

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 list all your local news.—Ed.)

Mr. John Early spent last Sunday in Albia.

Master Chas. Turner is a little better this week.

Mr. James Ruff was sick this week, confined to his bed.

Mrs. Wm. Smith left last week for her home near Pierre, S. D.

Mrs. Samuel Bryant spent several days in Osceola this week visiting with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mathews entertained the Owl club Monday evening. Mr. Greer of Kansas City was a visitor.

Mrs. Maple Phelps, and little Esther, of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Morton at her home on Ninth street.

Mrs. E. M. Mackay left Thursday evening for Louisiana, Mo., where she will spend the summer with her parents and relatives.

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Mr. Frank Bryant and his bride of Osceola visited in our city last week as guest of his brother, Mr. Samuel Bryant on West 8th st.

The church known as the African Baptist church, pastored by Rev. F. Max, was struck last Saturday night by lightning and the cupola was torn down, doing considerable damage.

The new pastor of Burns M. E. church has arrived in the city with his wife, and are located at the parsonage here they will be glad to meet the members and friends of the church.

The Bystander collector will soon set out on the annual collecting trip. This is a hint to the honest and thoughtful subscribers that they should save their dues and pay when called on.

The Rev. E. P. Geiger, former pastor of Burns M. E. church, was seen on our streets this week. There seems to be some attraction here for the reverend.

The Masons of North Star Lodge No. 2 are preparing to give a very well entertained on Thursday evening June 24th, at Kromer's Hall. Invitations are now being printed and a large number of visitors from out of the city are expected to be present.

The great lecture by Prof. Kelly Miller, Dean of arts and science, of Howard University, will be delivered at the M. E. church Thursday evening, June 10th. All are invited.

Mrs. Henry Roberts, one of the society ladies of Minneapolis, Minn., will arrive in our city to visit with her many friends. While here she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde, 817 East Fourteenth street. It will be remembered that Mrs. Roberts visited the city about four years ago.

Visitors in the city attending the Kelly Miller lecture, Odd Fellows or household of Ruth meetings are invited to call at the Bystander office, over 21 Seventh street, when down town, for information or rest.

Next week our city and society will be enlivened by the presence of Prof. Kelly Miller at the A. M. E. church, the annual meeting of the Odd Fellows, the Household of Ruth's annual meeting. The officers of the order are Miss Lattie Thomas, D. M. N. G. of Ft. Madison; Mrs. J. H. Holmes, D. G. R. of Colfax, and Mrs. Carrie Law, D. G. R. of Des Moines. They will give an entertainment Wednesday evening at the Odd Fellows hall. They are expecting a large crowd this year.

DES MOINES NEGRO LYCEUM
The Des Moines Negro Lyceum met Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. Branham Hyde. After the business session, the following program was rendered: Echoes from the Iowa Federation, Mrs. H. W. Hughes; Negroes in Spanish-American War, Mr. Branham Hyde; Decoration Day, Mr. Jesse Graves. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. W. Hughes, 2014 Center street. The program is as follows: Quotations from Dunbar; piano solo, Miss Margaret LaCour; biography of Dunbar, H. W. Hughes; reading from Dunbar, Miss Jessie Reeves; Duet, violin and piano, Miss Colleen and Edna Alexander; reading from Dunbar, Miss Ione Wilson; violin selection, Mr. W. Warrick; reading, Miss Jessie Bell.

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NOTICE.

Special invitation is extended to the citizens and well wishers of the colored Odd Fellows of Iowa, who will assemble here June 8th, 9th and 10th, for their Twenty-seventh Annual District Grand Lodge.

On Wednesday night June 9th, the Sisters of H. H. of R. will give a grand surprise social in Odd Fellows Hall, Ninth and Park streets. Admission on this night will be free; everyone invited.

Afternoon of June 10th, the grand street parade will take place at 5 o'clock, two bands will be in the parade.

At 8 o'clock June 10th the installation of the D. G. officers will take place in Kromer's hall, Sixth and Locust streets. As soon as the installation is over Kromer's full orchestra will strike up the Grand March, which will be followed by the Odd Fellows annual ball.

Come one and all and have a good time. Admission \$1.00 per couple or 75 cents single tickets.

Refreshments of all kinds will be served.

Committee: Frank P. Johnson, Oscar Davis and others.

WOMEN'S STATE FEDERATION CONVENTION.

Last Thursday closed the annual meeting of the Iowa State Woman's Federation of Colored Women held at Ottumwa. The whole three days session was filled with good programs and many excellent papers, eloquent speeches and many vocal and instrumental pieces. The good advice and excellent instruction that was received, and different topics with the discussion that each paper brought forth made the session quite interesting and beneficial.

The first day was given over to the appointment of committees receiving delegates and reports of various committees. In the evening a reception was held styled the "citizens night" and the local clubs with many of the Ottumwa citizens filled the A. M. E. church to its full capacity. The second day was devoted to the president's annual address, and papers on the different subjects. The principle papers and addresses were delivered by Mrs. LeRoy Tucker of Buxton, subject "Must the True Negro Music Become Obsolete," Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, subject "Opportunities for Women in Newspaper Work," Mrs. C. B. Lewis' annual address was very good; also echo from the National Convention by Mrs. E. B. Elliston of Des Moines was interesting.

Among the men who addressed the meeting were Henry E. Williams of Ottumwa, LeRoy Tucker secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Buxton; Dr. Edward A. Carter spoke on "Tuberculosis a Social Question," and Atty S. Joe Brown of Des Moines delivered an address. Some of the stellar musical and vocal numbers were those rendered by Miss Grace Brown of Marshalltown, Misses Leola Downey and Edna Martin of Ottumwa, and Misses Marguerite Gardner and Lena Cheslie.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. B. Lewis of Davenport; first vice president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines; second vice president Mrs. Alice Mitchell of Burlington, recording secretary, Mrs. Harry Horne of Cedar Rapids; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Ashby of Keokuk; treasurer, Mrs. Alice Thompson of Muscatine; chaplain, Mrs. Mary Cheshire of Ottumwa; state organizer, Mrs. E. B. Elliston; editor of the Iowa Colored Woman, Mrs. A. L. DeMond of Buxton. Next annual meeting will be held at Des Moines.

