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CITY NEWS.

Mr. Peter Bell is not quite so well this week.

Mrs. E. N. Warren is still ill at her home on Fourteenth Street Place.

Mr. John Spencer of Grinnell, a successful business man, was in our city last Friday on business.

Mr. Albert Walker, a successful business man of Marshalltown, Iowa, was in our city on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Guy of Buxton were among the Capital City visitors last week to attend the Smart Set.

The Misses Geneva and Cecil Harris arrived in the city Tuesday morning from Chicago for a short visit with relatives and friends.

The Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Brumfield enjoyed a 6 o'clock dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Bell's on Thanksgiving evening.

Mr. Ruben Gains, Jr., and sister, Mrs. Hill of Buxton, visited the Smart Set, the guests of Mrs. Adam Dixon on Day street.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holt entertained Wednesday evening informally in honor of Mrs. Holt's sisters, Misses Geneva and Cecil Harris, who are visiting in the city from Chicago.

Mrs. J. W. Fields entertained Mr. Al Walker of Marshalltown at a 6 o'clock dinner in company with Blind Boone Concert Co. A very enjoyable time reported.

Joseph H. Shepard of Clive was a Capital City visitor Saturday. He has practically regained his former good health, looking well and feeling good. He raised a good crop of corn this year.

Mr. Wm. Hampton of Red Oak, Iowa, is in the city attending the federal court as bailiff for Judge Smith McPherson. He is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Warren.

Mrs. J. L. Courtney served a breakfast Wednesday morning in honor of Mr. Al Walker of Marshalltown, Ia., and Blind Boone and his concert company. A very delightful time reported.

Mrs. L. E. Perry of St. Joseph, Mo., arrived in our city this week to be at the bedside of her daughter's children, who are very sick with diphtheria. The children's mother, Mrs. Oscar Glass, has taken sick this week.

The drama and concert given by the intermediate Sunday school of Union Congregational church last Tuesday evening under the supervision of Mrs. Chas. Turner was a great success. The program was well rendered. The drama was "Courtship of Miles Standish," and the young lads showed that they had been well trained by Mrs. Turner.

Mrs. C. S. Cary, Mrs. Chas. Thomas and Mrs. J. R. Drew left Tuesday morning for Dubuque, where they will be the guests of Mrs. John Wells. They will visit Wisconsin and Illinois before returning.

The dramatic art club met Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Brown and completed the study of Job. Meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Wm. Hammit. Begin the study of "Inferno." Life and works of Dante, Mrs. Warricks.

Mrs. Wm. Bailey, assistant postmistress at Buxton, and her husband, who is weighman at the mine, and her sister, Miss Gertrude Lucas, a teacher in the public schools, spent Saturday and Sunday in our city attending the Smart Set. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson while here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer of Grinnell spent Thanksgiving in our city, the guests of Attorney J. B. Rush and wife on West Twentieth street. They were entertained in the evening by Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson informally.

The Pioneer Draught club will meet next Tuesday night at Mr. J. E. Mathews', 421 W. Ninth street. All members are urged to be present, as it is the election of officers.

John L. Thompson, Pres. H. C. Brown, Sec'y.

The little son, Pierson, of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Glass died Thursday morning at 9:50 of diphtheria. He was a bright little lad of about 3 years old, the oldest child and only boy in this home. Their little girl is improving. The family have the heartfelt sympathy in their sad hour.

The Union Thanksgiving services held at the Corinthian Baptist church were indeed largely attended and Rev. E. U. Taylor of the A. M. E. church, who preached the sermon, was at his best and aroused the large crowd to their full duty of giving thanks to

Almighty God for the many blessings that we have so often received each day of our life.

Mr. G. Gibbs and wife left Thursday for Terre Haute, Ind., to live indefinitely. He came to our city from St. Joseph, Mo., and is one of the spirits in the organization of religious sect known as Sanctified Saints, who are now holding very large and successful meetings on East Sixth and Court avenue. Mr. H. G. Darden is the leader of this band and is doing well.

On Monday evening, November 25, at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Kish, the dramatic art club entertained the presidents of the local federated clubs at a literary reception. It was one of the most brilliant affairs of the season. The program was without equal both in subject matter and in the rendering. About thirty men and women were present to receive the intellectual treat. And all expressed a desire for another one in the near future. The dramatic club was founded two years ago and since that time has mastered the study of some of the most difficult productions of classic literature.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum held their annual Thanksgiving program at the residence of B. N. Hyde last Tuesday evening. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mamie James at 127 Reigart street, Lake Park, on the Urbandale car line, at which time Dr. J. A. Jefferson and Mr. Rufus Jackson will discuss the Balkan war situation, and business of importance will be transacted.

The surprise of the week was the marriage of Dr. J. A. Jefferson to Mrs. Anna Clark, both of this city, which was witnessed at the bride's residence, 904 W. Fourteenth Street Place. The wedding was held at 7:50 p. m. Wednesday. The home was nicely decorated and well arranged. Promptly at the above named time the bridal party marched into the room, led by Rev. B. U. Taylor, followed by John L. Thompson, best man, and Mrs. Ida Ewing, as bridesmaid, followed by the bride couple. Rev. Taylor performed the ceremony in a very imposing and intelligent manner, which made the happy pair one. After congratulations the guests, numbering about thirty-five, were served to refreshments. Many useful presents were received and we, with their other friends, wish them happiness and success upon the marriage voyage through life.

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man. Dr. R. A. Beshears is the only dentist, a graduate from the Iowa State university. He has a nice suite of rooms and is doing well.

Mr. G. W. Walker owns a nice lunch and confectionery store at 609 N. Third street. He is a race man and has been very successful in life. As we have a regular correspondent from this city we will still hear more from that locality.

Mr. Hartly Johnson is visiting in Sioux City for an indefinite time. Mr. L. Bland is very poorly at this writing.

The entertainment given Tuesday night by the G. G. club was nicely attended and a neat sum realized. Mrs. Marie Leslie and Miss Gertrude Cowden were visitors in Monmouth, Ill., at the home of Mrs. D. Skinner last week. Miss Marie will spend Thanksgiving in Des Moines with her sister, Mrs. V. Saunders, and Basile.

The funeral of Mr. H. W. Bird was held last Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. from Drugh's chapel, Rev. B. R. Penn officiating.

Rev. M. J. Burton preached at the U. B. church Sunday, two inspiring sermons.

Sunday, December 1st will be "Dollar Rally Day," at St. Johns A. M. E. church. Members and friends please come, bring a dollar and just as much more as you can spare.

Rev. B. R. Penn spent several days this week in Champaign, Ill. The Art Industrial club held its semi-monthly meeting on last Thursday evening. Eight new members were enrolled and the following officers elected:

President, Mrs. Josie Bland; Vice president, Mrs. Squire Henderson; secretary, Mrs. L. M. Abel; assistant secretary, Mr. Otho Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Cora Palmer; chaplain, Rev. B. R. Penn.

Mrs. T. L. Smith and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, returned home from Springfield, Ill., last Tuesday, after several weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith.

There will be in the near future in Springfield, Ill., a motion picture theater called, "The Lincoln." This theater will be owned and operated by the colored people for the colored people exclusively. Capt. R. A. Byrd is one of the three of the incorporation.

The Culture club will have its Thanksgiving program Sunday.

Mr. McKinley Martin of Chicago, Ill., passed through the city en route to Foley, Mo., to visit relatives. Mr. Martin spent a few hours with his aunt, Mrs. Fannie Coffey.

Mr. Wm. Wright is in the hospital as result of serious accident, which he met with while at work on the street railway, at Twelfth and Maine.

The funeral of Mr. Cicero Goodrich was held at the home of his mother, Mrs. Delia Goodrich, Saturday afternoon.

The Current Event club met at the home of Madame S. B. Golden and did the regular routine of business last Tuesday. Next meeting at Madame H. A. Longress.

The U. B. of F's and S. M. T. S. held memorial services at Eighth and Elm street Baptist church for late Grand Master Gordon Chavis on last Sunday afternoon.

ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN. We had our first snow of the season Saturday, November 23, and it reminded us that winter was at hand.

The Excelsior club of St. James church announces their Grand Baby Show, January 10, 1913. A little premature, yet, nothing like getting your bid in on time.

The Christian Endeavor, under the immediate direction of its wide awake president, Miss Edith Leonard, conducted the services at St. James A. M. E. church Sunday evening, to the satisfaction of the large audience present. The choir assisted in the singing.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos Steele of 244 W. Central avenue entertained at what Thursday evening. Orchestra music was played throughout the evening. Those present to enjoy Mr. and Mrs. Steele's hospitality were: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tandy, L. H. Davis, B. J. Edwards and L. Hicks. A pleasant time was had until a late hour when the guests left for their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Valley of Charles street are the proud parents of a fine boy, born on the 20th. Mother and son are doing nicely.

A large number of tickets are being sold for the Harrison Dramatic Recital at St. James church on the 18th of December.

Mrs. Mabel Adams of St. Anthony avenue was hostess to the Home Economics club Monday afternoon, and despite the inclemency of the weather, a large number were present.

The Charity entertainment, under the auspices of the Elks, to be given at Hiawatha Temple Thursday evening, December 5th, promises to be the hit of the season. The net proceeds will go to furnish Christmas dinners to the worthy poor in our city.

Mr. Geo. Duckett of St. Anthony avenue is able to be out, after a severe shake up in a recent wreck, while on his run.

Everybody is busy preparing for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Mabel Southall is home from New Orleans and is with her mother, Mrs. Anna Moffit, of Arch street.

Queen of Sheba Chapter, No. 29, O. E. S., will present another fine drama entitled, "Hicry Farm," under the direction of Mesdames Mattie Hicks and Gertrude Barber. Watch for the date and place.

Mrs. R. B. Chapman, who is sojourning in Texas in search of health, writes from Paris that she is getting along exceedingly well and expects to return home before long.

The wedding bells are being oiled up so as to be in readiness to ring for one of our dashing widows, "just keep smiling," and listening, for they are certainly going to ring, for she said so.

Subscribe and pay for the Bystander, one of the best negro journals in this country.

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA. Mr. George Route of Minneapolis is visiting with his mother, Mrs. Rena Logan.

Mrs. E. Williams of Burlington spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ralph Burroughs.

Miss Agnes Mason is indisposed at this writing.

Mrs. A. Carter has returned from a ten days' visit in Monroe City, Mo. Mrs. Hattie Hedge left last week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. M. Williams, in Wisconsin.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. McNeal are glad to see their progress in the rebuilding of their home after the loss.

Mrs. Geo. Harris entertained the Kensington at her home last Thursday afternoon. A delightful hour was spent after which dainty refreshments were served.

DUBUQUE, IOWA. Dr. Henry Rose has been confined to his home for a few days with stomach trouble. He is much better at this writing.

Miss Gretta McDavis of Iowa City will be the guest at the paragon Thanksgiving.

The Missionary society gave a social for the purpose of raising their Bishop Coppings fund. They were more than successful. They were the first to send in their money, so the treasurer says.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells are expecting a visitor from Des Moines for Thanksgiving, Misses Carey, Drew and Mrs. Thomas.

Mrs. Harry Rose will eat her Thanksgiving dinner (Thursday) with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton of Donagiac, Mich. Mrs. Rose has not been home for three years. We hope she will have a splendid visit.

