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## CITY NEWS

Mrs. Jeff Davis who has been spending several months in Omaha returned home last week.

Mrs. Mary Findley, who has been very sick for nearly eight weeks, is able to be out again.

Miss Deboeah Barber left for a few days' visit with her parents at Evans. She will visit her brother at Buxton before returning.

Editor John L. Thompson was called to their father's home in Decatur county by the illness of his father, Andy Thompson.

Mr. Wm. W. Warren, wife and daughter, Bernice Smith, of Kansas City, Mo., arrived in our city to attend the funeral of Mrs. L. Denney.

Mrs. C. A. White of Burlington, Iowa, moved to our city last week to make this city her future home. Her family consists of a daughter, who accompanied her here.

Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Irvin entertained at dinner last Saturday Dr. Sampson Brooks of St. Louis, Mo., Rev. B. U. Taylor and Mrs. Sargent Jackson.

The Asbury M. E. church at 777 W. Eleventh street will hold its baptismal services Sunday evening at the close of the regular services. All candidates are expected to be present.

Last Monday evening Rev. and Mrs. Bates and Rev. M. J. Burton were entertained at a 7 p. m. dinner at the home of Mrs. S. Smith and daughter on East Twelfth street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Preston entertained at their home on Arthur street. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Drew at 6 o'clock dinner. A lovely four-course dinner was served.

The Get Busy club of Maple Street Baptist church gave a box social at the church last Tuesday night. Owing to the rainy night the club realized a neat little sum of \$2.80.

Pres. Mrs. V. Rodgers, the Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates were entertained at dinner Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, 1209 E. Twelfth street and Scott avenue.

Rev. J. W. Morton, pastor of the Baptist church in Council Bluffs, Iowa, was a Capital City visitor. He has moved his family from Orab, Mo. to this city to live this winter. The Reverend says that his work is improving out there.

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Look out for the miscellaneous program that will be given under the leadership of Mr. Elbert R. Hall at the Maple Street church Thanksgiving evening, beginning at 8:30 p. m. Come, one, come, admission 10c. Dinner all day and in the evening.

Mrs. Martha Anderson, the mother of Mrs. Findley, was called here on account of the illness of her daughter. Mrs. Anderson lives in Georgetown, Mo., She expects to return home after Thanksgiving.

**CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.** Sunday, November 17. Morning service at 10:30. Let us see all on time. Sunday school at noon. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30. We hope for a great day. Blind Boone concert Thanksgiving night. T. L. Griffith, Minister.

The Birthday club met in a business meeting with Mrs. C. S. Cary, 2715 Oxford. They took up the study of Parliamentary Rules from last meeting. Adjourn to meet with Mrs. Charlie Thomas on Thirty-seventh street.

At the meeting of the Intellectual Improvement club at the residence of Mrs. E. Patten last week Mrs. C. C. Johnson led the discussion of the "Political Outlook" which was participated in by all the members present. Mrs. Emma Pyre was also present and addressed the club. The meeting this afternoon will be with the president at 1058 Fifth street.

**THE LYCEUM.** On account of the storm last Tuesday evening the meeting of the Lyceum was postponed one week, hence the same program will be carried out at the residence of Mrs. Hazel Cousin, 2816 Fourth street, next Tuesday.

The Rev. M. J. Burton while in the city was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates. The Rev. M. J. Burton left Tuesday morning for his home in Keokuk, Iowa. The Miss Eldora Burton, the daughter of Rev. M. J. Burton, was also the guest of Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates on Saturday and Sunday to accompany her father, the Rev. Burton. The Miss Burton, who is here attending the Baptist college. The Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates entertained Sunday evening last Mr. G. Bowles of Fort Madison, Mrs. J. Couch, Mr. W. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davis, Mr. W. Carter, Rev. M. J. Burton.

There will be a bazaar by the ladies of the Sewing Circle of the Corinthian Baptist church at the church November 12, 14 and 15. There will be a program each even-

ing. Tickets are 10 cents and will admit to one or all of the entertainments.

The East Side A. M. E. Mission has changed its name from the Grant Mission to the B. F. Lee Mission and they have purchased the old church owned by the Friends on Lyon between 16th and 17th streets and will take full possession about the 15th of December, when their quarterly services will be held. On next Sunday they will hold services in one of the rooms of the Emerson school on 16th and Maple streets. All are invited.

The Union Congregational church are entering into a little rally to repair their church of its leak and pay off the small debts that have been standing several years. The rally to end the first week in December with a bazaar to last one week, which is the first week in December. Small soliciting of the bazaar program will be published later.

Gus Watkins, superintendent of Union Sunday school, with the aid of active Sunday school workers, are taking on new enthusiasm and new interest. The school is going to take a trip to Palestine in two ships with two captains, to see which ship will arrive in Palestine first. The captains selected last Sunday are L. J. Shelton and Miss Mayre I. Bell and on next Sunday each captain will announce the members of the school that will compose their ship cargo.

Mrs. J. R. Drew, Mrs. H. Walden and Mrs. C. S. Cary entertained fifteen of their friends at a masquerade party Halloween night at the home of Mrs. C. S. Cary, 2715 Oxford street. The dining room was lovely, decorated with autumn leaves and Halloween lanterns. A large pumpkin with carved faces stood on a battenburg, which formed the centerpiece of the table. The guests were served a Dutch lunch by Mrs. Chas. Thomas and Mrs. J. R. Drew. The down town guests departed in autos.

Miss Ontario Cary was hostess to many of her young friends at a Halloween party at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Drew, 255 Sheridan avenue. The rooms were decorated with all colors of beautiful decoration paper. A large jar of American Beauties formed the centerpiece of the dining room table. The guests were served a two-course lunch by the hostess, assisted by Miss Deboeah Barber, Miss Permelia Cary and Miss Barber. Miss Jones and Mr. Yancy presided at the piano. The guests departed with many thanks and good wishes to Miss Cary.

Mrs. Harry Lewis was hostess to the Birthday club Halloween day. The ladies were out in Halloween gowns. The program was: Reading by Mrs. Delinger, subject "Why We Have a Birthday Club"; reading by Mrs. Cottoms, contest by Mrs. C. S. Cary, the one writing the most correct names of our presidents in three minutes; first prize, Mrs. H. Walden; second prize, Mrs. Cottoms. After the program the ladies went to the dining room, where the table was laid with fine linen and silverware. They were served a lovely four-course lunch.

Last Sunday, November 11, the Maple Street Baptist church of Des Moines celebrated the fifth anniversary of their pastor, Rev. S. Bates' pastoral work, which was enjoyed by a large crowd of members and friends and well wishers of the church. The program that was rendered beginning at 3:30 p. m., with Rev. T. L. Griffith master of ceremonies. Song by the Maple Street choir. Scripture reading by Rev. Lee, pastor of Burns M. E. church. Prayer by Rev. S. Bates. Song by the choir. Sermon was preached by Rev. M. J. Burton, the state missionary of Iowa and Nebraska, who preached an able sermon, which was enjoyed by all. Song by the choir. An able paper was read by Mr. Elbert R. Hall. Subject, Labor and Learning, which was highly commended by all. A paper on the "Growth of the Maple Street Church" which was well prepared and which was well delivered. Address on behalf of the deacons was made by Deacon J. B. Ashtager. The Rev. Dr. Griffith, pastor of Forest Avenue church, was present and made a fine address. Talks on the club's work were made by the following persons: On behalf of the Pastor Salary club, Mrs. Emma Pyre was also present and addressed the club. The meeting this afternoon will be with the president at 1058 Fifth street.

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### EDITOR'S OBSERVATION.

It does seem as though each week for the past month something more important must be printed and my observations left out, as the observations are placed on cold storage and will keep over until the next week and yet old to the writer. However, I shall soon finish them for this year. From Moberly we went to Centerville, Mo. Here we found about 400 colored people living. Some are doing well. Mr. John Thomas is still working at the same place. He owns his home. Mr. B. H. Dixon owns a nice home, doing well. Ode Pearson is one of the old citizens, very influential and well-to-do. He is a good race man. Mr. Wm. Birnham is another highly esteemed, well-to-do citizen. Mr. J. W. Washington owns a nice home. In Mexico, there lives fully 2,000 colored people, many doing well. Thomas Leonard is still engineer at the gas plant. He owns a beautiful home and is well fixed. John Smith is a mighty good citizen, well liked. He owns a nice home and is one of the influential citizens. Our old friend, Thomas Bass, the greatest educated saddle horse trainer and high school class horses in the world, lives here. He owns some very beautiful homes and some valuable high school saddle horses. When I was there he had just returned from an inter-state fair circuit, including the state fairs of the middle western states, where he won first prizes at all. He had about fifteen horses with him. He owns nearly fifty head of those graded horses and they sell all the way from \$1,800 to \$3,000 apiece. He employs many stable men, and while he is away his amiable and businesslike wife superintends the home. His boy is a student in the Lincoln Institute at Jefferson City. I wish I could give my readers a picture of the loving cups, silver vases and gold medals that he has in his large glass case in his home. There are thousands of dollars wrapped up in those prize souvenirs. Mr. W. W. Gibbs is another substantial and influential man of this city. He owns a nice home and has a fine family. He is a credit to any race. Mr. J. H. Hayes is one of the old reliable citizens, well-to-do. He owns a beautiful home on the corner of E. Brackett and Walnut streets. His wife is a very interesting lady, a first class milliner, who runs a shop of her own. They had just returned from a visit to Louisville, Ky., Mr. A. C. Bodine and S. W. Williams are highly esteemed citizens. Mrs. N. C. Caldwell and Belle Curry are also respected ladies of this community. The churches, three in number, are doing fairly well considering the season.

