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CITY NEWS.

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

Dan Straughter left last Saturday for Kansas City, Mo., to remain indefinitely.

Ed Craddock of Oskaloosa was in our city last week to visit his sister, Mrs. Enola Craddock.

Messrs. I. L. Brown and Albert Walker of Marshalltown were in our city last Tuesday evening to attend the masquerade social given by Mt. Olive Court.

Miss Jessie Walker of Marshalltown, who has been visiting several days in our city the guest of Mrs. E. T. Banks, left Thursday for her home. She made a pleasant call at the Bystander office. Miss Walker is one of the active members of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women.

On last Friday a missionary meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Miles Thompson (white) 1323 W. Ninth, for the discussion of the Negro question. Rev. T. L. Griffith spoke; a quartet of young ladies consisting of Misses Anna and Bessie Reeves, Iona Wilson and Jessie Bell rendered several good selections; Miss Margaret LaCour delivered an excellent address on the progress of the Negro.

NOTICE.

To the officers and members of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women:

At the recent meeting of the Executive Board of the Federation which was held in Des Moines, the board decided to use the Iowa State Bystander for issuing our program and all club notes necessary until the meeting of the State Federation in May. We would advise all club women in the state to subscribe for the Bystander so that all clubs will know what part they are to have on the program.

Mrs. C. B. Lewis, Pres.
Jessie E. Walker, Editor.
Mrs. James Woods
Mrs. L. W. Tucker

Associates.

A special session of the Board of Directors of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held at the residence of Mrs. S. Joe Brown last Thursday afternoon.

Those present were: Mrs. C. B. Lewis of Davenport, President; Mrs. S. Joe Brown of this city, Vice President; Mrs. Alice Thompson, Treasurer; Mrs. E. B. Elliston of this city, Organizer; Mrs. J. H. Woods, Chairman Arts and Crafts Committee; Mrs. J. P. Hamilton of this city, Chairman Rescue Committee; Mrs. Emma Gardner of Ottumwa, Chairman Philanthropic Committee and Miss Jessie Walker, Associate Editor of "The Iowa Colored Woman."

Aside from completing arrangements for the meeting of the State Federation, which will be held in this city the fourth week in May, the board elected Miss Jessie Walker, editor of "The Iowa Colored Woman" the official paper of the Federation, to succeed Mrs. A. L. DeMond, who was elected at the last state meeting, and who was compelled to resign because of her removal to the state of Georgia, where her husband has charge of one of the Congregational churches.

Mrs. C. B. Lewis and Mrs. Alice Thompson were the guests of Mrs. S. Joe Brown while attending the Directors' meeting in this city last week.

The Iowa State Bystander has again been made the official organ for the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs by vote of the recent board meeting held in our city. We are always interested in the uplift and amelioration of our race and think that the Iowa clubs of women throughout the state as a whole have rendered good and commendable service to their women and likewise to society, hence we will again give them space in the columns of the Bystander as heretofore, although sorry of the suspension of their official monthly journal. Next month the official announcement of the annual program will be published. These ladies are expecting one of the largest meetings in our capital city next May in the history of the organization.

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Mayor H. C. Baehr Breaks Record

Cleveland's Chief Executive Appoints Twenty-three Afro-Americans to Good Paying Positions During First Month in Office. Fleming, Brascher and Eubanks Factors in Ohio Republican Politics.

By N. BARNETT DODSON.
Hon. Herman C. Baehr, Republican, who defeated Tom L. Johnson, Democratic candidate for mayor of Cleveland, O., last fall, is doing some things for the Afro-American voters of the city which are in every way commendable and which should refresh



THOMAS W. FLEMING.

the memory of the mayors of some other large cities in the west and north who seem to have forgotten that Afro-Americans voted for them in the municipal elections in 1909.

Mayor Baehr is broad minded and has shown his willingness to recognize men of merit and worth regardless of their race or color. He began his term of office on Jan. 1, and since that time, through the efforts of City Councilman Thomas W. Fleming, who is ever ready and on the alert for the best interest of the race, twenty-three Afro-Americans have been appointed to good paying positions. Councilman Fleming is a prominent attorney at the Cleveland bar and bears the unique distinction of being the first man of our race who has ever been elected to the city council in Cleveland. He is also the first of our race to be elected councilman at large in the state, being the recognized leader among our people in Republican politics both in the state and in Cleveland.

Mr. Fleming's success in public affairs has been phenomenal, and he is considered to be good timber for larger responsibilities in the body politic, especially where the interest of the race is most likely to be jeopardized. Judging from the number of men already appointed by Mayor Baehr, it is safe to assume that no other city in the United States can boast of such recognition as has been accorded to members of the race in Cleveland within such a short time.

