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Judge Cole says:
Des Moines, Iowa, May 29, 1901.
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the teaching of law, to deliver lectures for
many years on medical jurisprudence to
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to others who may need aid in the same
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C. C. COLE.

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Come again, football friends!
The revolution season has opened again in Central America.

Prosperity is still waxing and will set a hot pace for the country.

Terrible battles are happening—over the Nicaragua cable. Both sides are winning.

Some persons express their optimism by eating chicken croquettes in restaurants.

"Paris is a woman's town," sings a Boston Globe poet. Other American gents have made the same remark.

It is clumsy to break laws when it is easier to evade them, but that is not a good excuse for evading them.

Berlin wants an immovable date for the morning and Dr. McAllister said that the state should permit insane persons to voluntarily enter the state institutions. His suggestion raised a storm of protest from several of the conferees, their position being that such a rule would open the way to untold fraud and injustice. The opponents of the plan declared that in many instances relatives of persons who had money or property, would induce those persons to voluntarily enter the state insane hospitals and then while they are confined there, gain control of the money or property.

The entire question of insanity was thoroughly discussed and the conferees commended the position taken by Governor Carroll in a recent address, wherein he advocated the creation of a special commission to make a study of insanity among the patients of the state institutions as well as a study of the causes of insanity in Iowa.

Oust Clerk Brown in Emmet County.
Des Moines.—The supreme court has ousted C. M. Brown as clerk of the district court of Emmet county and ruled that L. Heffalinger is the duly qualified clerk for that county. The decision was given in the case of State of Iowa on relation of L. Heffalinger against C. M. Brown. In the election of 1908 one John Amundson was elected clerk. He died that month, and the district judge appointed Brown as clerk until the vacancy was filled. The board of supervisors at their December meeting selected Heffalinger as clerk. Heffalinger demanded that Brown turn over the office keys to him. Brown refused and Heffalinger brought quo warranto proceedings.

The opinion of the supreme court, affirming the district court, which held that Brown was not entitled to the office, was written by Justice Weaver. He said that the district court is not authorized by the statutes of the state to fill such a vacancy, either temporarily or otherwise, and holds that when the supervisors appointed a man to fill the vacancy caused by Amundson's death, that any power given Brown by the district court was revoked.

Hotel Law Declared Unconstitutional.
Des Moines.—Iowa's hotel inspection law, providing for a state hotel inspector and requiring fire escapes on all hotels, and appliances for perfect ventilation, is unconstitutional and therefore null and void. This construction was put upon it by Judge McHenry of the district court in an opinion filed in the case of F. M. Hubbell against Lafayette Higgins, state hotel inspector. The suit was brought to test the constitutionality of the law and argued before the court several weeks ago.

Falls From Windmill on Bossy's Back.
Gravity.—Martin Vandersyle, a wealthy farmer residing near here, fell from a sixty-foot windmill and would have surely been killed had he not fallen squarely on the back of a cow passing below. The animal's back was broken, but Vandersyle escaped without injury. The cow was a thoroughbred Short-horn valued at \$375.

Tries to Assault Girl at Church Door.
Nevada.—An unknown man grabbed little Florence Knight, a 10-year-old girl of this city, in the shadow of a church, and attempted to assault her. The screams of the girl frightened the man away. The girl gives a good description of the man. She is positive that she knows him.

Byers Starts Suit.
Council Bluffs.—Attorney General Byers has started suit in the district court here, claiming title to 250 acres of land, in the bed of what was formerly Boyer Lake, claiming the property belongs to the state. Owners of property surrounding the lake bed have claimed the property.

Capt. Loomis Drops Dead.
Cedar Rapids.—Capt. A. M. Loomis, postmaster at Wyoming, dropped dead a short time after returning from a visit with his daughter in Omaha. Captain Loomis was one of the pioneers of Jones county, coming to Wyoming in the early '50s.

Death Came in a Tree.
Cedar Rapids.—Daniel Bransfield, a well known traveling man, is dead. He was cutting a limb from a tree when he was stricken with paralysis and soon died.

Fell 100 Feet to Death.
Waterloo.—Benjamin Smith of Clarksville, employed by the Des Moines Tank company at Camden, N. J., in the erection of the tallest tank in the United States, fell 180 feet and was killed.

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FAVOR CARROLL IDEA

Position Taken by the Governor on Insanity Approved

DR. McALLISTER READ PAPER

Superintendents of State Institutions Favor Executive's Plan of State Investigating Commission for the State.

Des Moines, Dec. 17.—A lively argument was precipitated in the quarterly conference of the state board of control and the superintendents of the state institutions when Dr. B. R. McAllister of the Cherokee state hospital, in a paper read before the conference, advocated the voluntary admission of insane persons to the state hospitals.

The question of insanity in the state institutions was the theme for the morning and Dr. McAllister said that the state should permit insane persons to voluntarily enter the state institutions. His suggestion raised a storm of protest from several of the conferees, their position being that such a rule would open the way to untold fraud and injustice. The opponents of the plan declared that in many instances relatives of persons who had money or property, would induce those persons to voluntarily enter the state insane hospitals and then while they are confined there, gain control of the money or property.

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State Cattle Have Tuberculosis.

Des Moines, Dec. 15.—A serious epidemic of tuberculosis has appeared among the cattle in the state herd at the state institution at Mt. Pleasant and as a result it has been necessary for the state veterinary surgeon, Dr. Paul Koto, to order nearly forty head killed.

Dr. Talbot, one of the deputies, made the test of the state cattle recently and nearly forty head responded to the test. Dr. Koto at once ordered that they be killed. Chairman Cowlie and the other members of the state board of control could not believe that such a situation existed and Chairman Cowlie went to Mt. Pleasant to be present when the cattle were slaughtered and the post-mortem held. Chairman Cowlie has always opposed these tuberculosis tests, claiming that they did not amount to much. At the time the last general test of state cattle was made he became convinced, after the post-mortems were held, that there was something to the test.

Nevertheless, he believes that the test made by Dr. Talbot at Mt. Pleasant is pretty strong and for this reason he deemed it advisable to be present when the post-mortems were held. Dr. Koto said that nearly forty head had responded to the tests.

At Eldora recently Dr. Koto applied the tuberculosis test to the state herd and found that four cattle responded to the test. These four were among a consignment shipped to the institution from Illinois.

Prof. Crossley of Ames Quits Job.
Ames.—Prof. B. W. Crossley of the farm crop department, has resigned. He will go to his home at Council Bluffs February 1 to take up active farm work on his father's farm. The resignation is said to be prompted by the illness of his father. The resignation comes as a great surprise.

Professor Crossley is recognized as one of the leading experts on corn. He succeeded Professor Bowman, who resigned about a year ago. He has been extremely popular with the Ames students, and his departure from the college will be felt as a distinct loss.

Prof. H. G. Bell also of the farm crop department, is another one of the corps of instructors to resign. Professor Bell goes to the agronomy department of Maine State Agricultural school. He will leave January 1.

Corn Crop Falls Short.
Dubuque.—Special reports received in Iowa, Minnesota and Illinois show conclusively that the reports of the corn crop are unwarrantedly optimistic. Iowa will have little corn to ship as 25 to 35 per cent is still in the fields, and most of the balance fails to grade better than third. The quantity is small and the quality is exceedingly poor, according to detailed reports.

Dobbins Gets Five Years.
Council Bluffs.—Judge Green in the district court overruled the motion for a new trial of the case of John R. Dobbins, convicted of taking part in the alleged robbery of T. W. Ballew the Princeton, Mo., banker of \$30,000 by means of a fake horse race. Dobbins was then given an indefinite sentence of not more than five years.

Calhoun County Farmers' Institute.
Lake City.—The Calhoun County Farmers' institute will be held at Rockwell City on Jan. 11, 12 and 13, 1910. This is an annual convention for the benefit of the farmers. Prominent speakers have been secured on the following subjects: Corn, good roads, dairying and horticulture.

