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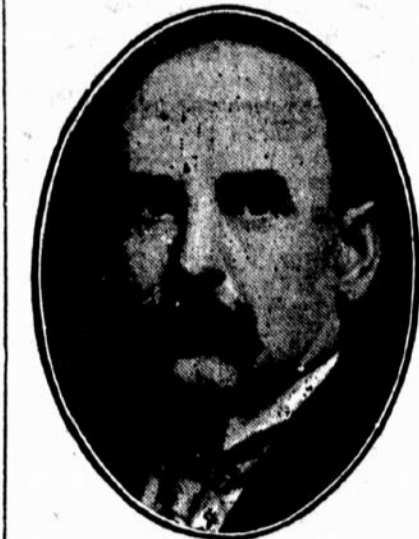
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Mr. Needham is backed by the unions, who as a rule are against us, as we understand that Mr. Needham does not care for the colored vote. Now Mr. colored voter read this editorial carefully and you can easily know the best men for us as race lovers who really want to know and do the right thing.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Thanks! "We hereby express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and sympathizers for their invaluable assistance during the sad misfortune which befell us Sunday, p. m., March 10, 1912. We are deeply grateful for each and every kindness shown. Juno D. Spears and family.

The Mission Circle of Mt. Zion Baptist church was entertained in the home of Mrs. Mattie Marie last Thursday. Excellent papers were read by Messdames Oliver and Thomas, at the close of the program Mrs. Marie served a 3-course lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neal are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl that came the 14th to make her home with them. The young mother who was just one day more than 16 summers old when her first born arrived, is doing nicely and you should see "Harry, the papa!"

Mrs. O. F. Donnelly left for Hampton, Iowa, Friday, after a two weeks visit with her mother and relatives.

Mrs. Sampson Johnson is able to sit up and is getting on fine. Mrs. Chas. Wilson is on the sick list. Mrs. Hammonds, housekeeper for Mr. Grant Brown is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. W. A. Brown returned from Hiteman last Thursday, where she had gone to assist in a rally on Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Executive Board of Iowa-Nebraska association which was in session there March 12-14.

Rev. Woodard, in an effort to reach Buxton from Hiteman was snow bound and was compelled to remain in Lovilla over night. The storm was so severe that all hacks running between Hamilton and Buxton were abandoned.

News has just reached us of the marriage of Miss Aline Gunn to Mr. Robt. Canady, which occurred about two weeks ago. We wish them many happy returns.

Ray, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Baxter, while skating last week fell and so severely cut his head that it was necessary for the doctor to take three stitches in the wound. He is feeling nicely at this writing.

Mr. Louis Toran was very much excited when he arose one morning last week and found that someone had gone into his barn, hitched and driver his horse away. After a diligent search the horse and buggy were found down near the reservoir about noon the next day.

"Zed" Harris an old ex-Buxtonian is reported dead in Kansas City.

A telegram was received last week stating that D. Williams, once left-fielder for the Buxton Wonders was killed in Kansas City and taken to his home in Topeka, Kas., for burial.

Miss Elsie Lowery was having some severe trouble with her teeth last week and as a result one of her cheeks was

very much enlarged. She resumed her place as clerk in M. M. Co. store Monday.

A brand new girl is the newest arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tate. Mother and daughter doing nicely—she came the 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Beeman are equally proud over the appearance of a bouncing girl in their home, that arrived the 16th inst.

Miss Mary Perkins who has been in Iowa City taking care of her mother, arrived in Buxton, Friday to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. A. Perkins is much improved at this writing.

Never fight unless you are compelled to do so, but when you find that you must fight, do the job right, and get Atty. Woodson, who will see that you get justice, to defend you.

Rev. Woodard preached a stirring sermon, Sunday morning. He used for a subject, "Christ the husband of the church" and he said some things that were quite stirring.

G. W. Pendleton is filling his place on the tenor row in Mt. Zion Baptist choir. The choir is getting its Easter music ready which is very beautiful. Better come out on Easter Sunday and hear it.

Don't forget Miss Lizzie Price is in the race for one of the eight prizes offered by the Bystander for the most subscribers before April 15. Subscribe NOW!

Mr. Walter Finks was in Buxton last week visiting relatives and shaking hands with old friends. While here he was the guest of Messrs. L. H. Hunter and Robert Carey.

KEOKUK NOTES.

Mr. Arthur Frye's home talent minstrel production will appear in the near future. It has been ascertained from a reliable source that the A. G. Field company has no edge on them. Watch for the date which will be announced later.

Mr. Earl Humphrey of Marshalltown is in the city a guest of his parents. With much reluctance the members of the 7th Street Baptist church have relinquished their claim to the old historic building, after struggling in vain for a number of years, they finally surrendered to the indebtedness they had endeavored so earnestly to eliminate. They are without a pastor, but are at present holding meetings at So. Eighth street hall and feel no discouragement over the prospects of starting anew.

The Old Folks concert will be given at Bethel April 4th, for the benefit of the trustee department, March 26th, is the date of the drama, entitled Among the Breakers, under auspices of the Sunshine club, which will be at association hall. Price admission to the drama is 25c, and to the concert, 15c. About 600 tickets are out for both entertainments and it is hoped that all will be sold.

Mrs. Mary McGinnis has sold her dwelling house on South 14th St., and purchased property on 15th and 17th. Rev. Wm. Brown former pastor on Seventh Street church, left last Thursday evening for Columbus, Ohio, "enroute" he will spend a few days in Cairo and Pittsfield, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brannard entertained a few friends in an informal way last Friday evening at their home 11th and Morgan Sts., it being the occasion of Mr. Brannard's birthday anniversary.

An indoor picnic had been planned for last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jenkins but was postponed indefinitely owing to the disposition of Mrs. Nora Clemons who was one of the sponsors.

Mr. Wm. Coleman was very pleasantly surprised by a number of his friends last Saturday evening, reminding him of the fact that he had reached another mile stone in life's journey.

The Jolly Bachelor's wishes to remind their friends that the date of the Easter ball is approaching, April 17th, at Gibbons opera house. Your presence is solicited.

Mrs. Jessie Firmon of Anaconda Wyoming, who has been spending the winter with her parents at Ft. Madison is in the city as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Fields.

Revival services are still in progress at Pilgrim's Rest church, several additions have been enrolled and a thorough revival spirit is eminent.

Standing of the Contestants.

	VOTES
Miss Francis B. Reeder	1440
A. A. Bush, Clinton	600
Miss Rosa Goodlow	150
Miss Blanch Allen	270
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BULLINGTON ITEMS.

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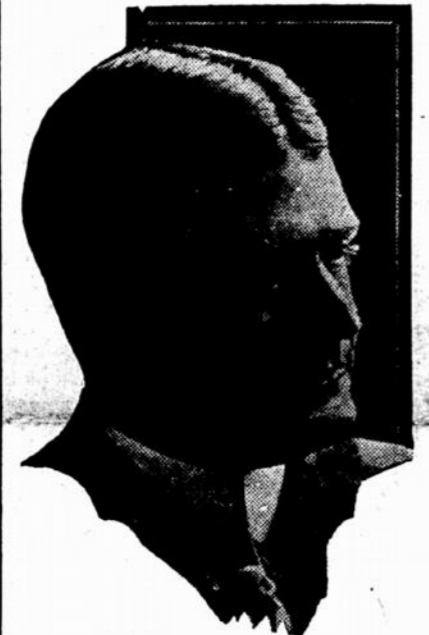
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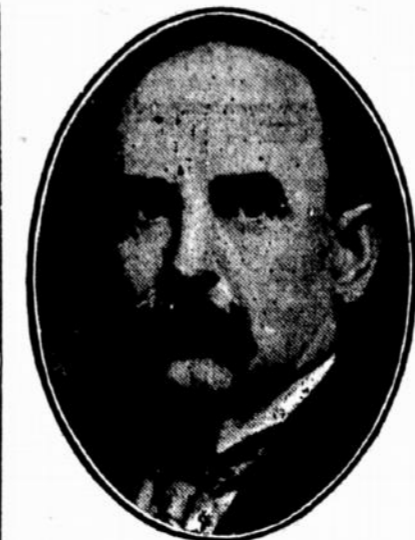
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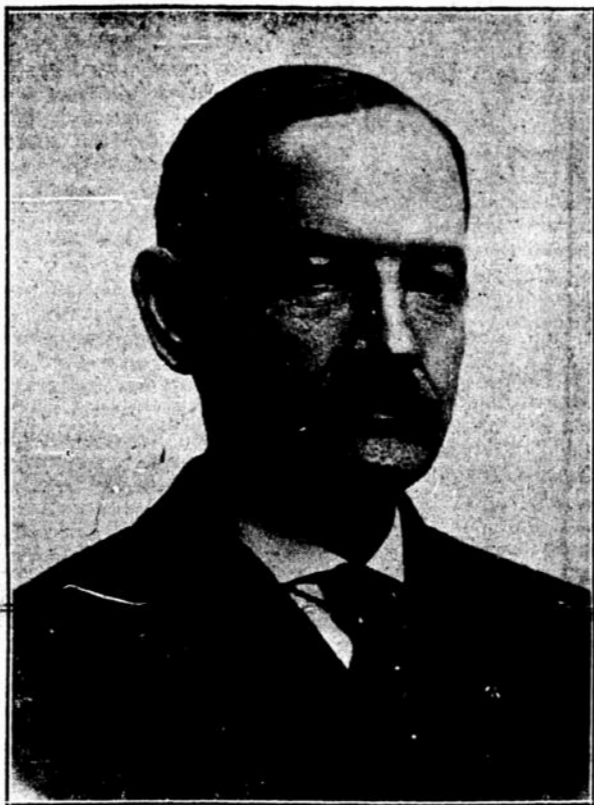


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Mr. F. T. Van Liew is a good man, well qualified; has given us square deal while police judge.

Mr. Needham is backed by the unions, who as a rule are against us, as we understand that Mr. Needham does not care for the colored vote. Now Mr. colored voter read this editorial carefully and you can easily know the best men for us as race lovers who really want to know and do the right thing.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Thanks! "We hereby express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and sympathizers for their invaluable assistance during the sad misfortune which befell us Sunday, p. m., March 10, 1912. We are deeply grateful for each and every kindness shown. Juno D. Spears and family.

The Mission Circle of Mt. Zion Baptist church was entertained in the home of Mrs. Mattie Marie last Thursday. Excellent papers were read by Messdames Oliver and Thomas, at the close of the program Mrs. Marie served a 3-course lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neal are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine girl that came the 14th to make her home with them. The young mother who was just one day more than 16 summers old when her first born arrived, is doing nicely and you should see "Harry, the papa!"