No better selection could possibly have been made for the exacting duties of city storekeeper in the city auditor's office than that of Nahum Daniel Brascher. Mr. Brascher is the first Afro-American to hold the position and is well qualified by learning and experience to fill it. As editor of the Cleveland Journal, which is one of the leading race papers of the



NAHUM DANIEL BRASCHER.

west, he has been a molder of public sentiment in favor of our people for a number of years. Fearless and conscientious, Mr. Brascher has made strong defense of all the rights and privileges due the race under the national government. Being a strict party man, he has wielded a potent influence for Republican success in the many exciting campaigns in the city and in the state. His slogan now is, as it ever has been, "To the victors belong the spoils."

Few men of either race in Cleveland enjoy a wider acquaintance as public officers than does the Hon. Henry T. Eubanks, member of the Ohio legislature, who is now serving his

second term. His voice has been heard many times in debate on questions touching the public good as well as that of his own race. Mr. Eubanks may justly be termed an old school politician, with added capacity for grasping the new ideas and methods which characterize present day statesmanship.

A sincerity and devotion to the duties of his office and an interest in the well being of the race are possessed by him to a degree seldom manifested in a single individual. His career as a public servant, therefore, has been marked by a calm and dispassionate view of men and measures, working for the good of the state and all its people.

Every county office, with the exception of the prosecutor's and clerk's office, has a representative of the race employed. The latter office, of course, is controlled by Democrats. Thus with the following partial list of our men who are holding positions which they have well merited it appears that the race in Cleveland, O., is marching on. They are J. Clarence Brown, chief inspector garbage collection department; Dan R. Fairfax, clerk, waterworks department; Walter Patterson, park police; W. O. Thornhill, notice clerk, sidewalk department; William Brown, inspector of brick and cement, engineer's office; Samuel Kyle, barn man, collection department; Edgar B. Moore, messenger, director public service office; Abraham Stevens and Jacob Cummings, janitors, city hall; Charles Hayes and Jesse Gordon, night watchmen, city hall; Frank Griffin and Ernest Burke, meter readers; John Clifford, janitor, Central Market House; William Shaffer, barn man, central police station; J. A. Johnson, janitor, pumping station; George Turner, bridge guard, and James Johnson, policeman, East Ninth street bridge. Seventy-five colored men are employed at the garbage collection department as drivers of garbage wagons at \$2 per day, and about twenty are working on the streets as white wings. Twelve men have teams working for the city.

As strange as it may seem to some, the day has come when Afro-Americans all over the country must cease to base their claim for political recognition solely on party affiliation. More and more are we convinced that the future salvation of the race in politics will depend largely upon the men



HON. HENRY T. EUBANKS.

whom it helps to elect to office. Especially is this true in municipal affairs.

While at heart no doubt the masses of our people are inclined to support the Republican party, we have no kick with those who for good and sufficient reasons cast their lot with other political organizations as a means to an end. Mayor Baehr of Cleveland is a man who has proved himself worthy of our support.

POLITICAL EQUILIBRIUM.

County Voters Want to Know Their Status in Party Organization.

There seems to be much unrest among the members of the Colored Republican league of Kings county, N. Y. At the annual installation of officers, held on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, the league selected for discussion at its meeting on March 1 this subject: "What is the Present Political Status of the Colored Republicans of the County in the Republican Party Organization?"

John H. Smith, president of the league, is one of the best known politicians in the county and has more than once taken issue with the county organization for its alleged unfair treatment of the colored voters in recognition of valuable services rendered the party in various campaigns where the colored vote held the balance of power.

Church Complies With Pastor's Wish.

In accordance with the expressed desire of the Rev. Dr. William T. Dixon previous to his death in June, 1909, the Concord Baptist Church of Christ in Brooklyn, of which he was the honored and beloved pastor for over forty-five years, the church recently donated \$100 for the completion of the executive office of the Downtown Industrial school at Downingtown, Pa. The money was paid to the Rev. Dr. William A. Credit of Philadelphia, who is president of the school. The room will be known as Dixon hall.

Future Hundred Yard Champion.

James Ravenel, the Afro-American lad who took part in the 100 yard dash at the Poly meet of the High School of Commerce in Brooklyn recently, crossed the tape a winner, making the fastest run ever recorded in the history of the high school boys' meet. He is regarded as the future world's 100 yard champion runner.



E. D. BRIGHAM, For Commissioner.

The above cut is that of Hon. E. D. Brigham, formerly state labor commissioner, who has announced his name as a candidate for councilman, subject to the city primaries to be held March 14. He was born in Illinois in 1868; came to Iowa in 1878 on a railroad construction gang and built a mile of the Milwaukee grade near Council Bluffs in 1890, and was locomotive engineer for the Chicago Great Western for

twelve years. He was appointed state labor commissioner in 1902 by Governor Cummins and served until 1909. Since that time he has been manager of the children's department of the Great Western Accident Co. Mr. Brigham ran two years ago within 37 votes of being on the ticket and now his friends feel that he will no doubt be one of the eight to go on the ticket.



