during the last session. Each committee was left intact. Senator Gilliland of Mills county offered a bill providing for the manner of electing a chief justice, which office has been vacant through the operation of the biennial elections amendment since January 1.

Judge Deemer had conveyed to Senator Gilliland the necessity of prompt action by the legislature, for the reason that the court is unable to proceed without a chief justice. The interruption of the old system of rotation has left the office vacant.

House.—All but three members were present when the house was called to order. After prayer temporary organization was effected, whereupon the house proceeded to elect the nominees of republican caucus as permanent officers. Speaker Clarke in expressing his thanks to the house for its re-election took occasion to declare that it was for this legislature to say what should be the policy of Iowa for the future in a number of matters of constructive legislation, to determine where the state shall stand in view of the best political, social and economic thought of the time.

Des Moines, Jan. 9.—Senate.—Senator Molesberry introduced a resolution providing for an investigation of life insurance companies. Senator Crossley introduced his bill providing for state-wide primary elections. The report of the committee to consider a system of administration for the affairs of the state educational institutions, and the report of the committee to investigate methods of checking the ravages of tuberculosis were filed.

House.—No business of importance was transacted. By action of the city council in abating taxes for five years, Osaloosa secured another big factory that will represent an investment of \$25,000 and employ 100 people during the busy season of the year. Anderson Bros. who built a tomato cannery in that city three years ago and last year marketed forty-six carloads of their product, will build an independent plant for the canning of sweet corn. Work will be begun on the new enterprise as soon as building operations can be started in the spring.

Des Moines, Jan. 10.—Senate.—Bills were introduced as follows: By Newberry, prohibiting adulteration of foods; by Turner, providing for payment of annual occupation tax for the business of soliciting and asking orders for sale of intoxicating liquors in this state, except by those authorized to manufacture, handle and sell such liquors; by Hughes, prohibiting public officers, political committees or delegates to political conventions from asking, accepting or using a free pass; by Warren, providing for an investigation of life insurance companies.

House.—Among bills introduced were the following: By Hanna, requiring railroads in Iowa to issue free passes to state officials, members of congress, judges and legislators; by Cummins, to prevent adulteration and imitation of foods and creating state food and dairy commission; by Greene, to establish state wide primary elections system; by Jones, to encourage use of wide tires on farm wagons by rebate of road tax; by Bailey, to prevent C. O. D. liquor shipments into state by tax on collectors.

Des Moines, Jan. 11.—Senate.—A joint resolution providing for extra employes for the general assembly was passed. Committee on mileage reported and report was approved. Concurrent resolution providing for 15,000 extra copies of the Iowa Official Register was passed. Among bills introduced was one by Hayward to prohibit employment of children in immoral exhibitions or immoral places, and another by Turner to provide for division of townships into two road districts.

House.—A resolution by Greene providing for the employment of eight additional clerks was, after a lengthy debate, defeated. Joint resolution for additional employes for general assembly was passed. Joint resolution providing for publication of 20,000 copies of Official Register was passed. Among bills introduced were the following: by Sankey, for two-cent fare on all railroads in state and one-cent fare for children from 2 to 12 years of age; by Omlil, to prohibit sale or manufacture of fire crackers in state exceeding 2 inches in length and 3/8 inch in diameter; fire crackers made of any other material other than ordinary gun powder are forbidden; by Sankey, to improve public highways by encouraging use of King road drag; by Sankey, making all private banks in state subject to same laws as state banks.

It's a poor kind of Thanksgiving that only confirms us in our own conceits. The police of Paris regularly visit the places where liquors are sold, to have the spirits chemically examined. The specimens are sent to a city laboratory, and, if they are found to be adulterated, the entire stock is seized and emptied into a sewer.

Jones—"What's good for the tooth-ache?" Smith—"Walk about half-way to the nearest dentist's."—Kansas City Independent.

General X—"Do you see that man? I remember once when he charged our batteries." Major Y—"Why, he doesn't look military." General X—"He isn't." He runs an automobile station."—Princeton Tiger.

"What is this man charged with?" asked the police justice. "Stealing a dog, your honor," said the officer. "Well, sir, what have you got to say for yourself?" "Your honor," answered the prisoner, "if you'll make it embezzlement I'll plead guilty. I may be a thief but I've got feelin's."

