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CITY NEWS.

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

Mr. Wm. Howard contemplates a trip to Chicago soon.

The wedding bells will ring on 10th street soon.

Mr. Elbert Hall was a very sick man last week but is much better now.

The Corinthian Baptist church is being treated with a new coat of paint, both the exterior and interior.

Mrs. Emma Filippens of Marshalltown visiting her sister, Mrs. Sarah Webb at 939 West Twelfth street.

Why not pay your subscription dues to the Bystander when the collector calls?

Mr. and Mrs. John McClain will leave Sunday for Macon, Mo., for a ten days visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jones, of Buxton are visiting in the city this week attending the K. of P. Grand Lodge.

Mr. E. Tracy Blagburn, who has been dangerously sick is some better, and it is the earnest hope of his friends that he may be out again soon.

Mrs. Millie Simmons of Omaha, Neb. is visiting her son, Wm. Shackelford, who has been indisposed for a couple of months, but is much better now. The three Shackelford children are also convalescing.

Rev. H. W. Porter's Sunday school class will give a lawn social at the residence of Mrs. Robinson, 761 10th., St., Tuesday, August 4th.

Mrs. John D. Reeler and daughter Edna of Mason City will arrive in the city Saturday to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Birney for two weeks.

Mr. Fred Jackson will entertain at his home on 8th., street, August 6th., from 8 to 11 p. m., the Knights of Pythias, Knight Templars, Masons and their wives. Music by the Jewish orchestra.

When at Enterprise, stop at W. F. Barddale's Restaurant for meals, lunches, ice cream and confectionaries.

Miss Maud Lewis who has been visiting her sisters the Misses Electa and Blanche Lewis, at the A. M. parsonage returned to her home in Fayette county Monday night.

Mrs. Chas. Ruff, entertained a company Thursday afternoon at her home, in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. May Johnson. A delightful time was had the service excellent.

Home Missionary society will meet a regular monthly meeting at Burns' M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A musical and literary program will be rendered. Instrumental solo, Mrs. F. Gutter; recitation, Gertrude Estell; duet, Recford Mitchell and Helen Roy; address on Missionary work by Mrs. Rev. Wickerham of the First M. E. church.

Mrs. E. J. Mack, Pres. Mrs. Fannie Knox, Sec.

Mrs. Peter Bell entertained at her home Sunday for dinner Rev. and Mrs. Bates, Mr. John Davis, Miss Lena Moore and the members of the ladies quartet, who rendered a number of beautiful selections.

Mr. Henry Lee of Puxton is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Gertrude Shackelford, while in the city attending the annual meeting of the Iowa Knights of Pythias.

The following Iowa ladies were elected by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Western Baptist Convention in addition to those reported last week: Vice president, for Iowa Mrs. J. H. Brown, Executive Board member for Iowa, Mrs. G. H. Jackson.

The Old Settlers will hold their annual picnic August 6th., which is the first Thursday in the month, at Union Park. Everybody is invited to attend.

R. N. Hyde, Pres. Wm. Coalson, Sec. Jeff Logan, Treas.

When in Albia, Iowa, call at Z. M. Hindsman Lunch Room for good ice cream and lunches, fruit, tobacco and cigars; also ladies rest room. Two doors south of C. B. & Q. depot on A. street, No. 217.

Fred D. Anthony of Boone, is in the city attending the K. of P. Grand Lodge. Fred went to Kentucky last year to live but he does not like the South, he returned home about a month ago. He says the south is no place for a man to work for wages but it is a good place to go in business.

Miss Lula V. Nelson, a graduate nurse of St. Louis, who has been here since last fall practicing her profession and has been taking a special summer course at Drake University, will leave for her home in a few days returning next fall to resume her studies.

Miss Nina Fields, of Cameron, Mo., who has been attending the Highland Park College, in the musical department which has just closed, will leave for her home this week to spend the summer, Miss Fields is a very charming and lovable young lady and has made many friends while in the city.

Miss Julia Childs, a teacher in the public schools of St. Louis, who has spent several weeks in the city visiting her sister Mrs. H. W. Porter, will leave Saturday for Chicago, where she will join her sister who is a teacher in Baltimore, Md., and they will spend a month around the lakes in Michigan, before returning to their respective cities. They are both very accomplished young ladies.

One of the most successful outings ever held by the St. Paul Sunday school occurred at Union Park yesterday. The weather was ideal and several hundred people were on the grounds during the day. Immediately after dinner the annual athletic contest was held in which class No. 8, was awarded the athletic banner, and assistant superintendent, Mattie Warrick the athletic championship, and the teachers and officers. After the other contests Gould's Invincibles crossed bats with the White Sox and won from them the Negro championship of the city by a score of 10 to 1. Mr. Wm. Shackelford Des Moines Negro photographer, was present and took a picture of as many of the crowd as could be gotten together at one time.

Corinthian Church Announcement

Sunday Aug. 2. 10:30 a. m. Covenant Meeting; 12 m. Sunday School; 6:30 p. m. King's Men and B. Y. P. U. 8:00 sermon by Dr. Holland Hanson, pastor First Baptist church. All welcome. Rally Sunday August 9th. T. L. Griffith, Pastor.

Mme. J. Earnestine Wyatt

Elocutionist and Dramatic Reader.

Will appear in an Elocutionary Recital at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church Monday, August 3rd, at 8 P. M.

Mrs. Wyatt is a star of rare and particular brightness. Her readings, recitations, etc., are natural and unique and delivered in a style altogether her own.

Rev. J. D. Pettigrew, general lecturer and organizer of the Colored Co-Operative League Movement, has just returned from a short circuit to Buxton, Albia and Ottumwa, where he has lectured and presented the features of the movement. He will deliver an address next Monday night, Aug. 3rd., at the Union Congregational church to a meeting of citizens, setting forth the features of this much needed and practical movement. The entire public is invited to hear this explanation.

IOWA STATE FAIR AND EXPOSITION.

Des Moines, August 20th to 28th

\$40,000 cash premiums, \$14,000 speed program, \$20,000 amusement program, 500 carloads of exhibits, 1,350 exhibitors, 750 cattle, 600 hogs, 400 sheep, 200 racing horses, 3,000 chickens, 60 acres occupied by machinery exhibits, 35,000 square feet devoted to agricultural, horticultural and dairy exhibits, other exhibits in proportion.

Libertati's Grand Military Band and Concert Co., consisting of 60 people, 18 singers and soloists, in daily concert. Two other bands of state wide reputation and a Harp Orchestra will furnish music each day of the fair.

Pain's Spectacle "Sheridan's Ride," will be produced each evening in front of the amphitheatre. This performance closes with \$1,000 display of Manhattan Beach fireworks.

Subscribers, lay up your subscription money and keep it until we call or send for it.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS GRAND SESSION.