The A. M. E. church have organized a choir composed of the following persons, Mrs. Gentry, Mrs. Rose, Miss Ida Green, Miss Lavern Martin, Messrs. Jack Cohen, Gentry, James, Brooks, and Clarence Mitchell, the sweet tenor singer. Mrs. Stansberry is organist.

Mr. Harry Rose was in doors all day Friday, suffering with neuralgia, and of course feeling much worse, because his wife is going away for a few days.

Trustees and Stewardesses gave a necktie social Thursday night, last. The good people of East Dubuque were over in a body. All had a fine time and they cleared a goodly sum. Mr. Guy Green has left us again for Newton, Iowa, where he says he has gone to work, but we think different. There is a young lady, who is claiming his attention more than work. Look out for the wedding bells.

Mr. and Mrs. Isa Jones have lost another son from the home nest, in the person of Everett, who has gone to Chicago to make his home with his brothers. Mr. and Mrs. Jones has now three sons in the Great Metropolis of the West. They are thinking of moving there themselves in the spring, only they own a very nice home and hate to dispose of it.

Rev. S. W. Stansberry is all smile now, the reason why, the trustees have let out the contract of digging a well to Mr. McGregor, and he went have to carry any more water.

CLARINDA, IOWA. The Ladies Study club met at the home of Mrs. Laura Jones Monday afternoon. Miss Susie Lue was elected as delegate to attend the session to be held in Topeka, Kansas. After business matters were discussed, a two course luncheon was served by the hostess.

Wedding bells are again ringing in this city.

Rev. Dunden of Kansas City, Kans. was the guest of Rev. Morgan of this city last week. He delivered an able sermon at the A. M. E. church Friday evening, and also at the Second Baptist church Sunday evening. He left Monday for Des Moines, where he will visit his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Brush.

Rev. Morgan is conducting a series of meetings at the A. M. E. church this week.

Presiding Elder Moore will spend Thanksgiving in this city, Sunday, December 1, 1912, he will conduct the regular quarterly meeting services.

Rev. Franklin, pastor of the Second Baptist church of this city, was called to Kansas City, Kans., Friday, by the death of his son. He has the sympathy of this community.

Mesdames Josephine King and Otto Baker have both been very sick, but are better at this writing.

A miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Miss Callie Arnett Tuesday evening, in honor of the intended bride, Miss Katie Johnson.

We are glad to note that Master Lenard Nowlings, who had the misfortune of getting his leg broken, is improving rapidly.

Mr. Andrew Baker expects to spend Thanksgiving in Cheyenne, Wyoming, the guest of his son, Mr. Joe Baker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Dickerson and daughter, Bertha May, and Miss Susie Lee will leave Wednesday for Red Oak to spend Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Pemberton.

Mrs. Martha Wright left Monday for Forest City, Mo., for an extended visit with her grand-daughter.

Mrs. Carrie Reed, Mr. Albert Casen, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Pemberton and daughter, Virginia, will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Pemberton of Red Oak, Thanksgiving.

ENTERPRISE JOTTINGS. (Special to Bystander.)

Mr. Wm. Price of Buxton was the guest of Mrs. Bessie Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. John Steele on Sunday.

Mrs. A. W. Rhodes is very sick at this writing.

Thomas met with a very painful accident last week. Her dress caught fire from the light and burned her clothes a good deal before extinguished. She was frightened.

The death of Mrs. Henry Madden, the wife of our well known citizen, Henry Madden, who is a clerk in the company's store, was a shock to the community. She was such a fine lady, well liked by all who knew her. While she has been sick a long time, the end came Saturday and the funeral was held from the Baptist church Monday, of which she was an active member, conducted by Rev. S. Bates of Des Moines. A large crowd and many beautiful floral tributes bespoke her many friends.

John L. Thompson, editor of our only and popular race journal, the Bystander, was in our town Monday.

Greek Proverb. What the wind catches the dove catches.

Register J. C. Napier's New Assistant. The new assistant register of the United States treasury, J. P. Strickland of Arkansas, who was recently appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Cyrus Field Adams, has begun his duties like a veteran and is measuring up to the requirements of his office. Mr. Strickland was recommended for the position by Republican National Committeeman General Powell Clayton.

BASS CONTINUED AS LEGISLATOR

Militant Race Leader Receives Large Popular Vote.

CAPABLE PUBLIC SERVANT.

Mark of Rare Distinction For the Hon. Harry W. Bass in Being Elected For the Second Time to the Pennsylvania Legislature—Only Afro-American Lawmaker in America.

By WHITTIER H. WRIGHT. Philadelphia.—Hon. Harry W. Bass of this city has the unusual distinction of being the only Afro-American in America to be a member of a state legislature. In the recent election, while all other Afro-American candidates in other parts of the country were defeated, Mr. Bass was overwhelmingly elected. He is therefore the state's representative from the Sixth district of the First congressional division of the great commonwealth of Pennsylvania, proving beyond a doubt that he is a true "representative of the people."

This is by no means the first time that Mr. Bass has been the choice of the people in an official capacity to the

balls of the state legislature. He now serves and has served them effectually, unselfishly and earnestly since 1910.

He has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of the people of the community and has rendered service of great benefit in their behalf. Mr. Bass was very successful in getting the state legislature to pass a bill appropriating \$20,000 toward the holding of the celebration of the emancipation proclamation, marking the fifty years of freedom of the Negro in America, to be held in this city in 1913.

As might be expected, Mr. Bass is a lawyer by profession and is very much respected by the bar of Philadelphia. He was born in West Chester, Pa., Nov. 4, 1866.

He received his early training in his home town and subsequently attended the celebrated Lincoln university. He then attended Howard university, completed the full law course and also graduated with credit in 1890 from the law department of the University of Pennsylvania.

During the time of practice Counselor Bass has built up a large clientele. He is without doubt one of the leading orators on the American platform and is generally recognized as a forcible and safe leader; hence his services are in constant demand.

MOTHER DREXEL'S SCHOOL. Parochial Institution For Indians and Afro-Americans is Succeeding.

Katherine Drexel, mother superior and founder of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament For Indians and Colored People and a member of the Drexel family of Philadelphia, has established a parochial school for colored children in One Hundred and Thirty-second street, New York.

The school is supported out of the income of an estate of \$6,000,000 left to the mother superior by her father. When Mother Drexel learned a short time ago that there were 60,000 colored people in Harlem she decided to make that neighborhood the chief field of labor for her institution.

She has rented a house in One Hundred and Thirty-second street. The work, which opened as a school about two months ago, is meeting with gratifying results. The purpose of the Order of the Blessed Sacrament is to teach Indians and Negroes to care for and to visit the sick. Cardinal Farley has consented to the admission of the order to the diocese.

The Fathers of the Holy Ghost will assist in the religious education of the colored people in Harlem at the Church of St. Mark the Evangelist, in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.

What Would You Do? In case of a burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar. For sale by all dealers.

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1st—The actual amount of paid-up capital of said company, Dec. 31, 1911, to be \$400,000.00

2d—The aggregate amt. of the assets of said company, Dec. 31, 1911, to be 6,331,707.15

3d—The aggregate amt. of liabilities of said company, including the amount required to satisfy reinsurance all outstanding risks, Dec. 31, 1911, to be 3,712,668.56

4th—The aggregate income of said company for the year 1911, to be 4,167,918.94

5th—The aggregate expenditures of said company for the year 1911, to be 3,127,382.41

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of my office the day and date above written.

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MRS. J. H. BROWN

who plays the leading role, that of Zoe in the Octoroon, a drama to be given by local talent at the Union Congregational church on Thursday evening, December 12, under the management of Harrison Gould. The Octoroon is a beautiful southern play based upon southern life in Louisiana, actually describing the thrilling and sensational event as it occurred on a southern plantation. Admission 25 cents.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS.

St. Joseph is the largest and chief city in northwestern Missouri, with a population of 75,000 people, of which 14,000 are colored. They have three public schools and one high school for the education of the Negro youth. These schools are well conducted and instructed by a corps of efficient teachers, with Prof. Simms as principal of the high school, Prof. B. T. Perkins principal of one of the public schools. He is an old veteran in the educational field. He owns a beautiful home. Prof. J. A. Endicott is another principal of many years' experience a ripe student. He has a loveable family. Some of his children are off taking the higher studies in colleges and universities. R. L. Scott, formerly a teacher, is U. S. government meat inspector here. He owns a lovely new home and is doing well. Dr. Edward W. Thompson, the druggist, owns a very beautiful new drug store on the corner of Tenth and Franc streets. Dr. Thompson is an exemplary young man, a graduate of the Iowa State university and his drug store is one of the finest colored drug stores in the state and the only one owned by our race in St. Joseph. So all the people should support this worthy enterprise. Dr. W. S. Carrion is one of the leading physicians. He is doing well, a great big physician. Dr. Ricketts is a practicing physician, very popular among Masonic circles. Dr. J. A. Crossland is the oldest practicing physician in the city, an able public man. He was sent as minister to Monrovia, Africa. The other physician, which makes four now practicing in St. Joseph, is Dr. F. N. Goodson, a young man formerly from Carrollton, Mo. He is a nice young

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BEING CARELESS WITH LIONS

Story of Intrepid Hunter Who Paid for His Contempt of the Beast With His Life.

When the author of "The Journal of a Sporting Nomad" was in Africa he ascended the Pungwe river to Belra and engaged a professional hunter named Kopping to take him out on short trips in the immediate vicinity, for at that time buffalo, hartbeest, lions, quagga and bushbuck could be obtained by going out from the hotel and returning the same evening. Lions, especially, were plentiful, roaring continually all around the camp; "That night the lions roared incessantly quite close to camp; one of them must have been within fifty yards of us. I took the precaution to load my 5.77, which seemed to amuse Kopping, who told me he never loaded his old Martini. At night, he said, if a lion came for us it would be too late to shoot. I differed from him, for I did not see the use of groping around in the dark looking for cartridges when by a little foresight the rifle could be loaded and ready for an emergency.

"We argued the matter for some time and I happened to say he would pay the penalty one day for his carelessness. Little dreaming that within a month this man would be killed by a lion, the whole tribe of which he so openly scorned. It happened that night he had been out in this part of the veldt with Lord Enslinmore, he one day went out by himself, accompanied only by one or two boys. Chancing to come upon a lion, a many one, too, he wounded it, and had no time to reload his rifle before the beast came for him, killing him almost instantly.

"Had he been accompanied by another white man, or been armed with a double barrel rifle, the story might have had quite another ending. He had the greatest contempt for lions and paid the penalty of that contempt with his life. Personally I should always keep my rifle loaded in a country fairly swarming with these beasts, and I proved later on the truth of my conviction.

Burglar Properly Punished.

An interesting and amusing story of a struggle between a woman and a burglar, in which the midnight intruder came off second best, was told at Kilkenny (Ireland) quarter sessions, when Patrick Byrne was charged with entering the rural postoffice at Corrusy with burglarious intent. Byrne, in the middle of the night, entered the postoffice through the chimney, awaking the postmaster and his wife. The postmaster grappled with the intruder, and his wife went to assist him with a poker. The postmaster, giving evidence in the case, said the prisoner appealed to Mrs. Lucas, an old woman, not to hit him with the poker. "Whereupon," added the witness, amid laughter, "my wife gave him a good licking with an ashpit."

