

CITY NEWS.

One of the grandest and largest attended celebrations ever given in the city, was held last Monday evening in the auditorium Baptist church, given under the auspices of Mrs. I. M. Jones and Mrs. Brown celebrating the event, Rev. T. L. Griffith's seventh anniversary as pastor of the church. Rev. Griffith has done great and noble work while in the city, the appreciation of which was shown by the immense crowd present. The following program was rendered:

Invocation.....Rev. T. L. Griffith
Instrumental Solo. Miss Delza Goggins
Bass Solo.....Mr. Oliver Rivers
Solo.....Mrs. Hessey
Instructor of First Baptist church
{Nellie Stanton
{Jessie Bell
{Minnie Morris
{Jennie Stanton
Quartette.....Mr. Oscar Watts
Pipe Organ Solo.....Mrs. Eugene Cutler
Organist First Baptist church.

At the meeting of the board of directors of the Negro Republican club of Polk County Tuesday evening the following committee chairmen were appointed for the ensuing year: On Finance, Rev. H. McCraven; on Membership, Chas. Cousin, on City Affairs, Jesse Graves; on Hall, E. T. Banks; on County Affairs, C. F. Topson; on State Affairs, W. H. Humburg; on National Affairs, Rev. W. S. Brooks; on Printing, Geo. H. Mason and on Library, Elbert R. Hall. Several new names were added to the membership list and resolutions were adopted denouncing the alleged declaration of Mr. Ben Parker, ex-saloon man, to the effect that all the colored men of Des Moines were going to support his candidacy for mayor. It was also decided to hold an open meeting of the club Thursday evening, Feb. 20, to which all candidates for nomination at the city primary will be invited to come and address the club.

GOOD FOR BUXTON.
Rev. A. L. DeMond and Rev. M. D. Willis were greeted with applause as they presented their contribution of \$10, from the Christian Worker's Alliance of Buxton, to the State Temperance Convention in Plymouth Congregational church. These men were sent as delegates from the Alliance in Buxton to represent the people of that city who are in favor of temperance, and who desire to co-operate with the other temperance people of Iowa in driving the saloons out of the state as they have driven them out of Buxton.

DEAD.
Mrs. John Waller, formerly Mrs. Morris, died at her home on East Second and Walnut street last Sunday at 10 o'clock of heart trouble and dropsy. She was about 45 years old and is survived by one daughter, Miss Delpha Norris.
The funeral was held last Monday at the A. M. E. church, preached by Rev. T. L. Griffith of Corinthian Baptist church. The remains were laid to rest in Woodland cemetery. Quite a few friends attended the funeral. She was a good woman, a church member and an earnest worker.

WANTED—Colored ladies everywhere to sell our toilet articles manufactured especially for our race, the colored people of America. Splendid opportunity to make money. Most liberal terms. Full size packages FREE to agents who will use the preparations on their own hair and face. FREE premiums to their agents and customers. Devote part or all of your time. Write for particulars. A secure exclusive territory. Have a pleasant and profitable business of your own. Men-prioritized by the Burton Toilet Goods Co., Century Bldg., St. Joseph, Michigan.

Cartridges as Small Change.
Cartridges are taken as change all over Abyssinia, at a rate usually of ten to the dollar. The cap must be undamaged, the case in no way misfired and the paper round the bullet must be in a state of perfect preservation.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Safe Medicine for Children.
In buying a cough medicine for children, never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is always sure to follow. It is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, and there is no better medicine in the world for these diseases. It is not only a certain cure for croup, but, when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given as directed. It contains no opium or other harmful drugs, and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by all druggists.

Down to Common Things.
Hitch your wagon to a star, but when your auto quits seven miles from anywhere it is better to arrange for some commonplace motive power.—Puck.

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At last the 60th congress has its equilibrium and commenced its session. By no means has this been an easy task for Speaker Cannon; no one but a thoughtful and level-headed man could have been able to set the machinery of the 60th congress to work without friction. The climax of prosperity has been reached by the country, which makes men of all classes feel high spirited; so much so that they are ready to enter into experiments of all kinds. Since the house of representatives is the art gallery or experimental ground, the speaker had to guard well every avenue against entering into these experiments that might clog the wheel of prosperity, and set the nation to wondering.

Speaker Cannon has guarded well, by placing good and thoughtful men in positions on committees that will do much in shaping the work of the 60th congress. We want to give the readers of Iowa an idea of how well the speaker has placed these men, by showing them how the great state of Iowa has been placed on committees. I want to say, too, that no state in the union has a stronger hold upon legislation than does this state (Iowa), for the reason of the long service of its members, and the experience they have. The Iowa members who will find are placed on all the strong committees, as follows: First district, Charles A. Kennedy, mileage, pensions, coinage, weights and measures, levees and improvements of the Mississippi river. Second district, Albert F. Dawson, naval affairs, Pacific railroads, reform in the civil service. Third district, Benjamin P. Birdsall, rivers and harbors, railways and canals. Fourth district, Gilbert N. Haugen (chairman), expenditures in interior department, agriculture, war claims. Fifth district, Robert G. Cousins (chairman), foreign affairs. Sixth district, Daniel W. Hamilton, mines and mining, public lands. Seventh district, John A. T. Hull (chairman), military affairs, militia. Eighth district, William P. Hepburn (chairman), interstate and foreign commerce. Ninth district, Walter I. Smith, appropriations. Tenth district, James P. Connor, labor, library, public buildings and grounds. Eleventh district, Elbert H. Hubbard, insular affairs, revision of laws, expenditures in department of justice.