THE WEEK IN CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 5.—House.—"Champ Clark democracy" was expounded to the delight and entertainment of the house for three hours to day by Mr. Clark of Missouri, and constituted the feature of the debate on the Philippine tariff bill.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Senate.—The senate gave attention to the Panama canal, the situation in Santo Domingo and the merchant marine shipping bill. The canal question came up in connection with a message from the president in which among other things he invited the closest scrutiny into all that had been done by the government on the isthmus of Panama.

Mr. Gorman made that utterance the text for a speech in which he criticized the salaries paid for work in connection with the canal, and urged congressional inquiry. He said that the president was not so much to blame as congress for his assumption of control on the isthmus and that the chief mistake had been made when congress released its hold upon canal affairs. Mr. Hale agreed with Mr. Gorman in urging an assertion of the rights of congress in connection with the canal, and said that while congress had delegated the matter to the president the latter practically had referred the whole matter back to congress. Raynor made an argument for non-interference of the United States in the affairs of other countries of the western hemisphere. Mr. Gallinger opened the debate on the merchant marine shipping bill, presenting an extensive array of figures in support of that measure. He said that the entire cost of the proposed subsidy for the ten years contemplated would be about \$40,000,000.

House.—With over four hours devoted to the District of Columbia, there was left but a half hour to be devoted by the house today to tariff discussion.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Senate.—The senate adopted two resolutions of inquiry. One of them authorizes an investigation by the committee on intercoastal canals into the general conduct of the affairs of the Panama canal and the other an inquiry by the finance committee into the question of the exchange rate on money on the isthmus. The first resolution was reported from the canal committee by its chairman, Mr. Millard, and the second is the resolution presented by Mr. Bailey with the provision relative to the sale of Panama railway bonds omitted. The remainder of the open session was devoted to a speech by Mr. Morgan on the railroad rate question. He advocated the settlement of all differences over rates in the courts according to common law methods, as calculated to do away with such awkward machinery. The propriety of discussing in open senate a resolution introduced by Senator Bacon calling upon the president for an account of his appointment of delegates to a proposed conference on Moroccan affairs, to be held by European powers at Algiers, Spain, was considered for four hours, and then by strict party vote it was decided that the resolution should be executive business.

House.—The Philippine tariff measure was the single topic of consideration in the house today. The speeches were uniformly against the measure and were allowed to go in general without answer.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Senate.—The senate made it plain today that it had had yesterday all that it wanted to hear for the present on the Moroccan question. There were two opportunities to resume consideration of the subject but both were avoided and apparently with the assent of all the members. About eighty bills of minor importance were passed, leaving on the calendar only six or seven measures. For the rest of the session the senate gave attention in turn to the questions of the salaries paid to Panama officials, to the pure food bill, and the merchant marine shipping bill, but without taking action on either of these subjects.

House.—A vigorous speech by Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania opened the proceedings of the house today. It was followed by several others against the measure, most notable of which was a two hour address by the veteran statesman, Mr. Keifer of Ohio, an ex-speaker, who returns to the house after a retirement of twenty years.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Senate.—Before going into executive session the senate listened to a speech by Mr. Heyburn of Idaho in support of his bill creating a national board for the control of corporations, in which he denounced Wall street because of its alleged interference with the affairs of the country. He said that when the "street" could not dictate the financial course of the government it was ever ready to threaten disaster, and he pleaded for legislation that would rob it of such power for evil.

House.—The Philippine tariff debate in the house consisted more of party maneuvering for advantage over campaign material than discussion of the question at issue. The tariff was the text of speech by Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, who began the debate, and of an extended reply by Mr. Williams, the minority leader.

"Do not be so cast down," she said; "it grieves me greatly to give you so much pain." He looked up and laughed. "Don't worry," he said; "my proposal was just a freak election bet."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Pa Twaddles" can't see why Mollie hasn't sense enough to go. It's midnight. Tommy Twaddles—"Taint his fault. He can't go—sister's settin' on him."—Cleveland Leader.

He—"Don't you think that some of her sayings are smart?" She—"They aren't, but they do."—Brooklyn Life.

