

# IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

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## KENYON APPROVED FOR PENSION STAND.

### Veterans Appreciate the Good Work of Their Friend.

Gen. Sherwood, Author of Pension Bill Desired by Civil War Soldiers, Writes.

Des Moines, May 14.—The civil war veterans of Iowa approve the excellent work done by Senator Wm. S. Kenyon for them on the floor of the national senate and hundreds of them have given him personal assurance that they will show their appreciation by support of themselves and friends at the June primary.

Senator Kenyon has received the following letter from the distinguished author of the pension bill, which had the endorsement of the G. A. R. and all war veterans:

Washington, D. C., April 27, 1912.  
Hon. W. S. Kenyon,  
Fort Dodge, Iowa.

My Dear Senator: I have been looking for you here to thank you for the speeches and the good work you did for my Dollar-a-day Pension Bill. On behalf of the old soldiers everywhere, I desire to tender to you my most earnest thanks, not only for your speeches in behalf of the bill, but for your work with senators, who are indifferent to the old soldiers' wants.

If there had been a dozen earnest and patriotic senators like yourself in favor of liberal pensions, I have every reason to believe that my bill would have passed the senate. So few people really understand, and a less number appreciate the wants of the old soldier at this time, when he is reaching a period in his life when he is unable to work and needs pension money worse than any time since the war. When I find a man of your type and patriotism, I feel it is my duty, on behalf of my comrades everywhere, to show my appreciation.

I trust that the old soldiers of Iowa appreciate what you have done for them, and if we fail to get a liberal bill through at this session of congress, it certainly will not be any fault of yours or for want of earnest efforts on your part.

Since the bill went into conference I have received probably about 7,000 letters and I have been so busy that I have not had time before this to thank our good friends of the senate for their efforts to get a better bill, and a more liberal and just bill than the one we are liable to get now.

Very sincerely yours,  
Isaac R. Sherwood,  
Ninth Ohio District.

## FREE FROM OBLIGATIONS.

Davenport Times: Senator William S. Kenyon goes to the senate with probably fewer promises given, if he has given any, and under obligation to fewer men than any man elected to the senate from Iowa for many years. He has refused to be dragged into discussions, preferring to let his record as a man, as a citizen and as a lawyer speak for him.

## JUDGE LANDIS' TRIBUTE.

On the occasion of the home reception to Senator Kenyon after his election last year, Judge Kenesaw Landis of Chicago, foremost among the federal judges, paid a tribute to Judge Kenyon marked with sincerity and frankness.

"You'll never have to look for the reason for his conduct in his pocket," said Judge Landis. "I know, for I've seen him perform."

Judge Landis departed from the rule of his life by leaving the bench to travel into Iowa and show his appreciation of the new Iowa senator to whom he had become attached by reason of his vigorous work for law enforcement in the United States circuit court.

## A MAN OF THE PEOPLE.

Iowa City Citizen: Senator Kenyon is sincere, wholesome, genuine, true; a man of the simple life of the people among whom he was born and reared. He is a gentleman like the late Senator Allison; like Robert G. Cousins he has the soul and temperament of a poet; and in oratory we believe he is as persuasive as Senator Dooliver was.

## Biliousness and Constipation.

For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, purify the stomach, liver and blood, helping the system to do its work naturally.—Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala. These tablets are for sale by all dealers.

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ED W. VAN DUYN

Ed W. Van Duyn who is an active member of several fraternal organizations, business organizations, as well as the Carpenter's Union of Des Moines, is one of the active young business men of Iowa and Chief of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. He has the supervision of the inspection of 6,000 factories in Iowa, who employ 78,000 people. The efficient manner in which he has handled this very important work assures the voters of Iowa that they have a capable trustworthy officer and further that he is entitled to promotion to the office Secretary of State.



GRIFFIN FOR SHERIFF.

Our old friend, John F. Griffin, has announced himself as a candidate for Sheriff of Polk County, subject to the Republican voters. Mr. Griffin is a Polk County boy, born and raised here. He is a self-made young man, receiving his education in Des Moines. He was Deputy County Treasurer; also Deputy Sheriff under Geo. Mattern. He is elected Constable of Des Moines Township, West Des Moines, and is Constable at the present time. John is an active Republican worker and is a friend to the common people. If nominated and elected he will give all people a square deal. Below are some of the distinct things for which he stands:

I favor a law which will put the office of Sheriff on a straight salary basis.

The people should know what salary the official receives.

The official should be willing to let the taxpayer know what he receives.

County prisoners should be fed at the actual cost of food and its preparation.

The people should know what salary the official receives.



EDWIN J. FRISK.

Edwin J. Frisk is candidate for re-nomination as Justice of the Peace in Lee Township (East Des Moines) at the Republican Primary Election. Mr. Frisk has made a good clean record and has proven himself competent and qualified for the duties of the office. He undoubtedly will be re-nominated upon his merits and ability.

The editor has known Mr. Frisk for many years and heartily endorses his candidacy, and recommends him to the colored voters of East Des Moines for his fairness and impartiality to our people.



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## Geo. H. Woodson for Representative.

We present herewith the Hon. Geo. H. Woodson, who is a candidate for the office of Representative in the next Iowa General Assembly from Monroe County.

Mr. Woodson was born in Wytheville, Va., Dec. 15, 1865. He received his education in the common schools of that state. Later he graduated from the law college of Howard university and received the degree of LL. B. in June, 1895. Prior to this and in June, 1883, Mr. Woodson enlisted in the U. S. Army and served five years, being honorably discharged from the service at Ft. Missoula, Mont., in June, 1888. He was admitted to the bar during the January term of the supreme court in Des Moines, January 26, 1896, and is today the oldest negro continuously in

the practice of law in the state of Iowa. He is a member of the Iowa State Bar association, and has held every position of honor and trust within the immediate gift of his race in this state. Since his residence in this state, he has been a most faithful Republican and actively supported every Republican ticket that has been nominated by his party. He has never held or asked for any elective office in Monroe County before. He comes from the heaviest Republican voting community in Monroe County, and that community has never had any political recognition during the twelve years that Buxton has been a power in the political affairs of the County. By measure of justice and fairness, we feel that he is entitled to the bar during the January term of the supreme court in Des Moines, January 26, 1896, and is today the oldest negro continuously in



her home in Chicago Wednesday after being called here by the death of her sister Mrs. Gray.

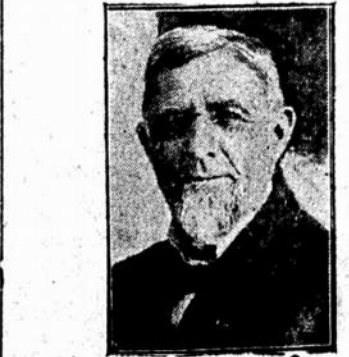
Miss Motts of Washington, Iowa is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jackson.

### Mrs. Holme's Death.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. J. W. Holmes of Colfax, Iowa, who died May 2, 1912, after a lingering illness of five months with the dropsy. She was born in Jasper county in 1870, and was educated in Newton where she graduated. She was the daughter of Mr. Jason Green. She married Mr. J. W. Holmes, June 27, 1906. She leaves one sister, Mrs. Lottie Shirley of Phoenix, Arizona, and a loving husband and a host of friends to mourn their loss so early in life. The funeral was held at the First Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Williams (white). The remains were buried in the family cemetery at Newton.

### Henley for Sheriff.

Mr. Ed. Henley of Oskaloosa is a candidate for Sheriff of Mahaska county. He is a Mahaska county boy, born in 1872, educated in the Oskaloosa public schools, was a policeman for five years which office he is now serving. He has been a coal miner for many years and thereby knows the needs of the laboring men in which he is in sympathy with, all honest working people. Mr. Henley is well qualified both by age, experience and will make a good Sheriff if nominated and elected. He solicits your vote and support.



SLOAN FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

### Cedar Rapids News.

The Bazaar given by the Allen Guards was quite a success. This auxiliary has been doing good work for the church all winter.

There are quite a few strangers in the city at present, most of them intending to make Cedar Rapids their home.

Mrs. George Gray died very sudden Wednesday at midnight of heart trouble. It was a very severe shock to all, as Mrs. Gray had a host of friends and all join the family in their sorrow. She leaves to mourn her loss a daughter Mrs. M. Boyd, one son Mr. Andrew Gray, a sister Mrs. Hattie Sanger and two grand children Ruth Boyd and Delma Gray and a host of friends. She was laid to rest in Oak Hill cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Sandy Clark of Chicago was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Miss Lauretta Little.

Mrs. Jennie Robinson was a visitor in Fort Madison last week.

Mr. Charles Molton attended the ball in Marshalltown last week.

The wedding bells will be ringing again before long.

Rev. Hackley and Mr. George Asby taken the 2nd degree at Mt. Olive lodge last Friday night.

Mrs. Sue Banks of Chicago was in the city to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law Mrs. Georgia Gray.

Mrs. Hattie Sanger will return to

### ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Mr. Jasper Keene of Bedford, Iowa, spent several days of last week in this city.

Mr. Wm. Riley spent the latter part of last week in Atchinson and Topeka, Kansas.

### "The Drill" that was given for the benefit of Ebenezer A. M. E. church at the Masonic Hall, Thursday night of last week was very unique and a large audience was present. Rev. Gregg, the pastor directed the boys who gave the "Boot black drill" and Miss Ethyl Gross instructed the girls with their "Flag Drill." Prof. W. H. Jones, D. E. Taylor and Miss Johnson were the judges and they awarded the prize to the girls, an orchestra under the direction of Mr. Ralph Combs played a few selections, and a male quartet also sang a few songs at the conclusion of the program were refreshments were served.