WESLEY ASH, For Commissioner.

Mr. Wesley Ash, one of our present city commissioners, is a strong candidate for re-election. He is an Iowa born, and educated in the county; a farmer boy, then to the coal mines where he spent most of his life. Six years ago he was appointed deputy sheriff, which he filled with efficiency

for four years. Two years ago he entered the contest for commissioner and after a hot contest won, which was unequalled by any other candidate, as Wesley was a poor man and had to battle his own fight. He has made a good commissioner and stands upon his past record. He asks your support.

ALBIA, IOWA.

Mrs. Laura Schofield, the evangelist of Oskaloosa, will be in Albia and surrounding towns canvassing for the next three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson of Hoeking spent Sunday with relatives in Albia.

Mr. Benjamin Gathers and Mr. B. Thomas went to Philadelphia Sunday of this week.

The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. H. Jones on Monday of this week.

Rev. S. L. Birt of the A. M. E. church is out of town for an indefinite time.

For the past week there has been quite a few strangers in town.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

Mr. Editor: Kindly allow me space to say that doubtless few people know of the missionary work Mrs. Searcy of this city is doing in the South.

She has gained the confidence and respect of the best white people of the town who have been assisting her the past few years.

She has always felt in heart and mind that there was a great work for her to do among our women and thanks God that she has at last fallen into the right channel, and were she to receive a gold button set with diamonds she would feel like placing it on her husband who has sacrificed to make her what she is.

Mrs. Searcy intends sometime in the future to tell to the world how she received a part of an education, and adds, too, that the South is the place for the black man.

A lecture tour in which she had expected to discuss this subject had been planned but on account of the illness of her husband the trip was postponed, and her modest retiring nature also makes her shrink from public notice.

Not long since the distinguished pastor of one of our popular white churches visited Mrs. Searcy and invited her to become a member of his church that he might secure her Christian influence for the young people of his church.

High Honor For Estelle E. Gibbs

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gibbs of Hoboken, N. J., Wins First Prize For Highest Average Over Thousands of White Pupils—Gold Medal Presented by Mayor Gonzales.

No greater encouragement comes to the race at this time along educational lines than the splendid records which our youths, young men and women, are making in their studies in the various high schools and academies. In English and the higher branches of learning, in athletic pursuits, music and art many of them have scored signal victories.

It all goes to show that where equal opportunity is given, home training and environment being similar, Afro-Americans are just as capable of grasping and retaining literal, manual or industrial subjects as any other class of persons. The recent triumph of Miss Estelle E. Gibbs of Hoboken, N. J., over the entire school population of 10,000 whites in making the highest average in her studies is sufficient evidence to prove the truthfulness of the above statement. At the graduating exercises of the public school Miss Gibbs was awarded the first prize, a gold medal. Her average in six subjects was 90.13 per cent. She is the only Afro-American girl in Hoboken who has ever achieved such honors and the only one who has graduated from the grammar school to the high school. In all of her studies save one Miss Gibbs received 100 per cent.

In geography her mark was 98. In history, civics, spelling, arithmetic and grammar she was perfect. In the test examination Miss Gibbs selected the hardest questions. She is also gifted in music, which subject she has given much attention, and instead of pursuing a further literary course she will devote her time to the study and teaching of music. This victory, how-



MISS ESTELLE E. GIBBS.

ever, was not won without hard study, for it is said that the girl spent little or no time with other matters. She went in to win; her aim was fixed; her standard was high, and she worked up to it.

As has already been stated, home training and environment mean much to the pupil that achieves special distinction in his studies.

Mrs. J. F. Gibbs, mother of Estelle, is herself an educated woman, having been graduated from the Bishop Payne Divinity and Industrial school, Petersburg, Va., before coming north. The encouragement of parents goes a long way toward shaping the aims and purposes of their children. We must let our children feel that we are with them in their efforts to advance themselves along right lines in morals, religion, education and occupation.

We should know their difficulties and assist them in overcoming them; we should know their weak places and aim to strengthen them; their aspirations and help them on the road to success. With these essential elements kept steadily in view there should be no fear or misgivings as to the feature status of our race in the various callings in life.

Bible Class Has Athletic Club.

The Letitia Athletic club, composed of about sixteen young men of the senior department of the Concord Baptist Sunday school, is now a member of the Sunday School Athletic League of Brooklyn. The club was organized two years ago. The young men are members of the same Bible class which is taught by Deacon R. Lincoln Powell. It is the largest club of Afro-Americans in the league.

They Are Wrong on the Main Point.

Some of our people think that the church, like the nation, must at some time engage in war in order to perfect peace, but they are wrong on the main point. The church must ever be militant until it joins the church triumphant.

Mr. J. Baker is in Quincy for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. I. Washington who fell last week on the icy pavement, received several flesh wounds, but is recovering rapidly.