The annual session of the Knights of Pythias held a very successful meeting in our city this week with much enthusiasm for the order, about fifty delegates and visitors are here. Below is a partial list of the visitors and delegates the first two named are delegates others are members and visitors from the Buxton lodge: Silver Leaf No. 5, are Dr. J. H. Williams, J. T. Thomas, W. L. Crenshaw, J. S. Madison, Augustus Gordon, John Banks, Allen Jones, Morris Taylor, John White, James Toney, Phillip Baldwin, I. Brown, John Allen, Messadames John Burk, A. Jones, Sterling Building, Miss Daisy Lee, Miss Starling Brown, Miss Graves from Center-ville; Golden Rule No. 15, Richard and Forest Foster; Ottumwa, Golden Eagle, Chas. Nelson, A. L. McDonald; Boone Chas. Raglin, B. F. Taylor, L. W. Williams and Fred D. Anthony; Ft. Dodge, Pride of Iowa No., Ed. Parent, Chas. Russell and Luke Raglin.

Enterprise, Independent, No. 4, Chas. Raub, Hugh Swan, Mason City, Perseverance, Thomas Allen.

The first day was devoted to committee work and organization, the second day officers report, and address of the Grand Chancellor, L. W. Williams, of Boone. The third day to the discussion of endowment which was taken from under the rule of the Supreme lodge and adopted by the Grand lodge of Iowa and jurisdiction. The Grand lodge has been incorporated under the laws of Iowa. The ladies department the I. O. C. Calantha, held an interesting session the K. of P. hall 764 9th., street on the third day July 30th. The officers reported a flourishing condition in the subordinate lodges throughout the state. Representatives from most all over the state were present. The session closed with a grand street parade headed by the enterprise band, and a ball and banquet at the Cycling Hall.

The following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: L. W. Williams, Boone, G. C.; A. L. Smith, Des Moines, V. G. C.; S. C. Bolden, Buxton, G. M. W.; Wm. Warfield, Des Moines, G. P.; J. S. Madison, Buxton, G. K. R. S.; Wm. Bailey, Ottumwa, G. M. E. R.; Johnson, Buxton, G. M. A.; Dr. J. H. Williams, Des Moines, G. M. E.; A. G. McDonald, Ottumwa, G. M. Grand Trustee; C. H. Wilson, Ottumwa, L. F. Anthony, Boone; R. Good, Center-ville. Endowment Board, L. W. Green, Thomas Eagleigh, Enterprise, Allen Jones, Buxton.

UNITED GRAND CHAPTER ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Of Missouri Meet in Hannibal Mo., July 15th., 1908.

(Special to Bystander.)

The eighteenth annual communication of the United Grand Chapter, order of the Eastern Star of the state of Missouri and jurisdiction, assembled in the Masonic hall with Eureka Chapter number 28, at 10 a. m., Sir Knight J. H. Simmons, G. R. P., called the United Grand Chapter to order, the roll of Grand officers was called, all responded except Honored Lady Mamie Stanton, Grand Wisdom, Honored Lady Ida Walker was appointed to fill the station, who reported a constitutional number present after which the G. R. M., sister Louisa J. Roberts, proceeded to open the United Grand Chapter on the Royal and Exalted Degree of the Amaranth the first in order was devotional exercises which consisted of singing, "Still pressing on my upward way," prayer by the G. C., Mattie Minor, of Kansas City. Rev. C. R. McDowell, of the 2nd; Baptist church, spoke in the interest of the home protective association, and extended an invitation to the G. C., to visit the home office at the corner of 5th and Broadway.

Committee on rules was appointed, after which a recess was given in order that the committee might have time to prepare its report. The Grand Chapter was called to order and listened to the committee on rules after which by order the Grand Royal Matron the G. R. A. M., sister Lettie Shade, of Plattsburg, called the U. G. C., to be called on at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The morning journal read and approved, the afternoon was taken up with addresses from the Grand officers, the G. R. M's.,

address was very touching because of her prolonged illness, she was hardly able to be present, the address was very inspiring. The G. R. H., Prof. J. H. Simmons, read his address which was greatly appreciated, the G. R. A. P., Sir Knight J. H. Harris, of Des Moines, made very pleasant and encouraging remarks. The G. R. M., was pleased to appoint the following persons as reporters: H. L., B. Woods, daily papers; H. L., V. E. Guy, Topka Plainealer; H. L. N. P. Fields, Iowa state Bystander.

The Grand Warden announced the presence of Dr. G. M. Ricketts, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, the G. R. M., instructed the H. G. C., and the H. G. A. C., to escort him to the G. East where he was given the Grand Honors by the Grand Chapter, Dr. Ricketts offered a very interesting talk which warranted much applause, he dealt chiefly with the fundamental principles of the order. Committee on appeals and grievances was laudably applauded because no grievances could be found during the year. Greetings were read from the Grand Chapter of Michigan. The following persons were conducted to the throne and given grand honors: Mrs. A. J. Carter of Kansas City, G. M. A. L., of the H. J., of Missouri; Mrs. Sarah Smith of St. Louis, and Mrs. Matilda Thomas of St. Louis, each made a few appropriate remarks. The session was then adjourned until 1 o'clock.

SECOND DAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Promptly at 1:30 p. m., the G. R. M., called the United Grand Chapter to order singing "Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb," prayer by the Grand Chaplain; the R. G. M., announced the suspension of business in order that the committee on obituaries might hold the Chapter of sorrow, the committee reported the names of 20 deceased members, the G. R. P. conducted ritualistic services and the following program was rendered: Prayer, Grand Chaplain; eulogies, G. L., Victoria Haley; song "I surrender all," ritual, G. R. P., Sir Knight Simmons.

The regular order of business was resumed, singing "Leaning on the everlasting arms." After hearing the reports of the several committees the regular order of business was again suspended and preparation was made for the christening of the Grand Chapter twins, the little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. Roberts of 713 Hill street. H. L., M. L. Harrison of St. Louis was mistress of ceremonies, the little girls were named Esther and Ruth, the christening party was conducted to the altar where G. A. P., Sir Knight J. M. Harris performed the services appropriate to the occasion after the services the G. C., heirs were conducted to the throne where they were presented with the following gifts: a gold chain and locket to each from Electa Chapter number 28; presented by H. L., B. Woods of Hannibal, \$12 from the six chapters of St. Louis ten dollars from the United Grand Chapters, the money is to be placed in some bank on interest. After singing "The sweet story of old," the session adjourned until 9:30 Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

The United Grand Chapter was

called to order at 9 a. m., afternoon journal the Grand Lecturer exemplified the work, which was very instructive; next the election of officers, the G. R. M., appointed the following persons as tellers: Dr. Ricketts, Imogene Lawless, Artisha Fields and G. C. Kinbrough, the election resulted as follows: Mary Herriford Kansas City, G. R. M.; Sir Knight J. H. Simmons, St. Joseph, G. R. P.; France L. Bogley, of Springfield, G. R. A. M.; Sir Knight F. L. Smith, of Omaha; G. R. A. P., Sarah Dixon, Palmyra, G. T., Gertrude Sutherland, St. Louis; G. Sec., Maggie Wickin, Hannibal; G. C. G. A. C., Julia Rucker, Huntsville. After the election the Grand Chapter adjourned for lunch. The Grand Chapter was called to order to complete work, after listening to the final report of the several committees, the Grand Chapter adjourned to meet promptly at 9 o'clock for the installation of officers, Mrs. America B. Robinson of Kansas City, and G. C. Kinbrough of Richmond were the installing officer.