Mrs. O. F. Donnelly left for Hampton, Iowa, Friday, after a two weeks visit with her mother and relatives.

Mrs. Sampson Johnson is on the sick list. Mrs. Hammonds, housekeeper for Mr. Grant Brown is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. W. A. Brown returned from Hiteman last Thursday, where she had gone to assist in a rally on Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Executive Board of Iowa-Nebraska association which was in session there March 12-14.

Rev. Woodard, in an effort to reach Buxton from Hiteman was snow bound and was compelled to remain in Lovilla over night. The storm was so severe that all hacks running between Hamilton and Buxton were abandoned.

News has just reached us of the marriage of Miss Aline Gunn to Mr. Robt. Canady, which occurred about two weeks ago. We wish them many happy returns.

Ray, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Baxter, while skating last week fell and so severely cut his head that it was necessary for the doctor to take three stitches in the wound. He is feeling nicely at this writing.

Mr. Louis Toran was very much excited when he arose one morning last week and found that someone had gone into his barn, hitched and driver his horse away. After a diligent search the horse and buggy were found down near the reservoir about noon the next day.

"Zed" Harris an old ex-Buxtonian is reported dead in Kansas City.

A telegram was received last week stating that D. Williams, once left-fielder for the Buxton Wonders was killed in Kansas City and taken to his home in Topeka, Kas., for burial.

Miss Elsie Lowery was having some severe trouble with her teeth last week and as a result one of her cheeks was

very much enlarged. She resumed her place as clerk in M. M. Co. store Monday.

A brand new girl is the newest arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tate. Mother and daughter doing nicely—she came the 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Beeman are equally proud over the appearance of a bouncing girl in their home, that arrived the 15th inst.

Miss Mary Perkins who has been in Iowa City taking care of her mother, arrived in Buxton, Friday to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. A. Perkins is much improved at this writing.

Never fight unless you are compelled to do so, but when you find that you must fight, do the job right, and get Atty. Woodson, who will see that you get justice, to defend you.

Rev. Woodard preached a stirring sermon, Sunday morning. He used for a subject, "Christ the husband of the church" and he said some things that were quite stirring.

G. W. Pendleton is filling his place on the tenor row in Mt. Zion Baptist choir. The choir is getting its Easter music ready which is very beautiful. Better come out on Easter Sunday and hear it.

Don't forget Miss Lizzie Price is in the race for one of the eight prizes offered by the Bystander for the most subscribers before April 15. Subscribe NOW!

Mr. Walter Finks was in Buxton last week visiting relatives and shaking hands with old friends. While here he was the guest of Messrs. L. H. Hunter and Robert Carey.

KEOKUK NOTES.

Mr. Arthur Frye's home talent minstrel production will appear in the near future. It has been ascertained from a reliable source that the A. G. Field company has no edge on them. Watch for the date which will be announced later.

Mr. Earl Humphrey of Marshalltown is in the city a guest of his parents.

With much reluctance the members of the 7th Street Baptist church have relinquished their claim to the old historic building, after struggling in vain for a number of years, they finally surrendered to the indebtedness they had had endeavored so earnestly to eliminate. They are without a pastor, but are at present holding meetings at So. Eighth street hall and feel no discouragement over the prospects of starting anew.

The Old Folks concert will be given at Bethel April 4th, for the benefit of the trustee department, March 26th, is the date of the drama, entitled Among the Breakers, under auspices of the Sunshine club, which will be at association hall. Price admission to the drama is 25c, and to the concert, 15c. About 600 tickets are out for both entertainments and it is hoped that all will be sold.

Mrs. Mary McGinnis has sold her dwelling house on South 14th St., and purchased property on 15th and Tima. Rev. Wm. Brown former pastor on Seventh Street church, left last Thursday evening for Columbus, Ohio, "enroute" he will spend a few days in Cairo and Pittsfield, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brannard entertained a few friends in an informal way last Friday evening at their home 11th and Morgan Sts., it being the occasion of Mr. Brannard's birthday anniversary.

An indoor picnic had been planned for last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jenkins but was postponed indefinitely owing to the indisposition of Mrs. Nora Clemons who was one of the sponsors.

Mr. Wm. Coleman was very pleasantly surprised by a number of his friends last Saturday evening, reminding him of the fact that he had reached another mile stone in life's journey.

The Jolly Bachelor's wishes to remind their friends that the date of the Easter ball is approaching, April 17th, at Gibbons opera house. Your presence is solicited.

Mrs. Jessie Firmon of Anaconda Wyoming, who has been spending the winter with her parents at Ft. Madison is in the city as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Fields.

Revival services are still in progress at Pilgrim's Rest church, several additions have been enrolled and a thorough revival spirit is eminent.

Standing of the Contestants.

	VOTES
Miss Francis B. Reeder	1440
A. A. Bush, Clinton	600
Miss Rosa Goodlow	150
Miss Blanch Allen	270
Miss Hazel Clark	960

BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Mrs. D. Cary, Mrs. M. Robinson of Chicago arrived in our city last week to assist Rev. McDowell with the revival meeting at the A. M. E. church.

The remains of Mr. Ben Green were brought to our city from Aledo, Ill., last Friday, accompanied by the family and Mr. Moore and Cooper of Aledo. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Palmer of the Baptist church at (Continued on page 4, column 3)

YOUNKER BROTHERS

Friday and Saturday are the last days of the

Manufacturers

Outlet Sale

In the Economy Basement

Two more days of wonderful bargains in women's clothing, children's clothing, shoes and everything for Spring and Easter.

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NOT ENOUGH THAT HE WRITE

Modern Author is Provided by His
Publisher With Another Less
Pleasant Vocation.

After dinner speaking is a part of the trade of authorship nowadays, the New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Times-Star writes. The men who are being featured in the popular magazines have become peripatetic pinwheels of oratory. They are called on to sputter bon mots and spatter humor as soon as the match is lighted. The magazines and publishing houses send their authors to every banquet within reach. The unfortunate has to keep their evening clothes by the bedside, and be ready to slide down a brass pole like a fireman as soon as a dinner alarm is sounded. The small fry of writers attend all sorts of dinners, from the annual reunion of the Sons of Sour Mash to the feast spread by the Amalgamated Order of Coach and Town Painters. But the big chiefs—like the Irwin Brothers and John O'Hara Cosgrave and Gelett Burgess—only cover dinners for which the "three nines" are sounded. Then you can see them dashing madly through the streets in taxicabs, wearily getting into the first part regalia and buttoning collars, and muttering the new stuff with which the dinners are to be regaled that night. It isn't any wonder that they get away to the woods as soon as the woods are opened in the spring. They have to restore digestion impaired by a nightly procession of nine courses and five wines. "I've become a kind of refined wine agent," said one of them the other day. "I ought to put out a sign: 'All dinners eaten with neatness and despatch. We pride ourselves on our refinement.' There is just one place where I have it on a wine man. He has to drink wine. It's part of his business. Whereas if I drink beer it is regarded as an eccentricity of genius."

Indian Girl's Good Shot.

One of the prettiest exhibitions of marksmanship ever seen here was witnessed by a crowd in the vicinity of the postoffice.

One of the halcyons attached to a flag on a high pole of a riding device snapped and the flag and halcyon twisted themselves into the pulley in such a way that it was impossible to get the flag down. The manager offered \$25 to any one who would get the flag down. Wenona, an Indian girl, overheard him and procured her rifle.

From where she stood to where the flag was flying from the pole was fully 800 feet. The pulley was so well concealed by the flag that only a small piece of the top of the eyelet was visible. Carefully sighting, Wenona fired, and the first shot cut the pulley from the pole and sent the flag flying down.—Venice Correspondence Denver Times.

Royalty Travels Incognito.

Nearly every member of the British royal family adopts a pseudonym when traveling otherwise than on state occasions. The duke and duchess of Connaught chose the incognito title of earl and countess of Sussex when they made their continental journeys, and Princess Louise, duchess of Argyll, and the duke of Argyll travel as Lord and Lady Sandridge, this being one of the Argyll minor titles.

Before her marriage Queen Maud of Norway occasionally called herself by the unpretentious name of Miss Mills. Queen Victoria always traveled as countess of Balmoral, though, curiously enough, her heavy luggage was generally labeled "The Queen."

To Stock Lakes With Frogs.

The department of commerce and labor of the United States will make an investigation of the possibilities of the frog industry, according to a letter received by George H. Hazard, interstate park commissioner at St. Paul. The letter was in answer to Mr. Hazard's letter asking that the department stock some of the inland lakes with frogs.

The commissioner of fisheries declares that he has had the subject under consideration for some time. He believes there are opportunities in the industry.

Whale Meat as Chicken Feed.

Now they are feeding that whale to the Eastport chickens with wonderful results. The flesh of the whale is very much like ordinary beef in texture and appearance.

The poultry men maintain that it is the best and most economical egg-producing food that they can buy, because it is really very nutritious, rich in oil, free from bone and practically fresh owing to the intense cold of the past few weeks.—Lewiston Journal.

A Stickler.

Howell—Rowell is a man of tenacity.

Powell—Yes; if he were a dog and got a grip on your rousers you would be perfectly safe in ordering a new pair.

Melodramatic.

"How was the play?"
"Just fair."
"Was there a hairbreadth escape?"
"Yes. The author managed to get away by crawling through a rear window."

In the Garden of Eden.

Sunday School Teacher—In all that immense garden there was only one thing that Adam and Eve might not touch—the forbidden fruit.

Little Girl—And could they touch the poison ivy?—Boston Transcript.

Merely a Look-In.

"I'm not getting a fair show," growled the one-night-stand operatic comedian.

"Ah, cheer up!" said the prima donna. "Meditate on what the audience is getting!"—Puck.

AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

In times past The Age has condemned the disposition of negroes to walk up to the learned degree storehouse and take any of the titles and degrees they found lying about loosely and using them in their business or profession or vocation as their interests or fancy inclined them; scorning the appropriateness and propriety of things with a fine scorn, scornful. We have professors of everything and nothing, learned and unlearned, so that the learned degrees among us have become a reproach and rebuke, even to those who have secured them from reputable institutions by their good works, in scholarship or their specialization.

In a Sunday talk to the students of Tuskegee institute, recently, as reported for the Tuskegee Student, "On Being Simple," Dr. Booker T. Washington said, among other things: "Students who go out from this institution may also exert their influence in helping our people to get rid of the habit of having so many titles, so many meaningless and worthless degrees. You can scarcely meet in the street, or anywhere else, a minister unless he is called a Doctor of Divinity. Some of them can scarcely read or write, some of them cannot read or write a simple English sentence, yet they parade themselves about as Doctors of Divinity. Worse than that, some call themselves Doctors of Law. We want everywhere to exert our influence to get rid of all that sham."