Mr. J. E. Johnson was on the sick list last week but is able to be out.

Little Mildred Graham has the chicken pox.

GALESBURG, ILL.

Mr. John Howerton entertained the Improvement club at her home Tuesday afternoon. This is one of the most worthy clubs in our city. It was organized by Miss Daisy D. Walker of Indianapolis, and is composed of twelve ladies from the Baptist church and twelve from the Methodist. They are at present studying the lives of famous men and women. The finances are used for the benefit of the poor in the city, with Mrs. L. C. Carter as president they are enjoying great success.

The ladies of the D. D. W. C. C. gave a Martha Washington tea Tuesday at the home of Mrs. A. L. Harper. About seventy-five friends were present and spent the evening. During the evening a splendid program was rendered by the members of the club.

Mr. Roy Lyons and his bride arrived in Galesburg Monday evening from Davenport. Mrs. Lyons will be remembered as Miss Floy McGaw, and has visited here on numerous occasions. The happy couple went at once to housekeeping at the groom's home on E. Worth street.

Sunday occurred the first quarterly meeting of the year at the A. M. E. church, Allen Chapel. Presiding Elder Phillips and Rev. Lewis of Moline were present.

OTTUMWA.

At 4.30 Friday evening occurred the death of Stephen Green. Mr. Green had reached the age of 91 years. Most of his early life was spent as slave in the family of Judge Richard Ballinger of Lexington, Ky. He came to Ottumwa about 50 years ago and has resided here since. Mr. Green leaves to mourn him, three daughters, Mrs. Wells Fowler, Mrs. James Campbell and Mrs. Mary Green and grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted Sunday from the residence conducted by Rev. John W. Pool of the Main street M. E. church and Rev. A. Lewis of the A. M. E. church. Interment in Ottumwa cemetery.

Mrs. Helena Downey will entertain friends Tuesday afternoon from 2 p. m. to 4, at a George Washington birthday party.

Rev. Simmons of Buxton preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday.

The A. J. J. Amusement club will meet at the home of Mr. Roscoe Gulna, North Monroe street. Friday evening.

THE WEST ARE AGAINST CANNON AND THE ALDRICH TARIFF.

The Chicago Daily Tribune, one of the largest daily papers printed in the west, has been making a careful and thorough investigation among congressmen and editors of newspapers. The states to which they sent special representatives and letters are Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Missouri, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, California, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arizona, New Mexico, in which there were 577 votes for Cannon for the next speaker and 3,194 against among the newspaper, and 839 votes for the Aldrich tariff bill and 2,463 against it. We wonder if the Iowa standpat congressmen who are supporting Cannon realized the embarrassing position they are in when facing their constituents.

Willing to Oblige.

"When you feels any temptations comin' along," said the friend and adviser, "you mus' say: 'Get thee behin' me, Satan.'"

"Da's what I done said," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley, "an' den I 'magines I hyubs Satan answer me back: 'Da's all right. We's both gwine de same way, now, an' it don' make no difference to me which leads de puccession.'"

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Let's not talk about the weather.
Remember and give the horse a square deal.
Even bad weather cannot keep the airships down.

In this age, the water wagon ought to be an automobile.

Canada seems to be getting a better neighbor all the time.

An aeroplane collision might be a good state fair attraction.

The next aerial record to be broken is that for the highest fall.

Delaware has a record snowfall. No use asking after the peach crop.

Wouldn't automobile tires as ball bonds come under the head of inflated securities?

Isn't it great that you can get used to almost anything if you try it long enough?

Sea voyagers at this time of year get their money's worth if they like excitement.

It is said injections of rattlesnake venom will cure hookworm. Also pelagra. It is a kill-or-cure remedy.

One of the most pernicious evils is the man who tries to pull another down from the water wagon.

With real butter worth its weight in gold the temptation is strong for imitation butter to get into the game.

European rivers have been hurrying up their high water programs so as to forestall the Ohio's spectacular performances.

Whenever a cake of floating ice crashes against the Eads bridge the seismograph in St. Louis registers an earthquake.

The nine-dollar hog at Chicago may make the silver of bacon for breakfast more like a silver than it has ever been before.

The only consolation there has been about the bleak weather of the past few days is that each day of winter brings spring nearer.

Speed maniacs should be given a sentence, when convicted, on the treadmill, which would make the punishment fit the crime.

Buffalo meat has been placed on the New York market. And its price, notwithstanding its rarity, was not much greater than that for ordinary beef.

Seldom will give a vain and unreliable woman even an untruthful answer if you ask her about her age. She will say it is none of your business.

A New York husband complained in court that his wife called him a "shrimp," and in view of the fact that he went to court with his trouble we are inclined to agree with her.

With eggs at 70 cents a dozen in New York a St. Louis man is willing to eat five dozen at a time on a wager. Perhaps the motion picture privileges help out this branch of capitalist sport.