### BUXTON BRIEFS.

Mr. Joshua Miller received the sad news of the death of his sister, who died in Birmingham, Ala., November 4. He left for that city last Wednesday. Messrs. Jones, Baker, Ward, and Pendleton spent another day in the woods last Saturday hunting. They were successful in getting eleven hares. They gave ten of them a chance to run, but the last one was shot by Ward, who said he would take no more chances, but would get the meat. Mrs. Thomas Liggins returned from the hospital at Des Moines last Saturday, but is not doing so well at this writing. Gordon Patterson was crushed by a four-ton motor in the mine last Friday and died from his injuries Sunday morning. It is not known just how the accident occurred, but it is thought to have been unavoidable. The funeral was held at Mt. Zion church Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. F. B. Woodard. The Buxton Sunday School Union held its regular meeting at Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday afternoon. As usual, the meeting was good and full of enthusiasm. The special musical number was rendered by Mrs. W. Lee, organist of St. John's church. Mrs. S. B. White read a splendid paper subject, "The I Am's," found in Jno. 5:1-5, and what they meant to the Sunday school teacher. Miss Ruth Lowery led in the discussion. Mrs. Samuel Burkett entertained the Mt. Zion Mission Circle last Thursday, at which time a very splendid meeting was held, at which the hostess served a dainty luncheon. The Progressive Woman's club was elegantly entertained in the beautiful home of Mrs. C. R. Foster last Wednesday. Mrs. Foster is chairman of the Executive board of the club and with her hearty co-operation, it entertains hope for success. Mrs. Nora Reasby returned from Des Moines to remain indefinitely. Miss Fannie Braxton, who spent several months in Des Moines, is in the city for a short stay. W. A. Brown, agent for Howard-Severance Co., has on hands one of their splendid Bible encyclopedias, that formerly sold for \$9.75, that can be purchased for \$6.00. The book is in excellent condition. Some one should have it in their home. News came to us that Ed. Green, while cranking his machine in Chicago last week, had his arm broken. His many friends here hope for him a speedy recovery. Editor Thompson is in the city this week in the interest of the paper. The new secretary for the Y. M. C. A. is expected to be in the city to take charge of the work about December 1st. It is hoped that the work will then take on new life. Miss Rose Ray, who has been on the sick list about three weeks, was seen on the street Tuesday. Tabernacle Church News. Rev. Mendenhall is still on the sick list. His members and many friends are wishing for him a speedy recovery. Rev. L. G. Garrett preached at the morning hour last Sunday and Rev. Lee preached in the evening. Rev. Lee of Lovilia will be in the city about two weeks visiting friends. The choir is progressing nicely un-

der the management of Dr. Willis and Miss Bertha Allen.

Mrs. Sarah Bryson is on the sick list.

Mr. Clarence Taylor left Sunday for Chicago to remain indefinitely.

The Lily May club, under the direction of Mrs. Lulu Edenburg, was entertained by Willie Belle Darden last Saturday afternoon at her home Sixteen, East Tenth street.

Mrs. Alice Poe is on the sick list. Mrs. R. G. Potter, president of the Sunday School Union, visited our school and made some very encouraging remarks.

The Mission Circle will meet in the home of Mrs. Laura White Thursday, November 14th. All members are requested to be present.

The Sunday School has begun to make preparations for its Thanksgiving program.

Mrs. March of Otumwa visited the churches of the city in the interest of the Orphans home. She was given a nice collection of \$14.25 at Mt. Zion church and received \$4.00 from our church.

Mrs. Allie Parked spent two weeks pleasantly in Bloomfield, Iowa, visiting friends.

The entertainment given by the church at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday was a success.

The Literary society has changed its meeting from Monday to Thursday night. The president is asking everyone to come out next Thursday and hear Hon. N. E. Kendall, who will deliver an address. Refreshments will be served. Admission 10 cents.

The Mission Circle served dinner last Tuesday at the church, which was a financial success.

Anyone desiring crocheted handbag or anything in that line will call on Mrs. S. B. White, who is in that business, and will be glad to serve you. Prices reasonable.

Mrs. Sallie Darden entertained in honor of Rev. Lee at dinner last Sunday.

Mr. D. F. Whittaker is in the city making an effort to give the people of Buxton a neat, clean newsy weekly paper. While we realize it is an uphill business because of the failures of those who have preceded him, to give the citizens of Buxton what they desire, yet we hope for him success. We cannot afford to turn every man down because some have gone before him and failed. Give him a chance to prove himself. Take his paper, read it, give him your news, and help to make the paper a success, which can only come by our co-operation.

**A. M. E. Church News.** Rev. Wharton has completely recovered from the flu he had last week.

Rev. Parker filled the pulpit last Sunday morning and preached a soul-stirring sermon.

Several of the ladies of the Missionary society have received some beautiful post cards from their former president, Mrs. Ida Butler, who is now a resident of Aurora, Ill.

The Sunday School Union held their meeting at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday afternoon. A very nice program was rendered.

The Missionary Circle met at the home of Mrs. Massy, Number Eleven West Third street, Wednesday morning. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Wharton, the president, Mrs. Alberta Lee, being absent on account of illness.

Miss Essie Oliver has returned from a visit to the Capital city.

Rev. Wharton departed Monday morning for a few days sojourn in Chicago.

Mrs. Thos. Liggins has returned from the hospital, feeling much improved.

Mrs. J. T. Johnson of Number Twenty East Fifth street, is suffering this week from a severe cold.

Don't forget your tickets for the play, "The Lady Masons" Thursday evening to be given by the Missionary Circle.

Mrs. Spears visited with her daughter at Bolton Sunday.

Miss Bertha Allen, the music teacher, is suffering with a severe cold.

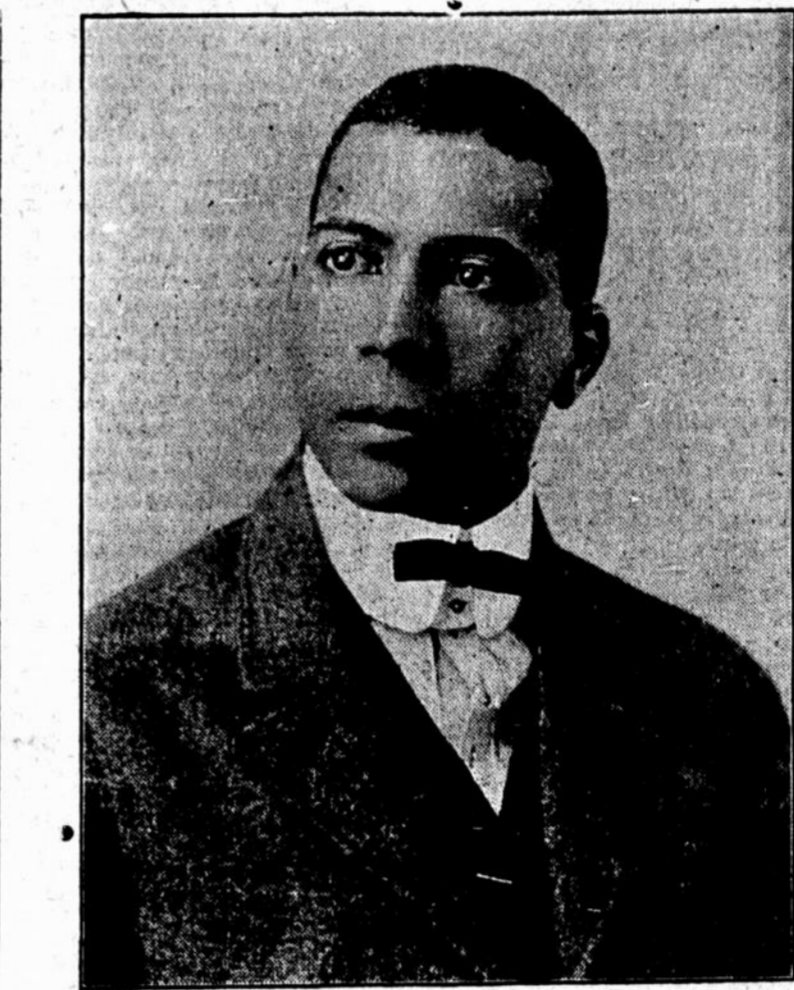
Mrs. Edna Burton of Number Twelve visited with Mrs. W. M. Lee last Monday.

Miss Martha Lucas has been confined to her home for the past two weeks with a sprained ankle.

The Y. M. C. A. boys are decorating the gym for the reception of the new members. It will be a swell affair. Mr. Potter, our boys director, is putting forth every effort to entertain the boys. The swimming pool is in good condition and all kinds of games will be played.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our circle one of our charter members, Mrs. Levenia Denney, Be it resolved that we, the Harriet Beecher Stowe club, extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives and commend them to God, who doeth all things well. And be it further resolved that a copy of these condolences be spread upon our minutes, a copy be sent to the bereaved relatives and a copy to the Iowa State Bystander. We shall meet, but we miss her; There will be vacant chair, When we gather round our fireside, When we breathe our evening prayer. Mrs. Albert Gates. Mrs. G. I. Holt. Mrs. J. F. Massey.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.** The former second hand store owned and run by Mr. William Price on North Eighteenth street, this city, Centerville, Iowa, we wish to inform the public that a company has been organized, composed of colored men of this city, to run a store at the same stand for the purpose of doing business on a larger scale. We will keep on hand a full line of household goods, such as cook stoves, heating stoves, ranges, gasolene stoves, oil burners, cooking utensils, kitchen ware of all kinds, dishes,



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### ALBIA NEWS.

Mr. William Grayson left Albia on Wednesday morning for Seattle, Washington.

At the parsonage on Wednesday evening, occurred the marriage ceremony of Mr. Smith and Mrs. Washington. Rev. R. B. Manly officiating. And on Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Smith invited a number of friends to their home on North Main street, where lunch was served and a very enjoyable time was had.

The Moore Mite Missionary society held their monthly meeting on Sunday evening. The names of new officers were read. Mrs. R. B. Manly, president, Miss Ora Lewis, secretary, Miss Mildred Lewis, organist, Mrs. Allie Bowman, president of program committee. The program for the evening was a solo by Mr. Donald Thomas, Recitation, Mrs. Robinson, Duett, Madame Henderson and Hayes, Paper, Miss Lettia Johnson, Quartet, Misses Maria, Francis, and Edith Thomas and Mr. Pearl Thomas, Reading of Scripture and receiving new members by Rev. R. B. Manly. Visitors, Mrs. Burns, Miss Young, Mr. Young, Mr. Osely of Hocking, Mr. Reed of Hiteman, Mrs. Gordon of Durby.

Sewing circle met at the home of Mrs. Nellie Esters on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grayson and son, Ben, of Hocking was in Albia on Saturday.

A number of strangers in town this past week.

**COUNCIL BLUFFS.** (Last Week.) Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Garrison were welcomed by the congregation to Bethel A. M. E. church. A well attended reception was ten-

dered the new pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church Monday evening at the church, corner of Sixteenth street and Avenue A. The best of spirit marked the reception of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Garrison, who have recently come from Chicago to assume charge of the church work.

An excellent program was rendered following a song by the choir. The invocation was pronounced by the Rev. Melton, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church. Miss Erma Davis sang a solo, P. J. Richardson on behalf of the official board and R. V. Robinson on behalf of the trustees, extended a cordial welcome and spoke of the good condition, announcing that it was competely without fault. Rev. Garrison responded, expressing his satisfaction at being permitted to be pastor of the church.

The organization of the A. M. E. Sunday school, with only twelve, and in two Sundays an increase of twenty-six is due to the fact that Miss Minnie Caves, our new superintendent. Miss Caves and her parents have recently moved here from Cheyenne. We would be pleased to see more of such good active people move in our city.

Mrs. G. H. Ashby is still visiting her mother, Mrs. Daniel Davis. The choir of the Bethel A. M. E. church cloeted its officers last Tuesday night. Mrs. S. Davis, chorister, Miss Erma Davis, secretary, Mrs. F. C. Walker, organist.