Mr. Gross of Chillicothe was visiting relatives and friends here this week.

A large number of people are making preparation to go to Kansas City next Sunday on the excursion to attend the General Conference of the A. M. E. church which opened at Allen's Chapel church, last Monday. The Sunday sessions will be held at the auditorium.

Since the weather is getting warm the repairing of streets, buildings are being erected and repaired, hence more employment for members of our race.

The May number of "The Record"—the publication by the Senior of the Bartlett High School—is now out and it is their last number and they have made an effort to surpass their former numbers.

Mr. J. Boughton gave a moving picture entertainment at the Francis St. Baptist church last Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tipton of Guthrie, Oklahoma arrived in our city last week to spend the summer.

The city schools will close on the 28th inst and the teachers are beginning to arrange for their vacation.



PERRY FOR AUDITOR.

We present herewith the name of Mr. John H. Perry of Oskaloosa, a candidate for auditor of Mahaska county. Mr. Perry is one of the oldest and best known citizens of the Quaker town. He was born in Ohio in 1848 and came to Mahaska county in 1855; was city assessor for 14 years and is an active republican worker, well qualified, he is now in the printing business, has been a practical printer for 40 years and a friend to the common people. If nominated and elected, he will make a good man. He solicits your vote.

### Everett for Representative.

The name of Mr. Fred F. Everett of Lacy, Iowa, will be on the republican ticket at the coming primaries in June as a candidate for the legislature. This bright young man was born in Illinois in 1875, came with his parents to Mahaska county in 1881, settling on a farm. He graduated from Penn College in 1895 and by industrious habits and economy he has made a success on the farm. He is an active republican worker, never before asked or held any elective office. He is in sympathy with the common people and labor need not fear, but that he will give them a square deal. He asks your vote and support.

### Patterson for Clerk.

Mr. G. W. Patterson has announced his name as a candidate for clerk of county recorder. He was born in Ohio in 1879, came to Mahaska county in 1881, settled on a farm, he also worked in the coal mine for several years, was educated in the common school, served as deputy clerk about 4 years, was the chairman of the Republican County Central Committee. He is an active worker for the party and has never held or asked for an office before, and his friends now solicit your support.

### Owens for Recorder.

Mr. John Owens of Beacon, Ia., has announced his name as a candidate for county recorder. He was born in Wales in 1859, came to Mahaska in 1879, is a practical coal miner for 40 years, a republican worker all his life, was appointed by Governor Shaw as a member on the State Mining Board and served until last January. Has attended all the county and state republican conventions for the past 20 years. He will treat all classes fair and is well qualified for the office by age and experience.

### MATHER FOR RECORDER.

Mr. C. W. Mather, of Oskaloosa, is a candidate for County Recorder. He was born in Illinois in 1861; came to Mahaska County in 1876, and worked on a farm for thirty years. He has never held an elective office, was a candidate two years ago, and now his friends feel as though he is entitled to the nomination and election. He is an honest, upright citizen and has so lived in Oskaloosa that his word is beyond question by those who know him. He is a friend of the colored people, and all honest people, and will make a good Recorder. He is at present clerk in the Holtman & Baker grocery store. He asks for your vote.

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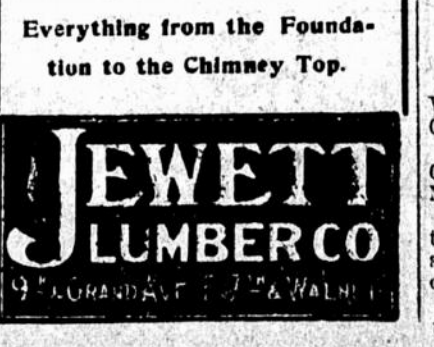
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Below we give our many readers of Mahaska county a brief history of some of the candidates, so read and select the one you want and go to the polls June 3, and vote for them.

### McVay for Member of the Board

Mr. W. F. McVay of New Sharon is one of the present members of the Board of Supervisors, is a candidate for re-nomination. Mr. McVay was born in Ohio in 1852, came to Poweshiek county in 1866 and to Mahaska in 1882, on a farm near New Sharon. He has made a useful and good member on the board and by past experience he is now better able to do more for the county. He has never held any other county office. There are two places to be filled and three candidates from the North part of the county and only one from the South part. You cannot vote for two candidates from the North part of the county, so remember this when you vote.

### Vreeland for Treasurer.

Mr. M. V. Vreeland of Oskaloosa is a candidate for county treasurer, subject to the republican voters. He was born in N. J. in 1844, came to Mahaska county many years ago. He is a mighty good careful safe business man, a clerk in Huber & Kalbach Hardware store, when Abe Lincoln called for volunteers to save the Union. This young man enlisted in Co. H 11th Ill. Cavalry and served 4 years in the army. He solicits your vote.

### Shoemaker for Clerk of Court.

The name of John H. Shoemaker of Oskaloosa will be on the ballot as a candidate for county clerk of district court subject to the primaries in June. Mr. Shoemaker is a Mahaska man, he was born in this county, his father familiarly known as Fate Shoemaker came to this county in 1853 and Mr. John is the oldest man now in business in Oskaloosa, he is a good business man, careful and judicious and has a host of friends, who are working and hoping that he may be nominated. He is a friend of the colored people and merit their support.

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Knights and Daughters of Tabor in Des Moines, Aug. 29-31.

The Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Iowa A. F. and A. M. will be held in Davenport, July 9-11 inclusive.

### MISS HARLOW FOR SUPERINTENDENT.

The name of Miss Myrtle Harlow is announced as a candidate for re-nomination. Miss Harlow was born in Missouri; moved when a child with parents where she grew up to womanhood educated in the public school later attended the State University she has taught both in the graded and High school which with her past experience fits her admirably well for the position. She knows all about the work. Her friends solicit your support.

### SOMETHING WORTH WHILE!

G. L. Dobson, our present county treasurer, announces himself as a candidate for another term.

Polk County has never had a treasurer that rendered such satisfactory service as he has. He is the first treasurer that has returned to the county interest on public funds and since he has been in office he has collected an interest about \$8,000 per year or \$32,000 in four years.

He has reorganized his office work by installing a modern system of issuing receipts and by so doing he is saving the county more than \$2,000 per year. He also furnishes a personal bond instead of a surety company bond thereby saving \$700 per year, as the state law requires the board of supervisors to pay for a surety bond if one is furnished. He has stood for a clean administration of all county affairs. The saving he has made of nearly \$11,000 per year would build many miles of good roads each year. The voters will see to it that he is returned to office for another term.

### NOTICE.

Special meeting of Federation of all Negro Republican Clubs of Polk Co., at Elks' Hall, Sixth and Walnut sts., Thursday evening, May 16th. All delegates be present without fail by order of E. M. Hendricks, Pres., J. C. Williams, Sec.

### REV. CLARK DEAD.

The funeral services of Rev. Thomas A. Clark, one of the former pastors of St. Paul's A. M. E. church, Des Moines, were held Wednesday morning, May 1, 1912, at 10 o'clock from his late residence 6552 Champlain avenue, Chicago, Ill.

The services were conducted by Rev. Timothy Reeves, assisted by the following ministers: Rev. W. D. Cook, Rev. James Higgins, Rev. Jessie Woods, Rev. Cato, Rev. R. E. Wilson, Rev. S. L. Birt, Rev. N. Webb and H-race Graves.

The subject of the sermon by Rev. Reeves was taken from Acts, 13:36. "For David after he had in his own age served the Will of God, fell on sleep."

His discourse was very beautiful and impressive.

A large concourse of friends attended the services. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. Interment was in Oakwoods cemetery.

### OBITUARY.

Rev. Thos. A. Clark was born in Greensburg, Ky., June 26, 1845. He departed this life, April 28, 1902, at 12:45 p. m., at Chicago, Ill., at the age of 56 years, 10 months and 2 days.

He was converted and joined the A. M. E. church in 1872, under Rev. Wm. Jackson at Cairo, Ill. He was married during the same year to Miss Fannie E. Vaughn. To this union three children were born, one of whom survives him, Rev. August T. Clark, pastor of A. M. E. church, at Harrodsburg, Ky.

In 1877 his wife departed this life, and in 1880 he was married to Miss Helen J. Kirk, daughter of one of the pioneer farmers of Southern Illinois, and to this union were born five children, four of whom survive him, two sons and two daughters.

He was licensed to preach in 1872 under Rev. Wm. Jackson, at Cairo, Ill. He joined the annual conference in 1879, and has served the following churches in the Ills., charges: Jerseyville, Elizabethtown, Harrisburg, Litchfield, Matton, Pontiac, Peoria, Bloomington, St. John's church, Springfield, and Edwardsville.

In 1892 he was transferred to the Ia. conference by Bishop Wayman and served the following charges: Burlington, Clarinda, Des Moines, Sioux City, Davenport, Lake Forest, Avondale, LaGrange, Trinity Mission and Redeemer Mission, Joliet and Hyde Park.

He felt that he had served God and His church to the best of his ability and he was wholly resigned to whatever was God's will. He said he felt that his life work was done, and he was ready for the end, if it please the Lord to call him.

Servant of God well done,  
Blest by thy late employ,  
And while eternal ages run,  
Rest in thy Savior's joy.

He leaves a wife, three sons, and two daughters, one grandson four sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,  
From which none ever wake to weep,  
A calm and undisturbed repose,  
Unshaken by the last of foes.

Lame back is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the back, for which you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by all dealers.

# THE CREOLES

STORY TOLD BY R. L. DESDUNES IN HIS HISTORY "OUR MEN AND HISTORY."

BY V. P. THOMAS.