Invalid's Tray.

Oysters and clams are most delicious when well served, and never are they so inviting as when placed on the crushed ice upon the new glass oyster plates. They are just the same shape as the china soup plate, but are of cut glass, or may be had in pressed glass. They are especially adapted for use with beautiful service plates, for the color and decoration glisten through the clear edge and contrast with the frosty crushed ice most delightfully. They are of moderate cost, in plain glass being priced at \$15 a dozen, and in cut glass design they are \$24 a dozen. For an invalid's service tray they would tempt the wisest appetite.

Pleasure Deferred.

Somebody was talking to a newly-married couple who were spending their honeymoon at Scarborough. "You mustn't leave Scarborough till you've seen the cemetery," he said. "It's well worth a visit!"

"They said they would go, but they forgot about it until too late. Then the young wife reproached her husband.

"George," she said, "you haven't taken me to the cemetery yet."

"Well, dear," was the reply, "that is a pleasure I must have in the future!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Ran Press With Motor Car.

A newspaper, known as the African Standard, is said to have been recently published at Natal, South Africa, under unusual circumstances. Owing to the breakdown of the electric supply the printing machinery was stopped, but the ingenuity of the proprietors was equal to the occasion. They harnessed a motor car to the printing press and ran off the edition at the expense of a considerable quantity of petrol, the paper appearing at the usual time without a hitch.

Substitute for Pickwickian.

"I understand that you have called me a liar."

"Merely in a political sense, sir—merely in a political sense."

"Oh, that being the case, have a cigar."

Warranted.

"Are these genuine goldfish?" asked the customer.

"Yes, ma'am, 14 karat," thoughtlessly replied the clerk, who had recently resigned his position in a jeweler's shop.

Natural Explanation.

Prosecuting Attorney (testily)—You say the candidate wasn't running for alderman or councilman or for any city office; then what was he running for?

Witness (stupidly)—I dunno—'nless it might be he seen a cop comin' round the corner.—Judge.

All That's Going.

Friend—Miss De Style has so much aplomb.

Mrs. Comcup—Then I'm going to buy our Maris some.

COAL EXPORTS BIG

Important Factor in Trade of the United States.

Produce Has Taken Leading Place in Nation's Commercial Advancement Within Last Twenty Years—Canada Best Customer.

Washington.—Coal is rapidly becoming an important factor in the export trade of the United States. The value of the coal sent to foreign countries last year was \$52,500,000, against \$31,000,000 in 1902 and \$3,333,000 in 1903, having thus increased over 500 per cent in the last twenty years and 150 per cent in the last decade.

Even these larger figures of more than \$50,000,000 worth of coal sent to foreign countries in the fiscal year 1912 do not include the value of the "bunker" or fuel coal laden on vessels engaged in the foreign trade, which aggregated nearly \$23,000,000 in value, making a total of more than \$75,000,000 as the value of the coal passing out of the United States in the fiscal year 1912. The quantity sent to foreign countries in 1912 was, according to figures compiled by the statistical division of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, 17,500,000 tons, against 7,000,000 in 1902 and 2,500,000 in 1892.

Thus the quantity exported in 1912 is seven times as much as in 1892 and the value more than six times as much in 1912 as in 1892.

Coke exports also show a decided growth, the value in 1892 having been but \$12,000 and in 1912 practically \$3,000,000. A comparison of the quantity and value of coal placed on foreign trade in 1912 can only be made with comparatively recent years, the figures of bunker coal laden vessels in 1912 being 7,093,212 tons, valued at \$22,802,876, against 6,003,794 tons, valued at \$19,717,778 in the fiscal year of 1903, the earliest date for which complete figures of bunker coal movements are available.

The fact that the coal sent to foreign countries has increased 150 per cent, both in quantity and value, during the last ten years, that is the total value of exports to foreign countries plus the value of that leaving the country as bunker coal now aggregates more than \$75,000,000 suggests that the total value of the coal passing out of the United States in a single year will soon reach the hundred million dollar line.

The movement of coal out of the United States is confined to comparatively few countries. Of the 2,975,102 tons of anthracite coal exported in the fiscal year 1912 all except 56,571 tons went to Canada, and of the 14,709,847 tons of bituminous coal, exported in that year 10,671,982 tons went to Canada, 1,121,580 tons to Cuba, 692,534 tons to other West Indies and Bermuda, 511,802 tons to Panama, 244,712 tons to Mexico and less than 1,500,000 tons to all other countries.

While the total exports of coal to other parts of the world is at the present time small, the growth in the movements to certain European and South American countries has been rapid. The quantity of bituminous coal exported to Italy has grown from 43,641 tons in 1907 to 276,467 tons in 1912; to France, from 4,037 tons in 1907 to 43,232 tons in 1912; to Argentina, from 8,827 tons in 1907 to 156,792 tons in 1912; to Brazil, from 1,810 tons in 1907 to 307,125 tons in 1912, and to French territory in Africa, from 500 tons in 1907 to 102,498 tons in 1912. The total exports of bituminous coal to all Europe grew from 87,512 tons in 1907 to 404,905 tons in 1912, and to South America, from 65,906 tons in 1907 to 580,161 tons in 1912.

WHITE HOUSE SENSATION

The sensation of a recent White House garden party was the puffing of cigarettes by an Austrian woman, the first to ever smoke at a White House function; that is, the first to ever smoke at a White House function within the memory of living witnesses. Dolly Madison, the beautiful Dolly, whose fame has delighted two continents, probably smoked a pipe there; at any rate, she rubbed snuff, which is ten times worse.

LIKES UNCLE SAM'S LAUNDRY

Heinrich Wollheim, a representative of the Imperial Bank of Germany, who came to Washington to inspect the operations of the bill-washing machine in use at the bureau of engraving and printing, has expressed his entire satisfaction with the device. He will return to Germany within a few days, and will submit a report to the Reichsbank of Berlin, recommending the purchase of one or more of the machines for use in Germany.

Icelandic Ponies.

Icelandic ponies, which are being impressed into the service of the Swiss army, aroused the admiration of the great traveler, Mme. Ida Pfeiffer. "In spite of scanty food," she wrote, "they have marvelous powers of endurance. They can travel from 35 to 40 miles per diem for several consecutive days. They know by instinct the dangerous spots in the stony wastes and in the moors and swamps. On approaching these places they bend their heads toward the earth and look sharply round on all sides. If they cannot discover a firm resting place for their feet they stop at once, and cannot be urged forward without many blows."

Deduction.

"I wonder what that slender young woman works at?" says the man with the vibrant ears.

"She must be a school teacher," answers the man with the deep-set eyes. "I overheard her say that she tans very quickly."—Judge's Library.

Rare Chance.

"I met Pantouffe just now. He's awfully bad; can hardly eat anything and drinks nothing but water."

She—And didn't you like to invite him to dinner.—Pele Mele.

SCHOOLS IN PHILIPPINES

Under the administration of President Taft, industrial education in the Philippines has made rapid progress. For the last four years industrial instruction has been prescribed in the primary course for both boys and girls, and the work is systematically carried on in an advanced stage in the intermediate schools. Twenty-six well-equipped trade schools have been established in Manila and the provinces; there is a college of agriculture at Los Baños, and a college of engineering has been added to the University of the Philippines.

The civil government finds its duties much less onerous now that the military invasion of the islands has been superseded by the educational. In certain lines, particularly lacemaking and embroidery, the products of the Philippine schools not only compare favorably with the work of the famous French and Swiss experts, but promise to compete with them successfully in the world's markets.

The whole system of education in the islands is based on the principle that the children should receive training that will prepare them directly for the life they are to live. In the lowest grades they make articles that they can use and sell, both in their own localities and elsewhere.

The most important industry taught the boys is hat weaving. The schools do not attempt to replace hand machinery with modern apparatus, for it is recognized that there is a real demand for the products of careful handworkmanship. A set of dining room furniture in red narre, made at the Philippine School of Arts and Trades in Manila, recently sold for \$200 at a carnival.

The first thing the Filipino girl does in the sewing class in school is to make herself a complete outfit of clothing. This work she usually begins in the second grade, but sometimes in the first. Armed with an embroidery frame, in most cases made by the boys in the same school, she advances in proficiency through the various grades; hemming and embroidering cotton squares, fine linen, handkerchiefs, waists and so on. The more expert girls turn out masterpieces in lace they make all varieties (Spanish lace), macramé, Ceylon, Irish crochet, and so forth. Battenberg is also made for local use.

Nearly 400,000 pupils are engaged in some kind of industrial work in the islands.

UNCLE SAM SHOWS WAY.

Great Britain has asked a leaf from the book of Uncle Sam as the pioneer in systematically destroying derelicts or floating wrecks along the coast, which are a menace to navigation and a peril to lives at sea. The information sought for the benefit of the London board of trade, which controls Great Britain's maritime regulations, has just been furnished to the British embassy by the state department. The British government was informed that the revenue cutter service performed this important task for the United States. One revenue cutter, the Seneca, was especially built as a derelict destroyer.

At numerous international maritime conferences the construction of derelict destroyers has been recommended, but the United States is the only country which has adopted the suggestion. During the fiscal year 1912 the revenue cutter service destroyed or removed 45 derelicts. Of wrecked vessels towed to port there was saved an aggregate money valuation of \$166,175, including ships and cargoes. The state department estimate that the revenue cutter service located 75 per cent of the derelicts reported by the United States hydrographic office, maritime exchanges and ships at sea, all working in co-operation to clear the paths of transportation.

ALL KINDS OF DOGS.

The following advertisement appeared in a local paper the other morning:

Lost or strayed, from the Russian Embassy, 1701 K street, a gray Yorkshire terrier, 8 years old, answering to the name of Bobby. If found, returned, no questions will be asked, and a handsome reward paid. The dog was lost about Oct. 1.

A stream of persons accompanied by dogs started toward the Russian embassy. Every sort of dog, from a ten-ounce spitz, to a two hundred-pound mastiff, was presented for inspection. Long before Ambassador Balmteff and Mme. Balmteff were up, dogs galore had been passed upon by attaches. Yet at sundown, Bobby had not been found.

Removing Ink Stain From a Book.

You can quite effectively remove the ink stain from an injured volume by applying a dilute solution of oxalic acid, tartaric acid, or citric acid. Any of these acids take out ordinary writing ink, but do not interfere with the print. You would achieve results slowly by just moistening the spot with a sponge and sprinkling over it a coating of damp cream of tartar, let dry and repeat. If acid solution is used it should be quite dilute and applied with a damp sponge.

Doctor Knew.

"Doctor, my husband is losing his mind, I fear. He continually mutters matters to himself."

"Is it possible?"

"Yes; he mutters to himself, and when you speak to him he stares at you blankly."

"I know what the trouble is," said the doctor, smiling. "He's memorizing some lodge work. I belong to the same lodge."

Compromise.

Country Vicar (returning from service)—Is parliament sitting now, my dear?

Wife—I don't know.

Vicar—Nor I; that's why I said the prayer for parliament in such a low voice.—Punch.

Liberality.

"You should weigh your words," said a cautious friend.

MRS. FREDERICK HATTON ON HOW TO TRAIN GIRLS

"I don't agree with him. He seems to me an unjust judge."