The committee on military affairs of the house have before them many measures of national importance. They are called upon to appropriate between eighty and ninety million dollars for the support of the army and for military posts; also for army transports, and all other affairs relating to the army. The military committee will be one of the first committees to make its report to the house.

A very important matter is now before this committee, that of paying the men of the army an increase in their salaries. There are but few Americans that would not consider the men of the army poorly paid at the rate of thirteen dollars per month. In my opinion this bill will pass, for Mr. Hull's tact in preparing his bills and bringing them upon the floor stand second to none; hence these bills are seldom turned down by the house. The house being a committee of the whole house on the state of the union, to codify, revise and amend the penal laws of the United States.

Mr. Barrett of Georgia offered a resolution to strike out the three last amendments of the constitution known as the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments. Mr. Hepburn of Iowa, who is a lawyer, a counselor and one of the greatest debaters upon the floor of the house, offered his rebuttal in the following language: Mr. Hepburn.—Mr. Chairman: I am very sorry that gentlemen on that side have precipitated this debate. There was no necessity for it. Gentlemen, here we are dealing simply with a codification of existing laws. Why gentlemen should have seen fit to precipitate this kind of debate upon us at this time is something that I cannot understand. This is a section that only seeks to preserve the right of the citizen—no more; the right of a citizen who has every qualification fixed by the law for certain duties and obligations to perform these duties and obligations. That is all that it is the purpose of this statute to preserve. It is strange that this opposition should come from gentlemen who talk so much about democracy—that democracy that they have told us over and again has for its primary purpose the securing of "equal rights for all; special privileges for none." That is the proposed doctrine, you tell us. How many times have you rung the changes on that opposition in your national platform? How many times have you garnished your speeches with this declaration over and over repeated, to protect the rights of all—American citizens? That is what this section proposes to do. Some gentlemen say he wants bygone times. Why do you precipitate this debate if that is what you want? Does he mean by that the spirit that made necessary this legislation thirty-five years ago is now dead, that there is no more of it, and therefore no necessity for the legislation? Is that true? I am reminded of a gentleman in this house who is fit to adorn the senate of the United States, who is the peer of any man who has sat in that body during the last fifty years, a man of popularity in his state, a man of infinite worth, who, in a contest that he had last summer, only triumphed by a few hundred votes, and that over a man who made his campaign, if the newspapers correctly reported him, upon the proposition of repealing the last three constitutional amendments and taking from a large class of citizens all of their citizenship. That gentleman came within a few votes of defeating this man so pre-eminently qualified to adorn the senate of the United States. (Applause on the republican side.) I tell you, gentlemen, that so long as the spirit lives I want the letter of the law to live. (Renewed applause.) As long as that kind of sentiment finds popularity in the south, I want these statutes that were necessary at the

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GEO. DIXON, DEAD.

The death of George Dixon last week was announced; that he died in a hospital to the use of whisky. He died in abject poverty. Some of his friends had to pay the funeral expenses. This is a great object lesson for our young men today. Geo. Dixon once the champion lightweight prize fighter of the world held the undisputed championship for years, won over fifty battles and received large amounts of money. It has only this particular effect upon the race, that the race is producing a good man as the best, but upon the other hand if his energy and same amount of labor had been applied in some worthy direction ultimate results would have been lasting. Ill gotten gains seldom

profit much; evil associates and whisky will ruin any man. It is a shame to see some of our young men and girls going crazy after the minstrel shows and the sporting business, neither ought to receive our approval.

HARSH FOR COMMISSIONER.
We are glad to announce to the 900 colored voters one of the rising young business men of the city in the person of W. F. Harsh, now the junior member of the city board of public works. Mr. Harsh was for years connected with the large implement house of Gaar, Scott & Co., on East Fourth street. He was for eleven years connected with the C. Aultman company of Canton, Ohio, and for seven years connected with the schools in New Berlin, Ohio. He is a member of the Commercial club and was for some time president of the Implement Dealers' association. He says: "I believe in keeping within the city income, and if elected will do all in my power to decrease the city's debt."

Friends of Mr. Harsh believe that his experience and business ability will make him a successful commissioner under the new plan if elected, and that he has scores of friends among the business men as is evidenced by the flood of over two hundred letters from prominent men, urging the mayor to appoint him to his present position.

A. K. STEWART FOR COMMISSIONER.
It is with pleasure we announce the name of Mr. A. K. Stewart, a lawyer of East Des Moines, for one of the commissioners. He is a self-made man and one of the best men in East Des Moines to assist in making the new plan work. He has lived in our city for 25 years and has always worked for its success, but has never asked or held any office. He has the requisite knowledge, experience and ability, and if chosen as one of the new councilmen he will prove himself to be the right man in the right place. He has for years been identified with East Des Moines and while fair and liberal with all portions of the city, he will see to it that his people are fairly and justly treated every time—and this is all they ask of the city.

Following is his announcement: To the Citizens of Des Moines: I will be a candidate for the office of one of the four commissioners or councilmen to be elected at the coming city election. The whole body of voters will make these nominations, and on them are placed the duty of selection. If proper men are selected, I believe that the new system of government will give more efficient service at less or no greater cost than under existing conditions. Every legal voter is a stockholder, with one share of stock in this business corporation, and it is his duty to vote that share of stock in person, for no proxies are recognized. The opportunity of Des Moines can hardly be realized. The eyes of the whole country are upon us to see if we can make good.