On next Monday night, the Tabernacle Baptist church will give a feast in the wilderness. The program for the evening will consist of speaking from Dr. Botts of the Mt. Zion Baptist church and the pastor from Mt. Maria. Also pastor from South Omaha. All are cordially invited.

Rev. Garrison is smiling because he has an Allen Christian Endeavor for the benefit of his young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davis entertained Rev. Garrison and wife at dinner Sunday.

Many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Robinson for their kind hospitality to our pastor and wife in their sojourn there, waiting for the arrival of their household goods.

Mrs. William Caves has been quite sick, but is improving.

**CENTERVILLE, IOWA.** We are glad to announce to the public the organizing of a company of colored men, who will conduct a second hand store on North 18th street. They are prepared to fill all kinds of orders along the lines of household goods and etc. The firm will be managed by Mr. William Price. Call and see their new and second hand goods.

Mrs. Bessie Grant entertained the daughters of Tabernacle at her home on West Garfield street last Wednesday evening. A large number was present and a nice little sum of money was realized from the refreshments served.

The marriage of Mr. Charles Wash to Miss Dorothy Barrows, was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hicks on East Jackson street, instead of North Eighteenth street. Miss Barrows has neither mother nor father living in this city, and we wish to correct the mistake of the paper in stating that the wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barrows.

Centerville's new reservoir is near completion and will soon furnish the city with the best water that Centerville has ever had in its history, as the filtering process is the latest out. The trustees entertainment at the Second Baptist church Saturday evening, the 9th, was a success, under the management of Mr. J. P. Gooding. Many people from Nuptic, Gladstone, Oraville and the Diamond were in, and a nice time was reported by all present.

Sunday was members rally day at the Second Baptist church. All responded to the call and a very large amount was given in both the evening and morning collections. Twenty-nine dollars for the day, which speaks well for the membership of this church, as it was only a 59 cent rally for the adult members.

Deacon Price was up and out to church Sunday for the first time in nearly two months. The members and friends were all glad to greet him after his long absence from the work.

Mr. Scott Richmond of North Main street was taken seriously ill last week, threatened with pneumonia, but with the proper medical attention, we are glad to see him up and able to attend church again Sunday evening.

Mrs. Clara Gooding will entertain the court of Calantha Wednesday evening at her home on North Twenty-second street.

Mrs. Wm. Wolf entertained at dinner Monday, Rev. Evans and family.

Rev. J. W. Evans will soon unite with the knights of Pythias lodge of this city. His former relations to the order was held with the Star of the West, No. 4, of Pueblo, Colorado. Knights of Pythias, we are glad to have him transfer his membership with us.

The Thanksgiving committees are getting busy now preparing for the big Thanksgiving supper that will be given at the church Thursday evening, November 22nd. Also a good program will be rendered by the Sunday school from 12 m. to 1:30 p. m. The pastor will preach a thanksgiving sermon at 11 a. m.

Mrs. A. L. Crittendon, the late superintendent of the Sunday school are preparing to give an entertainment for the children at the Second Baptist church, November 23rd. Come out and patronize the children, for they want to write old Santa in the near future.

**Sick Headache.** This distressing disease results from a disordered condition of the stomach, and can be cured by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Get a free sample at any dealer's and try it.

**FT. DODGE ITEMS.** Miss Letia Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hudson, 2017 Third avenue, South, entertained at a reception complimentary to Misses Mary Jane Reeves of Buxton, and Francis Roberson of Spring Field, Ohio, Nora Williams of Mason City, Dora Crockett of Kansas, May, Verdin of Omaha, Neb. A six course luncheon was served, after which music and dancing was indulged in.

Mr. Earl Comley of Webster City is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Buckner.

The Women's Mission Circle met with Mrs. Lucy Jones last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. J. Beasley entertained several of her friends at an eight o'clock Halloween supper in the honor of Mrs. Nelson of Enterprise.

Those on the sick list are Mr. C. Taylor, Mrs. S. Vertrel, Mrs. J. Broadies, Mrs. N. Terrel.

The Benevolent club met at the residence of B. Cranks last Friday night and had a large attendance. The club has a membership of fifteen.

Rev. Broyles spoke at the B. Y. P. U. meeting Sunday evening. He delivered us some good thoughts. He will preach at Bethel Baptist church Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Mission Circle gave an entertainment last Saturday night at the residence of Mrs. Lucy Jones, and was a great success.

Mr. Lonie Brooks of Des Moines was in our city Monday visiting his wife, Mrs. A. Brooks.

Mrs. Simons and daughter of Des Moines was an over Sunday visitor in Colfax, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Beasley.

Mr. L. Strother of Buxton was in Colfax last week attending to business.

Mrs. F. B. Brown passed through the city Monday.

Miss Ada Brom and Miss Eva Bell spent Sunday at Severs.

Rev. W. H. Clark was a Capital City visitor Sunday.

The Benevolent club will give a Thanksgiving basket dinner at the Odd Fellows Hall, November 23. As everything is free, the public is cordially invited.



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How many people whom you meet in everyday life observe as much as they ought?

If you think it easy, try this: Ask some member of your family about some object which they are accustomed to see. For instance, a picture, as, which way the head faces, right or left. Seven out of ten will be unable to tell correctly.

The writer filled the office of lecturer in the grange for some time, and for an experiment one evening asked a number of questions about the hall in which the meetings are held:

On "Observation night," as it was called, some sixty members were in attendance. For a starter they were asked which way the Indian head on the common cent faced, right or left. Only two could tell.

Two doors leading to a balcony were next brought to mind. A knob on one door opened both. They were asked on which door this knob was located. Two gave the correct answer while 55 gave the wrong door.

The number of pictures on the walls of the dining-room was next questioned. Not one, not even the janitor, could tell. They all gave nearly twice the correct number, which was twelve.

Is there a telephone pole squarely in front of the hall? was next asked. A brother said there was. Another brother said he thought it was squarely in front, but a little to the left. Both brothers were positive they were right and caused no little merriment for the rest. More merriment was caused by the report of a committee that the nearest pole was to the right of the hall.

All these objects had been seen by those present probably hundreds of times, but they hadn't noticed them enough to remember about them.

Now, dear reader, when you meet a friend on the street, just ask him which way the head on a five-cent piece faces, left or right. Ten to one he won't know.

Ask all your friends "observation questions," little things that they should notice. Before you are aware of the fact you will be observing many things you never noticed before, and you will enjoy life more for having noticed them.—American Magazine.

**That Story in Coal.**

Coal costs \$2.30 at the mines, says the Trenton Times. The miner and mine owner have taken their earnings or profits. Then comes the shipper, who puts on from \$1.70 to \$1.85 and turns it over to the railroad company, where another \$1.70 is added for carrying it about 100 miles. The retailer charges \$1.30 for unloading, screening, reloading, hauling and putting it into the consumer's cellar—often by means of bags. By adding these figures one may understand why he must pay \$7 per ton. The middlemen and the railroads get practically one-half.

**Hobson's Choice.**

An eastern man who was on a business trip stopped at the small hotel in a country town one day. He entered the dining room and was shown to a table by a waiter.

"Will you have some pork and beans, sir?" asked the waiter, as he brought the customary glass of water.

"No, I don't care for them," answered the man. "I never eat pork and beans."

"Dinner is over, then, sir," said the waiter, as he moved away.—Youth's Companion.

**Orchestra of Birds.**

To lie in the blind at the breaking of a late May morning and listen to the glad voices from the bird world upon the prairie is an experience a thousand times worth while. And here as I lay alone now, waiting for the return of the startled revelers, I had entertainment of another sort—the wonderful bird orchestra of the plain land in spring. It was an orchestra of twenty or more parts, and innumerable performers; a composition without end, and a melody that rose from every quarter of the plain and filled earth and air with a gentle, fairy-like humming and sweet murmuring. It was the love lyric of all the birds within the circle of the horizon, more deeply magical and full of the inner meaning of things than that of the wood birds whose songs are so much better known.—H. M. Laing in Outing Magazine.

**Her Mark Down Mania.**

Mrs. Benham—you are always making mountains out of molehills. Benham—And you are always marking mountains down to molehills.

**Difficulty Removed.**

Pa—Embrace me, Thora. Reginald has asked your hand in marriage. Thora—But I don't want to leave dear mother, pa. Pa—Oh, never mind that. Take her along with you.

**Next.**

Madge—How can you presume to make love to him when you're already engaged? Marjorie—Behave, my dear! The fellow's vacation must be nearly over.

**Tough!**

"More tough luck," whispered his wife. "Well, what now?" he muttered. "You know Miss Green never sings without her music?" "Yes." "Well, she's brought her music."

**Juvenile Idea.**

"Mamma, I know the difference between a poet and anybody else."

"Well, dear?"

"Anybody else says 'try,' and a poet says 'strive.'"

# NEW TARGET FIRING

## Warships to Fire at Actual Boats Instead of Canvas

Orders issued to Prepare Three of the Old Torpedo Craft of the Reserve Division for Service as Target Vessels.

Washington.—The Atlantic fleet in target practice this fall and next spring will make several important departures. These include:

Firing at actual torpedo boats instead of canvas targets in night practice. Firing actual torpedoes, minus explosives, at real ships.

Firing on the old San Marcos wreck at short instead of long range.

Heretofore the fleet in practice fired at targets made by hoisting screens of canvas on masts erected on rafts of heavy timbers, which were anchored on the range at various points, their exact location being unknown to the firing vessel. These screens were painted dark gray, with a white streak at the foot, supposed to represent the bow wave of an oncoming torpedo boat.

There were usually four targets, and the firing ship was directed to steam along a certain prescribed course. At a certain point, marked by anchoring another vessel, brightly lit up, on the range, the firing ship was permitted to turn on her searchlights and begin hunting for the targets, of which there were usually two on each side. When she found them the ship had a certain number of minutes allowed her in which to hit all four targets.

The targets this year will be genuine torpedo boats. Orders have been issued to prepare three of the old and out-of-date torpedo craft of the reserve division for service as target vessels. They will be built up amidships to give them the high free board and as nearly as possible the general appearance of a modern destroyer, and will be filled with cork to keep them afloat as long as possible, even though riddled with rapid-fire shells.

One ship from each class of vessels, that is, one dreadnaught, one battleship of the Connecticut class, one of the Georgia class, and so on, will do the actual firing. The entire fleet will form in column to come on the range.

As shown in the diagram (No. 1) the point for commencing fire is marked by a station ship. But, to assist in reproducing as nearly as possible the exact scenario of a night engagement, a flotilla of destroyers will be sent out ahead of the fleet to act as a screen, precisely as would be done in time of war, and these destroyers are expected to discover the "enemy" and report their presence just as they would under real battle conditions. The only difference will be that the destroyers themselves will not open fire.

The guns of the broadside battery will be allowed five rounds of ammunition apiece for this practice, and in addition a few rounds of the new 12-inch shrapnel will be distributed for use in the turret guns.