"The fact is we have run wild, in many cases, in this degree business, and many people who have been too lazy to get a genuine education, have sought to cover up their ignorance and their vulgarity by parading after their names a lot of letters—A. B., A. M., D. D., LL. D., etc. Why I have actually received letters from persons with all those titles signed after their names. Whenever a person gets a letter with all those titles after the signature, he makes up his mind—if he does not express it—he makes up his mind that this is a letter, not from an educated person, but from an ignorant person, a vulgar person lacking in culture, a person lacking in real, genuine taste."

This is all very true; but it is impossible at this stage of the race's development, to make men see that a learned degree, or title of honor, which does not belong to them, and which they cannot sustain, when called upon to do so, by scholarship or good works in special fields of achievements, makes them look and act cheaply in the eyes of those whose good opinion they value, and really seek by parading such degrees to obtain. The world is very critical. It demands a reason for everything and will not be satisfied with evasion. If people are not what they claim to be, if they are shams, masquerading as aliases in borrowed plumage, or degrees in scholarship or distinction in good works, the fraud will be discovered; they themselves will give themselves away.

We are growing away from the degree and title abuse with the years, as we grow in matured scholarship and material achievement, and shall not, after awhile, value the shewbags which are as paste stones to real diamonds in the world of achievement, of character, of worth.—New York Age.

Parents and guardians should call a halt to the children under their charge. The streets are infested with little boys and girls from sunrise almost until midnight in Charleston. They are becoming a perfect nuisance. They use profane language; they throw bricks at each other; in fact they are becoming desperate in the streets among themselves. We like to see children enjoy themselves and we believe the streets give them a great deal of fresh air; but to allow them to corrupt the streets means serious consequences.

In order to get good citizens the children must be taught in their youth to reverence and respect the public liberties given them on the streets. It is fearful how they indiscriminately hurl bricks in their angry passion. Both white and black have gotten into the art of throwing bricks at each other. If something is not done to stop them, the City Fathers will eventually have to do away with glass sashes and go back to the old wooden windows and put the city back in darkness.—Charleston Messenger.

The person who sets up and operates a place where the idlers and loafers gather, is largely responsible for the wickedness and crime of his community. Idleness breeds crime and no one who cares for the welfare of his people, or who is interested in the good name of his community, will encourage any movement to develop a crop of idlers.—The Torch Light.

Opportunities for preparation and opportunities for service are abundant and there should be no lack of men to do the Master's service.—American Baptist.

President George A. Gates of Fisk university was recently injured in a railroad wreck.

Champion Jack Johnson is still having his troubles and apparently looking for more. Barred from boxing in New York by some sort of a commission, he says he is going to box there in spite of the commission. The office of the district attorney in Pittsburg, Pa., is investigating the circumstances of Johnson's marriage. It is rumored that he had a living, undivorced wife, at the time of his second marriage.

James Tate Carter is an assistant teacher in mathematics at Harvard college.

The Birmingham Age-Herald devoted a half column recently to a review of Principal Booker T. Washington's latest book, "My Larger Education." The review was written by Prof. Charles A. Brown of the Birmingham high school, and of this book Professor Brown says:

"My Larger Education" of Booker T. Washington is a continuation of his autobiographical narrative, "Up From Slavery," which was published some years ago, and, as he says, is written "to complete the story of my education which I began in that book; to answer the questions as to how I worked out for myself the educational methods which we are using at Tuskegee; and, finally, to illustrate, for the benefit of the members of my own race, some of the ways in which a people who are struggling upward may turn disadvantages into opportunities; how they may gain within themselves something that will compensate them for what they have been deprived of from without."

The record shows that his education has been very realistic and has progressed with his work as it has brought him in contact with "men and things." The lessons have been learned from "human institutions, politics, newspapers, and from educational and social problems of various kinds." A large part of the book is devoted to what he has learned from "exceptional white men," and he gratefully records his indebtedness to William H. Baldwin, Jr., of Washington; Dr. J. L. M. Curry of Alabama; Mr. John M. Parker of New Orleans, Col. Henry Watterson of Kentucky, ex-President Roosevelt and others; to a number of exceptional negroes; to "high and low," he met in his travels in Europe; to educational authorities of Denmark; and to educational campaigns in the south.

The book is an interesting narrative of the experiences of a man who realized that his first and fundamental problem was "how to deal with public opinion on the race question." Some of the members of his own race wanted to know "why he proposed to teach their children to work?" These wanted him to provide a kind of education that would enable their children to live without working. Some of the white people of the south were opposed to any kind of education for the negro, while some of the white people of the north feared that the kind of education he proposed would produce merely "hewers of wood and drawers of water," and would not "prepare the negro to take his place in the community as a man and citizen."

We were agreeable surprised at Marlin, Tex., to see about 15 negroes working on brick buildings. They have recently finished four brick buildings. You don't find negro brickmasons erecting buildings for white folks in all towns in dear old Dixie land.—Texas Guide.

Ever since the trial and conviction of the McNamaras for dynamiting the government has been perfecting a drag-net for taking in others guilty of the same sort of crime.

That drag-net was cast and drawn up last week.

And it emeshed fifty-four prominent labor leaders charged with dynamiting buildings, and other structures in all parts of the country.

No negroes were found or will be found in drag-nets of that sort. The negroes are about the only class of people in this country who do not resort to the use of dynamite to right their wrongs. In that respect the colored man stands in a class all by himself. Even the Jews are not guilty.

In glancing over one of their journals recently we read of a gang of East Side Jews in New York who for years have maintained a "Black-Hand" organization, and have for years been the terror of all those who have aroused their cupidty or resentment.—Dallas Express.

Let me do my work each day, and if the darkened hours of despair overcome me, may I not forget the strength that comforted me in the desolation of other times. May I still remember the bright hours that found me walking over the silent hills of my childhood, or dreaming on the margin of the quiet river, when a light glowed within me and I promised my only God to have courage amid the tempest of changing years. Spare me from bitterness and from the sharp passions of unguarded moments. May I not forget that poverty and riches are of the spirit. Though the world know me not, may my thoughts and actions be such as shall keep me friendly with myself. Lift up my eyes from the earth and let me not forget the uses of the stars. Forbid that I should judge others, lest I condemn myself. Let me not follow the clamor of the world, but walk calmly in my path. Give me a few friends who will love me for what I am, and keep ever burning before my vagrant steps the kindly light of hope. And though age and infirmity overtake me, and I come not within sight of the castle of my dreams, teach me still to be thankful for life and for time's older memories that are good and sweet, and may the evening's twilight find me gentle still.—Selected.

When a negro begins to get an education and to accumulate some property and to straighten up, the white folks—some of them—say he is unfit for a servant and not a desirable adjunct to the community. The ministers of the Gospel—some of them—say he is unfit for a Christian and a church member; then, according to the idea of some of the white people and some of the preachers, only illiterate, shiftless negroes are suitable for servants, Christians and church members. Wonder if that is true?—The Interstate Reporter.

PLAN AND SCOPE OF EXPOSITION

Senators Favor Appropriation for Industrial Celebration.

BILL PROVIDES FOR \$250,000—MAJ. R. R. WRIGHT AND HIS ASSOCIATES HOLD SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE WITH SENATE COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITIONS—CONVINCING FACTS BY DR. WRIGHT, DU BOIS AND ROSS.

Washington.—A committee of prominent colored citizens appeared before the senate committee on industrial expositions in Washington recently in behalf of the bill introduced by Senator Bradley of Kentucky providing for an appropriation of \$250,000 for an exhibition of the progress of the race since emancipation. Senator Root of New York presided, and Senators Crane of Massachusetts, Taylor of Tennessee, Newlands of Nevada, Paynter of Kentucky, Stephenson of Wisconsin, Jones of Washington, Weeks of California, Gronna of North Dakota and Swanson of Virginia were present.

The speakers representing the negro emancipation association were Major R. R. Wright of Savannah, Ga.; Dr. R. R. Wright Jr., editor of the Christian Recorder, Philadelphia; Professor W. E. B. Du Bois of New York and Rev. I. N. Rosa of Washington, each having assigned to him a particular phase of the discussion.

After Senator Root opened the meeting Senator Bradley introduced Major R. R. Wright, who told the object of the exposition, the success he had had for the past six years in exhibiting the progress of the negroes in Georgia and reasons why national aid should be given this exposition.

He stated that since 1876 the government had appropriated over \$25,000,000 for expositions. He now asked for only 1 per cent of that amount, \$250,000, which is only 1/4 cent for each negro inhabitant in the country.

Major Wright then introduced his son, Dr. R. R. Wright Jr., who would show the committee what progress the negroes had made which would warrant an exhibition. This was done by a comparison between the condition of the race in 1860 and in 1910. Dr. Wright said the population had more than doubled, being 4,500,000 in 1860 and 10,000,000 now; the illiteracy had been cut in half, being 96 per cent in 1860 and 44.5 per cent in 1900, possibly under 40 per cent today.

Public school attendance had risen from practically nothing to 3,000,000. In labor negroes have risen from farm laborers to the control of 917,000 farms and the ownership of 250,000 farms. They have held their own as farm laborers, besides developing other trades. New occupations, unknown 50 years ago, have emerged. There are 60,000 negroes in professions today. Negro physicians, lawyers, etc., unknown in the south to the generation before the war, are now in every city. Negro teachers number 250,000. Negro property holders have emerged. No accurate count has ever been made.

Fully 500,000 homes and farms are owned. Wealth of the negro is estimated at \$1,000,000,000. Negro literature, art and music tell a story of progress. There are over 200 newspapers, 500 negro authors. Some of the most popular music of the day is written by negroes, and negro musicians have appeared on every principal American stage, and negro artists exhibited in our leading art galleries.

Dr. Wright told of the growth of negro banks, insurance companies, real estate operation, etc.; also of negro organizations, their towns, churches, secret orders, saying that, whereas the race 50 years ago was not organized, today organization is the rule rather than the exception. One above 21 years of age is organized. These items represent some of the facts of our progress, a story which cannot but interest and encourage all who have at heart the progress of our country.