Mrs. Frederick Hatton referred to the Connecticut justice who said that every married couple should be compelled to remain together for one year, whether they wished or not. He is of the opinion that if a bride comes home crying to mamma she should be bundled

back home without more ado, and that a husband's presence at his own fire-side should be compulsory for the first twelve months.

"The first year is the trial year of marriage," was the justice's conclusion, "and if a couple weather that there is a good chance for the permanence of marriage. It is the period of adjustment to each other's faults and habits, and impatient natures rebel against the adjustment. That is the reason there are so many divorces growing out of the difficulties in the first year; I am tired of these first-year cases, and shall always order them to stand each other for a full twelve months."

Mrs. Hatton, twice wedded and the mother of three children, a woman of social position in Chicago and well known in New York, has the wisdom drawn from the well of experience.

"The first year of married life should be, and generally is, the happiest," she said. "It has the charm of early romance. It is an afterglow of the courtship. Many couples who are blissfully happy then get out badly afterward, for when the first flush of romance has faded it takes well-grounded character to make marriage a success. The Connecticut judge didn't go back far enough. It takes three generations to make a good wife. A girl's mother and grandmother and great grandmother should have been trained for happy and efficient wifehood."

"First and last in all the arts of housewifery, no man will be content unless his home is well kept. But even if a girl's mother is incompetent, the girl need not despair. The poorest can learn household arts in one of the public training schools.

"A girl should have a good education, so that she can start on a companionable basis with her husband in their married life. And after that she should continue her education by keeping herself informed about current events.

"The reason I spoke of the three generations required to produce a good wife is not one of snobbery. But the good wife is a considerable, and three generations of consideration make the exercise of that grace easy. It is a dreadful thing to be familiar with a member of one's own family." Mrs. Hatton's expressive dark eyes laughed. "My mother said I have always been formally polite to each other. She insisted upon it, and I've grown to like it.

VISCOUNTESS ESHER AND ARTS OF THE KITCHEN

Viscountess Escher's scheme for instructing women in the arts of cookery and housewifery, and keeping commenced in London a few weeks ago. Lady Escher and friends are entering seriously into the work, and they attend the Mayfair branch of the County of London Voluntary Aid association fully equipped for real hard work in the arts of the kitchen. In addition to cookery there are classes on home nursing and first aid and kindred subjects. It is from Mrs. Escher has inaugurated her ambulance classes. She thinks that the women of England should be ready to do their part in case of emergency, just as the men should be ready to fight. She wishes, too, to save some of the many infant lives that are lost yearly through the incapacity of the mothers. There are both afternoon and evening classes in cooking and housewifery, but, from the relative attendances, it would appear that these subjects appeal more to the woman of leisure than to the business girl.

Wanted to Know.

New Boarder (gently)—Hasn't this sutter rather—er—a peculiar taste, Mrs. Shindiet?

Mrs. Shindiet—That? That's roll sutter, sir.

New Boarder—Yes—er—I suppose so; but where have they been rolling it?—New York Weekly.

Business Success.

"You needn't turn up your nose at this fashionable dairy business."

"I do," replied the energetic campaigner; "but I invariably throw in a lot of extra ones for good measure."

"It gets the cream of the trade."

No Harmony There.

Miss Fusanfeather—I think your wife has such good taste.

Mr. Styles—Do you, really?

"Yes, I really do. Everything she has seems to harmonize with the surroundings."

"Well, I guess not. I happen to be part of the surroundings, and her dog and I don't harmonize worth a cent!"

MRS. HARRIMAN GUARDIAN OF IMMENSE FORTUNE

From a home-loving and comparatively unknown woman, Mrs. Mary Averill Harriman, the widow of the great American financier and famous railroad king, Edward H. Harriman, has joined the front ranks of the great army of women who wield a powerful influence in the business and philanthropic world today. No woman ever received a higher tribute to her business acumen than was paid to Mrs. Harriman by her late husband, when he trusted his entire fortune into the care and keeping of his wife. The confidence he placed in her was attested by the drawing up of his now famous will, which reads:



"I, Edward H. Harriman, of Arden, in the state of New York, do make, publish and declare this as and for my last will and testament, that is to say:

I give, devise and bequeath all my property, real and personal, of any and every nature to my wife, Mary W. Harriman, to be hers absolutely and forever, and I do hereby nominate and appoint the said Mary W. Harriman executrix of this will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighth day of June in the year of nineteen hundred and three.

Edward H. Harriman.

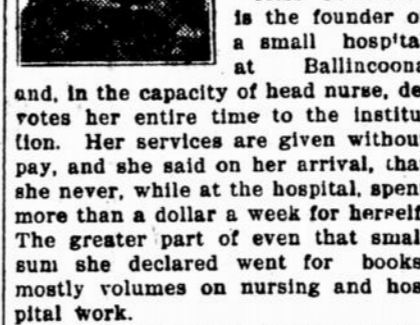
This will, containing less than a hundred words, bestowed property upon Mrs. Harriman valued at \$149,000,000 or at the rate of over a million dollars a word. To the public this remarkable document appeared very curious. But E. H. Harriman knew well the executive ability of the woman in whose hands he trusted his mill

ions. Indeed, it was a well-known fact that there was but one person in the world who possessed Mr. Harriman's entire confidence, and that one was his wife.

Mrs. Harriman has manifested a remarkable capacity for business. Her suite of offices on Fifth avenue, New York, occupies comparatively the entire second floor. Here she may be found daily, actively engaged in administering the affairs of the vast Harriman estate—the directing of every detail connected with the management of that great fortune is entirely under her supervision. She has already shown the world what a woman can accomplish. Today she is accredited as being the greatest woman banker in the country. The recent changing of a state bank in which the late Mr. Harriman had been a large stockholder, to a national institution, was brought about through the influence of Mrs. Harriman.

HON. ALBINA BRODRICK SEEKS AMERICAN IDEAS

The Hon. Albina Brodrick, a sister of the Viscount Middleton and widely known in Ireland for her charitable work among the poor of Ballinacorney, her home, arrived in America a few days ago, and will devote the next few months to a study of American hospitals.



Miss Brodrick is the founder of a small hospital at Ballinacorney and, in the capacity of head nurse, devotes her entire time to the institution. Her services are given without pay, and she said on her arrival, that she never, while at the hospital, spent more than a dollar a week for herself. The greater part of even that small sum she declared went for books, mostly volumes on nursing and hospital work.

Miss Brodrick was a second cabin passenger on board the steamer. She engaged a first class stateroom a month before she left England, but subsequently arranged for second class accommodation and devoted the difference in cost to her hospital in Ireland.

While in America much of her time will be spent at Columbia University, New York, where she will enroll as a special student for the course on nursing. She said that nursing as a profession was far in advance in this country, and she felt that her studies here would be of inestimable benefit when applied at her hospital in Ballinacorney.

How the Finest Caviar is Cured.

The finest caviar is the blégu, prepared from the roe of the white sturgeon; little less fine is the serruga, prepared at Astrakhan, Russia. According to United States Consul John H. Groul, stationed at Odessa, the roe is rubbed through a sieve with care not to break the grain. It falls into brine, where it remains for three or four hours, after which it is packed in sacks and allowed to drain. This is the only preparation given to the best caviar. The cheaper varieties are more strongly salted. Caviar is digested with ease and is one of the finest forms of nourishment, especially for the sick.

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Cards Signed Much to Those Initiated.

French Minister of Foreign Affairs Under Louis XVI Devised Ingenious System, Described by a Writer in the Century.

The mysterious cards employed by the Count de Vergennes, who was minister for foreign affairs under Louis XVI, in his relations with the diplomatic agents of France exhibit great ingenuity in their arrangement and show what the political condition of Europe must have been at that time to require such precautions. writes John H. Haswell, who, in Century, describes many forms of "secret writing." The count was a great friend of America, and it was largely through his influence that the treaties of amity and commerce and of alliance of 1778 were concluded. These cards were used in letters of recommendation or passports which were given to strangers about to enter or depart from France; they were intended to furnish information without the knowledge of the bearers. This was the system: The cards given to a man contained only a few words, such as "Alphonse D'Angeha Recommande a Monsieur le Comte de Vergennes, par le Marquis de Puysegur, Ambassadeur de France a la Cour de Liebonne."

The card told more tales than the words written on it. Its color indicated the nation of the stranger. Yellow showed him to be English; red, Spanish; white, Portuguese; green, Dutch; red and white, Italian; red and green, Swiss; green and white, Russian, etc. The person's age was expressed by the shape of the card. If it was circular, he was under 25; oval, between 25 and 30; octagonal, between 30 and 45; hexagonal, between 45 and 50; square, between 50 and 60; an oblong showed that he was over 60. Two lines placed below the name of the bearer indicated his build. If he was tall and lean, the lines were waving and parallel; tall and stout, they converged; and so on.

The expression of his face was shown by a flower on the border. A rose designated an open and amiable countenance, while a tulip marked a pensive and aristocratic appearance. A fillet round the border, according to its length, told whether the man was bachelor, married or widower. Dots gave information as to his position and fortune. A full stop after his name showed that he was a catholic; a semicolon, that he was a Lutheran; a comma, that he was a Calvinist; a dash that he was a Jew; no stop indicated him as an atheist. So also his morals and character were pointed out by a pattern in the angles of the card. So, at once glance the minister could tell all about his man, whether he was a gamester or a duellist; what was his purpose in visiting France; whether in search of a wife or to claim a legacy; what was his profession—that of a physician, lawyer or man of letters; whether he was to be put under surveillance or allowed to go his way unmolested.

Thundering Legion.

The Thundering Legion was the twelfth legion of the Roman army under Marcus Aurelius, acting against the Quadi in the year A. D. 174. The legion was shut up in a defile and reduced to great straits for want of water, when a body of Christians, enrolled in the legion, prayed for relief. Not only was rain sent, but the thunder and lightning so terrified the enemy that a complete victory was obtained, and the legion was ever after called "The Thundering Legion." According to Brewer, the Theban Legion, i. e., the legion raised in the Thebais of Egypt, and composed of Christian soldiers led by St. Maurice, was likewise called "The Thundering Legion." Brewer, however, states that the term existed before either of these two were so called, but he gives no further explanation of the origin of the name.

Reduced Mortality From Cancer.

"Cancer has at last, by a steady and uniform increase year after year, reached a mortality of eight thousand," a recent bulletin of the New York state department of health reports. "Cancer as a disease has increased more rapidly than tuberculosis. The comparison with tuberculosis shows that in the preceding 20 years there have been 270,000 deaths from that cause and 100,000 from cancer." The bulletin adds: "Comparing cancer with the almost stationary mortality of consumption, it would appear that within another 20 years there will be more deaths from cancer than from consumption."

Machine to Write Music.

A German musician has invented a machine which, he states, automatically registers the notes emitted by the piano. The new machine, Harper's Weekly states, has the same object as one invented by an Italian and used by Mascagni in writing his operas, but it is a larger instrument and is operated by electricity. Into the machine is inserted a roll of paper and the composer seats himself before the piano and executes the composition that he desires to give to the public. The machine faithfully registers every note produced, so that the musician does not have to depend upon his memory.

Novels and Plays.