Shrapnel consists of a thin steel shell filled with a great number of steel balls, which are arranged around a small charge of powder called the "bursting charge." A fuse is attached, timed so that just before the shell reaches the target it bursts and scatters the steel bullets.

**BEAUTIFUL LANTERN SLIDES.**

A very beautiful work is being done at the agricultural department which is bound to be of benefit in public schools and ought to be copied abroad. Interesting teaching in nature study and botany is taught by Miss Susan Sipe in the public schools and demonstrated in a lecture with colored lantern slides. They are the most exquisite things the writer ever saw.

The slides contain pictures of tulips, narcissus, several species of iris and also orchids. Other flowers, cherries, wisteria, asters, chrysanthemums and many others of the same class. The first complete exhibition of these flower slides was held in a lecture at the agricultural department, with Jack Hilliers at the lantern and Mr. E. L. Crandall, photographer of the bureau of plant industry, who took the photographs and made the slides. These slides were photographed from the growing plants and many of them colored from the same models. The colorist is Mrs. Catherine Mayo Richardson. It is impossible to describe the infinite care with which the work has been done nor how exquisite these blossoms are as presented on the slides. Usually it would be a wonderful help to the schools of the country if they could be supplied with similar collections. At the exhibition which was given some 30 or 40 department experts and specialists were present, and they were united in declaring these lantern slides a splendid study for young children especially.

**KINGBIRD EXONERATED.**

Uncle Sam has granted a certificate of good character to the kingbird, sometimes known as the bee martin, a species of flycatcher which inhabits pretty nearly every part of the United States. The kingbird has been under indictment in many sections as a destroyer of bees and a foe to apiarists. Department of agriculture experts fully exonerate the bird of the charge of being a destroyer. They say that it kills only the drones and the useless bees, and is therefore a boon to bee raisers.

**Not Saying Much.**

Marie—Hans says I grow prettier every day. Gretchen—How horrid of him. Marie—I don't see that. Gretchen—Look what a fright he makes out of you at the start.—Manich Laistige Blätter.

**A Clue.**

Woman—I've lost a little boy, policeman. Bobby—What's his name? Woman (displaying a patch)—Well, he's a patch on his trousers like this.

# TO STOP COUNTERFEITING.

Robert O. Bailey, assistant secretary of the treasury, is trying to compile a list of the ten greatest men in American history, to carry out a new idea in the manufacture of paper money. Under his plan the face of some famous American would appear on a certain denomination of bill. His face and none other would always be there.

It has been the experience of the treasury department that bill makers and counterfeiters always have the most trouble with the faces of men on the bills. The new plan would make the raising of a bank note above its denomination an impossibility. No one could put a beard on the picture of Abraham Lincoln and make it look like that of Grant.

As there are ten denominations of United States paper currency, Mr. Bailey needs ten famous Americans. He made out a tentative list, and then came another rub. Should the great est of the great be placed on the bills of larger or smaller denomination? Mr. Bailey decided that since the smaller bills, although not the more popular, were more frequently handled and were infinitely greater in number, they should contain the engravings of the best-known men.

Here is the list as it stands now: George Washington goes on the \$1 bill. The next most handled bill is the one of the \$5 denomination, and Abraham Lincoln is down for it. Jefferson is slated for the \$2 bill. Coming down to more modern men, Cleveland gets the place on the tenth-of-a-century note; Hamilton, the father of our financial system, goes on the \$20; Jackson, on the \$50; Franklin, on the \$100; Marshall—not Governor Marshall of Indiana—on the \$500; Clay, on the \$1,000, and Grant, on the \$10,000 bill, the largest in denomination. This list, of course, is only tentative and is subject to change.

Under the new plan, we can expect to see the words "a one," "a five," "a fifty," and the like, to become obsolete. Instead we will be paying "a Washington and a Jefferson for a \$3 pair of shoes," or "a Jefferson for a \$3 pair of shoes," or "a Lincoln." Five or ten "Grants" would put us in Easy street.

**LANDMARK TO GO.**

Plans for the erection of a bust-nest block at the corner of Twelfth street and New York avenue will remove one of the most memorable landmarks in Washington. The landmark is a toy store where President Lincoln was wont to take his little son Tad.

The same little jumping jacks, the same little arks with Noah and his wooden family, and the same little horses and monkeys occupy the windows of the toy shop at 1208 that avenue, as when, half a century ago, it was the favorite resting place of President Lincoln.

It is the Stutz toy shop, the goal of little Tad Lincoln's desires. Here, when the burdens of the greatest war the world ever saw seemed too great even for his broad shoulders to bear, the president would go, taking little Tad by the hand and stealing forth from the White House by the back way, and here he would forget his cares of state, watching Tad and the general proprietor exploiting the various toys, oftentimes taking a hand in the play himself.

**TO ASK FOR \$13,000,000.**

Appropriation of \$13,000,000 will be asked of congress this year to cover the District's expenses. Last year \$12,429,935 was asked, but congress cut the estimates to \$10,675,833.50. About \$150,000 will have to be sprung from various estimates by the commissioners during the next few days. The budget was in the hands of the secretary of the treasury by October 15.

The largest item is the amount asked for public schools. The board of education and the commissioners agreed that \$3,100,000 would be the smallest amount to be demanded for the educational system. This includes an item of \$250,000 for beginning the construction of the new Central High school at Eleventh and W streets northwest, the total cost of which is estimated at \$1,250,000. About \$1,150,000 will be asked for the board of charities.

**Supplying Relic Hunters.**

The relic hunter is still broad in the land and his desire for the unique is fully met by several factories in this and other countries whose business it is to supply the demand of those who will not be "satisfied until they get it." Tomahawks by the thousands are turned out in Kansas City and are sent to the Indian reservations in the west, where they are sold to tourists, especially to foreign tourists. The manufactured article is said to look more archaic than the tomahawk made by hand. There is a relic factory at Valley Forge that runs night and day at this season turning out in a continuous stream broad swords and rusty gunstocks, pepperbox pistols, corroded bullets, blood-stained knee breeches, shot-riddled haversacks and other relics dear to the tourist's heart.

**Family of Prominence.**

A monument has just been unveiled in Meckenburg-Schwerin bearing the following interesting inscription: "To the Knight Godofroy von Bulows, authentic ancestor of all the Bulows." The family has given Germany many distinguished sons, including not only the ex-chancellor, but also Hans von Bulow, the pianist, the first husband of Mme. Cosima Wagner, and they all claim to be cousins, more or less distant.

**Unpardonable Offense.**

"Do you mean to say that policeman arrested a burglar and gunman in the wicked metropolis?" "Yes; the miscreant stole a dark lantern and a jimmy from another burglar who had a better pull than his."

**Foolish Girl.**

Daughter—Impossible! I will never marry Mr. Millions. He has hideous red hair! Mother—Heavens! What is hair? He has lost nearly all of it!—Puck.

# GREEK QUEEN IN PLEA TO WOMEN OF AMERICA

Gordon Rose, special correspondent of the Chicago American, wires his paper from Athens as follows: "I had the good fortune to travel on the steamer Praga from Brindisi to Corfu with her majesty, the queen of Greece, from whom I obtained an exclusive statement. Her majesty traveled with her usual lack of ostentation and was accompanied only by one lady in waiting and a courier."

It was many years since I had seen her, and I thought I could recognize in her strong, thoughtful face new lines, perhaps from the worries and cares of the past few weeks. Queen Olga, who is an aunt of the czar, carries herself as one would expect—a queen. Although dressed soberly in black, the only touch of lightness was her gray hair and the natural brightness of her face, which was illuminated by her smile of recognition.

Queen Olga spoke freely and declared that as a devout Christian she had a message for the women of Christendom throughout the world. She said:

"Greece does not fear to throw herself into the scale. She does not fear to meet Greece, like the other Balkan states, has a solemn duty, that of succoring Christian women and children and men suffering the barbarities of Turkish misrule. It is a strange phase of history that has made Greece the champion of Christendom, whilst the great powerful Christian nations stand aside, but this is not a question of politics—it is a question of humanity."

"War can hold no horrors as bad as those of peace under the Turkish flag. There will be many families in destitution because those breadwinners who have not carried the colors have come forward as volunteers. There will be many widows, many women weeping for sons who will not come back. Privation and perhaps starvation will be added to the empty chair of him who comes home no more."

"Greece will do all she can to aid her people in distress, but Greece is so small and the distress is so vast that her women will sell their jewels and finery to provide for the stricken. Just as they did in the last war. If the women of the great Christian nations who are not asked to sacrifice their men in this latter day crusade would but sacrifice the smallest fraction of their comforts and luxuries for a few weeks, then the men would fight with lighter hearts, knowing that their dear ones are not starving at home."

"Greeks throughout the world are filled with enthusiasm. From all over Europe and Egypt and even America every incoming ship brings a load of patriots. Their enthusiasm is solid. They do not cheer or shout on this grim business. They take it earnestly. If the enthusiasm and grit of the poor man who risks his all means anything, then there is food for reflection in the question of how much civilization has borrowed from Greece."

**RUDOLPH SPRECKELS A WEALTHY FOE OF GRIFT**

Since the conviction of Abe Ruef and his associates in San Francisco, Cal., on charges of political corruption and municipal graft, Rudolph Spreckels has become a leading figure in the fight for purer politics in many large cities in the United States. It was detectives in his employ who uncovered Ruef and his methods and it was his cash that backed the prosecution of the case.

Mr. Spreckels is a son of Claus Spreckels, who built up a great fortune in the sugar business, which figured recently in the investigation of the Sugar trust. He is a brother of John D. Spreckels, who is identified with a great many enterprises in San Francisco and along the Pacific coast and is owner of the San Francisco Call. Mr. Spreckels inherited much of his wealth but even now, in addition to his business, he finds much time to devote to politics and to the driving out of crooks and grafters wherever they may be found.

**Women Students in Germany.**

Nowhere in the world have the universities a more masculine outward aspect than in Germany, and yet, if we may judge by recent statistics, feminism is surely gaining ground even in these strongholds. It is now only four years since women were by law allowed to study at German universities. Now they represent five per cent of the incorporated students. Berlin counts 845 (by far the largest number); Bonn, 255; Goettingen, 224; Munich, 188; Heidelberg, 165; Freiburg, 149; Breslau, 124; and Leipzig, 103. To this total it is necessary to add nearly 1,800 unattached students, making the grand total of women students in Germany 4,500. The majority are Protestants or Jews. Very few are Catholics. The courses of study most in favor with them are philosophy and history.

**A Strong Character.**

"Mrs. Twobles is a very superior woman." "I know she has great personal charm, but why do you say she is superior?" "Because she is the only woman in our neighborhood who didn't get excited over Mrs. Vanderbilt's latest blow-out at Newport."

**Foredoomed.**

"Dobbs seems to think he's a man of destiny." "Yes. His wife's it."

# KING OF ITALY ASPIRES TO TITLE OF CAESAR

It has been announced in Rome that King Victor Emmanuel of Italy has decided to assume the title of "Emperor of Rome" in the near future.

