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CITY NEWS.

(If 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.)

Mr. Charles S. Ruff has been selected on the May term of the jury.

Perhaps the greatest soprano singer of our race will be in our city Friday.

Mr. E. T. Hicks will leave Sunday for Metropolis City, Ill., to spend his one month vacation with his parents.

Mr. C. S. Stewart, superintendent of the Des Moines Life Building, is sick this week.

Rooms for light housekeeping. L. J. Shelton, 1913 Jefferson Ave.

Don't fail to go next Friday evening to hear the great Musical Recital given by Mme. E. Azalia Hackley.

Mrs. J. G. Yancy has been very sick the past fortnight. She may have to undergo an operation.

Mr. W. H. Humburd is slowly improving. He was taken to the hospital this week to get more quiet rest.

Wanted—A married couple, good position, for particulars write Scott Davis, Fairmount, Minn.

Miss Edith Comley was a luncheon hostess Sunday in honor of her brother Earl Comley and his friend Frank Nott of Webster City.

Mrs. H. Gould who has been visiting her friends in Marshalltown, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Brown, returned home last week reporting a pleasant visit.

Let us put nothing in the way of hearing Mme. Hackley sing Friday evening at Union Congregational church.

Prof. Brown, 1018 Walnut street, professional advice, letter writing and composition.

Fred Anthony of Boone, a clerk in Tucker's grocery store was a Des Moines visitor Thursday. He made the Bystander a pleasant call.

H. B. S. R. C. at this week's meeting elected Mrs. L. R. Palmer as the delegate to the State Federation meeting which will be held here in May.

Miss Ada Frances Hyde of the State University will arrive in the city Wednesday to spend her spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde.

Isaac L. Brown, P. G. M., and Al Walker, G. S. W., of Iowa Masonic Lodge, came down to our city Thursday to attend to some business and incidentally attend the ball given by the Eastern Star Chapter.

A very pleasant event was the indoor picnic given Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Addie Wilkinson in honor of the Messrs. Earl Comley and Frank Nott of Webster City. After an enjoyable evening lunch was served picnic style on the floor. Mr. Phillip Durden of Chicago was an out of town guest.

Mr. H. W. Hughes and Mrs. Gertrude Rush are the only colored census enumerators that passed the examination and are appointed by the district enumerator Mr. Culbertson of Knoxville. We congratulate those parties, they are both highly respected citizens. Mrs. Rush is Atty. J. B. Rush's wife.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mason are the proud parents of an eleven pound boy. Mother and child doing well with George all smiles; as he says that neither can now complain as each will have help in old age.

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A number of young people enjoyed a dancing party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Dent Wednesday evening. Those present from out of the city were Miss Ada Hyde of Iowa City, Mr. Phillip Durden of Chicago and Mr. Harry Carter of Marshalltown.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum will meet at the home of Miss Pearl Hammett Tuesday April 11th and render the following program: Quotations, Book-er Washington; piano solo, Bertha Allen; paper, "The Northern Negro" E. R. Hall; discussion led by Jesse Graves; vocal solo, Marguerite Fields.

Rev. Jas. P. Burling, pastor of the Greenwood Congregational church will preach Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Union Congregational church. Sunday School at 12 o'clock. All are invited to these services.

Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Ben Branch entertained a few of their friends in honor of Mrs. Mitchell who returned to her home in Evanston, Ill., Thursday evening. A six course dinner was served and a delightful evening was reported.

The members and friends of Union Congregational church are entering into a rally which if successful will free the church of all interest bearing debt. The members and friends are asked to be as liberal and work as a unit in one united effort to accomplish this end. Then the colored people will own a very valuable and beautiful church completely out of debt.

We are glad to announce in this issue that Mme. E. Azalia Hackley of Philadelphia, Pa., recognized as the greatest colored soprano singer in the world, will appear in our state only once on her western tour song recital, and that will be Friday evening April 15th, at the Union Congregational Church. Admission 25 cents. The public invited everyone should hear her.

Mr. C. B. Hosmer, the northern representative of Booker T. Washington's school, who has been soliciting funds in our state for several months arrived in our city last Monday from Sioux City to canvass our moneyed men. He is a bright, young, intelligent, active progressive man. He is stopping at Mr. John Walker's, 844 Sixth avenue.

Mrs. E. B. Elliston arrived home from Council Bluffs and Omaha Wednesday evening. While there she was successful in getting the Merry Makers club of Council Bluffs to federate with the State Federation of Iowa Colored Women's Clubs. She was assisted by the Nebraska State Organizer, Mrs. A. J. Lewis of Omaha who will visit the Iowa State Federation at Des Moines in May.

CITY LITERARY COVENTION.

The City Literary Convention met last Monday evening at the residence of Dr. John H. Williams and decided to hold the city contest in oratory, poetry and original music at St. Paul's A. M. E. church on Friday evening May 27th, the winners in these contests to represent the Des Moines in the Inter-State contest to be held in this city in December.

All societies who desire to participate in the Inter-State contests must be represented in these city contests and must report the name of their representative for each contest to the next meeting of the city convention which will be held at the residence of Mrs. O. L. Glass, West 11th and Chestnut sts., on Monday evening April 9th at which time the entries for the city contests will be closed.

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OTTUMWA NEWS.

Easter Sunday was celebrated with much interest at the 2nd Baptist church. The church was nicely decorated with palms and flowers suitable to the occasion. Rev. J. Cornelious Reid the pastor preached an able sermon from the theme "He is Risen" at 11 a. m. In the afternoon he preached the annual sermon of the K. of P. The Sunday school exercises in the evening were excellent. Dr. Reid made a forceful address on "Thoughts on the Resurrection." The attendance was large throughout the day. The days offering was \$27.89. Revival meetings begun Monday evening. Dr. Reid has secured the service of Rev. Dr. Hudson of Colfax, an able young minister to conduct the meeting next week. Dr. Reid and the city pastor will conduct the meeting this week.

A special Easter program was rendered at the A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Excellent music was rendered by the young people. Rev. Lewis presided. A large crowd was in attendance and enjoyed the effort. Presiding Elder, Gordon was an interesting spectator.

More Earthquakes in France.
Toulon.—Slight seismic shocks occurred again Monday in Draguignan, Vancluse and Puy-St-Repard. No damage is reported, but the residents were panic-stricken.