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Unique Entertainment Given by a Committee of Ladies For the Benefit of the Carlton Avenue Branch (Brooklyn) Y. M. C. A. Appreciated.

The entertainment which was given recently by a committee of ladies for the benefit of the Carlton avenue branch of the Y. M. C. A., Brooklyn, N. Y., R. P. Hamlin secretary, was a most successful affair.

One of the most interesting as well as amusing features of the program was the dramatization of "Mary and Her Lamb," in which Lillian C. Dodson, ten years of age, displayed unusual ability as a schoolmistress. The various striking poses of the weavers drew forth rounds of applause from a most appreciative audience. The presentation of the drama of "Sleeping Beauty," with Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Foster as king and queen, Louis Bruce as prince and Miss Minnie McKinney as sleeping beauty, was greatly enhanced by the beautiful costumes.



Mrs. Harry E. Foster, one of the fairies who promouetted about and expressed keen enjoyment in the final realization of their prophesies. The fairy drill, which followed, was exceedingly well executed and showed carefulness of training. The wand drill by a group of boys and the Indian club drill by the young ladies demonstrated the advantages of athletic training. The grace and ease of the performers were remarked by many present. The artists assisting in the musical part of the program were Miss Elizabeth S. Delapierre and Miss Henrietta Hearsey, pianists; Misses Cockrane, vocalists; Miss Lella Thorne, reader, and little Marion Bruce, soloist, who captivated the audience by her dramatic rendition of "Better Be Good."

The committee of arrangements, together with the hundred patronesses, is to be congratulated upon the presentation of one of the most unique and interesting programs ever given before a Brooklyn audience. Many requests have been made for its repetition at an early date.

The program was in charge of Miss Mary A. Kearns of New York and Miss Fannie M. Perkins, assisted by



Mrs. A. L. Brown. The committee of arrangements was as follows: Mrs. Alexander L. Brown, secretary; Mrs. Matthew B. Russell, treasurer; Mrs. George H. Harris, Mrs. Eugene Henderson, Mrs. Thomas P. Moseley, Mrs. Charles F. Murrow, Mrs. John S. Parsons, Mrs. Harry L. Foster, Mrs. Mary Hardy, Mrs. Robert L. Williams, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Frances Brown, Mrs. P. H. Quarles, Mrs. A. W. Wiley, Mrs. E. E. Gray, Miss Frances Braxton, Mrs. Edward L. Faulcon, Mrs. N. B. Dodson, Mrs. Hugh S. Newton, Mrs. Frederick S. Hunter, Mrs. Cora Proctor, Mrs. Fields M. Booker, Mrs. Mary E. Jackson, Mrs. M. J. Zeno, Mrs. Isalah J. Walker, Mrs. Laura G. Hall.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The summer vacation for the public schools will begin on June 18; many will graduate and enter the field of life, choosing their vocations for their future.

The entertainment given by the staff of the Afro-American Advance Monday evening May 31, at Simon's hall, was largely attended and was a success both socially and financially.

Mr. Wm. Carter of St. Paul, Minn., came to our city last week for a short stay. He is the guest of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Newman.

Mrs. A. E. Morgan who went to Ottumwa on the 24 of May as a delegate to the Woman's Federation, returned home Friday reporting a very pleasant time.

Rev. H. F. Abner, A. M. B. D., of Chicago will fill the pulpit Sunday morning at Mt. Zion Baptist church. He is the guest of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reid.

The Sioux Valley Association of the Baptist churches will convene at Akaron, Ia., June 14, and Rev. J. C. Reid will give an address on Spiritual Decline of Modern Churches.

Mr. Potts has organized a juvenile orchestra and the future looks bright for them. They made their first appearance before the public at the entertainment given by the paper staff.

Mr. W. L. Johnson of Quincy, Ill., is in the city for an indefinite time.

Miss Carrie Green of Carroll, Ia., arrived in the city last Thursday for a visit with her brothers, Messrs. Jasper and Henry Green.

The A. I. P. club will meet with Mrs. Hudson on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Joseph Baker left Saturday with Mr. Ohltre, who will tour in his auto through Iowa and Illinois. They expect to be gone a month.

Misses Hester Allison and Minnie Simpson left Saturday for Ft. Scott, Kansas, for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. John Williams who has been confined to her home for several weeks with the neuralgia of the heart is able to be out, which is pleasing to her many friends.

Mr. George Washington, one of our old pioneer citizens, is falling fast in health. He is known by all as father Washington.

Rev. E. Knight filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. He was greeted by a nice size congregation.

The collector will soon be around and he will catch those who are back in their dues for said paper, if they don't look out.

GALESBURG NOTES.

Mrs. Edith Moor, who has been so seriously ill for some time was taken to the hospital Tuesday.

Rev. R. H. Hackley has returned home after a few days spent here on business. Rev. Hackley is pastor of the West End Mission church and is doing commendable work. They are planning for a grand rally to be held July 17th in the A. M. E. church. It is expected that Bishop C. T. Shaffer will be present on that day.

Misses Bernice Mason and Adah Richardson graduate Friday June 4 the local High School, having finished their course in three years.

Mrs. Geo. Kidd entertained the members of the Allen's Guard and the Autumn Leaf club Thursday afternoon at her home. Mrs. Kidd is a charming hostess and those present spent a delightful afternoon.

The third quarterly meeting of the year was held at the A. M. E. church Sunday. Rev. S. B. McDowell preached the sermon and was assisted by Rev. E. H. Hackley and S. B. Moore the pastor. Quarterly conference was held Monday evening.

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FT. DODGE NEWS.

Mrs. George Cunningham is able to leave the hospital and be at home again.

Mr. Ed Parent is visiting his old home in Texas.

Mr. H. Wilson left this week for his former home in Texas.

J. P. Russell made a business trip to Boone and Des Moines; also visited with his relatives.

We are having lots of rain this week

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Negro Poet of Royal Lineage.

Alexander Poushkin, Writer of Many Poetical Tales and Tragedies, Was of Russian Noble Birth—"Eugene Onegin" His Masterpiece.

By J. E. "BRUCE GRIT."