Should Victor Emmanuel assume on his own motion the title "Emperor of Rome," he will invest himself with a designation that even Julius Caesar, its first wearer, took only after it had been voted him by the senate. And if there is anything in a name, the Italian monarch will push farther into the center of history's spotlight than Tiberius and Claudius, who, politicians of acumen, refused to prefix "Emperor" to their names.

Were pre-Caesarian Rome alive and should Emmanuel take the field personally and administer a thorough whipping to the Turk, the title undoubtedly would come to him in due course by the hand of the comitia curiata.

In the earliest usage the title first was awarded magistrates. In strictness it was more an epithet than a title. Toward the end of the Roman republic, however, it had become rather a special title of honor bestowed by the acclamation of a victorious army on their general, or by vote of the senate for distinguished services.

The last man to wear the imperial crown of Rome with any degree of legitimacy was Romulus Augustulus, who assumed it A. D. 475, and beset by the barbarian invader, was glad to cast it aside in the same year.

Thereafter many adventurous persons, by various rough and uncouth means, managed to establish themselves for brief periods in the Eternal City and dub themselves emperors, but most of them shared their power with representatives of "the people," as denoting their personal followers. Such was Louis the Bavarian, who in 1328, after whipping Henry VII, managed to have himself proclaimed emperor, but whose turbulent incumbency was a matter only of months.

**FOREIGN MINISTER OF RUSSIA VISITS ENGLAND**

The Russian minister for foreign affairs arrived in London on the evening of Friday, September 20. As he alighted from his saloon at Victoria a man, standing within a few feet of him held aloft a white placard on which was printed, "Russia must evacuate Persia if she wishes for England's friendship," and at the same time shouted "Down with Russia! Clear out of Persia! Down with Russia!" The demonstrator was promptly removed from the platform. On the following day, M. Sazonoff, with the Russian ambassador in London, visited Sir Edward Grey at the foreign office. On the same evening the British foreign minister left for Scotland. M. Sazonoff, Baron von Schilling, and Count Beckendorff started for Balmoral on the following Sunday evening; arrived at Balmoral on the Monday evening, and drove to Balmoral castle in motors sent for them by the king. Sir Edward Grey, who had broken his journey, arrived at the same time. It is generally assumed that the "conversations" are concerned chiefly with the interests of Great Britain and Russia in Persia, and also with the near east problems.

**Filipino Matrimonial Agency.**

We observed that at night all the Igorrote unmarried women occupied a large hut near the center of the village. They call this institution an ogag. It is a sort of social hall, where the young people of the tribe meet at night to do their courting. When an Igorrote girl takes a fancy to a particular man, she will steal his spear, or shield—in fact, any portable chattel—and hide it in the ogag. To recover his property the young man, of course, must go in person to identify it. So all Igorrote look on the ogag as the natural matrimonial bureau of the tribe. And once the Igorrote man and woman are thus mated, they observe the marriage bonds as faithfully as they are kept in countries where the ceremony is not so simple.—Christian Herald.

**A Harmless Scrape.**

The trap drummer chuckled joyfully. "Gona be some fun in a minute," he said. "Whassa matter?" asked the trombonist. "As soon as he could compose himself sufficiently the trap drummer replied: 'I just rubbed soap on the bass fiddler's bow.'"

**Convincing Argument.**

A Chinese cook and a Japanese waiter served Father Vaughn at an Alaskan dinner with caribou steak, moose tenderloin, leg of mountain sheep, wild duck, salmon, crabs and brook trout. After that and a few other things he decided the United States drove a good bargain when it purchased Alaska for \$7,000,000.

**Hence the Full Houses.**

"Rather scanty costumes those chorus girls are wearing." "Yes. The man who staged this show must have had an idea that beauty unadorned is adorned the most."

**The Temptress.**

The Lurcher—I don't think I'll take anything else. The Waitress—No sweets today, sir? The Apple tart is very nice. The Lurcher—Ah, Evul—London Opinion.

# AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

Some people will, always, tend to retrogression, however favorable might be the circumstances by which they are surrounded; because they delight in that excitement which ever keeps their footsteps in the foreground and expose them to the shaft of public criticism. Unfortunately, that element is little hampered by shame or self-respect; hence, ridicule, a weapon most effective in the correction of abuses where reason rules, is powerless in their case. In localities where ignorance, superstition and general depravity are sufficiently dense as to become noticeable, the strong arm of the law is the only agency able to cope with the situation; and, at times, its skill is baffled in the handling of conditions. The most intelligent sometimes err; but mistakes of the head when good is intended may not be attributed to selfish design yet these are not excusable in the eyes of the law. But, when the miscreant willfully and maliciously transgresses upon the rights of individuals and disregards sacred privileges which belong to others, he violates the cause of humanity and subjects himself to the penalty which that violation invites.

The short-comings of these irresponsibles do much to retard the upbuilding of communities, and obstruct the trend of healthy growth. In all ages, that class of human vermin has ever been the bane of the populace to which it was allied; and strenuous conditions had to be meted out to accomplish beneficial results. All races have their failures—their virtues and their vices—but the crimes and follies which they commit (except the negro) are charged to the culprits who perform the acts. Prejudice is blind to merit, and does not always give credit where it is due; yet it scruples not, for the sins of a part, to cast aspersions upon the whole. The negro, amid his peculiar environments, has much to bear; and the load of the better element is made more burdensome because he is compelled to bear the stigma which the thoughtlessness of his own people evokes. Therefore, in order to safeguard every interest which concerns the body and protects the good name of each worthy son, it is well that the pulpit, press and lecture platform should make a general crusade against this tendency to riotous inclinations, and strive to elevate their sentiments to nobler heights. There is nothing so disturbing to the harmony of society as the criminal in its midst; nor could there be anything more destructive to its welfare.

There have been too many fancy ideas of education. Too many of our young people who have completed courses of study in college find themselves handicapped in the world from the fact that they don't know how to do anything. They have acquired certain knowledge, but they can't apply it. This circumstance is detrimental. We want men and women of action. The young man who has spent several years in college acquiring knowledge of mathematics, language and science, and then goes out into the world unable to render the people practical, efficient service. On the other hand, we must regard him as educated, though he might have never spent a day in college, who is able to achieve some victory for the race and thus increase admiration for it on the part of the outside world.—Savannah Independent.

The report of the American Church Institute for Negroes presents on the one hand an array of facts highly creditable to the colored people, but on the other a statement of conditions by no means satisfactory to either whites or blacks. Since emancipation the negro, starting without a dollar and without education, has acquired ownership of 24,000 square miles of land, has established more than 500,000 homes owned in fee simple, has built and maintained upward of 26,000 churches valued at nearly \$30,000,000 and has expended more than \$25,000,000 for his own education. Against that bright showing stands the portentous fact that after all this progress, conditions remain such that of 3,000,000 negro children of school age less than 1,000,000 regularly attend school, and that of those that attend, the training is meager because of the short terms.

It is clear that in this respect the negro is not getting his share of the advantages common to other races in the Union.

The day never comes for a woman to realize the fullness of powder.

The reason for the sinking of the Titanic and the sacrificial offering of human lives was the direct result of carelessness on the part of a British sea captain; avarice on the part of British ship owners, and the same is the cause of Afro-Americans not making greater material progress; racial jealousies and petty prejudices.—Caldic Inquirer.

When a woman is afraid of showing her age she tries to cover it with a coat of paint.

France's annual consumption of wine is about one hundred bottles per capita.

There is a fault that is always attributed to women—that of never being on time.

If you'd spend ten minutes counting your blessings you'd forget all about your troubles.

If dar wuz an elevator gwine up ter Heaven you'd soon ketch ole Satan tryin' ter cut de cables.

Cares are never as large as one thinks, nor as trivial as the other fellow deems.

You can't ever tell what a gift thinks of a man until his solitary gleams on her finger.

Some men are born lovers; the sensible woman never tries to reform them.

Give your heart out to your friend and he will show you the richness of his own.

What can the white people of the country do to help advance the interests of the ten million negroes, who contributed in 1911 over \$700,000,000 to the wealth of the nation, and showed unusual activity in the work of building up business enterprises? It is true that the negro has succeeded in spite of opposition, lack of training, and the schemes of designing men. Nevertheless the fact remains that where the negro has had a sympathetic contact with the best white people, he has made the greatest progress and has suffered least from wasted activity. The white people of this country can do a great deal of good by encouraging the negroes about them to assume responsibility, to begin business operations, and to follow out the suggestions which Dr. Washington and others offer. White people can explain the methods that they have found to be of value to them and point out some of the pitfalls of business life. They can do what Julius Rosenwald, president of the Sears, Roebuck company of Chicago, recently did—speak with perfect frankness out of their rich business experience and give that wholesome advice which has already been perfectly squared with practice in and out of business life. They can give publicity to the good things that they know concerning negroes. They can keep an open mind on the race question and deal with negroes as men and women who are struggling valiantly for the higher things of life. They can be generous, kind hearted, sympathetic, and fair in all their relations with the colored man. Through co-operation in its various phases, through understanding based upon helpful contact, and through justice itself will the white people and the black people of this country continue to secure the blessings of earth.—Southern Workman.

We wonder if the negro will ever see the folly of having everything going out and nothing coming in? There is only one way in which to force white men to realize the necessity of giving us a square deal and that is by touching their pocket books. So far as insurance is concerned we have negro companies just as guarantee we have insurance companies in the state. Suppose that the negroes had the confidence in them they ought to have and would join them as readily, don't you see that you could demand employment for your boys and girls which they could not hope to get otherwise? Let's get together on these questions.—Louisville Defender.

Dr. A. Clayton Powell goes at the matter in the right way to correct the evil when he shows by statistics that the negroes of Harlem, in New York city, spend \$4,500,000 annually for food and clothing, the profit of which must be \$810,000, much of which should be handled by negro business men. How much of it is handed by them? Encourage the young folks to go into business, however small the beginning, and patronize them as well as the old ones who are already established and fighting to succeed.—New York Age.

Mrs. Emma M. Nakulna is a water rights commissioner under the territorial government in Hawaii. Mrs. Nakulna is an American woman, granddaughter of Captain Metcalf of the Eleanora. She lives in Kalaheo.

Ninety thousand persons have paid a penny each for admission to the famous maze at Hampton Court Palace this summer, the largest number for some years. It is estimated that about 25 per cent of these were foreigners, mostly French and German. During August 24,000 people passed through the turnstiles. For a number of years the takings at the maze were the perquisites of one of the palace attendants, upon whom the maze was conferred by the queen Victoria. Since his death a few years ago the takings have gone to his majesty's office of works.

The negro in the short period in which he, as a free man has conducted his own operations has done much that the world commends; but there are still disagreeable associations which he needs to ignore if he would win the recognition of the more worthy of mankind. Discourage rowdiness, drunkenness and kindred errors. Drive from companionship the worthless parasite; keep to upright conduct, and in the not far distant future the negro will come into his own.—Atlanta Phalanx.