"If I shall be elected it will be my single purpose to so conduct the affairs of the office as to give an efficient business administration, not niggardly, not extravagantly, but that the people shall have full value received for the taxes collected and expended. Six years' experience on a Des Moines school board convinces me that this can be done. "It is my hope and belief that under the Des Moines plan "that government of the people, by the people and for the people can be established and maintained in our cities, efficiently, honestly and economically, and that Des Moines can furnish an object lesson to our sister cities now looking toward us for an example of business municipal government." A. K. Stewart."

HAPPENINGS AROUND CLINTON.
Frank Smith, who has been an efficient employe of J. N. Hancock, left for his home in Detroit last week, where he will remain indefinitely. Rev. and Mrs. Birt had the sad misfortune to lose their two-day old baby last week. They have the sympathy of their many friends in their bereavement. A number of our people are troubled with the ills of winter. Rev. A. J. Johnson of Dubuque conducted the meetings at the A. M. E. church last week. A hard times social will be given by the Y. P. S. C. E. of Bethel A. M. E. church Friday night. Supper will be served at 6:30. Miss Carrie Hayes of Detroit is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. N. Hancock. Mrs. Wright of Marshalltown is in the city, called here on account of the illness of her daughter, Mrs. S. L. Birt. Once more we ask Bystander delinquents to call and settle their obligations. Grand Master W. H. Milligan of Cedar Rapids was in Clinton last week on his annual tour of inspection of the Masonic lodges. On Thursday night he was the guest of Clinton lodge. At the conclusion of business all repaired to the home of H. G. Williams, where a social evening was spent. While in the city the grand master was the guest of M. O. Culbertson.

You Have Been Waiting for This.
Try Barton's Creole Face Cream and Bleach. 50 cents postpaid. Lady agents wanted. Liberal terms. Free premiums. The Barton Toilet Goods Co., St. Joseph, Michigan.

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ALBIA NEWS.

The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. Henry Jones on Monday. The Normal class met with Miss May Davis last week and with Mrs. Nellie Eaters this week. Mrs. G. A. Davis entertained at dinner Sunday Miss Francis Parker and Mrs. Beale Grayson. Mr. John Agos is in Albia again. Miss Henrietta Jones spent a part of her vacation in Chicago with her sister Mrs. Maggie Nelson. There was an explosion of a ear of dynamite in Hocking Friday night, which burned the store, restaurant, and shook all the widow lights out of the houses.

GALESBURG NEWS.
Mrs. Corinne Brown of Chicago spent Sunday in Galesburg visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Solomon and other relatives. The Misses Pate entertained at dinner Sunday. Invitations have been issued announcing the wedding of Mrs. Mary Lyons and Mr. Park Rhodes, to take place at the residence of Mrs. Lyons Thursday Jan. 30. Mr. C. Bolder is suffering from an attack of lung fever. The Allen Chapel held their quarterly meeting Sunday. Owing to the absence of Presiding Elder H. H. Thompson, who is ill in Chicago, an interesting sermon was preached by Rev. Sandy McDowell of Monmouth. Mr. Henry Wells is improving after a serious spell of sickness. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ousley entertained a number of young people at their home Friday evening. A musicale was given during the evening by those present. Miss Mattie Mason and brother delightfully entertained a number of young people at their home Friday evening. Miss Beatrice McGill is confined to her home by sickness. Mrs. John Johnson died Saturday morning, Jan. 18, at her home on S. Cedar street, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Johnson left surviving her son, Andrew B. Johnson and a sister Mrs. Fleming. The funeral services were preached Monday afternoon at the home by Rev. Moore, pastor of the A. M. E. church, assisted by Rev. N. Alexander. Mr. Chas. Fletcher is suffering from an attack of la grippe. The Misses Little and Holly of Monmouth have returned home after a visit here with Mrs. S. Holley. Mrs. John Logan is on the sick list.

Why Suffer from Rheumatism?
Do you know that rheumatic pains can be relieved? If you doubt this just try one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It will make rest and sleep possible and that certainly means a great deal to one afflicted with rheumatism. For sale by all druggists.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.
(Special to Bystander.)
In the home of her sister, Mrs. Rev. Knight, 609 West Seventh street, Mrs. Myrtle Taylor, entertained at 7 o'clock dinner Rev. Dr. Reid and wife, Rev. Newman and wife, Mrs. Abe Cason and wife, Dr. W. Norris and wife, Mr. Crawford, and W. P. Shields. The dining room was abloom with a profusion of pink roses and carnation. Menu: Cream tomato soup, celery, dainty flakes, baked halibut, holiday sauce, flaked, goose, oyster dressing, cream corn, puffed potatoes, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, coffee, french salad, baked house rolls, olives, black coffee, ice cream, cake, bananas, bonbons, oranges.

A Dog's Opinion of Boston Dialect.
An intelligent looking dog," said the visitor from Boston. "Oh, he is," exclaimed Floyd'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 Teagarden, who was telling me the story. "No," said Teagarden, "but he growled like —"

His Discovery.
Cholly—You remember I told you yesterday that Miss Perkins told me the night before that she would marry me. Jack—Yes, Cholly—Well, I happened to think this morning that she said that she would marry me on the thirty-first of September, so I looked up the calendar to see what day of the week it would be, and, do you know, September has only 30 days!