MME. E. AZALIA HACKLEY

Madame E. Azalia Hackley, the prima donna soprano of Philadelphia, Pa., will appear in song recital only once in Iowa on her American tour, and that will be next Friday evening at 8:15 sharp at the Union Congregational church. Madame Hackley has supplemented her very extensive preparation by three years' study in the musical centers of Europe, being able to sing in four languages. She is claimed by musical critics as being the greatest colored soprano in the world and one of the best of any race or time. She provides continuously for the instruction of one or more American pupils in Europe. She has appeared in special recital to many of the nobility at Kensington, England, and Paris, France. On her return to America, 3,000 people packed the Academy of Music at Philadelphia to hear her.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

The Self Culture club met with Mrs. Anna Humbles. The meeting for Wednesday April 6 will be held at Mrs. Richard Stewarts.

The Fidelity club has suspended for a few weeks.

Mrs. Anna Young's face was seen at the Industrial club's last meeting. All were glad to welcome her back after so long an illness. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Ross Wednesday the 13. The club will engage in quilting from nine until four.

The suspension is now on and men are thronging the Y. M. C. A. reading rooms and gymnasium. Many are availing themselves of the opportunity to do a little repairing around home.

Flowers and their culture, has been the topic of the hour in several clubs.

The revival held at Mt. Zion Baptist church is meeting some success. Several have decided to come on the Lord's side.

Mrs. Hattie Hutchinson entertained the F. B. W. club recently.

CLINTON HAPPENINGS.

Mrs. Wm. Spencer of Chicago was the guest of her sister Mrs. P. P. Taylor and family Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson mourn the loss of their infant daughter, Fredabelle, which passed away Saturday March 26. The funeral was held Easter Sunday afternoon from the home in Lyons, the Rev. B. U. Taylor officiating. The friends of the parents extend their sympathies.

Miss Mamie Taylor has returned to her school duties in the Chicago University after a pleasant visit with her parents.

Arrangements for the coming banquet at Bethel A. M. E. church April 14th, are progressing nicely. A number of tickets have already been spoken for and a large attendance is looked for. The committee in charge are doing all in their power to make the event a memorable one.

The program rendered at Bethel A. M. E. church Wednesday evening March 30th, under the management of R. D. Smith, in honor of the fortieth anniversary of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments was a success in every way.

Henry Henderson spent part of last week in Buxton the guest of relatives and friends.

Major Culbertson Jr. of Chicago has been in the city the past week with his parents.

Subscribe for the Bystander. We are ever ready to place a subscription. Miss Frances Maas of Champaign, Ill., has been a visitor in the city for the past two weeks, the guest of E. W. Mann of Lyons.

Mr. Albert Robinson of Chicago has been the guest of his mother and relatives in Lyons and Clinton the past week.

Anthem, "Hail, Mighty Victor,"—Solo, "The Holy City"—Mrs. Williams.

Anthem, "Hark, Hark, My Soul"—Choir.

Miss Anna B. Cooper is a new subscriber to the Bystander. Who will be the next?

The third quarterly meeting for this conference year will be held on April 17th. We expect Rev. L. J. Phillips, P. E., will be with us.

Mrs. J. T. Culbertson is much improved this week.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Rev. Hudson of Colfax is assisting Rev. J. C. Reid with the revival at the Second Baptist church this week.

Miss Ethel Harris of Mt. Pleasant spent several hours in Ottumwa Saturday. Miss Harris was enroute to Buxton and Oskaloosa for a short visit.

Mr. Granville Henson left Monday evening for an extended trip in Peoria.

Bishop Shaffer will lecture Monday evening at the A. M. E. church. The ladies of the church will give a banquet in the evening in his honor.

Mrs. Reginald Clarke attended a party Monday evening in Fairfield, given in honor of Miss Nora Brown who leaves Wednesday for Portland, Ore.

The A. J. J. club met this week at the home of Miss Margaret Horne.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Rev. J. W. Gordon of Kansas, moderator of the Kansas Baptist Association has been invited to fill the pulpit of the Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday April 10th.

The band boys will give one of their jolly dances at Simeon's hall on Wednesday, April 6th.

Mrs. Lulu Lee gave a 5 o'clock luncheon Sunday afternoon in honor of Miss Paulina Sellers of Evely, Ia.

Mrs. Washington and little daughter Althertha, left for Chicago Saturday being called there by the illness of her brother.

Mr. Louis Smith on his way to his claim in Bonsteel stopped in our city for a weeks visit.

Mrs. Charlotte Lee had a small company of ladies to dinner Sunday in honor of Miss Paulina Sellers of Evely, Ia.

Mrs. Mary Pleasant went to the Samaritan hospital Saturday, she underwent a serious operation, but is better at this writing.

Died in our city Sunday April 3, 1910, at 10 a. m. Master George Smith, son of Mrs. Margaret Smith. George has been a sufferer with the consumption, but a few months, and death came sudden to the family. George bore up bravely under that dreaded disease and was a patient sufferer he always had abiding faith in Christ, though yet young in years, only 19 years old he was ready and willing to meet his savior. The relatives were around his bedside when he passed away, but sad to note that his dear mother who was the dearest tie of nature to him could not be with him at the time of his death, for she is in Gainville, Ala., caring for another sick daughter who is down with the same disease. He leaves a mother and sister and many other relatives to mourn his departure. The family have our heart-felt sympathy. The funeral was held Monday at 2 o'clock from the residence of his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Askew at Highland Riverside. The services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Dowdon pastor of A. M. E. church, interment in Logan Park cemetery. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Miss Bessie Earle of Quincy, Ill., was the guest of her parents E. M. and Mrs. J. Earle.

Mrs. L. Mayfield has been the guest of her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. B. Reed, have been so impressed with Burlington and its people she has decided to make our city her home.

Mrs. A. Newton returned last week after several weeks stay in Des Moines. Mrs. Harry Irvin is reported as doing nicely, Mrs. Irvin was operated on last week.

Lorenza Earle of Monmouth visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earle Easter Sunday.

The reception given by the A. I. club last Thursday evening in honor of the Rev. Mr. Thomas of Chicago at the residence of Mrs. A. Lamb was a decided success and a delightful time was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. L. Bland entertained the members of the A. M. E. choir last week.

Mrs. Ed Johnson entertained Miss Bessie Earle of Quincy; G. Tyler and Mrs. J. Ray last Thursday at luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mackey enjoyed a pleasant visit with friends and relatives in Peoria, Ill., last week.

Miss Bessie Leslie who has been acting as maid at the Garriek during last weeks school, is being highly complimented by both white and colored on her personal appearance on the stage.

The members of the Baptist Sunday school presented an excellent program Easter, there was a large attendance and a delightful weather.