Lost Jewels Recovered.
Boone.—A Des Moines woman has returned the bag of jewels valued at \$5,000, lost by Mrs. John Reynolds last September in the Chicago & Northwestern waiting room and received in return a check from John Reynolds of several hundred dollars reward.

Pella Will Pave.
Pella.—The city council granted a petition requesting pavement around the public square and on Main street from the southeast corner of the square south seven blocks to the Rock Island depot, and one block east from the depot on University street.

Sundberg Wins Sweepstakes.
Des Moines.—John Sundberg, president of the Iowa Corn Growers' association, raised more and better corn upon an acre of Iowa land this season than any other corn grower. This was decided by the judges at the seventh annual Iowa corn exposition.

New Hampton Hotel Burns.
New Hampton.—The Arlington hotel at New Hampton burned to the ground from an overheated furnace, causing \$40,000 damage. Twenty-five guests were rescued by firemen, who wrapped them in blankets and turned them into the snow storm with the temperature nearly zero.

New Church Is Dedicated.
Lake City.—The newly built Lutheran church, six miles south of Farm-hamville has been dedicated. The building is one of the finest in that section and is practically free from indebtedness.

Death of E. C. McMillan.
Marshalltown.—At Keokuk occurred the death of E. C. McMillan, for twelve years warden of the Ford Madison prison and ex-sheriff of this county. Mr. McMillan was born in 1829 in Ohio.

Alleged Murderer Captured.
Marshalltown.—Joe Slycock, wanted for the murder of Frank Batesole, formerly of this city, at Carrington, N. D., November 11 is under arrest at Grinnell. He is said to have confessed, claiming self defense.

Des Moines Woman Given Divorce.
Marshalltown.—Mrs. Carrie Young, wife of George W. Young of Des Moines, was granted a divorce on the ground of habitual drunkenness. Mrs. Young is a daughter of Robert Elzy, of this city.

WOULDN'T IT BE MEAN?



WILL FIGHT THE STEEL TRUST

ORGANIZED LABOR PREPARES TO OPPOSE "OPEN SHOP."

Copy of Grievances is Sent to President Taft and Governor of States.

Pittsburg, Pa.—At the close of a momentous two-days' conference here Tuesday, war was formally declared upon the United States Steel corporation by the leaders of organized labor throughout the United States and Canada.

The decision to battle long and hard against the stand taken by the steel corporation in its policy of "open shop" was reached by the labor conferees only after hours of debate and a deal of trouble.

In a resolution adopted by the national labor leaders, organized labor throughout the country is called on to thoroughly and completely organize all employes in the iron, steel and tin plate industry, ordering an assessment of ten cents per member, recommending appointment of committees to see the president, congress and the governors for the purpose of laying before them the "grievances from which labor suffers at the hands of the steel corporation."

At the conference, which passed the remarkable battle decree, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, presided, and through him the measure was put upon the record books of the executive council of the federation.

The grievances of organized labor against the steel corporation, as set forth in the resolution, have been forwarded to President Taft and the United States senate and house of representatives. The governors of the states in which the United States Steel corporation owns plants or has interests will also receive a copy of the resolution.

The resolution deals principally with the low wages paid the men in the employ of the steel corporation, the hours of work and the general condition of oppression under which the corporation is alleged to hold its employes.

Thorough organization of all employes in the iron, steel and tin plate industry and co-related trades is urged and a call for organizers to assist in the work is made.

COOK COMMITTEE IS AT WORK

Members Are Fully Acquainted with Explorer's Records—Loose-Dunkle Affidavits Create Excitement.

Copenhagen.—The meetings of the Cook committee at the observatory are rigorously guarded.

The committee is now fully acquainted with the explorer's records and it is said that they contain nothing Dr. Cook could not have compiled after his return, during his five months' stay in Greenland or aboard the Hans Egede, where there was an abundance of voluntary assistance by a scientist versed in exploration, a knowledge of instruments and also of the use of a typewriter.

The Loose-Dunkle affidavits have arrived and are creating much excitement.

Private advices from Christiania state that Nansen, who has hitherto declined to give an opinion, disbelieves Dr. Cook's claims.

New York.—Capt. B. S. Osborn of this city, secretary of the Arctic club, has written Capt. Joseph E. Bernier in Ottawa, Ont., and others that Capt. August W. Loose's story of his dealings with Dr. Cook, as published in a New York newspaper, was concocted for sale without regard to the truth.

"In the presence of witnesses," said Capt. Osborn, "I heard Loose say: 'I was out for the money and I didn't care how I got it.'"

Capt. Osborn does not believe that Loose's narrative as supported by his affidavits, was a part of any plot to discredit Dr. Cook.

"The idea originated with Loose and Dunkle," says Capt. Osborn. "They had for sale material in this controversy so explosive that nobody dared handle it. When they found that they, they cast about for something else. Dunkle was the promoter. Loose the workman. Also, Dunkle got most of the money. That's what Loose says, and now he is casting around to see where he stands. He's got a conscience and it smart's."

SUGAR CO. PAYS \$695,573

Arbuckle Bros. Reimburse United States for Money Due as Customs Duties on Imports.

New York.—Arbuckle Bros., generally credited with being the largest independent rivals of the American Sugar Refining Company, have acknowledged that from 1898 to 1907 they, too, failed to pay the government all the money due as customs charges on imported sugar.

In settlement of all civil claims against them, the Arbuckles have offered and the treasury department, with the concurrence of the attorney general, has accepted payment of \$695,573. But criminal prosecution of those responsible will in no use be hampered or conditioned by this acceptance.

FATAL COASTING ACCIDENT

One Boy Killed, Five Others Injured When Rack Collides with Train.

Lafayette, Ind.—In a coasting accident here last night one boy was killed and six others injured. A heavy rack containing 16 boys collided at the Columbia street crossing with the Decatur passenger train on the Wabash railroad.

The injured were scattered along the track for a block, and the body of Frank Klumpe, aged 17, was found under the pilot of the engine.

Defeat Street Railway Franchise.
Kansas City, Mo.—The Metropolitan Street Railway Company met defeat at the polls Thursday by an emphatic majority in its request for a 42-year street railway franchise. The company is controlled by Armour interests of Chicago.

Kermit Roosevelt Back at Nairobi.
Nairobi, British East Africa.—Kermit Roosevelt arrived here Thursday, having bagged three sabies. The party is preparing to start for Uganda Saturday.

Negro Kills White Woman.
Mount Vernon, Ill.—Marshall Rudd, a negro, 19 years old, shot and killed Mrs. Charles Bolerjack, a white woman of East Carmi, Ill., because she interposed objections to the negro's attentions to her daughter. Rudd was brought here Wednesday by Sheriff Grisson of White county to prevent a lynching. The negro was drunk, and called at the Bolerjack home and demanded admittance. The mother tried to prevent his entering the house, and he poked a revolver through the door and shot her.

Forty Injured in Express Wreck.
Winnipeg, Man.—The Canadian Northern express was wrecked 100 miles east of here Tuesday. The cars turned over. No one was killed, but 40 persons were injured.

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In a resolution adopted by the national labor leaders, organized labor throughout the country is called on to thoroughly and completely organize all employes in the iron, steel and tin plate industry, ordering an assessment of ten cents per member, recommending appointment of committees to see the president, congress and the governors for the purpose of laying before them the "grievances from which labor suffers at the hands of the steel corporation."

At the conference, which passed the remarkable battle decree, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, presided, and through him the measure was put upon the record books of the executive council of the federation.

The grievances of organized labor against the steel corporation, as set forth in the resolution, have been forwarded to President Taft and the United States senate and house of representatives. The governors of the states in which the United States Steel corporation owns plants or has interests will also receive a copy of the resolution.