Twenty thousand acres of land especially adapted to fruit culture have just been opened for settlement in Oregon. The Pacific coast is looming into prominence as a rich agricultural region.

In one of the big police precincts in New York there were only two arrests in 24 hours, and the fact has led to the inquiry whether a reform wave has struck that part of the city. More likely it was merely a cold wave.

Two newspapers, one in Chicago and the other in Baltimore, have talked with each other by "wireless," though 1,000 miles apart. This is reported to be the longest distance on land for successful communication of this kind, and experts allege that a thousand miles over the land is equal to 2,000 at sea. Be this as it may, the incident is of interest as showing the development of wireless telegraphy. There is no doubt that the system is constantly enlarging the scope of its usefulness.

It looks more and more as though the American propositions for a world's arbitral court, tending to promote international peace, and for the neutralization of the Manchurian railroads, looking to the removal of a cause of friction and strife, are likely to be accepted by the leading powers. And so the year will be memorable because of one of the greatest advances ever made toward general and permanent good understanding, the chief impulse toward which came from the United States and was generated by American statesmanship.

Great thoughts are noble guests which do not enter the home of our intellect unbidden, nor do they remain long where they are not properly entertained.

A university scientist declares charity to be a disgrace, advocating the policy of letting the useless starve and the unfit die. Science is the better for the loss of such scientists who thus practically hold it as a defense of a return to the old barbarous doctrine of brute force in the survival of the fittest.

Some suburbanite hens are just contrary enough to be laying eggs these days.

Chief Willis L. Moore of the United States weather bureau, says wireless messages are getting to be a babel on the ocean and that there should be a central station through which all messages may pass, under regulation of the United States. As yet, however, the unimpairing, controlling or prevention of wireless service seems as hopeless as government control of the weather.

How often do you eat this food?
A short time ago there appeared in the columns of one of the prominent magazines an article on building brain and muscle by the proper selection of the foods you eat.

A good many people were surprised to find oatmeal placed at the top of the list of foods recommended; but if the article had appeared in an English or Scotch paper every reader would have expected to see first place given to good oatmeal.

As a matter of fact Great Britain and Europe come to us for tremendous quantities of Quaker Oats because it represents in their perfect food, being the richest in flavor and best in cleanliness and purity, of all oatmeals.

Americans should eat more Quaker Oats; the results would show themselves in improved conditions of health and strength.

Belgium Has no Navy.

Belgium is, perhaps the most prosperous state in Europe, as well as the most thickly settled. The late king's reign was at least marked by an enormous advance in wealth and social reform. One of the country's special advantages is that its international neutralization permits it to dispense with a navy, while the Belgian army is maintained on a very small and inexpensive basis.

INCUBATOR COMEDY.

There is one cut in the New Klondike Incubator Co.'s catalogue that is a little funny. An old hen who has been given a flock of young ducks to take care of that were hatched in the Klondike Incubator, appearing with the ducks before the male head of the flock, causes him to think he has been deceived, and he is represented as telling her so. The old hen is in tears, for she cannot tell him how it all happened. The attitude of the ducks would indicate that they did not care whether he was deceived or not. The Klondike Incubator and Brooders are made in Des Moines, Ia. The Co. will send you a catalogue if you ask for it.

Comparison Shunned.

"You didn't cry at all at the matinee."

"No," answered the reposed girl; "I couldn't think of such a thing."

"But the young woman with you wept copiously."

"Of course. Her lace handkerchiefs are ever so much more elegant than mine."—Washington Star.

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I have been using Resinol Ointment during the last few weeks for a varicose ulcer on leg and can bear testimony to its cooling and curative qualities. Have never found anything to equal it. I was recommended by my sister, Mrs. Cairns Ladykirk, Norham on Tweed, to try it. She had been treated 14 months previously without effect, but was entirely cured by Resinol Ointment.

Robert Davidson, Gateshead on Tyne.

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Teacher—What is an ocean?

Johnny—A body of water necessitating bath-tubs.—New York Sun.

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Write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for it. She has guided thousands to health, free of charge.

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WHEN YOUR BACK ACHES SUSPECT THE KIDNEYS.

Backache is kidney ache, in most cases. The kidneys ache and throb with dull pain because there is inflammation within. You can't be rid of the ache until you cure the cause—the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys. G. S. Warren, 1517 No. 7th St., Boise, Idaho, says: "An injury to my back years ago left me lame. I had to use a cane, and it hurt me terribly to stoop or lift. The kidney secretions passed too frequently. For five years since I was cured by Doan's Kidney Pills, I have had no return of the trouble."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Two Votes.

The first time I ran for the general assembly one of the prominent citizens of my community told me that he was going to vote against me because I was a shaver I threw another prominent citizen told me that he was going to vote for me because when I was a shaver I put a rotten egg in a buggy cushion belonging to the woman he worked for and he had never liked the woman. Think of it! And yet such stuff has thrown the scales where thrones have been at stake.—From a speech at Norwich by former Gov. George P. McLean of Connecticut.