Alexander Sergejewitch Poushkin, the Russian Negro poet, was born in the Schwarzhauas on the German street in Moscow on Ascension day, May (Russian calendar) 26, June 7, 1790. He was descended on his father's side from one of the oldest of the noble families of Russia. The ancestors of Poushkin sprang from Alexander Neuski, and several of the bearers of this name were signers of the proclamation which made Mikhail Feodorovitch Romanov czar. One of his ancestors figured prominently in Russia in the time of Boris Godunov. A strain of Negro blood ran through Poushkin's veins from the maternal branch of the family. History relates that the Russian ambassador of Peter the Great to Constantinople brought back with him to St. Petersburg a ten-year-old black boy, Prince Ibrahim Hannibal, as a present to the czar. The czar became very much interested

in the little Negro boy and sent him to Paris to be educated. This same Ibrahim, known in history as Abraham Petrovitch, died in 1781, being eighty-seven years of age, a Russian landed proprietor and general in chief. One of his sons, Ivan Abramowitch, who died in 1801, was the founder of the city of Cherson. Another Abramowitch, who died in 1808, was the father of Nadesida Ossipowna, who was the mother of Alexander Sergejewitch Poushkin, who has been styled "Russia's black Byron."



ALEXANDER Poushkin.

Poushkin's childhood was passed in his parents' home at Sacharow, about forty miles from Moscow, on the Smolensk railroad. The grandmother, Marie Alexejewna, was a highly gifted woman; though unhappily married to Ossip, the son of Abraham Hannibal. She and the nurse of Alexander exerted considerable influence over him, especially the latter, who during this period of his life made him acquainted with the world of Russian folklore. The atmosphere of his home at that time was considerably French. Alexander's father, Sergei Lwowitch (born 1771, died 1848, and the latter's brother, Wassill Lwowitch, who was known at the beginning of the century as "Poet Poushkin" and who died in 1830, were bright, witty men, especially Wassill, who was famed for his sparkling epigrams and light lyric pieces. We cannot in the limited space given us do more than to mention briefly some of the best poems and prose works of young Poushkin. His poetical tales are spirited and full of dramatic power. Among the tragedies written by him may be mentioned "Boris Godunov" and "Eugene Onegin," "The Undertaker," "The Pistol Shot" and "The Queen of Spades."

A fine collection of his poems have been translated into English by Mr. Ivan Panin, one of which, "My Pedigree," was written as a reply to a Bulgarian literary critic who disliked him and made an unpleasant allusion to his ancestry. The poem is too lengthy for insertion here, but we may say that the poet silenced his critic very effectively. Other poems are "The Bard," "The Storm," "Winter Evening," "The Poet" and "My Monument."

In 1800 the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Poushkin was celebrated all over Russia. It was made a national holiday. The government issued souvenir postal cards illustrating scenes in the life of the poet, and the emperor ordered that an annual appropriation of 15,000 rubles be made by the government to establish a Poushkin scholarship. In 1880 a monument was erected to his memory at Tver Barrier, Moscow, and the school children and literary and civic societies paid homage to his memory at this celebration by decking it with garlands of flowers. A great parade preceded the exercises at the monument, which was participated in by the imperial troops, citizens and students, and then followed orations by learned Russian scholars, the mayor of Moscow and others.

Poushkin was killed in a duel in 1837 with Baron George Heckeron d'Authes, the adopted son of the Dutch minister then resident at the court of St. Petersburg, who had married a sister of Poushkin's wife and who had aroused the poet's jealousy by some attentions he paid to Mme. Natalie Poushkin, who was a very beautiful woman.

ALBIA NOTES.

Mr. John Early and son of Des Moines spent Sunday in Albia visiting old friends.

Mr. Elzie Martin came over from Oskaloosa and spent Sunday in Albia. Mrs. J. H. Bell leaves Albia on Wednesday for Des Moines to attend the State Sunday School Convention.

Mrs. Washington of Hoeking was in Albia on business Saturday. She contemplates visiting St. Louis over Decoration day.

Quite a number of strangers were in Albia on Monday and Tuesday of the past week.

Rev. A. L. DeMond, Editor of the Buxton Gazette, was an Albia visitor this week on business.

The Sewing Circle club will meet with Mrs. H. Jones on Monday of this week.

Mrs. J. H. Bell with her teacher has commenced their preparation for a children's day program for Children's Day.

COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

The Odd Fellows Grand Lodge; Des Moines, June 8, 9 and 10.
Household of Ruth; Des Moines June 8, 9 and 10.
Heroines of Jericho; Davenport June 8, 9 and 10.

The Des Moines Dist. A. M. E. Sunday School Convention and Dist. Conference; Des Moines June 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Iowa and Nebraska Sunday School Convention at Davenport, Ia., June 17 to 21.
Afro-American Council; Ottumwa July 4th.

The Western Baptist Convention, Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, July 13 to 18.
Iowa Nebraska Baptist Association, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Omaha, Neb., Sept 7 to 12.
Masonic Grand Lodge; Keokuk, July 13, 14 and 15.

NATIONAL EVENTS.

The National Business Men's League at Louisville, Ky., August
The Western Negro Press Association, Kansas City, Mo. August.
The National Supreme Lodge K. of P., Kansas City, Mo., August 23 to 25.

HAPPENINGS AROUND CLINTON.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fine who came to Clinton several weeks ago to make this city their future home, have decided to return to Newton soon to reside, which place was their future home. Since coming to Clinton they have made many friends who will regret to see them leave.

Mrs. William Williams and daughter of Burlington are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Culbertson, for a two week's visit.

Messrs. C. H. Johnson and William Beard of Chicago were the guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Holland Williams.

During the Sabbath School Convention on a most beautiful group picture was made of the delegate and visitors an attendance, which may be purchased for 30 cents each by sending address to A. A. Bush with remittance.

Rev. S. L. Birt was so taken up with the association of some of the visitors at the District Conference that he felt called on to pay some of them a visit in return; he reports a pleasant trip. Some thought that possible the reverend would not return alone.

Mrs. Leah Hopkins is around again after a severe illness caused by a partial paralytic stroke a few weeks ago. Get your money ready for the Bystander collector; he is liable to call on you any time.