The resolution deals principally with the low wages paid the men in the employ of the steel corporation, the hours of work and the general condition of oppression under which the corporation is alleged to hold its employes.

Thorough organization of all employes in the iron, steel and tin plate industry and co-related trades is urged and a call for organizers to assist in the work is made.

COOK COMMITTEE IS AT WORK

Members Are Fully Acquainted with Explorer's Records—Loose-Dunkle Affidavits Create Excitement.

Copenhagen.—The meetings of the Cook committee at the observatory are rigorously guarded.

The committee is now fully acquainted with the explorer's records and it is said that they contain nothing Dr. Cook could not have compiled after his return, during his five months' stay in Greenland or aboard the Hans Egede, where there was an abundance of voluntary assistance by a scientist versed in exploration, a knowledge of instruments and also of the use of a typewriter.

The Loose-Dunkle affidavits have arrived and are creating much excitement.

Private advices from Christiania state that Nansen, who has hitherto declined to give an opinion, disbelieves Dr. Cook's claims.

New York.—Capt. B. S. Osborn of this city, secretary of the Arctic club, has written Capt. Joseph E. Bernier in Ottawa, Ont., and others that Capt. August W. Loose's story of his dealings with Dr. Cook, as published in a New York newspaper, was concocted for sale without regard to the truth.

"In the presence of witnesses," said Capt. Osborn, "I heard Loose say: 'I was out for the money and I didn't care how I got it.'"

Capt. Osborn does not believe that Loose's narrative as supported by his affidavits, was a part of any plot to discredit Dr. Cook.

"The idea originated with Loose and Dunkle," says Capt. Osborn. "They had for sale material in this controversy so explosive that nobody dared handle it. When they found that they, they cast about for something else. Dunkle was the promoter. Loose the workman. Also, Dunkle got most of the money. That's what Loose says, and now he is casting around to see where he stands. He's got a conscience and it smart's."

SUGAR CO. PAYS \$695,573

Arbuckle Bros. Reimburse United States for Money Due as Customs Duties on Imports.

New York.—Arbuckle Bros., generally credited with being the largest independent rivals of the American Sugar Refining Company, have acknowledged that from 1898 to 1907 they, too, failed to pay the government all the money due as customs charges on imported sugar.

In settlement of all civil claims against them, the Arbuckles have offered and the treasury department, with the concurrence of the attorney general, has accepted payment of \$695,573. But criminal prosecution of those responsible will in no use be hampered or conditioned by this acceptance.

FATAL COASTING ACCIDENT

One Boy Killed, Five Others Injured When Rack Collides with Train.

Lafayette, Ind.—In a coasting accident here last night one boy was killed and six others injured. A heavy rack containing 16 boys collided at the Columbia street crossing with the Decatur passenger train on the Wabash railroad.

The injured were scattered along the track for a block, and the body of Frank Klumpe, aged 17, was found under the pilot of the engine.

Defeat Street Railway Franchise.
Kansas City, Mo.—The Metropolitan Street Railway Company met defeat at the polls Thursday by an emphatic majority in its request for a 42-year street railway franchise. The company is controlled by Armour interests of Chicago.

Kermit Roosevelt Back at Nairobi.
Nairobi, British East Africa.—Kermit Roosevelt arrived here Thursday, having bagged three sabies. The party is preparing to start for Uganda Saturday.

Negro Kills White Woman.
Mount Vernon, Ill.—Marshall Rudd, a negro, 19 years old, shot and killed Mrs. Charles Bolerjack, a white woman of East Carmi, Ill., because she interposed objections to the negro's attentions to her daughter. Rudd was brought here Wednesday by Sheriff Grisson of White county to prevent a lynching. The negro was drunk, and called at the Bolerjack home and demanded admittance. The mother tried to prevent his entering the house, and he poked a revolver through the door and shot her.

Forty Injured in Express Wreck.
Winnipeg, Man.—The Canadian Northern express was wrecked 100 miles east of here Tuesday. The cars turned over. No one was killed, but 40 persons were injured.

SUFFERED TERRIBLY.

New Relief from Distressing Kidney Trouble Was Found.



Mrs. Elizabeth Wolf, 388 W. Morgan St., Tipton, Mo., says: "Inflammation of the bladder reached its climax last spring and I suffered terribly. My back ached and I could hardly get around and the secretions were scanty, frequent of passage and painful. I was tired all the time and very nervous. I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, and after taking a few boxes was cured and have been well ever since."

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My baby's face was like a raw and bleeding piece of meat. I was at my wits' ends what to do. Medicine from three physicians and ointments recommended seemed to make the Eczema worse. Then another mother spoke of Resinol which I procured at once—remember I had no more faith in it than in all the rest I had tried—but I thought it would be wasting only 50c more. Never did I spend 50c to better advantage, for the first and second days I noticed a remarkable change, and now at the end of the third week I have my pretty blue eyed, rosy cheeked, cooling baby well again. I am safe in saying he is perfectly cured and the cure was surely something remarkable. Your Soap and Ointment did in three weeks what everything else I tried failed to do in four months. My baby was positively disfigured, now his complexion is all right again.

Mrs. H. F. Clemmer, Sunbury, Pa.
Coming to Terms.
Possible Boarder—Ah, that was a ripping dinner, and if that was a fair sample of your meals, I should like to come to terms.
Scotch Farmer—Before we gang any further, was that a fair sample o' yer appetite?

Method in Their Madness.
"Why do so many other clever women write silly letters to men?"
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SIoux CITY IOWA.

The A. M. E. and Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday schools are rehearsing for their Christmas exercises.

Mr. Robert Simpson who has been absent from our city several months spending his time in Omaha returned home Saturday to spend the winter.

Mr. Patt's orchestra will give a grand ball on Christmas night at Simeon's hall.

The A. M. E. Sunday school will give their Christmas exercises Christmas night.

The A. M. E. church club of which Mr. Frank Roberts is leader will give an opussum supper on the 28th, of December in a hall down town, a literary programme will also be rendered.

Mrs. Bryant and son Samuel arrived in our city Sunday from Chicago to join her husband who is porter on one of the railroads, running out of our city.

The Starlight club of which Mr. J. W. Norris is leader will give a benefit entertainment for the A. M. E. church Thursday evening Dec. 16.

The roast pig supper and an evening with negro authors given by the A. J. P. club last Thursday evening was a good success both socially and financially.

Rev. J. C. Reid pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist church offered his resignation Sunday evening at his third year's celebration, he has labored hard with his little flock for three long years. His resignation will take effect immediately, his plans for the future has not been decided on.

GALESBURG, ILLINOIS

Mr. Reuben Hill is recovering from his recent illness.

Mrs. Will McBride charmingly entertained the Leisure Hour club at her home Thursday afternoon. After the business was transacted, a social time was enjoyed, during which time a dainty supper was served.

Lewis' colored band appeared in public for the second time since their organization, Monday evening at Lincoln Memorial Chapel. The boys played to a crowded house and those not present missed a rare treat.

Mrs. John Graves is confined to her home by a serious attack of rheumatism.

Miss Olive Allen has returned home from a visit in Chicago.

Mr. B. E. Richardson, local Q. watchman, is spending the week in Galesburg, Illinois, having been sent there Friday to guard the merchandise which was scattered by the recent wreck there.

Mrs. Will Skinner entertained at dinner Saturday, Mrs. Cora Worthington and Miss G. Johnson of Indianapolis.

Lewis Colored band will appear at the A. M. E. church December 25.

Rev. Pope lectured at Allen's chapel to an appreciative audience. The lecture was illustrated with stereopticon views.

Mrs. Chas. Da is hostess to the members of the D. D. W. C. club Tuesday afternoon.

SECRET ORDERS.

North Star Lodge, No. 2, A. F. & M. - Meets First Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall - North west corner of Tenth and Centre streets. J. L. Thompson, W. M.; Robert E. Jacobs, Secretary.

