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CITY NEWS.

Mr. A. J. You have relatives or friends visit the city or going to make a visit, please write us: we will send all your local news—Ed.

Miss Almetta Keene of Angus, Neb., is in our city visiting her sisters, Mrs. H. Gould and Mrs. A. L. Smith.

Mr. C. B. Woods has found his lost brother after twenty years' absence, who he thought dead, living at Hot Springs, Va.

Miss Ethel Bowmer left Thursday morning for Buxton to spend the holidays.

The H. B. S. Reading circle will meet the first Thursday in the year with Mrs. Hamilton, 706 Walker street.

Mr. Eli Elliston, the popular tinsmith, is now at 809 Walnut street with Morgan & Bass. Give Eli a call.

Mrs. L. Morris of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of her brother, W. H. Hammitt, 1409 Crocker street.

Mr. Branham Hyde who is attending the Iowa State College at Ames, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Straughter of E 20 Grand avenue, entertained at a Christmas breakfast in honor of the latter's brother, Mr. Frank Williams of Chicago.

Mr. W. H. Hammitt, Superintendent of Corinthian Baptist church Sunday School, is to be congratulated upon the Christmas exercises rendered by the school Christmas night. Every one present voiced the sentiment that it was the best given for years.

Misses Aletha Burrell and Lena Cabell of Omaha, stopped over here Sunday to visit the former's uncle, Mr. I. C. Burrell. They were enroute to Colfax to attend the wedding of Miss Burrell's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mitchell entertained Xmas day in honor of their parents at their home on Park street.

A younger set of single and married friends of the city will keep open house New Year's to the ladies. Ask your friends where.

Services at Union Congregational church Sunday: Morning topic "Come Today to Come." Evening topic "The End." A mass meeting will be held at 8:30 p. m.; all men are invited.

Mr. William J. Howard entertained Messrs Joseph Stone, Oscar L. Glass and Albert R. Hall, members of the Alpha club, at his home, 811 Twelfth street, Christmas afternoon. An enjoyable time was enjoyed by those present. Mrs. Howard and her son William being voted as A1 entertainers. Elaborate refreshments were served.

Has your clothing been cleaned for the winter? If not call upon Continental Cleaners, W. C. Franklin manager. All kinds of dry cleaning. Best repairing. Work called for and delivered. Both phones: Mutual 924, Iowa 672-M. 579 Seventh street.

Charity Lodge No. 2192, G. U. O. of F. met Tuesday night the 24th in their regular meeting of the year and elected the following officers yearly and quarterly: Quarterly officers are as follows: E. S. Hays Bell, V. G., Charles Butts, N. G., C. B. Brown; P. G. Chas Ford; N. F., E. S. Morgan; M. P., J. C. Dixon. Yearly officers: W. C. Chaplain, Rev. S. Bates; P. S., C. M. Brown; Adv. H. H. McCraven.

Mr. and Mrs. G. White entertained Christmas day in honor of their son Frank Williams of Chicago, who is spending the holidays here. The dinner was one of those old fashioned family dinners which one could enjoy times a year. Mrs. White is certainly a fine cook and no one present seemed to enjoy this fact better than she.

Messrs. Bershears of St. Joseph, Mo., and Reedman of Cresco, Ia., students of Iowa State University, were callers on our office last Saturday. They were enroute home to spend the holidays. The former is studying dentistry and the latter law.

Mrs. A. Tillery has been on the sick list the past week.

We wish all a happy, happy New Year.

Mr. B. J. Hack, one of our faithful employes at the Henry Haas dry goods store of East Des Moines, is spending his Xmas down in Creston visiting his wife's folks. His wife accompanied him.

Rev. A. H. Higgs, P. E. of M. E. of Missouri, is spending his Xmas week in our city, having attended the quarterly meeting last Sunday at the Burns M. E. church. He is a graduate from Grinnell college.

Mr. Alex Keene and wife of Ottumwa will spend Sunday in our city visiting Mr. H. Gould, while en route to Denver to make their future home.

A very nice birthday party was given on Mrs. J. R. Roberts, in which she received a nice present. The donors were Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Brooks, E. Johnson, M. White, Mr. S. Johnson, Miss E. Brooks, Mr. G. Cloyd, Miss Matten and Mrs. Camp. A pleasant time is reported.

The Des Moines Local Afro-American Council will hold its annual Emancipation meeting at the Corinthian Baptist church, corner Fifteenth and Linden streets, Wednesday evening January 23, 1908. The Rev. A. L. Higgs, D. D. L. B. of Kansas City, Mo., who is one of the first graduates of the Iowa State University College of Law and now Presiding Elder of the St. Joseph Dist. of the Methodist Episcopal church will be present, and will deliver the principal address. Good music. For further announcement see daily papers.

Rev. J. M. Harris, Chairman of Ex. Committee.

Des Moines Local Council.

A BRILLIANT WEDDING.

Last Monday evening, December 23, occurred the marriage of Lawyer James B. Rush to Miss Gertrude Elora Durden, formerly of Kansas, but now of our city. The marriage took place at the new Union Congregational church (and was the first marriage in the new church). Rev. W. H. Porter performing the marriage, using the beautiful ring ceremony. Mrs. Wm. Coalsen played Mendelssohn's wedding march. The little sisters of the bride were the flower girl and ribbon girl and her little brother carried the ring. After the ceremony the reception was held at the home of the bride's parents at 1107 West Third street, where a nice dinner was served. The presents were many and useful. The couple will be at home to their friends after January 1, 1908, at 1040 Fourteenth street. The groom is one of our well known lawyers and the bride is the accomplished and amiable daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. Durden. The Bystander extends to the new couple the best wishes in their married life.

BLACK LAWS OF IOWA REPEALED

We Give Some Old History Found in the Public Archives of Iowa.

Last week the editor, J. L. Thompson (who is working in Public Archives) found several old petitions from the different citizens of the Territory of Iowa asking the Legislature to repeal the Black laws the large number of petitioners came from Mt. Pleasant, Ia., where the names of 265 citizens of Henry county petitioners sent in in 1840 and 1841. All was sent in these years. Below we publish the first and only one found that was sent by 35 colored citizens of Muscatine:

To The Hon., the General Assembly of The State of Iowa:

Your petitioners, the colored citizens of Muscatine County, Iowa, Pray your honorable bodies to repeal the act, entitled "An act to prohibit the immigration of free negroes into this state," approved February 5th, 1851, and as in duty bound we will ever pray.

January, 1855.

We, your petitioners deem it unnecessary to say anything about the injustice of the Law, or the opposite influence upon us as free colored citizens of the United States of America but we will submit to your honest consideration of your Honorable body, ever hoping that the God of heaven may guide and direct your acts in favor of Justice and oppress humanity.

Alexander Clark, Rev. L. Anderson, N. B. Harrison, Wm. C. Mott, William Beemer, Daniel James Warner, Rippen B. Keath, Chas. Jackson, Role D. Young, John Stuard, Joseph Cook, Benjamin Mathews, Wm. Anderson, Peter Boyd, Elton Boyas, T. P. Pritchard, Syras Woods, Jenkins Penno, Charles Prehan, George Manly, George Ed Mathing, Rev. William C. Trevaan, A. E. Jackson, Jane D. Motts, Hannah Mathing, Magrit Connor, Dolley Anderson, Dolley Boyas, Deborah Pritchard, Catharina Clark, Margaret Boyd, Jane Outlaw, Rebecca Clark.

N. B. The above named persons are all colored citizens of Muscatine, State of Iowa.

Abe Clark.

Will Develop Youth's Voice.

Money has been subscribed to send Andrew Jones, a young Welsh cabman, who has a remarkably fine tenor voice, to the Royal Academy of Music.

THE FAR WEST.

Sketch of Portland and Her People by a Former Illinois Subscriber.

Portland is a beautiful city built on the banks of the Willamette river and is the county seat. It has a population of about 250,000, of whom about 1,000 are colored people. It is a busy modern city, so beautifully improved and built that tourists coming to Portland have been known to express great surprise on finding such a large city in the west, a city nearly as striking as Chicago. The colored people of Portland are for the greater part from eastern homes and they enjoy the benefits of six beneficial societies—three Masonic lodges, one Odd Fellows, one Household of Ruth, one Eastern Star and one I. B. F. Order of Elks. There are also four colored churches in Portland, which are fairly attended, considering other attractions on the Sabbath day. Many of the older colored residents own beautiful homes, both in city and district. In a word Portland is a prosperous, growing city and a typical place for a western home.

