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BUXTON BRIEFS.

Mrs. Emma Wallace of Clinton is in the city visiting Mrs. J. A. Nelson. She will be here about 6 weeks.

Mr. Sloan Taylor returned last week from a visit to Chicago.

Mr. Jesse Burns returned last week from an extended trip to Cedar Rapids, Moline, Chicago and Milwaukee, reporting a pleasant trip.

Somebody lied, didn't they?

Mrs. Chas. Shelton visited her mother in Des Moines a few days last week.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Mission circle met in the home of Mrs. Ed. Howell last Thursday and a splendid meeting was held. The Holy Ghost fell upon all who were in the house.

W. A. Brown, Sr., returned from Macon, Mo., Friday where he went to witness the commencement exercises of Western College. W. A. Brown, Jr. was a member of the graduating class, having finished with the title of B. S. D.

Hon. Geo. H. Woodson was in Des Moines on business last week.

Mr. Geo. Morrison was in Albia on business last week.

Mrs. Ada Monroe and R. G. Potter returned from Des Moines Friday where they had been attending the grand chapter of Eastern Star. Mrs. Monroe was appointed to the office of Grand Marshall and Mr. Potter made several "mashes" on some of the widows who were in attendance from Burlington and other cities. Mr. Potter thinks it's a nice thing to be a delegate, but he'd rather be a husband.

Mrs. Sanson Johnson was elected to the office of Grand Worthy Associate, while in attendance at the Grand Chapter in Des Moines last week.

Mr. W. V. Jones spent a few days in Des Moines last week.

Messrs. Thos. Watson and Atty. Spears were in Des Moines on business last week.

Mrs. W. H. Bailey returned Monday from her home in Bedford, Ia., where she went last Thursday to attend the High School commencement exercises. Her cousin Miss Francis L. Johnson was one of the graduates.

Mr. T. A. Coleman returned from Pittsburg Wednesday, where he visited his daughter.

Prof. Hicks left Sunday evening for Albia, Hockings and Hitean on political business.

Mrs. Geo. Morrison who arrived in Buxton last week to attend the funeral of her little granddaughter, returned to Lawrence, Kas., Monday.

Mrs. Fannie Green of Gary, Ind., and J. M. Yancy, of Bear Creek, Ia., are visiting their father, Madison Yancy.

Miss Ona Webb is visiting in Des Moines.

Mr. L. W. Tucker left for Iowa City last Tuesday to have an operation performed on his nose. He returned Monday.

Miss Minnie Mills, who spent several weeks in Oskaloosa, returned home last Wednesday.

Mesdames Sharp and Finley spent last Monday in Albia.

An orchestra is being organized for the Sunday School choir of Mt. Zion church. Messrs. Lenford Willis, G. W. Chestam and John Fish will play violins. Other instruments will be secured.

Mrs. W. A. Brown and son, W. A., Jr., were on the sick list last Saturday and Sunday. They both being confined to their beds all day Sunday.

The Sunday School choir of Mt. Zion Baptist church will give a song service next Sunday evening, June 2d. All are cordially welcome.

Miss Bertha Strother was absent from her place in the postoffice about a week on account of illness. She is much improved and has resumed her position.

Mr. Harry Strother now residing in Colfax is in the city visiting his parents and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. Perkins, who has been in Colfax for her health, returned home Monday.

The M. C. A. tennis court is getting in good shape and the white balls will be bouncing high in a few days. Get your racket and come and join us.

Mr. Ed Mills, is running on one of the M's Specials," these days. There is still another place for a first-class man, but he must be first-class.

Messrs. Oval Carter, Louis Garland, Earl Watson and Miss Lucy Rhodes returned home from Macon, Mo., last week, where they have been attending school at Western college.

Miss Lelia Downey resumed her position Monday morning as forelady in the drug department of the M. M. Co. store. She will spend Decoration day at her home in Ottumwa.

Mr. Silas Hackney, a teacher in the Buxton public schools, who spent his vacation as clerk in the M. M. Co. store.

Mrs. Lillian Anderson is the newly elected president of the Christian Endeavor, and Mr. R. G. Potter is secretary.

Tabernacle Baptist Church News.

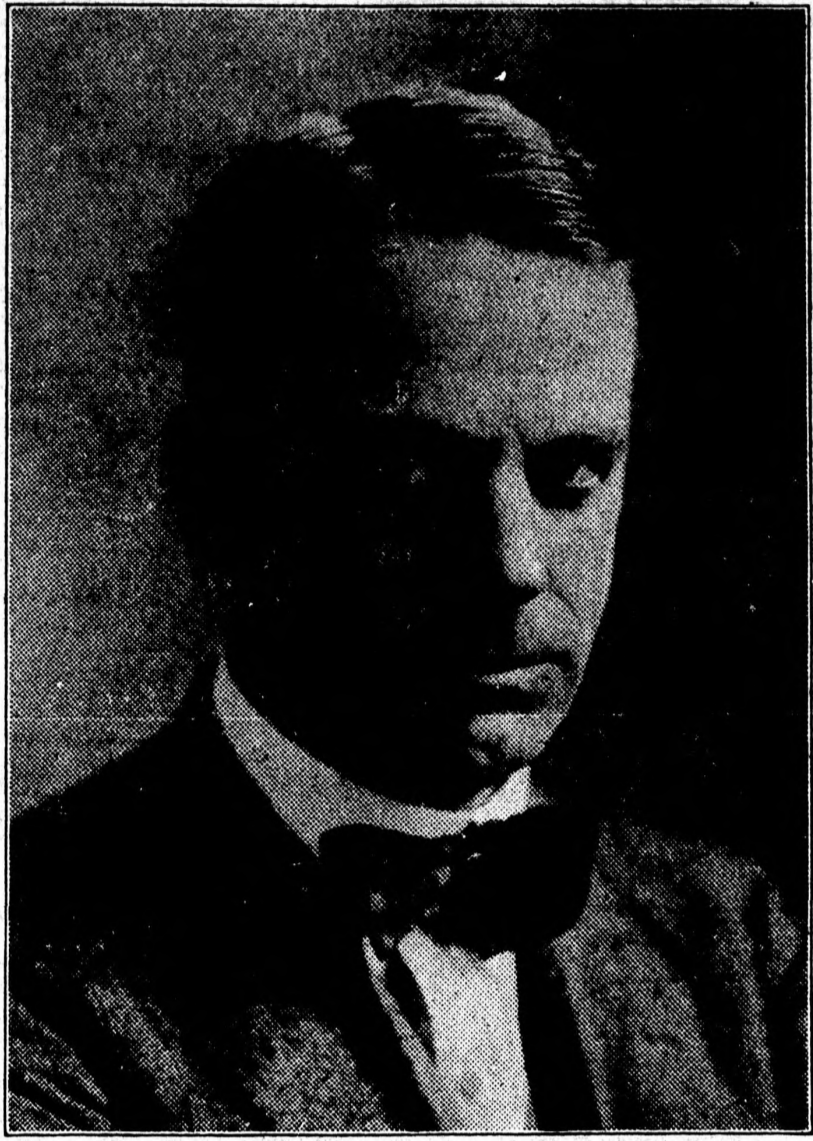
Rev. C. H. Mendenhall preached a splendid baptismal sermon from Exk. 27:4, last Sunday morning. After the service was ended the pastor, officers and members formed a line and through showers of rain marched to the reservoir where five candidates were baptised. A large crowd witnessed the baptising.

The Sunday School is progressing nicely. Supt. Robt. Booker is urging parents to come and bring the children. The school will have a rally on June 2d. Mrs. Louis Weaver is on the sick list.

Mrs. Mary White, of Oskaloosa, is visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Laura White.

Mrs. Jas. Jackson's baby is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Chas. Moss is preparing for a business trip to Fairfield, Iowa.



Kenyon for Senator.

The above cut is that of Hon. William S. Kenyon, of Fort Dodge, who is a candidate for nomination for U. S. senator to succeed the late J. P. Dooliver. He was elected by the Iowa General Assembly to fill out the vacancy and now asks for the regular term. He has made a good record in the past two years and surely is entitled to the regular term. We urge all of our colored republican voters to work and vote for him next Monday. He is our true and trusted friend. Let us support him to a man.

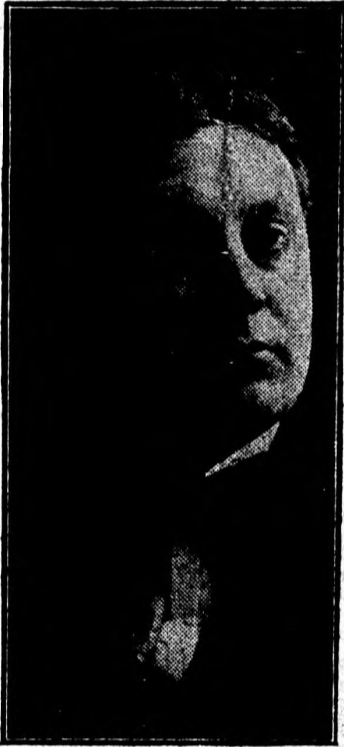
TO BE TRUE AND LOYAL TO OUR RACE.

Special Correspondence for Bystander.

In speaking of one another, we should be very careful how we judge and condemn, those that we are speaking about.

Because it is always the words that are spoken, that cause so much disturbance, heartbreaks, and anguish in this world. If we know or see any of our race down through misfortune, we should not try to keep them down, by gossiping, about them from one to another, but go to them and speak words of kindness and by so doing, encourage them to look forward. Be it man or woman, we should not fail to do our chosen duty.

It is hard enough to get through this world of troubles and trials without throwing stones at each other. Remember, there are two good rules which ought to be written on every heart—Never believe anything bad about anybody, unless you positively know that it is true—Never tell even that unless you feel that it is absolutely necessary, and remember that God is listening while you tell it.