Wigwag—"Hello! Scribbler. Writing any poetry these days?" Scribbler—"Only enough to keep the wolf from the door." Wigwag—"Great Scott! The wolf can't read poetry, can he?"—Philadelphia Record.

Skorcher—"Got an automobile, have you? It's very strange I never see you on the road." Newman—"That's because as soon as I land there, I always pick myself up and scramble back into the machine."—Philadelphia Press.

A common good, a public stream, or conduit, that every man hath a share in.—Tibbes.

STORIES.

A middle aged woman and her little son, a lad of six or seven years, were seated on the car, and as they dollar out of her pocket, and handed it to the youngest, she paid the fare with. The boy held the coin in his closely and solemnly. The conductor youngster gave him the half dollar with an oath, and the boy held it with a solemnity. The money was pocketed, and forty cents change was put in the small, extended hand. As soon as he got the change, the boy laughed, wriggled in his seat, and shouted, gleefully: "Ma, he's taken the bad half dollar!"

Senator Beveridge does not lack personal courage. On the Philippine excursion he was with General Lawton in an engagement. Lawton and his men were on a ridge. The Filipinos were on another ridge. The fighting tumultuously. Lawton perceived that the men on horseback were forging for the good a mark, and roused "Dismount!" Everybody got down from his horse except Lawton and Beveridge. The senator made a move to do so, and then, seeing that Lawton was still on horseback, he remained where he was. "The general and the senator afforded the same marks imaginable. Presently the general looked around, and saw the senator, serenely facing the rebel. His eyes flamed. "— you to you to get down!" "I thought I'd ride first of probably the senator from the august State of Indiana quailed as he had not done before the Philippine bullets. He slid meekly off his horse, and stayed off.

Years ago, when Sarah Bernhardt was on one of her farewell tours, and Vance Thompson was only a reporter, the editor wanted a Christmas feature by the divine one. Vance, fresh from Paris, was commissioned to get it. "Write the story in French, and I will try and get her to sign it," suggested it in English. So Vance wrote it in English, translated it into French, obtained the lady's signature, and in due time saw his effort published, "A Christmas Story of Normandy," by Sarah Bernhardt. Recently Vance was commissioned by a magazine to interview the wondrous one. The appointed time was made for 6 a. m. He saw the lady one better, and arrived at 5:30 a. m. He was ushered into a small salon. On a table in the room was an edition de luxe of a Christmas Story of Normandy, by Sarah Bernhardt. The selfsame story of the newspaper. The wondrous one smiled. "Ah, madame, I see you are also an author," suggested Thompson holding up the book. "Yes," was the languid reply; "mere trifle I dashed off for a rival distribution among my friends."

It happened years ago, during a New York run of "Camille," but it was so far from the sort of thing that is forgotten that Clara Morris still lives to tell the story, usually prefacing it with: "Somewhere in the wide, wide world, there is an actor—and a good actor—who can never act celery without thinking of me." Then she explains: "In the first scene of 'Camille,' Armand takes a rose from his mistress as a love token. But this particular night, just before we reached that point, I suddenly missed the flower from my accustomed place on my breast. I had to have the blossom, or something for a substitute; the strength of the scene hung on it. As I talked my lines I hunted the stage with eager eyes, but no rose was there, and the only possible something in its place was the celery upon the dinner table; I twisted the celery tops into a tight bunch, and I began the words: 'Take this flower.' I held and caressed it will fade in an evening." Armand rose to console, caisson, for he managed to control himself long enough to reply: "It is a cold, senseless flower. It is a strange flower. And I thoroughly agreed with him."

The Japanese Navy is disposed to profit by the example of the more civilized nations. The authorities in Tokio have just discovered that paymasters in the navy have been on the watch for opportunities for graft, and have pocketed one hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars.

WOMEN WHO SUFFER

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

To women who suffer Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are worth their weight in gold. At special periods a woman needs medicine to regulate her blood supply of her life will be a round of pain and suffering. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are absolutely the finest medicine that ever a woman took. They actually make new blood. They are good for men too—but they are good in a special way for women.