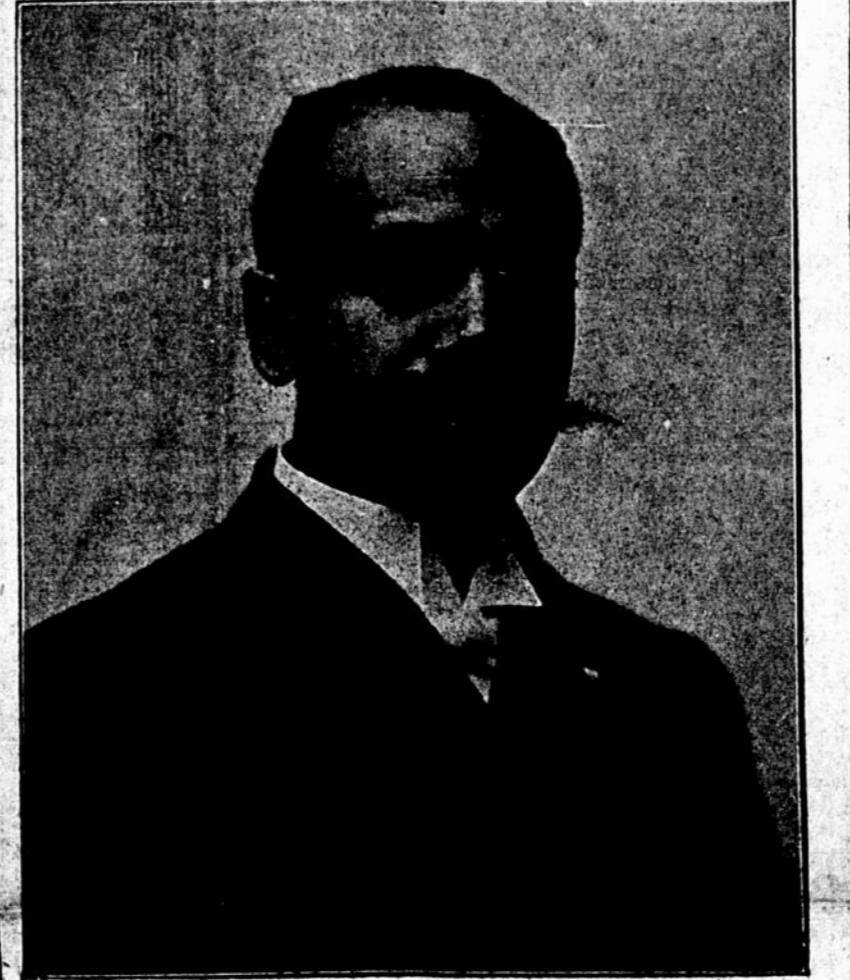
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REV. ABRAHAM LINCOLN DEMOND.

Rev. DeMond, the pastor of the First Congregational church of Buxton and editor of the Buxton Gazette, attended the state temperance convention in Des Moines this week. He represented the Buxton Christian Worker's Alliance. He has been for a number of years an earnest temperance worker. Twenty years ago when a student at Cortland, N. Y., he was awarded the prize for the best temperance oration given at a celebration at which he was the only colored speaker. In the pulpit, from the platform and through the columns of the Buxton Gazette Rev. DeMond has advocated moral reform and the highest interest of his people. Mrs. DeMond, his wife, is a cultured christian woman who has rendered splendid service in church, school and temperance reform.

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HEAVY LOSSES BY FLAMES

DAMAGE OF \$1,700,000 IN CHICAGO CONFLAGRATION.

Several Large Concerns Burned Out—Morris & Co. Sustain \$500,000 Loss in Kansas City.

Chicago.—Fire in the loop district of Chicago Tuesday evening did about \$1,700,000 damage and interrupted transportation for hours. The flames broke out in the wall paper house of Alfred Peats & Co. on Wabash avenue between Madison and Monroe streets, and in a short time the entire building was like a furnace. The fire quickly jumped a narrow alley in the rear and attacked the big wholesale millinery establishment of Edson Keith & Co. at 132 Michigan avenue. The four upper floors of the Keith building were gutted and only by hard work were several other large millinery houses saved. Meanwhile on Wabash avenue the conflagration spread south to the building occupied by John A. Colby & Sons, furniture, and that firm and a dozen others sustained heavy losses. The fire lasted all night and was one of the most disastrous in this city since 1874.

Kansas City, Mo.—Fire of unknown origin which started in the canning department on the second floor of one of the twin main buildings of the \$27,000,000 packing plant of Nelson Morris & Co. on the Kaw river in Kansas City, Kan., Tuesday night, threatened destruction of the entire plant and caused loss estimated at half a million dollars before it was controlled. All effort to save the east main building, in which the fire started, and the box factory was abandoned within a half hour after the flames were discovered, and the firemen devoted themselves to the work of saving the other buildings.

San Luis Obispo, Cal.—Fire, which was started Monday afternoon in an oil tank belonging to the Union Oil company at Fort Harford by a stroke of lightning, burned all night and until late Tuesday afternoon, consuming, with their contents, the tank which was first set on fire and three others belonging to the Standard Oil company.

GLADYS NOW A COUNTESS. Daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt Weds Hungarian Nobleman.