W. L. Harding.

The people's candidate for lieutenant-governor, Mr. Harding is entitled to your support. He was born in Osceola county, Iowa, in 1877; attended the common schools; later the State Normal at Cedar Falls and later Morningside College. He was admitted to practice in 1905.

He is a self-made man, worked his way through college and law school. While securing his education, he learned the printers' trade.

Mr. Harding has served the people of Iowa in the legislature six years. He did more for the miners than any other man in Iowa. He has a perfect labor record. He voted and worked in the interest of the laboring man on every subject before the Iowa legislature.

Every time a man of the colored race called on Mr. Harding, he did his best to get what was asked. He got a position for two men of our race in the state house.

Mr. Harding is a fine orator and an ideal presiding officer.

Vote for Mr. Harding and nominate a man who has always been a friend to the common laboring man and is a good friend to the colored people. Those who know him say that Mr. Harding is all right.



Hild for Supervisor.

Mr. R. J. Hild, of East Des Moines, is a candidate for member of board of supervisors, subject to the primaries Monday. He is a successful business man, who has made his way through the business world and commanded the high esteem of his fellow men. He has always been an active republican worker. He has never before asked or held any elective office; is in the real estate business and interest in two drug stores. He is courteous to all people and will give the colored people due consideration as he has done in the past. He solicits your vote.

Here is what Laura Wolford says of Hopewell's Hair Health.

Eagle Lake, Texas, March 27, 1912.

The Hopewell Company, Boston, Mass. Dear Sir:—

I received your hair dressing on the 12th of this month and I was truly glad to get it. It is just fine. It has stopped the itching in my scalp already. I am well pleased with it. Please send me some other blanks right away, as my friends are just crazy about what it is doing for me, and they all wish to order some right away. I have used it now about 15 days and the change is something wonderful. I praise "H. H. H." to the Heavens. The colored people will not have to throw their money away on "fake" hair dressing anymore.

Yours truly, Laura Wolford.

Minnie Bland.

Mrs. Minnie Bland, of Keokuk, is the newly elected G. W. Secretary. She has been Associate Grand Conductor of Illinois, and W. M. of Keokuk and P. G. W. A. M. of Illinois. She was the promoter of the Eastern Star in Keokuk. She is a prominent person in church and club work.



Anderson for Justice.

Mr. Paul Anderson, of Lee township, East Des Moines, is a candidate for Justice of Peace of Lee township, subject to the primaries next Monday. Mr. Anderson is one of the leading self-made young men, who has always worked for the G. O. P., but never before held or asked for

any office, and his friends now feel that he is entitled to your support and vote. He is able and well qualified, and will give everybody an equal chance if nominated. He is a friend of the colored race and asks for one of their votes, for you can vote for two justices. So remember Paul Anderson.



Parker for Auditor.

Last week we run the history of James Parker, who is a candidate for county auditor. Now we present his cut. James is well known as an honest, hard worker, with unquestionable qualifications. The Union Labor

League reported upon James as being good and so recommended him to their organization. The Affiliated Colored Clubs held their meeting last night, Thursday, and endorsed Mr. Parker as their choice. He will give our race justice if elected.

FT. MADISON NOTES.

Rev. Bowles was called to Keokuk Sunday to preach an annual sermon for the S. M. T. lodge. While there he and Mrs. Bowles were the guests of Mr. Thomas South and were entertained at the home of Mrs. M. J. Burton, 1608 Concert street.

The Willing Workers' club met at the home of Mrs. E. J. Thomas, Friday evening. The newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. James Bowles; vice-president, Mrs. Kitty Jackson; recording secretary, Mrs. E. J. Thomas; treasurer, Mrs. Eliza Jackson; chaplain, Mrs. Anna Milson.

Mrs. Stewart of Carrollton, Mo., who came here to attend the funeral of her son-in-law, Mrs. John Mack, was called back home to attend the funeral of her daughter, who died at her home. Mrs. Mack accompanied her mother home but has returned, grieved over a double bereavement.

Rev. Samuel Johnson, of Des Moines was in our city over Sunday. While here he was the guest of Rev. Bowles and Mr. C. Thomas.

Mr. Johnson was entertained at the home of Mr. Green Jackson, Sunday at dinner. At night he preached a noble sermon. At the second Baptist church.

Mrs. Annie Wilson was called to Keokuk Sunday on account of the death of her rother-in-law; Mr. D. W. Anderson.

Mr. Ambrose Jackson is remodeling his home on Fifth street.

There will be an old folks' concert given at the Second Baptist church next Tuesday evening. The committee is preparing a fine program and supper will be served.

Screen Doors—Dawson's.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.

The box supper given at the Second Baptist church Thursday night by the Organ club was a success, both socially and financially.

The Graves Thursday night. This was a called meeting and was the last before the ladies left for the federation which convenes in Sioux City.

Mrs. John Cheshire and daughter, Mrs. Luther Williams and Mrs. Emma Gardner left Sunday night for Sioux City to attend the Moman's Federation.

Miss Edna Jones of Oskaloosa, was an over-Sunday visitor in Ottumwa, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Wilson. The "Guidoon" Band met Monday evening with Miss Alberta Horne.

She reported a very pleasant session. Mr. John Harris' friends are glad to learn that he is improving since he entered the hospital.

Mr. Harry Spotts, 321 East Main street, died at his home Wednesday night. The funeral services were held at the A. M. E. church conducted by Rev. M. J. Gordon. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife and three children. Burial was in the Ottumwa cemetery. Mr. Spotts was well known in Ottumwa, having resided here a great number of years.

Mrs. H. Spotts' sister from Kansas City, attended the funeral of the late Mr. Harry Spotts.

Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Newman of Oskaloosa, have returned to their home.



Hitz for Justice.

We present to our readers, Mr. Ben J. Hitz, of Des Moines township, West Des Moines, who is a candidate for justice of the peace, subject to the primaries on June 3rd. He was born 30 years ago, educated in the public schools of Des Moines and at Drake University. He is well qualified and his many friends are working hard for his nomination and election. He has never held any office and has always been an active republican worker. He is a friend to the common people and will treat all classes fairly. He solicits your support.

SECRETARY JORDAN'S NOTES.

Louisville, Ky., Special to Bystander. Our Foreign Mission Rally held on the first Sunday in April was fairly successful. Only for the floods, we would have doubtless reached \$6000. We have been enabled to relieve many of the most trying cases, for all of which we thank God and the good friends.

WANTED.—Miss DeLaney is to sail for West Coast Africa and it was hoped that she would get away on the 8th of June. After prayerful deliberation, the Foreign Mission Board has decided that it is not wise to have her go to the West Coast alone. It is hoped, by the time our readers see these lines, that Miss Taylor of South Carolina, will have reported to go with her. We do need the prayers of our Baptist Zion in this important matter. Negro Baptists have buried on the West Coast of Africa seven valuable workers, and we think, their death was due to the need of proper medicine, companionship and nursing.

The Foreign Mission Board sent letters and bundles of programs to 17 Sunday Schools in Iowa, and received returns from 2. We here and now call upon the remaining number of schools in Iowa to make some sort of report. We beseech that they do not act hard-hearted and indifferent to the command of their Lord and the appeal of the Board created by our great denomination to do work in foreign fields.

Praying God's blessing on all who labor with us in the Lord, and urging that they pray for our missionaries and the millions in heathen lands, I am
Yours in His name,
G. Jordan,
726 W. Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.

CEADAR RAPIDS NEWS.

Rev. Hockley is back home after attending the General Conference held in Kansas City and reports a fine time.

Mrs. Lulu Horne and Mrs. Mary Joyce left Monday evening for Sioux City to attend the Iowa State Federation of colored women clubs.

The Miss Mabel Price Fern Martin and Helen Martin were visitors in Park Hill Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison.

Miss Loretta Little is somewhat indisposed, but is some better and hopes to be able to leave Wednesday for Galena, Ill. for her future home.

Mrs. Jess Smith was a visitor in Ottumwa, Ia., last week.

The social given at the home of Mrs. Ella Johnson on last Thursday evening was well attended and all reported a good time.

Master Forrest Martin entertained Master Mayo Perkins at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Martin Brooks is on the sick list, but is very much improved at this mentioning.

Miss Fern Martin and Mabel Price expect to make a visit in Moline soon.

Mrs. Fannie Alnut, who has been sick all winter is improving and able to be out.

Next Sunday is our great rally day, we expect to raise \$500.00 on our new parsonage.

Rev. Hackley is very enthusiastic over the success of their effort of clubs and auxiliaries who are assisting.

WONDERFUL RESULTS ON SHORT NOTICE

I have used your Pomade. Its the best thing I ever used for making curly hair 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 Oxonized Oil Marrow Company, Chicago, Ill.

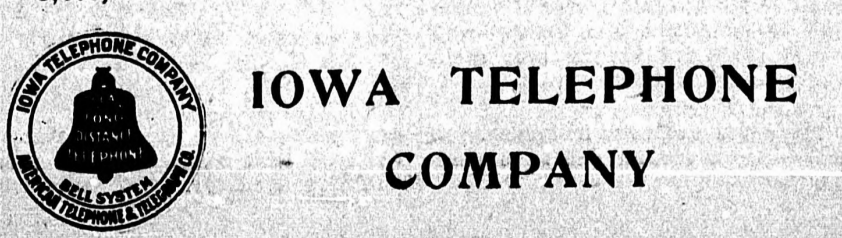
Everybody Relies on The Bell Directory



The Bell Directory contains the names of the people who can be reached at once, because they have telephones. It is the universal "calling list" the recognized business and social directory.

The man whose name is in the Bell Directory is immediately available for either a business proposition or a social invitation.

In the Telephone Directories of all the Bell Companies taken together, there are correct listings of approximately 5,000,000 different names, addresses; and telephone call numbers.



IOWA TELEPHONE COMPANY

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.