Hiram Chapter - Meets Second Thursday in each month - Harrison Guild High Priest - Ben J. Haca, Recorder.

K'up S. Iowan Confraternity No. 6 - Meets Fourth Thursday in each month at warehouse H. E. Clark, R. Bradford, Recorder.

Charter L. No. 2992 - U. O. O. F. - Meets First and third Thursdays each month at 101 E. F. Dows hall on Ninth and Park streets. Frank P. Johnson, N. G. L. M. Brown, P. T.

Grand Master's Council of U. O. O. F. No. 251 - Meets Fourth Thursday night in each month - Dennis Harris, W. M.; J. W. Heath, G. S.

B. H. of R. No. 389 of G. U. O. of O. F. - Convene second Thursday at 2:30 and fourth Thursday at 8 o'clock each month. Mrs. Dora B. Hunt, M. N. G. Mrs. Susie Matzews, W. R.

THE CHURCHES

Corinthian Baptist Church - Corner of Fifteenth and Lincoln streets. Preaching from 10:30 to 12. Sunday School: At 12 o'clock. Preaching from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Rev. T. L. Griffin, Pastor.

St. Paul A. M. E. - Corner of Second and Centre streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m., Sunday School at 12 o'clock. S. J. Dow Brown, Superintendent. Edworth League at 7 p. m. Preaching at 9 p. m. Geo. W. Galois, pastor.

Barth's Chapel M. E. Church - Corner of 11th and Crocker streets. Church services, preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Class meeting at noon every Sunday. Sunday School 10 a. m. Prayer League Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Teacher's meeting every Wednesday at 8 p. m. Leaders and stewards meeting first Tuesday night in each month. Trustees in office every second Tuesday each month. Officers: Board of prayer meeting every Friday evening. Choir practice every Friday evening. Rev. F. Douglas Woodford, Pastor. H. W. Washington, Sec.

Maple Street Baptist Church - Situated on E. Maple between Ninth and Tenth streets. Preaching 11 a. m.; Sunday School 9 o. a. m. Henry Davis, Superintendent. Miss Myrtle Hubbard, secretary.

Rev. Samuel Bates, pastor.

Union Congregational Church - Corner Tenth and Park streets. Preaching 10:45 a. m. Sunday School, 12 m.; evening service 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings. H. W. Porter, pastor.

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REV. J. CORNELIUS REID.

A COMING MINISTER.

Rev. J. Cornelius Reid, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church Sioux City, Iowa, is one of the leading ministers of the state. He is an able writer, pulpit orator, and an uncommon promising race advocate. He is popular with the masses—especially the leading white citizens of his city and state. He established the Afro-American Advocate, a newspaper devoted to the interest of his people. A prominent member of the city ministerial association. A member of Iowa Baptist association (colored). Dr. Reid was educated in the public schools and Military academy of Mobile Alabama, studied law in the University of Minnesota, and theology in the Missionary training school of Minneapolis, and at Omaha Nebraska at which time he wrote a book on the "Destiny of the soul of man." Received his degree of Doctor of Divinity from McKinley Memorial University. Dr. Reid has spent three years in Sioux City, during said time his wonderful ability



MRS. J. CORNELIUS REID.

as a financier was tested. He saved the valuable church property from being sold and paid off half of the church debt.

Mrs. J. Cornelius Reid, is a person of very pleasing personality high ideals, energetic church worker, a good speaker, and a great helper to her progressive husband. She believes the race needs more zealous, earnest and loyal supporters among christian men and women; as a foundation to build upon. She is greatly in sympathy with everything that has a tendency to elevate her race.

Mrs. Reid is organizer and president of the local Baptist Home and foreign mission circle, also vice president of the Woman's Philanthropic club of her city. She is very ambitious for their only son Joseph, who is the only colored student of Morning Side college. Mrs. Reid is a splendid dressmaker. The Bystander can say that this young race couple will no doubt help much sentiment for the better things in human life.

OTTUMWA IOWA.

Mr. Mayo Weeks is confined at his home on account of illness.

Mr. Geo. E. Taylor who is visiting friends in Buxton and Des Moines expects to leave soon for Florida where he will spend the winter.

Miss Laura Tolls of Kirksville Missouri, is visiting her aunt Mrs. David Wilson.

The A. M. E. church realized a neat sum of \$150 in their last rally.

There will be a party Wednesday evening December 15 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson in honor of Miss Laura Tolls of Kirksville Missouri.

Mrs. Essex Harne is visiting her daughter Mrs. Charles Boone in Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. William Thompson has been called to Newton on account of the illness of her daughter Mrs. Wm. Fine.

Mrs. Earle Wagner will entertain a few friends this Saturday evening for her husband Mr. E. Wagner.

The remains of Mrs. Smith Herald who died last week at the Ottumwa Hospital were taken to Palmyra Missouri for interment.

Mrs. West and two daughters of Kirksville Missouri are visiting Mrs. Greer. Mr. West spent Sunday in Ottumwa.

Mr. Jerry Greover is out again after a long illness.

Mr. Robert Harris of Chicago spent Monday visiting Miss Edna Martin.

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CHRISTMAS.

The Annual Natal day of the birth of Christ is soon to be here. This to the christian world is the greatest of all Festivals days. It brings joy to the little children, gladness to the young people and renew the love and inspiration in the minds of the old, and the best of all it inculcates into our minds the true principle and kindness renew the fire of christian duty this year as we meet around the Christmas table we find the civilized world at peace and human love more effective the deep struggles to raise the downtrodden and unfortunate should be the guiding spirit for the New Year. Then let us send out a ray of hope and helping hand to those less fortunate than we are, let us help spread the good tidings and glad joy to the world.

CONGRESS OPENED.

Last week the American Congress opened again in its 61st, regular session to make laws to govern a mighty nation of nearly 100,000,000. The session will be unusually interesting as many reforms and evils to be remedied, and many wrongs to be corrected, and wrongs to be righted.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. W. K. Perry of Enterprise was in our city Saturday on business.

Mr. Wm. Battles, Mosby and Geo. F. Edmunds and J. Reynolds of Enterprise were capital city visitors Saturday.

Miss Helena Javens is employed by the Bystander Publishing Co. during the month of December.

Master Alden Blagburn one of the sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Blagburn is sick.

Mr. B. C. McDowell of Buxton spent a few days this week in our city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Watkins on West 3rd Street.

Mrs. Adam Dixon has been very sick

for several weeks with the inflammatory rheumatism but is improving now which is good news to her many friends.

The entertainment to be given by the North Star Masonic Lodge next Tuesday evening at the Cleyling hall will



be the grandest affair during the Xmas week from the preparation that the committee is doing and many new beautiful gowns in course of preparation for that occasion. It is expected that several from out of town will attend.

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Echoes of the Lyon-Scott Fete

Lineup of Negro Manhood Shows Relative Position of Some Who Have Made Good in the Government Service—Business and Professional Men in Abundance—Three Noted Characters.

No one could have beheld the guests seated at the splendid Lyon-Scott banquet recently held in Washington without at once realizing that the Negro in the United States is unmistakably a participator of the great progress that has come to this country.

Safe and conservative estimates of the salaries of some of those present would warrant the following classification:

Salaries of \$4,000 per annum and over:

John C. Dancy, recorder of deeds; Ernest Lyon, United States minister to Liberia; I. B. Scott, bishop of M. E. church; R. W. Tyler, auditor for United States navy department; W. T. Vernon, register United States treasury; and Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee institute. There are several professional and business men who were present that may be put in the above class. It is difficult, however, to form a fair estimate of men who have not stated salaries.