New Orleans.—"Nos Hommes et Notre Histoire" is the title of a book of biographical notices, personal reminiscences, reflections and tributes upon the colored creole population of New Orleans, by R. L. Desdunes. The book is written in French and is a production worthy of the French style of the author, who is well known among readers in New Orleans as a fine thinker and an able writer of both French and English.

The men of color of whom Mr. Desdunes has written in this volume of 196 pages were men regarded by their compatriots and contemporaries as remarkable men, in letters, in the fine arts, in music, in the arts of war and peace, and in the teaching profession of the day and times. A number of pictures of these people adorn the pages of the book.

Mr. Desdunes opens the first page of his work with the following significant quotation from Montesquieu: "Use in justice faite a un seul est une menace faite a tous," and proceeds to supply the reasons for making use of the French writer's observation, that "an injustice done to one alone is a menace to all." The memorable campaign of 1814-15 which culminated in the great battle of New Orleans and in a glorious victory for the American arms under General Jackson is recalled by Mr. Desdunes, when General Jackson addressed an appeal to the patriotism of the free men of color to take up and bear arms in defense of their country against the English, and whose appeal was responded to cheerfully by the free men of color, who fought side by side with their white soldiers under the general-in-chief and helped to carry the great victory to the American side.

The flattering terms, Mr. Desdunes says, in which the appeal to the patriotic pride of the free men of color were drawn, left not even the least bit of suspicion of the sincerity of General Jackson. The general was, Mr. Desdunes declares, if one judged by the terms of the appeal, convinced that the free colored men had the right to defend the country and that the American government committed a grave error in refusing to receive them under its flag as soldiers. This declaration of the illustrious soldier, accepted in good faith, Mr. Desdunes says, provoked in all a live enthusiasm, since no one doubted that it was made in all candor and sincerity, and the result was that colored patriots rallied in answer to the appeal in great numbers. The value of their services on the field of Chalmette was undeniable and beyond dispute, Mr. Desdunes says, from the viewpoint of the national interest and national honor, and after the battle General Jackson not only complimented them for their bravery, but declared that their conduct was praiseworthy and far surpassed his expectation. But here, Mr. Desdunes declares, all reward ended. The men, he says, whose fidelity and services had been thus officially recognized and acknowledged in so solemn a manner, continued nevertheless to live under all the disadvantageous conditions which the customs of the country impose upon colored people, just the same as if they had done nothing for the country's honor and glory. It appears, Mr. Desdunes says, that they were expected to content themselves with the honied terms of the appeal which had been made to them before they went into soldierly action and with the pompous but empty praise which they received after their patriotic bravery on the field after the battle. Later on, he says, those praises were even changed into cowardly insinuations and malicious calumny. Was it not just that those ignored and unappreciated heroes should complain of so much ingratitude? It is true that by a tardy act, the government conceded to them the title of veterans and accorded to them a light pension; but their civil status remained unchanged and the same, a modification of the black code which gave to them the right to live, to enjoy, to possess and to succeed under such discouraging circumstances.

Of course, under such condition of dependence, the colored creole could not and did not command due respect. He became, Mr. Desdunes says, an object of hate, of contempt, or of injustice, according to the caprice of the day. All of his rights were precarious—they were modifiable or revocable, according to the pleasure of the governing class. Mr. Desdunes at this point recalls Hippolyte Castra who was one of those unappreciated citizens, one of those spurned heroes and patriots sharing in the bitterness of the deceptions of which mention has been made and of which the colored creole was the victim. Mr. Desdunes says the colored population needed at the time one who could put in verse and song, the sentiment of the spurned and rejected people, and that it found in Castra exactly the man who could be compared with Rouget and Dubois in that line. Castra, he says, had the happy faculty and fine talent for giving expression to the sentiment of his people, and the fidelity, the courage, and the valor of that superb colored creole phalanx, found beautiful, sentimental, and very expressive voice in a song he composed called "La Campagne de 1814-15." In this song, Mr. Castra did not forget to claim for Mr. Desdunes the place of honor which it merited and should occupy at the banquet of triumph, but which had been refused it by injus-

tice and prejudice. Mr. Desdunes adds that the creoles owe to Castra all gratitude and that the best way to acquit ourselves of this debt, is to conserve preciously his most patriotic composition in verse.

Mr. Louis Martin, a French scholar, who is well known as a devoted friend of the colored people, living in this city and showing in noble ways his great interest in whatever will help to place the colored people in possession of justice and fair play, at least as much so as other people in this country, writes a very beautiful and touching introductory to Mr. Desdunes' book, in the course of which he says:

"I love my cousin (the colored creole) because he knows how to love. I love him because he knows how to weep. The vulgar islander, he does not know what it is to weep. When the weight of the oppressor's yoke becomes heavier, he bends his back lower, that's all. It is not so with the colored creole. I have seen colored creole mothers wipe away a furtive tear while speaking to me of things suffered by their children under segregation laws; I have seen vigorously colored men clench their fist and crying out with anger over their complete powerlessness. Oh, how, more than ever, I felt that there was in them a Half of Myself!"

"Also, when some few weeks ago, the author of 'Our Men and Our History' spoke to me of sleeping manuscripts in the bottom of drawers in his desk, I claimed the favor at once of reading them and of delivering the same to publicity. And I certainly do not regret having even impudently insisted upon him to do so, since I have succeeded in having this work take its way to publishers. Now, read, and see that others read 'Our Men and Our History.' It is the story (very simple, and without the least pretension) of good actions accomplished by people who are close to us. It is also the story of their sufferings. It is true that, though they were born in the United States, the persons mentioned in the book have not (like the Bernans and the Dr. Cooks) filled the world with noise about their accomplishments, still we shall see that all of them had much in the way of heart and courage to have done as much as they are to their credit. It is in this above all that they were French."

"Mr. Dodolphe L. Desdunes did not have the advantage in his youth of having open to him the doors of colleges and of the University of Louisiana. Like the other colored creoles anxious to familiarize themselves with the beauties of the language of France, it devolved upon him to become his own preceptor. He showed in this task his courage, he shows today even more courage when he consents to brave the literary critic, perhaps malevolence—in taking before the public the responsibility of so considerable a literary work. The difficulties which he has had to overcome are accentuated from the fact that Mr. Desdunes suffers from an almost complete blindness; this is what adds to the beauty and the merit of his effort. Nothing has daunted him. He holds to the purpose of acquainting us with the creoles, his brothers, convinced that it will cause us to esteem them."

—L. M., New Orleans.

## Current Notes

It is the way with girls to want to have a gay time. And there are foolish mothers who say, "I have a pretty hard time; my daughter shall not have to work." This is not kindness to the daughter; it is doing the very worst thing that can be done for her. Do not bring up your boys and girls to be useless, to shirk work as the majority of them are doing now. I am aware of the trouble that is in many a home today because the mothers let the boys and girls rule the home. At last they are made ashamed by seeing the destiny of their own flesh and blood. So it will pay the mothers to be more careful.

The man or woman who counts in life is the man or woman who does not flinch from a task, but does the task, overcomes the obstacle. Boys and girls will not turn out to be that kind of men and women if they are not brought up in that spirit from the beginning.

It is up to the mother of every home to build it up to the highest station in life.—Exchange.

Many young people who have strayed from the path of virtue are now repenting at leisure with remorse, saying, "that by persuasion they were led wrong." Mother, father, be careful how you instruct others' loved ones to do those things that are wrong; some day some one will assist your children along the same lines, then your heart will bleed and break just as you have caused others to do.—The Advance Messenger.

Texas has more newspapers—twenty-nine in all—published by our people than any other state in the union. These papers represent nearly 200,000 copies during a month. It is estimated that close to a half-million of readers are reached every month. The periodicals represent an investment of nearly \$100,000, and give employment to about 300 persons.

HOW HE ACCOUNTED FOR IT.

"John, I smell liquor on your breath. How do you account for it?" "There's only one way in which it can be accounted for, my dear. You're standing too close to me."

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.

A HARD LOOKER.

"Could you help me a little, mister? I've been out of work all winter." "Where did you look for work?" "In every glass eye factory in this town."

The lawyer got Dr. Cutler fined \$500 and there for talking shop.

## LAWYER VERSUS DOCTOR.

Dr. Cyrus L. Cutler, the well-known Springfield surgeon, is a member of the Colonial club, an institution that sneers its members for talking shop. Dr. Cutler, getting out of his motor car, 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?"

## A SPEECH DELAYED IN THE MAKING

(BY C. C. BROWN.)

On two occasions, I have been invited to speak before the Negro Conference held in Columbia, and, on both occasions, was hindered by circumstances beyond my control. The ideas I had in my head last month and upon which it would have been my pleasure to speak, are possibly not yet too stale for use, and hence I am spreading them out in the columns of The Ploughman. I am not posing as a critic, but as a friend of the people of whom I write.

THE NEGRO AND INTEGRITY OF CHARACTER. The American Negro is far ahead of the people from whom he sprung. His bondage in the years gone was like the light affliction which "worketh for us more and more exceedingly an eternal weight of glory." However he is not yet out of the woods; by a long jump. He takes a place alongside of the foremost orders of men, he must have integrity of character. He must know how to trust himself, to trust others, and to be trusted. This is a combination of virtues which thousands of white men do not possess.

How character is formed and strengthened is one of the problems which all of us can discuss, but not many of us can solve. Neither religion nor education seems to make a man all that he should be, while there have been many men of marked integrity who had neither religion nor education. How to form the highest character is a problem for universal man, and the Negro must take his place among the most diligent students of the great subject. Character is what a man is, and reputation is what he is supposed to be. Until the Negro has a character, and believes in the integrity of his own people who have acquired the same, his efforts along all civic and moral lines will be greatly hampered and in great measure powerless. "What can I do to obtain integrity of character?" is the question which should burn itself into the brain of the American Negro. And, mark you, this character is not merely that which will influence other men to trust him, but which will make him strong in his consciousness that he can trust himself, and is never afraid to have all his motives looked into. The secret and clandestine methods of the Negro have done much to generate the distrust under which he suffers.