Mrs. M. O. Culbertson is in Dubuque this week on her weekly visit of business and pleasure.

Mrs. Chas. Thompson was in Ottumwa last week in attendance at the Women's Federation meeting.

The social committee of the Y. R. S. C. E. gave a social Friday evening of last week.

At the annual meeting of the Eastern Star held a few weeks ago the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:
Grand Patron, W. H. Milligan, Cedar Rapids.
Grand Matron, Miss Ida Palmer, Burlington.

Grand Associate Patron, Mr. Jackson, Cedar Rapids.
Grand Secretary, Mrs. Flora Walker, Council Bluffs.
Grand Conductress, Mrs. Clark, Ottumwa.
Grand Associate Conductress, Mrs. Alden, Keokuk.
Grand Associate Patron, Mrs. Brooks, Burlington.

Of Interest to Farmers and Mechanics

Farmers and mechanics frequently meet with slight accidents and injuries which cause them much annoyance and loss of time. A cut or bruise may be cured in about one-third the time usually required by applying Chamberlain's Liniment as soon as the injury is received. This liniment is also valuable for sprains, soreness of the muscles and rheumatic pains. There is no danger of blood poisoning resulting from an injury when Chamberlain's Liniment is applied before the part become inflamed and swollen. For sale by all druggists.

BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Mrs. Rheda Ashby of Keokuk, was in our city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. King.
Mrs. Clara Martin is home from Chicago on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Trent were called to Keokuk last week to attend the funeral of Mr. Trent's uncle, Mr. John Hoskins.

Mr. Sydney Tucker of Chicago, is visiting at the residence of Mrs. V. Leslie.
Miss Flora Jackson is still confined to her bed.

Mrs. Nellie Drew, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever, is rapidly improving.
Miss Alberta Keith is on the sick list.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson, who has been suffering with rheumatism for the past three months is slowly improving; ring up 1262 R. If you have news for the Bystander, as the correspondent is able to write again.

The Whist Club meets with Mrs. A. Pleasant this week. All members requested to be present.
Little Marguerite Baker is on the sick list.

Mrs. Julia Holden, who has been suffering with a tumor in the breast for several months is rapidly improving under the care of Dr. Phillips of Keokuk.

Mr. Boydy Earlie is nursing a sore hand, having made a nice lick in cutting kindling. A cut in his finger is very bad.

Mrs. Mabel Cox departed last week for Dubuque, where she will make her future home.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN

Owing to the severe winter we have just experienced, it seemed a hard matter to become thawed out enough to have let you heard from us sooner. However, we will try and make up for lost time.

St. Paul is still among the leading cities in the United States and is the leading city of the northwest. Our people here are coming to the front in various ways, that of building beautiful, modern homes and going in different businesses for themselves, and we are glad to see them make good of their forty-four years of freedom.

The Pilgrim Baptist church on the first Sunday in May installed into their beautiful edifice, a most handsome \$2,100.00 pipe organ, and the best of all was that the said amount was laid on their table on said Sunday. They have also beautified their church with an elegant hard wood floor in the main auditorium. Rev. W. D. Carter is the popular pastor of this progressive membership.

St. James A. M. E. church is busy raising money for their pipe organ, which they hope to have in use in their church by June 13th. They are undoubtedly not superstitious. St. James have numerous enthusiastic workers and we predict a grand success all around.

Rain, rain, rain. We are having plenty, yes, too much rain nowadays. The Great Northern railroad commenced on May 23d to run their trains from the coast clear through to Chicago. We do not know if it is permanent or for just doing the Alaska-Yukon Pacific exposition. Any way, it makes it very inconvenient for their employees whose families reside in the twin cities.

Thousands of people pass through the twin cities daily, enroute to the exposition at Seattle. It is interesting to be at the depot and see the trains go through.

Madame Addie Minor gave a recital of her pupils at the St. James church Monday evening.

A chorus of 100 voices under the direction of Prof. J. French will render a grand oratorio this summer for the benefit of both the Methodist and Baptist churches. The chorus rehearses alternately at said churches each Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Hicks entertained a few friends at whist last Tuesday evening. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Carrie E. Lindsey entertains the Catholic Ladies Home club Monday.

It seems there have been an unusual amount of deaths in our city the past winter, and this spring. Among the most recent was that of Elmer Turner, a young man of 24 years of age, brother of Dr. Valio Turner, who passed away on the 27th ult., and who was buried the following Sunday from the baptist church. Another was that of Mrs. Waugh of Rondo street, who died very suddenly on the 25th ult., and was buried Monday morning from the St. Peter's Claver Catholic church.

Many of our people expect to attend the Exposition at Seattle during the summer.

Mrs. Chas. Morgan is yet confined to her home with a severe lame arm. The National Grand Lodge of the U. B. F.'s and S. M. T.'s will convene here in July. A large delegation is expected to be in attendance from the north, south, east and west.

The Adelphi club will be entertained on the 8th inst., by Miss Jennie Watson of Minneapolis.

Our annual State Federation of Women's clubs will meet in Duluth the first Wednesday in September.

What, oh, what is the matter with the Iowa correspondents. Tell them to wake up and give us some news. Shame on you. This is your home paper and you should give it a boost.

Notice to the Iowa and Nebraska Baptist Sunday Schools.

(Special to Bystander.)
The Iowa and Nebraska Sunday School Convention will meet with the Third Baptist Church Sunday School at Davenport June 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.
D. A. Holmes, President,
1023 Scott St., Davenport.
Mrs. S. Bates, Cor. Secretary,
1111 Fremont St., Des Moines.

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DEARER BREAD.

The report of an advance in the price of bread as a result of the rise in the values of wheat and flour was to be expected. Wheat being the raw material of flour and flour the raw material of bread, an increase in the cost of the first, whether natural or artificial, necessitates proportionate advances in the more finished products. The only question is whether the upward tendencies have not been used by combinations and manipulators to fill their own pockets out of the needs of the people. There is no doubt that a considerable part of the advance in wheat is due to the small amount of last year's crop still available for marketing. There is general belief that this legitimate advance has been exaggerated by speculators, says the Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph. As far as this is the case we may hope that it will be temporary, and that the harvesting of a good crop this year will restore prices to a fair basis. There are also indications that a combination of milling interests has increased the old margin between the prices of wheat and flour, and thus established another squeeze on consumers. These means of enhancing the cost of products cannot be carried very far without inevitably increasing the cost of bread.