COLORED MEN FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

In our sister state of Illinois under the new primary law there are several Colored men aspirants, among the many we note the Hon. Albert Lane, M. D., the present member of the legislature is a candidate for the second term; Adelbert Roberts, from the first district, Oscar De Priest from the 5th district, and Mr. J. B. Scott and Mr. F. Mosely is looking after judgeship of the Municipal Court and they say that the Dr. Jas. R. White and Frank Leland of a baseball club are aspiring after County Commissioners, from all reports those are worthy young men we hope that some of them may be successful, let us push.

DOES DEMOCRACY WANT THE NEGRO VOTE.

We have repeatedly stated in plain type that the democratic party as a whole does not love the Negro, neither does he want his vote nor support. There may be a few small individuals who would not object to the Negro voting the democratic ticket, yet the great rank and file don't want him nor his vote, read what one of their governors say. "I would rather the democratic party went to defeat forever and be remembered only for its great work in the past than there should be inscribed in the Denver platform one word to catch a Negro vote or that Bryan should be elected president by the veneered savages." Gov. James K. Vardman. We wonder what will some of these so-called leaders; those street corner loud mouthed agitators with shining teeth and corrupt minds think of this at the democratic reception table, a very good desert for any black idiot who would stoop so low as to attempt to go in. Be ye not deceived, know your real friends and stay with them.

OLDEST RULER IN THE WORLD.

Perhaps but few people know that the oldest ruler in the world today is a colored man in the person of President Nord Alexis, of the Republic of Hayti. He is 88 years old, yet quite hale and active as no doubt a ruler of Hayti must be where revolution is so frequent and disturbance comes so often here of late that we sometimes think that our race is incapable of self government, yet we hope that the pearls of the Antillies will have a peaceful era for awhile. The last issue of the "Current Literature" said about General Alexis: "He is a typical full-blooded

Negro of the some what Senegambian Hayti sort. The top of the cranium is well high destitute of hair, while what remains on either side of the head is closely cropped. Its iron gray curls detracts from whatever notion of the patriarchal may attach to the personality of the oldest ruler of any nation in the world.

"The thick lips are surmounted by certain straggly hairs which the General waxes punctiliously, for he is a great admirer of the third Napoleon between whom and himself, according to the Paris daily just named his admirers, discern a striking physical resemblance.

"He speaks French in all of his intercourses with Europeans to whom he is always accessible and with whom he discusses freely every subject.

"He is a profound student of the campaigns of Napoleon Bonaparte, whose mass theory of tactics he exemplified in his own many battles in the northern Haytian hills for the freedom of his country.

"It is admitted by all Haytians that Alexis is first and foremost a soldier, but he is likewise honest and a humane disposition. What foundation there maybe for the rumors that he has immense wealth no one in Hayti seems to know. He lives within his income twenty-four thousand dollars a year—the presidential salary. Alexis has been voted in recent periods liberal extra sums for traveling expenses—as much as fifteen thousand dollars annually."

CEGAR RAPIDS NOTES.

On Monday evening July 28th., Mrs. J. Brooks was hostess of a lawn social for the benefit of the church. The social was well attended and a neat sum realized.

Miss Aellen Martin returned home last week from Bell Paine where she has been visiting friends for the past three weeks. She was accompanied by her friend Miss Agnes Marshall.

Mrs. Raspberry entertained the J. S. Y., at its last meeting a pleasant afternoon was spent by those present.

Rev. A. Ford is entertaining his nephew Mr. Ford, of Pennsylvania.

The annual picnic of the church and Sunday school was held at Riverside Park last Thursday. A large crowd was present and a general good time enjoyed by all young and old.

Rev. A. Ford was host of a lawn social given last Monday evening for the benefit of O. F.

Mrs. Frances Milligan returned Thursday from an extended trip to Des Moines accompanied by her friend Mrs. Miller, of Hoboken, N. Y.

Mrs. Emma Green of Toledo, Ia., who has been the guest of Mrs. Raspberry, for the past week was the victim of a pleasant surprise party Monday evening.

The Normal class was formally organized last Sunday evening with Prof. W. B. Lowery president, Mrs. A. M. Boyd secretary, Mrs. Adelaide Perkins, treasurer. The class will meet each Sunday evening at 6:45.

Scholars have been warned to prepare for rigid tests or "Rapid fire quiz" as the Prof. calls them.

Members and friends of Bethel A. M. E. church are pleasantly anticipating the song recital to be given at the church some time during the second week in August by Mrs. John Trent of Burlington. Mrs. Trent will be assisted by local musical talent.

Mrs. A. E. Price has gone to visit her parents in Ottumwa.

Enterprise, Iowa.

D. T. Mosely and son were at Colfax Sunday. Mrs. Mosely is there for her health.

Mrs. Robert Hunter is just recovering from an attack of rheumatism.

The Enterprise Coal Company are to install electric motors with Mr. Walter Finkas motorman.

Mrs. Phil Sorrell and Mrs. Franklin make two very successful fishing trips last week.

Friends of Mrs. Franklin gave her a surprise party at the residence of Mrs. Phil Sorrell Thursday evening, all had a delightful time.

Will Graham was hurt in the mines Tuesday morning, he is getting along nicely.

There was a good ball game here between Colored Enterprise team and the white team, the score 3 to 5 in favor of the Colored boys. Will Berry was umpire.

There was a ball game Sunday between Enterprise and Mitchellville. The score was 6 to 0, Dan Pope was umpire.

J. E. Ousley was a busy caller in the city Sunday.

Rev. Jones of Ottumwa preached a good sermon Wednesday evening at Mr. Olive Baptist church.

Mrs. Eva King gave an entertainment for the church Saturday evening. Geo Lewis our faithful constable, was in the city on business Saturday.

El. Bennet of New Saylor was visiting friends here Sunday.

A J. Thompson was in town Saturday.

Mr. Phil Sorrell our popular barber and mechant was in the city on business Saturday.

PROPER EVEN IN HIS SNORING.

Fallen Dandy Evidently Was Ideal King's Messenger.

When Beau Brummell, the celebrated dandy, was, in consequence of his fallen fortunes, residing at Calais, he had occasion to visit Paris. Through the kindness of the consul at the former place, he was enabled to accompany a king's messenger to the capital, and thus travel free of expense.

When the messenger returned, the consul was curious to know how he and his aristocratic companion had fraternized upon the road. "What kind of a traveling companion did you find Mr. Brummell?" asked he. "Oh, a very pleasant one, indeed, sir; very pleasant," replied the messenger. "Ah! And what did he say?" "Say, sir? Nothing! He slept the whole way." "Slept the whole way! Do you call that being pleasant? Perhaps he snored!" The messenger acknowledged that Brummell did so, but immediately, as if fearful of casting an improper reflection upon so great a personage, added, with great gravity: "Yet I can assure you, sir, Mr. Brummell snored very much like a gentleman!"