The committee showed special interest in the recital of the progress. Next Senator Crane introduced Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois of New York, who told the plan of the exposition. It is to be held between Jan. 1, 1913, and Dec. 31. There are to be, first, collected maps, pictures, models, etc., representing Africa and African industry. There would also be exhibitions of, second, the negro physique; third, negro population; fourth, negro occupation; fifth, negro education; sixth, negro organization; seventh, negro in cities, negro cities, etc.

There would be awards and medals for meritorious exhibits. A grand historical pageant, a musical festival and finally a permanent exhibit. Dr. J. N. Ross, pastor of the Metropolitan church, Washington, made the closing address on the good such an exhibition would do. His speech was pronounced one of the most eloquent and pointed five-minute speeches ever made before the committee. Dr. Ross said in substance: "Such an exposition would show the real significance of the American form of government and the meaning of American opportunity."

"Second—it would be an inspiration to millions of our people who do not know the opportunities that are theirs and who are despondent because of ignorance of the progress made by their race."

"Third—it would inspire hope and papers out in a little town of Illinois and they spent most of their time writing mean squibs about each other. Unfortunately for one of them he one day purchased a mule for his farm, just out of town whereupon the rival newspaper printed the fact of the purchase as a news item and commented on it as 'An Extraordinary Case of Self-Possession!'—New York Herald.

SELF-POSSESSION.

Wilton Lackaye at a recent dinner at the Lambs was rather bored by a pompous layman who ventured in that company of wits to make a speech that was dull and interminable, but perfectly self-possessed, because of the sheer egotism of the speaker.

When he got through, Lackaye said he would like to tell a story of which he had been reminded by the last speaker. Said he:

"There were two editors of rival

respect in the whites. They would then see a side of the negro which is not usually seen and would be brought to respect him more, thus bringing about a more friendly feeling among the races.

"Fourth—it would also show the world that America has interest in all her people." Senator Bradley then made a few remarks and Major Wright thanked the committee which went immediately into executive session and after a short deliberation decided to report the bill favorably, which has since been done and also placed on the regular senate calendar.

A NEGRO WAS ONCE LEADER OF THE SIOUX TRIBE OF INDIANS

Galveston, Tex.—Judge M. T. Von Rhaden, whose official title is police magistrate at the town of Creighton, in northern Nebraska, who has been spending a short time in Galveston, tells some interesting stories about his section of the country and the little town which is on the border of the big Indian reservation for the three or four tribes of Sioux. Judge Von Rhaden speaks several languages including Sioux, and, having lived for many years in the Indian country, is familiar with the manner and traits of the wily red man, who is living in ease with plenty at the expense of Uncle Sam.

"There is a thrifty family of hair broods up there," said the judge. "These people are the children of old man Godfrey, a Louisiana slave negro, who died a little over a year ago at the age of eighty-two years."

"About the time of breaking out of the war between the states he ran away from his master in Louisiana and went to Minnesota and took up his home with the Sioux. He spoke French and English and soon picked up the Indian language, and, being a desperate negro, became a leader with the bucks, who, in those days, were a bloodthirsty set of redskins."

"It was in 1863 that the New Umu massacre took place and the band of cut-throat Indians on this memorable occasion were led by Godfrey when they raided this peaceful settlement in Minnesota, killing men, women and children. Quitting the reservation and ignoring the commands of the soldiers, who tried to prevent their going on the warpath, the red devils swooped down upon the little town about the noon hour. Not satisfied with killing and scalping the helpless women and the men who so heroically, but ineffectually, defended their families, the savages threw the babies they found in the red-hot ovens in the homes. With the few troops left to guard the Indians, because of the war between the states, the government had a hard time getting this band of several hundred back on the reservation."

"In due course the government began the trial of half hundred or so of the supposed leaders in the massacre who had been imprisoned upon return to the reservation. Among them, of course, was Godfrey, the negro, who had an advantage over many of his red brother because he spoke English. And he was a shrewd character, so you can imagine a black man who became a leader of a tribe of savage Sioux. About ten or twelve

of the Indians were sentenced to be shot for participation in the massacre; others were given life sentences in prison and others from ten to thirty years for the execution and the Indians were called from their prison, the tricky Godfrey, upon the calling of his name pushed another Indian out in line, telling the redskins in his own language that this redskin was calling his name, and this redskin paid the extreme penalty, while his black brother mixed with the short-term prisoners, and in course of time was liberated."

"I understand that some years later the government discovered the plot, but for some reason or other Godfrey was not molested again. I presume the government figured that it didn't make much difference whether it was a redskin or a blackskin and that all of them were equally as guilty."

"But Godfrey was known to the white settlers, and while he lived to a ripe old age he feared the white man, and had reason to. He left the reservation but twice or three times during his life, and on each occasion had a narrow escape from being murdered. One time he crossed the river in his boat and was shot at, but he managed to reach his canoe and escape with whole skin, although the boat was riddled with shot, some of which penetrated his clothes. He soon learned that he was a marked man and began to live in dread of the pale face.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

WOES OF WHISKER WEARERS.

Former Senator Tom Carter, in the debate before the National Press club of Washington as to whether a beard or a bald head was the greater disadvantage to a man, claimed that a beard was a wonderful help. Carter, by the way, has a beard which would make an alfalfa field look like an arid and dusty desert.

Soon after the debate he received from one of his Montana friends this communication:

"Dear Tom: Your speech on whiskers seemed to settle all the disputed points except one. V. t we can't decide on here, and what we want you to tell us, is: When a man goes to bed, ought he to put his beard under the covers or leave it outside?"—Popular Magazine.

NEGROES SHINE IN THE RING

Three of the Greatest World's Champions Were Colored.

ONCE FAMOUS TRIO—GEORGE DIXON, JOE GANS AND JOE WALCOTT WERE UNEXCELLED IN THE HISTORY OF THE RING.

The sport loving public takes unseemly delight in calling a man "yellow." If a fighter shows the least inclination to quit, or if in the thickest of the fight he slows up for some reason, perhaps to conserve his forces, and it turns out that he is beaten, the first thing that comes into the minds of flaccid devotees is the accusation, "He's not game." Especially is that attitude applied to negro pugilists. There has been cause, of course, many negro whalers having been troubled with a lack of courage. But exceptions have been noted. Some of the best fighters since the time of Pigg have been negroes.

Peter Jackson, for instance. The great West Indian who battled Jim Corbett 61 rounds to a draw. Then there were George Godfrey, first colored champion heavyweight of America, and Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee Cooler." There are some truly remarkable negro fighters today—Johnson, Langford, Jeanette, McVea—but one splendid trio of negro battlers is foremost in pugilistic history.

It was composed of George Dixon, Joe Gans and Joe Walcott. Dixon, the first negro world's champion; Gans of knock-out fame; Walcott, the Barbados terror, whose head was so close to his shoulders that it was next to impossible to hurt him. All three won the highest honors the ring can bestow.

Dixon was ruler of the featherweights and bantams, Gans of the lightweights, and Walcott became master of the welters.

Dixon was the most popular negro that ever raised a glove. He was likewise the greatest ring artist. His career started in Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1886, when he knocked out Young Johnson. The following year he came to this country and located in Boston. He had 26 fights in Massachusetts, setting cities and in other eastern towns, dating from 1887 to February 7, 1890, when he met Cal McCarthy for the bantam championship of America. The men fought 70 rounds to a draw with two-ounce gloves.

Dixon was a different miller from the general run of fighters. Where, as a rule, coming champions knock out most of their opponents in the early days of their careers, Dixon played safe and was content with winning over his opponents. All the time he was learning cleverness, but when he fought McCarthy he did not look much like the star he became later.

"Little Chocolate" had four fights after the memorable affair with McCarthy, and then Tom O'Rourke took him to London, where in June, 1890, he defeated Nunc Wallace, bantam champion of England, in 18 rounds. Nine months later he again fought McCarthy for the bantam championship of America and won it at Troy, N. Y., in 25 rounds. Next he met Abe Willis, the Australian champion, at San Francisco, and knocked him out in five rounds. Dixon became bantam champion of the world as a result of this feat.

There being no good men left in the bantam class for him to meet, he fought several featherweights and whipped them one after another. A year after his battle with Willis he was matched with Fred Johnson for the world's featherweight championship. They struggled at Coney Island for a \$5,000 purse and Dixon dropped Johnson for the count in the fourth round.

Dixon continued in the same game until 1906. In 1906 he lost the featherweight title to Terry McGovern. In the '90s, Joe Walcott blazed a trail for lightweights, welterweights and middleweights that was hard to follow. Walcott was a welterweight, but he trained down to 133 pounds for Kid Lavigne when the kid was champion at that weight in 1895 and the Michigander gave him a terrific lacing. Before the Lavigne fight, and after, Walcott was universally feared. He was animalistic in his attack and established a string of knockouts. Walcott was a powerful puncher, and never hesitated to fight a man from 10 to 60 pounds heavier than himself.

His first fight with Mysterious Billy Smith was one of the most brutal ever staged. Smith was protected by two sets of articles and after 15 fierce rounds had been reeled off Smith's handler, Jim Westcott, told the referee the battle was over. The decision was a draw and the backers of Smith thus saved their money.

Walcott became welterweight champ after that title had passed back and forth between Rube Ferns, Matty Matthews and Mysterious Billy Smith. He was the greatest demon welterweight of two decades. Walcott got his schooling under George Dixon, who took him in hand when he came from Barbados.

Joe Gans was the name of a boxing marvel from Baltimore who arose to the height of lightweight champion in 1902 after eleven years of mixing. He was the third negro to become a titled head. His career was sixteen years long. The curtains were low-

LIGHTNING TRAVELER.

He had not been an office boy long. But a few short weeks ago he had been a happy scholar, basking in the smiles of his worthy tutor at the local council academy.

Now business claimed him, and he tried hard to please an irascible taskmaster.

"Boy," said the boss, as he entered the gloomy den described as the "outer office," "did you tell that caller I had gone to Australia?"

ered on him when Bat Nelson stopped him twice in 1907.

Gans was the greatest knock-outer of the ring. Sixty-one forms buried their faces in the carpet at the best of his thudding fists. Gans was both a fighter and a boxer—a true artist. He had an eye for distance that was remarkable and his blows rarely traveled over a couple of inches. He was also a fine blocker. In 1902, at Fort Erie, Ont., he felled Frank Erne in a round and won the lightweight blue ribbon. His best fights were with Dal Hawkins, as dangerous a man as himself; Frank Erne and Pat Nelson. Gans put Hawkins away twice after Hawkins had rocked him groggy, the first contest going two rounds and the other three rounds. Joe lost once to Erne in twelve rounds. He won over Nelson on a foul in forty-two rounds and lost in seventeen and twenty-one rounds, respectively.