A writer in the New York Sun protests vigorously against the attack upon the "split infinitive"—this putting an adverb between the sign "to" and the verb. All the grammars are, of course, against it, but practice, which makes grammar, is quite the other way. Nearly everybody uses the "split infinitive," and though Byron is charged with being the originator of it—"to slowly trace the forest's shady scene"—still Macaulay, Ruskin, Burns, Johnson, Lamb, Burke, and even that literary wretch, Shakespeare, seem, at some time or other, to have fallen into the same careless habit; if so it may be called. The fact about this ungrammatical form of expression is, that it seems to be a very natural and effective way of arranging one's words, says the Ohio State Journal. It seems almost as natural to place the adverb before the verb it modifies as to place an adjective before the noun. It seems to make the modification more exact and emphatic. So it is late in the day to be kicking against the split infinitive.

The shade trees have been exposed to great peril through the ravages of insects, and now come the unhappy tidings that the chestnut trees are falling victims to a disease for which no cure appears to have been found. The trouble is particularly notable on Long Island, the fine specimens of chestnuts on the estates of wealthy men owning summer homes in that locality being among the victims. The ailment is believed to be communicated through the sap, and the most determined effort has failed to discover the real cause or find a remedy. The chestnut tree stands for a highly useful purpose, and if it must "go" 'Veat will be the loss involved.

A curious society has just been formed at Darmstadt, in Hesse. Its object is to promote the substitution of the military salute for the present mode of salutation among civilians. Instead of the present method of raising one's hat, the Hessians—or at least a certain proportion of them—would like to see the general adoption of the German military salute, consisting of bringing the hand extended, with fingers close together, to the edge of one's hat. The only reason given for this strange predilection is that the new salutation would be identical with that used in the time of Arminius.

Since the time of Adam men have been laying the blame for everything on women. Retribution for this centuries' old wrong is coming. A woman in San Francisco says that the blame for the flippery of modern feminine attire belongs to the men. When one looks at the monstrosities of the present fashions, and hears the men blamed for it, it must be confessed that the score, old as it is, is evened.

There's a lot of fuss about the recent smuggling of five trunks filled with French finery, just because the owner's name is not known, while nothing is said about the 50 or more trunks filled with the same kind of stuff, just because the owners are known.

London is to have 2,000 delegates from all over the world to an international suffrage convention. And as the women have been practicing jitsu, the subsequent proceedings are apt to add to the gaiety of the nations which can enjoy looking on.

If a man be rooted in morals and modesty there is no more inconsistency between his immature and mature views than there is between the violet before and after blossoming, or in the trees before and after leafing.

According to a famous Russian chemist, Prof. Clavin, the czar is so rich he could quit work to-day if he wanted to. Drunken lake and hundreds of square miles around it "are brimful of radium." They are the private property of the czar and mean millions to him.

Spot machines will be taboed in San Francisco after July 1, but doubtless the devil will improvise new and ingenious ways for the sports to amuse themselves from their nickels.

BANK LOOT \$137,000

LEWISTON (IDAHO) INSTITUTION IS SYSTEMATICALLY ROBBED FOR FIVE YEARS

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Officials Pay Back Stolen Funds—Manipulation of Adding Machine a Factor in Methods of Plunder—Case in Federal Hands

Lewiston, Idaho.—That the Lewiston National bank has been robbed of \$137,000 is the startling statement made by National Bank Examiner Claude Gatch, who has just completed an investigation.

Beyond the fact that the stockholders have made the alleged shortage good, Mr. Gatch declines to discuss the situation. The embezzlement, he is stated, extended over a period of the last five years, and it was made possible, it is understood, by manipulation of the adding machine used in computing the daily balances.

Immediately after the condition became known to the bank officials, a meeting of the stockholders was called and the entire defalcation made good by them.

The Lewiston National bank and the Idaho Trust Company were consolidated about a year ago. At that time the capital and surplus of the Lewiston National was \$260,000, and the capital of the trust company, \$400,000. The aggregate deposits at the present time are about \$900,000, of which \$450,000 is subject to check. The cash on hand is \$200,000.

The case has been placed in the hands of the comptroller of the currency, who will decide whether any arrests will be made.

F. W. Kettenschlag, president of the National bank and Idaho Trust Company, said:

"I corroborate the statement of Mr. Gatch as to the defalcation having been made good. Some time since, when it was discovered that defalcations by employees had been committed, the directors and large shareholders, after having checked up and ascertained the exact amount, paid it in at once. A material salvage has since been realized, and a further salvage is covered by surety company bonds.

"No suspicion attaches to any employee now in the bank. The defalcations show the result of a gradual abstraction covering a period of five years, and no large sum was taken at any one time."

TRAIN BANDITS ARE HELD.

Omaha Prisoners Are Bound Over to Grand Jury Under Bonds of \$25,000.

Omaha, Neb.—G. W. Woods, Fred Torgensen and James Gordon were bound over to the next grand jury and held under \$25,000 bond each to answer the charge of holding up and robbing the Overland limited mail car on the Union Pacific railroad on the night of May 22, by Judge W. H. Monger in the United States district court.

Twenty-two witnesses were called to identify the prisoners and all were more or less sure that the men in the prisoners' dock were identical with those who committed the robbery. Six small boys, running from eight to eleven years were interesting witnesses and each told of seeing one or more of the men in the vicinity of Brown park before and after the robbery occurred. They found the revolver and other paraphernalia which led to the arrests of three men charged with the robbery.

BOY HEROES ARE DROWNED.

One Saves a Life and Then Causes Other's Death Near Fairview, Michigan.

Detroit, Mich.—Heiler Block, aged 14, and Henry Thilke, 16 years old, lost their lives, and Frank Faulker, aged ten, narrowly escaped drowning in Conner's creek, in the suburbs of Fairview. The three boys were in swimming when the last named got beyond his depth. Block seized the younger boy and after a desperate struggle succeeded in pushing him into shallow water and safety. But the effort was too much for his strength and he collapsed and fell back.