An English writer describing the difficulties that lie in the way of a successful novelist becoming effective as a playwright notes that a novelist is free while the playwright is limited by the stage, and adds: "In a play it all has to take place in somebody's chambers and all the women of the play have to be got there somehow. The method mostly adopted is to take away their characters because then you can put them where you like."

Fostering Canal Traffic.

In order to take care of the traffic on the New York state barge canal, which will be completed in 1915, an expenditure of \$18,000,000 has been authorized for canal terminals in New York city and other cities along the canal. In New York city there will be 14 canal terminals, costing altogether \$9,740,000. The remainder of the money will be spent in building terminals at 21 different cities and towns.

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AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

Ladies living away from Chicago should think twice before allowing their husbands to take them there to live. In Chicago, husbands like riches, frequently taking them away—or they get away somehow. I met a number of women who had been deserted by their husbands in a very short time after they had reached that city. Wife desertion in Chicago surpasses that in any other city. Of course when these run away husbands are caught they are imprisoned, and are paroled only on promise that they will support their families. Often the courts collect the money from the employer of a paroled husband and pay it over to the deserted families. Last year the courts there collected and paid out \$75,000. But by reason of lack of prominence the colored brother, bent on deserting his family, finds it easy to make his get away. And he is rarely ever found, and never returns, although he may be having a high old time just around the corner in another block. And then the whites have an effective method of discovering the wanderer (if white) and persuading him to return home. They advertise for him in the daily papers, especially in the Sunday editions. His children write touching letters begging him, if alive, to return. These letters, often accompanied by the children's pictures, are printed in the papers. In many instances the man finds that there is only one of two things to do, either return home or get out of the earth. Concealment in the white light of such publicity is out of the question. But such a weapon as this would prove non-effective in the case of nine-tenths of the absconding colored brothers. Hence their families spend the weary years in silent suffering looking as do shipwrecked sailors for a sail which they know will never return.

One woman ran a little lunch counter near the place where the league met. She was trying to make money enough to get back home down in Dixie. She said that when they moved there from the north, the town was fast, and the two had left her stranded and far away from home. The husband had never been seen since he left, pretending to be going to his job. Hundreds of them never "come back." Another woman was running a shoe shining stand, and while she polished my shoes she told me her ill-luck of woe—husband had been gone for years, leaving her to bring up and support the children who in a few years had also disappeared. Therefore, gentle reader, before you move to Chicago, with your husband, see to it that you have his "adoption tried," and that you have his heart attached to you "with hooks of steel." For in this naughty city old-fashioned love is regarded as a species of criminal madness.—"Old Hickory."

A flag for the negro race has been designed by Bishop J. Lennox of the Zion African Evangelical church. Flags represent nations, not races. It is all nonsense to try to have the negro race adopt a specially designed flag. The only flag the American negro can lay just claim to is the Stars and Stripes. Negroes have volunteered in many of our country's wars to shed their blood that the honor of Old Glory might be upheld. The song, "Every race has a flag but the coon," simply displays ignorance, and the bishop displays his ignorance also.

There is no football being played this year at Meharry Medical college and Pearl High school in Nashville, Tenn., by decision of the faculties of these two schools, because the young men have openly and flagrantly bet and gambled on the results of the games. This is to be regretted. Athletics, in all its legitimate forms, is a necessity, especially in American school life. Of itself the sport is not bad. It does see to it that plans could have been devised and a compelling moral crusade carried on to eliminate these bad practices, thereby retaining the game. If the sport was abolished without an effort first having been made to suppress the evils attendant upon it, the impression may go abroad that the cause decided on is an acknowledgment of weakness on the part of the powers who refrained from attempting to regulate instead of abolishing.

If he is poor, he is a boor; if he is well to do, he has the "car microphone"; but if he is wealthy, he has that admirable characteristic of getting what he wants, when he wants it.

Many prominent whites are frankly expressing the view that their race is responsible to a large degree for the American negro's condition, and are endeavoring to work more active interest in the awakening of American negro redemption and conservatism. Our people have felt that way about the matter all along.

Getting married costs much less than being married.

Man proposes and hopes the woman opposes.

"How do you like your new son-in-law?"

"Well, I've just put him on the list of my poor relations.—Detroit Free Press.

Having to go places where you don't want to go, is easier than having to stay in one place where you don't want to stay.

The channel of pleasure runs very wide these days, but often very shallow, which gives more people a chance to wade in it.

The new attitude which southern college men are assuming toward the matter of race relationship is most encouraging. In the tolerant, broad-minded friendliness of the rising generation of college men lies the hope of the negro race. Eighteen months ago the Young Men's Christian association in colleges of the south launched a movement for a definite study of this problem of the negro by white college men. Our most sanguine hopes did not lead us to believe that we would be able to get more than 2,000 southern college men studying this question within the first year. In fact, so timid were we that at our student conference, where we gathered leaders from all of the colleges of the southwest, we planned to invite personally a group of more mature and broad-minded students to enter this study. We felt that if they became genuinely interested each man could go back to his college and start a similar study group. We had no hope that we would secure more than 15 or 20 men in this conference for this study. The negro's course was announced as one of the seven courses in the study of home and foreign missions, and what was our amazement when we found that more than one-third of the students in the conference enrolled in the class for negro study. These men go back into various colleges so encouraged the variety of this problem that during the term of 1910-1911 we were able to enroll some 4,000 college men in small groups in the study of this question. During the present college year of 1911-1912 we have already enrolled some 6,000 men. Thus it will be seen that in the last 18 months 10,000 southern white college men have been giving some genuine study to the big problems that connect themselves with race relationship in the south.—W. D. Weatherford in the Southern Workman.

Fred M. Johnson, negro globe trotter, who fought at San Juan Hill, has invented a belt feed rifle that, it is asserted, will fire 300 shots without stopping at the rate of 20 shots a second. Johnson says he has received word from the war department that his rifle is considered one of the wonders of the age, and that it soon will receive a trial.

The Johnson gun is used much like an ordinary rifle, being about the same weight and length, but instead of the regular stock, the rifle is equipped with a brace which fastens to both shoulders, bringing the barrel to level with the eye. A small crank fitted to the side of the barrel operates the belt so the cartridges are carried to the chamber, discharged and the shells ejected simply by turning the crank. Johnson is now a resident of Cleveland, O.

John H. Ceblot, 332 Camp street, Indianapolis, Ind., through his attorney here, William L. Houston, has been granted a patent by the patent office on his invention of a non-puncturable tire for automobiles. His patent tire can be punctured with a six or eight penny nail without necessitating stopping for repairs. It is so constructed that no matter how badly the outside of the regular stock, the tire remains intact. The invention will be a boon to automobile owners, and ought to prove a fortune for the inventor.

Every man in a crowded trolley car wonders why the other men do not give up their seats to the women who are standing.

Lincoln, Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Harrison, Cleveland, McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft are the last nine men elected to the presidency of these United States. Of this number, three were assassinated—Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley. An attempt has been made on Roosevelt's life. Thus nearly half the number were targets for bullets fired by irresponsible enemies of government. If it is necessary to safeguard the lives of crowned heads in Europe, it is more necessary to protect our governmental leaders far better than they have been protected.

for America is almost an unrestricted mecca for those who have failed in their insane and fanatical attempts to have all forms of government abolished.

Everyone has some part of his work that he can cheerfully part with and the boy who starts to work without specially defined duties, is apt to soon find himself the busiest person about.

The human family acquired the habit of running one another down long before the motor car did it.

He who lives to regret has not lived in vain.

A twenty-year-old Kansas colored girl stood six civil service examinations and held first place in five out of the six and stood second in the sixth one. Here is a fine example of negro pluck, intelligence and education.

The man who gets in late in the morning and leaves on time with his desk cleared isn't a genius so often as a papa's pet.

When a man stops his newspaper it is because some blundering reporter has printed the truth about him.

The success of the dining car for negroes, operated by negroes on the Southern Pacific railway, may open the way for better all-around accommodations for colored people in time on all the prominent railroads where poor service for them is given at present.

The matches that are made in heaven never strike fire.

PREPARING SALAD AND FRUIT

Methods That Are Not New, But Have Successfully Withstood Test of Time.

Escalloped Squash.—Cut the squash into small pieces and boil until tender, but not soft enough to mash. Butter a baking dish and cover the bottom with a layer of squash, over which sprinkle a little salt, a little sugar and a few bits of butter. Keep doing this until the dish is full. On top, in addition to the seasoning, add a little grated nutmeg. Pour in about two-thirds of a cup of milk and bake in a moderate oven. Serve hot.

Egg Plant Salad.—Cut the egg plant in quarter-inch slices, pare, sprinkle with salt and pepper and saute them quickly in hot butter. Drain on cheese cloth; when cold, cut them in dice, sprinkle on them some minced water-cress and cover with a cream salad dressing made by stirring three teaspoons of grated horseradish, three tablespoons of lemon juice, one-half teaspoon of salt and a dash of paprika into one cup of thick whipped cream.

Baked Quinces.—Core and pare eight ripe, juicy quinces. Put them into a buttered baking dish and fill the cavities with sugar. Sprinkle the remains of three-quarters of a cup of sugar over them and add one and a half cups of water. Cover and bake until soft in a moderate oven, basting often. Quinces require a long time for cooking. Serve hot with butter and sugar.

Red and White Pickle.—Select one large or two small heads of cauliflower, break into bits. To this add one-half pint of small onions, two red peppers. Dissolve one-quarter pint of salt in sufficient vinegar to cover vegetables. Let stand over night, drain in morning. Heat one quart of vinegar and two tablespoons of mustard until it boils, put in vegetables, boil 15 minutes, bottle and seal.

SEEK WELL-BALANCED DIET

Of the Utmost Importance to the Health and Welfare of All the Family.

It is the duty of the housewife to furnish a well balanced diet to the members of her family. By taking something from each group of food materials she will be able to supply all of the five food substances—protein, fat, carbohydrates, minerals and water—which are necessary for correct proportions of each. However, must be determined by the individual requirements and peculiarities. Appetite, age, sex, occupation, climate and season must all be considered when making a well-regulated diet for the normal person.

It should always be remembered that the ideal diet is that combination of foods which, while imposing the least burden on the body, supplies it with exactly sufficient material to meet its wants, and that any disregard of such a standard must inevitably prevent the best development of our powers.

The vegetable foods—peas, beans, lentils and nuts, particularly peanuts—that may be used in a measure as meat should often be found on the table. The peanut paste or butter made from finely-ground nuts is pleasing to the taste and very nutritious. Peanut-butter sandwiches make a wholesome lunch for school children.

Cupboard for Cooked Food.

I have been using for several years a home-made food closet which has proved to be a great convenience, writes a contributor. In warm weather, as I have no ice, I cook often, and place the food, until wanted, in the closet, which is well ventilated and safe from flies and ants. It stands in a cool room with open windows. It is four feet high, five feet long and two feet wide with three shelves. It has four short legs which raise it from the floor about six inches. The legs stand in small pans of water containing a little kerosene. Two doors with panels of fine wire netting occupy the entire front. The food closet is neatly painted and varnished and is both ornamental and useful, not only in summer, but in cool weather find it a safe and handy place to keep cooked food.

Good Jersey Roads.