A woman consciously dislikes; a man unconsciously hates.

Show your hand and perhaps the other fellow will hide his face.

DOMINIE NOT AFRAID

"FIGHTING PRIEST" TACKLES THREE ROBBERS.

The Hold-Up Gang Had Beaten Two Victims Into Unconscious When Father McGrath Sailed Into Them—Police to Rescue.

New York.—Father Phillip McGrath of the Catholic Seaman's mission has a sore head and a bruised body, but it's little he cares for that.

Not for nothing do they call Father McGrath the "Fighting Priest." He fought before this, as at this time a year ago, he took a blackjack away from a bully on West street and felled him with his own weapon, delivering him to the police while whistling "The Low Backed Chair."

"Well, as things happened, Father McGrath, without a thought of fighting in his heart, was going quietly along Perry street early the other morning, when at the corner of West street, he saw two men being held up by three, which is contrary to all the ethics of the old country.

Father McGrath sailed in. The two victims had already been beaten almost into unconsciousness and presently a blackjack landed on Father McGrath's head.

"Thwop!" it went, just like that. Father McGrath went down, but as he went he pulled a police whistle and used it mightily.

Patrolman Brennan came running, and the fight waged briskly until Father McGrath was felled again, and at the same moment a "bunch of five" caught Brennan on the point of the jaw and toppled him.

"There seems to be two of us," remarked Father McGrath.

Brennan was as game as the priest. As the robbers kicked him he got his revolver and opened fire.

"Good for you!" exclaimed Father McGrath. "Now watch the rascals run."

They did, around into Perry street and into a tenement, the policeman and the priest close behind.

The thieves, however, dodged through a passage alley, into a backyard and over a fence.

Back at the corner Father McGrath and Brennan found the two victims who identified themselves as John Jones and Peter Anderson, firemen on the Steamship Mombasa.

"We were seeing the tow," they explained.

"True for you," agreed Father McGrath.

Ambulance Surgeon Ryan of St. Vincent's hospital attended the men, and took them to the mission at 422 West street. After giving them time to recuperate from their beating, Father McGrath escorted them to their ship. The priest declined medical attention, as did Brennan, who was worried only because one of the robbers got away with his night stick.

Father McGrath says the highwaymen had prepared for their work by putting out all the street lamps in the vicinity. He was unable to describe the men accurately.

"However," says he, "I'm thinking they will remember there was a fight."

FIRST BABY COURT OPENED

Tiny Girl Toddler Brings Quarreling Parents Together Again on the First Day.

Chicago.—Chicago's "baby court," the only one of its kind in the world, was thrown open to the infantile public the other morning, and through its agency a family was reunited after months of separation.

Husband and wife had taken their difficulties into the court of domestic relations, across the corridor from the restroom and nursery for mothers and children, as it is known, and final separation seemed their only recourse. The daughter was left to play in the nursery.

Judge W. N. Gemmill continued the case. The mother came into the nursery, picked up her baby, cuddled it to her breast and played with it. Behind her the father stood, twisting the child round to him and threw herself into his arms.

"Mary, I'm sorry," he said to his wife, "and if you think you'd care to have me back again, why—say, here's something for the kid." He gave her some money.

The "baby court" will be operated in connection with the domestic relations court. Baby and mother can play or rest here until the mother's case is called.

Heaps of toys and picture books will serve to keep the little tots busy. Trained nurses and charitable women will see that they have all the fun they wish.

Mrs. Mary Leavitt has been made dea of this court, thus becoming the only woman court clerk in the world.

A formal house-warming was held in the "baby courtroom" after the close of the courts. Tea, cakes and candy were passed around.

Pastor Wins Baseball Fans. Columbus, Ind.—Rev. John L. Shaw, a former Methodist preacher of this county, who is now located at Norden, Neb., has written that he has greatly increased the attendance at his church in Norden by "swapping" work with his congregation.

He proposed to the baseball fans of the town that he would pitch for the home team if they would attend his church. He proved a winning pitcher, and now the fans are attending his services.

Hard Luck! New York.—Arthur R. Conking will have to support his three daughters on \$22,000 annually, even though they must wear each others' clothes. Conking was refused a bigger allowance by the court.

Police Forget Prisoner. Metuchen, N. J.—When three men applied to the police department here for a place to sleep, he (the department) put them in jail and forgot them for three days. They nearly died of cold and hunger.

ROMANCE OF MOROCCO

IMPROBABLE BUT TRUE STORY COMES TO LIGHT.

Interpreter Who Saved Prisoners in Marrakesh Was Son of a Former French Officer Who Had Been Favorite of Former Sultan.

Paris.—The occupation of Marrakesh, the chief town of southern Morocco, by a French expedition, and the relief of the nine French subjects who had remained in the city and run the danger of being seized as hostages by the latest claimant to succeed Mulai Haïd, El Heïba, has revealed a romantic story which probably would be dismissed as too improbable by a publisher to whom a fiction writer might offer it.

The interpreter to the French consulate, a Mussulman whose religion saved him from being made a prisoner with the nine Frenchmen, among whom were the consul and the chancellor to the consulate, is the son of a French army officer who deserted. At the time of the conquest of Algeria a captain in the engineers belonging to an aristocratic family in the north of France ran away with his colonel's wife. As his departure took place before the enemy in time of active service it could not be overlooked, and the captain, unable to enter France, took refuge in Tangier. What became of the heroine of this adventure is not known, but it is believed that she, having no court-martial to fear, returned to her home. The captain became a friend of the then sultan and a convert to Mohammedanism, being in fact such a fervent believer that he made the pilgrimage to Mecca, the ambition of every true believer in the prophet.

Holding no intercourse with Europeans living always in the sultan's court, either at Marrakesh or Fez, he used his engineering knowledge to construct the first two bridges built in Morocco and the first cartridge factory.

When the sultan, whose favorite he had fallen, died, the captain fell on evil days and died in misery at Fez. By marriage with a native of Marrakesh he left a son, who appealed to the French legation. Interest was taken in his case and an allowance was made to enable him to be educated in Algeria. He visited France and was employed at the Tangier legation before occupying a post at Marrakesh, in which region he enjoys a certain amount of influence through his mother's family.

Such is the unusual history of a man who has been able to repay anything France has done for him by helping the nine Frenchmen.

GOOD ROADS

A few years ago the bicycle came into use and the good roads agitation was born. In a few years afterward the auto came. At first its home was chiefly confined to the city streets. In a few years it became a friend to the countryman and the villager, and now it is found in every section. The bicycle is passing and the auto is now serving a splendid purpose in awakening the people to a betterment of road conditions, and when the farmers of the country adopt this modern way of travel there will not be any great trial in getting the public highways in better condition. The thing to do is to get every farmer who can afford it to buy an auto and in less than 50 years the good roads question will be solved. The autos must come before the good roads question can be solved. The auto touts that are being made throughout the country are proving to be builders of the highest order. We need more of them. Good roads associations will follow in the wake of every auto tour and these associations will improve public highways.—Lamar Republican-Sentinel.

DISABLES SELF AT PLEASURE

Illinois Horse Shirk Work by Dislocating Its Shoulder When Hitched to Plow.

Alton, Ill.—Just how undesirable a horse which knows how to throw its shoulder out of joint may become to a man is detailed in a petition filed in Police Magistrate Harry Lesner's court in Alton the other day. The petition was filed by Aaron Alfred, who declares that in all the eighty-one years of his life he never saw such an animal.

Alfred relates that he acquired the horse in the usual process of horse trading. He and Sigmund Wittman, he alleges, met recently on Myrtle street in Alton. Wittman was driving a good looking horse and as Alfred had been trading horses since he was eighteen years old, the desire to make a deal soon was strong upon him.

Wittman was willing, and closed the trade when Alfred's bid got as high as \$125.

The horse was taken to Alfred's home, hitched to a plow and put to work.

The horse plowed willingly for a while, but when it grew weary it hesitated, stopped and threw its right shoulder out of joint. Alfred says he set to work to set the shoulder and succeeded after throwing the animal to the ground. Then he hitched the horse to the plow again. After a while the animal again got weary, and while setting the shoulder joint once more.

"I got tired of putting that shoulder back in place," declared Alfred.

Accordingly, he led the animal back to Wittman's house. Wittman was not there, but Alfred put the horse in Wittman's stable. Since then, he alleges, he has been unable to see Wittman.

"That horse is a wonder, but I don't want him," declared Alfred. "I guess, though, he'll get along in the world. He seems to be able to get out of work whenever he pleases."

SILVER SPOONS IN ADVANCE

Increase in Price of Bullion Causes Manufacturers to Raise Cost of Tableware.

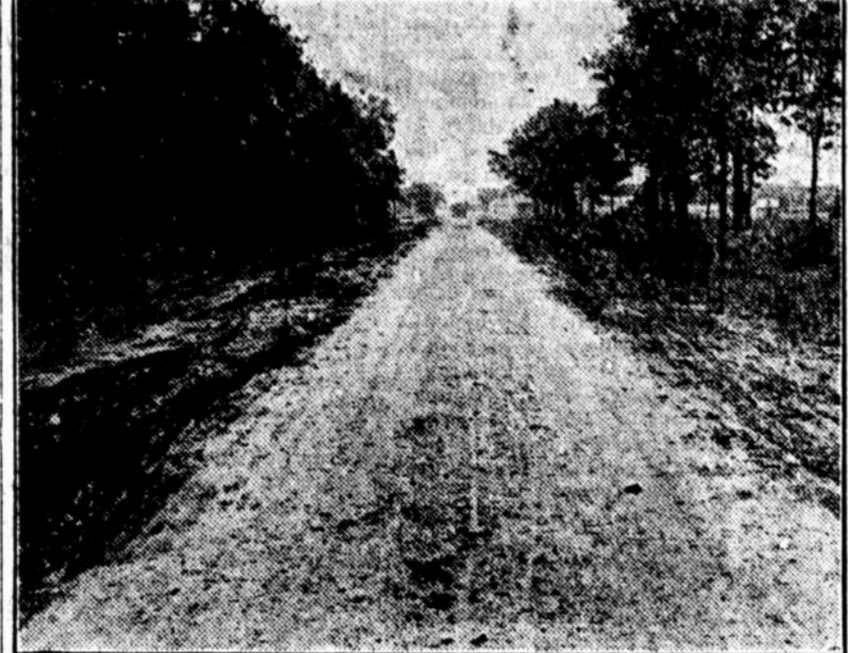
New York.—Owing to increase in the price of silver bullion, manufacturers of sterling silver flat ware have advanced the price of spoons, forks and tableware approximately ten per cent.

In January last silver bars were quoted in New York market at 57 cents an ounce. The price today is slightly above 65 cents an ounce. The reason given for the upward movement is the fact that the Indian government has come into the market as a heavy buyer of silver bullion.