Thilke then went to Block's assistance, but the latter clasped his arms so tightly about his would-be rescuer that he was powerless to drag him from the water and both were drowned.

San Francisco Gets French Medal. San Francisco.—The marvelous reconstruction of this city since the earthquake and fire of 1906 was grandly recognized by France Saturday, when Ambassador Jusserand, on behalf of his government, presented to San Francisco a handsome gold medal in commemoration of its achievement.

Railroad Head Resigns. New Haven, Conn.—It was announced officially at the offices of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company that John F. Stevens, vice-president in charge of operation, "has resigned to accept service elsewhere."

Robbers' Loot is \$3,000. Denver, Col.—Four masked highwaymen held up a crowd of 30 merry-makers at the Tavern, a resort at Petersburg, Col., and took \$3,000 worth of diamonds and \$200 in cash.

Venezuelan Here to Settle Claim. New York.—Here for the announced purpose of making an attempt to settle the claim of the United States and Venezuela Company against the government of Venezuela, Senator Nicholas Veloz-Goticoa arrived from Venezuela.

Convicts Revolt; Kill Officers. Quintana Roo, Mex.—In an uprising of convicts in the mines of Quintana Roo, a penal settlement, a number of officers were killed or wounded. Twelve of the convicts escaped.

THEY'RE OFF.



THE JUNE BRIDES AND THE JUNE BRIDEGROOMS ARE ON THE RUN.

COPPER MAGNATES TO PRISON

GEORGE BAGLIN TAKEN TO THE TOMBS FOR CONTEMPT.

Vice-President of Heinz Company Held Until Missing Books Are Produced.

New York.—Judge Lacombe of the United States district court sent George Baglin, vice-president of the United Copper Company, to the Tombs prison until the missing books of the concern, which the district attorney wants to use in the prosecution of August Heine, are produced.

A similar punishment also hangs over Sanford Robinson, a prominent director of the company whose case was further considered by Judge Lacombe today.

Both men are alleged to have permitted the splitting away of the books that were under subpoena. Baglin testified before the grand jury that he had overheard Robinson and one of the Heine brothers conspiring to remove the books and had interposed no objection.

"Nothing remains for me to do but to commit you for contempt," said Judge Lacombe after hearing Baglin's admission. "You had no right to stand by while men were pleading the removal of books wanted in a grand jury investigation. An officer or an employe cannot so act with impunity."

Baglin was visibly affected by the sentence of the court. He was allowed to communicate with his wife and lawyer, then he was led to the Tombs.

Robinson's case was then taken up by the court. It was shown that he had refused to testify before the grand jury regarding his alleged conversation with one of the Heine brothers, maintaining that he was an attorney, and that therefore his conversation was privileged. Judge Lacombe declined to accept this plea.

HILL DEFENDS PATTEN.

Great Northern Railroad Chief Declares Chicagoan Did Not Corner the Wheat Market.

Seattle, Wash.—J. J. Hill, chairman of the Great Northern board of directors, in discussing the recent wheat corner, said:

"It is a mistake to say James A. Patten cornered the wheat market. Here is merely a case of a man taking advantage of an opportunity. It has been but a few years since it was estimated that the average consumption of wheat per annum in this country was six bushels, but now the experts argue that it is seven bushels and some pounds. The census of 1910 will show that we have a population of 90,000,000 which will mean that we will require for our own use 630,000,000 bushels hereafter.

"We raise now probably 650,000,000 bushels of wheat in the United States with good crop conditions. This will leave us but 20,000,000 bushels as a surplus for export while in the past we have exported upwards of 120,000,000 bushels per annum. So you can see we will need all our wheat to feed our own people."

Great Celebration by Danes.

Chicago.—Danish residents of Chicago and the middle west have completed arrangements for the big fête here in celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Danish constitution. About 30,000 Danes from neighboring states have come to participate in the festivities. The exercises will consist of speeches, music games and a banquet.

Rich Woman Fears Noose.

Flandreau, S. D.—With the wealthy woman defendant seated before the judge's bench and the peasant mother of her alleged 16-year-old victim mourning at the prosecutor's table, the retrial of Mrs. Moses Kauffmann for murder assumed an intensely dramatic stage Wednesday. Mrs. Kauffmann, charged with murdering Miss Agnes Polreis, her maid, seemed to glare defiantly at the state's attorney as he questioned veniremen for possible jury service. Mention of the death penalty made her quail.

Will Marry Claus Spreckels.

Portland, Ore.—In a letter to her mother at Oregon City, Miss Mary Adele Case, makes the announcement that she is engaged to be married to young Claus Spreckels of San Francisco. The letter was written May 16.

Postal Clerk Killed in Wreck.

Topeka, Kan.—Santa Fe passenger train No. 3 west, known as the California mail, was wrecked at Popo body and H. C. Thompson, postal clerk of Kansas City, was killed.

GIRL'S SLAYER TO HANG.

Jury Convicts Negro Who Killed Ottumwa Choir Singer and Barely Escaped Lynching.

Centerville, Ia.—Quickly following the jury's verdict of guilty in the case of John Junkin, a negro who murdered Miss Clara Rosen, a choir singer of Ottumwa, Judge M. A. Roberts sentenced the prisoner to be hanged.

The jury returned its verdict after a deliberation of less than four hours. There was an immense crowd awaiting the result of the trial and as the last words were read by the clerk a shout went up which was taken up by the crowd in the courthouse square.

Attorneys for the defense waived their customary right of three days before sentence of death is passed and agreed that Judge Roberts pass sentence immediately, which the court did. Junkin will hang the last Friday in July, 1910. He was taken to Fort Madison for safe keeping till the day of his execution.

Adj. Gen. Guy Logan of Des Moines was in the court room when the sentence was pronounced. He stated that there would be no need of militia to guard the prisoner as the verdict met with popular favor.

Junkin's crime was one of the most atrocious in Iowa. He confessed killing Clara Rosen with a stone while she was returning from the home of her sister. Later he dragged the girl into an excavation and assaulted her. Her dead body was found by a searching party the next morning.