These three negroes were the most famed in the history of pugilism. Now Dixon and Gans are dead and Walcott, who attended to "come back" at Boston a few months ago, and won a couple of bouts, is reported to be dying of consumption.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

TRAVELS 100 MILES TO TESTIFY FOR FORMER NEGRO SERVANT

Atlanta.—The days "befo' de wab" and the care taken of negro servants by their ante-bellum masters was strikingly illustrated in the Fulton superior court when an "ole master" from central Georgia traveled 100 miles simply to testify to the good character of a negro boy, born and reared on his plantation.

The boy had a perfect alibi, sworn to by a number of reputable white witnesses, and was sure of release, but in spite of this the "ole master" came all the way from Washington, in Wilkes county, to testify.

The negro had no ties upon his former master and the gentleman expected nothing of his former servant. Evidently Colonel William Winn, an old and prominently known middle Georgia lawyer, felt that it was a case of noble obligation, and as he is a gentleman of the old school, he followed the promptings of the spirit.

Colonel Winn's action was undertaken as soon as he heard that the negro had been arrested, charged with robbery. When he learned that the case would be tried he immediately made preparations and came to Atlanta.

The old lawyer ascended the stand and told of the boy's birth on his Wilkes county plantation, and how the negro had remained on his place until eighteen months ago, when he left the plantation to come to the big city.

When Colonel Winn finished his evidence, Solicitor Dorsey rose and asked permission to direct a verdict of "not guilty." This was given and the boy was released.

NEGRO A PHENOM ON MATHEMATICS

Topeka, Kansas.—Frank Humphrey, 29 years old, employed as a roustabout at a local railroad depot, is barely able to read and write, yet he can solve difficult problems in mental mathematics with a rapidity and accuracy possible to few negroes. Humphrey is a negro. He knows little of the rules of mathematics, and says that he attended school only long enough to learn the multiplication tables.

"What is the cube root of 357,911?" he was asked.

"Seventy-one," replied Humphrey, without the least hesitancy.

"Multiply 102 1/2 by 67 1/2," Humphrey.

This caused the negro to hesitate for a moment and then his face brightened and he said: "Sixty-nine thousand nine hundred and forty-four and three-eighths."

The clerks in the railroad office find amusement in figuring the answers to intricate problems and then propounding them to Humphrey. In a moment he gives results which the clerks find difficult in obtaining in 15 or 20 minutes' hard work. For years Humphrey supposed that every person could solve problems just as he does, and was surprised when he learned that this was a special gift.

READY FOR ANYTHING.

A popular neighbor had just passed to the great beyond in a rural Pennsylvania community and the undertaker stood at the door of the home, when he heard the following remarks by the minister:

"Mine bredren and sisters, Joe Thomas he is dead. Maybe Joe Thomas he go to heaven up I no know, and maybe Joe Thomas he go to hell down, I no know, but, mine bredren and sisters, we must be prepared to meet him."—San Francisco Call.

DEEP STUFF.

Peking, February 8.—Reports relate Fu Chow has captured Li Yan Mow Chung Fung has beaten Li Sen Yung. Yim Shi has taken Su Mu Li Li. Yim Lee has conquered Ong Hi Li. Yim Lee has captured Su An Whu. Yi Kong assailed while Yang Fu walls, Pu Yi bewails 10,000 tanni.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Yes, sir, indeed I did. I told him you had started this very morning." So far, so good. But the office boy was not off the carpet, by any means. "Good!" remarked the boss, rubbing his hands. "And what did he say?" "Pat" came the boy's reply, spoken from a heart filled with honest endeavor.

"He wanted to know when you'd be back, sir, and I told him after lunch."

Girls sometimes ask once too often what they really know.

IOWA COAL CRISIS

About 100,000 Tons Being Stored By Des Moines Consumers

MINERS DEMAND INCREASE

Hard and Soft Coal Operators Say They Have Smaller Stocks of Coal Than Ever Before at This Time of Year.

Des Moines, March 22.—About 100,000 tons of coal, worth from \$300,000 to \$325,000, is being stored in and around Des Moines in anticipation of a shut-down of the Iowa mines April 1 when the present wage agreement between the miners and operators expires.

Every concern in the city is storing from fifty to 15,000 tons. The mine shut-down will cost these consumers thousands of dollars as they must buy better coal than they have been using at an advance of from \$1.00 to \$1.25 a ton, and bear an unloading and re-loading expense and shrinkage of from \$2.25 to \$3.30 a ton. Practically every big consumer has arranged for enough coal to last from fifty to sixty days and coal companies are being swamped with orders from the small consumer. None but regular customers are being taken care of by some coal dealers as several have all the orders that they can possibly fill before the shut-down. There has been no advance in the price, however, lump coal selling at \$3.75 a ton.

Railroads are storing about 30,000 or 35,000 tons of the coal here. From 25,000 to 30,000 tons is being stored for power use. About 35,000 tons is being stored by other consumers.

IOWA DRAINAGE LAW LEGAL

In Soldier River Case Federal Court Upholds the Constitutionality of the Present Measure.

Council Bluffs, March 22.—Judge Smith McPherson in federal court here in a decision handed down today sustains the legality of the Iowa drainage projects in various stages of completion throughout the state. The decision was in a case brought from Harrison county, where a number of farmers sought to prevent the construction of the Soldier river drainage ditch. The farmers contended that the drainage laws of the state are unconstitutional in that they would damage and take away their property rights. Judge Smith McPherson denies this contention.

MANY DRIVEN FROM HOMES

Ice Gorges in the Des Moines River Threatens Families Living in the Lowlands at Ottumwa.

Ottumwa, March 22.—Twelve families living in the lowlands here were driven hastily from their homes today by a great overflow of water in the Des Moines river, occasioned by an ice gorge at the Cliffland bridge, east of Ottumwa. The gorge commenced to move downward and the water began to recede. The Morrell packing house stock yards was under water and stores near the river front moved all their stocks from their cellars. An ice gorge eight miles long threatened the Chillicothe and Eddyville bridges, north of here.

Denison to Play Rockwell.

Denison, March 22.—The Denison basketball team which has suffered no defeats in the high school class, will play at Rockwell City this afternoon; the district high school elementary contest also takes place. The basketball team has arranged for a championship game with Council Bluffs at that city, Saturday, March 30.

She Blew Out the Gas.

Des Moines, March 22.—Coming from Lake Falls, Ia., yesterday to visit at 515 Longfellow street, Miss Marie Peterson, 18, blew out the gas when she retired for the night. Police Surgeons Jackson and Winnert revived her after she had been found in an unconscious condition.

Sentenced to Penitentiary.

Fort Madison, March 22.—Mike Arck was given ten years in Anamosa for forgery and Joe Rogers five years in Fort Madison penitentiary for larceny by Judge Bank of the district court following their conviction by juries here today.

Marsh Pays \$700 for Cow.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 22.—W. W. Marsh, a Waterloo (Iowa) breeder, bought the half sister to his first prize Iowa cow at a sale here for \$700.

Dedicate Hospital.

Des Moines, March 22.—Bishop W. P. McDowell will dedicate the new \$100,000 wing of the Iowa Methodist hospital April 28. The wing has been completed and occupied for some time but the program was deferred until Bishop McDowell could be here.

Body Taken From River.

Waterloo, March 21.—The body of Ed Francisco, a police character of this city was found in the Cedar river a short distance northwest of this city late this afternoon.

THE THEATER BEAUTIFUL.

Charles Grapevine the inimitable funmaker assisted by Anna Chance comes to the Orpheum in Des Moines as headliner this week. Mr. Grapevine has established himself as one of America's favorites in musical comedy and vaudeville. Earle Reynolds and Nellie Donegan back from a triumphal tour of Europe will be seen in their dancing and skating act. The Sayton Trio, European contortionists will present an enjoyable performance. Hufford and Chain, present a laughable comedy playlet.

PLACE AMONG WHITES OF COLORED GENIUS

HOW MEN OF AFRICAN FORBEARS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN ART AND LETTERS—NOTABLE MODERN EXAMPLES.

The author of "In the Land of the Pharaohs" describes Achievements "of hope" of Ethiopian race, as follows: A country or people producing a John Milton or a William Shakespeare can scarcely be said to be lacking in that essential qualification of artistic eminence—genius.

Similarly a race capable of producing a Pushkin, a Dumas and a Dunbar in letters, and a Coleridge-Taylor and a Marlon Cook in music, can neither be lacking in high intellect and artistic temperament, nor devoid of that dash of creative genius without which literature is debased to the level of nonsensical drivel and music degraded to a faccid melody of conventional sounds.

It is a rather remarkable fact that three men of Ethiopian blood—Pushkin in Russia, Dumas in France, and Coleridge-Taylor in England—should have added lustre, through their names, to the art of the countries that gave them birth. And what is true of Europe is still more remarkable in the land of the dollars. Dvorak once said that the Americans had no national music except that emanating from negro melodies, and that it was to the negro that the Americans would have to look for creative work in that direction.

Quite recently Puccini, on his return to Europe after producing "The Girl of the Golden West" in New York, although not going so far as Dvorak, also averred that the only music the Americans possessed was the negro melodies. The latter part of Dvorak's statement was something of a prophecy when we remember Will Marion Cook, the composer of "In Dahomey," "Abyssinia," "Bandanna Land," and "The Casino Girl." Thus we have four mulattoes who have done credit to the dual race to which they belong.

Alexander Sergeievich Poushkin, born in 1799 of a noble Russian family, on the paternal side had an Ethiopian grandmother. Alexander Dumas, pere, born 1802, descended from an African grandmother from Haiti and a French nobleman. The novelist's father took the name Dumas from his Ethiopian mother. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, born in London in 1875, the son of a West African doctor and an English mother, and Will Marlon Cook, with both maternal and paternal African forbears. Cook's mother was the first colored teacher in the state of Kentucky, and his father one of the first colored lawyers in America to practice in the city of Washington, D. C., where the composer was born forty-four years ago.

In France the color question is a negligible quantity, and Dumas was trained for the church, although he was eventually apprenticed to a notary. Later he sailed forth like D'Artagnan to make fame and fortune in Paris with a patrimony consisting of hope and buoyancy inherited from his grandmother, bravery from his soldier father, the grand manner of a noble grandfather, a genius belonging to none but himself, and his pockets lined with—twenty francs!

Dumas did for French fiction what Sir Walter Scott accomplished in English literature; but while Scott's style is ponderous, and for the most part tedious, like the tread of a lumbering elephant, Dumas' style is light and airy, like the gambol of a gazelle.