"It was three years ago last spring that my health failed me," says Arthur Conklin,



POSTORIA IOWA ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Haston entertained at a five course dinner Christmas day in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Spicer and son Art, of Wallace, also Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Sellers and daughter Miss Pauline, from near Postoria and Mrs. Nancie Johnson of Crawfordville, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Spicer and son left for Sioux Falls, S. D., Tuesday to make that city their future home.

The young people headed by Arthur Carter, came over from Wallace and surprised Mr. and Mrs. Ben Haston Thursday evening Dec. 23. Music and games were features of the evening, light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Sellers entertained at their beautiful country home near Postoria at a six course dinner on New Year's day the following out of town guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Spicer and son of Arthur of Wallace, Mr. Nancie Johnson of Crawfordville, Ind. and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Barth and son Max of Early.

The Grip.

"Before we can sympathize with others, we must have suffered ourselves." No one can realize the suffering attendant upon an attack of the grip, unless he has had the actual experience. There is probably no disease that causes so much physical and mental agony, or which so successfully defies medical aid. All danger from the grip however, may be avoided by the prompt use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy, not one case has ever been reported that has resulted in pneumonia or that has not recovered. For sale by all druggists.

COUNCIL BLUFFS ITEMS.

Xmas and New Years was greatly enjoyed by every body.

Mrs. V. Chestner who has been ill for some time, departed in peace leaving a daughter and two sons and a host of friends to mourn her death.

Mrs. M. Chatman has returned from Lincoln, Neb., where she spent the holidays with her son and daughter. She reports having a good time.

The Merry Makers club made Rev. Newman and wife merry by donating them \$5.00 to buy Xmas dinner.

Pilgrim Baptist church is running a successful revival meeting.

Andy Neely is still on the sick list. Special services were held at the A. M. E. church at 3 o'clock; two candidates were baptized and one member added to the church.

Miss Arvillia Chester who lost her mother recently is quite ill.

The Bethel A. M. E. Sunday School Board met last Friday night and elected a full Board of officers and teachers.

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By the Des Moines Leading Doctor of Optics, Optician, Dispensing, Street Car Waiting Room, Mutual Phone 788.

Dr. Sew Arntz

SEES PERFECTLY AFTER 82 YEARS

Aged Lady Saved From Comparative Blindness by Glasses Prescribed by Dr. Lew Arntz.

Mrs. Abiona Troup, a German lady, 83 years old, living at Winterset, is thankful to Dr. Arntz for the perfect correction of poor eyesight. Mrs. Troup has had much experience with spectacles and for a number of years thought her eyesight was failing her so completely that she would never see clearly. She was finally induced to come to Dr. Arntz, who about two years ago fitted her with glasses specially ground to correct her errors of vision. The glasses restored perfect vision, so that she now sees clearly and reads fine print with ease.

Many people pass through their declining years without being able to enjoy the pleasure of reading and seeing clearly. It is not that the physical change of the entire system brings an accompanying slight change in the shape of the eyeball, which makes it impossible for the rays of light to be focused upon the retina without the aid of glasses. In all such cases it is wise to consult Dr. Arntz. He has restored perfect vision to scores and scores of old people, who thought they were doomed to blindness. The doctor makes no charge for examination and will frankly tell whether or not he can render assistance. In most cases people 50 years of age can see as well as they could at 40, if the rays of light are properly refracted.

Mrs. Troup says of the case: "Winterset, Ia., May 29, 1906.—I am now 82 years old and have had a great deal of experience in spectacles both in this country and Germany, my native country, which I left about forty-two years ago. For a number of years I have had considerable trouble reading. About two years



MRS. ABIONA TROUP, Aged 82 and reads fine print.

ALBIA NEWS.

The Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. G. A. Davis Monday. After business a nice luncheon was served. Miss Laura Schofield from Okaloosa is in Albia this week. She is assisting with Holy Services here. We had quite a large snow storm here this week.

The Oik Folks Concert given by the Trustees Aid of the A. M. E. church was a great success. Quite a number were present and report an enjoyable time.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Ralph Motta visited in Muscatine recently.

James Crump has returned from Muscatine where he assisted the people of Muscatine in their play, "Old Folks" for the benefit of the church.

Rev. Payton filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. church morning evening last Sunday.