Mr. Sequire Henderson our efficient barber is quite ill at his home on Front Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark of Valley St. mourn the loss of their infant daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have the sympathy of their many friends.

ALBIA NEWS.

Special to the Bystander.
The ladies of the Dunbar club resume their studies of United States history, and the study of embroidery also they will take race history. Officers of the club are: President, Mrs. Alice Boman; Vice Pres., Mrs. G. A. Davis; Sec., Mrs. Nellie Esters; Asst. Sec., Ada Reed; Treas., Lucinda Jones; Members of the society, Madam Grayson, Bowman, Esters, Reed, Jones, Hollingsworth, Grayson, Miss May E. Davis. Each meeting current events and quotations are subjects for discussion, next meeting Monday Builders. Instrumental solo Mrs. Ada Reed, meeting to be held at Mrs. S. Jones.

Sunday was Rally Day at the A. M. E. Church for the benefit of the parsonage and church.

Mrs. Lauro Benning has been in Hawkeye for several weeks with Mrs. Maggie Gordon.

Sunday April 17, will be Quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Will Randolph and mother Mrs. Randolph was in Albia Saturday.

A. M. E. CHURCH EXTENSION.

Annual Meeting of the Board in Washington April 20.

The eighteenth annual meeting of the board of church extension of the African Methodist Episcopal church will be held in Washington Wednesday, April 20. This board is without doubt the most important agency of its kind for the financial betterment of the denomination and has during its existence lent thousands to churches needing help. According to its last annual report, the board has assets amounting to \$310,661.85, \$119,700 of which is in real estate.

For the past ten years the Rev. Dr. B. F. Watson has been secretary of the board. Dr. Watson is one of the best equipped of the many veterar



REV. DR. B. F. WATSON.

workers in the A. M. E. church and has fostered prominent churches in various sections of the country.

Bishop W. B. Derrick of Flushing, N. Y., is president of the board. The other members are: First episcopal district, Rev. B. C. Ransom, New York city; second, Rev. R. H. W. Leek, Raleigh, N. C.; third, Rev. D. S. Bentley, Pittsburgh; fourth, Rev. D. P. Roberts, Chicago; fifth, Rev. J. C. Owens, Denver; sixth, Rev. M. Smith, Savannah, Ga.; seventh, Rev. Bruce Williams, Charleston, S. C.; eighth, Rev. S. B. Felder, Greenville, Miss.; ninth, Rev. J. I. Lowe, Pine Bluff, Ark.; tenth, Rev. T. T. Washington, Houston, Tex.; eleventh, Rev. R. B. Brooks, Jacksonville, Fla.; and twelfth, Rev. E. W. Williams, Birmingham, Ala.

THE LAW UPHELD BY JUSTICE FORD.

Race Prejudice Given Slap In The Face. New York Court Turns Down Southern White Man.

Undue extremes to which some southern white men in the north carry their personal race prejudice against the Negro are constantly being enacted. The latest and most disgraceful affair of this kind was exhibited in the supreme court in New York on Friday, March 25, when one Leroy Bowers, a southern white man, refused to serve as a juror in a case because Walter E. Douglas, a Negro, was on the jury in the same case and its foreman.

The suit on trial was that of Paul E. Richter against Bernard Rust to recover \$1,000 for commissions alleged to be due over a real estate deal. Charles L. Hoffman, counsel for Richter, had commenced to question the members of the panel, who had taken their seats in the box, when Bowers got up and, addressing Justice Ford, who presided, said:

"Your honor, I see there is a Negro on this jury. I am a southerner. All my education, training and instincts are against associating with Negroes. I notice that that man" (here Bowers indicated Douglas) "is a Negro. I therefore beg to be excused from serving on this case."

Justice Ford appeared to be angry. Addressing Bowers, he said: "You are unfit for jury service either in this case or in this court. You are excused not only from this case, but for the rest of the term. A man who expresses your views is not fit for jury service."

We commend Justice Ford for his manly action and timely rebuke to Bowers, and we would advise all such persons who live in the north to change their residence as quickly as possible to some other section of the country where justice is meted out according to their personal dislikes for the Negro rather than according to law.

Important Event For Savannah.

The next annual convention of the State Association of Physicians, Dentists and Pharmacists will convene in Savannah, Ga., on Tuesday, May 17. Dr. George N. Stoney, president of the association, is urging every member of the organization to be present at the coming session and says: "Georgia must continue to lead. Let everybody come."

Sunday Schools to Meet in New York.

The New England Baptist Sunday school convention, N. Barnett Dodson, president, will hold its seventeenth annual session with the Sunday school of the Abyssinian Baptist church, 242-244 West Fortieth street, New York, beginning Tuesday morning, May 10, and concluding at noon Wednesday, June 1.

All Aboard For Oklahoma City

Timeliness of Date For Annual Session of National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools Enables Delegates and Visitors to Get Special Railroad Rates.

All indications point to a record breaking attendance at the forthcoming seventh annual session of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, which will be held in Oklahoma City, beginning July 21, for two days. The date seems to be very timely, as persons desiring to make the trip may be able to take advantage of the home seekers' rates, which will be open to the public on July 19 and will enable one to make the trip, with liberal time limit, for a little more than one fare for the round trip.

All the officers of the association are well known teachers. President J. H. Wright of the Georgia State college and Professor J. R. E. Lee of the academic department of Tuskegee institute being the active heads of the organization. The meeting last year at Asheville, N. C., is said to have eclipsed all previous efforts, but Professor J. H. A. Brazzleton, to whose persistence and strenuousity all present at Asheville can well attest, declares that the entertainment of the teachers and citizens of the baby state will more than compensate the visitors for the long journey.

There appear to be some good reasons why the meeting at Oklahoma City should be a pronounced success. The invitation presented by Professor Brazzleton on behalf of the Oklahoma state association at Asheville last year was exceedingly cordial and sincere and had the uncompromising backing of the state department of education, which, the announcement comes, is assisting in the entertainment of the national association.

Strenuous efforts are being made by the department of education in that state to build up a comprehensive organization that shall be effective and permanent in its results. Negro education in Oklahoma fares as well as the education of white children, and the coming of the national association in large numbers, bringing representative educators from state schools, colleges, universities and the common schools, will be a source of distinct encouragement to the teachers in that state. Surely the teachers of the Negro youth throughout the nation owe that duty to their struggling brethren in Oklahoma.

The program is now in the hands of the proper parties and will be well arranged, as usual. Some addresses by prominent educators, public discussion of live and fruitful topics as well as the sectional meetings will lend interest to the occasion, and the social side of the gathering can well be left in the hands of Mr. Brazzleton.