Among other functions I had the pleasure of being present at the I. B. F. Order of Elks memorial services held in Bethel A. M. E. church, which held its Lodge of Sorrows on December 1st. The church was appropriately decorated with purple and white from the stand to the door. From the chandelier hung a large white and purple bell, while white doves hovered over the altar. There was a large attendance of Elks and the church was crowded to the doors with an appreciative audience. The services were presided over by Exalted Ruler Virgil Keene, the sermon being delivered in an impressive manner by Rev. W. J. Tolliver, chaplain of the Elks lodge, while the choir of Bethel church, under the able leadership of Dr. J. A. McReiman, assisted in making the service deeply impressive. Rev. W. J. Tolliver in congratulating Rose City Lodge No. 111 that as yet death had not entered its ranks referred to the fact that death is inevitable and brings sorrow and mourning to friends of the departed. He confined his remarks to the living and made an earnest appeal for the exercise of justice, fidelity, charity and brotherly love toward all men, urging upon the members the great necessity of living true Christian lives here, that they may have a right to membership in the lodge above, where Christ, the Great Exalted Ruler, reigns. On the occasion above mentioned the writer enjoyed the pleasure of singing with the choir of Bethel church and I have no hesitancy in speaking of Portland as a city of push with a large sprinkling of intelligent men and women. It also boasts of a colored weekly paper, the Advocate.

John H. Duke.

GALESBURG, ILL.

Mrs. J. D. Deprad of Kansas is spending the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Washington.

Mr. Sandy Clarke of Chicago made a short visit in the city this week.

Mrs. Margaret Bredaux is able to be up again, after a spell of sickness.

Miss Jennie Pate is spending the holidays in Chicago.

Mrs. Melvin Bell is in Keokuk, where she was called by the death of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Corn have arrived home from a visit in Fowler.

Mr. Reuben Holt is spending the holidays in Jacksonville, Ill.

Miss Mattie Craig has arrived home from Chicago.

Miss Florence Mason of Chicago is visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Eva Thomas of Jacksonville is the guest of Miss Dimple Christberg.

Mrs. Grace Bates of Springfield is visiting Miss Mammie Anderson.

Mr. Carl Fletcher spent Xmas in Davenport.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Mrs. Scott Jones and children of Ottumwa came in Saturday night to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arbuckle.

Miss Nora Harris, who has been teaching in the public schools of Buxton, arrived here Saturday afternoon, where she will spend her Christmas vacation.

Mr. John Pate of Galesburg is in the city for a few days' visit.

The Sunday school children of the A. M. E. church gave a program Tuesday evening. They also had a Christmas tree.

The trustee helpers of the A. M. E. church gave a chicken pie supper at their church last Thursday evening. In connection with the supper the ladies of the Sewing Circle sold many useful articles. A neat sum was taken in.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Samuel Hall is visiting at the Henry Rhodes home near Wellman.

Ollie Leachman and Fred Turner were recently married and are living happily in their cozy furnished cottage in southwest Washington. May happiness and prosperity always be their lot.

Mr. Cobb of Chicago visited friends here and at Oskaloosa last week.

The revival meetings which were being held at the A. M. E. church by the evangelist, Mrs. G. H. Jones of Oskaloosa, have closed with much good having been done. She has awakened the spirit in the church as it was never before, thus proving to all that her labor here was fruitful.

The Sunday school will have an Xmas tree and the little folks will render a full program, to be Christmas eve.

Henry Stewart of Ottumwa is working at his trade at the Jas. Redd barber shop.

One of the prettiest home weddings it has been our pleasure to witness was that which was solemnized on December 4th at Muscatine, Iowa, in the presence of a few friends and relatives, when Miss Mary Greenway and Mr. Walter B. Williams were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock. Promptly at 9 o'clock, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. Chasse, a friend of the family, the happy couple was ushered into the parlor by Mr.

Wm. Greenway, Jr., the best man, and Miss Maud Ousley, the bridesmaid, followed by Mr. Wm. Greenway, father of the bride, who gave her away. Rev. Bruce, pastor of the A. M. E. church of Muscatine, in a very impressive manner pronounced the words that made the happy couple man and wife, the ring ceremony being used. The bride is a member of one of Muscatine's oldest families and has a host of friends, both far and near, who wish her all the happiness possible. The groom is comparatively a newcomer in Muscatine, but during his residence there has made many friends, who wish him and his bride endless prosperity and happiness. The bride was given in pale blue silk and carried a large bouquet of white carnations. The bridesmaid wore pink de sole and carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. The groom and best man were both at their best in conventional black. Immediately after the congratulations a two-course luncheon was served. The house was beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums, white carnations and red roses and the bride's table was decorated with smilax and roses. Many beautiful and useful gifts were received. After the luncheon the guests were favored with a piano solo by Mrs. Chasse, a vocal solo by Mr. Williams and a duet by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Evans. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Ida Woods and daughter, Margaret, of Chicago, Miss Alice Maxwell of Knoxville, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Black of Washington, Iowa.

Mrs. G. H. Jones, who was conducting the revival meetings here, has returned to her home at Oskaloosa.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

(Last Week.)

The A. M. E. church will have their Xmas tree on the evening of the 25th. After the program the ladies will serve oysters.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore are all smiles. Why? Because of a 10 pound boy. Mother and son doing nicely.

Mr. John Williams who has been confined at his home for over a year from a stroke of paralysis is not any better. His many friends wish to see him able to be up and around again.

The ladies of the A. M. E. church met at Mrs. C. Peyton Thursday afternoon and organized a sewing circle, with Mrs. C. Peyton President, Mrs. A. G. Clark, Vice President; Mrs. C. Jones Secretary; Mrs. C. Franklin, Asst. Secretary; Mrs. Lydia Hookedy Treasurer. The club will meet next Thursday afternoon at Mrs. C. Jones on North Fifth street.

Mr. Joe Peyton will spend his Christmas at Muscatine.

Miss Georgia Blackburn will spend her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Amanda Blackburn.

Mr. Vivian Jones, who graduated last June at Wilberforce college, has been in Chicago studying to be an undertaker. He is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Jones.

The Misses Franklin and Miss Anna Jones will spend a part of their holidays in Buxton.

Mrs. D. Olliver will spend her Xmas at the home of Mrs. Robt. Franklin on D. avenue East.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen expects their daughter Miss Eva Crosby of Davenport to spend her Christmas with them.

The Dunbar Literary Society meets every Wednesday night at the A. M. E. church. The officers are President, Robt. Franklin; Vice President, C. G. Lee; Secretary, Naomi Kimbrough; Treasurer, Luell Franklin; Chaplain, Rev. Peyton.

ALBIA NEWS.

(Last Week.)

Messrs. Will Grayson and Will Ester were Kooasqua visitors over Sunday of last week.

The A. M. E. S. S. are making preparations for their Christmas exercises for Dec. 25.

The song services at the A. M. E. church on Sunday evening were reported very nice. Several select solos were sung.

Quite a number of strangers were in town the past week.

(This Week's Items.)

Mrs. Nellie Ester and Miss Hatie Grayson and Miss Eva Parker were Buxton visitors Sunday.

Mrs. G. A. Davis entertained Rev. and Mrs. Bell and Nellie Bell at supper Monday evening.

Madam Grayson, Bennings, Hissie, Ora and Mildred Lewis, Ethel Harris, Messrs. Arthur, and Will Bennings went to Buxton.

Mr. Bart Allen left Tuesday evening to visit his mother in Indiana. She is sick.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

There were Christmas exercises and a tree at both the A. M. E. and Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday Schools Christmas Eve.

The weather being so changeable it has caused quite a lot of sickness among our people.

Mrs. G. M. Newman has been confined to her bed for a few days, but is some better at this writing.

The A. M. E. church will hold Watch meeting New Year's Eve, Beginning at 10:30 o'clock.

Miss Arbella Dowdy who has been dangerously ill is reported to be out of danger.

There will be a birthday party given at the new parsonage of the A. M. E. church on New Year's day. It will be in honor of the newly built parsonage.

Each one will bring as many pennies as they are old.

The bazaar given by the ladies of the Mt. Zion Baptist church was a grand success. The Tom Thumb wedding was highly spoken of by all.

Watkins Cornet Band gave a concert last Tuesday night at Simons' hall. The hayseed band was the winning feature of the evening.

Rev. T. C. Reid has tendered his resignation to his members of the Mt. Zion Baptist church, and expects to be free from its responsibilities in three months. We are sorry to hear of the reverend leaving us for he has certainly proved himself a worthy pastor in our midst.

Mrs. Nadie Morris will be hostess to a stag party to 40 or more of her gentlemen friends on Christmas evening.

We as well wishers of the Bystander wish them a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Wouldn't it be nice if all the delinquent subscribers would send in a New Year's greeting to the Bystander by paying up back dues.

Mr. O. W. Moore was painfully burned in his barber shop last week by the explosion of a lamp but little damage was done to the building.

Mrs. Reed of Clarinda is expected in our city to spend the holidays with her son and sisters Messdames B. Knight and Myrtle Taylor.

extravagance in Dress.