SUPERSTITION HARD TO DOWN.

Level-Headed City Men Fight Shy of Number Thirteen.

Of all classes of people, the business man has been justly given credit for being the most balanced and the least subject to emotional influences. Yet superstition occasionally shows itself in the commercial world in a way that is often very disconcerting to the realist.

"Have a thirteenth floor in this building?" queries a port owner of one of the famous office buildings in New York. "Never! The thirteenth floor is sometimes difficult to rent; tenants would prefer to go higher or lower."

"The 13 hoodoo affects more otherwise sane men than is acknowledged. Many of the most famous business buildings in the country have no thirteenth floor—the fourteenth story follows the twelfth. By following this plan we take the least risk. As the names of tenants are arranged alphabetically on the directory the omission is seldom noticed."—System.

Mean Joke of Doctor.

The celebrated French physician, Ricord, was one day walking along the boulevards in Paris, when he met an old gentleman who was very rich, but who was at the same time noted for his extreme stinginess. The old man, who was somewhat of a hypochondriac, imagined that he could get some medical advice from Ricord without paying for it. "Doctor, I am feeling very poorly." "Where do you suffer most?" "In my stomach, doctor." "Ah, that's bad. Please shut your eyes. That's right. Now put out your tongue, so that I can examine it closely." The invalid did as he was told. After he had waited patiently for about ten minutes, he opened his eyes, and found himself surrounded by a crowd, who supposed that he was crazy. Dr. Ricord, in the meantime, had disappeared.

Crow Destroyed Pheasant Eggs.

A party of boys while hunting for flowers discovered a pheasant's nest on the farm owned by Albert Hackett, north of this village, a few days ago. They visited the locality of the nest daily to see when the mother bird would begin to set, as at that time the eggs in the nest numbered 13.

The other day when some of the party made the visit, a crow was found in possession of the nest, and when it was driven away it was discovered that each pheasant's egg had been punctured by the crow's bill and the contents sucked out, so that nothing but shells were in the nest.—Manchester Correspondent Rochester Herald.

Status to Women.

In the streets of London there are only five statues to women. Four of these are queens and the fifth is Mrs. Siddons, whose statue as the tragic muse is in Paddington Green.

In the matter of memorial tablets women fare no better, as out of fully 100 affixed to houses where celebrated people dwell only four have women's names upon them. These commemorate Fanny Burney (Mrs. D'Arblay), Joanna Baillie, Elizabeth Barrett Browning and Mrs. Siddons.

Blood Heat.

The normal temperature of the human body is about 98½ degrees, Fahrenheit. This is known as blood heat, and is maintained within one or two degrees, whether in the arctic or tropical regions. In the animal kingdom mammals have about the same temperature as man; birds are warmer than man by eight or ten degrees, while reptiles, fishes and all invertebrates differ only slightly from the temperature of the medium in which they live.

The One Place.

"In this age of graft and muck rakers," remarked the cheerful idiot, "there is at least one place where honesty and truth may always be found."

"For goodness' sake, where?" queried the doubting Thomas.

"In the dictionary," answered the s. l. as he hurriedly left the dining room.

Babies Falling Off.

French economists noted with apprehension the shrinkage of the birth rate.

"At this decline," they reasoned, "the soothing syrup and kindred industries are going to the bad."

Thereupon they called a convention to talk it over.

Canton has fewer than 500 foreign residents. 'Tis said this will be a record year for mosquitoes in Jersey. In other words, it's to be a hummer.

Thank heaven, our presidential campaigns have never been complicated by a poem from the mill of Alfred Austin.

A Philadelphia girl bought 32 shirt-waists at one time. And then people talk about the women going fast over the directorate gown.

In the French schools in Algiers and Tunis the Arabic boys sit with the French in school, but out of school they do not mix much.

Again the experts are pointing to the dangers that lurk in the ice cream dish, but we are raising a generation of courageous young women.

An old-fashioned plow on the sidewalk in front of a store in Day street, New York attracted a crowd. One man asked how it was used.

The fact that Castro's pictures make him look a little like John Philip Sousa does not endear him to Washington as much as might be expected.

Every now and then the conscience fund gets a contribution so large as to suggest vast damage done to the treasury by people who fall to repent.

A jeweler says that skyscrapers are had on watches. One cannot safely drop one, we know from experience, from any height above the twelfth floor.

Sign on a window of a New York East side bakery: "Look Out for the Dog." Underneath, which was written in chalk: "And Don't Get the Rabbits."

A university professor says that he has demonstrated that women have two souls. But he has not undertaken to find out how many minds one of them has.

One of the rarest specimens in the world of the zebra has been received at the New York zoological garden—rarer even than predatory wealth in stripes.

The Chicago court who broke a woman's fast by compelling her to take food is the first court to go on record as standing for the square meal as the square deal.

Hetty Green has quit her expensive apartments. Probably she thought she didn't care to buy the hotel once a week if she couldn't own it and collect rent after paying for it.

The Moscow municipal council has decided to celebrate Tolstoy's eightieth birthday by opening a public library and giving the count's name to the school he attended in his youth.

Don't feel discouraged if none of the colleges has added any capital letters to your name during this commencement season. Next year they may remedy the unaccountable omission.

Prince Helle is not to have control over the estate of his wife, but then, with the pul he has at headquarters, he ought to do fairly well as a chairman of the advisory committee on finances.

"Well done, Johnnie! My best wishes and good luck to you," exclaimed King Edward to his equerry after the wedding. That's considerably more genial and jovial than the customary stiff royal nod.

Anarchy is a mark of disease in the view of a Memphis physician. He finds anarchistic ideas conclusive evidence of insanity, and would commit all anarchists as dangerous lunatics, thus making them harmless.

"Everything is charming, and I find the American men and women very lovely," says an Englishwoman who is at present visiting America. The lady's use of adjectives indicates that English and American femininity are delightfully alike.

President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton declared in his baccalaureate address this year that the great need of the country is men with "moral initiative." We thought one of the troubles of the country is its excessive supply of men who initiate new and wondrous ideas in morals.

It is understood that the college and university tailenders will supplement Prof. Lowell's investigation of the relations of high scholarship and success in life with some conspicuous illustrations of their own triumphs over difficulties. Their contention in their own behalf will be based on the Emersonian proposition that university rank is likely to be inverted in 30 years.

The automobile is growing in favor here and abroad. But the horse is not entirely supplanted. In some respects he is more popular than ever. As an indication of this may be cited the national exhibit now held under the supervision of the French government, at which animals have been purchased for Americans at prices ranging from \$4,000 to \$5,000. The horses, which are Percherons, used for draft purposes, will be sent to this country with a view to improving the native stock. There are many uses to which equines can be put profitably.