SCHEME OF CATHOLICS.

Burke Leads Vigorous Campaign For Larger Negro Membership.

With the beginning of the Easter season the Catholic church in the United States entered upon a vigorous campaign of home missionary endeavor, giving special attention to the broadening of its activity in behalf of Negroes. The campaign is in charge of the Rev. John E. Burke, director general of the Catholic board for mission work among the colored people. It is proposed to build new and larger schools in the south, tear down old mission chapels and in their place raise substantial churches, encourage Negro youths to study for the priesthood and give the missionaries a new impetus to continue their work for the conversion and education of the Negro.

Father Burke has decided to raise annually for this purpose the sum of \$100,000, and to aid him in his project the directorate, composed of Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Farley, Ryan and Blenk and Bishops Allen and Kelley, has recently appointed an assistant in the Rev. D. J. Bustin of Scranton, Pa. Father Bustin has been relieved of all parochial duty by Bishop Hoban and is now making a visitation in behalf of the Negroes. It is Father Burke's idea that the first year's fund shall be contributed by the young Catholics of America, by the young men and women employed in mills, factories and stores, students at colleges and universities and those in the various professions. The numerous religious associations attached to parishes, such as the young men's and young women's sodalities, will have an opportunity to contribute as a body. This fund will be the free gift of the young people. Father Burke said recently at headquarters in the Metropolitan building, "The Negroes need the Catholic church, and it is our duty to convert and educate them."

Lecture on France Instructive. "Twenty Days in Balm France" was the subject of an able and scholarly lecture delivered by the Rev. Dr. A. Clayton Powell, pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist church, New York, in that edifice on Wednesday evening, March 30. Charles S. Smythwick, Esq., presided, and Mme. Elizabeth Tyler-Brent was the soloist of the evening. The committee in charge of the entertainment consisted of Mrs. Mattie F. Powell, chairman; Miss Clara M. Harris, secretary, and Mrs. Emma Thomas, treasurer. The refreshment and social committees were headed by Mrs. Mollie Middleton and Sarah I. Jones.

EXCELLENT TRADE IN WESTERN CANADA

SPLENDID CROPS, BIG PRICES, AND PROSPEROUS OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE.

Throughout all of Canada, and especially in the Western Provinces of Canada, there is a buoyancy in every line of business that is fully warranted by every condition. The crops of the past year were what was expected, and the prices for grain of all kinds, put the farmers in a class by themselves. Many of them are independent, and many others have got well started on the road. The latest reports are that seeding is well under way in almost every district, and the prospects are that a vastly larger area than that under crop last year will be seeded early this spring. In the Letbridge district, in Southern Alberta, steam and gasoline outfits, hundreds of them, are breaking up the prairie at a tremendous pace, but they work night and day. As soon as it becomes dark, gangs are changed, a head light attached, and on, on through the night until the first streak of dawn, these giant monsters with their seven or eight gangs of breaking plows, keep up the work. Then the more modest farmer is putting in the longest hours possible with his teams of horses or oxen. And what will the Country be like in August, when these fields have become yellowed with the literally golden grain. There will be one vast expanse of wheat field. And there will be a market for it, because it is the best grain grown, and the demand will be everywhere. As previously intimated business throughout Western Canada is sound and good. The grain production of 1909 has been the great factor in establishing the reputation of Western Canada, and it is worth talking about. It surpassed all previous records, both in regard to quality and quantity, and such an achievement was by no means easy. The limit has not been reached, and a large average increase may be expected during the next ten years. There will be odd seasons when a falling-off will occur, and it is the falling-off that causes alarms and panics in the commercial world. The plains have done their duty so far in the out-pit of grain and it would be reasonable to make occasional allowances for slowing-up. The faster the rate of increase is now, the sharper will be the check when the production diminishes. But there are some unreasonable people who wonder why the growth of one year is not continued during the next, and at an even faster rate. These same unreasonable people are the ones who see flaws in the situation as soon as an indication is given that the startling advances have not been maintained.

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PINCHOT MEETING PLANNED

Colonel Shows Displeasure at the Disregard of His Plea for Avoidance of Bitter Discussion—Won't Be Used by Either Side.

Spezia, Italy.—Immediately after their arrival here Thursday morning Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt started in an automobile for Genoa, traversing the same route which they took on their honeymoon.

American newspaper correspondents who accompanied Mr. Roosevelt from Khartoum promised, at the former president's request, that they will respect the privacy of this sentimental journey.

The carriage drive from Spezia to Genoa, a distance of 65 miles, will occupy the greater part of three days. Arriving at Genoa, the Roosevelts will proceed at once by train to Porto Maurizio, near the French frontier, where they will visit for three days at the villa of Miss Carow, Mrs. Roosevelt's sister. Mr. Roosevelt has announced that he will receive no one at Port Maurizio except Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester of the United States department of agriculture.

Rome.—Theodore Roosevelt called off his Wednesday reception to the American colony. This action was caused by the issuance of a statement by Rev. B. M. Tipton, pastor of the American Methodist church in Rome. Mr. Roosevelt was not in his happiest mood. His wish that the Vatican audience incident be regarded as personal to him had not been respected and he was intensely annoyed.

Mr. Roosevelt does not purpose to be used by anyone to the disparagement of anyone else.

Mr. Tipton called on Mr. Roosevelt and on his departure made public a statement in which he lifted the Vatican episode out of the realm of the personal and gave it a world-wide significance.

"Mr. Roosevelt has struck a blow for twentieth century Christianity," said Mr. Tipton. "The representatives of two great republics have been the ones to put the Vatican where it belongs. The Vatican is incompatible with Republican principles."

"This is a bitter dose for patriotic Catholics in America to swallow. I wonder how many doses of this sort they will take before they revolt."

"Is Catholicism in America to be American or Romish? If Romish, then every patriotic American should rise to crush it. For Roman Catholicism is the uncompromising foe of freedom. The world advances, but the Vatican never."

The statement in full was shown to Mr. Roosevelt, when he said: "I had made no arrangements to speak at any church or clerical organization in Rome. I have received a number of gentlemen of all religious faiths who have called at my rooms or at the American embassy."

"Under the circumstances I have requested the American ambassador not to hold the reception which he had planned."

"As regards all efforts by whomsoever made to bring about and inflame religious animosities because of what has occurred in connection with the Vatican and myself, I can do no more than refer to the emphatic statements contained in my open letter to Dr. Lyman Abbott, already published."