Very few persons outside of the glittering circle of our enormously rich families, who constitute what is referred to as "the best society," can understand how any young woman in this or any other country can spend upon her wardrobe such vast amounts of money as are expended by the daughters of some of these families. The history of the world does not show such reckless extravagance in the way of dress. Nor, for the matter of that, does the history of the world show so riotous a use of money as that practiced by our very rich in their strictly social diversions. Happy is the lot of the man or woman who is not tempted to such foolish indulgences, which take the edge from life's real joy!

Fled from Gas.

"I had a friend," said the bearded man, "who got out of paying a bill he owed in an original way. When the collector arrived he sent word to him that he would see him in a few minutes. Then he went into the parlor, shut the doors carefully, turned on every blessed burner in the chandelier, came quickly out, and had his man show the bill collector in the parlor while he hurried upstairs. Do you think that collector waited a few minutes for him to come down? Not on your photograph. He fled from that gas filled room in about two seconds by the clock. If he had stayed three he'd have been suffocated."

Good Enough for the Dog.

Bobby's mother was often distressed by her small son's lapses from correct speech, all the more because his reports from school were always so good. "Bobby," she said, plaintively one day, "way do you keep telling Major to 'set up' when you know 'sit up' is what you should say?" "Oh, well, mother," Bobby answered hastily, "of course, I have lots of grammar, but I don't like to waste it on Major, when he doesn't know the difference, being a dog."—Youth's Companion.

Speaking of Fathers.

Two kids had been engaged in a seated argument over the respective merits of their sires, when Johnnie clinched his argument with the following: "Huh, that's nothing! My father was in the army, and once, when he was standing on a hill beside a cannon, a war came up the hill, and he fired the cannon and killed the whole war."—Judge's Library.

Hope.

"Woman is naturally more hopeful than man," began the moralist. "Yes," interrupted the plain man. "There's my wife, for instance; every time she has had occasion to buy fish since we started housekeeping she has asked her dealer if they were fresh, hoping, I suppose, that some day he'll say no."

Each to His Trade.

"I'm more useful than you are," roared the collic. "Yes," replied the bulldog. "You don't say?" "Yes, you should see me go for the sheep when they start to run away." "Well, wait until some of your tramps come long here and when they start to run away watch me go for the calves."

A Dog's Opinion of Boston Dialect.

"An intelligent looking dog," said the visitor from Boston. "Oh, he is," exclaimed Fido's owner. "He knows every word you say." Then said the visitor from Boston: "My canine friend, I am exceedingly interested in the hypothesis that has been presented to me to the effect that your understanding of human speech is perfect, and in order to test this matter I wish that you would be good enough to bark three times in rapid succession as an indication that your comprehension of my request is in all ways clear and lucid." "And did he bark?" said I to Tesgarden, who was telling me the story. "No," said Tesgarden, "but he growled like—"

Japan Takes to Horse-Racing.

Seventy-two horse-racing clubs have been organized in Japan. Most of them, the Japan Mail says, are established for gambling purposes only.

A SUMMER TRAGEDY

BY JEAN KATE LUDLUM

(Copyright by Joseph B. Bowles.)

It seemed pitifully unkind when I was old enough to feel the slurs of fortune, for my comrades and friends—my brothers more than anyone—to nickname me "Sorrel" because of the color of my hair!

For years this was a sore subject to me; many a "crying spell" have I had owing to that and the laughter of my thoughtless companions. Everyone called me Sorrel. My own name, Ethel, was so seldom spoken I failed to answer it when heard!

We went up to the country early that summer, for it was unusually warm and I was restless for the free life and exercise to which I owed my perfect health.

"I shall have Sidney Burnett up this summer," Tom declared as decidedly as I, in the laying of plans. "He was awfully good to me, you know, when I was down in the dumps that time at college, and during our summering together last summer."

The weather was divine; for the first two weeks we simply reveled in the freedom and open life. Then Tom's friend came, and I liked him from the first because he had been so good to Tom. He was big and broad-shouldered and stern at times, with his clear gray eyes searching one's soul, and no smiling of the mouth under the brown mustache.

Inez was my special chum at school, and when we parted the day after graduation she promised me a month at the end of summer, and she did not forget. We corresponded, of course, and I told her of Tom's friend along with the rest of my brothers, and of our pleasant life in the old country house, so that when she came she knew our routine pretty thoroughly.

But in her letters not a hint did she give that she and Tom and Tom's friend were not strangers!

She was a beautiful girl, tall and willowy, with large, soft black eyes and an abundance of black hair always becomingly arranged, and I did not wonder that Tom and Tom's friend started when they saw her, for I had simply told them of her as Inez, my chum at school, and I met her at the station and brought her home in my dogcart while they were off on the hills, and coming in late to dinner, their eyes fell upon her, cool, quiet, beautiful, sitting opposite me, and they started visibly, paing a trifle. Then Tom bit his lip and Mr. Burnett frowned and the stern expression came around his mouth, each bowing with cold politeness in recognition of the introduction, as she lifted her magnificent eyes straight to theirs for one brief minute, smiling softly, murmuring in her exquisite voice how odd it was that they should meet again this summer in their summering! Neither smiled in answer, though I wondered how they could remain so stolidly cold to her.

"Why didn't you tell me you knew them?" I demanded half angrily, as we stood in the shadows of the piazza vines.

She laughed lightly, her laughter like music in the soft silence as she said, tapping my cheek with the deep rose in her hand:

"Isn't a tragedy, Sorrel; don't look so cross at me! They helped make last summer pass pleasantly, that is all. Only, my dearest, and there was an inscrutable tone in her voice, her black eyes burning into mine through the dusk, "don't lose your heart to your brother's friend. Great Mogul as he is, he isn't worthy that!" and she laughed again.

Tom's friend was unusually gay, treating my beautiful Inez as doubtless he would have treated any casual acquaintance in the house of a friend, while Dick and Ned tried their wits upon her, appearing to adore her mutually from the first; and I was too hopelessly healthy to degenerate at once into a "lovelorn maiden," and with spirits happy and heart strong I set my wits against hers, astonishing even myself with my brilliance. For with the heart of a healthy girl I believed I loved Inez truly, and if Tom's friend—but there I always ended. I never allowed more minutes reasoning.

The month was nearly over when suddenly the web of mystery tangled for me and then as suddenly broke. We were out on a canter through the hills, the boys, Tom's friend, my friend and I, and my fiery chestnut. Katchidin's blood being up, we dashed on and away from the others recklessly, thoughtlessly, delightfully, my hair becoming undone, tumbling down over my shoulders in all its heavy weight of color. Then, with a merry thought of my inhospitability of winning the race so far ahead, I wheeled Katchidin and rode back more sedately.

The turf was soft and thick and my horse made no noise save the dead crush of the grass as we passed so slowly back, when presently beside a wood flanking a deep embankment, the sound of voices came to my ears, and I drew rein to call it were any of our party. But at that instant the voice of Tom's friend stirred the quiet air and my voice was hushed, not in idle curiosity, but stunned by sudden knowledge.

"You say it is nothing to me if you choose to come here to visit your friend! Your friend! Was it scorn of her or me in his voice? I felt myself turning to stone, yet could only listen "Is there aught of her to com-

pare with you that you should call her that? After last summer—I answer you frankly—I do not see how you could descend to coming here. How you could dare to come! You knew perfectly well whom you would meet, whom you must see day after day, and with the memory we three have—"

Whether I turned deaf or blind or both, I scarcely knew. That I struck my horse cruelly with the whip, I remember, and the mad rush of wind past my face, whirling my hair, as he dashed infuriated out of the path, wheeled, poised for an instant on the embankment, and then leaped! He was thoroughly trained for the field, or I think we would both have been instantly killed; but he only stumbled in gaining his footing, and threw me, dashing off unharmed himself.

I fell it as though I knew it, but this is as it was told me later. In reality, I was incapable of thought or feeling; only the sound of that scornful voice without the words it uttered deadened all else. I fainted when I was thrown, striking a stump with my head, and would have been killed, they said, but for my heavy, loosened hair.

It was two weeks later that I regained my senses, and not until I was stronger did I learn how ill I had been.



Sound of Voices Came to My Ears.

how near to death's door, and how it was only my hair that saved me in the fall. Inez had gone, they told me evasively, when I asked for her, and Tom's friend would have gone to one of the houses in the village had they listened to any such nonsense. But when I was strong enough to be carried down to the parlor and set among a pile of cushions in my favorite lounging chair beside the cheery wood fire on the hearth—for the days were chilly—Tom's friend came to me. Everyone had unaccountably left the room, and I was alone when he entered. I held out my hand gravely, without a word, and although he took it as gravely, he also stooped and touched my hair with his lips.

And then, like a silly child, I was sobbing on his shoulder and he was telling me the story I had waited so long to hear.

Then I told him how my accident had occurred, and he in turn told me something of my school friend I had never dreamed.