Man Waits Eight Months for Hearing. Chicago.—Michael Gluckman, faint-hearted in Judge Pettit's court when the judge ordered his release. Gluckman was held in jail eight months for trial on a minor charge. His lawyer was censured for neglect.

Would Raze New York. Albany, N. Y.—Rev. George R. Lunn, Socialist mayor of Schenectady, told a legislative committee he agreed with the tenement house investigators, that "New York city ought to be wiped off the face of the map."

CONSTRUCTING GOOD ROADS IN WISCONSIN



The illustration given above shows a nine-foot stone road, built on a sand foundation, near Portage, Wis.

GOOD ROADS IN TENNESSEE

All Public Thoroughfares Laid Off Into Districts, and Then Let to Responsible Corporations. A few years ago it was the good fortune of the editor to visit the state of Tennessee, and he was forcibly struck by the beautiful turnpikes that traversed almost every section of the state. These roads were properly laid out by engineers, and the editor of the Co-Operator was very anxious to learn how these roads were built and maintained.

SOLVE GOOD ROADS QUESTION

Thing to Do is to Get Every Farmer to Buy an Automobile and Problem Will Be Worked Out.

We were told that the law in Tennessee provided that the proper court shall lay off all public roads into convenient districts, and then let them out to responsible corporations, who enter into a contract to build and maintain a perfect highway throughout the district covered by said contract for a period of ten years, and the lessees are in the meantime empowered to establish toll gates and collect such toll as the law prescribes for building and maintaining such public roads. These are under the jurisdiction of a watchful supervisor whose duty it is to see that the road is kept in accordance with the contract. If the lessee fails to keep and maintain such road as specified in the contract, then it becomes the duty of the county to forfeit said contract, and the road becomes the charge of the county. Each citizen of the county is permitted to buy a road permit that entitles him to the privilege of traveling the public roads of the county for the period of one year without let or hindrance.

These roads are laid out by experienced engineers, and are carried around the hills and mountains so that all grades are the same and all grades are made easy of ascent. These roads are properly graded with graders and then macadamized by putting stone over the surface while the grade is new, or during the wet times, so that the sharp edges of the stones will be easily pressed into the ground and make an even, smooth surface for horses and vehicles to travel over.

CAMPAIGN FOR GOOD ROADS

Fall Season is Good Time to Take Up Question of Better Thoroughfares—Few Reasons.

Now that the fall months are here, after the crops are secured, it will be a good time to take up the matter of good roads building. This work can often be done to better advantage in the fall and winter months, or in the early spring, and where gravel or other binding material has to be used, it will pack and harden better at this season.

Another reason for the fall and winter campaign for road building is that there is usually more time, and the work can be done cheaper.

No town or community can well make a better investment than by the judicious spending of labor and money in the construction of public highways, if properly applied, and that is certainly one of the problems that Idaho needs to work out.

Uncle Sam should set the pace in this matter, and the various states should co-operate. It should, furthermore, be a perpetual campaign.—Gem State Rural.

Macadam Road Economy. I have no doubt that it will surprise most people here to learn how little material is used in the making of some of the finest roads of Europe, writes Ernest Flagg in the Century.

The average thickness of the national roads of France is only five and one-eighths inches; 11 per cent of them are less than two inches thick, and 42 per cent are less than four inches thick. Yet they stand constant and often heavy traffic with impunity, and are always in a perfect state of repair. Perfect repair is, indeed, essential, for it needs no argument to show that roads so thin must be free from irregularities if they are to stand at all.

Good Roads. When will we learn that the best way to make good roads is to hire the ditching, drawing and dragging done by competent men, instead of the present bungling system of "every man" working out his own road tax?

Weeds in Corners. Fence corners full of dead weeds make fine hibernating places for all kinds of bugs which will get busy with your crop in the spring.

Having Houses Ready. Build good hog houses before bad weather sets in. Houses in the end are cheaper than feed at present prices, and hogs will not do their best when compelled to sleep out of doors in bad weather. A good feeding floor pays well.

Poultry Breeding. To succeed with poultry breed that which you like best. One must have pride in the appearance of his birds in order to become interested in them and succeed.

Pasture for Horses. Raise the best heifer calves. The first six months or year's care of the calf determines largely the future usefulness of the cow. Here we can develop the tendency to take on fat and ruin the milk qualities.

THING THAT IS IMPORTANT

Proper Color Effect Must Be Kept in Mind When Buying Flower Holders for the House.

In buying vases, pitchers, bowls, anything that may be used as flower holders, remember the color effect. Choose neutral tones, unless you can afford to have a number of jardinières. Soft, gray, dull green, a wood brown or a deep cream will never clash with your decorations.

For occasional use a deep orange is good, with many color schemes, and with zinnias, marigolds, golden glow and other deep-tinted yellow flowers a highly glazed bowl of dark Prussian blue makes a good contrast.

Flowers rarely look well in an iridescent vase, however handsome. The coloring detracts from the colorings of the flowers and both are weakened.

For this reason the cut glass, rock crystal or even the plain glass vase is preferable to one of colored glass, even though it be green.

The brass jardinières of Oriental hammered brass, finger bowl or vase looks well with many deep-toned flowers, either in harmonizing yellow and brown tones or in vivid blues and red. Larkspur and sweet williams look their best in a brass vase and also in a bowl of orange crockery.

EXCELLENT FOR FISH COURSE

With Lobster Meat as the Foundation, Hostess May Serve Preparation That is Delicious.

For a dainty little fish course, take two cups of lobster meat and chop very fine, then force it through a sieve. Add two tablespoons of fine bread crumbs, four tablespoonfuls of double cream, one-half cup of milk and the beaten yolks of two eggs; season with salt, a little paprika, and one tablespoon of lemon juice, and blend thoroughly, then fold in the stiffly beaten whites of eggs. Fill small green pepper shells, that have first been parboiled in salted water, with the mixture; place in a baking pan and partly surround the top with buttered paper, and bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes, says an exchange. Rub the lobster coral through a sieve and sprinkle over the top of each timbale; garnish with parsley and serve with a rich cream sauce.

Sardine Salad.

Take some cold cooked fish, had-dock will do, free it from skin and bone and flake it. Place a layer of this in a dish and sprinkle it over with minced gherkins and a few breaded capers, arrange on this a layer of sliced German sausage and arrange on the top of the pile, sardines freed from skin and bone, and split in halves. Cut some lettuce hearts into quarters, place round the dish with hard boiled eggs, also cut into quarters. Then pour over the following sauce: Take the flesh of three sardines and rub to a smooth paste with the yolk of two hard boiled eggs, a pinch of cayenne, a grate of nutmeg, and two tablespoonfuls each of olive oil and vinegar. Beat the sauce well before adding it to the salad.

Berkshire Potatoes.

Heat one quart of milk into which two large sliced onions have been placed. Boil this for several minutes in a double boiler, then take out the onions. Cream one tablespoonful of butter and one tablespoonful of flour and add to the above. Cook until it thickens. Add one pint of cold boiled potatoes cut into slices and one tablespoonful of minced parsley. Season with salt and pepper, and soon as the mixture thickens and is heated through, turn into buttered crumbs and brown in the oven.

Bean Pot Roast.

Take one pound of beef, a cheap cut is just as good if it is free from veins. Cut in pieces about an inch square. Put in all the fat, too. Put in bean pots, just cover with water and put in the oven. As water boils away, add a little more. Let cook four or five hours. When about half done add a little salt. When ready to serve take from oven and put it in the spider. Thicken with a little flour mixed with water. The gravy is a rich brown.

Winter Succotash.

One cup either lima, yellow-eyed or pea beans, which have been soaked overnight. Drain. Simmer all the morning in enough water to cover, to which add salt, pepper and a piece of salt pork two inches square. Half an hour before serving add one corn and water enough to keep from burning. Add one pint hot milk, bring to a boil and serve at once. Serve this some cold day with hot rolls or hot gingerbread.

Poor Man's Stew.

Line bottom of baking dish with very thin slices of salt pork, then a layer of sliced potatoes (thin layer), a layer of onions, salt and pepper, then a layer of split crackers. Put in another layer of potatoes, onions and crackers. Cover with milk and bake like escalloped potatoes. You probably will have to add more milk, as crackers take up a lot.

Codfish Balls.

Boil one cupful codfish with four good-sized potatoes; when done mash potatoes and fish together, add good-sized piece of butter, a little pepper and one egg beaten; roll in a little flour to form balls and place in frying pan; fry brown on one side in butter, turn and brown on the other side.

Cheep Soups.

Beef (I generally get two pounds of shin), boil three or four hours with a good-sized onion. When the meat falls from one bone take it out, add one cup of turnip, parsnip, carrot, potatoes, cut in cubes (both yellow and white turnips if liked). Cook till done, then put dumplings on top and cook twenty minutes, boiling hard.—Exchange.

All Affected in the World.

The affection of old age is one of the greatest consolations of humanity. I have often thought what a melancholy world this would be without children, and what an inhuman world without the aged.—Colderidge.

HOW SHE MADE A HIT

Really Simple When You Get the Combination.

Young Woman "Stocked Up" When She Realized She Had to Face a Party of the Literary High-brows.

Her fluffy golden hair and a pair of dimples didn't look the least bit literary, nevertheless the highbrows one by one dropped out of the contest with her, ceased to spout poetry and only could sit humbly around gazing in wonder at the wealth of her knowledge of belles lettres. Even her most intimate friend, when the studio party was over and they were home-bound, said: "I had no idea you knew so much about books and writers."

"I don't," responded Miss Fluff promptly and shamelessly. "But—why—you know more than all those people put together. They had to quit trying to talk about literature for fear you would see how little they know."

"Want to know how I did it?" Miss Fluff was of an obliging disposition, as dimples usually are. "It's quite simple when you understand. I went to a public library station, found a nice girl who didn't look too tired and told her I'd give her a dollar to make me up as long a list as she could afford for the money of the least known authors in the world, sprinkling in a few quotations. Then I went to a man I know who writes book notices for a publishing house and got a list from him of books that are hardly off the press yet. That was to make me seem terribly up-to-date. I studied real hard one night on those two lists when I knew I was to do this studio party, for I didn't want those highbrows to have anything on me. When they spoke of Maurice Hewlett I said, you may remember, that he had taken many of his ideas from Ingomar Devrell of the 12th century."

"I don't know a thing in the world about Hewlett nor if there really was such a person as Ingomar Devrell, but neither do these highbrows. When they mentioned Mrs. Humphry Ward I languidly referred to the remarkable woman of the Alexandrian library, Flavella Somolia. Of course there never was such a person. In fact, the wilder I became in my statements the safer I was, for nobody present knew enough to trip me up. I soon become quite independent of my list, except the new books. Even those, however, were too new for the highbrows, so I think I gave them all the run for their money they will want for some time, don't you think it's very easy to do literary talk if you don't get scared. Same with art and music. Just get the lingo and the names of a few pictures and artists that nobody knows anything about and you can make the biggest kind of a hit."—New York Press.