Salaries ranging from \$2,000 to \$3,500:

R. C. Bruce, assistant superintendent of Washington schools; J. A. Cobb, assistant United States district attorney; George W. Cook, secretary of Howard university; W. Bruce Evans, principal of Armstrong Manual Training school; A. H. Glenn, director of languages in Washington schools; W. C. McNeill, secretary of Howard University Medical school; W. S. Montgomery, supervising principal of Washington schools; J. C. Nalle, supervising principal of Washington schools; E. J. Scott, secretary to B. T. Washington; R. H. Terrell, judge of municipal court; James E. Walker, supervising principal of Washington schools; and N. E. Wetherless, director of science in the Washington schools.

Salaries between \$1,500 and \$2,000:

Wyatt Archer, clerk, United States treasury department; D. C. Brandon, assistant chief in office of auditor for navy; Kelly Miller, dean of college department in Howard university; J. C. Norwood, clerk in treasury department; and E. C. Williams, principal of M street high school.

There were present fifteen ministers, twenty-two engaged in educational work, twenty lawyers, seventeen doctors of medicine, three dentists, three pharmacists, one member of a city council, one banker, four newspaper editors, three magazine editors, two press correspondents, two photographers, one theatrical proprietor, two architects, two real estate agents, one proprietor of a printing establishment, one manager of a business and benevolent organization and a Y. M. C. A. secretary. Twenty-four of those present were on Uncle Sam's payroll, not including those engaged in educational work in the District of Columbia.

There were three characters present who added to the occasion the glory of the past—ex-Governor P. H. S. Pinchback, Judge M. W. Gibbs, ex-United States consul to Madagascar, and Major C. A. Fleetwood of civil war fame.

Progress was indicated in every phase of the banquet, from the taking of the flashlight by Scurlock, the young photographer, to the departure of Booker Washington in a mammoth motorcar, accompanied by Bishop Scott, Private Secretary Emmett Scott and James A. Cobb, the assistant United States district attorney.

There are 512 Afro-American employees in the Chicago Post Office, drawing annual salaries aggregating in round numbers \$400,000.

Mr. James A. Cobb, appointed Assistant District Attorney for the District of Columbia, prepares cases for prosecution under the Pure Food Law and has charge of forfeited bonds cases.

Hon. Miffin W. Gibbs was elected City Judge of Little Rock, Ark., by the Republicans of that city, in 1873; and was the first man of the race to be so honored.

In the Houston, Texas, postoffice there are 21 Afro-American employees whose salaries aggregate \$14,000 annually.

Forty-three Afro-Americans are employed in the Jacksonville, Fla., Post Office, and they are paid salaries amounting to \$35,000 annually.

There are 30 colored employees in the Montgomery, Ala., Post Office who draw salaries aggregating \$27,000 annually.

Twelve Afro-Americans employed in the St. Paul, Minn., Post Office are paid salaries amounting to \$12,300 annually.

All of the letter carriers at the Muskogee, Okla., Post Office are colored men. They draw salaries amounting to \$10,260 annually.

There are 15 Afro-Americans in the Internal Revenue Service at Louisville, Ky., whose salaries aggregate \$16,500 per year.

The 14 Afro-Americans employed in the Kansas City, Kansas, Post Office draw \$9,400 in salaries annually.

Fifteen Afro-American employees in the Columbus, Ohio, Post Office are paid salaries aggregating \$13,500 annually.

W. H. Lewis, Esq., Assistant District Attorney at Boston, Mass., has charge of the naturalization cases. He is an Afro-American lawyer honored by the Republican party.

The total force of the Mobile, Ala., Post Office consists of 33 clerks—16 Afro-Americans and 17 whites. The 32 carriers are all colored. The Afro-American employees receive annually \$42,400.

S. L. Williams, Esq., Special Assistant District Attorney at Chicago, has charge of the naturalization cases. Mr. Williams is a colored man.

In the Post Office and Federal Building at Jackson, Miss., there are 18 Afro-American employees whose annual pay aggregates \$11,560.

At the Galveston Texas, Post Office there are 13 colored employees whose annual compensation amounts to \$10,000.

Mr. H. H. Garner entered the postal service at Little Rock in 1890 when he was appointed letter carrier. The force then consisted of nine carriers. Mr. Garner was recently made Superintendent of Carriers. The present force consists of 45 regular carriers 31 being Afro-Americans. There are also eight substitutes, four white and four colored.

Colonel John H. Marshall of Chicago, Ill. The only colored man to receive Colonelcy by leading a regiment of colored troops during the Spanish-American war—the famous Eighth Illinois regiment. He is one of the leading men of the White City.

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Tuskegee Negro Conference Jan. 19. For a number of years the annual meeting of the Tuskegee (Ala.) Negro conference has been held in February. The date for the 1910 conference, however, has been announced for Jan. 19-20, inclusive. Friends of the movement together with its members are urged to call the attention of the public to the change in the date so that there may be no falling off in the attendance.

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Mr. James A. Cobb, appointed Assistant District Attorney for the District of Columbia, prepares cases for prosecution under the Pure Food Law and has charge of forfeited bonds cases.

Hon. Miffin W. Gibbs was elected City Judge of Little Rock, Ark., by the Republicans of that city, in 1873; and was the first man of the race to be so honored.

In the Houston, Texas, postoffice there are 21 Afro-American employees whose salaries aggregate \$14,000 annually.

Forty-three Afro-Americans are employed in the Jacksonville, Fla., Post Office, and they are paid salaries amounting to \$35,000 annually.

There are 30 colored employees in the Montgomery, Ala., Post Office who draw salaries aggregating \$27,000 annually.

Twelve Afro-Americans employed in the St. Paul, Minn., Post Office are paid salaries amounting to \$12,300 annually.

All of the letter carriers at the Muskogee, Okla., Post Office are colored men. They draw salaries amounting to \$10,260 annually.

There are 15 Afro-Americans in the Internal Revenue Service at Louisville, Ky., whose salaries aggregate \$16,500 per year.

The 14 Afro-Americans employed in the Kansas City, Kansas, Post Office draw \$9,400 in salaries annually.

Fifteen Afro-American employees in the Columbus, Ohio, Post Office are paid salaries aggregating \$13,500 annually.

W. H. Lewis, Esq., Assistant District Attorney at Boston, Mass., has charge of the naturalization cases. He is an Afro-American lawyer honored by the Republican party.

The total force of the Mobile, Ala., Post Office consists of 33 clerks—16 Afro-Americans and 17 whites. The 32 carriers are all colored. The Afro-American employees receive annually \$42,400.

S. L. Williams, Esq., Special Assistant District Attorney at Chicago, has charge of the naturalization cases. Mr. Williams is a colored man.

In the Post Office and Federal Building at Jackson, Miss., there are 18 Afro-American employees whose annual pay aggregates \$11,560.

At the Galveston Texas, Post Office there are 13 colored employees whose annual compensation amounts to \$10,000.

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NOTES ON RACIAL PROGRESS.

Lewis Thomas, a farmer who lives in East Monroe Township, Monroe, N. C., says that he picked this fall 1,657 lbs. of cotton from one acre and three rows of measured land. Being a hard worker and doing his part in the world of work, he enjoys the reputation of making good crops in his neighborhood.

During the recent Colored Fair held in Raleigh, N. C., October 25th to 30th, there were three farmers who made exhibits that deserve special mention. The first one is Fletcher Lockhart, who is regarded as one of Wake County's most prosperous truck growers. He was born a slave in 1854. When freedom came he was all alone in the world, as both father and mother were dead. He worked on a cotton farm until 1873. Then with no money in hand and with seventy-five cents borrowed to buy a wedding shirt, struck out with his wife to get ahead. For the first year the two worked for wages and cleared \$65. The second year Lockhart leased for five years, a plantation of one hundred acres east of Raleigh. When his lease expired, he bought the place at an average price of \$22 an acre. This put the cost of the farm at \$2,200, which he gradually paid off from his crop money. The place is now worth nearly \$15,000. He has not only made money, but he has also well educated his four children. His farm is a model, for on it are crops of cotton, corn, wheat, oats and a long list of truck products. His display of agricultural products, in almost every line, was a sight worth seeing. Furthermore, he was justly awarded by the committee one hundred dollars (\$100), the first prize, given by the Industrial Association for the best exhibit in this department.