Poushkin not only gave dignity to Russian poetry, but his prose works, which include such novels as "The Captain's Daughter" and "Dubnovski," and his "History of the Pugatchoff Insurrection"—for which he received 20,000 roubles in 1838—gave Russian prose a literary perfection. His intellect was original, his intuition quick, his wit keen, and his humor gentle. He possessed an extraordinary mastery of technique, both in prose and poetry, and his epigrams are said to be the best produced by any language.

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's genius may be said to have asserted itself when, as a boy of six, Mr. Joseph Beckwith discovered him in Waddon New Road, Croydon, "holding a very small-sized violin in one hand, and playing at marbles with the other." The real discovery was, however, made by "his guardian, friend and benefactor, Col. Herbert A. Walters, V. D., late commanding the Fourth battalion, the Queen's regiment."

There have been boy prodigies in abundance, but never before in the history of music has a boy, showing early promise, such as that identified with Coleridge-Taylor's early youth—except Handel and Brindis de Sells—fulfilled that promise on arriving at man's estate. Handel wrote his first opera, "Almira," at twenty. "Hawthorne" was produced when Coleridge-Taylor was twenty-three.

Mr. Coleridge-Taylor has been recently elected principal professor of musical composition at the Guildhall School of Music, London. For five years he has been and still is, conductor of the Handel Society of London. Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the pure-blooded Ethiopian poet, may be termed the Burns of the negro race. William Dean Howells, in his introduction to Dunbar's "Lyrics of Lowly Life," says: "What struck me in reading Mr. Dunbar's poetry was that however gifted his race had proved itself in music, in oratory, in several of the other arts, here was the first instance of an American negro who had evinced innate distinction in literature." Here is a specimen: "When

MALINDY SINGS

"G'way and quit dat noise, Miss Lucy; Put dat music-book away; What's de us to keep on tryin'? Ef you practice twell you're gray. You can't stan' no notes a-flyin' Lak de ones dat rats and rings From de kitchen to de big woods When Malindy sings.

You ain't got de nachel o'gans Fu' to make de soun' come right, You ain't got de tu'ns an' twistin's Fu' to make it sweet and light Tell you one thing now, Miss Lucy, An' I'm tellin' you fu' true, When hit comes to real right singin' 'Tain't no easy thing to do.

Easy 'nough fu' folks to hollah, Lookin' at de lines an' dots, When dey ain't no one kin sense it, An' de chune comes in, in spots; But fu' real melojous music, Dat jes strikes you 'heut' and clings, Jas you stan' an' listen wif me When Malindy sings.

As long as the Ethiopian race shall continue to produce Coleridge-Taylor, Dunbar, Booker T. Washington, DuBoise, Hydens, Marlon Cooks and others who have made an impression upon their age, whether in law, letters, music or the sister arts, so long will there be hope for the social, material and political advancement of the Ethiopian race—Duse Mohamed, author of "In the Land of the Pharaohs," in London T. P.'s Magazine.

GREATEST MEN IN HISTORY

OUT OF A HUNDRED MOST NOTED MEN IN HISTORY AMERICA CONTRIBUTED TEN, ONE OF WHOM WAS A NEGRO—BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Mr. W. T. Stead, the brilliant editor of the Review of Reviews, London, England, has just published the results of an inquiry to determine who are the greatest men in history. Mr. Stead sent out letters to distinguished men in all parts of the civilized world and received about thirty replies, giving the names of 150 persons whom they considered the greatest of mankind. The result of the voting showed that there was a wide diversity of opinion.

Shakespeare led with a list of 23 votes out of a possible 30. Next to him, but a good way behind, came Columbus. Mr. Stead states:

"It is worth noting that out of the hundred most noted men in history, America, according to vote, contributed ten. Of these ten, one, Booker T. Washington, is a negro. The other eight Americans who were counted among the greatest men were Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Fulton, Emerson, Lincoln, Jefferson, Ingersoll and Edison.

"The following is a list of the twenty greatest men in history as made up from the 30 lists sent to me, with the votes cast for each:

- Shakespeare, greatest of modern poets..... 23
- Calumbus, discoverer of America... 17
- Gutenberg, inventor of typography 15
- Newton, founder of modern astronomy and physics..... 15
- Julius Caesar, the Roman emperor... 14
- Darwin, founder of new science... 14
- Dante, father of modern poetry... 13
- Stephenson, inventor of locomotive 12
- Michelangelo, painter-sculptor... 10
- Franklin, discoverer of electric forces..... 10
- Abraham Lincoln..... 10
- Watt, inventor of steam power machines..... 10
- Moses, early theocratic civilization 9
- Homer, ancient poetry..... 9
- Buddha, founder of Buddhism..... 9
- Aristotle, ancient philosophy..... 9
- Socrates, Athenian philosopher... 9
- St. Paul, apostle of Christianity... 9
- Confucius, Chinese philosopher... 8
- Luther..... 8

The analysis of these reports brings out some very interesting results. Of those who have taken part in this symposium, 18 belong to the English-speaking world. They represent all classes, with the exception of the clergymen of the Church of England, none of whom have contributed to the symposium.

It is interesting to note the distribution of great men among various nations. As most of those who contributed to the symposium are English-speaking men, it is only natural that we have more than our fair proportion in the final 20. These are: Shakespeare, Newton, Darwin, Stephenson, Watt, Franklin and Abraham Lincoln.

Italy contributes Columbus, Julius Caesar, Dante, Michael Angelo; ancient Greece contributes Homer, Aristotle and Socrates. There are two Jews, Moses and St. Paul; one Chinese, Confucius; one Indian, Buddha, and two Germans, Gutenberg and Luther. France is left out altogether; so are Spain, Russia and the great Egyptian and Babylonian civilizations.

Even when the whole 150 named by the contributors to the symposium are subject to a similar analysis, it will be seen that there is a preponderance of English-speaking men, with 57 out of the 150.

The other countries represented are: 17 from Italy, 15 from Greece, 7 from Germany, 13 from France, 10 from the Jews (crediting the sons of Israel with Lord Beaconsfield and Spinoza), 4 from Sweden, 3 from India, two each from Carthage, Holland and Spain, 1 each from Arabia, China, Norway Persia and Egypt. It is curious to note that only six votes each were given to Napoleon, Washington and Oliver Cromwell.

NEGRO POLITICS IN 1911

A Review of the Part Taken by Negroes in National Politics.

NATIONAL NEGRO DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION AT INDIANAPOLIS—WOMAN SUFFRAGE AND THE NEGRO IN CALIFORNIA—NEGRO AND PROHIBITION IN TEXAS.

Tuskegee, Ala.—The Tuskegee institute has in press a negro year book, prepared by Monroe N. Work, department of Records and Research. The following is Mr. Work's review of the political activities during 1911:

May 17 the national negro democratic convention was held at Indianapolis. The following appeal was sent out: We, the negroes in the national Democratic convention assembled, this, the 17th day of May, 1911, desire to appeal to the colored voters of the United States to open their eyes to the condition surrounding us as a race, and suggest that it is wisdom's way that the negro should no longer follow, blindly, one party to its own harm and detriment as he has heretofore followed the Republican party. We believe that the American negro should divide his vote the same as the white man and be found in all political parties for precisely the same reason that the white men are found in all parties.

Therefore, as we negro Democrats reaffirm our allegiance to the Democratic party, believing that its principles for reciprocity and for tariff for revenue only are the most conducive for an economical administration of the affairs of the American government, and comes nearer to meeting the approval of the masses of the common people.

We therefore appeal to the intelligent, honest, law-abiding colored citizens of the United States of America, to organize and bind themselves together in Democratic clubs preparatory for the war of the ballot in 1912. Remember the ancient adage, "The wise man foreseeth the evil and hideth himself, but the fool goes out and is overtaken in the error of his ways."

The National Independent Political Rights league met in Boston in September. In its address to the country it demanded (1) the enforcement of the constitution to stop disfranchisement and peonage; (2) the passage of an anti-Jim Crow law for interstate passengers; (3) federal aid to education with the same schooling for all; (4) restoration of the discharged Brownville soldiers; (5) legislation making lynching a capital offense under federal jurisdiction.

President Taft on the matter of office holding by negroes said in an interview published in the Outlook: "What I have done in this line (of recognition of the democracy of the south) has been without sacrifice of any interest of my own party."

I have appointed many negroes to office, and have given some of them, like Lewis, Johnson and McKinlay, offices of essential dignity at Washington. What I have not done is to force them upon unwilling communities in the south itself. I have appointed none where I knew that the race feeling was strong, and have preferred giving large offices to well-equipped negroes of the higher class to scattering a lot of petty ones among the mass of their race.

"This is not because I lack sympathy with the negroes, but because I want to see them advance. The worst thing I could have done for them was to keep alive any ill-feeling their white neighbors cherished toward them. But it stiffens their self-respect and spurs them on to more thorough preparation for public service if they see political honors going to their worthiest leaders."

In California the woman's suffrage advocates appointed special workers among the colored people and it is reported that the negroes generally supported the suffrage movement. In Illinois 150 delegates of the Coalition league met in Springfield and adopted resolutions in which they declared themselves opposed to all present political parties. The negro voters of the state were urged to vote independently. In Louisiana there has been a bitter fight against the black and tan faction and the ill white faction of the Republican party for supremacy. The fight was carried before the recent meeting of the national Republican committee in Washington and the old line Republicans charged the ill whites with not dealing fairly with them. In Maryland the colored voters played a part in the recent state election which was out of the ordinary. They did not ask the white political leaders for money, but organized and contributed funds to carry on the campaign. They placed \$500 in the hands of the leaders of the campaign with the request that the money be used for the election of the Republican governor and to defeat the Diggs disfranchisement bill. In Missouri the negroes expressed dissatisfaction with the policy of both the Republican and Democratic party in that state. They charged the Democratic party with not having kept its pre-election pledges and the Republican party with playing a big game of jolly with the colored voters and giving them only the glad hand.

Early in December the Taft Colored Republican association of New Jersey met in Trenton, and adopted resolutions indorsing the administration of President Taft and pledging allegiance to the Republican party, both national and state. In North Carolina the ill white faction of the Republican party is said to have made

brodered in a thick gold thread sewn in large, uneven stitches to represent squares, spots and triangles. The hem is further enriched by a heavy band of jeweled embroidery of pearls, colored beads with different sized Egyptian scarabs. To these latter the Egyptian head dress is always added.