Inez—my beautiful Inez—had lured my brother on during their summering a year before, and had then laughed at him in her soft, low, musical voice when he made known his heart; and it had gone hard with him at first; but she treated a mutual friend of theirs in the same way, only he had not Tom's pride—and a pistol bullet was easiest, he said, and Inez over, and that had turned my Tom's infatuation to hatred of the beautiful girl-woman, who also tried her arts on this brave friend of his without success.

"Tom was too noble for her!" his friend finished frankly, "and I had not met you then, Sorrel, but her treachery kept me safe! I had not met you, my sweet little girl, without whom the house is dark and silent."

"And without my hair!" I added presently, with an attempt at sadness, as well. "A poor little 'strawberry blonde' to match with her exquisite beauty!"

"Don't!" he said imperatively. "You are not to speak so of yourself, Sorrel—it isn't respectful to me; and if it hadn't been for your hair—"

"If it hadn't been for my hair—" I added, taking up the pause. But we never finished the sentence.

So I was engaged ere I "came out," though I would not listen to a wedding under two years, nor would mother and the rest. As for Inez, I have never seen her from that day, for she returned to her home in Spain. And I am certain that Tom has no pain in the memory of their summer, save the recollection of the sad little tragedy of the ending of a life under her falter, for Tom never loved her in spite of her exquisite beauty—he could not love such a woman!

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One man kept his money in his stocking and it dropped through a hole. That was a darned poor bank.

So far no one has been discovered who has refused the new coin because it has not the old motto upon it.

A jackass in Connecticut committed suicide. Perhaps he came to a sudden realization that he was a jackass.

The moss-covered doctrine of anti-quity is absolutely unfitted for modern use and must give way to scientific progress.

A heart of gold is always desirable, but just at present, in the prevailing shortage, a handful of it is very much more convenient.

Ten million gold eagles are being coined at the Philadelphia mint from English bullion. That is enough to make the British lion roar.

A woman in Sheburne Falls, Mass., has in her cellar a jar of peaches dated 1869, and does not hesitate to admit that she put them up herself.

Some Chicago women purpose making mince pies for charity. On second thought, they might decide it would be charitable not to make them.

Now that Prof. Koch has chased the microbes of the "sleep sickness" to his lair, he would confer a public favor by getting after the microbes of insomnia.

Dr. Hurry declares that there are vast quantities of gold in the air. No doubt. Likewise there are tons of it in teeth. But it does not help any in times of stringency.

A woman in Boston has cooked 2,000,000 doughnuts. The number of dyspeptics in the United States is said to be 2,700,000. A woman can not always be blamed for all the ills of mankind.

A Wisconsin real estate dealer smashed the breakfast dishes, broke the furniture and slapped his wife, for which he was very properly fined. Furniture is too costly to handle recklessly these days.

The supreme court of Missouri has decided that lemons are medicine. This partly explains what it means when one says a man has to take his medicine. It means that lemons are being handed to him.

There will be general relief over the announcement that the duchess of Marlborough has tried the pie provided for immigrants at Ellis Island, and pronounced it good. Although the duchess is not popularly known as a pie-biter, there is every reason to believe that her judgment is sane and sound.

The story that an aged woman at Findlay, O., was burned to death while engaged in the "ancient rite" of burning incense for worship, is marred by the incidental statement that she poured kerosene on the incense. That is a modern rite, numbered by many among the evils for which the Standard Oil company is responsible.

New York has demonstrated in a curious new way its right to be regarded as the city in which the strain of life is most severe and the tension highest. Central park, which is only 50 years old, is pronounced to be in its dotage—prematurely worn out. It is estimated that \$3,000,000 will be necessary to restore its lost youth.

Mercury deliberately walked across the face of the sun, as freely predicted. The sun did not take enough notice of the insectivorous planet even to brush it off. Herein lies a moral which the great ones of the earth, teased by small critics, might take to heart. Incidentally, the sun's face was just the same after Mercury had crossed it.

France is the premier small-producing nation, although Austria, Belgium and Switzerland have thousands of small farms, where the famous escargots are raised and fattened on vine leaves. The demand for snails in France is far too great for the supply to be left to chance, and thus it comes about that small farming is an important industry. Paris alone consumes millions between September and May, when these little creatures are at their best.

Columbia University has also decided to give up the system of conducting examinations on honor, and will go back to the old custom of having the examinations supervised by officers of the university to prevent cheating. If we are not mistaken, Princeton is now about the only university where the honor system is still maintained with entire success and satisfaction to all concerned. It is a unique distinction for President Woodrow Wilson's young men, and it is hoped may not be taken away from them.

Five hundred dollars doesn't look like an excessive charge for an expert in heraldry and genealogy to make for tracing an obscure person's ancestry back to Alfred the Great, though it seems to be necessary to resort to the courts to collect it. Climbing a family tree is a great art, remarks the Indianapolis Star, but it has its perils as well as its dizzy delights. There is a reported danger of finding an ancestor dangling from one of the limbs. And sometimes found, too, before climbing back very far.

IOWA STATE NEWS

Events of Recent Occurrence Throughout the Commonwealth.

RABES EAT POISON.

One is Dead, Another Will Probably Die.

Marshalltown.—With the gifts for their little ones all bought, and ready for their stockings, the happy Christmas anticipated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sull, living three miles northeast of Green Mountain, was turned into sadness of the most bitter kind by an accident that caused the death of one of the children and may result in the loss of another.

The babes, Chauncey, aged 4, and Ada, aged 3, were playing about the yard, apparently in the best of spirits. At about noon their mother went to call them to dinner and noticed the two children apparently suffering from some sort of illness. She ran to them and found them both in convulsions. Hurrying to the house with one child under each arm, she tried to summon help over the rural telephone. The instrument was out of order and she could get no assistance. The babes were both growing worse as time advanced. The boy appeared to be dying, and the girl was not bettering off. The distracted mother could not leave them for the home of the nearest neighbor, a quarter of a mile away, that she might secure help. A passing neighbor noticed that there was some sort of confusion within doors and investigated. He found Mrs. Sull administering some antidotes or some sort of poisoning, she knew not what.

The neighbor got into his buggy, whipped up his horses and within an hour had two doctors at the Still home. The boy was then beyond the aid of medical skill and died shortly afterward. The girl at last accounts was alive, but was far from being out of danger. She had not absorbed so much of the poison, however, and the physicians were able to help her. It was believed that the children as they had come indoors from their play in the yard had got hold of some medicine in the barn. Later, however, a box containing pills, that had been placed on the topmost shelf of a cupboard was found missing. The pills had been used for treating dysentery, and while each pill contained only a small degree of morphine, the allopathic dose, to a babe was nothing short of fatal.

NEW ISSUE IS RAISED.

Wells Estate Seeks to Evade Inheritance Tax.

Waterloo.—A novel point in Iowa collateral inheritance tax law, one which has never risen before for interpretation by the court, is presented in a hearing now on before Judge F. C. Platt. It is whether an inheritance tax is due the state when money is paid by settlement to contestants of a will, and, if a tax should be paid under those circumstances, whether it should be paid by the contestants or by the estate.

The case in point relates to the estate of George Wells, the late millionaire farmer and stock dealer of Grundy county. In settling the Wells estate, valued at about \$1,000,000, the administrators reached a settlement with attorneys representing the contestants, whereby the latter were to receive \$150,000. The question now at issue is whether there should be paid on this sum to the state the 5 per cent collateral inheritance tax provided by law. The tax now amounts to \$7,500.

The law provides that a tax shall be paid to the state where property is secured through the terms of a will or by inheritance. The contention of the administrators is that the tax should not be paid where a settlement is reached with the contestants of a will, as such money would not be received by them as would money received by inheritance, but on a contract.

HANGS SELF TO RAFTER.

Son Finds Father Hanging by Halter Rope.

Pleasantville.—George Neal arose from his breakfast and without a word to the members of his family went out to the barn, presumably to attend to the usual chores. A few minutes later his son, Roy, also went to the barn. He was horrified to see the form of his father hanging limp and apparently lifeless from a rafter with a halter rope noosed tightly around his neck. Quick as thought the young man cut the rope and called for aid.

When Dr. Merritt arrived Mr. Neal was breathing, but unconscious, and later has shown encouraging signs of returning vitality. A few months ago Mr. Neal purchased a tract of land adjoining his large farm in Franklin township, and it is believed that he has worried considerably over the making of payments as they fell due. This, of course, has been a needless source of worry, as Mr. Neal is one of the solid financial men of the county. Coupled with ill health, however, it is believed that these things have prompted the rash act.

Fire Loss Will Exceed \$100,000.

Des Moines.—The \$100,000 wholesale store of notions, woodenware, paper, etc., of the W. J. Pratt company at the northwest corner of West Second and Walnut streets was practically destroyed by fire. The four-story building, owned by John F. Rollins, was not badly damaged aside from the roof being burned off. The principal damage to the stock was from water. The insurance carried on the stock totals \$88,600 and on the building \$12,000. The fire is thought to have resulted from an employee striking a match, part of the head flying into combustible stock on the fourth floor.