Not Actually Necessary.

The lawyer proceeded to examine the witness.

"Pardon the question, Mrs. Chucksley," he said, "but your answer constitutes a part of the record. How old are you?"

"Why you ought to know, Mr. Sharpe," she answered; "my birthday is the same as yours, only I was born ten years later than you were."

"Ah, yes, I remember. Well, it isn't important, anyhow. Go ahead, Mrs. Chucksley, and tell the jury what you know about this case."

Does He Love Anybody?

Von Molke had some few human failings. He loved his wife devotedly, but conquered his alma mater, Denmark, even after she had educated him for the military service out of her poor, stinky pocket. But Kitchener is a machine man only. He loves neither man nor woman. His spear has never known a brother, as its sharp point has hewn asunder the bodies and souls of the sons of women.—Boston Post.

If you want to test a man's character watch and see what creature in him an enthusiasm.—Angela Dickens

THE STORY OF THE PEANUT SHELLS.

As everyone knows, C. W. Post of Battle Creek, Michigan, is not only a maker of breakfast foods, but he is a strong individual who believes that the trades-unions are a menace to the liberty of the country.

Believing this, and being a "natural-born" scrapper for the right, as he sees it, Post, for several years past, has been engaged in a ceaseless warfare against "The Labor Trust," as he likes to call it.

Not being able to secure free and untrammelled expression of his opinions on this subject through the regular reading pages of the newspapers he has bought advertising space for this purpose, just as he is accustomed to be for the telling of his Postum "story," and he has thus spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in denouncing trades-unionism.

As a result of Post's activities the people now know a whole lot about these organizations; how they are honeycombed with graft, how they obstruct the development of legitimate business, curtail labor's output, hold up manufacturers, grab upon their own membership, and rob the public. Naturally Post is hated by the trades-unionists, and intensely.

He employs no union labor, so they can not call out his men, and he defies their efforts at boycotting his products. The latest means of "getting" Post is the widespread publication of the story that a car which was recently wrecked in transmission was found to be loaded with empty peanut shells, which were being shipped from the south to Post's establishment at Battle Creek.

This canard probably originated with President John Fitzgerald of the Chicago Federation of Labor, who, it is said, stated it publicly, at first.

Post comes back and gives Fitzgerald the lie direct. He denounces Fitzgerald's statement as a deliberate falsehood, an underhanded and cowardly attempt to injure his business, having not the slightest basis in fact. As such an effort it must be regarded. It is significant that this statement about "the peanut shells" is being given wide newspaper publicity. In the "patent inside" of an eastern country paper I find it, and the inference naturally is that labor-unionites are insidiously spreading this lie.

An institution (or a man) which will resort to moral intimidation and to physical force, that will destroy machinery and burn buildings, that will maim and kill if necessary to effect its ends, naturally would not hesitate to spread falsehood for the same purposes.

We admire Post. While we have no enmity toward labor unions, so long as they are conducted in an honest, "live-and-let-live" kind of a way, we have had enough of the tarred end of what he is trying to do. He deserves support. A man like Post can not be killed, even with lies. They are a boomerang; every time. Again, we know, for hasn't this weapon, every weapon that could be thought of, been used (and not simply by labor unions) to put us out of business, too?

I am going to drink two cups of Postum every morning from this time on, and put myself on a diet of Grape-Nuts. Bully for Post!—Editorial in The American Journal of Clinical Medicine.

EXPECT BIG FLOOD

Northern Iowa Railroads Preparing for Trouble.

BRIDGES ARE IN POOR SHAPE

They Are Being Braced to Resist High Waters When the Snow Melts—Digging Out Runs for Surface Water.

Mason City, Ia., Feb. 25.—One of the biggest floods known in the history of local railroads through northern Iowa and southern Minnesota is anticipated when the present snow leaves and for which the roads are now making active preparations to forestall. The snow is more than an average of two feet in depth in this part of the state, ranging from McGregor to Sanborn, and as the bridges are in poor shape at the best a good deal of trouble is expected. Special orders have been given to the engineering department to strengthen all bridges and to set men at work digging out runs for the surface water.

Farmers, too, are anticipating a good deal of trouble to gather what corn remains in the fields. The ground is frozen but about two inches deep under the snow and when the snow leaves the ground will also thaw, leaving the fields in such shape that corn picking will be out of the question till it will crowd spring work. A day or two ago, over four inches of new snow fell with more in prospect, which means more trouble for the railroads and the farmers.

Work of Controlling Tuberculosis.

Des Moines, Iowa.—A more liberal education of the farmers will help greatly in the work of controlling tuberculosis, declared Dr. J. H. McLeod before the State Veterinary association convention. "Few of their animals can be saved, even though they are infected. If they knew it they would be more ready to report cases."