AFRO-AMERICAN COLLINGS

This is among some of the great mistakes our girls are making (some of them) as they seemingly try to have all the sweethearts in the town, from a "bunkie" down. We will say it is a shame to see them, intelligent in some instances, strolling and parading in leisure with these "beats," when they could have demanded higher social privileges had they kept themselves from this class of gentlemen. (7)

Some of these, of which we speak, their parents, whose history is without a blemish, to them they are a disgrace and a shame to the entire race.

The most of them think they are pretty and the smartest of all human beings, when they are nothing but fools in human form.

Of course some are bribed in this kind of society by their escorts, as many among them think that the beauty of a man is his high-heeled shoes and 30 or 40-inch coat and those "beautiful peg-top pants."

Clothes, dear girls, do not make a man; it is principle, ability and such other things that are honorable and many that constitutes men of real service and benefit to his people and the country.

Call yourself to a standstill and consider that you are making the mistake of your life and will never be of any service to those dear parents who sacrificed all but their lives for you and would have sacrificed their lives had it been necessary.

How can you allow yourself to disgrace those who are so dear to you? This is a very important thing that all parents should try to observe—the company in which your daughters are associated, for associations, whatever they may be, will be inherited by them. Draw in your reins, girls, and be a better exponent of the race.

By doing this you will add many stars to the crowns that await us in the future. This rowdy and unpromising class among us should have no charms for any respectable person who is trying to hold their heads above the waves of this sin-trying world.—Palestine (Tex.) Plaindealer.

Is it not a disheartening thing to go through life under the harrow of debt, struggling to get release under circumstances that give no hope of relief? Is it not unfortunate to feel that we can never lift the mortgage from the home, that in spite of all our efforts it must finally be sold over the heads of those dearer to us than life itself? But all this is nothing compared with the mortgage of vice upon the character which blights the life.

Many a man has died without being able to lift a mortgage from his home, yet has been a real success, for he has kept his manhood clean, his integrity unstained, and, although he left no material wealth, he has enriched the lives of all who knew him.

The nicotine mortgage upon your vitality, the alcohol mortgage which hardens your nerve fiber, benumbs the brain cells, paralyzes the power to achieve and makes you a slave instead of a king, are encumbrances compared with which the mere mortgage upon your home is a blessing. If you are mortgaged to the cigarette habit, which demoralizes your ambition, poisons your blood, benumbs your nerves and vitiates your aim; if you have a whisky mortgage, an immortality mortgage on your character which you have been trying for years to lift, this is infinitely worse than your chattel mortgage or real estate mortgage.

The mortgage on your home may not touch your real self. In spite of it, you may be a man, respected, looked up to, admired. If your life has been clean you may have made every acre of land in your vicinity worth more. But if your character is mortgaged to a demoralizing habit; if you are the victim of a degrading vice that holds you down, cripples your advance, this is a thousand times worse. It loses you not only your respect, but also the respect of those who know you.—Success Magazine.

Another prophet has arisen who confidently claims that the immigration of foreigners into the south will solve the Negro problem. Just how this is to come is not made as clear as one could desire. It is certain that the Negro problem is not going to be solved by increasing the competition which the Negro now has unless Negro efficiency is going to be increased out of proportion to his competitors. Of course this is impossible because every foreign element admitted to our citizenship is going to get better school advantages than those accorded the Negro. In this respect the introduction of foreigners to the south means the curtailment of employment for Negroes and the corresponding neglect of those facilities which are designed to better fit and prepare a people for the fuller life of our civilization. All of the benefits which the negro may hope to derive from foreign immigration are indirect rather than otherwise. The increase of the population of the south will diminish the social and political importance of the Negro and in this way the race may drop from public discussion. This will be an indirect benefit and one too that may

country deserve much credit for the interest they have thus taken in the welfare of the Negro and it is safe to say that should the matter be properly canvassed and representative doubtless be favorably impressed by the marvelous exhibition of race progress. The senate did a nice thing when it did that.—Durham Reformer.

When a man marries, he puts on a washing hair; with the woman, someone else puts it on, and it grows

mean public neglect. Of course the Negro is not in position just now to be left to himself. He needs help now and will need it for the next four or five generations. We are of the opinion that emigration will not solve the Negro problem but may create new problems that will take the place of the old and may be more intolerable.

Three hundred hotel waiters were discharged in New York last year and their places given to foreigners. Among other objections urged against the retention of Negro waiters was that they presented too great a variety in color. That is to say, if twenty-five men were employed at a place they ranged in color all the way from that of the darkest to the lightest races of mankind and this is supposed to have had a queer effect on something or somebody. It is not at all improbable that in the course of time the colored man will find difficulty in getting a job in town unless it is furnished him by another Negro. And this can be possible only on the theory that the Negro becomes to be a factor in the industrial and commercial affairs of this country.

At present we are practically a jobless race, dependent in large measure on other folks for jobs ranging all the way from blacking boots to representing this government abroad. Therefore the man who is doing anything looking to the creation of a job first for himself and then for others is attacking the "problem" at its most important point. This position must be conquered or the field is practically lost. Instead of being a jobless race, we've got to become more largely a race with innumerable jobs that are ours inalienably.

Few people who amuse themselves by singing or whistling the popular song "Casey Jones" are aware of the fact that the song was first originated by a negro.

A writer in a recent issue of the Railroad Man's Magazine, signing himself "Red Mac," gives the following history of the origin of the song: "As to the origin of the song, it was started by an old negro named Geo. Crockett, who was employed around the shop and roundhouse at Water Valley, Miss. Like many other old-time dinkies, if they admire anything, particularly some person, you will often hear them hum something about that person. Casey was admired by all the colored freemen and brakemen, who were always singing about his ability to get over the road."

Of course, old Uncle George could not help his Casey's praise, so he collected a few scattering words in real negro fashion. With the help of the colored freemen, switchmen, etc., he got together two short verses and composed an air for the words. From time to time more words were added and the song's popularity grew. After Casey's death, Mrs. Jones endeavored to stop the publishing of the song, but was unsuccessful, as there was no copyright.—Dallas Express.

Colonel G. M. Quarles, a tobacco planter in Christian County, Ky., had a dark man servant named Mose. Mose was driving his boss into town one day, when he suddenly remarked: "Marse Garrett, dey had me up befo' my church las' night fur dancin'." "I don't suppose you were guilty—were you, Mose?" asked the colonel. "Yas, sah; yas, sah," said Mose. "I was guilty of dancin' and dey proved hit on me too; but I come clear. My friends stuck to me close, and after dem other niggers had done tested ag'inst me, my friends all got up and testified dat, though it was true I danced, I was so drunk at de time I didn't know wuh I was doin'." So I come clear—and de preacher accused me!"—Ex.

Rev. John Peterson of Annapolis, Illinois, knowing that it is not good for man to live alone, decided to take unto himself a fellow minister who was fixed as a fellow minister was engaged to tie the nuptial knot, but when the hour arrived, the invited minister was nowhere to be seen. Bro. Peterson rose to the emergency by gaining performing the marriage ceremony himself—for himself. We think that in the matter of nerve the good brother not only takes the cake, but walks away with the bakery.

It is always easier to be a ritualist than a sincere Christian, a pretender rather than a thorough-going confessor of the faith, but if religion is worth anything, it is worth everything, and God will reject all pretenses, while He will crown all true endeavors and sacrifices in His name. It is impossible to deceive God, who reads the hearts alike of Pharisees, Sadducees and Publicans.—N. Y. Observer.

Don't find so many reasons for refusing to patronize institutions operated by your own people. Take a lesson from your white neighbor. He is trying to build up his white brother. Consider your children and build something for them.—The Dallas Express.

OVER \$200,000 IN DOLLAR MONEY RAISED

Financial Board of the A. M. E. Church in Annual Session.

REV. JOHN HURST'S REPORT—MINISTERS AND LAYMEN MEET AT KANSAS CITY FOR TWENTY-FOURTH GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Kansas City, Mo.—Ove \$200,000 in dollar money was raised by the A. M. E. church during the fiscal year. The annual meeting of the financial board of the denomination in session in this city, and the report of the Rev. John Hurst, financial secretary, shows that the grand total of dollar money collected by all the Episcopal districts amounted to \$207,224.98.

The money raised by Episcopal districts during the year: First, \$14,339.14; second, \$16,374.89; third, \$16,705.46; fourth, \$15,422.55; fifth, \$14,076.03; sixth, \$20,588.45; seventh, \$20,074.50; eighth, \$16,228.70; ninth, \$16,205.55; tenth, \$11,410.35; eleventh, \$16,408.35; twelfth, \$25,367.30; thirteenth (West Africa), \$364; fourteenth (South Africa), \$4,650.

The money passing through the department known as dollar money, being raised in subscriptions of \$1 each. The dollar money collections during 1908-09 amounted to \$182,397.11; \$198,540.25 was raised during 1909-10; and \$202,663.17 in 1910-11. During the four years Dr. Hurst has been financial secretary the total dollar money collections amount to \$790,825.51, the largest during any quadrennium.

Of this sum, 36 per cent., \$284,697.18, has been retained by the various annual conferences for the support of supernumerary ministers, widows and orphans; 10 per cent., \$79,082.55, turned over to the board of church extension; 8 per cent., \$63,266.04, used to help in the general educational work of the denomination, and the remaining 46 per cent., \$363,779.73, retained in the general treasury of the church to be used in paying the salaries of the bishops and general officers and in furthering the general work of the denomination.

Bishop H. B. Parks, chairman of the board, presided at the session. The members of the board are the Rev. A. L. Murray, Jersey City, N. J.; J. T. Jenifer, Chicago; Charles Bundy, Cleveland, O.; J. R. Ransom, Topeka, Kan.; R. V. Branch, Atlanta, Ga.; N. B. Street, Charleston, S. C.; W. T. Strong, Jackson, Miss.; J. M. Conner, Little Rock, Ark.; P. C. Hunt, Houston, Tex.; A. J. Kerashaw, Tallahassee, Fla.; C. H. Shelto, Memphis, Tenn.; C. H. Johnstone, Liberia, West Africa; A. Fortune, South Africa.