THE NEGRO MAN AND THE CHURCH.

The progress, growth and multiplication of negro churches is one of the marvels of the day. They build well, and many of them really seem to build better than they know, and above what they are supposed to be able to do. But the fact remains that the negro man, as distinct from the negro woman, has largely cut loose from the church, and his non-attendance thereupon is becoming more and more marked. I'll venture that a census of the attendance taken in almost any town, Sunday after Sunday, will reveal ten women to one man sitting under the sound of the gospel. Why is this? and where are the men? A negro man in Beaufort, said he stayed away from church because the calls for money were too frequent. He preferred to dishonor God by staying away from the place of worship on the Sabbath rather than jeopardize the dime he carried in his pocket. This is the excuse—it is not a reason—of but one man. What would the masses of men have to say? I cannot guess. I only know that the neglect of worship by the negro men is one of the sore evils of the day. It is a disease afflicting the churches, and the pastors who are not out in search of a remedy are neglecting one of the highest pastoral functions. The cry among the white church is that the men are not doing for the support of the church what they should do, but we have not yet come to the evil day when our audiences show ten women to one man.

ABUSE OF THE SABBATH.

No man has a saving knowledge of God who wilfully and wantonly abuses the Sabbath day. The great reform that will awake the negroes to righteousness is one that will teach them the evil of eating, sleeping, loafing and drinking on the Sabbath day. True, it is a day of rest, and God will not hold him guilty who observes the day as such. The six days of hard labor may incline one to rest his tired limbs when Sunday comes; but the man robs God who takes the whole day for himself, and gives no part of it to the worship and service of his Creator. Nothing that a man gives to God can excuse him from giving himself—a part of his thought and devotion—and hence a part of his time. To err in a matter like this is to err vitally and fundamentally against the best interests of the immortal soul.

THE IMPROVIDENCE OF THE NEGRO.

The average negro needs a broader horizon and a wider range of vision. He rarely ever looks beyond today, and too often not beyond the next meal. The result is wasteful improvidence and a consequent poverty. Very few negroes are trying to save a few dollars for the purchase of a home or a piece of land. If he can go to bed contented and filled tonight, he takes but little thought of tomorrow and its needs. This shortsightedness is bringing many to a miserable old age of want and suffering. By saving just a small percentage of the

## HONORING THE DAY.

The darky laundry woman attached to the household of Harry N. Cary of the St. Louis Republic showed up with the announcement that there was a new girl baby at her home. "What did you name her?" inquired Mary. "Pansy."

"What did you say?" "Pansy."

"You mean Pansy, don't you? Spell it."

weekly wage that is earned, almost any man can soon acquire a shelter for his head in this land of plenty. In densely populated countries, it never enters the head of the poor to think that they can become owners of property; but in a land like ours, the way to a moderate ownership is open to all. An acre or two of land and a sheltering cabin should be within the compass of every negro man's ambition. And it would be but for the fact that by nature he seems to be improvident and forgetful of tomorrow. He must know, however, that he will never be a useful and patriotic American citizen until he owns a title to property. The man who can change his place of abode by putting all his goods in a bag and whistling for his dog, cannot be worth much to the commonwealth. The negro will never know how to cast a wise ballot until he realizes that something he owns will be affected in some way by his vote.

THE NEGRO MAN AND THE WOMAN.

One of the highest functions of the man is to protect the woman, and in doing this, the woman should lend a helping hand. The standing of woman in the test of civilization in every age and a perfectly virtuous woman is also utterly unapproachable by the lustful man. The men must protect the woman, and the woman must learn to protect herself. She must keep in mind that the average man has already yielded. Not more than one man in twenty—or shall I say fifty?—is virtuous at twenty years of age. The woman may well distrust his virtue, and always remember that he is the one animal that outbrutalizes the brute. His lust is merciless. From the venting of his passion he, in a way, is allowed to recover, while the woman forever remains a spoiled and dishonored thing—not only in the minds of others, but—what is worse still—in her own mind. The woman who recovers so completely from her fall as to forget it entirely can never take her place among her sisters of "the higher orders of life."

These, Mr. Editor, are some of the lines along which negroes must labor to improve themselves. Until these matters are attended to, education and a profession of religion, and every proud boast will amount to nothing, and the force of superior influences about him will keep the negro just where he is. Men do not climb up the scales of humanity upon fictitious ladders, nor can they dream themselves into heaven by imaginary visions of angels. Jacob tried this, but when the morning came, he found himself still lying upon the hard rocks by the brook. The whitened sepulchre is but sepulchre after all, full of dead men's bones, and all manner of uncleanness, and the keen eye of the world can pierce through the outer whiteness, and discover the filth within.

Sumter, S. C.

## THE RETURN OF TOMMIE.

Not long ago Gov. Woodrow Wilson, whose various activities have had some small mention in the newspapers and other engines of publicity recently went down to Augusta, Ga.—where he lived when a boy, and where his father was a minister for some years—for a day or two of rest. He told his friends he just wanted to roam around the old town, revisit familiar scenes and do nothing else. In the course of his wanderings he came to the house of a dear old lady who was a pillar in his father's church. Wilson's last first name is Thomas; and when he was a boy—and, indeed, while he was in college—he was known as Thomas Wilson.

Mr. Wilson called on the dear old lady. She was very glad to see him after he had told her his name and recalled his father's pastorate. "Why, Tommie," she said, "how you have grown!" "Yes," assented the governor; "I have grown some."

"Indeed you have! I remember you perfectly when you were a little bit of a boy. And I certainly hope you have prospered."

The dear old lady was genuinely interested.

"Oh, yes; I have done very well," Gov. Wilson said.

"I am so glad—so very glad! By the way, Tommie, what are you doing now?"—Saturday Evening Post.

## REDUCING THE COST.

Last year the mayor of Indianapolis, Ind., bought on his own account several car loads of potatoes and sold them to the people of his city at actual cost. He did that because the merchants were charging unreasonable profits and the very high prices worked a hardship on the people. His plan seems to have been a success, and it is hoped has taught the merchants a lesson. The mayor probably got his idea from Germany, where the city councils are authorized to do almost anything which they may regard as necessary for the well-being of the people, and they often make use of such authority. They may and often do open markets for vegetables, buy and slaughter stock, establish fish markets, operate bakeries, deal in milk, etc., and sell direct to the consumer, either at cost price or for a profit which they consider right. Such a course is invariably to prevent the unnatural raising of prices of foodstuffs through combination of dealers, or to maintain reasonable prices when natural causes have apparently stamped the regular dealers in such products.—Market Growers' Journal.

## SUPPRESSIONS OF HISTORY.

Stopping at a point a few degrees north of the Canadian boundary line, the explorer distributed a pound of gumdrops among the natives and wrote this dispatch: "I am well, on my way to the north pole." After it had gone through the hands of the copy readers, however, it appeared in print thus: "I am well on my way to the north pole."

## SHREWSHIRE.

"He used to sharpen pencils for her and that's how they fell in love."

"A pretty romance."

"But not in the sequel. He found out after they were married that Nature had sharpened her tongue."

## HOME OF MIXED RACES

ALL COLORS OF MANKIND MAKE UP POPULATION OF NEW STATE.

"Anyone who has traveled through this desert country, with its red mountains and yellow plains, has been impressed with the violent contrasts in colors of the landscape," says Booker T. Washington in the Independent. Writing of a recent visit to Arizona: "For my part, I was more impressed with the variety and contrasts in the colors of the different elements of the population. I met there not only black men and white men but yellow and red men, with all the varying shades between them."

Phoenix seems to be a sort of melting pot for all the races on the earth in this southwest. A country the idea of immigration from Europe and Asia from north and south meet and intermingle. It seemed to me, while I was there, that I met white people and black people from every state in the Union and from some parts of Canada as well. In fact, I am perfectly safe in saying I never had an opportunity before in so short a space of time, to meet, touch elbows and talk with so many kinds of white people and so many kinds of colored people, as I did in Arizona."

All these people seemed to be taking part directly or indirectly, in a three-day celebration of Lincoln's emancipation proclamation and excursion trains were bringing in people from many parts of the new state. Mr. Washington had been invited to deliver an emancipation address. Part of the program of the celebration was a series of three baseball games between a Negro and Mexican team. He witnessed a foot race in which an Indian, a white man and a Mexican participated and a Negro was timekeeper.

"Every one in Phoenix, I discovered, has come from somewhere else,—except the Indians," continues Mr. Washington.

"The result is, you find people from all parts of the country in the most unexpected places. The little hotel in which I stopped, for example, was conducted by an American white woman from the state of Idaho. When shortly after my arrival, I asked to have some breakfast sent up to my room, I found I was being served by a Chinaman from a Chinese restaurant."

"I had heard of Chinese restaurants before, but I confess I was surprised to find that a Chinaman was running a restaurant in such close connection with the hotel in which I was stopping. As a matter of fact, as I was afterwards informed, there are only two restaurants in this city of 20,000 inhabitants which are not in control of Chinese. One of these is conducted by an American white man and the other by an American Negro."

"The Chinese have control of nearly all the truck gardens in the suburbs of the city, and wagons driven by Chinese drivers supply the hotels and most of the homes. I confess I looked very strange to me to see a Chinese squatting on the front seat of a vegetable wagon driving a horse. Before I came to Arizona, I had seen pictures of Chinamen drawing two-wheel carts, and I had seen other Chinamen carrying bundles on their heads, but I had never before seen a Chinaman driving a real horse."