A western woman gets right down to hard pan in talking about the rights of her sex. She wrote to the congressman of her district, explains the Detroit Free Press, asking information as to the treatment of her sick child, and was informed that he could do nothing for the little one. Later her husband wrote about a sick hog and in a few days learned from the agricultural department just how to cure it. Thereupon the wife talks out loud about those who take umbrage at race suicide, especially those in authority at Washington.

Iowa State News

Events of Recent Occurrence Throughout the Commonwealth.

SHERIFFS TO SUE.

Cases Involving Many Thousands to Be Instituted.

Webster City.—The Iowa Sheriffs' association has plans afoot to bring suits against practically every county in Iowa. These suits, involving tens of thousands of dollars, will be brought by the sheriffs of the respective counties and will be claims for portions of alleged unpaid back salary for five years, the statute of limitations barring claims older than this. It is claimed that in counties where the sheriff has but one deputy, which includes most of the counties, the salary of the deputy should be paid by the county. Each sheriff now pays his deputy from his own salary, and the claim is now made that these officials should pay deputy salary only where they have more than one.

A case involving this point has just been tried in Fayette county and the sheriff won. It is the decision of the Fayette county court that forms the basis for the action of the state sheriffs' association. The Fayette case has been appealed to the supreme court, and the state association of sheriffs has decided to fight the case there to a standstill. In case the lower court is sustained, action against practically every county in the state will follow.

Sheriff Thompson of this city attended the state meeting at Davenport. At the end of the present year he will retire from office, having served five years. His salary allowance is \$1,800, out of which he pays his deputy \$600. In the event that the Fayette decision is affirmed, he would have a claim of \$3,000 against Hamilton county, and this is probably below the average of what other claims over the state would amount to. When the sheriffs of the state met last year, this question was discussed, and it was practically made the case then pending in the Fayette county court. The supreme court's construction of this matter will be awaited with unusual interest in practically every county in Iowa.

MARRIES HANS ALBERT.

Ceremony is Performed Through Prison Bars.

Cripple Creek, Colo.—Hans Albert, the eccentric fiddler, and Miss Grace Handzell of Ottumwa, Iowa, were married in the prison on the 27th. The minister who performed the ceremony has been cited to appear before the county judge for contempt and an order has been issued upon the jailer to keep Hans Albert from everyone. Miss Handzell's father, who is here, declares the marriage illegal.

Miss Handzell left her home in Ottumwa and it was several hours before her family knew of her departure. Her father learned of her intentions to go to Colorado to marry Hans Albert and made the wires hot in an effort to stop the marriage. He arrived on the scene of action in time, but missed a cog the day following. Albert is an eccentric character with a country-wide reputation. He came to Ottumwa twenty years ago and opened a studio. Later he took to drink and was broken down in mind and health when he left for Colorado a few years ago. In Colorado he was sent to the insane asylum, but later was paroled. He has been corresponding with Miss Handzell for some time.

POTOMINE POISONS CHILDREN.

Seven Are Laid Out in Row on Keokuk Porch.

Keokuk.—Seven children all laid out in a row on the front porch, sick with potomine poisoning from eating ice cream were attended to by Dr. Hughes, who was called to the residence of A. S. Cooper. The children were from three families and were part of the wholesale lot of poisoned people who ate some ice cream at Hamilton. The adults were also sick, but not so severe as the children, and one other child was taken sick but not as bad as the others. The whole party of a dozen were poisoned by the ice cream.

To Compel Saloon To Go.

Dubuque.—Joseph Needham, plaintiff in the several cases against Mayor Schunk has filed affidavits showing that H. A. Schunk's liquor house, which the mayor declares he has no interest in, is within the 300-foot limit of the Christian Science church, contrary to the provisions of the malt law.

The amusing feature of the case is that there are two other places which sell liquor closer to the church than the Schunk concern. Schunk best Needham once for election as mayor and once before the primaries for the nomination.

Jeweler Suicides.

Marengo.—Ed Eckert, a leading jeweler of this city and prominent as an automobilist, was found dead near South Amana. Suicide is supposed to be the cause of death. He has been in poor health for some time. He leaves a wife and several young children.

Cramps Cause Drownings.

Waterloo.—Russell Mumper, 19 years of age, while bathing in the Cedar river south of here, was taken with cramps and drowned before assistance could reach him. He was a strong swimmer.

MORTGAGE IS LEFT.

Missouri River Plays Queer Prank in Mills County.

Red Oak.—A very interesting law case has just been taken under advisement by Judge Thornell of the district court. The question is "Who shall pay the mortgage on a farm which the Missouri has swallowed up?" The farm in question is known as the old Dwight Bennett place in St. Mary's township, Mills county, northwest of Glenwood.

Originally the Bennett farm comprised 116 acres. There is now left about twenty-five acres. The other ninety-one acres of good black soil has disappeared down the remorseless maw of the Big Muddy. As the river approached it, the farm became trading property, and various people have owned it in the past eleven years.

In October, 1897, it was the property of John and Ed Van Kirk of Silver City. They executed a mortgage on the land for \$2,500 to the New England Loan and Trust company, which later disposed of the mortgage to the Ludlow concern, the plaintiff in the case.

In December, 1900, the land was traded to W. C. Gunn of Fort Scott, Kas., Gunn taking a deed in blank. Gunn in the following January traded the land to Robert Morris of Glenwood, filing in the latter's name in the space left blank in the deed given by the Van Kirks. This deed provided that the land was subject to the \$2,500 mortgage.

Later on Morris sold the land to a man by the name of Jones at Malvern, the deed specifying that he was to assume the mortgage. Jones then sold the land to William Clites of Emerson under the same conditions. Clites in turn conveyed the land to a man by the name of Williams, who afterward sold the farm to Mrs. Grace Bingham of Malvern, the present owner.

When sued on the note given with the mortgage, the Van Kirks replied by demanding that all the other parties to the trade be made equally responsible. Judge Thornell has taken the case under advisement after having dismissed the case as to Robert Morris. He is reported as having intimated that the judgment would be rendered against the Van Kirks, but is taking time to further consider the liability of the other parties to the suit.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE.

County Attorney Says He will Summon Election Officers.

Des Moines.—County Attorney Lawrence DeGraff states that he intends to have the judges and clerks of the Third precinct of the Second ward in the recent primary election summoned before the grand jury and interrogated with respect to how a mistake of fifty-six votes occurred in that precinct. Congressman J. A. T. Hull gained fifty-six in that precinct on the recount by the board of supervisors. About 700 ballots were cast. There has been much speculation as to how twenty-eight ballots marked for Hull came to be counted for Prouty in the congressional contest.

Many unofficial explanations for the discrepancy have been advanced. County Attorney DeGraff apparently has not been satisfied with the informal explanations, and will now get the story into the official records. He understands that there is full authority within the law for summoning the election officers before the grand jury and interrogating them with respect to what happened at the polls in the Third of the Second the night of June 2, 1908.

News that the grand jury will make inquiry into the situation in this precinct, at least, is supposed, will be received by the politicians with great interest. It is understood that the inquiry which the grand jury will institute will not be distasteful to the officers of the election in the third of the Second.

HOLDEN TO KANSAS?