The sensation caused by the determination of Mr. Roosevelt not to be received by the pope on the terms made by Cardinal Merry del Val continues unabated. The press is filled with criticism—a subject.

Vienna, Austria.—Emperor Francis Joseph's state dinner at Schonbrunn in honor of Mr. Roosevelt will be given April 16. The preceding evening Count von Ashrenthal, foreign minister, will entertain the former president at an official dinner at the foreign office.

ANDREW CARNEGIE IS FEEBLE

New York Friends Are Much Perturbed Over Physical Condition of Ironmaster.

New York.—Friends of Andrew Carnegie, who has just returned here from the west, were perturbed by his physical condition. At his home it was declared that he merely was fatigued and that after a thorough rest he would be perfectly well, but the facts that he required the assistance of two men in alighting from his car and that his personal appearance indicated physical unrest or ailment have created uneasiness.

Frank C. Pingree Is Dead.
Detroit, Mich.—Frank C. Pingree, prominent manufacturer and brother of the late Gov. Hazen S. Pingree, died of paralysis. He was born in 1845.

Opium Worth \$23,000 Is Destroyed.
San Francisco.—Customs officials Wednesday oiled \$23,000 worth of contraband opium, seized in recent searches of oriental liners, and poured the valuable drug into the sewer. There were 765 tins of the stuff, valued at \$30 a tin.

Summers Knocks Out Meehan.
Sydney, N. S. W.—Johnny Summers of England Wednesday knocked out H. Meehan in the nineteenth round in their fight for the lightweight championship of Australia.

Brooklyn Bank Closed.
New York.—The doors of the Union bank of Brooklyn, which has more than \$5,000,000 of deposits, with a capitalization of \$1,000,000, closed Tuesday. The president of the bank is Edward M. Grout.

Ballinger Aids Settlers.
Denver, Col.—The secretary of the Interior, Mr. Ballinger, Tuesday issued a decision allowing settlers to prove up desert claims on showing that one-eighth of the acreage has been brought under cultivation.

MOST PEOPLE DO NOT KNOW CAUSE OF THEIR SICKNESS

Does human health depend on one organ alone? This question is becoming widely discussed since L. T. Cooper first advanced his theory that the stomach is the true seat of life and all health dependent upon it.

Mr. Cooper, who has met with remarkable success in the sale of his new medicine, believes that the stomach is responsible for most sickness, and that this organ is weak in the present generation. While discussing this theory recently, he said: "I am asked time and again to tell why my medicine has made such a record wherever I have introduced it. My answer always is, 'because it restores the stomach to a normal condition.' No one will deny that today there are more half-sick men and women than ever before. Nothing critical seems to be the matter with them. They are just half-sick most of the time. They don't know really what is the matter with them. I have talked with thousands during the past two years, and few know indeed what their trouble was. One said nervousness, another said kidney trouble, another liver complaint, some constipation, or heart trouble, or lung trouble. Many had treated, as they called it, for most of these diseases at different times. A very common complaint is 'all run down,' or 'tired all the time,' or 'no appetite.'"

"I know positively that every bit of this chronic ill health is caused by stomach trouble and nothing else. My New Discovery puts the stomach in sound condition in about six weeks. Mighty few people can be sick with a sound digestion. That is why my medicine is selling at such a tremendous rate. I have convinced many thousands of people that these things are so, and the number is growing by leaps and bounds."

Among more recent converts to Mr. Cooper's beliefs is Mrs. Lottie L. Miner, living on Rural Route No. 2, Henniker, N. H., who says: "I was in poor health for six years, from stomach trouble and indigestion. Quite frequently my stomach was so weak that it would not retain solid food. I had vomiting spells every morning, and was subject to frequent attacks of dizziness. Life became such a burden that I often felt it was not worth the living. I tried everything I could hear of, but found nothing that would afford relief."

"For some time I had been reading of the Cooper remedies, and finally decided to give the New Discovery preparation a trial. After taking the first bottle, I noticed a marked improvement. Five bottles made me entirely well. I can eat anything I wish, and have not been troubled with my stomach since. The dizzy spells disappeared long ago."

"My mother, Mrs. Susan Parkins, is a nurse of long experience. Both she and my father have used the Cooper remedies with splendid results. I will be glad to answer any personal correspondence in regard to my case."

Cooper's New Discovery is sold by all druggists. If your druggist cannot supply you, we will forward you the name of a druggist in your city who will. Don't accept "something just as good."—The Cooper Medicine Co., Dayton, Ohio.

MEMORY FAILED.

Mother—Does that cook of yours know her place?
Daughter—I reckon she's had too many of them to remember.

Money and expense are not essential to artistic homes and attractive rooms. One dollar and fifty cents' worth of material will completely transform a crude, rustic room into a graceful, dainty apartment.

Really it is good taste and skill that makes the home homelike. That dainty touch is worth twice as much as money.

Wall paper is expensive—it costs money to buy it, to hang it, and again to remove it. With the use of the alabastined wall there is only the slight cost of the material—any one can brush it on—and it is not necessary to wash it off the wall when a fresh coat is required.

It is very easy to mix, very simple to apply, but the results are simply beautiful. A whole house can be done at just a little more than the cost of a single room when ordinary materials are used.

And this is true, that now that we have so much better materials for use in the decoration of homes, that wall paper, common kalsomine and paint are now as much out of date as the old time whitewash, tallow candles and rough hewn floors. More money is no longer an essential in good housefurnishing in artistic home making.

The new materials and labor-saving machines are most to be commended for—and every thoughtful woman, every woman who cares for her home, is quick to utilize them.

Good Work in Denmark.
Under legislation enacted in 1905 the Danish government pays three-fourths of the expenses of all poor persons who desire to be treated in tuberculosis sanatoria. When the hospitals under construction are completed Denmark will have one bed in tuberculosis hospitals or sanatoria for every 1,200 inhabitants, a fact which will mean that the length of treatment can be considerably extended. In the United States there is one bed for every 4,500 inhabitants.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and as the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition hearing will be restored. It is not a matter of ten days caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hays' Catarrh Cure. Send for circular.

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When life's all love, 'tis life; aught else, 'tis naught.—Sidney Lanier.

"MEN HIGHER UP" INDICTED

MORE CONFESSIONS MADE IN PITTSBURG GRAFT SCANDAL.

Bank President is Charged With Conspiracy and Bribery—Another Financier Admits His Guilt.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The uncovering of the "men higher up" in Pittsburgh's graft crusade against councilmen has begun with a vengeance. The grand jury Wednesday indicted Frank N. Hoffstot, millionaire president of the German National bank of Allegheny and president of the Pressed Steel Car company on charges of bribery and conspiracy.