The New Jersey legislature and state officials, aroused to their responsibility as producers of the best interests of their commonwealth, have voted millions of dollars to be used in constructing an ocean boulevard, to run the entire length of the coast. In a state already famous for its roads this will undoubtedly be the finest driveway in America and will be a superb addition to the already wonderful attractions of the Jersey coast. With the assistance of the United States government the state has also appropriated money for the dredging of an inland water way through the maze of bays, creeks and inlets from Bay Head to Cape May, which will make it possible for pleasure craft to ply between the resorts with absolute safety at all times.—National Magazine.

Mud Hole Is Costly.

The ravages of the boll weevil in Texas are estimated at millions of dollars annually, but the mud hole has been a more costly foe to millions of dollars in trying to find a way of eradicating the boll weevil but we do not have to spend money to learn how to eradicate bad roads—build good ones.

The boll weevil in destroying cotton decreases production and consequently increases the price of the remaining products, but bad roads levy their deadly toll against the producer and destroy the value of the remaining roads.

Study Road Needs.

While marketing the hogs and other crops is a splendid time to study the needs of road improvement, but it's a poor policy to let the matter stop with the study. The only way to accomplish the improvement is to put plans into definite action.

Have Roads 4-1/3 Per Cent.

Don't have grades on your road over 4-1/3 per cent; for if you do it will be necessary to build V-shaped surface ditches or "Thank-you-mam's" across the road.

MODERN OYSTER SHELL-MACADAM ROAD



The illustration shows a modern Oyster Shell-Macadam Road Between East Newmarket and Mt. Holly in the State of Maryland.

GOOD ROADS



LITTLE ROAD WORK IN FALL

Only Aim Should Be to Keep Them Hard and Well Drained—Cut Out All Weeds and Grass.

To those who are about to work up the highways, as is often done in some counties of the state in the fall, we would say, "Don't!"

Autumn is a beautiful season, but when we see a force of men "working" a new section of road and plowing the old road-bed late in the fall, it makes us think that the melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year. There is an element of this sort that lingers all winter over such a section of road. It is bound to be cut off of deep ruts in mild weather, and rougher than the rocky road to Dublin when the ground is frozen.

The only aim in working roads at this time of the year should be to keep them hard and well drained, says the Wisconsin Agriculturist. No loose dirt, clods or vegetable matter such as weeds and grass sods should be left on the road-bed. Sod and weeds make humus, and however much we desire a supply a humus in cultivated soils, it is a mighty poor road building material.

Clay roads should be packed and smoothed with the road drag, and not loosened up at any time of the year, much less just before winter sets in. Muddy and sandy tracts may be gravelled or macadamized. Tile drains and culverts are seen to be in good condition for draining away the ditch water. But places can well be hard-surfaced or cut to proper levels or slopes. But to plow and scrape loose soft material up on to the roadway is not good highway engineering for November. It is better to leave fairly firm road surfaces as they are, than to fill in with unpacked material at this season of the year.

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BANDITS' TRAGIC END

NOT VERY BOLD OR BLOODY; JUST TWO LITTLE BOYS.

Sad Fate of "Rattlesnake Jack" and "Bill the Biter" When Their "Robbers' Roost" Caved in and Smothered Them.

New York.—Two of the bandits are dead. They were caught in their own cave by the fall of the cave roof and were crushed to death.

But these were not very bold or bloody bandits; no poses rode the plains after them; no warrant, sworn to by Bell and Book, was out against them. Just two little boys, Johnnie Pecorella and Billy Blum, and their robbers' cave, where they met their death some time the other night, was in a vacant lot at 163 Hopkins avenue, East New York.

It was two other bandits who made the discovery of the tragedy in the cave early the next morning, and that is what made it all the more terrible for all the bold bandits who infest the mountain fastnesses about Hopkins avenue and Hull street. They took shovels, these scared bandits, and they dug frantically until they came on a shoe and a little patch of stocking and then—they grew sick with fear, and just had to cry.

Now, the bandits numbered fifteen or twenty youngsters, varying in age from 8 to 14 years. Before ever they dug their cave in the vacant lot on Hopkins avenue they took fearsome names to themselves. Johnnie Pecorella, 12 years old, who lived at 194 Rockaway avenue, was "Rattlesnake Jack;" Billy Blum, 9, was "Bill the Biter," when he was not tucked in his own bed at 50 Hull street; Little Johnny Good was "Rob Roy," and George Good was "Red Eye Mike." All the bandits were bound together by terrible oaths and "Rattlesnake Jack" had all their names, signed in blood, in an old oil can safe down in the cave.

The cave was a perfect robbers' stronghold. It was eight feet wide, the same number of feet long and about six feet deep. Over the top boards were laid; then tin and on top of all that dirt was spread, so that every bit of light was kept out of the cave. To get into the cave a robber had to drop on his knees and crawl through a tunnel ten feet long, with a fine twist in it, where a deputy sheriff could be murdered at one blow with the dirk. The cave was fitted up inside with strips of carpet and a packing case seat for the chief of the bandits, who was old "Rattlesnake" Johnnie Pecorella himself. Candles, "swiped" from home, gave light.

For several days the bandits had feared "Deadwood Dick," the trusty deputy sheriff, was on their trail and that he would loot their cave of evidence in their absence on some foray. So when word came that Deadwood was already coming down the mountainside from City Line with his trusty posse, the chief of the bandits and "Bill the Biter," otherwise Billy Blum, decided they would have to spend the night in their cave to guard it.

Early the other morning "Rattlesnake Jack's" father noticed his son was not at the breakfast table, also that his bed had not been slept in during the night. Pecorella, senior, inquired of his son, Tony, as to Johnny's whereabouts. Tony, who is also a bandit, admitted guiltily, that Johnny had spent the night guarding the cave. He was despatched instantly to bring the truant home.

Tony picked up Johnny Good and Montrose Buder and George Woods on the way to the cave. All of the bandits felt little nervous thrills of anxiety; they knew that their trusted chief and "Bill the Biter" had spent the night in the cave. When they arrived at the vacant lot they saw where the cave should be a sagging hole, with the splintered ends of beams and old strips of tin protruding.

Johnny Good ran and brought help and the bodies of the two boys were unearthed.

FIGHTING BULLS CHARGE AUTO

Four Persons Lose Their Lives in Attempt to Escape From Angry Animals.

Lisbon.—The famous fighting bulls of Portugal displayed their aversion to motor cars recently, when an automobile omnibus with ten passengers was proceeding along a country highway near Cintra, Portugal.

A herd of fighting bulls from a celebrated breeder's establishment suddenly appeared around a corner. Frightened by the throbbing of the engine, the bulls got out of hand and charged down on the vehicle. The driver hastily turned his machine and fled, pursued by the herd of infuriated animals, but being ignorant of the neighborhood he drove the heavy conveyance over a precipice into a ravine 80 feet below.

The driver and three passengers were killed outright, while the others were all seriously injured.

Fight Over Woman's Body.

Chicago.—Following a quarrel between two undertakers over the possession of Mrs. Helen Westland's body, one embalmer broke down the morgue door at Passavant hospital and seized the "prize."

Shoots a College Negro.

Raleigh, N. C.—Gordon Rhoades, Baptist university freshman, was too popular with the girls. Two masked students waylaid him to hase him. He shot one mortally. The other ran. Rhoades is held under heavy bail.

Race Suicide Threatens M. D. of A. R.

Kansas City, Mo.—"Race suicide" is threatening the Missouri daughters of the American race, according to a report made to the annual conference here. Only one new "daughter" was born in the last year.

WORLD OF REPTILES?

VENUS PICTURED AS BEING THE ABODE OF MONSTERS.

French Astronomer, Supposed to Be Flammarion, Paints Lurid Scenes of Young Planet—Covered With Stifling Mist of Air and Hot Water.

Paris.—"Life on the Planet Venus" is the title of a remarkable article which has just appeared in the Paris magazine, Lectures Pour Tous, and has attracted widespread attention from the boldness of its theories.

According to the writer, who, although anonymous, is believed to be Camille Flammarion, Venus, which is younger than the earth and older than Mercury, is now passing through the equivalent of what is called the secondary period by geologists.

"It is," he says, "a nightmare planet, a nest of reptiles, and a swarm of monsters. Under the stifling mist of air, saturated with hot water, lies a vast miry swamp, covered with rotting vegetable matter. From this spring forests of toadstools and ferns as high as date palms, and forests in which all creeping and slimy creatures that are vermin here take gigantic proportions.

"Insects are monsters there. Centipedes a yard long trail on their soft feet. Enormous spiders, black and velvety, possess jaws like wolfskull, filled with poison.

"In the prairies of giant moss-grass," continues this writer, "lives the diplocodons, as high as a house, always endeavoring to appease its insatiable hunger and keeping a lookout for a swift onslaught of the carnivorous triceratops, which it cannot hope to escape.

"Everywhere are sinister croakings, whistlings, forked tongues and the slaughter of giant saurians, which fight for the supremacy of the world. There are no flowers among the birds, only fern-like vegetation and no riods, but in the fiery air are seen constantly the membranous wings, ten yards across, and the snapping jaws of pterodactyls.

"The hot seas, filled with floating weeds, are above all full of innumerable living beings, octopi, with livid tentacles, colossal fish and zoophytes like living flowers, while here and there in the maddened whirlpools fearful dragons rise from the abyss, raising the masts over the spasm-shaken backs and swollen necks surrounded by vipers' heads.

"Twilight on Venus is blood red. The angry sun, as big as a millstone, descends to the horizon in the smoke of volcanoes and storm clouds. And black night comes, lighted by no moon and full of clamors and horrors.

"But when the ichthyosaurus rises on the crest of the waves to roar in the darkness he reflects in his eyes, pupilless and hard as glass, a beautiful star, accompanied by a little luminous point, which is the queen of heaven of Venus. It is our earth and the moon, her satellite.

"This writer thinks that owing to the relative warmth of the poles of Venus while this period of evolution is proceeding in the torrid zone, which occupies the greater part of the surface of the planet, it is possible—that at the poles species are already appearing which did not come until after the secondary epoch on the earth, such as great pachyderms covered with hair.

"And perhaps near those poles dwell already in caves a hairy being with projecting jaws, brutal and savage, but within whose thick skull pass some glimmerings of reason, and who is busily engaged in striking sparks from flints to protect his food from great, carnivorous animals."

ONE STANDARD OF HAPPINESS

It May Be Plain to the Ethiopian, but Is a Puzzle to Magistrate.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Just what the true Ethiopian standard of humor may be is still puzzling Magistrate Louis Alpern, at No. 2 police station. If a pair of colored persons of opposite sex, bound together by marriage vows, take a notion to wallop each other vigorously and the good wife nonchalantly inserts with force the sharp edge of a hatchet in her helpless husband's cranium and then saws out a chunk of his nose with the sharp corners of a broken plate—well, Mr. Alpern is rather inclined to believe it is "rough stuff."

At any rate, Mr. and Mrs. Washington of Poplar alley, when they were dragged before the magistrate the other day, explained that they had explained that they had only been playing when the strenuous manhandling took place. Mrs. Washington protested elaborately that his "old woman" never does fight and that their comubial life couldn't possibly be any happier. Mrs. Washington agreed vociferously. She appeared greatly mystified that any policeman should drag them into police court when they were "jes' havin' a little fun." It required a total of ten stitches to get Washington back in recognizable appearance and then the magistrate discharged them. He admonished the pair to be a trifle less demonstrative with their play in the future and to quit-firting with the morgue.