May Become Head of Agricultural School.

Ames.—The presidency of Morning-side college at Sioux City and that of Kansas State college may be filled by members of the Iowa State college faculty. Friends of Dr. O. H. Cessna, professor of history and physiology, are said to be urging him for the former position, while for the latter professor P. G. Holden is being considered. Both gentlemen possess in the very highest degree the essential qualifications of the successful administrator. It is known here that neither of them has done, or will do anything to secure an election. In fact friends have urged them not to consider a proposition or accept should positions be tendered. Both are happily situated here and friends of the college and state hope they may not be tempted to leave.

Boy Near Death in Grain Pit.

Boone.—A son of Jacob Hearst of Ogden was nearly swallowed up in an elevator. Sucking grain drew the lad in up to his neck. His cries brought workmen to the boy and he was rescued just in time.

Mosquito Poisons Boy.

Elma.—Chris, the 1-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hebrank, living near Alta Vista, is suffering from blood poisoning in the leg as the result of a mosquito bite.

Brakes Shoulder Bladed.

Mount Pleasant.—Leo Smith, 15 years old, fell from a load of oats and broke his shoulder blade and was badly bruised.



His Line Caught on a Snag and Parted.

SANDS DIES AWFUL DEATH.

VANDERBILT'S STEPSON DIES IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

Smash-up and Explosion of Motor Car Occurs Near Steptower's Beautiful Country Seat.

Paris.—In one of the most terrible automobile accidents in many years in France G. Winthrop Sands, a stepson of W. K. Vanderbilt, was killed Wednesday morning just outside the grounds of Mr. Vanderbilt's beautiful country seat, the Chateau St. Louis de Polisy, 20 miles from Paris.

Mr. Sands was driving his 50-horse power car along at a terrific clip, in a desire to reach the chateau, where Mrs. Sands and her infant daughter were staying. He had always been known as a reckless driver and, as he had been delayed at railroad crossings, he opened the throttle wide as he approached the chateau grounds.

Almost immediately a tire burst and the machine crashed into a tree, turning turtle and burying Mr. Sands under the forward part and pinning the chauffeur, Pickins, to the ground. An explosion followed and in a moment the car was in flames.

Peasants working in the adjoining fields were the only witnesses to the accident. They rushed to the rescue, but fearing a further explosion of the gasoline tank and deterred by the onset of flames, they stood idly by, not knowing how to give assistance to the injured man. Finally they managed to raise the rear of the car and release the chauffeur, and a little later, after beating down the fire, they dragged out the torn, bleeding and burned body of Sands.

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TYPHOON SWEEPS HONG-KONG.

Many Chinese Residents Are Killed and Steamers Stranded.

Manila.—A destructive typhoon swept over Hong-Kong at midnight Monday night, causing heavy loss of life among the Chinese residents and unroofing many buildings. The typhoon caused tempestuous seas which resulted in several steamers being driven ashore. There was no loss of life reported among the foreign inhabitants.

The crew of the British cruiser Astraea performed gallant service in attempting to rescue the Chinese crew of a derelict junk. After battling desperately in the mountainous seas for over an hour the Britishers succeeded in rescuing six out of a total of 13.

Oil Company Fined \$10,000. Little Rock, Ark.—The several suits pending against the Waters Pierce Oil company in the circuit court here, charging violation of the anti-trust laws of the state and illegal discrimination, were terminated Monday when the attorneys for the defendant company agreed to a compromise penalty of \$10,000.

Train Derailed; Twenty Hurt. Sault Ste. Marie.—A Soo line passenger train bound to the Soo from Minneapolis left the track Monday afternoon four miles out, three cars jumping into the ditch. Twenty were injured, but none fatally.

Fight on Arkansas Rate Laws. St. Paul, Minn.—Stockholders for all the railroads in Arkansas Tuesday applied to Judge Willis Vandeventer of the United States circuit court here for an injunction restraining the railroad commissioners of Arkansas from enforcing the railroad rate laws of that state.

Admiral Cowles to Retire. Washington.—Announcement was made at the navy department of the retirement on August 1 of Rear Admiral W. S. Cowles.

Hazel Drew Was Murdered. Troy, N. Y.—That Hazel Drew was murdered and her body thrown into a pond to make it appear as though she had committed suicide was practically established Monday by the testimony taken at the inquest into her death held at Averil Park.

Girl Swallowed by Quicksands. New York.—Entrapped in quicksands in a hole into which she had fallen in her back yard, Angelina Evangelista, an Italian girl living on Coney Island avenue, lost her life.

A TERRIBLE CONDITION.

Tortured by Sharp Twinges, Shooting Pains and Dizziness.

Hiram Center, 518 South Oak street, Lake City, Minn., says: "I was so bad with kidney trouble that I could not straighten up after stooping without sharp pains shooting through my back. I had dizzy spells, was nervous and my eyesight affected. The kidney secretions were irregular and too frequent. I was in a terrible condition, but Doan's Kidney Pills have cured me and I have enjoyed perfect health since."

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SAVAGE FLING AT AUDIENCE.

Inebriated Orator Resented Disapproval of His Condition.

"Like many a statesman of the past," said Senator Beveridge, "he drank too much. And one Fourth of July morning, on a platform hung with flags and flowers before the courthouse of a country town, facing an audience of farmers and their families that had come from miles around, the statesman arose to deliver the independence day oration in a slightly intoxicated state."

"He was not incapable of an oration, but his unsteady gait, his flushed face and disordered attire spoke ill of him, and the audience hissed. "He held up his hand. They were silent. Then he laughed scornfully and said:

"Ladies and gentlemen, when a statesman of my prominence consents to appear in such a little, one-horse town as this, he must be either drunk or crazy. I prefer to be considered an inebriate."—Washington Star.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Decollete. "Did you see Mrs. Locutte at the hop last night?" asked Mrs. Gaddie. "Yes," replied her husband. "This morning's paper says she was dressed entirely in black. Is that so?" "Well—er—no. I wouldn't say that she was dressed entirely."—Philadelphia Press.

More Than Prof. Cautious Official—Has your friend tact and administrative ability? Enthusiastic Indorser—He never umpired a baseball game yet where anybody kicked.

One came with a dress she wanted to send to a daughter at school; one brought patterns of dry goods, with a request that Mrs. Lyman would purchase and bring home dresses for a family of five. And would she go to the orphan asylum and see if a good child of ten could be bound out to another neighbor? Would Mrs. Lyman bring the child back with her?

The neighbors walked into the library, where the packing was going on, and when all the family trunks were filled my father called out heartily: "Here, Hiram, bring down another trunk from the garret, the largest you can find, to hold all these parcels!"

A little boy came timidly in with a bundle nearly as large as himself, and "would this be too large for Mrs. Lyman to carry to grandmother?"

"No, indeed. Tell your mother I'll carry anything short of a cooking stove."

"Another trunk, Hiram," said my father, "and ask the driver to wait five minutes."

Those were the times when people could wait five minutes for a family so well known, and beloved. Our driver had only to whip up his horses a little faster.—Youth's Companion.