President Emil Winter of the Workingman's Savings Bank and Trust company of Allegheny, another of the financial pillars of Pittsburg, crept to the bar of justice to confess that he has bribed councilmen to the extent of \$20,000.

James M. Anderson, general bookkeeper of the Workingman's Savings Bank and Trust company, was arraigned on a charge of having mutilated the books of his bank to save exposure of certain persons. He pleaded noble contumacia and was placed under bail.

There were many interesting confessions before the court. Former Councilman leader P. B. Kearns came before the bar and admitted that he had not only taken money for his own vote and had distributed money among other voters, but unsolicited he pleaded guilty to not having paid out all the money given him for distribution among other councilmen.

MICHIGAN "WETS" IN LEAD
"Drys" Carry Twenty Counties for Sixteen Won by Opponents—State Nearly Equal.

Detroit, Mich.—Complete returns from the local option election in Michigan show a net majority for the "wets" in all the counties voting of 6,239, though the "drys" carried 20 counties to 16 for the "wets." The dry victories were won in those counties where the saloon is only a minor factor, while in the more critical counties the wets swept everything. There now are 40 "dry" and 43 "wet" counties in the state.

Three notable examples where local option failed were Kent, Oakland and Wexford counties.

Oakland and Wexford were only two of the ten dry counties in which the question was resubmitted which went "wet." Oakland county, the scene of one of the hardest battles, defeated the local option by a majority of 1,000, while Wexford flopped by 250 votes.

Kent county and Grand Rapids were carried by the "wets" by a majority of 7,500.

The greatest surprise of the election came in the township of Kent, confidently claimed by the "drys" and conceded by the "wets" by large majorities. This, added to the heavy Grand Rapids "wet" vote, piled up a sweeping majority.

In the northern peninsula every one of the eight counties voting remained in the "wet" column. Thus the upper peninsula remains solidly "wet." In St. Clair county, Port Huron swung into line with a decisive "wet" vote, which, augmented by the county poll, ran up a 2,500 majority.

The island of Mackinac voted "wet" by 88 per cent.

CANCELS VISIT TO INDIANA

President Taft Changes His Itinerary and Will Not Speak at Indianapolis.

Washington.—It was announced at the White House Wednesday that President Taft would not go to Indianapolis to make the speech he expected to make May 5. It was given out recently that he would speak in Indianapolis at the time he went to Cincinnati and St. Louis. Now, Mr. Carpenter, the president's secretary, said, the president would in all probability not speak in Indianapolis or in Indiana.

No reason is given for the change of plans, but it is generally ascribed to the action of the Republican state convention of Indiana in ignoring the tariff bill and endorsing Senator Beveridge after he had criticized that bill severely, and thus taken a stand exactly opposite to the president as to the tariff.

MRS. T. P. SHONTS HONORED

Is Tendered Presidency of Woman's Division of Lincoln University Endowment Association.

New York.—The board of directors of the Lincoln University Endowment association, of which Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard is acting president and President Taft and Vice-President Sherman are among the many honorary vice-presidents, has tendered to Mrs. Theodore P. Shonts the presidency of the woman's division in this national tribute to Abraham Lincoln, and she has accepted the office.

Falls With But \$400 Assets.
Cincinnati.—Liabilities of \$1,120,000 and assets of \$400 were listed by Joseph G. Ebersole in a petition in bankruptcy filed Wednesday in the United States district court here. Mr. Ebersole is a piano manufacturer.

New Rebellion in Turkey.
Constantinople.—Fourteen battalions of Turkish troops here have been ordered to North Albania, where a revolt has broken out. The trouble is attributed to resentment against the new taxes imposed.

Cyclone Hits Ohio City.
Youngstown, O.—A cyclone struck the Lansingville section of this city during the progress of a heavy rainstorm Monday, wrecking a dozen buildings and unroofing several others. Five persons were injured.

Burglars Make \$10,000 Haul.
Philadelphia.—Discriminating burglars robbed the residence of Miss Sue McCalla, in Germantown, Monday, of jewelry, tapestry and rare lace valued at \$10,000. A small safe was dynamited.

FARMERS SHOULD EAT MORE OATMEAL

Although the farmer of today is able to buy almost anything he wants to wear or eat he isn't paying enough attention to food values when it comes to his own table.

He feeds his stock carefully, avoids over-feeding and selects the stock food that he believes will give the best returns in strength and general efficiency.

If he has been watching the extensive researches and experiments on the question of the best human food for muscle and brain he will heed the advice from all sides to "eat more Quaker Oats."

Quaker Oats is mentioned because it is recognized in this country and Europe as the best of all oatmeals. Feeding farm hands on Quaker Oats means getting more work out of them than if you feed them on anything else.

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BABY'S SKIN TORTURE

"When our baby was seven weeks old he broke out with what we thought was heat, but which gradually grew worse. We called in a doctor. He said it was eczema and from that time we doctored six months with three of the best doctors in Atchison but he only got worse. His face, head and hands were a solid sore. There was no end to the suffering for him. We had to tie his little hands to keep him from scratching. He never knew what it was to sleep well from the time he took the disease until he was cured. He kept us awake all hours of the night and his health wasn't what you would call good. We tried everything but the right thing."

"Finally I got a set of the Cuticura Remedies and I am pleased to say we did not use all of them until he was cured. We have waited a year and a half to see if it would return but it never has and to-day his skin is clear and fair as it possibly could be. I hope Cuticura may save some one else's little ones suffering and also their pocket-books. John Leason, 1403 Atchison St., Atchison, Kan., Oct. 19, 1909."

Wrong View of Marriage.
"There would be less divorce," said ex-Gov. Pennypacker, "if there were fewer men like William Windle."

"William Windle embarked on an excursion steamer for Point Breeze, and a few miles out, as he paced the upper deck and drank in the bracing ozone, he spied his friend Jackson."

"Why Jackson, how are ye?" he exclaimed. "Are ye out for pleasure, or is yer wife along?"

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F. G. Innes, Philadelphia, Pa.

A Call for Cough Drops.
"I tell you I must have some money!" roared the king of Maritania, who was in sore financial straits. "Somebody will have to cough up."

"Alas!" sighed the guardian of the treasury, who was formerly the court jester, "all our coffers are empty."—Tit-Bits.