G. M. Walrod gave an account of an unusual case, that of a horse affected by tuberculosis. S. Beattie discussed an epidemic of pneumonia among the sheep of the state, and George Judish of Ames advocated the use of higher standard drugs by veterinarians, saying that many of the medicines sold to them are of low grade. New methods of detecting adulterated milk and of discovering impurities in butter were demonstrated and discussed by Professor Chittick of Ames.

Prof. S. S. Stewart, dean of the Kansas City Veterinary college, and one of the organizers of the Iowa Veterinary association in 1886, was the toast-master at the banquet. Phil Kell gave a talk on "The Evolution of a Horse," and D. M. Campbell of Topeka, Kan., on "Journalism." R. P. Lyman of Kansas City, secretary of the National Veterinary association, gave a talk on the growth and work of the organization. Prof. L. H. Pamell of Ames gave a talk about entrance requirements to veterinary colleges, urging that they be made higher, and Hon. H. B. Bauman gave a talk on "Legislation."

New officers of the association are: F. H. Nieman of Marshalltown, president; H. B. Treman of Rockwell City, first vice president; G. M. Walrod of Storm Lake, second vice president; H. C. Simpson, secretary and treasurer. New members of the board of directors are Dr. R. E. Dykstra of Ames and Dr. A. E. Bauman of Fort Dodge.

Des Moines was chosen as the meeting place of the convention next year.

Big Fire at Randolph.

Sidney.—Four business houses were destroyed in Randolph by a fire which broke out in Hurst's restaurant. The restaurant building, military store, telephone office and a building that has been occupied by Armstrong's general store were consumed. Mr. Armstrong has been moving into another building and only a portion of his stock was destroyed. The loss on the buildings, which were all of frame construction, is estimated at about \$5,000 and to this must be added the loss on goods. The amount of insurance has not been reported.

Family Reunion at Corning.

Corning.—A reunion of the Schafroth families took place at the home of Fred Schafroth of this city. There are many families in the county and about thirty were in attendance. This reunion is in honor of a niece of Mr. Schafroth, who is a member of the musical organization known as the College Singing Girls, which appeared in Corning under the auspices of the Business Men's lecture course.

Drainage Bonds Sold.

Logan.—The board of supervisors of Harrison county sold \$53,000 in drainage bonds of the Boyer river sub-district No. 1 and Harrison-Monona drainage districts at 4 per cent premium. The bonds bear 6 per cent interest.

Iowa City Man Ends His Life.

Iowa City.—Charles Novatine shot himself through the head with a revolver while lying in bed. He died five minutes later. Ill health was the cause. He was 21 years old and unmarried.

Mumps at Columbus Junction.

Columbus Junction.—The mumps have been going the rounds here among the school children this winter. Some aged people have suffered from the disease that have never been under quarantine in this place.

Woods Will Get Garrett's Place.

Des Moines.—Sam D. Woods of Greenfield, official court reporter for Judge James D. Gamble of Knoxville, has been appointed secretary of the state board of parole to succeed B. W. Garrett, who resigned.

Woman Chopped to Death in Home.

Storm Lake, Iowa.—Mrs. Guy Roberts, the wife of a prosperous farmer living near Marathon, twenty-five miles northeast of here, was murdered in the summer kitchen of her home at 7 o'clock Monday morning. No motive for the crime has been discovered and it is veiled in deep mystery. It may have been the work of a maniac who is reported to have been seen in that vicinity.

She was attacked without warning by Henry Johnson, the hired man, who it is believed had suddenly become a maniac. Arming himself with an ax, he went to the summer kitchen, which Mrs. Roberts had entered a moment before, and literally cut the unfortunate woman's head to pieces. He fled from the place, but upon the discovery of the tragedy, a posse was formed and he was soon captured and brought to jail here.

The woman was evidently surprised by her assailant and, although she made a desperate struggle, seems to have been quickly overcome. Her husband, who was in the house, did not hear the struggle but when he did not return to prepare breakfast, he went in search of her and made the discovery.

Seriously Hurt in Runaway.

Eagle Grove.—Word has reached here of a runaway accident near Albuquerque, N. M., in which Miss Margaret Bowers of this city who is traveling in the south, received serious injuries, consisting of a compound fracture of both the left arm and leg; also a scalp wound. At present she is in St. Joseph's hospital, in Albuquerque. Miss Bowers was supervisor of music in both the Humboldt and Eagle Grove public schools for the past two years and is one of the best vocalists in this part of the state.

New Bridge Nearly Finished.

Marshalltown.—General Roadmaster M. H. Seelye of the Iowa Central, announced that the company's new million dollar bridge over the Mississippi river at Keitsburg, Ill., would be opened for traffic in about ten days. Final work on the approaches is being made now. There will be no formal ceremony in connection with the opening.

Good Roads for Johnson County.