Evening frocks this season are even more gorgeous than those of last year, possibly on account of their eastern coloring. Not only are the short, rounded tunics Russian looking, but so are the colors, the favorite being petunia, a new shade of cerise, emerald, and a peculiar new shade of bois de rose. One color is draped over another, the tunic being of tulle richly em-

a miserable and disappointing show in the state election. In South Carolina it is said that for the first time in thirty years all the colored Republicans are working together and are being supported by the old line white Republicans. Rev. Richard Carroll, Prof. M. T. Frederick, Thomas E. Miller, Henry Toole and several other colored men voted in the South Carolina Democratic primary. The laws governing the Democratic primary in that state permit negroes to vote provided they voted for General Wade Hampton in 1876 and also have voted in every Democratic primary since that time. Henry Toole of Rockhill, S. C., is perhaps the only negro known to have been a member of the Ku Klux Klan in the country. He is and always has been a Democrat and reconstruction days was imprisoned because of his connection with the Klan. He is said to have spent three weeks in York jail with the young white men of Rockhill, S. C., who were confined there at the time.

In the recent prohibition campaign in Texas, great efforts were made by both sides to secure the negro vote. After the election of a party declared that the majority of the negroes voted on the other side.

NATIVES IN CONGO STILL IN SLAVERY

In a memorandum to his majesty's government the Congo Reform association makes strong statements with regard to conditions in the Congo and the attitude of the Belgian government in persisting in denying the right of other powers signatory to the Congo convention to the Congo. It is necessary to intervene in the affairs of the Congo to the terms of that act. That policy E. D. Morel says in a letter to Sir Edward Grey, calls for a clear and explicit repudiation on the part of his majesty's government.

While the Reform association is unable to describe its satisfaction as unreserved, it is pleased to note the beginning of methods of approximating to civilized rule in reform areas. As to the condition of natives in areas where reform has not yet come into force, "the state of affairs is extremely grave," and the news at hand is declared to be "very nearly as bad as any intelligence which has been received from the Congo, even in the worst days of the old regime."

The extent of depopulation "can only be described as appalling." "A direct system of slavery created and maintained by the Belgian government" is the description given by Consul Armstrong in one of his reports, which is quoted.

The traffic in arms carried on by the Belgian government in order to procure ivory and rubber for purposes of revenue, in defiance of international conventions, has according to the same official's report, reached "the most alarming proportions." Several comment is made with regard to the unsatisfactory character of the decree restoring to the natives the right to trade. It is stated that the Congo is "practically closed to ivory traders." The Belgian revenue purchases at fabulous prices. A gun valued at \$1 will go in exchange for ivory worth \$1,000.

CEYLON TO HAVE NORMAL SCHOOL FOR NATIVES ON TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE PLAN

Montgomery, Ala.—With a view to establishing a normal school in the island of Ceylon, similar, though not as elaborate as Booker Washington's institute at Tuskegee for negroes, Alex. G. Fraser, a native Scotchman, who has been engaged in education work in Africa and Ceylon the past 12 years, arrived in Montgomery after spending three days at the Tuskegee institute. He inspected the Tuskegee school and conferred with Booker Washington.

"The Tuskegee school is magnificent," exclaimed the young Scotchman. "I have already established schools and colleges in Ceylon, from the primary department up to the university examinations. I now intend to establish a normal school for the natives, but, of course, it will be on a more modest scale than the Tuskegee school, because I have not nearly the financial resources behind me."

NEW ENGLAND APPLE PIE.

Use a deep pie plate, pare Baldwin or Greening apples, core and cut in thin slices; line your pie plate with pastry, place a layer of apples over this and sprinkle with brown sugar, then another, and so on until the plate is full and heaped in the middle. Over the top dot bits of butter. Shake a pinch of salt over the whole and a dash of red pepper, which will give a rich, pungent seasoning that other spices will not; wet the edge of the lower crust, press both edges together firmly. Bake a rich brown.

CANNED PEACH MOUSSE.

Slice canned peaches to the amount of one quart. Rub through a sieve; add sugar to taste and two quarts of whipped cream. Heap the mousse lightly in individual molds, pack in ice and salt, and let it stand from four to six hours. When ready to serve, unmold and garnish with sliced peaches.

COLORED RHINESTONES EMBROIDER FROCKS

Evening frocks this season are even more gorgeous than those of last year, possibly on account of their eastern coloring. Not only are the short, rounded tunics Russian looking, but so are the colors, the favorite being petunia, a new shade of cerise, emerald, and a peculiar new shade of bois de rose. One color is draped over another, the tunic being of tulle richly em-

WHY JIM FLYNN WAS MATCHED TO BOX JACK JOHNSON

If so many fight fans and critics think Jim Flynn, Pueblo's fireman, has no chance in his coming battle with Jack Johnson for the heavyweight championship of the world, set for July 4 next, why did Flynn and his manager, Jack Curley, make the match?

Not for any losing end they may hope to get out of the contest, for the conditions are so framed it is the biggest kind of a gamble whether there will be a losing end of sufficient size to pay training expenses.

Any other answer might be hard to those who have a well-grounded impression that Flynn will be a child in the big black's hands.

But it is easy for Flynn and his manager to give good and sufficient reasons for thus running their heads, and especially Flynn's, into this supposedly deadly noose.

Flynn's faith in himself is abiding. He infects others with this confidence. So it was with Curley, but long before Curley and Flynn formed their alliance Curley got some ideas about Johnson and he is willing to give them to the public now for the purpose of justifying his action and Flynn's in the matter.

"While I was in Europe I saw much of Johnson and had to take notice of the way he was living here," Curley said. "He was much in evidence in the boulevard cafes in Paris, and every time I saw him I felt that if some scrappy, game fellow would show up he could take the title away from him. As a matter of fact, I thought I knew of some middleweights in America who could whip him."

"Mind you, this was long before I had any idea of hooking up in any way with Jim Flynn.

"When I returned to this country and saw Carl Morris I gave him a grand outside chance of being the lucky man against the big black. They told me that Flynn had given Al Kaufman an unmerciful beating in Kansas City, such a beating that poor Al was under police surveillance. Kaufman ruled a 1 to 3 first choice, but it was Flynn's fight over every inch of the way.

"Before that contest there had been much talk of matching Kaufman against Johnson, he being considered the ideal 'white hope.' Indeed, as I remember it, Jack was roasted severely for seeming to dodge Al when the late Billy Delaney and Billy Brady offered to find a fat purse for the scrap.

"Now, if Kaufman was so well entitled to a match with Johnson, why is not the man who so thoroughly whipped Kaufman? This query goes directly and pertinently to Brady, Masterson, Corbett and the other well-fellows who conceded Kaufman such a grand chance with Johnson.

"Then, too, please consider that Johnson never would give Sam Langford a chance, sidestepping him persistently and religiously. Did not Flynn once beat Langford in Los Angeles in ten rounds, getting every newspaper decision there after the contest?

"And did not Flynn hand out an unmerciful beating to Carl Morris; such a beating, in fact, that the referee, Charley White, nearly lost his license for not stopping it, and the club was severely censured. Had Morris as much as shaded Flynn the country would have acclaimed him the real goods and would have demanded that Johnson fight the Oklahoma man. As a matter of fact, that match would have been made the following day.

"Now, then, here's the point: If Kaufman, Langford and Morris were fit opponents for Johnson, why not the man who beat them all?

"Five years ago Johnson beat Flynn, who weighed 155 pounds and was really an inexperienced beginner. Today Flynn weighs 195 pounds, knows how to plow in and at the same time protect himself.

"Surely no one will say that Johnson is any better today than he was then. And besides this, five years ago Johnson did not stop Flynn. He pecked away at him until he gave him a bad eye and had him bleeding so that Mrs. Flynn jumped into the ring in the eleventh round and stopped the battle, the referee refusing to permit the game and still willing Flynn to continue. Coast critics have told me all this.

"Before Johnson beat Jeffries did the people think he was so much? Marvin Hart went 25 rounds with him, and even if the decision was questionable Hart was there and fighting hard at the end. Johnson didn't stop Tommy Burns in Australia, Burns always claiming it was a rotten decision that stopped the battle. So much for Johnson's championship career.

"And Flynn claims that Johnson is not nearly as good now as he was two years ago, and never will be that good again."

WIT AND HUMOR

RUBBING IT IN ON "DOC."

Dr. Cyrus L. Cutler, the well-known Springfield surgeon, is a member of the Colonial club, an institution that fines its members for talking shop.

Dr. Cutler, getting out of his motorcar, entered the Colonial club the other day for luncheon, and, advancing into the restaurant, said to a lawyer, as he took off his goggles:

"Well, old man, how are you?"

The lawyer got Dr. Cutler fined then and there for talking shop.

The next day, when he arrived at the club again for luncheon, the surgeon, angered at what had happened, cut the lawyer. The latter then had him fined once more.—New York Tribune.

THE BISHOP OF MIMOSA.

When a bishop of Mimosa was abroad he did a great deal of work in Rome. One day, after holding a service in the English church outside the walls, he overheard one English woman say to another:

"Who was the bishop who conducted service today?"

"The Bishop of Mimosa," was the reply. "He comes from South Africa, you know."

ASKING TOO MUCH.

"Why does Bobsley look so glum?"

"Well, you know that he invented a combined potato masher, can opener and nutmeg grater."

"Of course. And it's making him rich."

"Sure. He's a millionaire already, but he's sore because his name was not included in the list of the world's immortals."

MUSICAL ECONOMY.

"What's all that racket about in the parlor?" asked the father.

"Why, that's Mary and Jane playing a duet on the piano," explained mother.

"Both of 'em playing at once?"

"Yes; it's a duet."

"Well, can't they wear out the piano fast enough playing one at a time?"—Yonkers Statesman.

A PERTINENT QUESTION.

There are great men who cannot spell, and small people who object to them. "Spell 'cat,'" said the teacher to the boy at the tail-end of the class.

"K-a-t," replied the boy.

"Silly," replied the teacher. "Can't you spell cat?"

"Well," replied the sensible boy, "what does k-a-t spell?"—London Chronicle.

TIMES DIDN'T DIFFER.

The maid was in the back yard hanging out the clothes.

"And that," said the queen ruefully, "is the way we lost her. The woman who lives next door looked over the fence and offered a dollar a week more than we were giving her."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CHANGES.

"My husband, fifteen years ago," said Mrs. Blank, "used to kiss me every time we passed through a tunnel. But now—"

She gave a bitter laugh.

"Now," she said, "he takes a long pull at his traveling flask."—London Opinion.

A NOT UNCOMMON CASE.

"That Mrs. Gaddie seems to be at home wherever she may be."

"I don't know. I saw her in a place yesterday where she appeared decidedly uneasy and restless."