To Send Time From Paris.

Paris.—The exact time at a given moment in America and Europe will be established shortly by wireless telegraphy.

Condemned Man Respects Friends.

Westfield, Conn.—George Redding, New Haven actor and playwright, hanged here recently, refused to invite personal witnesses to his execution because he was superstitious that it might bring bad luck to them.

Used Her Husband's Teeth.

Cincinnati.—William Miller, a Civil war veteran, has been granted a divorce from Mrs. Caroline Miller. He said that when his wife left him she took his false teeth and used them herself.

FARMERS HOLD ANNUAL FAIR

Hampton Institute Host of Tillers of the Soil.

SPIRIT OF THRIFT GROWS.

Hundreds Respond to Invitations Sent Out by Messrs. Frissell and Graham For Conference and Exhibition of 'Agricultural Products—Ambition of Mrs. Harris Barrett.

Hampton, Va.—The Negro farmers' conference and fair, held annually at Hampton Institute, bring together several hundred enterprising and prosperous Virginia farmers and homemakers who are eager to improve their soil, increase their yields per acre and secure better homes and a more satisfactory community life.

Over \$300 will be distributed this year in prizes for farm products, domestic art, domestic science, manual training and public school exhibits. Invitations to the farmers' conference, held at the institution Nov. 20 and 21, were widely distributed. They were issued in the name of Dr. H. B. Frissell, the school's principal, and Mr. Charles K. Graham, director of the Hampton Institute agricultural department.

The large school gymnasium, which accommodates over 1,500 people, is filled at the conference time with interesting exhibits sent to Hampton Institute from all parts of Virginia. The Hampton farmers' conference is a telling testimony to the thrift and progress of Virginia Negroes.

It is an encouraging indication of what is being quietly done for race uplift through the co-operation of many agents—the preacher, the teacher, the industrial supervisor, the farm demonstration agent, the business man and the homemaker.

The following classification list of premiums will suggest the wide scope of the exhibition of farm, home and



HOMEMAKERS AT HAMPTON.

school products: Grains, forage and forage crop seeds, vegetables and roots, cotton, tobacco and peanuts; fresh and dried fruits, cured and smoked meats and poultry, domestic arts and domestic economy, dairy products, hand-made doormats and ax handles and public school work.

An interesting exhibit of canned fruits and vegetables, cakes and pies, children's and women's clothes and handwork of various kinds was prepared for the farmers' conference by the Homemakers' club of the Locust street social settlement, which is under the direction of its founder, Mrs. Harris Barrett, who was graduated from Hampton Institute in 1864.

Some of the excellent results of the Negro Home Garden association work, which was begun in 1911 by Mr. Jackson Davis, a southern white man who is the state supervisor of elementary schools in Virginia, were shown at the conference. Helpful addresses were given by Hampton workers and other experts. Interesting demonstrations were given for the benefit of all who are interested in home and farm life.

That the Hampton farmers' conference and fair are most helpful to the colored people of Virginia is unquestioned. Yearly they give the Hampton workers and students, as well as those who attend the conference from distant points, the opportunity of seeing what has been done to improve the condition of people on the soil and renewed inspiration for increased effort in pushing forward the Hampton idea of education.

Pretty Home Wedding in New York.
One of the most interesting marriages of recent date among the younger social leaders in New York was that of Mr. Charles C. Allison and Miss Lulu Belle Williams, which took place at the residence of the bride's mother at West One Hundred and Forty-fourth street. The ceremony which made the young couple man and wife was performed by the Rev. Dr. W. F. Hayes, pastor of the church. The bride was attended by Miss Madeline C. Allison, and Mr. Charles A. Hill was Mr. Allison's best man. Mr. and Mrs. Allison were the recipients of many tokens of esteem from their friends.

KEOKUK NEWS.

Mrs. Pearl Johnson has departed for Macomb, Ill., where she expects to permanently reside. Her daughter, Miss Cecil, will be greatly missed in the Coleridge-Taylor music club, which organization she has always taken such an active part in. Mr. McKinley Brooks of Quincy, Ill., is expected to spend Thanksgiving holidays with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Watkins.

We hope that our Keokuk subscribers will exercise due patience if our news articles do not appear each week. In every instance it is

not the fault of your correspondent, who is desirous of chronicling all news of importance. In this behalf I solicit your hearty co-operation. Don't turn the agent away because of meagre information regarding the happenings of your circle. With your assistance we can make our letter interesting. Telephone 2514 Hub. phone. Through the columns of the Bystander we want to let our friends out of the city know of the happenings in the Water Power City.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harvey Holt, who were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frye, on the eve of the 30th, are now located in their new modern home at 1504 Blondeau street. We are sorry that our letter giving full account of this society event was not given publication, as it was one of the prettiest weddings of recent occurrence. Mr. Holt is an employee of the First National Bank and is one of the very few young men that previously prepared a home for himself and bride. The best wishes of a host of friends are showered upon them.

Another wedding of much prominence occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Phillips on November 6th, at 10 o'clock a. m., when Rev. J. P. Sims of Bethel church united Miss Susie Clark and Mr. Bruce Conway Armstrong. These are both estimable young people that were born and reared in our midst and have the well wishes of their many friends, who are numbered by the score.

The basement interior of the Pilgrimage Rest Baptist church is being remodeled. A cement floor having been laid, the walls will be plastered and the ceiling furnished, which will add greatly to the appearance. Rev. Helm and congregation are to be congratulated for their untiring efforts in the beautifying of their church edifice.

Mrs. Ethel Brooks Watkins is the promoter of a play entitled "Tempest Tossed" that will be staged at St. Mary's Parish Hall, soon after Xmas. Several of our talented characters will take part. Mrs. Watkins is possessed of remarkable originality and is an elocutionist of exceptional ability.

The musical that was given at Bethel church under auspices of the Coleridge Taylor Music club was greatly enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Anna Himes, the resident, should be commended for her efforts to arouse interest toward the development of our musical talent.

Mr. Ed Roberson, grand chief mentor of the Iowa jurisdiction of Sir Knights and Daughters, has just returned from a trip to Centerville and Des Moines in the interest of the order.

Mrs. Mary Bland was hostess at a party given recently in honor of Mrs. Geo. Young of Peoria, who will probably make her home in Keokuk for the coming season.

Mr. Scott Mottley of Humboldt, Tenn., visited last week with his wife, Mrs. Chas. Buckner of New Boston and Mrs. Rufus Dandridge of near Summitville. As they had not seen their nephew for more than thirty-five years, hence it was quite a meeting.

A wave of crime seems to be prevalent in Keokuk for the past few months, but fortunately it is not all confined to our race. One of the most heart-rending of scenes was enacted last Monday at the noon hour at Cameron's transfer barn, when Enoch Hawkins and Frank Lewis became engaged in an altercation that resulted in the death of Mr. Lewis, caused by the inflicting of a knife wound by Mr. Hawkins. Mr. Lewis recently moved here from Missouri and has a wife and seven children. He has heretofore borne a good reputation. He has a wife and one child. It is not thought that Mr. Hawkins is a murderer at heart, as the men had previously been good friends. Sympathetic friends of both deplore the calamity of such a sad fate.

Deepest sorrow by many friends is expressed over the death of Miss Millie and Minnie Buckner, who were twin sisters, their demise having occurred only a few weeks apart. The family moved here from Missouri a few years ago. Of near surviving relatives they leave a father, mother and three sisters.

The death of Jimmie Allen, which occurred last week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Cox, on North Ninth street, is mourned by relatives and friends of deceased. His sisters, Mrs. Price of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. Owens of St. Paul, Minn., were here to another visit from the death angel called from our midst Bro. David Cross, a venerable and highly respected citizen of our community, and a member of Bethel A. M. E. church and one of the old local preachers. His death, which has been expected for some time, was largely due to the infirmities of old age. His son, Mr. Cross of Mississippi, who was in Arkansas before he was considered by some to be somewhat eccentric in his ideas, which perhaps was occasioned by the disadvantages of his youth. He leaves an estate of a few houses and lots, several hundred dollars in bank, together with a life insurance.

The members of the First African Baptist church and their pastor, Rev. Samuel Johnson, are now preparing to enter a revival. They are certainly doing a good work. The spirit of earnestness seems to prevail among them. Bro. Cross of Mississippi, who is a Baptist preacher, preached for them last Sunday morning and evening.

The members of Bethel church are working earnestly. The painting of the parsonage is now well under way and every one seems encouraged for a bright and prosperous year.

The members of the Union Baptist church are working with an enthusiastic spirit under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. Jas. Bowls.

The ladies of St. Mary's Parish Aid served a supper at St. John's church (white) several evenings ago. Proceeds were for the benefit of St. Mary's church.

Miss Volive Bailey of Vincennes, Iowa, was in our city last week to confer with Dr. E. F. Dorsey concerning general obstetrical and surgical nursing.

A social function of much prominence in which many of our readers will be interested occurred at the home of Mrs. Lulu Lamb near New Boston last Saturday, complimentary to Mr. Reed D. Lamb and his bride, Mrs. Mabel W. Lamb, who were wed in Kansas City on the 20th inst. About sixty guests responded to the invitations of the hostess. The day was one spent in a most pleasurable

way. The dinner was a most elaborate one consisting of everything in season. Mrs. Lamb is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ward of Kansas City, formerly of Peaskeville, Mo., and is much loved because of her quiet, unassuming disposition and manner. Mr. Lamb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lulu Lamb of New Boston, and is an industrious young man.

"It is a pleasure to tell you that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best cough medicine I have ever used," writes Mrs. Hugh Campbell, of Lavonia, Ga. "I have used it with all my children and the results have been highly satisfactory." For sale by all dealers.

BUXTON BRIEFS.

Mrs. Sarah Williams left Friday evening for Clarinda, Creston and Omaha, after spending about two weeks in Buxton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bailey, Miss Gertrude Lucas and Miss Vera Step were in Des Moines attending the Smart Set Sunday night, reporting a pleasant trip and a good show.

Milton Atkinson met with a slight accident in No. 15 mine last Wednesday. He is able to be out again.

Rev. T. H. Carr of Ottumwa, Wharton of the A. M. E. church this city, and F. B. Woodard of Mt. Zion Baptist church and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Guy were the guests of Mrs. Maggie Downs at a 6 o'clock dinner last Wednesday evening.

Rev. T. H. Carr left Saturday for Ottumwa, after having assisted Rev. Woodard in a splendid revival meeting, in which there were thirteen converts and several restored to the church. Rev. Carr is a splendid preacher and labors very earnestly while engaged. The meeting will continue this week and Rev. Biggs of Higbee, Mo., will assist Rev. Woodard.

Thanksgiving was observed at Mt. Zion church with special services. On account of the illness of the pastor the members of Tabernacle Baptist church joined in the service.

Mrs. W. A. Brown is on the sick list this week.

The Mission Circle met in the home of Mrs. Ed Howell last Thursday and listened to a very splendid program rendered by some of the members. A dainty lunch was served afterwards.

Geo. Rhodes, who was hurt in the mine several weeks ago, is getting around on crutches and is almost as noisy as he used to be.