"Meeting for the first time in a position where one race either is or soon will be, crowding the other in the labor market, I was eager to learn how the two races felt toward one another," he continues. From his inquiries he concluded that the black man and the yellow man were getting along pretty well together.

He was much interested in the fact that the "Chinatown" of Phoenix has a mayor called Mayor Dick who seems really to be the supreme authority. "Whenever a Chinaman is arrested for a small crime of any kind—anything less than a felony, in fact—it has become customary for the police authorities to turn the man and his crime over to Mayor Dick. They have found that they can get substantial justice more surely and more conveniently that way than they could by dragging the culprit into the ordinary police courts and going through the ordinary processes. The reason for this seems to be that the Chinaman has very little understanding of and apparently very little confidence in the American methods of administering justice. And so the Chinaman in Phoenix even though he is not a citizen, gets in this indirect way a certain amount of self-government."

"During the few days that I was in the city, although I was very much hurried, I took occasion to go down to Chinatown, and to visit Mayor Dick. He was a little, dried-up, yellow man who spoke very broken English. He seemed, however, to have a pretty clear understanding of American customs and manners. When I asked him how he came to be called mayor, he said in quite a matter of fact tone: 'Well, you see I am here thirty year. I know American custom. When Chinaboy get in trouble he come to see me. When policeman get in trouble with Chinaboy, both come to me. I know how to make it all right. So, the newspapers say I am mayor of Chinatown. Yes.'"

Sometimes people of this country speak of the Negro as alien race, Mr. Washington reflects, and suggests sending him back to Africa; but not one has yet suggested that the Negro, while still living in the midst of the white civilization, was so much of a foreigner that he could not be tried by the same law and in the same courts and according to the same

## URGES FREE LOANS

Tells Bankers in Convention That They Should Assist Farmers

ADVANCE MONEY FOR SILOS

J. H. McCord of Spencer Tells the Members of State Association They Should Encourage Building of Food Preservers.

Fort Dodge, May 10.—Loaning money to the farmers without interest, if necessary, to help them erect silos was advocated by J. H. McCord of Spencer before ninety bankers of Group No. 2 of the state association here yesterday afternoon. He expressed his belief that the farmers should be urged to produce as large crops as possible because of the dependency of the state upon the fortunes of the farmers. He touched upon conservation of natural resources on the farms in Iowa.

C. L. Tremain of Humboldt advocated the hiring of a good road engineer by each county to attain the best results in road making. He declared better highways will benefit both the country and the town of the state.

C. T. Chubb of Algona, Judge F. H. Hellel of this city, and P. W. Hall of Des Moines, secretary of the bankers' state association, made short addresses on general subjects.

The visitors were entertained at a luncheon at 1:30, held their business session in the new Country club house, took a long automobile ride and attended a theater party last night.

Charles Shade of Rock Rapids was endorsed for president of the state association and P. W. Hall for secretaryship.

## SPEND MILLION ON DRAINAGE

Thousands of Acres Brought into Service and Values Increased That Repay Investment.

St. Dodge.—Since the year 1908 Webster county has expended over a million dollars for drainage. This does not include the broadcast laying of tile by farmers individually. It represents only what was expended for drainage ditches built under county supervision. According to recent statistics compiled by the Auditor \$1,018,588.05 has been spent in drainage. Thousands of acres have been reclaimed to the county by this work and property values have gone sky high. The year 1911 was the biggest of seven, \$328,306.44 being the expenditure.

## HOLDS BANKER RESPONSIBLE

Judge Kelly After Two Weeks' Consideration Renders His Decision in Rudd Bank Muddle.

Mason City.—Judge Kelley of the district court has handed down a decision which approves of the finding of the accountant and holds Fred Haynes of Rudd, former cashier of the bank of that place, responsible for the loss of between \$12,000 and \$13,000 of the bank's money. The defendant appealed from the opinion of the accountant, who was Col. W. A. Burnap of Clear Lake. Judge Kelley has been considering the matter for the past two weeks. The grand jury has indicted Haynes for embezzlement.

Girl Takes Life By Hanging. Cumberland.—Alvina Behnkes, 17 years old, the daughter of Claus Behnkes, committed suicide at her home five miles northeast of here by hanging herself. She went to the buggy shed and after trying a rope around her neck and throwing it over a rafter, jumped off a nail keg.

Pharmacy Board to Meet. Des Moines.—The state board of pharmacy commissioners has fixed June 7 as the date for holding an examination for applicants for state pharmacist's certificates at Iowa City. An examination will be held in Des Moines June 25.

Loose Three Buildings. Creston.—H. L. Dawson of this city has recently lost three buildings by fire. All of them were located in the vicinity of the Standard Oil company offices and it is quite generally believed the fires have been incendiary origin.

Mrs. Kilduff Gets Eight Years. Davenport.—Mrs. Anna Kilduff, convicted of murdering her husband, John Kilduff, was sentenced to serve eight years in the penitentiary by Judge A. J. House in the Scott county district court.

Mission Workers to Meet. Iowa City.—Iowa City will entertain the delegates to the annual convention of the Cedar Rapids district of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church of Iowa the convention dates being May 14 and 15.

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The time comes for a man who thinks himself unimpressible, sooner or later.

The woman who scorns real love is the kind who dotes on fuzzy dogs.

Love filters a great deal of unworthiness.

The debonaire fellow knows the power of smilingly fabricating.

When disability comes, then comes thoughts of a weak man's old friends.

It takes a lot of time for a bride to get accustomed to the odor of cigar smoke among her daintily-scented belongings.

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CITY NEWS

Fred Anthony of Boone, Iowa, was a Sunday visitor.

The M. C. T. club will meet with Miss Mayrie I. Bell Monday afternoon May 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lucas entertained at dinner Sunday Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates.

The Mission Circle met at Mrs. J. G. Davis, 1113 Fremont street, last Friday afternoon. A good time reported.

Miss Georgie Blackburn, a teacher in the Buxton school, arrived in our city this week to remain with her sister, Mrs. Avery, as the school is out.

Our Des Moines base ball club is doing much better than last year. They are back home again for next week.

The Dramatic Art club met Tuesday with Mrs. Geo. Patton and finished Book IX of Paradise Lost. Meet next Tuesday with Mrs. J. B. Rush and begin Book X of Paradise Lost.

I wish to thank all my neighbors and friends for the many kind tokens and flowers and help to my loving wife during her illness and death.

J. W. Holmes.

Mr. Fred Stanton, an old Des Moines man but now of St. Louis, Mo., is in our city visiting his parents. It has been several years since Fred has been here. We are glad to see you Fred.

The Caranation club met with Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates Monday evening and was entertained by Mrs. Bertha Angles.

Regular services at Union Congregational church will be at 11:45 and Sunday School at 12 o'clock. Everybody invited. The new minister for Union church will soon be secured and will arrive here shortly to take up the work.

The City Convention will meet with Miss Mayrie I. Bell, 1340 Jefferson avenue, Monday evening May 13th.

Next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock Mother's Day will be celebrated at the A. M. E. church by a special program by the little children of the Sunday School. All the mothers are urged to come out and the public is invited.

Rev. S. Bates will leave next Monday to visit his son in East St. Louis, Ill, whom he has not seen for seven years.

Mr. L. W. Williams, District Grand Master of the K. of P. of Iowa, from Clarinda, was a Des Moines visitor this week. He says Pythianism is reviving in Iowa. He is in the bakery and restaurant business.

Mrs. M. F. Bryant, Wm. Mathews Geo. Morton, Geo. Law and Mrs. Blake, members of the District Household of Ruth No. 21 attended the funeral of Mrs. J. W. Holmes was a past officer of the District. The funeral was in charge of the District Right Noble Governor, Mrs. F. B. Bryant.

On last Friday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Frank P. Johnson, the ladies of the Intellectual club assembled and elected Mrs. Chas. A. Cousin as their delegate to the State Federation of Colored Women's clubs, which convenes in Sioux City the fourth Tuesday in this month. A letter was also read from Mrs. J. C. Reid of Mobile, Alabama, First Vice-President of the Iowa Federation. Messrs. E. Tracy Blagburn of this city and J. Frank Blagburn of Washington, D. C., were present and made interesting remarks. The latter telling of some of the benefits derived from club work and what the Washington women were doing.

Y. C. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Young Colored Men's association held a rousing and very enthusiastic meeting last Sunday. It was their last meeting in the rooms that the association was founded in. Mr. G. W. Hollingsworth, President of the associated charities spoke. His address was very interesting, then Frank Blagburn, a former Des Moines man, made a very fine talk to his old friends. We were all glad to hear him. Next Sunday at 4:30 the association will hold their first meeting in the reception room at the Union Congregational church, back of main auditorium. Mr. L. W. Wilboite of Culpeper, Virginia, a student next fall at Ames College, will speak. Let every man and boy come out and hear this bright young man.

A Grand Banquet by the Y. C. M. C. A. will be given next Thursday evening, May 16th at Union Congregational.

WONDERFUL RESULTS ON SHORT NOTICE

I have used your Pomade. Its the best thing I ever used for making curly hair lie smooth. I have not finished my first bottle, but can see wonderful results, writes Mrs. Louise E. Hayes of Pineville, S. C.

Try Ford's Hair Pomade for harsh, stubborn and unruly hair and Ford's Royal White Skin Lotion for the complexion. Ask your druggist for them. Be sure and get the genuine (Ford's) manufactured by the Ozonizer Co. Marrow Company, Chicago Ill.