TAFT DOWNS DAN CUPID.

Gets Toe Hold on Red Tape and Prevents the Marriage of Midshipmen.

Washington.—"Big Bill" Taft went to the mat with Dan Cupid in the White House Tuesday and in 13 minutes had the little love god beaten to a pulp. For 12 minutes Dan gave the big fellow a fair tussel, but then the weight began to tell, and when the bigger man got a toe hold in a bunch of red tape it was easy to pin the kid's shoulders to the floor.

Ole Maid, who refereed the bout, called Taft on the shoulders and called him a winner. There was little cheering. A big stork which acted as second for Dan flew from the arena.

In other words President Taft today formally signed the new naval regulation which forbids midshipmen to marry within the six years of their cadet course. Heretofore the middies were kept away from matrimony during their four years at Annapolis. The two year sea service which follows the academic course was the undoing of many of the middies and many became married men before they had learned to use a safety razor.

COUNT'S AIRSHIP WRECKED.

After Sailing 850 Miles in 37 Hours Zeppelin's Craft Collides with a Tree.

Goepfingen.—After covering a distance of about 850 miles in 37 hours, Count Zeppelin's new airship on its return trip from Bitterfeld to Friedrichshafen, came to grief in an open field near here. In maneuvering for a landing, the airship came into contact with a tree.

That the collision was a heavy one is indicated by the broken and bent strips of aluminum lying about the ground and the half-split branches dangling from the tree trunk. Enormous crowds soon assembled and it became almost impossible for vehicles to pass along the public highways.

Quick Justice for Counterfeiter.

Toledo, O.—Archibald Chapman alias Theodore Chapman, was sentenced to serve two years in the reformatory at Elmira, N. Y., in United States court, all within 30 minutes Chapman counterfeited quarters and half dollars.

College President Resigns.

Madison, Ind.—W. S. Bovard, D. D. has resigned the presidency of Moore's Hill college after one year's service to accept the vice-presidency of the University of Chattanooga.

Brewers Are in Convention.

Atlantic City, N. J.—The forty-ninth annual convention of the United States Brewers' association opened Tuesday Wednesday. President Julius Liebmann of New York in the chair. In his address the president said the depression of 1907 seriously affected the brewing business, and that consumption of malt liquors decreased.

Spanish King is Injured. Madrid.—King Alfonso while playing polo fell from his horse. He suffered a severe sprain of the ankle.

MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED

POISON FOUND IN BODY OF RICH ILLINOIS WOMAN.

Result of Autopsy Over Remains of Mrs. Archer Causes Sensation in Oneda, Ill.

Galesburg, Ill.—The fact that strychnine in large quantities was found in the body of Mrs. Josephine Carleton Archer after it was secretly exhumed at Oneda, Ill., has caused a great sensation. That the woman was murdered at Los Angeles, Cal., and her body shipped to Oneda, is the theory on which relatives and the county authorities are working.

The body of Mrs. Archer had been shipped here by her husband, Richard Archer, upon her death, and the circumstances which surrounded the sudden demise led to an investigation, resulting in the holding of an autopsy.

Mrs. Archer, a woman wealthy in her own right, filed a suit for divorce in the courts of Los Angeles two weeks before her death, charging cruelty and inhuman treatment. Two days before the news of her death was received by her daughter, Mrs. Helen Carleton Marsh of this city, a letter was received stating that she was in excellent health. The message conveying the tidings of her death stated that she had died in convulsions.

A private investigation has been in progress for six weeks, instigated by Charles E. Marsh, her son-in-law, who is a roadmaster on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road. He made an affidavit before Coroner G. S. Chalmers, which resulted in the finding of the poison.

The deceased was formerly Mrs. John Carleton of Oneda, and about three years ago she went to Los Angeles for her health, meeting Archer there, and they were married, residing in a home owned by the wife on Harvard boulevard. Archer had conducted a brokerage business in Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City.

"I found a strong reaction for strychnine in the liver, kidneys and spleen," said Coroner Chalmers. "The stomach and contents are now in the hands of a chemist for analysis. In a thorough examination I found no condition that could have caused death in my opinion except from unnatural causes. The organs were all sound. There was no condition that would have caused convulsions. Considering Mrs. Archer's physical condition she should have lived many years."

STREAM POLLUTION PERILS

Epidemic Caused and Waters Made Unfit for Use, Declares Report of Committee.

Washington.—The committee on the "Pollution of Streams," appointed last year, of which Alec H. Seymour, secretary of the New York state department of health is chairman, Friday presented its report to the meeting of the state and provincial boards of health of North America. The other members of the committee are Dr. Charles O. Probst, secretary of the Ohio state board of health, and Dr. H. D. Holton, secretary of the Vermont state board of health.

Studies of conditions all over the United States and reports of state health departments show that there have been many epidemics of typhoid fever directly due to this practice; that in many cases public nuisances have been caused, and that many of the waters of the various states are rendered unfit for domestic and manufacturing purposes. Fish life has been destroyed and the waters ruined for boating, bathing and fishing and rendered objectionable and obnoxious in other ways.

The report shows that during the past few years many laws have been passed dealing with this subject, but that the legislative activity has not kept pace with the needs.

PARTY LEADERS TO TESTIFY.

Libel Case Continued to October 11; When Hitchcock, Cortisoy and Mack Will Be Heard.

Indianapolis, Ind.—At the request of the United States Attorney Stuart McNamara of the department of justice at Washington, and Charles W. Miller of this district, Judge Anderson continued the Indianapolis News libel case until October 11.

This action was taken to permit the prosecution to introduce as witnesses Frank H. Hitchcock, former chairman of the Republican national committee; Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic national committee; George B. Cortisoy, certain members of the office staff of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., and certain officials of various departments of the government at Washington.

Mr. McNamara said he expected to prove by these witnesses that the defendants, Delavin Smith and Charles Williams, had knowledge of the editorial articles published later in the Indianapolis News.

Employees Reject Arbitration.

Evansville, Ind.—An offer to submit the differences of the street car strikers and the Southern Indiana Traction Company to the State Labor commission for arbitration was rejected by the company Wednesday.

Western Leaves Laramie, Wyo.