The second case is that of S. M. R. Slade of Work Creek Township, Wake County, who owns a farm of seventy-five acres, worth about \$2,500. He was born in Caswell County in 1857. His father, together with the other slaves, were driven off the farm a year after the war and went to Alamance County, with nothing, where the whole family toiled hard, working the soil at first with hoes, as they owned no horse. Soon young Slade decided to own some land, so he bought two and one-half acres for which he paid \$56 of the money he had saved. Later he bought four acres more, after making a \$256 crop of tobacco the first year on what had been termed "an old field." He lived in Burlington ten years and sold 300 acres of land, some fifty acres being under cultivation. Having saved that same tract of land is worth at least \$7,000. In 1896 he went to Raleigh and paid \$265 for seventy-five acres of land. On this farm Slade 080 worth of timber from sixty acres, has prospered. The exhibit from this

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Christmas Customs of Every Land Seen in Washington

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WASHINGTON not only has a United States Christmas celebration but it has the festivities that mark the Christmas season in all the civilized nations of the world. At the Russian embassy there is a Christmas fete after the manner of the people in the land of the czar; there are French doings at the great European republic's official residence, and there is the genuine old English Christmas at the home of the British ambassador, and so one may go on through the entire list of foreign representatives, not even barring the embassies of China and Japan, where in honor of the day, as Christian nations view it, the oriental officials have holiday dinners.

The South American people make much of Christmas. It is the great feast day in all Latin-American countries and the ambassadors and attaches and their families do not forget the customs of their native lands simply because for a few seasons they have been transplanted to new scenes. The "open house" is the order of the day in nearly every official residence in Washington after the family has had its own intimate celebration of the holiday. Large families are the rule rather than the exception among the ambassadors and ministers from the southern European and from the Central and South American countries. The children have a gala time of it at home and then the visiting begins. The presents that

green and so are the wild honey-suckle and the laurel, trees and plants that are abundant along the Potomac. President Roosevelt was, as everyone knows, a nature lover. He took every opportunity that offered to get away from the city. His daily walks and rides took him far into the country, and on Christmas day during the last four years of his term of office he went to Pine Knot, a wooded, mountain country place that belonged to his wife. Mr. Roosevelt stayed in Washington until



CHINESE STUDENTS AT CHRISTMAS REUNION AT CHINESE LEGATION

are purchased and stored temporarily in the embassies are not for the adults and children of the household. The probable visitors of the day are borne in mind and as a little Brazilian boy in Washington put it once: "I have had ten Christmases in ten hours." Church going on Christmas day is the rule in Washington. Some persons have been unkind enough to say that all the American officials go to church on Christmas because the fact is very apt to get into the newspapers and "it reads well at home." The majority of the Central American and South American diplomats temporarily resident in Washington, are nominally at least good churchmen, and they attend service as a matter of training and as a matter of course. Practically all the women from the Latin-American countries are religiously devout, and with them church going on Christmas is a matter of duty that is not to be neglected under any circumstances. No child is allowed to miss church and the result is that all the capital city temples of worship are well filled on the feast day.

President Taft always has been a regular attendant at church and his services going since he became president establishes no precedent. Mrs. Taft and the children are Episcopalians, while the president is a Unitarian, and so it is that Sundays and other church days are the only days in the year that the family becomes in a sense divided. The president attends service at the Unitarian church of All Souls, of which the Rev. U. G. B. Pierce is the pastor. Mrs. Taft and the children are regular attendants at St. John's Episcopal church which in years past was attended by so many presidents of the United States that it came to be known semi-jocosely as "the Church of State." Mrs. Roosevelt and her children also attended St. John's on Sundays and Christmas days, while Mr. Roosevelt went to the little German Reformed church on Fifteenth street, and rarely missed a service.

This Christmas season the majority of the members of both houses of congress are in the capital city. Time was, and not so long ago, that senators and representatives took their families and went home to spend the holiday season, but now, for financial reasons, the national legislators in the main elect to stay in Washington for their holiday making. Prior to the passage of the last railroad rate bill most of the members of congress had passed on the railroads. Now they have to pay their way when they travel and for those who live at a distance from Washington this means a considerable expenditure of money in case they desire to go home at Christmas.

There are several hundred officers of the army and navy stationed in Washington, most of them being detailed for office work in the departments for a term of four years. The naval officers perhaps enjoy their holiday-making in the capital more than do their brothers of the army, for the sailors have been compelled to spend many Christmases at sea away from their wives and families, while here they may gather their families about them and not break any sea regulations in so doing. The army officer, whether he goes to the Philippines or to some distant frontier post, ordinarily takes his family with him and so Christmas day does not to him necessarily bring with it the sense of loneliness and homesickness that it brings to the man at sea.

Every employe of the White House is given a Christmas turkey by the president. This is a custom of many years standing, and only once or twice has it been broken. The clerks in the departments, and there are many thousands of them, not only get a Christmas holiday, but are allowed to leave their work at noon on the day previous in order that they may do their Christmas shopping. The lot of the department clerk in Washington is not a hard one, as far as the matter of holidays is concerned. Every employe is given a month's leave on full pay in each year, and is allowed another month "to be sick in." This last statement means, of course, only that if an employe is ill he or she receives full pay for one month on receipt of the physician's certificate that the illness has been real. The clerks get seven or eight holidays each year, and these, taken in connection with the month's leave, and with the fact that the hours of work number only seven and a half each day, make the laboring condition of the department clerk fairly comfortable.

In the biological survey, which is a bureau of the department of agriculture, there are many scientists at work. Most of these men have spent a large part of their lives in the wilds studying birds and mammals, and shells, plants and fishes, to say nothing of reptiles. The office life is irksome to these scientists. They belong to the free air, the barren plains, and the pine forests. So it is that on every holiday that brings with it a release from office cares, they take to the open fields. About the hills in many places about Washington on Christmas day there are to be seen the little camp fires of the scientists who are cooking their mid-day Christmas dinners under the open sky.

Washington's Christmas is always a green Christmas, even if there is snow on the ground, for in this latitude there are many trees and shrubs that hold their leaves and their color all through the year. As a matter of fact there is rarely any snow in the capital city that is worthy of the name. All last winter, save for a few hours, the streets were bare of snow. Then came March 4th, Inauguration day, and a record-making blizzard with a downfall of snow, hail and rain mixed. The holly is always



SPANISH MINISTER AND SECRETARY STARTING ON ROUND OF CALLS

the festivities of the day were over and the children had a chance to take account of their presents, and then he left for the log cabin in Virginia where he could sit in front of a huge open fire with a genuine "old Christmas" back log. On these Christmas outings Mr. Roosevelt did a little rabbit shooting and tried to do some turkey shooting, but the major part of the day time he spent in the fields armed only with an opera glass, with which he studied the winter birds, always with an eye sharpened to the possibility of finding some species that was rare.

President Taft loves nature, too, in a way, but he is not much of a trapper excepting where the walk leads over the golf links on which he spends his holiday afternoons, Christmas included, for in Washington because of the comparative mildness of the climate, the game of golf is possible nearly every day in the year.