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, 1915.

The matter which follows is a memorandum of the meeting of the committee appointed to nominate a committee to arrange for a second international conference on the negro in 1915.

At the final session of the international conference on the negro, at Tuskegee, Ala., the task of appointing a committee to carry out the suggestions of the committee on declarations to provide for a continuance of these international meetings was referred back to the original committee with power to act.

This committee agreed to name Dr. Booker T. Washington, who served as presiding officer of the first conference, and Emmett J. Scott, its secretary, together with Dr. Hollis B. Friswell of Hampton, Va.; Robert E. Park of Wollaston, Mass., as members of this committee, and authorized them to add three others to their number, these to serve as a permanent executive committee of a general committee, referred to further on, for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements for a second international conference on the negro, three years hence.

It was agreed that this general committee shall consist of the members of the executive, including the three others to be named, together with the members of the committee on Declarations and other members to be nominated by the executive committee within the next twelve months. As finally constituted, it is intended that the general committee shall represent, if possible, all the countries in which the negro constitutes any considerable portion of the population, as well as all the interests that are concerned in any way with the education, moral or religious, of the negro, or the investigation and study of negro life, or the employment of negro labor.

J. R. Williams, Director of Education of Jamaica.

W. I. Thomas, Professor of Sociology, University of Chicago.

Maurice B. Evans, Representative of the British-African Society, London, England.

James Denton, Principal of the Fourah Bay College, Sierra Leone, Africa.

Isaiah B. Scott, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Monrovia, Liberia.

Washington Harper, Representative from Barbadoes, B. W. I.

Robert E. Park, former Secretary of the Congo Reform Association in America.

A STEP FURTHER.

"Yes," said the male half of the cabaret team, "we do a sensational dance."

"Ah!" remarked a friend. "The grizzly bear?"

"No. We call it the cinnamon bear. It's so much spicier."—Chicago Evening Post.

No man thinks he can be inconsistent—therefore all reasonable women should banish the very thought.

LIFE CONDITIONS OF THE NEGRO IN THE CITY AND IN THE COUNTRY

From time immemorial it has been fashionable to exalt conditions of living in rural districts over conditions of living in city districts. The country districts have their charms and their disenchantments and the city districts have theirs. Some people prefer the one and some the other, but which of them is best is a question as old as the eve-lasting hills of Jacob and as young as the last hill thrown up by a ground-mole. In his address at the Carnegie hall meeting of the Men and Religion Forward Movement Dr. Booker T. Washington said:

"So long as the negro in the rural districts is fed upon the old worn-out theological dogmas, instead of getting from the pulpit inspiration and direction in practical work of community building connecting religion with every practical and progressive movement for the improvement of the home and community life, so long will he forsake the land and flee to the city. If we would save the negro, 82 per cent of whom, as I have said, live in the country, he must be taught that when the Bible says: 'The earth is full of corn, potatoes, peas, cotton chickens and cows, and that these riches should be gotten out by the hand of man and turned into beautiful church buildings and a righteous, useful living."

"When I was in London, England, recently, I found that the churches and other philanthropic agencies of that city were spending \$50,000 annually not to keep people on their feet and help them to make greater progress in positive, constructive directions, but to save the drunkard, the gambler, the loafer, the pauper and the destitute after they had fallen into the ditch. Happily the negroes in America have not as yet fallen into the ditch; and I pray that, as a result of this great forward movement, a way may be provided, through the negro church and Sunday school, that the negro while it is yet a new, fresh and vigorous race, may, as the old plantation hymn puts it, be kept 'from sinking down.' In the rural districts the negro, all things considered, is at his best in body, mind and soul. In the city he is usually at his worst. Plainly one of the duties of the church is to help keep the negro where he has the best chance."

This view of the question is as plainly and bluntly stated as possible; there are no frills on it; it is reduced to a matter of every-day life and the commonplace things of it, such as better health conditions and food and air and water, and the like; things that go a long way towards making life worth living, but by no means affording it opportunities for the higher cultivation of the mind, that has cravings of its own, independent of the cravings of the body, which insists upon having the daily portion of corn pone and bacon and greens, and such other lumber as make blood for the heart. But the country life is a failure that does not furnish more than this, which does not provide the intellectual food the mind must have or wither, leaving the man an animal with a brain, with only the blood of foodstuffs in it, out of which may come all manner of savage thoughts and acts that are beastly in the eyes of men and the law.

The farm conditions of New England and the west have been brought to the highest possible condition of acceptability as to schools and churches and homes, with libraries here and there, but the inducements have not been sufficient to keep some and daughters of farmers from deserting the old home for the attractions and advantages of city life and the greater opportunities for making fortunes and enjoying to the most the cravings of the mind for refined associations and entertainments. It is possible to be had at any price in the country districts of the best sort. Nor have those conditions, on the other hand, been strong enough to allure from the cities the labor required by the farmers of New England and the west, even at wages that make farming unprofitable to the farmers when conducted on the largest and most expensive plan. Farmers within a hundred miles of New York and Philadelphia are unable to keep their grown children on the farm or to secure the necessary labor at fair wages to take their places properly to conduct their farming operations.

Farm conditions in the southern states are worse still, and less attractive and remunerative than in New England and the western states. That it is best for the negroes that they stick to the country districts as laborers and buy farms of their own as fast as they can be admitted by all who understand the race problem at all; but, during the past twenty years there has been a steady movement of negroes from the country districts to the large cities of the south, while hundreds of thousands of them have gone to Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago, where their conditions of living are harder, more difficult even, than in the cities of the south. Here the cruel Moloch grinds them to powder; only the best of them survive, one in ten perhaps, and that one is not always a strong and useful member of society.

Some will stick to the country and some will flee to the cities. It is the same with whites as with blacks. It is up to the thoughtful negroes in the cities and in the country districts to

do all that is possible, of themselves and with the assistance of others, to make the conditions where negroes are found in numbers as clean, healthful and progressive as those of their white neighbors, to the end that they may get the most out of living for themselves and for the nation. What Dr. Washington has done personally and with the aid of others through Tuskegee to improve negro farming conditions and home life is one of the brightest and most helpful pages in negro uplift work. As an example to others it is inspirational.—New York Age.

NEGRO BANKS

NO CAUSE FOR GENERAL FEELING OF ALARM BECAUSE SEVERAL COLORED BANKING INSTITUTIONS HAVE FAILED RECENTLY.

By reason of the failure within the past three months of three negro banks, the prophets of ill omen are having their inning, and are voicing their pleasure in the saying: "I told you so!"

However, there is no cause for alarm. Failure, like death, has always been in the world, but despite that fact, men are still brave enough to live.

There is nothing miraculous about the failure of a negro bank. It would be felt, however, if none of the men failed. The negro is handicapped by lack of experience in a business way. This experience can not be imparted by the schools, nor derived from books alone. It must be acquired at first hand. We've got to get in the game just as the other folks have had to do, and if we blunder while trying to effect an entrance it might not be to our surprise. It is not the bank that on one occasion he was soliciting funds from a rich philanthropist for a business venture. The philanthropist offered to advance \$50,000 on condition that a white man be placed at the head of the concern. Dr. Boyd refused the offer, saying that he preferred to take a much smaller sum to be handled by negroes.

"Let us have what you can," he said, and we'll take it and waste it, and in the process we'll learn how to use it, just like you all had to do."

The colored banker has to pilot his way through reefs and rocks, and many of which are often hidden. He is sympathetic—a quality fatal in business. He finds it hard to turn a man down who puts up a good front and thinks he will be able to make good when the notes fall due.

The colored banker has not yet developed into the bloodless business man who is equally concerned and indifferent as to whether you lose a day from work or lost your entire family by death. Further, the colored banker has only a narrow margin on which to do business.

Fifty per cent of the people to whom he has to look for support have no money, and among the other fifty per cent there are boss "knockers," "croakers," "fluence men," and others who know not Joseph if the latter happen to be black. However, the march upward is a necessity; it may be checked temporarily by a passing failure, or a business error, but it must move on. There is no other way out. We are surrounded by big business; we are living in the dawn of a new era. There is only one way for us to be a factor in this great industrial awakening and that is to mass our means. We have got to corner some of the dollars in a way that they will be forced to abide awhile among negroes. We recently heard a lecturer give this striking illustration of the cumulative force of a dollar at work. An old colored woman works a week and at the end she takes what she can spare of her money—say a dollar—and deposits it in a white bank. While she is leaving a Dago, or Jew, comes in and borrows that dollar. He buys groceries with it for his store and next week sells those groceries to the old lady who had deposited the dollar, and makes a profit. The man from whom he bought the groceries takes the same dollar and buys coal—from a white man—and this latter makes a profit. The coal man needs dry goods for his wife and takes this dollar and spends it with a white merchant, who, of course, makes a profit; the white merchant needs medicine and goes to a white druggist, buys it and this latter makes a profit. The druggist takes the dollar to a butcher—white, of course—and he makes a profit. The butcher needs some circulars printed to advertise his business. He takes the dollar to a white printer shop, whose proprietor does the work, and makes a profit. The dollar continues in this charymed circle, yielding a profit for everybody except the negro. The old lady does not share in the profits, but she gets a big dividend of consolation at the thought of having money in "de white folks' bank."

We've got to break into that financial circle, not as an offense against the white man, but as a defense for the negro.

TOMATO BUTTER.