The above group represents the very intelligent and strong Iowa delegates to the general A. M. E. conference in Kansas City, Mo. No other state will send a more intelligent or representative body of men. Dr. A. M. Roberts Bethel church in Chicago, who leads the

church at 10th and Park Sts. A very fine program is being prepared. It is for the benefit of the Y.

The African Methodists

The most compact and powerful of the Negro churches is the African Methodist Episcopal church. Its membership has grown from 42 members in 1786 to 200,000 members in 1876 and 494,777 members in 1906. It is governed by a board of bishops, fifteen to eighteen in number, over whom the senior bishop, at present the Rt. Rev. Henry M. Turner, presides. The church has 7,000 local organizations, with property worth over \$11,000,000. It raises about \$1,000,000 a year; of this about \$800,000 goes to pastors, \$209,000 to bishops and presiding elders, and the other million to school missions and general expenses.

There are two publication houses, weekly papers and a quarterly magazine and some publication of books. The church supports over forty schools, of which the largest and oldest is Wilberforce University, in Ohio.

The church, however is chiefly noteworthy on account of its board of bishops. These bishops are elected for life by a general conference meeting every four years. The membership of the general conference consists of ministers and lay delegates; the clerical delegates are elected from the annual conferences, one for every thirty ministers. Two lay delegates for each annual conference are selected by the representatives of the official church board in the conference. Thus we have a peculiar case of Negro government, with elaborate machinery and the experience of a hundred years. How has it succeeded? Its financial and numerical success has been remarkable, as has been shown. Moreover, the bishops elected form a remarkable series of personalities. Together the assembled bishops are perhaps the most striking body of Negroes in the world in personal appearance: men of massive physique, clear-cut faces and undoubted intelligence.

The General Conference, which meets in Kansas City, Mo., May 6-27, is a quadrennial meeting having the highest legislative and judicial authority. Meeting as seldom as it does, it is necessarily a body of great importance. Its membership will be 522, consisting of the bishops, heads of general departments, presidents of colleges and ministerial and lay delegates representing American and African conferences. The revision of the discipline and the election of bishops and heads of departments will be the chief business of the session.

CLINTON. Baby Vincent O. Neil, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Culbertson was quite ill last week. We are glad to state that he is

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art; Solo—Mrs. Aline Henderson; Reading, Mrs. Francis Mann; Solo, A. A. Bush; Solo, Martin Robinson. Miss Gilla Robinson is visiting Chicago relatives this week. Some of our people will attend the Odd Fellows annual sermon in Davenport Sunday. Do not forget to pay that subscription. We need the money.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Mr. J. G. DeLinger, one of Des Moines best policemen was in Buxton on business last Tuesday.

Mrs. Eliza Turan who has been quite sick the past two weeks is much improved.

Mrs. Mary P. Riker and her daughter, Miss Fannie Mayes have each been confined on account of illness, but they are both much better now.

A literary society was organized in Tabernacle Baptist church last Monday evening, April 29. A very fine program has been arranged for Monday May, 6th, and on each following Monday there will be a program rendered. The subject for debate was, Resolved: that an educated boy is more profitable to our race than an educated girl. The speakers for the affirmative were W. S. Bryson and R. C. Brittain; negative, R. C. Hooker and N. H. Hoenberger. Mr. Geo. Taylor returned Wednesday from a three weeks trip to Colorado.

Miss Lelia Downey arrived in the city Monday from O. tuma to resume her work as for lady in the Drug department of onoe Mer. Co store, having fully recovered from her illness.

The funeral of Mrs. Anna Harris who died last Friday, was conducted in Tabernacle Baptist church last Sunday Rev. Woodard officiating.

Rev. C. H. Mendenhall preached in Cheyene, Wyoming, last Sunday week and is still visiting in that state.

Mrs. Adam Dixon of Des Moines is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. C. Strong this week.

Miss Ida Davis returned from Albia Saturday where she spent two weeks visiting friends.

Mrs. Laura Jackson and Miss Veeta Step left Monday for Omaha to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. Joe Vanister returned from Maryville, Va., Monday, after spending four weeks visiting relatives and friends. She reports a nice time.

Mrs. Ushaw Wyodford left Monday for Hooking to visit her father.

The many friends of Mrs. Samsen Johnson are glad to see her well and out again. She entertained the Self-Culture club last Wednesday at which time the new officers were installed by Mrs. Anna Humbles. The officers followed: Mrs. Watkins, Pres.; Mrs. Ada Johnson, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Stone, Sec.; Mrs. H. M. Hutchinson, Asst. Sec'ys.; Mrs. Maggie Burkett, Treasurer; Mrs. Louise Ewing, Chaplain.

After the installation of officers, a 2-course luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Johnson.

Miss, Murda Beason after closing a successful sch. of year, left last Saturday for her home in Clinton Miss Gerude Lucas, another of Buxton's teachers will leave Saturday for her home in Bedford Iowa.

The Mission Circle of Mt. Zion Baptist church was entertained in the home of Mrs. Harry W. Miller. Each sister brought her lunch and at the close of the program, which was excellent; they enjoyed with each other a little house picnic.

About midnight last Saturday or some time thereafter, a caller came to the home of Mr. John Carter, No. 10 E. 3d St., and delivered his he-house of four nice large hens. It did not seem to matter if the coop was locked, as the person took the lock also. Several other persons have missed chickens in the last few weeks. So, some one or more thieves seem to be quite busy during the suspension.

As a result of the recent revival just closed at Mt. Zion Baptist church, seven candidates were baptized last Sunday morning by Rev. F. B. Woodard. They were Messrs. Howard Johnson, Jas. Walker, J. C. Humbles, Mrs. J. C. Humbles, Miss Namo Willis and the Willis and the two sons of Decon Jesse Sears, Floyd and Robert. It was an ideal Sunday and the Holy Spirit was a witness at the pool.

For the purpose of matrimony a young man desires to correspond with a young lady of the following description: She must be light brown with straight hair, about 18 or 20 years old, 5 feet 4 inches tall, fair education, must play the piano and sing, and must be a good cook. Address J. L. J. Box 341, Buxton, Iowa.

The daughters of G. A. Hackett, Tabernacle No. 64, lost one of their members, daughter Millie Davis who was a faithful and loyal daughter, always willing to fill her station of Hyerego. Our chain has been broken, but our loss is heavens gain.

"Rest for the anxious brow, Rest from all labor now. Soon shall the trump of God, Give out the welcome sound That shakes thy silent chamber walls, And breaks the turf-sealed ground. She is gone; not dead, but sleeping."

Mrs. Louise Ewing, H. P. Monday evening in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium a magnificent audience witnessed the commencement of the 8th grade pupils of the Buxton schools. This is the largest class of graduates in the past 10 years. The address to the graduates was given by Dr. E. A. Carter, and was considered by all to be quite wholesome and full of helpful instruction. Miss Myrta Harlow, County Supt, who's pleasant face is seen in Buxton quite often during the year, and especially on commencement evenings, presented the diplomas, prefaced by some helpful remarks.

Miss Harlow is much pleased with the work of the Buxton teachers and

IOWA JUNIOR SENATOR IN WINNING FIGHT

Kenyon Making Friends Among the Iowa Voters.

Enters Actively Into Fight For Re-election—Will Get Fine Support on Primary Day.

Des Moines, May 1.—Senator Wm. S. Kenyon, junior Iowa senator, who has made a brilliant record in the one year he has been a member of the greatest legislative body of the world, is in the state and actively at work in the primary campaign. Senator Kenyon is a candidate for re-election for a full term to succeed himself. During the month of April he made an extended tour of the state, visiting many of the cities and towns, speaking at various meetings and greeting his friends. Everywhere he was received with manifestations of approval and was given a hearty welcome.

There can be no manner of doubt that the junior senator is making a winning fight for re-election. He is a vigorous young republican in the prime of life and abundantly equipped by experience and training for a service of immense value to his state and the nation in the Senate, and this fact is sufficient to guarantee to him that on primary day his friends will be at the polls and give him a vote of indorsement.

Because of the fact that the Senate is in session at Washington it will not be possible for Senator Kenyon to devote a great deal of personal time to the campaign. He will rely upon the loyalty of those republicans who appreciate the excellent record he has made and desire continuance of the same.

KENYON IN DEFENSE OF PURE ELECTIONS.

By far the ablest speech in the U. S. Senate in regard to the election of Senator Stephenson, of Wisconsin, was by Senator Kenyon, of Iowa. He analyzed the evidence taken and declared that it showed an election "that cannot under the law be considered a free and untrammelled election." and then said: "The methods employed would not have dignified a candidacy for county sheriff. The election was the result of an organized riot of corruption, a debauchery of the electorate by treating employment, purchases of newspaper methods, and other despicable methods, creating by money political enthusiasm and securing political support. Such practices should cease and cease now. Otherwise the canker of corruption will eat close to the heart of the Republic. The only real danger that can ever threaten this Nation in the future is corruption in the body politic. It is the child of avarice and special privilege. It can exist only when the electorate is indifferent. They may be slow to be aroused, but when once aroused the American people will drive the money changers from the temple and smite the arrogant demon of corruption wherever its vile head may appear.

"The seats in this body do not belong to the highest bidder; the property, the lives, the sacred honor of 90,000,000 people rest in the keeping of this body. If its seats are to be bought and sold as merchandise, then indeed, the decadence of the Republic is nigh. "Why mince words? Every man in this body knows that the election of Senator Stephenson was brought about by the reckless, extravagant, and wrongful use of money. You may gloss it over, smile about it, condone it, but the fact still exists—the seat was purchased. "If men can be sent here by money, others can be defeated by money, and there are men in this Chamber who know what it means to have the purses of great interests opened to defeat them. We are marching on; no one need be discouraged; the people, not money, are going to rule this country. We are advancing."