Iowa City.—There will be collected in Johnson county during the current year to be expended on improving the roads of the county, \$23,400. A good roads convention is to be held here and definite steps are promised in the direction of remedying the alleged failure of the past three years to develop good roads in the county through similar sums.

Prominent Minister Dies.

Sioux City.—Rev. J. R. Reitzel of Blue Island, a church suburb, died, aged 62 years, at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. J. Wallen, Sioux City. His death is said to have been caused by ptomaine poison in roast pork. Rev. Mr. Reitzel was a lecturer of considerable note. He had been on the lecture platform for fifteen years.

Alexander Man Gets Damages.

Hampton.—For injuries received by being thrown across the floor of a box car which had been struck by an Iowa Central engine while switching, Charles Bell of Alexander was awarded \$50 by the jury after a trial of the case. Bell alleged that he is injured for life. The jury was out several hours. Suit was brought for \$1,999.

New Drainage District.

Logan.—The Upper Boyer river drainage district, embracing the Boyer valley, north of Logan for a distance of eighteen miles, was established here by the board of supervisors. The project contemplates straightening the Boyer river at an estimated cost of \$130,000. The contract is not to be awarded until April.

Six Saloonkeepers Sued.

Dubuque.—Suits against six Dyersville saloonkeepers claiming \$10,000 from each were filed here by Mrs. Margaret Streif. It is charged that the defendants, knowing her husband to be an inebriate, sold him liquors, as a result of which he was arrested and placed in the Dyersville jail, where he committed suicide.

Pioneer Woman Dies.

Keokuk.—Mrs. Gertrude Timberman the widow of the late William Timberman, a pioneer mayor of Keokuk, died, aged 70 years. Deceased traced her Puritan ancestry back to the year 1682. She was the mother of Mary Timberman, a Shakespearean actress who died in 1899.

Sewerage System for Greenfield.

Greenfield.—Engineers began surveying here for a system of sewers and to establish grades for street paving to be done this year. It is expected to be in readiness for work to begin as soon as the weather will permit in the spring.

\$8,700 for Personal Injuries.

Mason City.—The jury in the Brunns vs. North Iowa Brick and Tile company case returned a verdict of \$8,700 for plaintiff. This is a personal injury case and was argued here for the plaintiff by Judge Wade of Iowa City.

Study Court House Plans.

Logan.—The board of supervisors considered the plans of twelve architects in regard to the new court house. All in the competition were eliminated but five. The board has the matter under advisement.

Man Killed by Blow in Stomach.

Harvey.—A. T. Baker, operating a gasoline wood saw, was struck by a stick of wood in the stomach and died in agony a short time after. He was sawing wood on the farm of J. T. Chambers, east of Knoxville.

Caught in the Act.

Waterloo.—John F. Wajker, aged 18, was caught red-handed by Deputy H. H. Yardy after he had shot at a flock of quails and was glad to plead guilty in justice court, and pay the maximum fine of \$15.10.

A CHEERFUL PROSPECT.



"Well, young man, what do you think of my daughter?"

"Rather thin."

"That will improve; at her age I was like that."

KEEP BABY'S SKIN CLEAR

Few parents realize how many estimable lives have been embittered and social and business success prevented by serious skin affections which so often result from the neglect of minor eruptions in infancy and childhood. With but a little care and the use of the proper emollients, baby's skin and hair may be preserved, purified and beautified, minor eruptions prevented from becoming chronic and torturing, disfiguring rashes, itchings, irritations and chafings dispelled.

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Meaning of Cemetery.

It is not correct to say that "cemetery" means the "city of the dead." The word is from the Greek "Kometerion" meaning sleeping place, not the place of the dead. There is nothing intended to convey the idea that the departed were really dead any more than there is in the old Hebrew term for cemetery—"Bethaim"—the house of the living.

A Thought Reader.

"So you are studying telepathy?"

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum; "my object in life has been to find what people are thinking and then say it first. Any reliable system would simplify my labors immensely."

—Exchange.

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Coffroth Wins Race, London to Frisco.

James W. Coffroth, flight promoter, won his bet of \$2,000 made with a member of the National Sporting club of London that he could reach San Francisco in ten days from London. Coffroth had a margin of two hours and forty minutes.

Coffroth, according to agreement, sent a telegram to Eugene Corri, with whom he had the wager. When he arrived at the Oakland pier he was welcomed by a large delegation that cheered him as he stepped from his car.

The time made by Coffroth is the fastest ever made from London to San Francisco over the Atlantic and across the continent. He made the trip in nine days, five hours and five minutes.

The journey from Omaha to San Francisco was made on the famous San Francisco "Overland Limited" of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific, and is simply another victory for Safety, Service, Speed via the old Overland Route.

Taking No Risk.

Boy—Gimme that cigar, doctor?

Doctor—No, sonny, it would make you ill and your father owes me a bill now.

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