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Studies in Still Life.
"I want a few colored illustrations of beets and tomatoes."
"Life size?" inquired the artist.
"Catalogue size," replied the seedsman, with a significant smile.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

No Funds.
"Wasn't that a runaway marriage?"
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The stomach is a larger factor in "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" than most people are aware. Patriotism can withstand hunger but not dyspepsia. The confirmed dyspeptic "is fit for treason, stratagems and spoils." The man who goes to the front for his country with a weak stomach will be a weak soldier and a faint finder and a sound stomach makes for good citizenship as well as for health and happiness.

Diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition are promptly and permanently cured by the use of Dr. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY. It builds up the body with sound flesh and solid muscle.



GLADNESS COMES

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge that so many forms of illness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact that it is the only remedy which promotes internal cleanliness, without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is, therefore, all-important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to purchase and note that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

It is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and assists in overcoming habitual constipation permanently, also biliousness and the many ills resulting therefrom. The great trouble with all other purgatives and aperients is not that they fail to act when a single dose is taken, but that they act too violently and invariably tend to produce a habit of body requiring constantly augmented doses. Children enjoy the pleasant taste and gentle action of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna; the ladies find it delightful and beneficial whenever a laxative remedy is needed, and business men pronounce it invaluable, as it may be taken without interfering with business and does not grip nor nauseate. When buying note the name, California Fig Syrup Co. printed on the front of every package. Price, 50 cents a bottle.

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We have just issued a book about house decoration. May we send you a copy—free?
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Liberia Needs Strong Backing

Hard Pressed by Internal Dangers and Threatened With Outside Opposition, the Little African Republic Is Well Nigh Hopeless—Commissioners Report Not Optimistic.

Perhaps no state paper of national or international importance in recent years has given rise to as much conjecture and widespread interest among Afro-Americans in the United States as has the long looked for report of the American commission which was sent to Liberia in the spring of 1909 to investigate and report on the general condition of affairs in that little republic.

Upon three distinct occasions during the year the aforesaid interest was intensified, but without any definite information as to the actual work or accomplishments of the commissioners. The first was when the commissioners returned to the United States the second was the return of United States Minister Ernest Lyon and, third, when congress convened last December. The report has at last been made public.

Pressed upon one side by France and beset by Great Britain upon the other, Liberia, the little Negro republic of Africa, is between two millstones which threaten to grind it off the map unless the nation has the support of some power commensurate in strength with Great Britain and France.

This is one of the principal conclusions expressed in the report of the American commission to Liberia, which was transmitted to congress by President Taft with a special message on Saturday, March 26. After reviewing the internal dangers which threaten Liberia as well as those which crowd upon her from the outside, the report recommends:

That the United States extend its aid to Liberia in the prompt settlement of her boundary disputes.

That the United States enable Liberia to refund its debt by assuming, as a guarantee for the payment of obligations under such an arrangement, the control and collection of Liberian customs.

That the United States lend its assistance to the reform of the internal finances.

That the United States aid in organizing and drilling a competent constabulary or frontier police, establish and maintain a research station and reopen the question of establishing a naval coaling station in Liberia.

For what it has been able to accomplish the government of the little republic and those responsible for its rule are commended highly by the commission. The Liberians have advanced in their civilization, and the native element has not undergone any retrogression. The civilization of the nation has also done much toward advancing the tribes, the commission says.

Attention is called to the fact that the Liberians never have resorted to revolution, and the nation is not, as has been said, bankrupt. Liberia, while attempting to solve her internal problems, has become involved in external ones which are very threatening to her integrity.

The reform program adopted upon the advice of Great Britain is condemned by the commission, and the causes are described in the report as "the bungling of British officials in 1909," which resulted in a frontier police officered largely by British. That feature the commission declares impossible for the good of Liberia.

In summarizing the conditions there the commission says that help from the United States is demanded, as Great Britain and France are not in a position to give disinterested assistance.

Suggestions have also been made to the Liberian government by the commission, but the whole situation is summed up as very hopeless for the little nation unless the United States steps in and helps her out. The commission was composed of the Hon. Roland P. Faulkner, chairman; Emmett J. Scott and George Sale.

Students Crowd Howard University. The catalogue of Howard university for 1909-10 shows an enrollment of 1,251 students from thirty-five states and territories and twelve foreign countries. The international character of the university is shown in the enrollment of eighty-five students from the British West Indies, seven from Cuba, five from British Guiana, eight from Porto Rico, three each from the republic of Panama and South America, two each from Liberia, South Africa, and West Africa and one each from Dutch Guiana, India and Santo Domingo.

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MOLINE CLEANINGS.

Mrs. George Scott entertained the Stewardess Relief Corps at her home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Scott Madison underwent a serious operation at the city hospital Monday for tumors.

Last Thursday night at their hall on 2nd Avenue, the L. O. O. F. gave a masquerade entertainment. Prizes were awarded to the best dressed couple and the worst dressed. Mrs. Wm. Walkup won first prize, and Miss Bessie Clark second prize. Eva Taylor won first prize for the most comical costume and Mr. John Curd second prize. Refreshments were served by the Household of Ruth to a large and appreciative audience. Music was furnished by Prof. J. H. Robinson's orchestra.

Miss Daisy Dean Walker of Indianapolis, Indiana was in our city over Sunday in the interest of her industrial school. A small subscription list and a neat little collection was taken up, although she did not get the privilege to give her lecture. While here Miss Walker was the guest of Mrs. D. J. Delward.

Mrs. Sadie Washington of Davenport and daughter Saverna were the guests of her sister Mrs. R. B. Settles, Sunday.

Mr. John Haggard who has been ill with diphtheria is able to be out again. Mrs. Hearlas Walkup entertained Mrs. James Seggins and daughters of Rock Island at Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Hayes Robinson and daughter were callers at the Tarver and Walkup homes Saturday.

Mrs. Ben Bright of Davenport was a Moline caller last Wednesday.

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CHILDREN OF EXALTED TASTE.

Little Ones Used to Dignitaries of High Estate.

A well-known family in Catholic circles, living in Spring Garden street, and blessed with three very small daughters, spent last winter in Rome, where the small daughters were sent to school. The family, being quite hospitably inclined, entertained quite lavishly some of the dignitaries of the Vatican.

Returning to Philadelphia, they received a hearty welcome, and among others some of their old priest friends called to bid them welcome home. The mother, always proud of her three small daughters, sent for them to be brought downstairs to see the father. After awhile they came, the three little golden-haired girls; but they only stood in the doorway of the spacious room and refused to come any further.

The mother, much mortified at such behavior, said to the eldest: "Come here, dear; don't you remember good Father —, who used to come and see us from the cathedral?"