Eminently Practical. The manager of the combination refreshment and music hall was grumpy on Tuesday morning. One of the first persons he interviewed was the leader of the new orchestra.

"What do you mean," he said, "by such spelling as you favored us with in this place last night?"

The conductor was floored by the unexpected attack.

"I don't understand," he said. "My men played well. I'll bet a ten-dollar hat that they produced the best music that was ever heard inside this hall. The applause of the audience proved that."

"That's just what I'm complaining about," growled the manager. "They played too well. It isn't profitable—no to me, at any rate—to play too well in a place of this kind. Extraordinarily good music cuts down sales. I want you to furnish good music, but when the orchestra outdoes itself people get so interested that they just listen and forget to order drinks. Custom fell off ten per cent. last night, in spite of the record crowd, all on account of your men's expert fiddling. Hereafter lower your standard to a level that will not charm away thirst."

Clearing It Up. "To which is a man most closely related," said the genealogist, "his first divorced wife's second husband or his present wife's first divorced husband?"

"So far as I can see, one is as close as the other," said a thoughtful friend.

"So I should say," said the genealogist, "but Billy Bowen must have figured out a difference. Anyhow, when his first wife's second husband died Billy went to a ball game, but when his present wife's first husband died he went into mourning. I can't understand that."

"I can," said the thoughtful friend. "Billy's present wife was on the point of divorcing him as the only remedy her first husband. Now that he is dead she has decided to stick to Billy."

"Ah," said the genealogist.

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National Negro Business League.

The ninth annual meeting of the National Negro Business League is to be held in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 19-20-21, 1903.

The sessions of the league will be held in the Sharp street Methodist church. A. I. of the night sessions are to be held in Richmond Market Hall, formerly used by the crack Fifth Maryland Regiment of Baltimore, and recently by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Richmond Market Hall is one of the most satisfactory assembly rooms in the whole city of Baltimore. The League is indebted to the Baltimore Negro Business League, of which Harry T. Pratt is president for securing this splendid hall for the use of the League.

His Honor Mayor J. Barry Mooool, aided the Baltimore League in having this hall secured for the meetings. Upon the petition of Mr. Pratt and other members of the local Negro Business League, the city council of Baltimore has passed two resolutions of interest to the organization, one providing for the electrical illumination by the city of Druid Hill avenue during the sessions of the National Negro Business League, and the other, for the use of the largest steamer belonging to the City Harbor Board during convention week. Hon. Harry S. Cummings, a member of the city council, has given the weight of his influence toward having these two resolutions passed by the city council.

The citizens of Baltimore are well organized in various committees and are earnestly at work arranging the details of entertainment, etc., for the delegates. Officers, life members and delegates, who are intending to be present, are urged to write Dr. Louis H. Henderson, 1418 Druid Hill avenue, Baltimore, advising him of such intention, so that proper accommodations may be provided.

Citron Tree and the Bible.

Was the citron tree the tree of knowledge of good and evil in the garden of Eden? Some persons think it was. In any event, it appears that "citron" would often be the right rendering in passages where the authorized version of the Bible gives "apple." For instance, in the Proverbs, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." And in the Song of Solomon, "As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons." And again, "Stay me with figs, comfort me with apples, for I am sick of love."

ALBIA NOTES.

Mr. Donald Thomas was quite sick a part of this week.

The Chicago Champions, Colored played ball in Albia with the White Sox, the Champion won the game.

Miss Frances Walker of Des Moines, collector and general agent for the Iowa State Bystander spent Thursday in Albia on business.

Mr. Richs of Buxton was in Albia Thursday.

A number of Buxtonites and people from Hooking attended the ball game in Albia Tuesday.

There was a lawn social at the A. M. E. church Monday evening for the benefit of the pastor.

There was a lecture at the A. M. E. church Tuesday evening on "Negro Enterprise" on Wednesday evening a sermon.

SALT CELLAR OF LONG AGO.

Was Distinctive Mark of Caste in the Middle Ages.

"This is a medieval salt cellar," said the antiquary. "It is huge, it is shaped like a castle, it is solid silver and the price—but what is the use telling the price to you? Very magnificent, eh? In the middle age, you know, the salt cellar was the principal table ornament. Guests sat above or below the salt as they were prominent or the reverse. Where you think you have never sat, eh? Quer table manners they had in those days. The fastidious had individual knives, forks and spoons, but the common people ate with their fingers. You helped yourself from the general dish with your own spoon if you had one, but if you were very fastidious you licked the spoon clean first. The food was queer—rich, rank food—swans, herons, porcupines, garlic, verjuice, saffron. There was mead and wine in floods and ushers stood about whose duty it was to lead to convenient couches such guests as had dined too well. These ushers, being overworked, were continually striking for more pay. The hours were queer, too. Breakfast, dawn; dinner, ten o'clock; supper, four o'clock in the afternoon."

TAKING NO MORE CHANCES.

Keepers Had Special Cartridges For Poor Marksmen.

Dr. Seward Webb at a dinner at Shelburne Farms, his great Vermont estate, said of a certain poor marksman: "Visiting his English brother-in-law, he shot the head keeper in the leg the first morning he tried pheasant shooting. The man limped away cursing horribly. Next day he had watched bad luck, though the wounded head keeper went to a fairly good place. Bang, bang, bang, went his gun every few seconds, but not a bird fell before it. He was much embarrassed. It seemed, too, that at each of his misses the under keepers smiled at one another oddly. Finally his cartridges gave out. He hurried to the nearest keeper and demanded more. 'There ain't no more, sir,' the man answered. 'No more, nonsense. Why, you've got at least 1,000 in that box.' The keeper flushed and stammered: 'Ah, but them ain't for you, sir. They're for another gun. They've got shot in 'em, sir.'"

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IMPROVED FORM OF INCUBATOR.

Operated by Electricity, Better Results Are Secured.

An electric incubator has been introduced in Europe, the operation of which is said to be attended by surer results than other methods, for the reason that it is capable of finer adjustment as far as heating and ventilation are concerned. One of the most difficult features of artificial poultry rearing is a proper supply of fresh air. In the electrical incubator air is supplied from underneath, the entering fresh air coming in contact with the eggs after being properly preheated by special radiators. This ventilation is controlled by opening to a variable extent the lateral slides fixed at the top of the apparatus. It should be remembered that ventilation plays the role of maintaining the life of the germ. While an ample supply of fresh air, therefore, is extremely valuable for the development of the germ, any excess of ventilation will prove detrimental; in fact, the surplus air will exert a drying action on the contents of the eggs. In this incubator the matter of ventilation and heating is looked after automatically.

HAVE SURPLUS OF FURNITURE.

Writer Criticizes Modern Methods of House Adornment.

Most people have far too much furniture in their houses, and certainly the majority indulge in too much textile fabric. Too many curtains, too many antimacassars, too many mats and cushions, says a writer in Good Health. All these things collect and hold dust, and curtains shut out fresh air and sunshine. Carpets, especially in the rooms we sleep in, I would abolish.