Last Sunday was the election of officers at the S. S. and resulted as follows: Henry Hickman, Superintendent; Mrs. G. W. Black, Assistant; Leon Motta, Secretary; Mrs. N. L. Black, N. L. Black, Treasurer; N. L. Black; Choister; Helen Motta, Librarian.

Mr. Brown of Iowa city visited at the Geo. Grump home last week.

Geo W. Black was in Sigourney last week on pension business.

William Greenway of Muscatine passed through our city last week en route to see from Okaloosa.

Mr. Maton who served as chef on the safe car between here and Kansas City has gone into Chicago for a while. We were loth to lose Mr. Eaton.

It is expected that the Presiding Elder will be in attendance at the quarterly meeting to be held the first or second Sunday in February.

GOLFAX ITEMS.

Eokie Banks is able to be up again after suffering from injuries sustained by falling slate, while working in the mines.

J. Johnson and Artur Hill returned home after spending the holidays in Buxton.

John Jackson returned to Buxton after spending several days with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Banks.

Mrs. M. E. Welch visited in the capital city several days.

Mrs. R. A. Nelson entertained quite a number of relatives and friends Xmas day.

Misses Isola and Winnepeg Douglas visited Des Moines, the guest of Mrs. R. A. Nelson.

Miss Helen Hudson returned to Newton after a few days visit in Colfax, the guest of Miss Isola Douglas.

Miss Alice Morton was a visitor over New Years day the guest of Mrs. Samuel Dean.

D. J. Johnson entertained quite a number of his friends at a dinner party New Years day from 9 to 6.

Miss Cloe Williams of Des Moines visited Mrs. Frank Lowery New Years day.

Quite a number of people from Saylor visited friends over New Years day. Watch service was observed.

Mrs. J. H. Harris entertained a number of friends Monday in honor of Mrs. Ingram.

Mrs. John Hamilton entertained Tuesday.

Mrs. D. Oliver will entertain Wednesday.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson will entertain the Phillis Wheatly Reading and Art club Thursday.

Mrs. Vandiver will entertain Friday.

Miss Estella Virden is expected to return Thursday from a weeks visit with relatives in Anamosa.

Dangers of a Cold and How to Avoid Them.

More fatalities have their origin in or result from a cold than from any other cause. This fact alone should make people more careful as there is no danger whatever from a cold when it is properly treated in the beginning. For many years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been recognized as the most prompt and effectual medicine in use for this disease. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the sections and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Sold by all druggists.

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OBKALOOSA TIDINGS.

Anna Smith is visiting in the Capitol City this week.

Miss Babe Buckner who has been very ill for the past month is able to be up.

Dr. C. Taylor of Buxton spent Christmas with Lawyer Woodson.

Everett Oaley and wife of Cleveland spent Christmas with his brother John.

Oscar Roper is spending his vacation with his parents in Cleveland.

Grandmaster W. H. Milligan of Cedar Rapids visited the Maple Grove lodge on Tuesday Dec. 29, '05. While in the city he stopped at E. W. Franklin.

The programme given by the Progressive Club on Christmas night was rendered. The large girls drill seem to take among the people they have been requested to give another such one.

The Sacred Concert given at the A.

M. E. church on last Sunday evening, was well rendered, everyone seemed well pleased.

Rahab Court No. 14 entertained the Grand-master W. H. Milligan and their brother Mason's on Tuesday evening.

Last Week

Mrs. O. B. Johnson after several days visit with her parents returned home last week.

Dr. C. Taylor was called to Buxton this week.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting day at the A. M. E. church Presiding Elder G. W. Gaines taken charge.

The infant son of Mrs. Henry Allen is very ill at this writing.

Earle Hubbard was the only Negro lad among the High School foot ball team to receive an honor this year.

Rev. A. Clark was a visit to the city to day Udel Lewis spent New Years with his parents in Albia.

Roscoe Jones of Chicago spent Christmas with his parents.

Mrs. Mary Moore of Ottumwa spent New Years with her sisters.

Attorney Woodson spent New Years in Des Moines.

Mrs. Libby Kimbrough is visiting her daughter Mrs. Oscar Lee in Des Moines.

Home-seekers' Excursion to the Northwest, West and Southwest

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