A PLEA FOR PENSIONS.

"The veterans of both armies are rapidly passing to the shoreless sea. Immortal honors will soon be theirs. Their heads are crowned with the snows that never melt. Their steps are faltering with increasing age. No more for them the bugle call; no more the tattoo shall beat; no more the flame, and death, and hell of battle. They shall all soon pitch their tents on the plains of peace and be welcomed in the home of the Prince of Peace. The future, indeed, of our dead is safe. Let us make safe the present and future of our living."

UP TO STANDARD.

The voters have had some opportunity to study the characteristics of Kenyon since he took his seat in the senate, says the Webster City Freeman-Tribune, and the verdict will be that he measures up to the standard required. spoke of them in very high terms. Misses Pansy Lobbins and Mazarine Ragdale, and Messrs. Ollie Ray and Leamon Smith were the four best speakers, it being a little hard to choose a winner.

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SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church will hold a rally on the 19th of May.

The Working Workers club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morgan, Thursday evening.

Rev. Anderson of the Y. M. C. A. filled the pulpit at the Mt. Zion church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Worcester of Lexington Mo. is in our city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bryant. They expect to make this city their future home.

P. E., S. B. Moore filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. church, Thursday evening. He came down from Yankton, S. D enroute to Council Bluffs to hold his quarterly meeting.

Mr. Marcellus Morgan, son of Mr and Mrs A. L. Morgan returned home Thursday from Chicago, where he has been attending the training school. He expects to spend his vacation home.

Mr. Bruce White is confined to his home with illness.

DEATH OF MRS. G. GRAY.

Mrs. Georgiana Gray, a widow, died suddenly at her home 906 S. 7th Street, at 12:15 o'clock Thursday morning, from heart trouble. She was 57 years old. She had been in rather poor health for the past few months. Last winter she was quite ill with pneumonia. She ate a hearty supper the previous evening and retired in her usual health. Later in the night she was attacked with a smothering spell from which she did not recover. For a number of years Mrs. Gray had been a hair dresser and manicurist, and was well known through the city in this connection. She was also well known throughout the state as an ardent club worker. She leaves a son, Mr. Andrew Gray, a daughter, Mrs. A. M. Byrd.

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WOLFAX NOTES

Rev. Gils of Carney, Iowa, preached two services Sunday at Bethel church. He delivered quite an interesting sermon.

Mrs. Lulu Hill of Des Moines were in the city visiting, Mrs. Viola Elliott.

Mrs. Eldora Holmes, who has been bedfast for the past six months, died, May 2d. Mrs. Holmes was liked by all who knew her in her church and club work. She will be greatly missed as she always held a responsible office.

Mrs. Holmes was Vice-President of the Benevolent club also P. M. N. G. of Household of Ruth. She leaves a husband and sister and a number of friends to mourn their loss.

Mr. Geo. Banks, Mrs. Viola Elliott was a Capital City visitor last week.

Mrs. Carrie Laws, Mrs. Anna Cousins, Mr. Charley Holmes, Mrs. Della Bryant, Mrs. Suie Mathews, Mrs. Norris Martin, Mrs. Lena Dary, Mrs. Bebie Hughes, Mrs. S. J. Brown and Mrs. Buehler, Mrs. Des Moines, attended the funeral of Mrs. Holmes. The funeral was conducted at the white Baptist church by Rev. Williams (white) minister and his choir officiated. Interment at her home town, Newton, Ia.

Mrs. Stella Jackson of Fort Dodge is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Bryant.

Mrs. Vaughn of Des Moines, was in the city last week visiting her son Earl Vaughn.

The Benevolent society met with Mrs. Lora Morris last week had a large attendance.

J. KIRKPATRICK advertisement for Hats Cleaned, Dyed and Re-shaped. ALL THE LATEST STYLES. Hats at Factory Prices. 817 Grand Ave. Best \$2.00 Hat on Earth. Near Ninth St. Office Hours: 10 to 12 a. m., 3 to 5 p. m., 7 to 9 p. m. Dr. J. Alvin Jefferson, Physician and Surgeon. Office Phone Walnut 1145. 9th and Park Streets. Residence 760 11th St. Phone Red 4615.

WANTED-A RIDER AGENT advertisement for Hedgethorn Puncture-Proof tires. \$10.00 Hedgethorn Puncture-Proof \$4.80. Self-healing tires a SAMPLE PAIR TO INTRODUCE, ONLY. J. L. MEADCYCLE COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

"H. H. H." Works Wonders With the Hair advertisement. Kinky Hair Straightened at Once. Falling Hair Stopped Immediately. Dandruff Removed and Itching Stopped. THE HOPEWELL COMPANY, Boston, Mass. Write Quick for Terms. Live Agents Wanted.

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N. B.—Correspondents: Please mail your letters that contain news for publication not later than Tuesday night to insure publication for the current week; and sign your name, not for publication, but that we may know who writes the news.

The Iowa State Bystander is the oldest Afro-American journal published in Iowa. It was established in 1894, and is read by nearly all the colored people of Iowa. We have correspondents in the following towns:

- Albia.....Miss May Darr Oskaloosa.....Luella B. Franklin Washington.....N. L. Black Burlington.....Mrs. J. E. Johnson Mt. Pleasant.....Mrs. M. Burnham Monmouth, Ill.....Georgia Norwood Galeburg, Ill.....Maynard Richardson Peoria, Ill.....Miss Bell Lee Davenport.....Mrs. C. H. Marshall St. Paul.....Mrs. Q. H. Hicks Rock Island.....Mrs. W. H. Moore Moline, Ill.....Miss Mable Tarver Sioux City.....Miss Etta Grant Clinton.....A. A. Bush Cedar Rapids.....Mrs. J. W. Holmes Colfax.....Mrs. J. W. Holmes Buxton.....W. A. Brown Enterprise.....Miss Blanche Allen Clarinda.....Miss Eva M. Parker Keokuk.....Mrs. A. J. Fields Ottumwa.....Miss Hazel F. Clarke Omaha.....August 24, 25, 26. St. Joseph.....August 27, 28, 29, 30. Sioux City.....August 31, Sept. 1, 2, 3. At Topeka. Lincoln.....Sept. 7, 8, 9, 10. At Wichita, Denver, Omaha, St. Joe, Sioux City.

sympathy of her friends in Burlington in her recent bereavement. Mr. Watts having passed away several weeks ago at his home in Alton.

Mr. J. Braden who has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. A. Pleasant has so improved in health that he left Friday for his home in Kansas City.

The Baptist S. S. is enjoying a large attendance and much interest is manifested.

Rev. Palmer received a call Sunday a. m., which necessitated his absence from the city for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Minnie Taylor of Keokuk was so grievously ill that her serious illness and we hope to hear of a speedy recovery.

The ladies of our city are very anxious to have a first class colored dressmaker locate here.

DES MOINES AT HOME. St. Joseph—May 9, 10, 11, 12. Lincoln—May 13, 14, 15, 16. Wichita—May 17, 18, 19, 20. Topeka—May 21, 22, 23, 24. Denver—May 25, 26, 27, 28. Lincoln—May 29, 30, 31.

At Topeka, Lincoln, Denver, Wichita, Omaha, St. Joe, Sioux City—June 26, 27, 28, 29. Omaha—June 30, July 1, 2, 3. At Sioux City. Denver—July 7, 8, 9, 10. Wichita—July 11, 12, 13, 14. At Lincoln. Topeka—July 19, 20, 21, 22. St. Joseph—July 23, 24, 25, 26. Topeka—August 8, 9, 10, 11. Wichita—August 12, 13, 14, 15. At Lincoln. Denver—August 20, 21, 22, 23.

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in our city Monday to visit Mrs. Hunter. The Mt. Olive church started Monday to have one week's prayer meeting as every one thought it would help a great deal.

Rev. White was called to Centerville Sunday to baptize. In memory of little Robert Brown, who died Tuesday, April 30th.

We all had learned to love him, But Jesus loved him more, And he has gently called him To that celestial shore.

The peary gates swing open, Our saviour bid him come, He smiled farewell to loved ones, And entered his heavenly home.

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ORALABOR NOTES. We are proud to learn that Mrs. W. H. Austin who underwent a serious operation a few days ago at the Methodist hospital is doing nicely.

Rev. J. W. Morton and wife was called to the city last Wednesday evening to officiate at the marriage of his stepson, Mr. Cal Hill and Miss Mary Miller. A joyous time was reported.

We wish them a long and prosperous life together. Mrs. Fleetwood and son has been on the sick list for the past week, but much improved at this writing.

Rev. J. W. Morton returned to his home at Ogden, Iowa, after a three weeks stay. While here he was engaged in revival meeting being assisted by Rev. S. G. Childs.

The seed of the gospel has been scattered broad cast in our land. Rev. S. Bates preached an excellent sermon during our revival quite a few visitors from Carney was up, and we enjoyed one of those good old time meetings. Come again.

Mrs. S. G. Childs, who underwent an operation some time ago, is doing very nicely. We appreciate so much having the Christians from Carney to assist us in our meetings. May the Lord reward their work.

Little Taft Coles, the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fleetwood met with quite a serious accident Tuesday afternoon. While out playing he fell in some way striking his head against the fence—badly lacerating his eyelid.

Mrs. Cora Brown of Kansas City, Mo. is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Austin for an indefinite period. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Essex of Des Moines spent Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Williams.

Mrs. Davis H. Williams and Mrs. Davis of Des Moines was visiting at Carney and Oralabor yesterday.