Some time ago all the bird students in the United States were asked, if they could, to make a trip afield on Christmas day and to make a list of the birds that they found. Thousands of bird lovers followed the suggestion and are still following it. Each one of the students turns in a report to a central headquarters giving the names of the birds that on Christmas day fell under his observation. As a result of this practice the Washington scientists have many valuable notes concerning "out of season" birds. For instance, the report came to Washington on a Christmas or two ago, that on the holiday four mocking birds were seen and positively identified in the fields near Boston, Mass. Other birds were reported from other northern localities, birds that in the ordinary course of things ought to have been far south of the Ma-

CHRISTMAS PARTY OF PAN-AMERICAN YOUNG PEOPLE

son and Dixon line. So it is that a Washington Christmas day idea has been made to serve the ends of science. It has been said that in years past a great many of the senators and representatives in congress went home to spend the holidays, but that now the practice largely has passed. An exception should be made for the past, and the present, as well, in the cases of those senators and members who have in charge legislation which has been proposed in bill form at the opening of the session of congress. When bills are introduced they are at once referred to committees and if the measures are of importance the chairmen of the committees to which they have been sent, make

were all busy erecting presepios in the houses of the quality, while the poorer folk were constructing their own. As the mainland grows more sophisticated the quaint old devotion is fading away; but in conservative Sicily people still make the presepio every year as they dress Christmas trees in New York. All over the island families are busy from December 1 to 15 putting their old presepios in order, or making new ones; and there is much calling to and fro to compare results and admire new and elaborate specimens of the art. The presepio may be a little thing on a stand in one corner, or it may occupy the whole side of a room. It may represent a whole mountain side, made of the rough, flexible bark or the cork tree. Peaks, crags and precipices abound, with winding trails, houses and castles of colored cardboard, forests of twigs and sometimes tiny pipes to furnish brooks and lakes. In the center is the grotto, with the holy family within. A sky of blue paper is stretched above, with the Star of Bethlehem conspicuous, and over the hills come the shepherds bearing the gifts to the babe. Spain, like Sicily, has never lost the presepio, and in both Spanish and Sicilian cities there are booths for the sale of miniature shepherds, magi and all the accessories of the art. In France the creche is not made at home, as in the southern countries, but it used to be a part of the Christmas decorations of every French church, and is still so in the rural districts. Many a polished cosmopolite of Paris can remember working busily for days before Christmas in his childhood to help freshen up and rejuvenate the creche of his parish church in some little village of France. In the villages close by Paris to-day children who go about the streets singing Christmas carols carry a little creche in a box upon their shoulders. The manger typifies the difference between the Latin and the Teuton Christmas. The Latin Christmas is a purely religious festival, as much so as any other feast of the church. It has no particularly domestic or social quality. Italian children never get presents on Christmas day. That is done on All Souls' day. In October, when they believe—if they are very small—that the spirits of their departed relatives have come back in the night and left presents for them; undoubtedly a very ancient relic of ancestor worship. It is the great Teuton family of nations that give presents to children on Christmas day. And the Christmas tree came out of the vast forests where dwelt the heathen German and Scandinavian tribes. It is, in fact, a pagan relic, passed down from primitive forest dwellers and worshippers. Where Celt, Slav or Latin use it, they have borrowed it.

France, half Latin and half Celt, dashed with Gaul and Viking, is a family by herself in this, as in everything. She builds the manger in the churches, but at home, though she seldom dresses a Christmas tree, little Babette and Pierre set their shoes by the fireplace instead of hanging up their stockings. Pierre and Babette, if they are very small indeed, believe that "le petit Jesus" or "le petit Noel"—"the little Jesus" or "the little Christmas"—have brought the gifts. But the average French child is as sophisticated as young America, and Pierre has to use a very little boy indeed, to believe in "le petit Jesus." No French or Italian child ever hears of Santa Claus till he comes to America; by which it may be gathered that that good saint was strictly German, and when he emigrated, came to America like all the rest of the Germans.

The growth of the typical American Christmas, with its universal Christmas greens and present-giving, is a curious phenomenon. It has no roots in American history. The original settlers of New England never observed it. The Dutch of New Amsterdam scarcely noticed it, but made New Year's the great, joyous, popular festival. Within the memory of old people still living Christmas passed unobserved in New York, while all holiday merrymaking centered in New Year's day. Modern America has built up a Christmas festival of its own, and has rejected definitely the religious feast in favor of the social and domestic one. In one way, however, the American Christmas is more religious than any and all the Latin church feasts put together. One who has lived through a year's changing round of saints' days in Italy, in all of which no work is done and the people take holiday, will observe that the thought of the people never goes out to those in need. The abounding giving of an American Christmas; the uneasy, uncomfortable feeling that every child, at least, must have, if possible, a good dinner and a present on Christmas day, is quite unknown in the Latin countries.

The feeling that poor old bums and hoboos, even the criminals in their prisons, the paupers in their almshouses, the beggars, the unworthy—all ought to have something good to eat on that day, and a little Christmas cheer in some form—is part of the American Christmas.

The races that come to the melting pot of America keep their home Christmas for only a few years after they arrive. Then they drift off into a more or less Americanized Christmas. For a few years after they come, also, they try to eat their traditional dishes at Christmas time. The Hungarian housemother makes the Christmas cakes which of long line of ancestral cooks made before her across seas. They are round balls of dough, covered with honey and poppy seed, and then baked. The Bohemians and Poles also make poppy seed cakes, each in a different style. The Sicilian housewife, too, has a traditional Christmas cake. It is a ring of dough with a hole in the middle—the Italian doughnut, in fact—which is fried, sprinkled with sugar and eaten hot.

HELP SOLVE LIFE PROBLEMS

German Scientist Has Made Important Contribution to Solution of Great Question. That of the surrounding air, and thus obtained access to an almost virgin field. That crystals, when placed in the saturated mother liquor, grow and have the power of healing fractures have suggested to many that crystallized matter is a form of life. Prof. Lehmann ventures with some confidence to assert, not that crystals themselves are living, but that crys-

tallization is the agency made use of by living growth. A glass of jelly, or any other noncrystalline substance, doesn't grow. On cooling it passes gradually from the melted to the solid condition, and forms about a large number of nuclei, just as happens in the condensation of vapor. Crystallization is quite different. The growth is rapid, and the nuclei are comparatively few. Prof. Lehmann noticed that liquid crystals, when under the influence of a magnetic fluid, coalesce and range themselves with

their axes in the direction of the lines of force; in other words, the growth of an individual takes place. In fact, the similarity in aspect and behavior between certain liquid crystals and bacteria is remarkable, and scarcely can be accidental. Prof. Lehmann suggests that in life the directional force is "that mysterious essence so much discussed, and so little understood, the soul." In support of this "bold hypothesis" he puts forward many arguments and marshals an array of facts. It is de-

clared that he has made an important contribution to the solution of the great question confronting alike science and philosophy—what is life? The Academy of Silence. It is written that among the various schools of Grecian philosophy existed one known as "The Academy of Silence, composed of 100 men, each member pledged to the purpose of the school, writes Hollis Godfrey in the Atlantic. To them came one seeking admission. Their list of member-

GOOD WORK IS LOVED WORK

And Therein One Should Find the Contentment That Is Chief Part of Life. If a man doesn't love his work, he had better get something else to do. But the trouble is that such people will hardly love any kind of work. The trouble is in them. They lack intelligence. If they knew enough to know good work, they would soon learn to love it. The manual-training scheme has this in view—to surround the job a man is doing with such intelligence and taste as will make it attractive to him. "The man who is in love with his job gets more contentment out of life than any other," says Brander Matthews, and he gets a great part of his contentment in doing his work right. No man can love his work who shirks. No man can be contented who is dishonest about his work. This is shirking or doing it negligently. So these things always go together—honest work, contentment and love of the job.

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It costs on an average about \$250 to cure an incipient consumptive or to care for an advanced case of tuberculosis until death. If he is left in desperate circumstances without proper attention he will surely infect with his disease at least two other persons, and possibly more. Considering that the average life is worth to society in dollars and cents about \$1,500, the net loss which would accrue to a community by not treating its poor consumptives in proper institutions would be, for each case, including those who are unnecessarily infected, at the very lowest figure, \$1,250. On this basis, if the poor consumptives in the United States who are now sick were segregated from their families, and either kept in institutions until they died, or else cured of their disease, the saving to the country would be the enormous sum of \$1,275,000,000.