New York.—The wedding of Miss Gladys Moore Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, to Count Laszlo Szechenyi, member of the Hungarian nobility, lieutenant of Hussars and hereditary member of the Austro-Hungarian parliament, took place at the Fifth avenue home of the bride's mother after noon Monday. The ceremony was performed in the presence of about 350 guests in the salon on the Fifth avenue side of the Vanderbilt residence.

Miss Vanderbilt was accompanied to the altar by her elder brother, Cornelius Vanderbilt, and the count was accompanied by his brother. The wedding ceremony was performed by Monsig. M. J. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's cathedral, wearing purple silk vestments and lace cope. He was assisted by Rev. John J. Byrne. The wedding choral from Gault's cantata "Ruth" was sung by 30 boys of the St. Patrick choral choir. Immediately after the wedding breakfast the count and countess departed upon their honeymoon trip, eluding by clever strategy the throng of people that pressed about the Vanderbilt mansion eager to catch even a fleeting glimpse of the bridal couple.

NEW CURRENCY BILL. Measure Indorsed by Bankers Introduced in Congress.

Washington.—A currency bill was introduced in the senate Monday by Senator Hopkins and in the house by James McKinley of Illinois which bears the indorsement of the currency commission appointed by the American Bankers' association and of the executive council of the Illinois Bankers' association. The bill is the result of the hearings and subsequent deliberations of the commission which was appointed by the association two years ago. The commission is composed of 15 of the most prominent bankers of the United States and they are from all sections of the country.

Gen. Benjamin R. Cowen Dies. Cincinnati.—Gen. Benjamin Rush Cowen, for over 23 years clerk of the United States circuit and district courts for the southern district of Ohio, died Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 in his seventy-seventh year. He served through the war and during the administration of President Grant he was assistant secretary of the interior. In 1882 he became editor of the Ohio State Journal, which place he retained until appointed clerk of the federal courts. For many years he was a member of the Republican national committee.

Marines Drowned at San Juan. San Juan, Porto Rico.—A small boat with a party of 12 marines on a pleasure trip was capsized off Morro castle Monday. Two of the party, Philip Nunez and Clarence Merritt, were drowned.

Ouida Dies of Old Age. Rome.—Miss Louise de la Ramee, better known by her pen name of Ouida, died Friday night in the home of her faithful maid, Iolma Cervelli, near Florence. Her death was due to old age, but it had been hastened by the privations which the novelist was forced to undergo since the disappearance of the fortune her writings brought her. No friends were near when the end came, the only person in the miserable hut which served as the writer's home during the last two years being the old servant woman.

Cardinal Richard Dies. Paris.—Francis Marie Benjamin Richard, cardinal and archbishop of Paris, died here Tuesday of congestion of the lungs after a short illness. He was born in 1819.

Lovers Kill Each Other. Pittsburg, Pa.—A lovers' quarrel at Ambridge, a new town established by the American Bridge company 17 miles northwest of here, Tuesday night ended in the death of both man and woman, each inflicting a fatal wound upon the other.

AMERICAN GIRL NOW A COUNTESS.



Miss Gladys Vanderbilt who was married to Count Laszlo Szechenyi of Hungary in New York City the other day.

ANOTHER MORSE BANK SHUT

NEW AMSTERDAM NATIONAL IS CLOSED BY COMPTROLLER.

President Kinsman Says Depositors Will Lose Nothing and Stockholders Will Get Dividend.

New York.—The New Amsterdam National bank, capitalized at \$1,000,000 and situated at Broadway and Thirty-ninth street, was closed by the order of the comptroller of the currency Wednesday night and National Bank Examiner Charles A. Hanna was placed in charge.

The institution's liabilities are placed at \$4,482,016, of which \$2,065,272.49 are due depositors. The bank's officers assert that not only will every depositor be paid in full, but the stockholders will receive a substantial dividend.

The New Amsterdam National was formerly one of the chief links in the chain of banks established by Charles W. Morse. President Frank W. Kinsman, Jr., declared, in a statement issued Wednesday night, that "the closing of the National Bank of North America, attracting renewed attention to the interests which had previously dominated both institutions in their past administrations, started fresh reports of an exaggerated and sensational nature which necessitated the liquidation of the bank." The institution occupied quarters in the Metropolitan Opera house, in the heart of the uptown theatrical district and numbered among its clientele many of those prominent on the stage.

About a year ago the New Amsterdam underwent a reorganization because of a falling off in its business and Frank W. Kinsman, Jr., was elected president. Every effort was made to rehabilitate the institution. The recent panic was not without its effect, though the bank weathered the storm and succeeded in reducing its clearing house certificates from \$1,705,000 to \$300,000.

President D. A. Sullivan of the Merchants and Traders' bank announced shortly after midnight Wednesday night that the institution would not open its doors Thursday. This decision was reached at a meeting of the board of directors lasting four hours. In a statement issued after the meeting the directors declared the bank solvent, but the state of the cash resources made it appear inadvisable for the bank to continue business.

Gov. Hughes Indorsed. New York.—Gov. Hughes was strongly indorsed for the Republican nomination for the presidency and the administration of President Roosevelt was commended in a resolution unanimously adopted by the Republican county committee at a meeting in the Murray Hill Lyceum Wednesday night. The resolution further favored an instructed delegation to the Chicago convention from this state for Gov. Hughes.

Bank Cashier a Suicide. Appleton, Wis.—A. L. Sloss, cashier of the First National bank of Appleton committed suicide by blowing out his brains with a shotgun. No reason is known for his action, but it is believed that he was demoralized.