Boy Kills Himself.

Ottumwa.—Grant A. Rushing, aged 18 years, son of J. E. Rushing of Van Wert, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. Rushing was found lying by his brother. No cause is assigned for the act. Rushing was employed at the Morrell packing plant.

TWO KILLED; ONE INJURED.

Train Entering Des Moines Demolishes Buggy.

Des Moines.—While crossing the Great Western railroad tracks at Eighteenth street in southwest Des Moines, Mrs. B. F. Scofield was killed, Miss Alice French was fatally injured, dying later at Mercy hospital, and Miss Emily Tafford was seriously hurt by a passing passenger train. The women were coming from the Scofield home on Park avenue to Des Moines in a covered buggy. It was their intention to do their Christmas shopping. As they reached the Eighteenth street crossing the buggy was stopped by a passing freight train. After waiting until the freight train had passed by the horse was driven directly onto the crossing, when it was struck by a flying passenger train coming from the opposite direction. The horse had cleared the track, but the buggy, filled with women, was buried under the killing several occupants for many feet.

Mrs. Scofield fell upon her head at the side of the track fully fifty feet from where the crash occurred. Miss French, a girl of 16, was picked up a few feet away in an unconscious condition, and Miss Tafford was lying on the ground from broken bones when she was found. The buggy was completely demolished. The train was stopped and backed to the scene of the accident. The victims were placed in the baggage car and brought to Des Moines, where they were conveyed to Mercy hospital in ambulances. The body of Mrs. Scofield was taken to the Gray undertaking rooms.

A passenger on the train said it had had trouble all the way from Kansas City, passing through two herds of cattle and killing several. These accidents delayed the train three hours.

TRAGEDY DRIVES HIM INSANE.

Clinton Man Loses Mind While Searching for Daughter.

Council Bluffs.—W. Breen of Clinton, who has been in Council Bluffs for several days searching for his 15-year-old daughter, who is alleged to have left home about two weeks ago, was picked up by Officer Delehanty of the Omaha police force, apparently in a demented condition. Breen is well known in the state. He has been in the employ of the Union Pacific and Northwestern as a signal block system expert. His breakdown is attributed to a succession of deaths in his family. Since last January his parents have died in Mercy hospital in Clinton, a brother was killed by the Northwest in Sioux City, two brothers died in the west, and Mr. Breen's wife and four of his children also died, leaving only one daughter of his immediate family surviving.

The action of the daughter in leaving home is said to have affected her father deeply and he has been making desperate effort to find her. He learned that she had been seen in this city and came here to search for her, but without success. Breen is about 50 years. When found by the officers he was carrying a mimic signal system which he had rigged up with some old bottle, pieces of string, etc., and after his arrest he talked incoherently of his work.

HONORS FOR CRESTON ARTIST.

Sherry Fry Honored by American Academy at Rome.

Creston.—Word has been received by Creston friends of Sherry Fry, the eminent young American artist now studying in Paris, of a high honor that has been recently conferred on him by the American Academy of Rome. At a recent meeting of the trustees of the American Academy at Rome it was decided to offer Mr. Fry a three-years' fellowship in the academy. This is a distinction and honor that is rarely achieved by artists and sculptors, and it is only those at the head of their professions that may hope thus to be honored. It is a distinction that is gained only by merit, and is awarded only to the officers of the applicant is approved by the best critics of Europe and America who are found at the head of this institution.

Mr. Fry is a former Creston boy who has made wonderful advancement in the world of art in the past few years. His best critics in the country have spoken very highly of his work. He has been honored by having his work exhibited in the Salon at Paris for several years. He designed and executed the statue of the Indian chief, Mahaska, which was presented to the city of Oskaloosa last summer by Mr. Edmundson of Des Moines.

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT.

Prominent Moline Citizens in Terrible Smashup.

Davenport.—Several prominent citizens of Moline, Ill., lie in St. Luke's hospital here as a result of a terrific automobile smashup on the government bridge here. Ralph Loy, recently of Geneva, N. Y., has a fractured skull and will die. C. H. Vandervoort, owner, and Eugene Gruenfeld, superintendent of the Moline Automobile company, and Joe Kelley, cab driver, were injured but will recover.

The auto party was returning to Moline from Davenport at 1:30 a. m., and thinking the bridge clear put on full speed. Half way across the bridge they ran into the cab driven by Kelley and wrecked it completely. All the men in the auto and cab lay unconscious under the wreck for some time.

Murder at a "Keg" Party.

Oskaloosa.—Tom Frazier, 30 years of age, shot and fatally wounded James Mitchell, both colored, at the Cricket club mingling camp, southwest of Oskaloosa, Christmas afternoon. They were at a "keg party." A quarrel followed a disagreement in an argument and Frazier pulled a gun and fired the ball taking effect in Mitchell's head. The wounded man will die. Frazier did not attempt to escape and made no resistance to arrest. He is now in jail at Oskaloosa.

QUARREL IN THE NAVY

SURGEON GENERAL RIXEY ISSUES A STATEMENT.

ABOUT HOSPITAL SHIPS

Dispute Over Their Command, Between Medical and Navigation Departments, That Caused Brownson to Resign.

Washington.—Surgeon General P. M. Rixey of the Navy issued a statement Wednesday night which tells of the serious dispute between the navigation and medical bureaus and probably explains the resignation of Rear Admiral Brownson. The quarrel has arisen over the probable selection of the president of a medical officer to command the hospital ship Relief.

While disclaiming exact knowledge as to the cause of Admiral Brownson's resignation, the surgeon general in his statement leaves little room for doubt that the controversy he reviews was a potent factor. Dr. Rixey maintains that hospital ships, as a rule, always have been commanded by medical officers, with a sailing master and civilian crew for purposes of navigation. This particular vessel, he says, formerly belonged to the army and always was commanded by a medical officer when used as a hospital ship.

Recommended by Joint Board. In attempting to unify the medical services of the army and the navy, he says, a joint army and navy board of medical officers which was convened



Surgeon General Rixey.

by executive order more than a year ago recommended that hospital ships should be commanded by medical officers and that recommendation was approved by both the secretary of war and the secretary of the navy in general orders. Since the civil war, he says, all hospital ships and medical transports of the army had been placed under the surgeon general of the army. He says further that Japanese naval hospital ships were commanded by medical officers after having tried line officers.

These ships, he says, are simply floating hospitals, properly under the control of the medical department, and should be conducted in peace exactly as in time of war. This is especially so, he adds, because during war time line officers cannot be spared and do not, and should not, desire the command of these ships.

He maintains that it always has been a doubtful question if the Geneva and The Hague agreements could guarantee the neutrality of these ships if combatant (line) officers and crews were aboard, and it was this doubt which prevented the Japanese during the recent war with Russia from using line officers on hospital ships.

"The internal administration of the bureau of medicine and surgery," he says, "has been in my opinion too much interfered with by the bureau of navigation. This interference has at times caused grave concern as to how I could meet the needs of those under our care."

The hospital ship Relief, he says, should now be with the battleship fleet on its cruise, but he adds, "the bureau of navigation thought otherwise and of the fleet of 15,000 men, with its auxiliaries, is without a hospital ship and will be until it arrives at Magdalena Bay, more than three months from now." He adds that he cannot understand how Admiral Brownson should be especially interested in the officering of hospital ships, as his duties lie in another direction, and that he should not interfere in a matter pertaining entirely to the bureau of medicine and surgery, and therefore to be decided by the secretary of the navy.

Pacific Coast Unprotected.

Seattle, Wash.—T. C. Woodbury, acting commander of the department of the Columbia, U. S. A., in a statement Wednesday said that the whole Pacific coast would be helpless in case the navy should prove unable to prevent the landing of a force of 20,000 Japanese or other foreign army at any of the numerous unprotected bays along the coast.

Kills Wife at Christmas Dinner.

Hyde Park, Mass.—Dr. Walter R. Amesbury, of Milford, shot and instantly killed his wife Anna, a teacher of music in Roanoke college, Danielsville, Va., as the family were about to sit down to Christmas dinner.

St. Louisans Lose at Spokane.

Spokane, Wash.—The St. Louis university, champions of the southwest, went down in defeat Wednesday before the Washington State college football team. The score was: Washington, 11; St. Louis, 0.