The bedroom carpet is a snare, and the sooner it makes its final exit the better for the family health. That great artist and critic, William Morris, once said: "Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful. This is counsel many women might take to heart, thereby making their homes more beautiful, and undoubtedly far easier to keep clean and orderly."

A Friend.

What is the best thing in life? I queried recently. I have raised the same question aforesaid, and found the majority of responses leaned to "human affection." Surely there is nothing that comes to us by the grace of God so helpful as this "friend," who may be a husband, a wife, a sister or a brother, who knows the best of us and the worst of us, and who can love us still, ready to stand by us till the morning when our craft has grounded in the shallows or is helplessly stationary in a maelstrom vortex, when we need all the strength our God can give simply to live, my friend, simply to live! How rare friends are one soon realizes, and how priceless no words can duly say—Home Chat.

Clinched His Statement.

They were cross-examining in a Chicago court recently, a bookmaker who had been caught in the toils for playing some other game than his own. The third sub-assistant district attorney was intent upon a conviction, however, and was doing his best, none too successfully, to shake the testimony of the defendant. "You're sure of that?" he yelled, as the bookmaker stuck to an assertion that did not suit the case of the state. "Sure, I am certain," came the answer. "You remember that you are under oath?" "I do that." "And you'd swear to this statement of yours?" "Swear to it? Why, Mr. Lawyer, and judge, your honor, I'd bet a hundred on it any day."

How Coal Grows.

It takes a prodigious amount of vegetable matter to form a layer of coal, it being estimated that the present growth of the world would make a layer less than one-eighth of an inch in thickness, and that it would take a million years of vegetable growths to form a coal-bed ten feet in thickness. The United States has an area of more than 400,000 square miles of coal fields, and more than 100,000,000 tons of coal were mined in this country last year—enough to run a ring around the earth at the center 5 1/2 feet wide and 5 1/2 feet thick. Competent scientists say that there is enough coal in the United States to supply the world for the next 2,000 years.

In the Same Beat.

An old couple in Glasgow were in a very depressed state owing to dull trade.

Thinking their son in America would help them, they wrote stating their trouble, and that if he did not help them they would have to go to the poorhouse.

Three weeks passed, and then came a letter from their son, saying: "Dear Mither and Fither—Just wait another fortnight an' I'll come home an' gang wi' ye. Your affectionate son."

Boiled Down.

"Tired of hearing my 'sugary words,' are you, Pulsatilla Corkins?" howled the indignant Orlando. "Perhaps you will be kind enough to tell me, Miss Corkins, what a sugary word is? What is it made of?" "It is made, Mr. Spoonamoor," answered the fair Pulsatilla, "of verbum sap."

Without another word of any description Orlando Spoonamoor grabbed his hat and groped his way out into the darksome night. The blow had crushed him.

Devices of Defense.

What could be more perfect defense than the device of the moon hen? She sinks herself in the water beneath an overhanging root or bank, leaving only her bill in sight. And that looks like a fallen leaf. You may stand within six feet of her and she will not move, so sure is she that her ruse will succeed.—London Evening Standard.

WHY SHE "SHOOK" HER FRIEND

Shopper Preferred to Be Alone When Purchasing Shoes.

A woman sat down in the shoe department of a New York store and bade the clerk hurry. "I left a friend at the lace counter," she said, "and I want to get my shoes fitted before she gets here."

The clerk apparently appreciated the circumstances. He worked fast, and in an incredibly short time the woman had selected three satisfactory pairs of shoes.

"I wonder why she was so anxious to get through before her friend came," remarked another customer. "For the same reason that makes every woman want to shop alone when buying shoes," laughed the clerk. "She has rather a large foot, and she didn't want her friend to find out what number her shoes were. It is seldom that the purchasers of shoes shop in pairs. They may hang together when buying anything else in the store, but when it comes to shoes each woman strikes out for herself. The only exception is the woman who has an unusually small foot. She would take her whole list of acquaintances along when buying shoes if she could."

LIKE THE ORDINARY MORTAL.

High Church Dignitary Had Name to Sign to Check.

A comical story is told of the archbishop of York, who is an ardent fisherman. Not long ago he betook himself for a few days to a little Yorkshire village, which boasted a good trout stream, and put up at a clean but modest hotel.

His grace on his arrival informed the landlord who he was, and on leaving wrote a check for his bill and handed it to his host.

The landlord closely scanned the signature and asked: "What name is this?" "W. Ebor," answered his grace. "Ah," said the landlord, as he pocketed the check, "I thought you were telling me a falsehood when you told me you were the archbishop of York."

The man evidently did not know that an archbishop has a name like an ordinary person.

Pressed Clear Through.

Children have a very fair idea of what constitutes justice, and decidedly object to being punished more than they think they deserve. A bright, little seven-year-old committed some trifling misdemeanor and was taken to task very seriously by her mother. After listening some time in silence to her mother's scolding, she said: "What makes you keep talking to me so, mamma?" "Because," replied the mother, "I want to impress it upon your mind so that you won't do it again." "Well," was the response, with the faintest quiver of grief in her voice, "I think I'm pressed clear through now. What could the mother do but conclude that the lesson had been sufficiently 'pressed' for the time being, and send the little culprit about her play?"

Why Are We So Hard?

The following motto was on the wall of a woman's bedroom: "Let us take hands and help each other to-day, because we are alive together."

She is a bride of a year, and that is the sentiment with which she furnished her bedroom and tries to carry out in her everyday life. The hard blow we give with a word, the mean thought or harsh judgment recoils on ourselves. No woman who is hard and critical is happy.

Got Even with Maid.

Shirley Brooks, one time editor of Punch, was noted for his whimsical humor. "It annoys me," he said, one day, "if I am discreetly treated at the threshold of a friend's door, I remember once calling on some one and the maid, in her rudest manner told me he was not in, and shut the door in my face. I felt I must be revenged upon her somehow, so I returned after an interval of five minutes, rang the bell, and in my meekest manner mildly said: 'Did I say he was?'"

Marricd Chums.

"Has he any friends?" asked the Judge of a prisoner in the dock. "No, only a wife," was the matter-of-fact reply of the witness. Rather hard on the wife not to be counted as her husband's friend, wasn't it? It is the perfection of marriage when a couple are real chums, as we say, just as it is the perfection of parenthood when children count mother and father their real, best friends.

Looking for Trouble.

"Ever notice it?" queried the man who propounds questions in section: "Did I ever notice what?" asked the party of the audience part. "That people who meet trouble have way nearly always stand on a corner and wait for happiness to come along?" concluded the installment querist.

Depends on the Two.

"You don't believe, then, that tw can live cheaper than one?" "I do in some cases," replied Tite wad. "Two ordinary women can live cheaper than the one I married."—Kansas City Times.

At Freshman Glee Club Trials.

First Freshman—What are you doing there? You haven't any voice. Second Freshman—I know it, but I've got a dress suit.—Yale Record.

Opening Oysters by Kray.

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Back Seat Good Enough.

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