Pioneer Catholic Priest Dead. Wabasha, Minn.—Rev. P. B. Murray, a pioneer Catholic priest, died in St. Elizabeth's hospital in this city Wednesday evening at the age of 85. He came from Ireland in 1845.

Give Site for Frisco Cathedral. San Francisco.—At the fifty-eighth convention of the Episcopal diocese of California Tuesday, William H. Crocker, in behalf of the Crocker heirs, presented to the church the block on Nob Hill, bounded by California, Sacramento, Mason and Jones streets, the site of the old Crocker mansion, where a splendid cathedral is to be erected. Bishop Nichols received the deeds in the name of the church. A. N. Brown appeared at the same time and presented a deed of gift of \$50,000, the first cathedral endowment.

GRAFT HINTS IN HORROR.

Boyetown Theater Fire May Result in Prosecution.

Boyetown, Pa.—Suggestions of graft and admissions of neglect, which it is intimated, may result in prosecutions, marked the opening session of the inquest here Tuesday in the horror at Rhoades opera house on January 13, when 169 persons lost their lives.

It was brought out that the main exit to the hall was blocked by the box-office and that the stairway and the point of exit and entrance was but three feet one inch in width, and that Harry Fisher, the operator of the stereopticon apparatus, had received but two days' instruction in the methods of handling the calcium light and that he operated the machine in public for the first time on that fatal night.

In addition to this, Dr. Thomas A. Rhoades, the owner of the building, declared that the building had been inspected and passed by a state factory inspector after he "had given a contract for fire escapes to a Reading man." He added, in reply to a pointed question put by District Attorney Dunn, that the factory inspector told him whom he should buy his fire escapes from, that he placed the order with the Reading contractor and that the inspector passed the building.

MILK WAR IN WISCONSIN.

Waukesha County Farmers Threatened in Anonymous Posters.

Milwaukee.—Farmers of Waukesha county are threatened with treatment similar to that given out by the night riders of Kentucky if they do not refuse to sell milk to Milwaukee dealers at the recent alleged low rate.

If you sell another can of milk to Milwaukee we will blow up your place the first good chance. Beware, WE MEAN BUSINESS. This is the threat, written so as to disguise the identity of the writer, being posted all over the Waukesha milk producing district in the war to make Milwaukee dealers pay an advance of ten cents per eight-gallon can. A number of them have written letters to the dealers in Milwaukee, expressing their fear of personal injury if they ship milk.

Marchal Halstead is Dead.

Cincinnati.—Marshal Halstead, former United States consul at Birmingham, England, died at nine o'clock Wednesday night at the German Deaconess hospital here, following an operation for appendicitis. The deceased was a son of Murat Halstead, the well-known journalist and author. He was 45 years of age.

Milbrath Guilty of Embezzlement.

Milwaukee.—The jury in the embezzlement case against C. W. Milbrath brought in a verdict of guilty Monday night. The Milbrath company, a large operator in real estate, failed in 1905 with \$100 in cash assets and \$75,000 liabilities.

Pure Food Session Opens.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—The commission which, under authority of congress is endeavoring to establish standards of purity for various food and liquor products which the subject to the national pure food law, began a week's session here yesterday. The meeting was executive and public hearings will begin next Monday, when representatives of the National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers will be heard. Feb. 1 of the United States Brewing association will be given a hearing and after that such organizations or individuals as may wish to appear before the commission will be given an opportunity to present their views.

JEROME WAS MILD

SURPRISES COURT WITH ABANDONMENT OF USUAL TACTICS.

WHITE WRONGED EVELYN

He insists that Thaw, Himself, Was Sane When He Planned Murder of Stanford White.

New York, Jan. 31.—William Travers Jerome, representative of the people made a master plea yesterday that justice be done in the case of Harry Kendall Thaw. Vindictiveness, sneers, insinuations, all were lacking; logic, analysis and a calm consideration of facts were their substitute. It was no blind appeal for the vengeance of the law that Mr. Jerome addressed to the jury, but ever and always there was the note of firmness, fairness and even, at times, of mercy.

The year that has elapsed since the first trial had wrought a wonderful and startling change in the prosecutor. No longer attempting to shield the name of Stanford White, he accepted the story told by Evelyn Nesbit Thaw as true, all but the drugging, and he made frank confession to the jury that the velvet swings and mirrored rooms of the studio house described by the girl were indeed a miserable reality.

No longer attacking Evelyn Thaw as a skilled adventuress, Mr. Jerome pleaded for the girl, because she never had had a chance for any of the higher, cleaner, sweeter things of life. The climax came, however, when Mr. Jerome denounced both Thaw and White in one breath and castigated the two degenerates quarreling over a woman. And the woman, the prosecutor declared, knew no more, had been taught no more by the world, than to play one against the other until in jealous rage, in blind hatred, in vengeance of an undeniably gross wrong done to his wife, Harry Thaw shot and killed the architect.

The prosecutor followed this, however, by signifying very plainly that he believed justice would be served if the defendant should be found guilty of some less degree of criminal responsibility than murder in the first degree. He explained carefully all the elements that entered into a verdict of first degree murder, and then pointed the way to two other possible findings—murder in the second degree, or manslaughter in the first.

STUPENDOUS GRAFT.