BURLINGTON ITEMS. Mrs. D. Brown of Boston has returned to her home after a pleasant visit with his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. Ross of Foster St.

The Independent Advance club will give an entertainment Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Cyrene Trent. Mrs. J. F. Trent returned home Saturday after several months in California.

The stewardess board gives a coffee Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. H. Cooper of South Hill.

Mrs. Alice Watts arrived in our city last week accompanied by her sister, Mrs. C. Jones of Oskaloosa from a brief visit with her sister, Mrs. J. Badgett of Maple street. Mrs. Watts has the

Notice to Redeem from Tax Sale. To J. T. Gutman: The person in whose name the real estate described below is taxed.

You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale held in and for Polk county Iowa, on December 7th, 1908, the following described real estate to wit:

Lot twenty-three (23) in block three (3) in Jack's Plat now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines Polk county, Iowa, was sold to E. C. Worthington for the payment of taxes for the year 1907 thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, which certificate is now owned and held by the said E. C. Worthington.

That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said real estate will be issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice.

Dated, Des Moines, Iowa, April 23, 1912 E. C. Worthington.

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You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale held in and for Polk County, Iowa, on December Seventh, 1908, the following described real estate to-wit:

Lot twenty (20) in Block Three (3) in Jack's Plat now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, was sold to W. E. Kersey for the payment of taxes for the year 1907 thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, therefore that said certificate has been duly assigned to E. C. Worthington who is now the legal owner and holder thereof.

That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said real estate will be issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice.

Dated, Des Moines, Iowa, April 23, 1912 E. C. Worthington.

the city for a couple of weeks. He delivered a splendid address Sunday night at the A. M. E. church. He left Monday morning for Oskaloosa and will return to Ottumwa Tuesday. He has a charge in Newton, Ia.

Mr. S. D. Jackson of Oskaloosa is in Ottumwa with his father Rev. M. G. Newman.

Miss Faye Sykes and Miss Hazel Price of Fairfield left Sunday evening for their home after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Goodwin.

Mr. John Henderson of Bloomfield was an over Sunday visitor in Ottumwa.

Mrs. Geo. McGill is able to be out after being confined to her home with tonsillitis.

Miss Alberta Horne will hold prayer meeting Wednesday night. She is a 'Gideon' and will have a large crowd out and intend to encourage the young people who have lately come into the church.

Monday evening the Trustees Aid will give a strawberry short cake entertainment. Every one present at their chicken pie supper. Remember, they are all good cooks. Come one, come all.

Miss Marie Smith of Ottumwa and Mr. Roy McCallister of Eldon were quietly married last week and went to Eldora to live where the groom had a home prepared. He is a promising young man and we congratulate them.

Mrs. Earl Wagner and Mrs. Ella Bahannan are anticipating a visit to Milan, Mo., and other Missouri cities before returning home. The will visit relatives and friends.

Mr. Clare Winburn of Battle Creek, Mich., is a guest of Mr. Roy Clark. He came here from Nebraska and reports to remain indefinitely.

Miss Maude Buckner has returned home after a few days visit with her parents in Keosauqua, Ia.

Mrs. Mae L. Catlin of Chicago is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Owens.

Mr. Frank Alexander will be host to the Gideon Band Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Owens entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Mae L. Catlin of Chicago. All report a good dinner and a pleasant afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Turner of Washington are visiting the latter's sister and Mrs. Chas. Wilson.

The president of the Allen Christian Endeavor would like to meet all the active members of the society immediately after Prayer Meeting Wednesday night for the selection of new officers.

The Faithful Few Society met with Mrs. Ed. Hall last Thursday and adjourned to meet next Thursday, May 16th with Mrs. Henrietta Horne on Center ave.

The Stewardess Sewing circle meets Friday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Greene.

Subscribers failed to receive their paper last week.

It would surprise you to know of the great good that is being done by Chamberlain's Tablets. Darius Downey, of Newberg Junction, N. B., writes, "My wife has been using Chamberlain's Tablets and finds them very effective and doing her lots of good."

If you have any trouble with your stomach or bowels give them a trial. For sale by all dealers.

ENTERPRISE, IOWA. Mrs. Susan Allen of Oskaloosa is visiting her son Harry Allen. Mrs. Delia Wilson was called home Saturday on account of the sickness of her mother, Mrs. Hunter. Mrs. Robert Hunter is very sick at her home with typhoid fever. Little John D. Ousley fell into a tub of hot water last Monday and was very badly burned.

The B. Y. P. U. choir sang for the first time.

The men came from every direction Saturday to get their five dollars which the local gave away.

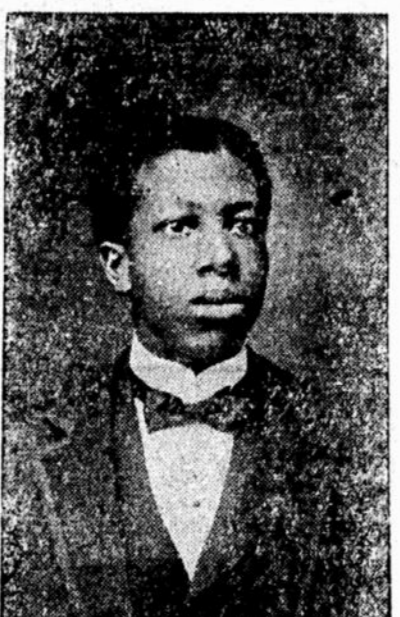
Mrs. Fredrick and son Lamont was in our city Saturday on business. Mr and Mrs. Robert Brown wish to thank the friends who helped them during the sickness and death of their little son Robert.

Mrs. C. F. Topsis of Des Moines was

Rev. R. U. Taylor, Rev. T. L. Griffith and Atty. S. Joe Brown, who were the judges of the Bystander Grand prize contest. We had written for a picture of Miss Francis A. reader of Keokuk, who secured more new subscribers than any other candidate, but as she had no available picture and as she is sick, hence we were unable to publish her cut.



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REV. T. L. GRIFFITH

For Representative. Editor Bystander: Please announce that I will be a candidate before the republican primaries in June for Representative to the State Legislature. F. F. EVERITT.

Editor Bystander: Please announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination for the office of Sheriff of Mahaska county, subject to the will of the voters at the Republican primaries to be held in June. ED. HENLEY.

For County Clerk. Editor Bystander: I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the office of Clerk of the District Court, subject to decision of the Republican Primary to be held in June. G. W. PATTERSON.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the office of Clerk of the District Court, subject to the decision of Republican primary to be held in June. JOHN H. SHOEMAKE.

Editor Bystander: Please announce that I will be a candidate before the republican primary in June for the office of member of the Board of Supervisors for the term commencing January 1913. W. F. McVAY.

For County Treasurer. Editor Bystander: Please announce that I will be a candidate before the Republican primary June 4, for the office of Treasurer of Mahaska county. M. VEBELAND.

County Recorder. Editor Bystander: Please announce my name as a candidate for the republican nomination for Recorder, at primary election in June. C. W. MATHER.

my name as a candidate for the office of County Recorder subject to the decision of the Republican primary to be held in June, 1912. JOHN OWENS.

County Auditor. Editor Bystander: Please announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination for the office of County Auditor, before the Republican Primary in June. JOHN H. PERRY.

Superintendent of Schools. Please announce that I will be a candidate for the office of superintendent of schools in Monroe county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the June, 1912, primaries. MYRTA HARLOW.

Please announce that I will be a candidate for the office of county superintendent of schools of Monroe county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the June, 1912, primaries. ANNA MAHON.

For Sheriff. Please announce that I will be a candidate for the office of sheriff of Monroe county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the June, 1912, primaries. W. B. GRIFFIN.

For Representative. Please announce that I will be a candidate for the office of representative of Monroe county in the state legislature from Monroe county, subject to the will of the republican voters at the June, 1912, primaries. GEO. H. WOODSON.

Please announce my name as a candidate for representative from Monroe County for the legislature, subject to the republicans of said county. A. R. BARNES.

I hereby announce my name as a candidate for a member of the legislature from Monroe County subject to the will of the republican party. E. C. SLOAN.

ALBIA NEWS. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Butler were in Buxton over Sunday.

Miss Ida Davis returned to Des Moines after two weeks visit in Albia with relatives and friends.

Mr. Will Grayson, Mrs. Nellie Estes were Des Moines visitors at the home of their mother, Mrs. Jeffers, and returned home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson and son Ben of Hocking, spent Sunday in Albia. Mr. Donald Thomas is in the country the past week.

Quite a number of strangers in town.

There never was a time when people appreciated the real merits of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy more than now. This is shown by the increase in sales and voluntary testimonials from persons who have been cured by it. If you or your children are troubled with a cough or cold give it a trial and become acquainted with its good qualities. For sale by all dealers.

Fort Madison Notes. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy after an extended trip in Canada, came back to Fort Madison declaring, there is no place like home.

The Rosebud Club met with Miss Tillie Woods Monday night. A fine program was rendered, after which refreshments were served.

Sunday was Communion at the Second Baptist church and there was a good attendance.

The Sunday school elected delegates to Iowa and Nebraska Sunday School Convention which congregates in Mt. Pleasant in June. Following are the delegates: Rev. James Bowles and Mr. Bowles and the superintendent Mr. Green Jackson.

The Willing Workers Club will meet at the church Friday evening, which will be save, mother, wife or child. After the program refreshments will be served.

Miss Ewing is quite sick at her home and we hope to see her out again soon.

Mrs. Mahalia Henry and son are at home again after a visit with her parents in La Grange, Mo. Mr. George Wallace has gone to Canada to continue the work on his claim.

Keokuk Notes. The most successful revival meeting that has ever been held in our city in

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