Laramie, Wyo.—Edward Payson Weston, who is walking to the Pacific coast, arrived here at eight o'clock Wednesday night and left at four o'clock Thursday morning for Medicine Bow, 57 miles west.

Crippled Airship Returns.

Goepfingen.—The Zeppelin airship that came down here on its return trip from Bitterfeld and sustained injury in the maneuver, went aloft Tuesday afternoon and headed in the direction of Friedrichshafen. Temporary repairs to permit of the return trip had been effected.

Take Strike Vote in Canada.

Winnipeg, Man.—The operating employees of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway are taking a strike vote over the system this week.

ONE THING THAT WAS CERTAIN

No Doubt in the Baggageman's Mind as to Contents of What Looked Like Coffee.

In an emergency the manufacturer of Limburger cheese was forced to use strategy with a shipment. Ordinarily his product went in special cars, but in this instance no car was available and the order must be filled. Two hundred pounds of the fragrant comestible was put in a rough, oblong box, and taken to the railroad baggage room. Then the manufacturer bought a ticket for himself and the box and entered the train. At the first stop he went ahead to the baggage car to see that there was no trouble. He stood by the box in a suspicious attitude and shaded his eyes with his hand. The baggage man was sympathetic. "A relative?" he asked. "Yes," answered the manufacturer. "It is my brother." "Well," said the railroad man, philosophically, "you have one consolation. He's dead, all right."—San Francisco Argonaut.

TORE HIS SKIN OFF

As Shrubs—Itching Was Intense—Sleep Was Often Impossible.

Cured by Cuticura in Three Weeks.

"At first an eruption of small pustules commenced on my hands. These spread later to other parts of my body, and the itching was intense, so much so that I literally tore the skin off in shreds in seeking relief. The awful itching interfered with my work considerably, and also kept me awake nights. I tried several doctors and used a number of different ointments and lotions but received practically no benefit. Finally I set down to the use of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Pills, with the result that in a few days all itching had ceased and in about three weeks' time all traces of my eruption had disappeared. I have had no trouble of this kind since. H. A. Krutskoff, 5714 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., November 18 and 23, 1907."

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The Short-sighted Lion—Well, I never dreamed I should finish my days behind the bars of a cage.

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Justice O'Halloran—Have you any children, Mrs. Kelly?

Mrs. Kelly—I hav two living an' wan married!—Judy.

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MRS. B. E. DE TUSCANO.

quint at the New Amsterdam Opera House, New York. While the banquet was given under the auspices of the Households of Ruth, members from other organizations and the public generally turned out en masse to testify their appreciation for the benefits which they have received from her wise council, helpful association, work of faith and labor of love in the common cause of humanity and racial uplift. The opera house was filled with friends and well wishers, who vied with each other in bestowing honor upon one to whom honor is due. Music was furnished by the New Amsterdam orchestra, and the banquet was served by the well known William E. Gross. The banquet without doubt was the most elaborate given to any individual by the combined members of a secret order in New York for many years. The executive committee which engineered the banquet was made up of Mrs. Sarah Hubbard, chairman; Mrs. Phoebe Green, vice chairman; Mrs. Rosa Goodrich, treasurer; Mrs. Sadie Garnett, assistant treasurer; Mrs. B. H. Tolliver, general secretary, and Mrs. Gillian Pratts, assistant secretary.

Important Coming Event.
Much interest is being manifested in the forthcoming meeting of the National Negro Business League which will be held at Louisville, Ky., in August. The business men of Louisville are gathering statistics, photographs and other material with a view of having published a catalogue in which will be shown the various business establishments, residences, churches and halls owned by our people.

National Teachers to Meet.
Asheville, N. C., has been selected by the National Teachers' association for the sixth annual session, which will convene there on Wednesday, June 23, for three days. There are fourteen states having state organizations which will charter special cars for their delegates. Other state delegates will travel in the regular way. More than a thousand delegates are expected to be in attendance.

If You are Worth \$50,000 Don't Read This.
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The Mission of The Roebucks.

New Secret Order in New York. Based on African Ideals, Seeks to Federate Negroes into One Great Fraternal Union.

By JOHN EDWARD "BRUCE GRIT."
There has recently come into existence a new Negro fraternal order called the Beneficent and Philanthropic Order of Roebucks of America and Elsewhere, incorporated under the laws of the state of New York. The name is significant, and it is also expressive of the feelings of its founders. The prophet Isaiah, xiii, 14, in picturing the condition of Babylon, which had been threatened with destruction because of its wickedness, said: "It shall be as the chased roe and as a sheep that no man taketh up. They shall every man turn to his own people and see every one into his own land."



RARE WASHINGTON PORTRAIT.

A rare and curious mezzotint portrait of George Washington in the library of the late Lafayette S. Richardson of Lowell, Mass., was auctioned off last year in Boston. It is entitled "George Washington, late president of the United States of America, etc." and was published March 14, 1801, by J. Hinton Lindon. It is a tall folio and is colored by hand. It looks as much like George III. as it does the Father of His Country. Baker, who wrote the "Engraved Portraits of Washington," says that only one impression of this mezzotint has come under the notice of the writer. It was in neither the Clarkson nor the Carson sale of Washington portraits.

Insist on Yellow Flour.
Charles Christodoro, an expert on flour and grains, sounds the keynote of the new situation brought about by the bleached flour decision when he says in a communication to the editor commenting on the bleached flour decision: "The housewife will now insist on yellow tinted or creamy flour, and will learn to realize that a natural flour very white can in no manner compare with the creamy or yellow flour in so far as glutens and muscle building values are concerned. 'As from 85 to 90 per cent. of the large flour mills of the country were using this bleaching process, the decision is far-reaching.'"—National Food Magazine.

ORIGINAL NOTICE.
In the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, September Term, A. D. 1909.
Clara Carter plaintiff, versus James Carter defendant.

To the above named defendant: You are hereby notified that on or before the 31st day of August, A. D. 1909 the petition of plaintiff in the above entitled cause will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you a divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of desertion, and unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the September term of said Court, which will commence at Des Moines on the 13 day of September 1909, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

S. Joe Brown, Attorney for plaintiff.

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