Amazing Evidence Brought Out in Pennsylvania.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 31.—The now famous booback stand for the senate lavatory, supplied by Contractor John Sanderson of Philadelphia, one of the defendants in the state capitol conspiracy suits on trial in the Dauphin county courts, was offered in evidence by the commonwealth yesterday. Sanderson collected \$1,619.20 from the state for this stand and paid the subcontractor by whom it was supplied \$125. Photographs of the rostrums of the senate and house caucuses rooms, for which the state paid Sanderson \$97,783.20, and for which he paid the subcontractor \$2,060, were also offered in evidence.

Fred H. Potter and Howard Kroehl of the audit company of New York were called by the commonwealth to establish the measurements of the sofas, clothes trees and table proposed by Sanderson. All of this furniture was supplied by Sanderson at the rate of \$18.40 "per foot", and according to the commonwealth he was paid for certain articles at the rate of three times the actual measurement.

The commonwealth also offered several bits of furnishing supplied by Sanderson for the purpose of showing that different systems of measurement were employed by the contractor for collecting for articles supplied under the same items in the special capitol furnishing schedule of 1904.

Architect Joseph M. Huston, who has been separately tried, has been subpoenaed as a witness for his co-defendants, former Auditor General Snyder, former State Treasurer Mathews, James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of grounds and building, and Sanderson but may not testify. The feeling against the architect at the part of his four co-defendants grows more bitter as the trial proceeds.

FIND BURIED GOLD.

Treasure Discovered in Ruins of Robbers' Roost.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 31.—Superintendent Patterson of the Pacific Express company returned to Omaha from Sidney, Neb., yesterday, bringing with him two large bricks of bullion, believed to represent part of the loot of a robbery of the company's office in Sidney, Neb., in March, 1880. The metal was found buried in the debris of a saloon which burned down two weeks ago. The robbery was the boldest of its kind ever pulled off in the west and the bullion, which had been received that day by the stage from the Black Hills, was valued at \$127,000. One of the bricks was sold to the Denver mint a year after the robbery. Sheriff McCarthy, who then owned the saloon which burned recently, was believed to be the leader of the robber band, but the express company was unable to secure his indictment. His brother was later hanged by vigilantes. McCarthy has been dead several days. Superintendent Patterson is trying to establish identification of the metal. He says the bullion value is indefinite, but he will have it assayed at once.

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WORN OUT WOMEN

Will Find Encouragement in Mrs. Merritt's Advice.

Mrs. W. L. Merritt, 207 S. First Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "Last winter I began to suffer with my kidneys. I had pains in my back and hips and felt all worn out. Dizzy spells bothered me and the kidney secretions were irregular. The first box of Doan's Kidney Pills brought decided relief. I am sure they would do the same for any other woman suffering as I did." Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

A LITTLE DOMESTIC JAR.



She—You (shriek) brute, before we married (shriek), (shriek) you said mamma could come and see us as often (shriek) as she pleased. He (meekly)—Yes, dear; but she has ceased to please.

CUTICURA CURED FOUR

Southern Woman Suffered with Itching, Burning Rash—Three Little Babies Had Skin Troubles.

"My baby had a running sore on his neck and nothing that I did for it took effect until I used Cuticura. My face was nearly full of better or some similar skin disease. It would itch and burn so that I could hardly stand it. Two cakes of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment cured me. Two years after it broke out on my hands and wrist. Sometimes I would go nearly crazy for it itched so badly. I went back to my old stand-by, that had never failed me—one set of Cuticura Remedies did the work. One set also cured my uncle's baby whose head was a cake of sores, and another baby who was in the same fix. Mrs. Lillie Wilcher, 779 Eleventh St., Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 16, 1907."

The Reason for Marrying.

"They say that he married her for her money." "And what did he do when she lost her wealth?" "He lost his reason."—Harvard Lampoon.

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Real Estate "Agents" Go After Men with Land for Sale and Reap Rich Harvest.

A smooth scheme for separating farmers from their money has been worked with much success in South Dakota. An oily grafter calls on a farmer and makes a bid for his land. The figures are absurdly low at first, but by degrees are raised as high as \$50 an acre, and the farmer consents. Then the visitor explains that he is only an agent, but that he can sell the land at the price named if the owner will agree to pay for advertising at the rate of fifty cents an acre. The "agent" promises orally that the advertising money will not be payable until the land is sold, but this stipulation is not contained in a contract that the farmer signs.

In a few days he receives a copy of an ad and not over-courteous demand for money. It is said that twenty-two agriculturists were caught with this bait in Brown County and that one of them gave up \$320. Others declare hotly that they will not pay but they will make a fight in the courts. Show us a man who lives the simple life and we'll show you a cynic.

HOUSE WORK



Thousands of American women in our homes are daily sacrificing their lives to duty.

In order to keep the home neat and pretty, the children well dressed and tidy, women overdo. A female weakness or displacement is often brought on and they suffer in silence, drifting along from bad to worse, knowing well that they ought to have help to overcome the pains and aches which daily make life a burden. It is to these faithful women that LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND comes as a boon and a blessing, as it did to Mrs. F. Ellsworth, of Mayville, N. Y., and to Mrs. W. P. Boyd, of Beaver Falls, Pa., who say: "I was not able to do my own work, owing to the female trouble from which I suffered. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me wonderfully, and I am so well that I can do as big a day's work as I ever did. I wish every sick woman would try it."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

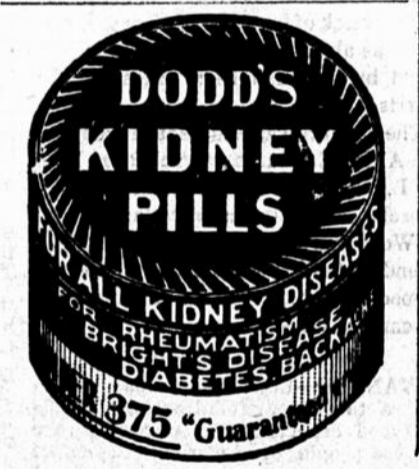
For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it? Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

The Ruling Passion.