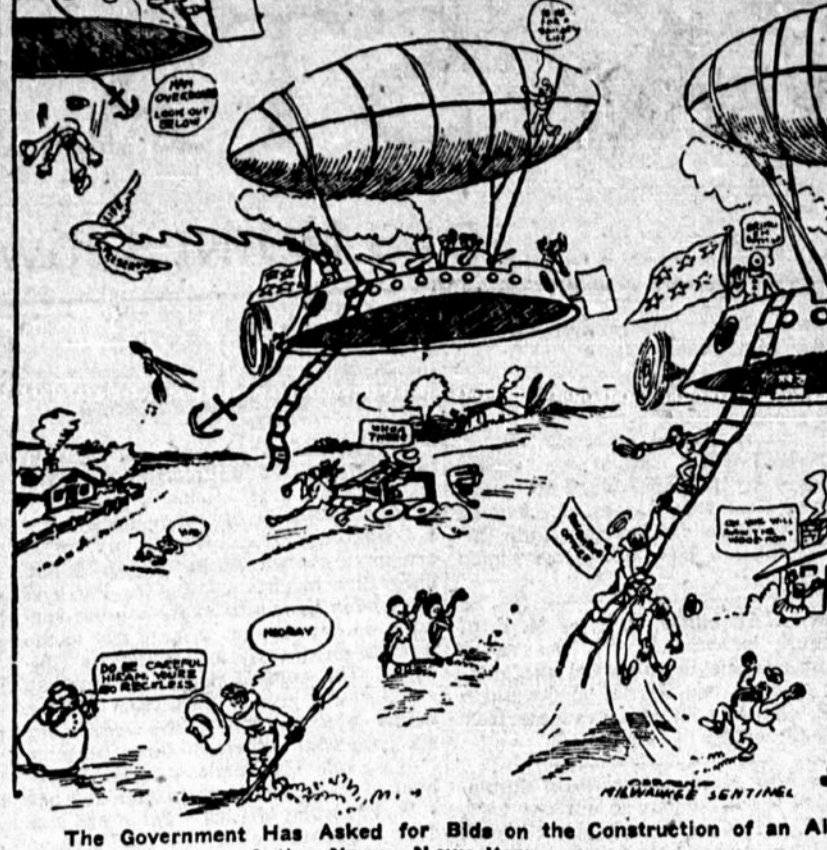
Atlanta Bank in Trouble.

Atlanta, Ga.—The state banking department will take charge of the Neal Banking company, a state institution, Monday, according to an announcement Sunday night. The bank has deposits of over \$2,000,000.

Russian Robbers Executed.

St. Petersburg.—Seven men convicted of robbery were executed Sunday at Yekaterinograd. Four soldiers have been sentenced to death at Sevastopol in connection with the recent mutiny of the Brest regiment.

WITH THE FLEET IN 1950.



The Government Has Asked for Bids on the Construction of an Airship for the Use of the Navy.—News Item.

WILL RESORT TO COURTS

GOLDFIELD MINE OWNERS FILE SUIT AGAINST UNION.

Its Dissolution Is Asked—Injunction Against Picketing and Interfering Also Sought.

Goldfield, Ark.—The Goldfield Mine Owners' association Thursday filed in the circuit court of the district of Nevada a suit asking not only for an injunction against picketing and interfering, but for the final dissolution of the Goldfield miners' union.

The suit is filed by the Goldfield Consolidated Mine company against the Goldfield miners, the Western Federation of Miners, Charles A. Mackinson, president of the local union, and 19 other officers of the same.

The complaint alleges that the Western Federation of Miners is organized for the destruction of property and creating "endless strife, disorder, bloodshed and rioting."

The Goldfield union is charged in the bill with "intimidation" and of being guilty of "wanton destruction of property, murder of innocent citizens, lawlessness and anarchy to such an extent that it has instituted a reign of terror in the Goldfield district." It is further alleged that the Goldfield union is a "criminal society."

The court is asked to cite the defendants before it to answer the allegations of the complaint and to issue a writ of injunction restraining the defendants from obstructing the business of the Consolidated Mines company by threat, intimidation or picketing. An injunction against boycott is further asked for. The court is asked to enjoin the Goldfield union from holding any more meetings. Watchers or examiners are asked for with full authority to enter upon the property of the complainant and to carry out the orders of the court and to arrest any person violating them.

Finally it is petitioned that the injunction be made permanent and that the Goldfield miners' union be abated and forever dissolved as a nuisance, and perpetually enjoined from any further meetings or action of whatever kind or nature.

TRAIN CREW NOT GUILTY.

Verdict in Trial Resulting from Terra Cotta Wreck.

Washington.—A verdict of not guilty was returned by the jury Monday night in the case of Engineer Hildebrand, Conductor Hoffmeyer, Fireman McClellan and Brakeman Rudder, the train crew who were indicted for manslaughter in connection with the wreck at Terra Cotta, D. C., on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad on December 30, 1906, in which 43 persons were killed and upward of three score injured. The trial had been in progress for three weeks and the verdict was reached after four hours' deliberation.

Buda Pest Duel Bloodless.

Buda Pest.—Dr. Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, and former Minister of Justice Polonyi fought a duel Sunday with swords, as a result of an allegation of political dishonesty made against the premier by the ex-minister at a sitting of parliament a few days ago. The meeting took place at noon and was a bloodless one.

Dr. Wekerle was the bigger and stronger of the two and proved his superiority as a swordsman in both the bouts that were fought. He broke down his opponent's guard and dealt him harmless blows with the flat of his sword. Minister Polonyi then apologized to Dr. Wekerle, whereupon they shook hands.

Woman Dead; Husband Arrested.

Macon, Ga.—The body of Mrs. John Watts was found badly charred on the banks of the Comulgee river Wednesday. She was the wife of John Watts, formerly impounding officer of Macon. The last seen of Mrs. Watts alive was when she left the house of a friend at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon. It is reported there was some trouble between Watts and his wife about another man. Watts was arrested and jailed. The coroner's jury decided the body had been burned after the woman's death.

Fireman from Fleet Dies.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—Benjamin Northway, a fireman on the United States battleship Missouri, who was landed here on Saturday suffering from peritonitis, died Monday. Northway's home was at Worcester, Mass.

Santa Claus Badly Burned.

St. Paul, Minn.—A special from Marinette, Wis., says that Carl McDonald, living at Menomonie, Wis., was badly burned while taking the part of Santa Claus at a schoolhouse Christmas festival near Peshtigo, Wis.

NAMED TO SUCCEED MALLORY.

William James Bryan Appointed Senator from Florida.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Gov. Broward Wednesday appointed William James Bryan of this city, to be United States senator, vice Stephen Russell Mallory, deceased, for the balance of the term, expiring March 4, 1909. Mr. Bryan is a prominent young attorney, only 31 years of age, and now holds the position of county solicitor for this (Duval) county. He was born in Orange county, Florida, October 10, 1876. He is the son of John M. Bryan, who served 14 years as state senator and afterwards as a member of the state railroad commission. He has always been active in politics and at present is a member of the Democratic executive committee. About two months ago Mr. Bryan announced his candidacy for the United States senatorship to succeed Mr. Mallory. He is not related to William J. Bryan of Nebraska.

Senator Mallory was born November 2, 1848. He entered the confederate army in 1864 and in the spring of 1865 was a midshipman in the confederate navy. He studied law and began practicing at Pensacola in 1874. He was elected to the state legislature as representative and senator and later served two terms as a congressman. He was elected to the United States senate in 1897 and was reelected in 1903.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS ARE HEROES.

St. Louis Boys Help Rescue Trainmen from Bad Wreck.

Seattle, Wash.—St. Louis university football athletes made heroes of themselves before daylight Monday morning near Brocket Station, on the Canadian Pacific, when they arrived on their way to the coast. 20 minutes after a head-on collision between two freight trains. The engine crews and train men were under the debris, some of them scalded frightfully by escaping steam. Medical student members of the team set to work to rescue the victims and materially aided, though working against escaping steam, in saving life and limb. They operated on three of the crushed trainmen. Brakeman Ormsbee was crushed to death and Fireman Chris Von Wald and G. McKinnon were so badly injured that they may die.

Mexicans Left in Poverty.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The action of the trans-continental railroads in discharging hundreds of Mexican laborers during the week preceding Christmas has given rise to a pitiable condition of poverty among the people. It is estimated that about 300 men in all were let out. Most of them have families and nearly all are without money. It is estimated that about 500 able-bodied Mexicans with their families are destitute in this city. An effort will be made to charter a freight train and send them to Mexico.

Medals for Isthmus Workers.

Washington.—Medals of a suitable character are to be given to all citizens of the United States who have served on the Isthmus of Panama for two years in the service of the government and who, during that period, have rendered satisfactory service. A competent artist will be engaged and the design for a medal prepared. President Roosevelt is anxious that suitable tribute to and recognition of service shall be shown by the government.

"Whispering Larry" Dies of Grip.

New York.—Lawrence Delmour, who, until he retired from politics several years ago, was one of the most prominent members of Tammany hall, died Wednesday of the grip. His natural reticence earned him the sobriquet of "Whispering Larry."

Killed at Christmas Eve Dance.

New Franklin, Mo.—It was learned here Wednesday night that during a fight at a Christmas eve dance in the western part of the county George Beard was killed.

Chippewa Falls Boy Killed.