Detected.
The consul in London of a continental kingdom was informed by his government that one of his country women, supposed to be living in Great Britain, had been left a million of money. After advertising without result, he applied to the police, and a smart young detective was set to work. When a few weeks had gone by his chief asked him how he was going on. "I've found the lady, sir." "Good! Where is she?" "At my place. I got married to her yesterday!"

Now and Then.
He is a capitalist now in an Ohio town, but he was not always thus. He has progressed along various lines, and one mark of his progress is the open-back shirt, a comparatively modern invention. To this he is yet new, and recently commented upon it to a friend who was in his room while he was dressing. "Look at me," he said, sticking his head through his shirt. "When I came to this town I hadn't a shirt to my back, and now—now, I haven't a back to my shirt."

Not Up to Modern Standards.
"Your wife's new hat makes her look like a queen," said the man who tries to be complimentary. "Don't let her hear you say that," answered Mr. Biggins; "I have looked through the histories and I never yet saw a picture of a queen who looked as if she enjoyed a first-class milliner."

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BUXTON BRIEFS.

By Rambler.

Everything at this period is taking on the hue of Yule-tide.

Rev. D. E. Butler the popular pastor of the First A. M. E. church boasts of his parish as being the largest in Iowa. Aside from a stewards trust and stewardship board aggregating 27 officers he has organized a board of Deacons 12 in number who not only wear the regalia of the office but render efficient service.

Rev. Woodard and his good people of the First Baptist church are succeeding beyond measure.

The Reverend Mays and Epperson pastors respectively of the Second A. M. E. tabernacle Baptist churches are working what under ordinary circumstances would be called miracles.

The interest and attendance in both the mens and boys departments of the Y. M. C. A. has so increased that a more commodious structure is the talk of the town.

In several sections of classic Buxton the snow birds, are sweetly singing nuptial songs.

Prof. C. B. Hosmer, representing Tuskegee Industrial Institute, spoke at the Y. M. C. A. and First A. M. E. church Sunday in the interest of the said institution.

Editor R. H. Montgomery of the Wisconsin Weekly Advocate spent a few days here pushing the servant girl problem.

The local church auxiliaries are presenting their claims for tangible co-operation in a manner so intensely fascinating that good results are accruing.

George E. Taylor spent a couple of days in our city the guest of druggist B. F. Cooper. Mr. Taylor is enroute to St. Augustine Florida for his health.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings of the Buxton Sunday School Union was held at the Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday.

Mrs. A. L. DeMont is the new organist at the First A. M. E. church.

Rev. M. I. Gorion presiding elder of the Des Moines district is in the city for the purpose of holding quarterly meeting at the First and Second A. M. E. churches Sunday December, 19.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Windfield, and Mr. Henry Lucas remain on the sick list, the latter however is much improved.

Christmas festivities will be held at all the churches Christmas eve.

Mrs. Bessie Pentiss and Miss Lella A. Downey are among the new clerks at the company (The Monroe Mercantile) store.

Mr. Reuben Gaines who was out of the city over night on business has returned.

Mrs. D. E. Butler wife of St. Johns pastor has formed a mite missionary organization of nearly 30 ladies who meet bi-monthly to do fancy needle work. On New Year's day they will be ready to go.

Wm. was irritable and in ill-humor.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. M. Jackson had a serious fall one day last week and has been confined to the house ever since.

Mr. Art Ester has been sick the last few days suffering from neuralgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson of Hocking visited parrrits and friends in Albia Sunday.

Alfred Grayson of Hiteman spent several days of this week in town at the home of his daughter-in-law Mrs. E. Grayson.

Mr. John Washington of Hocking instructor of the Vesta Musical Club was in town Sunday teaching the club.

Mrs. John Allen of Hocking has moved to Albia.

Mrs. Ross Johnson and Miss Gertrude Williams, Miss Zoe Bowman and Mr. Earl Bowman have been troubled with tonsilitis and bad colds.

Rev. Montgomery of Milwaukee was an over Sunday visitor in our town, he preached at the A. M. E. church also visited the Sunday school and addressed the children in higher morals and love for race pride and education. We hope some will follow his good teaching as he spoke of many race men and women.

Quite a number of strangers in our town the past few weeks.

Mr. Charlie Washington of Hocking was in town Sunday.

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MT PLEASANT NOTES.

Rev. Jackson of Albia preached Sunday and Monday evenings at the Second Baptist church.

Mr. Ross McCain of Davenport is spending a few days in the city with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Drady Lesly of St. Louis Missouri, passed away at the Burton House last Wednesday. The deceased was twenty-nine years of age, she leaves to mourn her loss three children, husband and a sister, Mrs. Pierson of St. Louis. Interment taking place Thursday afternoon at Forest Home cemetery.

Those on the sick list this week are Little Mamie Lesly, Mesdames Edna Pickett, Carter, and McNeil, and Mr. Sam McCracken.

Miss Myrtle Burnaugh returned home Thursday A. M. accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Scott of Keokuk.

Miss Myrtle Burnaugh pleasantly entertained a number of ladies and gentlemen at a party Monday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Scott of Keokuk, games and music were the amusements of the evening, two prizes were awarded during the evening, one to Miss Hazel Logan the other to Mr. Scott. Light refreshments were served and all report a jolly good time.

services for two Sundays but in spite of the bad weather, services last Sunday was well attended all day.

The Sunday school under the leadership of Mrs. R. P. Palmer are preparing for their Xmas tree and exercises.

The pastor called a business meeting of the Literary last Monday night for the purpose of re-electing officers and the officers elected are as follows: Mr. Grant Jackson, Pres. Miss Ethel Tillery, Vice Pres. Miss Bulah Wheeler, Sec. Miss Tho Jackson, Treas. Rev. R. P. Palmer, Chaplain. Miss Gracie Brown, Organist. On next meeting night the Literary will give an indoor box picnic, a short program and address by Mr. I. L. Brown on the subject, The needs of the people of Marshalltown. The newcomers in our city are falling in line. The choir is proud to secure the able assistance of Miss Gracie Brown as organist, a music teacher who has a white class.

Brs. Cassie Plakes has moved to Boon Ia to make it her future home.

Mr. Will Mabray of Kansas and Mr. Will Redrick of Charanooga, Tenn. has moved to Marshalltown to make it their future home. We are glad to welcome the new comers, many of them are securing good positions.

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The getting together of a congress of this character and magnitude will necessarily entail much labor and a tremendous amount of correspondence. Only the ablest, most thoughtful and most progressive men of the darker races will be invited to participate in the deliberations of this congress, and the greatest care will be exercised by the promoters in the selection of its members. Just now there is considerable unrest among the darker peoples, especially in Asia, Africa, the West Indies and America.

That Cairo, Egypt, should be selected for this gathering is significant. The sessions of the congress will be held in secret and will continue for thirty days. The call is signed by representatives from Turkey, Japan, China, India, West, Central and North Africa, Burma, Sumatra, Java, Madagascar, the West India Islands, South and Central America and Mexico.—Yonkers (N. Y.) Statesman.

Industrial Home's Successful Fair.
The third annual fair and turkey dinner, which was given for the benefit of the Industrial Home For Afro-American Girls at Pittsburg Thursday, Dec. 9, under the auspices of the board of managers, was an encouraging success. Dinner was served from 11 a. m. to 3 p. m. and, besides being cooked in a very appetizing manner, included many of the choicest things of the season. The booths at the fair in the evening consisted of a candy booth, a fancy booth, a prize booth, a Japanese tea booth in charge of the young women's auxiliary, which has already donated \$170 to the home; a china booth and ice cream booth and a fancy trimmed hat booth.



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