Scald 20 pounds of ripe tomatoes and remove the skins. Put them in a porcelain-lined kettle or stone crock with 4 pounds of apples, pared, cored and quartered; stand them over a moderate fire and cook slowly for one hour, stirring frequently to prevent sticking. Add 8 pounds of sugar, the juice of six lemons and some green ginger, sliced. Cook the mixture until it becomes thick. When cold put it in tumblers.

WHEN WIVES WERE CHEAP.

There is living in Horsham at the age of eighty-five a remarkable old man called Henry Hurstow—by hard necessity a shoemaker, by taste a singer of songs and a ringer of church bells. Evan now he can sing any one of forty songs that he knows by heart. Mr. Hurstow occasionally reinforces his memory with stories told him by his father, and so on go back to 1880, when a man sold his wife at the November fair for \$4. He himself can well remember that in 1844 a lady known as Pine Toe Nanny was brought into the market place with a halter round her neck and sold for 80 shillings to a man who parted with his watch to raise the price. Nanny changed hands again a year afterward and married one Jim Smith, with whom she lived happily ever after.—Country Life.

Discord is a root and its branches always spread broader and more mischievous.

SPAIN ENTERS CLAIMANT FOR BOXING TITLE

SPANISH MUSICIAN WHO STANDS 7 FEET 10 INCHES AND WEIGHS 425, LOOKED UPON AS MOST FORMIDABLE "WHITE HOPE."

New York—Fight promoters are looking over a new giant that has arrived in the United States, in the hope that they might find a "White Hope."

The giant is Fermín Arrudi, a Spaniard musician, who is 7 feet 10 inches in height and weighs 425 pounds. Senior Arrudi modestly admits that he might be induced to take a "crack" at Jack Johnson.

He is said by his friends to be one of the strongest and gentlest of men. When it comes to feet Senior Arrudi can probably exhibit the largest on record. From heel to toe his foot measures 17 inches, so that a man wearing a No. 12 shoe would appear rather small. His hands are enormous. He wears a tight-fitting golf ring through which a 50-cent piece can pass with ease. His wrist measures 9 inches and his hands from the wrist line to the top of the middle finger measure 11 inches.

The biceps of Senior Arrudi are 16 inches in circumference when relaxed, and 20 inches when he doubles his fist. His chest measures four feet five inches with an additional six inches of expansion. His fist measures a little more than 16 inches when clenched and he can drive it through a board fence without difficulty.

Capable of lifting a thousand pounds from the floor without straining, Senior Arrudi easily lifts a man of 170 pounds off the floor by placing the fore and middle finger of each hand under the man's arms. A boy he picks up with the thumb and fore finger and holds him at arm's length. Two double beds are required when he sleeps in comfort, and he lies across both at an angle. Even then he must double himself up or suffer his feet to go uncovered, as no double blanket covers him when he is stretched at full length.

Six inches a Year.

Senior Arrudi was of normal size in his early youth, but at the age of 14 years he began to grow. His growth was six inches a year for several years. He worked on his father's farm until his great size began to attract attention, and then he went to South America, where he made his living by singing and by playing a guitar. When he was in Buenos Ayers a watchmaker gave him a watch with a 6-inch dial, which is about the size of an ordinary alarm clock, and he uses this at all times. His cane is five feet high and weighs 20 pounds.

The giant eats three times what the normal man does. When he is real hungry he makes a meal of a leg of mutton with five or six dozen eggs not to speak of various vegetables of which he is fond. He drinks about a gallon of wine without feeling it in the slightest. One day, in Argentina, he spent a few hours on a ranch, and there was nothing to eat except eggs. He ate 11 dozen and regretted there were no more, for he was still hungry. Senior Arrudi is married and has a daughter 9 years old.

SAVANNAH NEGRO FINDS ANCIENT SPANISH COIN

Savannah, Ga.—A colored man named Hamden has created a sensation in Savannah by bringing into the city several ancient Spanish coins of gold, and offering to sell them. He sold one to the Spanish consul for \$16, and sold one to a gentleman for \$20, to be used as a watch charm. The coins are known as Spanish "onzas," because they weigh nearly an ounce each.

The negro says while walking through the woods east of Savannah he found one of the coins, and digging into the earth brought 400 of them to light. The find is worth easily \$8,000. Hamden is very secretive about where he found the money fearing some one will take the coins from him. Those he sold were dated 1735 and 1782, respectively. He says he found them near an old battle field, west of the city.

NEW BAG IN SASH RIBBON.

Roman or fancy striped sash ribbon is used in the making of a bag which, when widely opened, measures a quarter yard in width and a half yard in length. This extreme length is intended to accommodate elbow gloves when out folding them and wells that are doubled from the sides only. Against the inner sides of the case are sewn two full length pockets, each one taking full the width and their mouths meeting at the center of the foundation strip of ribbon. Through the tops of these bags is run an endless chain ribbon which when drawn taut forms a hanger and also transforms the case into a flatiron-shaped bag with fluffy looking sides. This case is quickly put together with machine stitching and it is one of the little niceties which help to keep the small accessories fresh.

APPLE CUSTARD PIE.

Make very smooth apple sauce (it is best pressed through a vegetable ricer), sweeten well. To each cupful add two eggs beaten light and half a cup of fresh milk; flavor with nutmeg, vanilla or cinnamon. Bake without upper crust. This recipe makes one pie. Delicious served with whipped cream.

REPORTING IT LITERALLY.

A certain congressman, who was aware of his own ability to talk, was somewhat startled at the notice which appeared in a paper in a town where he spoke at some length one night. The notice read: "Congressman Blank made an excellent speech last night and this morning."—Buffalo Commercial.

Old maids are so particular that it will take them more than one year to choose a martyr.

NOT SUFFRAGETTE NOW

LITTLE GIRL LOSES DISDAIN FOR THE BOYS.

Conversion Comes Through Disaster to Her Doll When She Undertakes to Throw a Brick at Marauding Dogs.

"Do you see that little girl?" asked the old bachelor, as he leaned upon his gate and halted me in my morning walk. "Yesterday she was all for woman's rights, but today her views are of a different complexion."

He nodded toward a four-year-old who was wandering with lonely and disconsolate air along the edge of the sidewalk.

"She lives in that little shack over there, and she hasn't much to play with, but she's well brought up and her mother has taught her to flock by herself and not chum with street boys and girls. Some one gave her a doll and doll buggy, and she's been out with it every fine day as proud and happy as a queen. She's scared to death, though, of two small dogs that live across the street and come sniffing around her and her baby. The boys, too, tease her sometimes, but they throw stones at the dogs and chase them away."

"Yesterday she was pushing her buggy along and singing to herself when the dogs ran out. She halted and watched them approaching. Then she made up her mind she'd chase them herself instead of squealing for the boys."

"So she stood in front of the buggy and picked up a piece of brick. It was pretty heavy for her, but she threw her arm back the way she'd seen the boys do and hurled it with all her might. She shut her eyes tight as she threw, so as not to witness the annihilation of the dogs. I guess, and probably she thought the crash that followed was the breaking of their bones, but when she opened her eyes the enemy was unburnt and coming right on. Then she turned to fly, but when she looked into her buggy the yell that arose brought people to the windows for a block around."

"She had thrown the brick behind her and smashed her doll toinders."

"Her mother came and bore her off, walling at every step, and today she is quiet, as you see, but it is plain her heart as well as her doll is broken."

"Yesterday I thought I would teach her how to throw stones, but today I've changed my mind. I'm going to get her a new doll. I think she'll leave the dogs to the boys in future."

Walls That Don't Transmit Sounds.

Experiments have recently been carried out in Germany with the object of discovering methods and means for rendering walls and ceilings capable of effective resistance to sound transmission. One of the more recently devised methods involves the use under the ceiling, or parallel to the wall, as the case may be, of a network of wire stretched tightly by means of pulleys secured into adjacent walls and not touching at any point the surface to be protected against sound.

Upon the wire network is plastered a composition formed of strong glue, plaster of paris and granulated cork, so as to make a flat slab, between which and the wall or ceiling is a cushion of confined air. The method described is said to be good in two respects: first, the protective and protected surfaces, and, secondly, the colloid nature of the composition recommended for the plaster.

Keeping the Children Amused.

A delightful way to amuse children, and incidentally their parents, is by illustrating a fairy story, the title of which is guessed by those watching the performance.

Select a well-known story and divide it into short parts, or acts. Then let the children act the various parts in dumb show, using gestures without speech, which are not hard to teach very small children.

The idea is a good one for bazaar or school entertainments, where a public performance can be the climax of several rehearsals.

If possible, dress the little actors in costume and let the performance be given to the accompaniment of suggestive music that will help them make the right gestures at the proper time. Without having to think of lines to recite, children learn positions and gestures very quickly.

Why the Boy Waited.

An elderly man, clad in an immaculate suit of black, was seated on a bench in the park enjoying the lovely spring day.

A small boy lay on the grass not far away and stared intently at the man. For a while the man said nothing.

"Why don't you go and play with the other children?" he asked at last.

"I don't want to," the boy replied.

"But it isn't natural for a boy of your age to be quiet. Why don't you go to?"

"I'm just waitin'," answered the boy. "I want to see you get up. A fellow wanted that bench about fifteen minutes ago."—Harper's Magazine.

Used Fraud to Gain for Charity.

A strange psychological phenomenon is disclosed in the case of Sister Candide, a French nun who was recently convicted of swindling Parisian jewelers in order to raise money for charity. She systematically secured jewels of great value and then pawned them, using the money thus raised—over \$1,000,000 in all—to carry on various charitable enterprises. She apparently did not realize the gravity of her offense, and sentence was suspended by the court.

Picture by Telegraph.

A miracle of modern science was performed the other day in Berlin by Professor Glazen, who transmitted a picture in fifteen minutes from Berlin to Monte Carlo, where it was received at the long-distance photography station by Professor Korn. The photograph, which was one of the Prince of Monaco, was so good that it was exhibited at the Casino the same evening.