"Where was that?"

"At home."

REMEMBER THIS.

"Everything comes to him who waits, I suppose," said the restaurant diner patiently.

"Yes, suh," answered the colored waiter, "but the gentleman what won't wait done gets his first."—Life.

WOMAN IN WAR.

She—Talking about women being soldiers, don't you think they could fight at a pinch?

He—I am sure if there was occasion for it, they could come up to the scratch.

HIS LITTLE PECULIARITY.

"One o' de mos' curious things about a fool," said Uncle Eben, "is de way he'll holier and git mad if de you don't let him show off his misfortune."—Washington Star.

INTERESTED PARTIES.

Mr. Bullion—Can't you wait a year before you marry my daughter?

Prospective son-in-law—I'll consult with my creditors, sir.

LOOKING AHEAD.

Benevolent Visitor—And what are you going to be, my little man?

Little Boy (after a huge dinner)—I'm going to be—sick.

LOGICAL TEMPERATURES.

"The weather men in prohibition states have an easy time."

"Why so?"

"They can, with safety, predict dry weather."

THEIR CLASS.

Teacher—Now, children, are your fathers mammals of invertebrates?

Child

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN

The farce given by the choir of St. James church entitled "A Regular Fix" was fairly well attended Monday night. Proceeds for Easter music.

Mrs. Stella Perry Lobbins, who died at Leffridge, Alberta Can. was brought home for burial. Her funeral having occurred Sunday afternoon from St. James A. M. E. church at 2:30, Rev. H. Jones officiating. A large concourse of friends gathered there to pay their last respects to the deceased. She left a mother an aunt and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Mr. C. B. Lozenberry is still on the sick list, with not much improvement. Mrs. Daisy Gentry of Denver, Colo., is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. England of Central avenue.

The saintly city folks need again to feel proud because an Afro-American girl in the person of Miss Catherine Weaver Leatlead, the 17 year old daughter of Rev. Father and Mrs. A. H. Leatlead Rector and wife of the Saint Phillips Episcopal church stands the highest and in her studies of any student in this year's graduating class at Mechanics Arts High school of our city and is thereby entitled to be the eulogist at the graduating exercises, the highest honor the class can bestow on its members. Miss Leatlead is quite a charming young lady with a sweet face and beautiful manners. We hope that nothing will intervene to cause her not to share this honor which is hers by rights, but our daily papers seem to lay such a stress on the word "colored" in mentioning her name and said "unless something unforeseen happens she will have the honor of being valedictorian of her class." Oh! how they dislike to give us credit when due.

Mrs. Margaret Adams is improving at Walker sanatorium.

Mrs. Agnes Eldings of Minneapolis was a visitor in our city, Saturday.

Our people were certainly bunched at the Orpheum during the engagement of the Aida Overton Walker company. Oh, well we lived through it all. Such is the case all over the Orpheum circuit. Why need our people go to such cheap insignificant play houses, when they can enjoy the best privileges in the first class ones, such as the Metropolitan, Shuberts and the Grand. Enough said.

Mrs. B. J. Edwards of Central avenue has returned from Chicago where she was called to the sick bedside of her mother who passed peacefully away about three weeks ago. Mrs. Ford was an old resident of Chicago and was highly respected. Mrs. Edwards has the sympathy of the Bystander.

Mrs. Marcia Valley is reported on the sick list also Mrs. Beasie Lucas.

Mr. Noble Thompson is convalescent after a siege of very serious illness.

St. Paul has two able Afro-American physicians and surgeons, viz., Drs. Valdo Turner and W. D. Bloom, both maintaining a lucrative practice among the whites as well as our own people.

We have in the line of legal profession—Atty. F. L. McGhee and R. O. Lee, both doing well.

Madam Hart, our efficient and very busy milliner on University had her annual Spring opening on the 18th inst. She is showing some beautiful hats. Why not purchase your Easter bonnets from Madam Hart? thus exhibiting your race pride! She is quite reasonable, I know. Boost your business enterprise.

Mr. A. J. McMurtry, the grocer is doing nicely at the Busy Corner. He has also a fine line of cigars, ice cream and confectionary.

Ye editor of the Budgetarian desires to congratulate Rev. Wm. B. Lowry and his charming bride of Dubuque, providing congratulations are yet in order. We happen to know both of these young people and wish them many happy years of usefulness.

The management of Carlings up-town cafe, have been convinced for the third time that Anglo-Saxon waiters cannot compete with the Afro-Americans when on Tuesday morning of the past week they were forced to make the change or else close their business. The patronage absolutely refuse to patronize the place (which is one of the swellest in the city) unless they put the colored boys back and so he did. Boys, make good this time and show them who you are. The colored boys had only been out since last November. Thus you see how long they could do without them.

Mrs. Margaret Smith and Miss Ida May Johnson, gave a book social at the Boys Culture club rooms on the evening of the 21st. Quite a number of books were donated. Refreshments were served and a good time, you know.

FT. MADISON, IOWA.
Mr. Paine of Quincy, Ill., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Mary Stewart.

Miss Jennie Harper has returned home after several weeks visit in Fairfield, Iowa.

Mrs. Anderson is on the sick list but is much better.

Rev. and Mrs. Bowles were entertained at dinner Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ambrose Jackson.

Mr. Charles Hedge of La Grange, Mo., visited at the home of his uncle Mr. Charles Thomas, this week enroute to Galesburg, Ill.

The members of the A. M. E. church are preparing for Easter exercises.

The Willing Workers club met with Mrs. Clara Murphy Friday evening, topic for discussion, "Does Our Men Respect Our Women as They Should?" was discussed by different ones, and the men went away determine to show more politeness to our women then ever before. Refreshments were served. After wishing Mrs. Murphy a successful and pleasant trip to her home in Canada, all departed saying it was good to be there.

Mr. Hampton is quite sick at his home with tuberculosis.

Mrs. Lucy King entertained at five o'clock dinner Monday Mrs. Clara Murphy and Mrs. Charles Thomas.

Rev. James Bowles preached to a large congregation Sunday morning. He is doing a good work here. Members are being aroused to their duty and sinners more anxious to know more about Christ and his cause.

On account of the inclement weather the Rosebud club had to postpone their meeting at Miss Louise Harper until this week, Thursday.

Our Sunday School is getting along nicely. Had a large attendance Sunday. Mrs. Green Jackson has resumed her duties as superintendent after enjoying a pleasant trip away. The old people's bible class is increasing in number and in interest the bible study. The children are preparing an Easter program.

OTTUMWA ITEMS.
Mrs. Oscar Williams, Mrs. Mollie E. Wilson, Mrs. Helum, Mrs. Susan Harris and Mrs. D. H. Johnson quietly surprised Miss G. B. Taylor on her birthday, March 9th. She received several pieces of fine china and some beautiful linen handkerchiefs. Light refreshments were served and every one wished her many more happy birthdays.

The benevolent club will surprise Mrs. Dicey Myers Thursday afternoon the occasion being her birthday. Light refreshments will be served.

There will be an entertainment at the Second Baptist church Tuesday evening, March 12. All are cordially invited to attend the more the merrier.

The entertainment of the Methodist church Monday night by the Look Out was a success. Owing to the inclement weather the attendance was not very large. The program and supper were fine. All those who took part in them deserve credit.

Rev. Carr, an evangelist of Bloomington, Ill., who held revival meetings at the Baptist church some time ago was called here for three months. He has the best wishes of our people.

Mrs. Price Alexander of Des Moines for thirty years a resident of Ottumwa spent a few days here last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weeks and Mrs. Chas. Taylor, North Marion street entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Price Alexander of Des Moines. Covers were laid for eight and all reported a sumptuous dinner and a pleasant afternoon. Mrs. Alexander left Monday for her home after having a splendid time visiting here a few days.

Mrs. Mate F. Clark, W. Divis, W. G. M. of the G. E. S. of Iowa visited the 5th and 6th with Princess Zora No. 9, and Princess Ozeal No. 10 of Des Moines—she reports a fine time and both chapters doing well.

The Stewardess Board Sewing circle of the G. M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Minnie Bibb on Fellow St., Friday afternoon.

The Stewardess Aid will give a Leap Year entertainment Monday evening, March 18. Come out and enjoy yourself.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young are stopping for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spotts.

Homer Johnson of Oskaloosa was here last week.

Mrs. Henry Casen is able to be out after being confined to her home several weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Ross has returned from a short visit with friends in Missouri.

Raymond Clark was confined to his home last week with the tonsillitis.

Mr. John Harris is improving slowly. Miss Lelia Downey is reported getting along as well as could be expected. Melville Fowler, who run a rusty nail in his knee is getting well again. We hope to see him back at Sunday school soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Mae Mann of Fairview still confined to their home, although they are some better at this writing.

CARNEY AND ORALABOR NEWS.
Rev. P. S. Ervin Pastor in charge and the Rev. S. B. Moore, Presiding Elder of the Des Moines District went out Sunday morning to hold the Second quarterly meeting. The P. E. preached at Carney at 11 a. m., and administered the communion assisted by the pastor and Rev. P. S. Ervin, after which the Stewardess was installed four of them—two being sick and unable to be present. Stewardess installed Mrs. Henry Gillespie, Wm. Austin, Florence Turner and Mrs. Charles Tate.

At 5 p. m. preaching by the Presiding Elder at Oralabor and the communion was served, after which the quarterly conference was held. The report shows splendid improvement. The people appreciate the Presiding Elder, giving them a Sunday under the pastorage of Rev. Ervin. The work is better than any of the small places. The pastor deserves much credit for the splendid work he is doing. Those who accompanied him out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Miss Ervin and the pastors wife, who is a great help to the new Stewardess board.

Mr. Henry Gillespie was elected at a Carney to represent them at the Dist. Conference, June 11-12-13-14. at Oskaloosa, Iowa, Mr. Wm. Austin was elected from Oralabor.

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BURLINGTON ITEMS.

(Continued from page 1)
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On the 20th of March there will be a Coffee at the residence of Mrs. N. Brown of Third and Washington St. Mrs. L. Benden very delightfully entertained with a dinner Sunday complimentary to Mrs. D. Cary and Mrs. M. Robinson of Chicago.

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Mr. M. Moore and Cooper of Aledo attended the funeral of the late B. Green Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Claybourne accompanied Mrs. B. Greene to her home in Aledo.

Mr. Saunders of Brook St., is quite ill.

Mrs. Douglass of Store St., is indisposed.

Mr. Willie Earle is confined to his home with sore throat.

Mr. E. McDowell of Hannibal, Mo., was the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Cyrene Trent last week.

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