Chippewa Falls, Wis.—During the rehearsal of a play on the school ground Monday Charles Vance, nine years old, was killed by the accidental use of a loaded cartridge in place of the blank cartridge that had been provided.

New Norwegian Minister Named.

Christiania.—M. Gude, formerly minister of Norway and Sweden in Denmark, has been appointed to succeed the late H. C. Hauge as minister of Norway to the United States.

MILK MEN ARE INDICTED

FIFTEEN TRUE BILLS CHARGING CONSPIRACY RETURNED.

Four Firms and Eleven Individuals in Net at Chicago—Act Comes as a Surprise.

Chicago.—Fifteen indictments against persons and corporations comprised in the alleged milk trust were returned Saturday by the grand jury. The true bills charge conspiracy to do an illegal act in restraint of public trade. The penalty for corporations is a maximum fine of \$2,000 and for individuals a maximum fine of \$2,000, or imprisonment in the penitentiary for five years, or both. Seven big milk dealing concerns in Chicago are affected by the indictments.

Four of these, being corporations, were indictable, and indictments were returned against the corporations as well as against their officers. They are the Borden Condensed Milk company, the Bowman Dairy company, the Kee & Chapell Dairy company and the Ira J. Mix Dairy company. The other three concerns affected—F. A. Newton & Bro., York Bros., and Sidney Wasser & Sons—being co-partnerships, were not indictable. Indictments were returned in these cases against the members of the co-partnerships.

The indictments came as a surprise to the persons affected, some of whom had voluntarily testified before the grand jury, waiving immunity, which would otherwise shelter them now. Only one paragraph in the grand jury report was devoted to the milk cases. This paragraph said that during a comprehensive investigation into the local milk business what the jury believed to be indisputable evidence of a conspiracy to act in restraint of trade had been presented, and indictments had been returned accordingly.

WASTED PUBLIC FUNDS.

New York Water Commissioners Will Be Removed by Mayor.

New York.—As a result of the investigation made by the commissioners of accounts into the award of the contract for the construction of the Ashokan dam, a part of the city's new water supply system, the board of water commissioners will be removed by Mayor McClellan unless his action is forestalled by their resignations. This was made known Wednesday following the receipt by the mayor of the report of the commissioners of accounts, John Purroy Mitchell and Philip B. Gaynor. The water commissioners, Edward Simmons, Charles N. Chadwick and Charles N. Shaw, awarded the Ashokan contract to MacArthur Brothers company, whose bid was \$12,669,775, against \$10,315,530 bid for the work by the John Peirce company. Protests were immediately filed and an inquiry was ordered by the mayor. Charges of incompetency and misconduct, based upon an alleged waste of public funds, will be preferred against the members of the water board.

DURANGO BANKER ARRESTED.

Head of Closed Smelter City Bank Placed in Jail.

Durango, Col.—Charles E. McConnell, president of the Smelter City bank, which closed its doors December 17, was placed under arrest Wednesday night. The warrant upon which he was arrested was sworn to by Harry Jackson, a depositor of the bank, who had \$3,400 on deposit when the institution closed its doors. The committee which has charge of examining the affairs of the bank found that on December 12 Mr. McConnell had borrowed \$10,000 in cash from the First National Bank of Durango and had given securities from his bank for the money, but the books of the Smelter City bank did not show that \$10,000 had been placed on deposit there.

Steamer Captain Kills Himself.

Wilmington, N. C.—Capt. Lake, 45 years of age, master of the British steamer Hillmore, which cleared Saturday for Bremen with a cargo of cotton, was found dead in his cabin Sunday as the steamer was passing down the river on her way to sea. Capt. Lake had been suffering with acute nervousness for several days before leaving here and it is believed that either by mistake or design he took carbolic acid in sufficient quantities to cause his death. He was a native of Liverpool.

Mark Twain a Loser.

New York.—A petition in bankruptcy has been filed against the Piascom company of which Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) is acting president. The company manufactures milk products and is a branch of an English company. It is stated that Mr. Clemens invested something like \$25,000 in the company which is now bankrupt. The company's liabilities are \$27,000 and its nominal assets \$10,000.

Crushed to Death by Elevator.

Des Moines, Ia.—John M. Moorehead, of Ida Grove, was instantly killed at Denver, Ia., Monday, while in a pit repairing an elevator. The cage in descending caught him and slowly crushed him to death.

Editor of Jewish News Found Dead.

New York.—John H. Paley, editor of the Jewish Daily News, was found dead in his home in Brooklyn Monday, asphyxiated by gas which was escaping from an open burner in the parlor.

NEW YEAR REVERIES



JUDGE WAS SEVERE

HARSH CRITICISM OF BANKER WALSH'S METHODS. SCORED BANK EXAMINERS

Judge Anderson interrupted Arguments of Walsh's Lawyer in Sharp Arrangements.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—The attorneys for John R. Walsh yesterday made a motion that the pending case against Walsh in the federal district court be taken from the jury because of the alleged failure of the government to prove any financial losses had occurred as a result of transactions of Mr. Walsh as president of the Chicago National bank and also because of alleged failure of the government to show that any of the acts charged had been committed with intent to defraud. Extended arguments followed.

Attorney John S. Miller, acting for Mr. Walsh, asserted that the defunct bank's by-laws provided that the president should be manager and controller of all its affairs.

"This evidence, so far, tends to show," interrupted Judge Anderson, "that the defendant attempted to serve two masters, and that is always a difficult thing to do."

"But not criminal," broke in Miller. Mr. Miller argued that the government had failed to prove that the various "memorandum" notes used by Walsh were fictitious.

"Of course they were fictitious," said Judge Anderson. "They were clearly deceptive, and every time one of them was entered upon the books of the bank it was a false entry."

Mr. Miller contended that the practice of using memorandum notes had the sanction of the bank examiners. "I don't care about that," said Judge Anderson.

"Any controller or bank examiner who does that connives against the law and neglects his duty. Had the controller and bank examiner done their duty the conditions the evidence tends to show existed would not have gone as far as it did, and this bank would have been closed up before it was."

Regarding the investments in the various Walsh enterprises, Mr. Miller argued that the defendant was acting for the benefit of the bank.

"If all this was done for the benefit of the bank, and for himself," said Judge Anderson, "how did it come that the officer got \$1,400,000 of the stock, while the bank got the bonds? For the purpose of illustration I say this only. If I sent a man out for me to obtain securities and for the purpose of protecting some debt that was owing to me, and I got nothing but the bonds while he got \$1,400,000 of the stock, he and I would have it out right there and right away."

ONE CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION.

Drummer Found Something Good Even in Railroad Accident.

A state senator of New York says he was riding in the smoking car on a little one-track road in the northern part of the state two weeks ago, and in the seat in front of him sat a jewelry drummer. He was one of those wide-awake, never-let-anyone-get-the-better-of-him style of men. Presently the train stopped to take water and the conductor neglected to send back a flagman. A limited express, running at the rate of ten miles an hour, came along and bumped the rear end of the first train. The drummer was lifted from his seat and pitched, head first, against the seat ahead. His silk hat was jammed clear down over his ears. He picked himself up and settled back in his seat. No bones had been broken. Then he pulled off his hat, drew a long breath and, straightening up, said: "Hully gee! Well, they didn't get by us, anyway!"

THOUGHT CHILD WOULD DIE.

Whole Body Covered with Cuban Itch—Cuticura Remedies Cured at Cost of Seventy-Five Cents.

"My little boy, when only an infant of three months, caught the Cuban Itch. Sores broke out from his head to the bottom of his feet. He would twitch and claw himself and cry all the time. He could not sleep day or night, and a light dress is all he could wear. I called one of our best doctors to treat him, but he seemed to get worse. He suffered so terribly that my husband said he believed he would have to die. I had almost given up hope when a lady friend told me to try the Cuticura Remedies. I used the Cuticura Ointment and he at once fell into a sleep, and he slept with ease for the first time since two months. After three applications the sores began to dry up, and in just two weeks from the day I commenced to use the Cuticura Remedies my baby was entirely well. The treatment only cost 75c, and I would have gladly paid \$100 if I could not have got it cheaper. I feel safe in saying that the Cuticura Remedies saved his life. He is now a boy of five years. Mrs. Zana Miller, Union City, R. F. D. No. 1, Branch Co., Mich., May 17, 1906."

A Lost Art.

A Richmond housekeeper had occasion many times to employ a certain odd character of the town known as Aunt Cecilia Cromwell.

The old woman had not been seen in the vicinity of the house for a long time until recently, when the lady of the house said to her:

"Good morning, Aunt Cecilia. Why aren't you washing nowadays?"

"It's dis way, Miss Annie," replied Aunt Cecilia, indignantly. "I's been out o' wuk so long dat now when I could wuk I finds I's done lost mah taste fo' it."—Lippincott's.

THE RUMPUS IN THE NAVY.