CITY NEWS

Garden Tools—Dawson's Hardware.
Mr. Earl Webb, of Buxton, has been employed in our city and will remain indefinitely.

Miss Nellie Kellis of Keokuk, who has been visiting in our city, called at the Bystander office Wednesday.

Miss Emerald Hamilton has accepted a position as book-keeper and stenographer in the office of the Bystander.

Mr. C. S. Stewart, one of our oldest and most respected citizens, is seriously ill at his home on East 15th street.

The G. U. O. of O. F. will meet in regular annual session in Keokuk, Iowa, the 4th Tuesday in August, and continue three days.

Mesdames Wells Fowler, H. T. Elliott, and Mate Clark, the Grand Matron, made a pleasant call at our office last Saturday.

The Bystander office received a very pleasant call from Mrs. Francis Bland, of Keokuk; Mrs. Ruth Bright, of Davenport; and Mrs. Lizzie Green, of Burlington.

Mrs. Will Small of Buxton and Mrs. Calvin Cary were guests of Mrs. Roans and Mrs. Watson for dinner Sunday. Mrs. Small is the guest of Mrs. Cary while in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Henderson, of Seattle, Wash., is spending several days in our city with an exhibition fruit car. They are active people in the coast city.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson entertained at dinner last Sunday. Mesdames Wells, Fowler, Mate Clark, H. T. Elliott, of Ottumwa; and Mrs. R. N. Hyde, of this city. A very enjoyable time by all.

Mr. Lennie Roberts who has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cary for the past three months, returned to Buxton to take up his trade as blacksmith in one of the Buxton shops. We wish him success.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGuire have opened up a very fine cafe and lunch room at 211 West 9th street. It is a first class place and from present indications it bids fair to be a success. Our race should give them a call.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith of Pierre S. D., have shipping a massive State Monument to our city to be erected at the graves of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDaniel who lived at 844 6th avenue and who were the life-long friends of Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Lizzie Elmore of this city received a message of the death of her niece, Miss Effie Buford, who died in Los Angeles, Cal. The body will be taken to Minneapolis, Minn., for burial. Mrs. Elmore left to attend the funeral this week. She will visit awhile with her sister, Mrs. America Simm, of Minneapolis.

Princess Oziel Chapter No. 9, Order of Eastern Star will celebrate Easter Day with appropriate exercises at Maple Street Baptist church Sunday, June 2, at 3 p. m. All members of the order in good standing are cordially requested to meet in the reception room in the rear of the church at 2 p. m. to complete arrangements for the exercises to which the general public are invited.

The Bystander was favored by a pleasant call from Mrs. Peter King of Burlington, Iowa. Mrs. King was attending the state meeting of the O. E. S. She is one of the strong active ladies of the state. They own one of the most beautiful homes in Iowa and is noted for christian culture of high standard. She is a credit to the race.

The Birthday club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Lee, 1165 1st street Thursday, May 23, in honor of her birthday. A very enjoyable time was reported. The club gave her a beautiful decorated set of Havlin china cups and saucers. The program consisted of a paper by Mrs. Cousins; recitation by Mrs. Smith. The contest prize was won by Mrs. Drew 1st and Mrs. Small 2nd; after which a three course dinner was served. Monthly meeting at Mrs. Henderson, 3025 3rd street, June 1st at 2 o'clock.

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Attorney S. Joe Brown, Grand Patron of the O. E. S., visited Slouss City last Wednesday, where, with the assistance of Mrs. Ruth B. Bright, of Davenport, Grand Matron, Mrs. Jennie Johnson, of Davenport, Grand Warden, and a number of other visiting members of the Order who happened to be in Slouss City, he was successful in reorganizing Naoml Chapter No. 7, which has been dormant for some time.

Twenty-three delegates left Des Moines Monday evening for Slouss City to attend the annual meeting of the federated clubs of the state. Mrs. J. B. Rush, president of the Iowa federation, headed the delegation. Among those who went were Mrs. S. Joe Brown, chairman education committee; Miss Marie L. Bell, chairman arts and crafts committee; Mrs. E. B. Elliston, music; Mrs. George Wells, president D. Y. W. Y. K. Art club; Mrs. C. B. Woods, president H. B. S. R. C.; Mrs. J. P. Hamilton, state treasurer; and Mrs. Thornton Graves, Dramatic Art club delegate. Others who accompanied the Des Moines party were Mrs. Hattie Hutchinson, Buxton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lela Roberts and Mrs. James Smith, of Buxton; Mrs. Robinson, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Jennie Johnson, Davenport; and Mrs. Cora Cooper Williams, of Clinton.

The Federation of Negro Republican clubs of Polk county met recently and indorsed the following candidates: Lieutenant governor, C. H. Van Law; secretary of state, Ed Van Duxyn; auditor of state, J. L. Bleakly; treasurer of state, W. C. Brown; representatives, F. S. Shankland and W. S. Fraley; sheriff, Ed Sunberg; clerk of the district court, Joe Maher; treasurer, G. L. Dobson; auditor, James Parker; recorder, Mrs. W. Dodson; superintendent of schools, Mrs. Jennie Steele Huegle; coroner, William O'Donoghue; constable of Des Moines township, A. L. Smith; justice of the peace, J. L. Conroy and Ben Hitz; Crocker township, justice of the peace, Anthony Burrell and William Austin; constables, John Smith and Robert Davis; trustee, Henry Madden; Douglas township justices of the peace, Harry Allen and G. W. White; constables, J. E. Osley, George Lewis and Lindsay Crowder; supervisor, First district, Harry L. Barquist.

Mowers sharpened—Dawson's.

ALBIA NEWS.

The Sewing Circle club met at the home of Mrs. Chas. Washington on Monday afternoon. After the business of the meeting the hostess served a very nice repast.

Mrs. R. F. Lewis and daughters, Misses Mildred and Ora Lewis, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Ottumwa. They were called there by the death of Mrs. Davis.

Mr. Henry Bowman is sick again. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson and son Ben of Hocking spent two days of this week in Albia.

Saturday Constable Roman picked up a man and woman drunk on the streets and put them in the Albia county jail to wait trial.

Mrs. William Gordon and children of Duffy spent a few weeks in Albia and returned home Friday.

Mr. Walter Bealy of Albia visited over Sunday in Hocking at her mother's. Rev. Butler of Buxton was in Albia on business Wednesday.

Jake Wilson of Buxton was in Albia Tuesday.

Mrs. Tena Turner of Buxton passed through Albia enroute to Ottumwa with Mr. Turner who has been quite ill.

Mr. Richie, now of Buxton, has remodeled his house and will move to Albia in the near future.

Mrs. M. F. Ward entertained at six o'clock lunch Sunday evening Mrs. G. A. Davis and Mrs. Bessie Grayson and son Ben.

Quite a number of strangers in Albia the past week.

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SOME OF THE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE IOWA GRAND CHAPTER OF THE O. E. S.

Last week we could not run the cut with the write-up of the Grand Sessions, so we here present them.



Ruth B. Bright.
Mrs. Ruth B. Bright, the newly elected G. W. M., is from Davenport. She is well experienced in both lodge and club work. She has been G. Lecturer, Grand Secretary and D. P. G. of the Illinois O. E. S., and P. G. M. of the Grand Court of H. of J. of Iowa, president of the City Federation of the Women's Clubs of Davenport.



S. Joe Brown.
Attorney S. Joe Brown, of Des Moines, is the newly elected Worthy Grand Patron. While he is young in the Order, yet he is interested in the work of the Order.

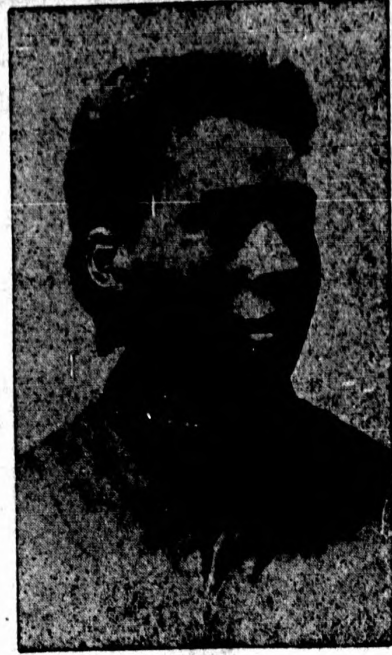


Carrie Clark.
Mrs. C. Clark, of Ottumwa, is the Past G. W. M. She is the one who has developed and made possible

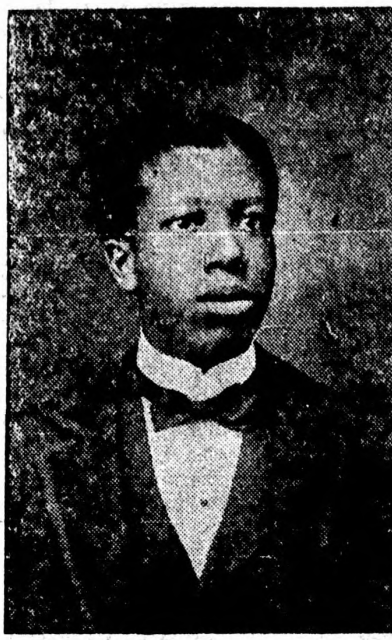


E. T. Blagburn.
Mr. E. Tracy Blagburn, of Des Moines, is the newly elected W. G. Associate Patron. He is one of our

It would surprise you to know of the great good that is being done by Chamberlain's Tablets. Darius Downey, of Newburg 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.



Emma Milligan.
Mrs. Emma Milligan, of Cedar Rapids, was re-elected W. G. Treasurer. She is one of the charter members of Electa Grand Chapter and a very useful and active worker. She is P. W. M. of her local lodge.



Elizabeth Green.
Mrs. Elizabeth Green, of Burlington, is the newly elected G. W. & M. She is Past Grand of Esther and Electa lodge; also a member of H. of J. of Iowa and is an active club worker.