MADE GOOD ON HASH

Still Little Wife Had Doubts About the Matter.

Dinner a Success, According to Mr. Roberts, but in the Background There Was Mrs. Roberts to Consider.

"Where are you, Frances?" It was half-past six, and Paul had just returned from business. As no answer came he repeated his call.

"I've brought Roberts home to dinner with me. Where are you?" "In my room," came a muffled voice from above, and Paul, with a word of excuse to his guest, bounded up the stairs.

"Are you sick? Is anything the matter?" he asked breathlessly, pushing open the door.

Frances met him with a tragic face. "No, I am not sick, but for the love of mercy, why did you bring that man to dinner without sending me word?"

Paul's countenance assumed the hang-dog look peculiar to the husband who has brought home unexpected company and found it inconvenient.

"I just met him coming out on the train and he seemed forlorn—said his wife was away—"

"I wish yours was, Paul. There's not a thing for him to eat!" "What were we going to have?"

"Corn beef hash—I know you don't mind it for dinner once in a while—"

"No vegetables?" "Yes, of course, stupid! Rice and eggplant. But hash for dinner; I can't put a man down to that!"

"I'll bet Roberts would love it!" "I don't care if he would! I'd be mortified to death to have any one know we had hash for dinner!"

"Well, I wouldn't! What's good enough for me is good enough for Roberts or anyone else. Why, Frances, you're not going to cry?"

"How do you know I'm not?" quavered Frances. "I could do it without any trouble at all."

"Come, dear, don't be silly. I'll tell Roberts you're not well and take him out somewhere and get a bit—"

"You won't do anything of the sort," said Frances, dabbing a little powder on her reddened nose. "If you can stand that hash I'll try to bear it."

"I'll have some poached eggs on top of it to help out."

"Is this what you call a pick-up dinner and apologize for?" asked Mr. Roberts an hour later. "I consider it a banquet."

The meal had begun with tomato soup continued with the egg-topped hash and vegetables, followed by branded peaches and wafers—Frances having raided her emergency cupboard—and concluded with black coffee.

"Hardly a banquet with hash as the principal dish!" laughed Frances.

"I'm not so sure of that!" returned Mr. Roberts. "If my wife could make such hash as yours I'd insist upon always having it for company dinners!"

"Now, aren't you ashamed you cried?" teased Paul, after their guest had gone.

"I don't really cry—I only sniffed. Any friend, Roberts, may say what he pleases, but I bet his wife will sniff in a different way when she hears we gave him hash for dinner! But I don't care, so long as you are satisfied. If you sniffed I couldn't stand it!"—Los Angeles Express.

Why He Refused a Raise.

Congressman Lamb of Virginia has an old "befo' de wab" dandy working on his place, whom he pays a dollar a day. The old man is not very fond of work, and loses a day very often because of his alleged infirmities.

The other day the congressman told him he was going to raise his wages from \$6 a week to \$7. The old dandy emphatically refused the raise, and when his boss asked him why he answered:

"It's lak dis, Mister John. When I loses a day from work now, I kin count mah money; but if you gib me a raise an' I loses a day, I won't know how much I've got comin' tuh me."—Judge.

When the Punster Announces.

The story was told of the late Justin McCarthy—Mr. Punch's "Justin MacHearty"—of the English officer who, at a reception in Dublin castle, announced the man who claimed to have made his riding breeches as "Major Riding Bridges."

But this was nothing to the cruel case of Count Faravincin, who, at an assembly in Paris, was ushered in by the funny "Monsieur le Comte de Paul de Virgine!"

In a London drawing room, too, Count Beust, the Austrian ambassador, was once announced to his hostess as "Count Beast," and he was followed by his German colleague, Count Munster, as "Count Munster."

His Need of the Clock.

A young man in Washington, who many months ago hung up his shingle, "attorney at law," had not yet been overwhelmed with clients. A friend, entering the office the other day, observed on the desk a cheap alarm clock.

"Taking it home, eh?" he observed. "Good thing this time of year. Every-one's liable to oversleep these mornings."

The lawyer smiled. "I have not purchased this clock for the reason you mention. I bought it to wake me up when it's time to go home."

Mad Him There.

Hubby—You could make me very happy if you would only exert yourself a little.

Wife—But you told me when I accepted you that I'd make you the happiest man on earth. How can I improve on that?

A Parallel.

He—Why do you women haunt the bargain counters trying to get something for almost nothing?

She—Why do you men keep going to the poker chips for the same thing?

CLARINDA ITEMS.

(Last Week.) The Ladies' Study Club held their election of officers, October 18, 1912, at the home of Mrs. Henry Farriers...

FT. MADISON NOTES.

Rev. and Mrs. Payton are busy this week moving into the cozy parsonage, where they will be at home, Thursday, November 7th.

CLARINDA ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Morrison of Cal Gary, Alberta, are visiting relatives in this city.

BEDFORD.

(Special To The Bystander.) Rev. W. T. Franklin, pastor of the First Baptist church in Clarinda, and Bedford, was with us last Sunday...

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

The feast in the wilderness at the Tabernacle Baptist church was a great success.

meeting was enjoyed. Rev. Garrison is a member and is taking active part in the ministerial union or alliance of the city.

QUINCY ILL.

The first meeting of the season of the Current Event club was held at the home of Madame F. Cook.

The following are on the sick list: Mesdames Emma LaFoe, F. P. Monroe, M. E. Jackson and Miss Lillian Humphry.

"There could be no better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. My children were all sick with whooping cough.

OTTUMWA, IOWA. Mrs. Jamison of Albia was visiting friends over Sunday.

Mrs. Carey Evangelist of Chicago is assisting the pastor, Rev. M. I. Gordon with the revival meetings at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Maude Harris-Bates of Kansas City is visiting her mother on Marion street.

Mrs. Wm. Woodley of Main street has been very sick for the past two weeks. She has been taken to the home of her sister in the west end.

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ing the annual conference. Since most of his members desire his return, it is assumed that the Bishop will grant their request.

Dr. J. R. A. Crossland was in Topeka, Kans., last Saturday, attending the meeting of the executive committee of the Inter State Literary society.

Mrs. Nancy Dorsey White gave an illustrated lecture on the work of the antituberculosis society of this city, at the Ebenezer A. M. E. church last Sunday night.

A four night carnival, which started Tuesday night at the Mason Temple M. E. church, 19 and Angeline street, was concluded tonight.

ROCK ISLAND NEWS. Rev. Whitfield of Rockford, Ill., has accepted a call to the McKinley Baptist church.

Mrs. Harry Moore visited her son in Toledo, Ill., last Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Windsor was pleasantly surprised on Sat. Wednesday afternoon when four ladies from Davenport called and presented her each a hand-painted china plate of their own work.

GALESBURG, ILL. The Ladies' of the A. L. C. gave a mask Halloween party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kidd.

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RELIGIOUS PROGRESS.

Methodist Episcopal Church's Efforts to Encourage Race Advancement. Perhaps nothing has done more within recent years to impress the Methodist Episcopal church with the importance of giving larger opportunity and freedom to its Afro-American members...

When one reflects upon the fact that 225,000 colored Americans in the United States are members of this denomination no surprise should be expressed over their desire for official recognition.

There are nine colored men doing general work who receive an average salary of \$2,235. The highest salary paid is that of \$4,500 to the secretary of the Freedmen's Aid society.

The people in New Orleans were particularly interested in the recent general conference because one of their clerical officers put forward for the highest office in the gift of the church.

Dr. Jones is president of the Young Men's Christian association in New Orleans. He was one of the prime movers in getting the work started.

NATIONAL NEGRO BANKERS HOLD SUCCESSFUL MEETING Reports Submitted Show Increase in Yearly Volume of Business.

Reports submitted at the recent annual meeting of the National Negro Bankers' association, held in Chicago, by representatives from over sixty banks showed an increase in deposits and in the general volume of business done during the year.

S. S. Brown, national secretary and a director of the Fraternal Savings Bank and Trust company in Memphis, Tenn., in speaking of the attitude of the race toward the banking institutions conducted by our people, says that much depends upon the character and ability of the men who operate these financial institutions.

Officers were elected as follows: President, W. R. Pettiford, president Penny Savings bank, Birmingham, Ala.; vice president, W. W. Cox, cashier Delta Savings bank, Indianapolis, Miss.; second vice president, E. M. Griggs, president Farmers and Citizens' Savings bank, Palestine, Tex.; secretary, S. S. Brown, director Fraternal Savings Bank and Trust company, Memphis, Tenn.; corresponding secretary, C. N. Langston, assistant cashier One Cent Savings Bank, Nashville, Tenn.; treasurer, T. H. Hay, vice president, Solvent Savings Bank and Trust company, Memphis, Tenn.; auditor, R. L. Smith, president Farmers and Merchants' bank, Waco, Tex.; statistician, A. Morris Williams, cashier Enterprise Savings bank, Springfield, Ill.

Members of the executive committee are: W. A. Attaway, president Delta Savings bank, Indiana, Miss., chairman; M. V. Morris, president Organ Banking company, Houston, Tex.; V. H. Tulane, cashier Penny Savings bank, Birmingham, Ala.; W. W. Hadnott, cashier Prudential Savings bank, Birmingham, Ala.; J. W. Francis, president Bank of Mound Bayou, Mound Bayou, Miss.; L. K. Atwood, president Southern bank, Jackson, Miss.; I. T. Montgomery, director Bank of Mound Bayou, Mound Bayou, Miss.; E. G. Tidrington, president Pythian Savings and Loan bank, Indianapolis, Ind.; W. C. Rollins, cashier College Bank and Trust company, Prairie View, Tex.

The number of banks by states is as follows: Alabama, seven; Georgia, three; South Carolina, one; North Carolina, six; Virginia, eleven; Florida, one; Tennessee, four; Texas, five; Mississippi, eleven; Pennsylvania, one; Illinois, three; Oklahoma, three; Maryland, two; Kentucky, one; Massachusetts, one, and Indiana, one.

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The people in New Orleans were particularly interested in the recent general conference because one of their clerical officers put forward for the highest office in the gift of the church.

Dr. Jones is president of the Young Men's Christian association in New Orleans. He was one of the prime movers in getting the work started.

NATIONAL NEGRO BANKERS HOLD SUCCESSFUL MEETING Reports Submitted Show Increase in Yearly Volume of Business.

Reports submitted at the recent annual meeting of the National Negro Bankers' association, held in Chicago, by representatives from over sixty banks showed an increase in deposits and in the general volume of business done during the year.

S. S. Brown, national secretary and a director of the Fraternal Savings Bank and Trust company in Memphis, Tenn., in speaking of the attitude of the race toward the banking institutions conducted by our people, says that much depends upon the character and ability of the men who operate these financial institutions.

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