Mammy Liza has lived with the "famby" long enough to acquire words and expressions, which, used at second hand, are sometimes fatal to the family gravity. Recently a member of the little circle had occasion to call for the horse and surrey from the livery stable. After waiting a long while the order was repeated, with no immediate result. Mammy, having heard the conversation, and knowing the impatience of her mistress, expressed herself thus: "Fuh! Dey's Jes' no use countin' on dem livery stable folks, dey's so dilittant."

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January 3, 1905. Dear Doctor Knowlton:— You know I told you in my first letter that my hair would not reach much below my shoulders, and that all of it together only made one tiny braid. I am sending you my photograph, which I had taken at Stevens Bros. It tells the whole story better than I can tell it. Everybody I know is using Danderine, so you see I am doing something to show my appreciation. Sincerely yours, (Miss) EVA LEWIS.

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NOW at all druggists in three sizes, 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1. per bottle. FREE To show how quickly Danderine acts we will send a large sample 10c by return mail to any one who sends this advertisement to the Knowlton Danderine Co., Chicago, with their name and address and 10 cents in stamps to pay postage.



Latest Photograph of MISS EVA LEWIS, 8279 North La Salle Avenue, Chicago

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Rev. Boling and wife have again moved to our city, being called here to take charge of the Baptist church.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

Rev. W. R. Moore has returned from a pleasant trip to Dixon, Ill., where he went some days ago to visit his brother.

The semester year has closed in the public schools and we were fortunate enough to have one more of our colored young ladies to cross the threshold of the high school, namely, Miss Francis Taylor.

Mr. Albert Sturgis, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sturgis, is quite sick with lung troubles at his home on Twenty-ninth and Pierce streets.

Mr. Thomas Sturgis, a mail carrier, was seriously hurt in a runaway Monday evening.

Mrs. P. Ramsey, who has been ill for some time, is reported to be getting along nicely.

The flu gripe is getting in its work in our city and those who have fallen victims are, namely, Mesdames Myrtle Morgan, Cora Harrison and Polly Jewell.

Rev. R. Knight, former pastor of the A. M. E. church, who recently was ordained in the ministry in the Baptist church, joined the A. M. E. church again and filled the pulpit Sunday.

To show their appreciation of the speech recently made in Carnegie hall, New York, by Col. Henry Watterson on "The Negro's Future," the Negroes of Sioux City will hold a mass meeting at Simeon's hall Tuesday evening, January 28.

The committee in charge of which Rev. J. C. Reid is chairman will formulate resolutions, which will be sent to Col. Watterson and speeches will be made by Rev. J. C. Reid, Rev. R. Knight, Mr. Wm. Shields and others.

Mr. Charlie Carter, who came to our city about six months ago, died in our city last week and his funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Westcott's undertaking parlors.

Rev. G. M. Newman of the A. M. E. church officiated. Interment in Floyd's cemetery. His home was in Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. Orsborn who has been quite ill is better.

Mrs. Varian died at the home of her mother this week of consumption. She leaves a husband and three small children.

Sunday was quarterly meeting and Presiding Elder Phillips was here.

Rev. Wharton who has been assisting Rev. Butler in carrying on revival services at the A. M. E. church left for home Friday night.

There is quite a lot of illness here at present.

Mrs. Grace Robinson celebrated her birthday Saturday.

Mr. Burrus of Omaha has returned home after a very pleasant visit with Miss Ida B. Palmer at the Emanuel home.

Miss Jessie Pierman and mother, Mrs. Lamb, visited in Cedar Rapids last week with Mrs. Frank Lamb.

Mrs. H. Arms, daughter of M. S. G. Tyler, entertained the Art Industrial club last week.

The Lucy Thurman club was very pleasantly entertained by Miss Ora Brooks Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. John Brooks and mother, Mrs. Lamb, are booth quite ill at the home of Mrs. Lamb.

Mrs. Bob Brown who has been quite ill is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brooks have returned after a very pleasant visit with relatives in Missouri and Kansas.

The Progressive Twelve were entertained at the residence of J. W. Moskey Sunday afternoon.

Miss J. W. Trent is suffering with a severe cold.

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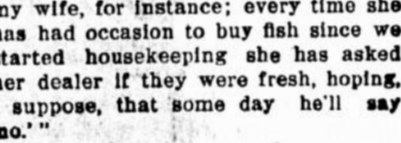
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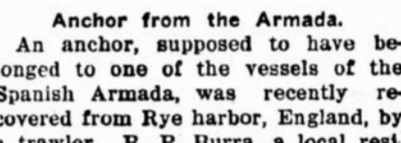
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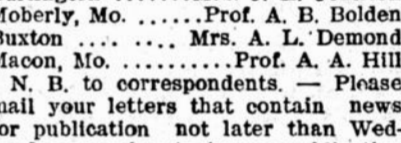
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