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.

MORE SENATORIAL COURTESY.

(Washington Special to Des Moines Register and Leader.)

A story went the rounds here today and is known to be correct, disclosing some more about the tendency of Senator Kenyon and Senator Lea to broaches of senatorial "courtesy." Last summer when the Lorimer investigation committee went to Chicago, rooms had been engaged by the assistant sergeant-at-arms of the senate at the Annex hotel at \$6 per day each for the senators and general parlors for \$15 a day. Senator Kenyon protested against the extravagance and so did Lea. The committee had a heated session and the upshot was that Senator Kenyon took rooms elsewhere at rates he deemed reasonable and about half what the committee set out to pay.

The committee kept the parlor, but as a result of Senator Kenyon moving out the hotel reduced the rates of the rooms occupied by the balance of the senators and reduced the parlor also. Senator Lea was called to Tennessee by his wife's illness and so did not join Kenyon in moving out. The action of Kenyon and Lea in protesting against the extravagance of the committee, it was learned, stirred up resentment on the part of the other senators on the committee similar to the feeling aroused on the part of the log-rolling senators when Kenyon and Lea attacked the public building graft. The story of the row over extravagance for hotel rooms in Chicago was known to a few there at the time, but lately has become more widely known here.

FOR THE LIVING VETERANS.

Senator Kenyon in the U. S. senate: These men with broken constitutions are standing in the twilight hour waiting the last summons. When ten years shall have passed away no more will the old soldier be seen upon our streets, and, except in rare instances, he will be a memory. It is commendable to raise monuments to them when they are gone and to place flowers upon their graves; but food upon their tables in life is far preferable to flowers upon their graves in death. It is far better to give them the necessities of life, to make easy their few remaining years, than later to erect great monuments to their memory. May the time never be that upon those monuments should be inscribed, "They were neglected by the republic they saved."

PLAIN TALKING MEETS APPROVAL.

Omaha Bee: It has been a long time since the senate listened to words as plain and pungent as those Senator Kenyon spoke in behalf of the minority report on the Stephenson matter.

"Why mince words?" he demanded. "Everybody 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 remains—the seat was purchased."

Pretty plain talking, that. But none too plain. Why, indeed, mince words in a foolish attempt to explain away facts as palpable as those that stand out in the case of Senator Stephenson? Let the senator retain his seat, if need be, for he only followed a system that other men before him had for years followed, though, possibly, on a little less elaborate scale, but admit the facts and make a record of the admission so that the case becomes an actual precedent for the future. It has, anyway, and men will not be spending \$107,000 for a seat in the senate after this.

The Iowa senator's speech was refreshing to the country, whether or not it was to his colleagues who took several months to patch up a report in behalf of the Wisconsin man which they could persuade themselves to submit for record.

DENOUNCED WASTE AND EXTRAVAGANCE.

Waterloo Reporter: Senator Kenyon of Iowa combed 'em hard in the senate a day or two since. He was out of patience for the cry of economy only when it came to giving the old soldier a dollar a day pension. He pointed out waste and extravagance in other lines, with no cry of economy, that ought to have made the evading cries blush with shame. Why all this fuss, anyway, concerning the pension of the old soldier? There are only a few of the boys left, and the few are becoming fewer with each passing year. Uncle Sam owes them more than he can ever pay, and the most liberal treatment should be accorded with a smile the case warrants.

Senator Kenyon and his compatriots failed to save the dollar a day pension bill, but his indictment against wasteful extravagance by congress in other respects is worth the telling and remembering. He pointed that congress had raised the salaries of its members and of the president; entered into an expense of hundreds of millions of dollars for the Panama canal, and had even retired Robert E. Peary on rear admiral's pay for discovering "something known as the north pole, which no one cares about."

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.

WHO TO VOTE FOR.

As there are more than fifty different candidates asking the republican voters next Monday for their vote for the different state, county, township and district office, and it is rather difficult for the average voter to know the best man for the several places, hence, we herein publish all of the candidates for each office, who has announced his name through the only Colored Journal in Iowa. Thereby showing the colored voters that they appreciate you and solicit your vote and aid, though the colored names and select for yourself, then go to the polls Monday and vote your choice. You don't have to be registered to vote at the primaries for state office.

State.
U. S. Senate, vote for Hon. W. S. Kenyon.

In the gubernatorial contest, the leading candidates are: Hon. Geo. W. Clarke, lieutenant-governor, and Senator A. V. Proudfoot; both are splendid men, worthy of your vote. For lieutenant-governor, see Sen. C. H. Van Law, of Marshalltown, and W. L. Harding, of Slouss City. Both are young men, splendidly equipped for the high places. For secretary of state is Hon. Ed Chasell, of Le Mars, and Ed. Van Duxyn, state labor commissioner, of Des Moines; both are good men. You can make no mistake on either of them. For auditor, John L. Bleakly is the man. For treasurer, W. C. Brown is the one to support. For attorney-general, the present incumbent, George Conson, is alright. For state superintendent, Prof. A. M. Deyoe is the man to vote for. For railroad commissioners, Chris Ottosen, of Ottosen, and N. S. Aetchem, of Marshalltown, are the only candidates. They are both well qualified and will treat my race fair and each ask your support. The Polk county candidates for county offices: County auditor is Harry Frisk and James Parker, both nice young men. Each stand well with our race and they ask your vote. For county attorney, Thos. J. Guthrie. For coroner, James M. Lee and Wm. O'Donoghue are fine young men, each well qualified and will not doubt be fair with us. For county recorder, Mrs. Frank Dodson and Mrs. Caroline Young Smith are the leading candidates. Each is well qualified. Mrs. Dodson has proven herself a true friend to our race by appointing a colored person as a clerk in the office and Mrs. Smith has positively assured the colored people that she would give our race representation if elected. Therefore use your best judgment. For Clerk of Court, Joseph P. Maher is the logical candidate. For treasurer, a great contest is on between Geo. L. Dobson, John L. Hamery, Wm. H. Brereton and P. H. Martin. These men are all good, well qualified and we are assured from each that our people will be given representation in said office. For superintendent of school, Mrs. Jennie Steele-Huegle, Miss Pearl De Jarnette and H. W. Herrick are the candidates. They are each worthy of your support. For sheriff, Ed Sun-

berg, John T. Griffin and Charley Temple are the leading candidates and will give our race justice and not attempt to draw the color line, as has been done by the present incumbent. For justice of peace of Des Moines township, John T. Conroy, P. H. Ryan and Ben J. Hitz are all good, well qualified and as you have a vote for either of the above named men will do. For constable is A. L. Smith, the only colored man, Dan McNearney, J. W. Newman, L. M. Young. There are two to be elected and those are the ones who have asked your vote through your paper. They are each good men. Justice of peace of Lee township is Edwin Frisk and Paul Anderson. So vote for them as they are your friends.

Editor Bystander:
I would be untrue to my own ideas of both personal friendship and race loyalty, should I fail to say just a word through the columns of your valuable paper by way of endorsement of the candidacy of Senator C. H. Van Law, of Marshalltown, for the office of Lieutenant Governor, to which he aspires to be nominated at the primary election on June 3rd.

I have been well acquainted with Senator Van Law since the year 1895, at which time he and I set side by side in the class room as fellows students in the State University of Iowa, and even at that time I, though a poor, Negro boy, working at menial service, found in him a personal friend, as well as a young man of strong, moral courage and sterling Christian character. During the past eleven years that I have been in the practice of the law I have, on various occasions, met him in a professional way; and have found that notwithstanding his professional and political achievements, his attitude toward me has not changed, nor has he weakened in his zeal for the support of the cause of right justice toward all men, regardless of race or color. It is evident, therefore, that we, as a race, can make no mistake in supporting Senator Van Law for the office of lieutenant governor both at the primary election in June and at general election in November.

Yours for the Race,
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CLINTON.
Recent advices from Rev. G. W. Slater who has spent some time in the east lecturing, are that he will be in Clinton some time this week for a visit with his family, after which he will visit some of the towns in Iowa.
Miss Nellie Calloway a short time resident of Buxton, spent a few days recently with Miss Murda Beason, on her way to Chicago where she expects to make her future home.
Miss Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Culbertson entertained a few of her friends recently in honor of her 15th birthday.
Clifford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Culbertson who has been on a trip on the Morning Star to Cincinnati and other river points was at home this week.
There has not been much of interest going on in Clinton in the past two weeks, so we can not give any lengthy notes this time.
Mrs. Geo. Robinson and children are in Huntsville, Mo., called there by the serious illness of her sister-in-law.
Please bear in mind, that your subscription is due.
Bessie, the young daughter of Mrs. Alantha Stewart was bitten one night by a dog last week; not dangerously, we are glad to state.
Give us your name as a subscriber.
Mrs. Wm. Henderson was on the sick list last week.
Louis Alexander is reported as being confined to his home by illness. We hope he may be out again soon.
Rev. G. W. Slater was expected to read his great lecture "The Modern Dance" Wednesday evening of this week, but on account of not being able to reach the city in time, it is postponed indefinitely.

Van Duyn for Secretary.
The friends of Mr. Ed Van Duyn, who is a candidate for secretary of State, say that Mr. Van Duyn's prospects for his nomination is growing fast and expect to see him receive the nomination next Monday. He is the present labor commissioner and will be fair with all classes of people.