Business must be picking up "sure enough" when you see the young man going shopping with the young lady. It looks like the bell is just about ready to toll. Ask "Ed" if you want to know any more about it.

The Church Aid society of Mt. Zion Baptist church celebrated their first anniversary last Sunday afternoon with a sermon and short program. While they only have twenty-four members, they are still encouraged and feel that ere long they will have the majority of the members enrolled. It is a splendid organization for the church and it is hoped that it will soon do away with that idea that the church people must belong to a secret organization or they will get no attention when sick.

Every member of the church should be a member of the aid society. Membership fee \$1.00, and 15 cents per month dues.

Tabernacle Church News.
Rev. Mandenhall will leave Tuesday for Hot Springs, Ark., for his health.

Little Myrtle Garrett is confined to her bed this week.

Mrs. S. B. White and children left Wednesday for Enterprise to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Pendleton.

Mrs. Chas. Simmons left Wednesday for Des Moines.

The Mission Circle will meet Thursday, December 5th, with Mrs. Ad Poe, No. 8 East Twelfth street.

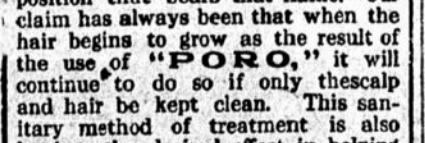
The entertainment given by the church Saturday night for the benefit of the pastor was a success.

Mrs. Laura F. White will leave Friday for a short visit with friends in Des Moines.

After spending a week in Centerville visiting friends, Miss Lillian Simmons returned home, reporting a pleasant stay.

Revs. Garrett and Green preached for Tabernacle congregation Sunday. Rev. Garrett preached in the morning and Rev. Green in the evening.

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WOODSON DEFEATED.

In the recent general election just held Hon. George H. Woodson of Monroe county, the regular republican nominee, was overwhelmingly defeated by the democrats. We are indeed sorry to note Mr. Woodson's defeat without regard to past feelings or petty differences that may have existed between him and a few of our race; it was too bad. As to qualifications he had no equal on either the democrat or socialist tickets. It was simply prejudice on the part of the white republicans. They knifed him in every precinct in the county and even in Albia, where we would think there would be less prejudice, he was cut. He has always been if Albia wanted anything they would send for Geo. Woodson and try to get Buxton's aid and that they should register the target vote against Mr. Woodson and the Buxton candidate is indeed worse than hypocrisy. All the other republican county officers were elected except Mr. Woodson and the county attorney. Below we will give a record of the vote on Woodson at the primaries and at the election:

Woodson's vote at the June primaries:	
Woodson	93
Sloan	44
Albia, 1st ward.	54
Albia, 2d ward.	73
Albia, 3d ward.	28
Albia, 4th ward.	117
Avery	9
Bluff Creek	81
Buxton No. 1.	276
Buxton No. 2.	310
Cedar	14
Foster	6
Franklin	10
Georgetown	11
Hilman	26
Hocking	70
Hynes	37
Jackson	2
Lockman	16
Mantua	16
Pleasant	10
Troy	26
Union	25
Wayne	8
Wayne	5
Totals	1,177

Woodson's vote at election:

Woodson	160
Albia, 1st ward.	56
Albia, 2d ward.	102
Albia, 3d ward.	70
Albia, 4th ward.	196
Avery	24
Bluff Creek	122
Buxton No. 1.	287
Buxton No. 2.	292
Cedar	31
Franklin	20
Foster	26
Georgetown	14
Hilman	54
Hocking	25
Hynes	39
Jackson	26
Lockman	22
Mantua	23
Pleasant	30
Troy	47
Union	65
Wayne	31
Wayne	15
Wayne	9
Totals	1,473

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Mrs. J. Kenner of Marshall, Mo., Grand Matron of the H. of J., spent several days of last week in this city. She was elected at their last annual meeting. Hence this was her first official visit to that society. Mr. and Mrs. Kenner have been living at Marshall for a number of years and being in good financial condition they have visited a number of different cities, and it is a pleasure to meet Mrs. Kenner as she is a good lecturer and highly educated.

Miss M. L. Fitzhugh, the blind dramatic soprano, gave a concert at the U. B. F. hall last Monday night. The full effect of her singing was marred by the poor condition of the piano, which was not in tune, and it is to be regretted that a good singer as she was compelled to use such a dilapidated piano. The persons who had charge of the concert should have secured a piano in good condition. Miss Fitzhugh was born in St. Louis and educated in our state school for the blind. She plays the piano, recites pantomime, sew and crochets, also reads and copies music by the Braille system and travels alone, and is making a tour of the western states.

Mr. Prince McLaugh of 2805 Mary street was in Richmond a few days last week to attend the funeral of his aunt, who succumbed to a stroke of apoplexy.

The indoor carnival that was given by the Masonic lodge at their hall from the 18th to 23d inst. to replenish the treasury of their building fund, was very successful. As the attendance was very good and as their expenses were not very much they must have secured a good sum of money for that fund.

Dr. F. N. Goodson went to Lincoln, Neb., last week to perform an operation.

Mr. Geo. Kerford of Atchison, Kas., spent Sunday in our city. He is the junior member of Kerford & Son, manufacturers of crushed stones.

Frank Madison of Des Moines, a former resident of this city, spent Sunday and Monday with relatives and friends here.

Robt. Sweeney was in Excelsior Springs the latter part of last week.

Mr. Whit Gassaway was in Atchison, Kas., a few days this week.

A number of people from this city spent yesterday in Kansas City and Topeka, Kas.

Next Sunday is the regular monthly meeting for the "special program" by Y. M. C. A., at which time women will be admitted, and the committee has prepared an excellent program, which will begin promptly at 4 p. m., and a cordial invitation is extended to the public.

The K. of P. band gave a concert at the New Hope Baptist church last Monday night to an appreciative audience.

On the 21st inst. at 202 N. Twenty-second street about 100 guests were present to witness the marriage of Miss Lottie Hicks to Mr. William Washington. Her sister, Miss Minnie, and Mr. Howard Walker were the attendants and Rev. E. M. Cochran performed the ceremony. They were the recipients of a number of pretty and useful presents. The groom has been employed for a number of years at the Brady Carpet Co. The bride came from Plattburg, Mo., but has been a resident of this city for several years, and we, with their many friends, extend our congratulations. It was the prettiest late autumn wedding of the season.

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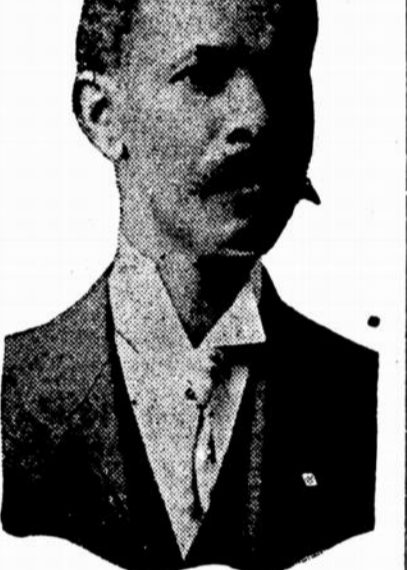
Brief Account of the Labors of a Native Mississippian Who by Persistent Study Has Attained Distinction in Many Fields of Usefulness in the North—Authority on Dunbar.

By CLEVELAND G. ALLEN.

Boston.—One of the most highly trained literary men of the race is Professor Charles Alexander, the well known lecturer and formerly the editor and publisher of Alexander's Magazine. Mr. Alexander has had a long and interesting literary career and has served in many capacities which have called for the exercise of the highest academic training.

His poems, short stories and essays which have appeared in the colored press have made him acquainted with a large number of readers of the race. Perhaps few men of the race have held higher positions calling for the exercise of more ability than he.

For a number of years he was employed in the capacity of reporter, night desk man and exchange editor of the Boston Daily Standard and the



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Philadelphia Times, two of the largest and most influential white dailies of the country.

Professor Alexander was born in Mississippi. He was educated in the public schools of his native city and of New London, Conn., where he went at an early age. After the completion of his education he returned south and began his career as teacher in the Agricultural and Mechanical college at Normal, Ala., where he remained for four years. He also taught at Tuskegee and Wilberforce university, in Ohio, where he also remained for four years. He is well known as a publisher, having published in Boston the Monthly Review and Alexander's Magazine. He has also published the Wilberforce Student and the Normal Index. While editing Alexander's Magazine in Boston he ran in connection with its publication a successful job printing plant.

For the past few years Professor Alexander has been giving lectures on the life of Paul Laurence Dunbar. He is recognized as an authority on Dunbar, and his lectures, which have been given before large and representative audiences of both races throughout the country, have been pronounced by critics to be one of the highest tributes that has ever been paid the lamented poet.

Professor Alexander in his lectures calls to mind in the most vivid manner the genius of Dunbar. He has reviewed books for some of the largest publishers of the country and has been recognized as an expert along that line.

He takes a keen interest in all movements having for their aim the betterment of the race. He is also the field agent of the National Religious Training school of Durham, N. C. Professor Alexander is a man of pleasing address and gives evidence of wide culture. He is one of the most interesting lecturers of the race. He has a wide acquaintance with the most prominent men and women of the race. In Boston, where he is best known, he holds wide influence in the intellectual life of the city.

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R. B. Thode, plaintiff,
vs.
Middleton Manufacturing Company, Siff Bros., Clinton W. Sweet, Lampher, Skinner & Co., et al, defendants.

To Middleton Manufacturing Company, Siff Bros., Clinton W. Sweet, and Lampher, Skinner & Co., above named defendants:

You, and each of you are hereby notified that the petition of the plaintiff in the above entitled cause is now on file in the office of the clerk of the district court of Iowa, in and for Polk county, claiming of you the sum of \$594.88, with eight per cent interest per annum on said sum from August 1, 1912, as justly due plaintiff upon the promissory note for \$700.00 bearing date the 27th of January, 1908, made by Lillie V. Heavilin and C. H. Heavilin, bearing seven per cent interest per annum from February 1, 1908, payable semi-annually, and due and payable in the following installments, to-wit: \$100.00 on February 1, 1909; \$100.00 on February 1, 1910, and \$500.00 on February 1, 1911, which note remains wholly unpaid, except the sum of \$100.00 paid thereon April 12, 1909, and the sum of \$50.00 paid thereon May 19, 1910. On April 10, 1911, the said note was renewed and extended to February 1, 1912, at 8 per cent interest from February 1, 1911. The said note is made payable to the order of plaintiff, who is still the holder thereof. Plaintiff also asks judgment for \$60.00 paid by him for insurance upon the building situated on the real estate hereinafter described, and for the sum of \$10.00 expended by him for continuation of abstract of title to said real estate, with eight per cent interest on said several sums from August 1, 1912, and for the costs of this action, including attorney's fees.

Also asking the foreclosure of the certain mortgage of even date with said note and securing the same, upon the south 28 feet of lot 3, in block 31, in the Town of Des Moines, now in and a part of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, and claiming that the lien of said mortgage is prior and superior to the rights or interests of each and all of the defendants. No personal judgment is asked except against the defendants, Lillie V. Heavilin and C. H. Heavilin. For further particulars see plaintiff's petition, and take notice of any amendment which may be filed thereto. And unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the January term of said court, being the January term of said court, and decree rendered thereon. Dated this 19th day of November, 1912.

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