Brownson's Resignation Outbreaking of Old Row.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Not since the day preceding the passage of the personnel law, ten years ago, has the feeling between the line and staff of the navy been so acute as it is today as a result of the refusal of Admiral Brownson to transmit orders from his superior officer, the president of the United States, assigning a naval surgeon to command a vessel in the navy. In the case of the personnel act it was Mr. Roosevelt, then assistant secretary of the navy, who acted the part of pacificator and succeeded in bringing the two warring factions together in support of the legislation which for a decade past, though a makeshift, has served to maintain peace between the two factions in the navy.

In the present instance, however, the efforts of the president to reconcile the surgeons and the line officers have failed and it is probable that the whole controversy will be threshed out on its merits in congress. This is much deprecated by both conservative officers in both line and staff as likely to prove prejudicial to the navy's interest as a whole, for they believe that in order to succeed in securing from congress the four great battleships, scouts and submarines which form part of the year's naval estimates, in addition to securing legislation that will better the lot of naval officers personally, the navy must present a united front, which cannot be done if just at the beginning of a session line and staff are to engage in a fierce strife.

DEADLY RACE WAR ON.

Henrietta, Okla., Dec. 27.—With every available fighting man sworn in as a deputy and only 1,200 rounds of ammunition to the town, Henrietta is fearing a deadly race war as the result of the lynching of James Gordon, a negro. Reports of armed negroes advancing upon the town have been received from both the Wildcat and Clearview settlements.

The firing of a small negro shack owned by a white man near the Frisco station yesterday morning caused a call to arms. Within five minutes after the first alarm was given nearly 100 armed men were prepared for an attack.

Thirty-five negroes, heavily armed, passed through Wildcat yesterday inviting the blacks to revolt. They are camped on the river within ten miles of Henrietta. More than thirty armed blacks have gone from Wiletta to Clearview, one of the thickest negro settlements in the coal fields. About fifty stands of small arms were purchased by negroes in Wiletta before the hardware stores quit selling to blacks.

Many negroes have left Okmulgee and are headed toward Wildcat to join forces with the band that passed through that town early in the evening.

ADMIRAL DEWEY IS 70.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Admiral George Dewey was 70 years old yesterday. He is in splendid health and robust in physique.

Among his callers were a number of those who attended the admiral's birthday dinner last week which was advanced in date because President Roosevelt expected to be in Pine Knot, Va., last night. These callers recalled a happy toast which the president proposed when they drank to the health of the admiral. It was as follows:

"To the man who has done more and reflected greater glory on America than any other man now living."

The toast met with hearty response from those surrounding the admiral's table at the Naval Relief association banquet.

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"Have you septicated the mistletoe?"

"Thoroughly, mother; everything is done. Arthur is waiting now in the hydrogen room."

"Then you may go in and let him kiss you, dear."—Lippincott's.

Not a Reformer.

"I should think you could easily show the errors of your political opponents."

"Perhaps," answered Senator Sorghum, "but if I should convince them they would simply adopt my suggestions without giving me any credit for them. The opposition's mistakes are a part of my capital."

THE MILK PANS are quickly cleaned and rid of all greasy "feel" when washed in Borax and water in the following proportions—1 tablespoonful of Borax to a quart of water.

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Bobbie—Mamma?

Mamma—Well?

Bobbie—Were men awful scarce when you married papa, or did you just feel sorry for him?—Exchange.

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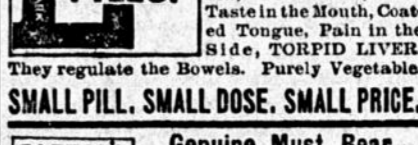
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Dramatis Personae—
A City Bachelor.
Dan Cupid.
James, the Butler.

Scene—The living room of a wealthy bachelor's apartments.
Time—New Year's Eve.

THE Bachelor—How bright the fire. How cheery the crackling logs. Outside the Dying Year battles with the raging storm.

"What has the Old Year brought to me that I should mourn its passing?"

"Loves in plenty. But were they loves or were they passing fantasies—bright spots of blue peeping through the stormy sky. 'Tis many a sorry trick Dan Cupid has played me during the past twelve months. Could I but have him here I'd review him for his benefit."

"Ah, the bell rings! What friend or foe has braved the elements and come to disturb my reveries of a New Year's Eve?"

(Enter Butler.)

The Bachelor—A wee, small gentleman to see me, James, you say. But just a sweet-faced child. His card—Dan Cupid—Yes, I know him, and you may show him up. But James, you're not a judge of character. He's not a child, he's old as time, and as full of devilish pranks as that neighbor's brat of whom you so complain.

(James departs and returns ushering in Dan Cupid.)

Dan Cupid—Ha, ha, dear sir, 'tis not love's night. Business is dull, and so I come to beg a chat with you and may, perchance, revile you for the shortcomings of the year that is passing.

The Bachelor—Revile me, you imp of Satan! Why, 'twas but a moment before you ring that I wished for you that I might review for your benefit the times you've played me false. Now sit you down and let's turn back the pages of the passing year and see the record. It surely will show you up in your true colors.

(Gets a volume from the shelf.)

"We'll start with January, and with Eleanor. Dan, you rogue, you wounded me for fair with her. I should not have cared had time and eternity been made up of Januarys could I but have had Eleanor to sit beside me before the crackling fire throughout them all. I pleaded well my case, but she would have none of it, and then I learned that you had played me false. Through February, March and April I nursed the wound

caused by your treacherous dart, and it was not until the flowers of May began to bloom that it would heal. But three shorts months and yet they seemed like years, like centuries, to me."

Dan Cupid—Good sir, the fault was yours, not mine. Across that page can you not read the promises you made the budding year? How did you keep them? Not at all. Had you but been the angel you started out to be, fair Eleanor would have had no grounds for the curt refusal she meted out to you.

The Bachelor—Ah, well, Dan, I was but human—that is, to err. She married, yes, and I suppose believed she had captured the one real matrimonial prize. But yesterday 'twas good to read the courts had cast asunder the bonds that bound, and set her free to wound another heart.

Dan Cupid—But you shall credit me with other opportunities that I made for you—opportunities more in keeping with your deserts.

The Bachelor—Yes, Dan, there was Jessica, of the yachting party. The wound she left was not long in healing, but was painful at first. Then, later, there was Isabel. How I adored her. Your aim was sure, and the bow was strong that sent that shaft into my heart. Never can I forget the tender words with which I wooed her at the seashore, nor the pulsations of my heart when she answered "Yes." But, Dan, you rascal, you know her. But once since those summer days have I seen her. She served me coffee and rolls in a quick lunch room in November. I did not ask her where I might redeem the ring.

"Yes, Dan, there were others. But why review them? And I'll forgive you, you imp. I'll lay not up against you a single pang—or dollar—they have cost me—on one condition—that you shall not, for this next year, point your darts in my direction. Do you agree? Then we'll burn the book, and think no more of it." (Casts it into the fire.)

"And now, then, Dan, the year is dying. A toast to it and its fond memories; to your escapades and my escapades; to the fair girls who caused the heart throbs of a season; to the broken promises that saved me troubles; to the Old Year. And another, Dan, to the year just 'borning; to the anticipations which it brings. The bells are ringing; the Old Year is dead; the New Year lives, and now, good night, but please remember that you have promised not to aim your darts in my direction."

(Exit Dan Cupid and Curtain.)

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Terms of Latin Origin.

In a legal sense an "innuendo" was originally an allegation made by the plaintiff in a libel action, putting into plain words the injurious sense he detected in an insinuation published by the defendant.

Onions as Irrigators.

A farmer has made a discovery that will be of vast importance to farmers during a dry season.

Love and Marriage.

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How the Naval Officer Recovered His Lost Buttons.

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A FASHION FROM WAR.

How Flat Watches Took Place of the Old-Time "Turnips."

When the neat man takes unto himself a watch as thin as parchment he little thinks that that thin watch results from army regulations.

Paddy and Taxes.

A voice from the jungle of Burma is heard in the following letter from a missionary correspondent to the Christian Herald.

Creatures of the Wild.

"Wild animals and birds are no more angelic than human beings. In every family, in every herd and to every cage, from tigers to doves, the strong bully and oppress the weak and drive them to the wall.

Photographing the Mirage.

The photograph represented a palm grove, a lake and a caravan of laden camels and white-robed Arabs moving in stately wise across the pale desert.

Words and Deeds.

"There never was a time in my life, fellow citizens," exclaimed the candidate, "when I hadn't the courage to call a spade a spade!"

A Misunderstanding.

In his bathing suit the little fellow was jiggling in the sand.

Foolish Question.

A magazine writer asks: "Why do men wear suspenders?"

Forgetting an Injury.

Church—I like to see a man who can forget an injury.

SALT CELLAR OF LONG AGO.

Was Distinctive Mark of Casts in the Middle Ages.

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