KEOKUK.
It is with a degree of sadness that we report the death of D. W. Anderson, a prominent and highly respected citizen of Keokuk, who died Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at his home, 1111 Fulton street. He was a faithful and enthusiastic member of the fire department and his death resulted from injuries received while performing his duties at a fire, nearly three years ago. His illness was not of the kind to keep him confined to his home and he was not of the species to fold his hands in the spirit of despondency. He was a faithful member of the union. In the Baptist church he was a leader in his church and a speaker of no mean pretensions and he will be greatly missed. He survived by his wife, Emma, Anderson, also one sister, Julia Bentham, of Keokuk. He was also a member of Union Lodge No. 1 of Keokuk. The funeral was held from the Union Baptist church, corner 13th and High streets, Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, the Rev. Bowles of Ft. Madison, officiating, who paid a glowing tribute to the life of the deceased. The Rev. J. Brewer also assisted in the service. A large concourse of sorrowing friends gathered to pay their last tribute of respect. The remains were borne to Oakland cemetery in the horse reel, where he was gently laid to rest. There was a profusion of flowers.
Mr. Banks, of Des Moines grand master of the Masonic grand lodge of Iowa, and Mr. Woods, also of Des Moines, attended the funeral of D. W. Anderson.
Miss Sykes, of Fairfield, Iowa, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nellie, Carter, 14th and Franklin streets.
Little Mason Grigsby Johnson is quite ill. Friends hope for a speedy recovery.
Miss Francis Reeder takes this method of thanking those who so kindly subscribed to the Iowa State Bystander during the contest.
Mrs. Reta Ashby, who was operated upon some time ago at St. Joseph's hospital, has so far recovered as to be able to be removed to her home.
Mrs. M. E. Dixon was elected grand lecturer, and Mrs. Mary E. Bland grand recorder at the Iowa Grand Chapter, which convened in Des Moines, last week.
The Rev. and Mrs. Brewer and their daughter, Winnifred, returned home Saturday night from Kansas City, Mo., where they attended the wedding of their son, who was accompanied by Dr. Dielma, a native of Africa, who gave a lecture Tuesday night at the church.

Mason City, Ia., May 22, '12
At the home of the brides parents Mr. and Mrs. John D. Reeler, P. & O. addition occurred a very pretty home wedding, when Miss Edna Marion Reeler was united in marriage to Mr. B. O. Stratton, son of S. B. Stratton of Worth county, Iowa. The Rev. F. D. Woodford of the Memorial Union church officiating. The bride wore a white Marquise and carried white sweet peas. The same flowers decorated her hair.
Miss Ella Stratton the bridesmaid wore a white silk dress, she carried flowers in her hair.
Mr. E. R. Stratton, a brother of the groom acted as the best man. Miss Laverna Carter served as ring bearer, bringing the gold circle on a cushion of pink and white apple blossoms.
The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reeler and has made Mason city her home since she was 4 1/2 years old. She attended the public schools here and is a young lady esteemed and highly regarded by all those who know her. The groom is a farmer living near Manly, he is well known among the people and his many friends join in their good wishes for him and his bride.
Immediately following the ceremony the guests were invited to partake of an elegant wedding breakfast, which had been prepared for them. There was two long tables, apple blossoms and white carnations used in the center of the tables and at each plate a lily-of-the-valley placed. Cards lay with names of all that was present.
Mr. and Mrs. Stratton received a number of costly gifts from their friends, which with their other expressions of good will, will start them off on their new journey most happily.
Mr. and Mrs. Stratton will enjoy two weeks honey-moon in Des Moines and points in the west. From there they will go to their new home at Manly.
The wedding was attended only by the immediate relatives. Those out of the city being Mrs. Dover and Mrs. Anderson, cousin of St. Paul, and Mrs. Lillian Taylor of Marshalltown, Mrs. and Mrs. S. Stratton of Manly, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones of this city, Mrs. Hunter of St. Paul, Miss Velva Stratton of Manly, Miss Mabel Stratton, Manly, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stratton of

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Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Dover of St. Paul are visiting Mrs. J. D. Reeler of this city. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones visiting her parents of Manly over Sunday.
We wish to remind our readers of the candidacy of John W. Newman for constable of Des Moines township. This young man has the indorsement of the majority of the business men of West Des Moines and is fully qualified for the office he is seeking.
Mr. Newman has lived in Des Moines all his life and belongs to one of our pioneer families.
Don't forget to cast a vote for John W. Newman and put a man in office who will be a credit to the office and the republican party.

Hamery for Treasurer.
We present to our readers the name of Mr. John L. Hamery, of this city, who is a candidate for treasurer of Polk county, subject to the primaries. Mr. Hamery was born 41 years ago; a self-made man, educated in the public schools, graduated from the Normal School of Minnesota, and later from Drake University liberal arts; also from Drake Law Department. He has never before asked for a county office. He was city commissioner for four years. He believes in a strict business administration of the office and securing the best rate of interest of the money; also efficiency in the office. Mr. Hamery is well qualified and will make an excellent treasurer. He is a friend to the common people and to the colored people, who are struggling to make good. He is in sympathy with them. He solicits your vote and help next Monday.

Stewart for Member of Board.
We present to our readers the well known citizen, John M. Stewart, of Lee township, or East Des Moines, who is a candidate for Member of Board of Supervisors. He was born in Polk county 5 years ago. He was street commissioner four years and always employed colored help. He has never held any elective office yet. He is an active republican worker. He is and has always been a true friend of the colored race and if nominated and elected will treat all classes fair. He solicits your vote.

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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.

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. VREELAND.

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

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.
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KENDALL FOR CONGRESS.
Our many readers will no doubt be pleased to see Hon. Nate E. Kendall of Albia the Sixth District Congressman who is a candidate for his re-nomination. He is so well known to his district and has so ably represented the district that his friends believe that he is entitled to return to Congress. He was the Congressman who knocked a drunken white man down on the streets of Washington last winter who insulted a colored lady. He is a true friend of our race and merits the continuation of your support.

OTTESEN FOR RAILROAD COMMISSIONER.
Our good friend Chris Ottesen earnestly solicits your vote next Monday for Railroad Commissioner. He is working hard and has friends in Iowa are asking the republicans to vote for him.

MRS. SMITH FOR RECORDER.
Mrs. Caroline Young Smith who is a candidate for County Recorder says that there was a typographical error in the printing of the Bystander clipping on her circulars unknown to her until her attention was called to the omission but that she intends to stand absolutely by her statement as published in the Bystander her many friends ask your support and vote. You will never regret voting for her.

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. EVERETT.

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

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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.

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Des Moines, Ia., May 24, 1912.
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which Rev. Gordon gave a short talk in regard to his early days as a minister. Rev. M. G. Newman of Okaloosa was present and made a few very interesting remarks.
Mr. O. Gooch was baptized Sunday morning by immersion by Rev. M. I. Gordon. There was also baptism by sprinkling in the evening at the church.
Mrs. Mary Jane Johnson, 506 Meadow street, was born in the state of Alabama, June 3, 1840 and departed this life May 29, 1912 at 2:10 a. m. She joined the A. M. E. Bethel church of Chicago when a very young girl and has been a devoted member of same over forty years. She has been a resident of Ottumwa, Iowa, for twenty-five years.
Mrs. Johnson leaves to mourn her loss three children, Mrs. Ida E. Davis and Mr. John C. Clelan of Ottumwa and Mr. William McClelan of Memphis, Mo.; eleven grandchildren a sister of Parkdale, Arkansas, two nephews, three nieces and a host of friends. Funeral services at Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church Wednesday afternoon, May 22, at three o'clock.
There will be a night meeting of the Benevolent club with Mrs. Lewis Greaver, this being the last meeting before the Federation.
The organ club will give a box social at the Second Baptist church Thursday evening.
Mr. John Harris has not improved very fast since he entered the hospital. We hope to give a better report next week.
Miss Gustave Parnell who entered the hospital last week is getting along nicely at present. Miss Parnell has the tonsillitis.
Rev. Rhinehart has returned home from a visit in Fairfield, Iowa.
Mr. S. D. Jackson returned to his home in Okaloosa for an over Sunday visit. He expects to return here the first part of the week.
Mrs. M. F. Clark and daughter, Mrs. W. H. Thompson left Monday afternoon for Des Moines to attend the grand chapter. Mrs. Thompson will visit in Newton before returning home.
Mr. Harry Spotts is quite ill at his home on East Main street.
Mrs. H. T. Elliott left Monday afternoon for Des Moines to attend the grand chapter.
Mr. Eliga Miller is in Ottumwa to remain indefinitely.
Rev. Lester was in Ottumwa over Sunday.
Mrs. Wells Fowler is attending the grand chapter which convenes in Des Moines this week.
The Stewardesses of A. M. E. church will give a bazaar Monday evening, May 27. Aprons and other pieces will be sold. After the program, refreshments will be served in the lecture room of the A. M. E. church.
Mrs. John Cheshire and daughter, Mrs. Luther Williams and Mrs. Emma Gardner will leave Sunday evening for Sioux City to attend the Woman's Federation. Mrs. Cheshire and Mrs. Williams will be the guests of their daughter and sister Mrs. B. F. Abner.
Mrs. John C. McClelan is on this week's sick list.
Delegates have been selected to attend the Sunday school convention which convenes in Okaloosa in June.
Mr. Robert Thomas of Eldon was a guest of Mr. John Cheshire last Tuesday evening.

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At Lincoln, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.
Topeka—July 20, 21, 22.
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Topeka—August 8, 9, 10, 11.
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At Lincoln, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.
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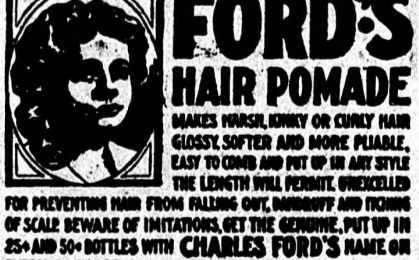
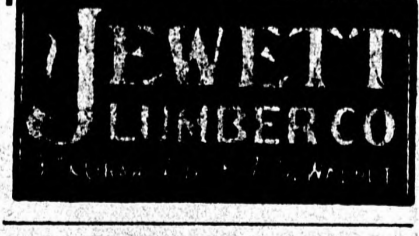


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