There they stood, the three little blonde tots, and looking most disapprovingly at good Father —, the eldest spoke: "We like cardinals," is what she said.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

NO WONDER SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

Woman of Experience Not Hasty in Expressing Opinion.

Before he had been in the car three minutes most of the women passengers and some of the men were explaining to their neighbors what they would do with the little imp if he belonged to them. Spanking was the popular remedy, and if that boy had received then and there all the paddlings that his critics were aching to administer he certainly would have been well billeted.

To the general babel of advice and fault-finding, however, there was one woman who contributed nothing. She was a gentle, gray-haired body, who remained untroubled in the midst of the small tempest raging.

"If that child was mine," said the determined woman beside her, "I'd make him mind if I had to half kill him. Wouldn't you?"

"I don't know," said the little woman, mildly, "what I'd do."

"You don't?" said the determined woman. "Well, I know. But maybe you are not used to children? Maybe you never had any of your own?"

"Oh, yes," said the little woman. "I brought up 13. That is why I don't know what I would do."

Concrete Not Modern.

Concrete is a very ancient material for construction, but reinforced concrete is scarcely half a century old. It is said to have started in a happy idea that came to a Frenchman who wanted large flower pots for his plants which should not be thick and clumsy. He reinforced them with wire. Nowadays we see glass reinforced in the same way, especially about elevator shafts.

Colinet and others developed the reinforcement of concrete for buildings, at first merely useful buildings like conservatories. As early as 1874 a concrete villa was built on the north shore of Long Island sound, but it was many years before the idea "took" here, although in France, Belgium and Germany it was seized upon with avidity.—Smith's Magazine.

IOWA Federation of Colored Women's Clubs

Program of the Eighth Annual Meeting to be held at Des Moines Beginning May 23rd

Monday P. M., May 23—2 to 4 o'clock.

Music—Invocation.

An hour with standing committee.

Subject—How committee work can be made to benefit our clubs. Each chair-

man to speak of their work.

Mothers Child Study—Mrs. Jennie Johnson—Davenport.

Household Economic—Mrs. Fannie Grooms—Muscatine.

Social Parity—Miss Murda Beason—Clinton.

Arts and Crafts—Mrs. Jas. H. Beards—Des Moines.

Music—Miss Edna Martin—Ottumwa.

Rescue—Mrs. J. P. Hamilton—Des Moines.

Education—Mrs. Helena Downey—Ottumwa.

Philanthropic—Mrs. E. Gardner—Ottumwa.

Forestry—Mrs. M. F. Gordon—Ottumwa.

Song—"Deeds not Words."

An hour with club presidents.

Subject—Some interesting features in my club work.

Music—Announcement—Adjournment.

Credential committee—4:30 to 5 o'clock.

Evening Session—May 23 8 o'clock.

Citizens' Night.

Pipe Organ Selection—Master Clyde Glass.

Invocation—Rev. I. N. Daniels, Pastor A. M. E. church.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. E. B. Elliston.

Opening remarks—Mrs. S. W. C. Brown, First Vice Pres. S. F. C. W. C.

Violin Solo—Prof. W. H. Warricks.

Welcome Address—By Mayor.

Tenor Solo—Prof. Geo. I. Holt.

Welcome on behalf of churches—Rev. T. L. Griffith, Pres. Western Negro Baptist Convention.

Piano Selection—Miss Bertha Allen.

Welcome on behalf of Clubs of city—Mrs. Luella Wilburn, Pres. H. B. S. R. C.

Instrumental Selection—Miss Delza Goggins.

Response.

Vocal Selection—Miss Margarette Fields.

Paper—"The Older Type of Woman, And The New."—Mrs. L. W. Tucker, Buxton.

Des Moines Negro Lyceum Girls' Quartette—Misses Bessie and Anna Reeves.

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Adjournment 12 o'clock.

Afternoon Session 1:30 o'clock.

Music—Invocation—Roll—Minutes.

Reports of Committees, Standing Committees.

Reports of Clubs.

Memorial.

Vocal Selection—Miss Margaret Fields, Des Moines.

Address—"Social Parity."—Mrs. Gov. Carroll, Des Moines.

Piano Solo—Mrs. Alice Thompson, Muscatine.

Adjournment.

Evening Session—May 24, 8 o'clock.

Music—"Fifteen Minutes of Plantation Melodies."

Invocation.

Roll—Delegates Respond—"Why I am a Club Woman."

Piano Solo—Miss Margaret La Cour, Des Moines.

Annual Address of State President—Mrs. M. Louise Lewis, Davenport.

Vocal Solo—Miss Edna Martin, Ottumwa.

Debate—"Resolve that Women should have the right of Suffrage. Affirmative—Mrs. Lenora Shepherd, Davenport. Negative—Mrs. Ella V. Morgan, Sioux City.

Instrumental Selection.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

Morning Session—May 25, 9 o'clock.

Music, Invocation, Roll, Minutes, Unfinished Business.

Paper—"Children as Wage Earners." Delegate from Clarinda.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Geo. Wells, Des Moines.

Paper—"The Honest American Marriage." Mrs. H. Owens Ottumwa.

Piano Solo—Miss Marie Bell, Des Moines.

Address—"Corporation Between Mother and Teacher." Miss Murda Beason, Teacher in public schools, Buxton.

Adjournment.

Afternoon Session.

Music, Roll, Minutes, Unfinished Business.

Instrumental Selection—Miss Effie Mason, Des Moines.

Paper—"Lifting as We Clomb." Mrs. J. W. Holmes of Colfax.

Federation Song.

Election of Officers.

Election of Delegates to N. A. C. W.

Adjournment.

Evening Session—May 25 8 o'clock.

Music—"Fifteen Minutes of Plantation Melodies."

Invocation.

Roll, Respond—"Some Good and Some Evil of Women's Clubs."

Minutes.

Pipe Organ Selection—Mrs. Della Bryant, Des Moines.

Reading Selection—Mrs. Hattie Adams, Des Moines.

Paper—"Taking a False View of Life." Mrs. Hattie Hutchison, Buxton.

Solo—Mrs. I. L. Brown, Marshalltown.

Address—"The Future of the Children." Atty., Wm. G. Mott, Davenport.

Piano Selection—Mrs. Alice Thompson, Muscatine.

Address—"Woman Health and the Home." Dr. Jno H. Williams, Des Moines.

Unfinished business, Installation of officers, adjournment.

Committee—Mrs. S. Joe Brown, Mrs. Flora Lavell, Miss Jessie Walker, Mrs. Helen Downey.

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